

Twenty-Five Ways to be a Friend

1. Walk up to her and introduce yourself first.
2. Ask her questions about herself.
3. Bring her a surprise Starbucks or dessert.
4. Bring her family a meal (home cooked, Panera, or Schwan's, the choice is yours).
5. Invite her to your casa for a movie, for coffee, for whatever.
6. Listen more than talk.
7. Love her where she is, not where you wish she was.
8. Build her up to her face *and* behind her back.
9. Invite her to events or get-togethers you are invited to.
10. Love on her kids.
11. Love on her pets.
12. Email or facebook her a "just thinking of you" note.
13. Offer help with painting walls or planting flowers.
14. Give her grace and the benefit of the doubt.
15. Do a Bible study together.
16. Share your books.
17. Walk, run, or take an exercise class together.
18. Whisk her kids away for a play date with yours.
19. Enjoy lunch or dinner together out and about.
20. Share your weaknesses and imperfections.
21. Send her a card.
22. Be empathetic.
23. Show up ~ let your yes be yes.
24. Appreciate her in your words and heart.
25. Pray for her.

(And 4 Bonus Tips from the resident 9 year old girl!)

1. Be nice and kind.
2. Play with her.
3. Give her a helping hand.
4. Ask her.