

## REFLECTION IDEAS – Jesus, the friend

Matthew Chapter 26 verses 31-35, John Chapter 18 verses 15-27,  
John Chapter 21 verses 1-17.

Christians describe Jesus in lots of ways. One of these is as a friend: someone who can draw alongside us and share in the good moments, but also in the more difficult times. Someone who knows us well, our good and bad points, forgives us if we get things wrong and cares about us.

The Bible story for this video comes from the New Testament and tells the story of Peter, one of Jesus disciples, his friends. Peter was known for his quick temper, for getting things wrong, and speaking before thinking when he should probably have stayed quiet. He remained a close friend of Jesus but when Jesus was betrayed and arrested, Peter denied ever knowing Jesus – three times before the cockerel crowed. However, once Jesus returned to his friends after his resurrection, he completely forgave Peter and gave him a special job to do.

*What qualities do you think make a good friend?*

*Can you think of a time when you have been helped by a friend?*

*How might Christians rely on Jesus as a friend?*

### Links

A version of the bible story can be found here: <https://youtu.be/Ppb9bKX1r7k>

Please check if this is suitable for your group.

## Inspire Prayer Space Activity – Friendship

### Equipment

- Two lengths of string or wool, of different colours.

### Description

- Friends are very important to us as they can support us in difficult times as well as being with us in good times. This activity helps children to think about what makes a good friend and how they can be good friends to others. You may like to make some suggestions of what these events or characteristics might be.

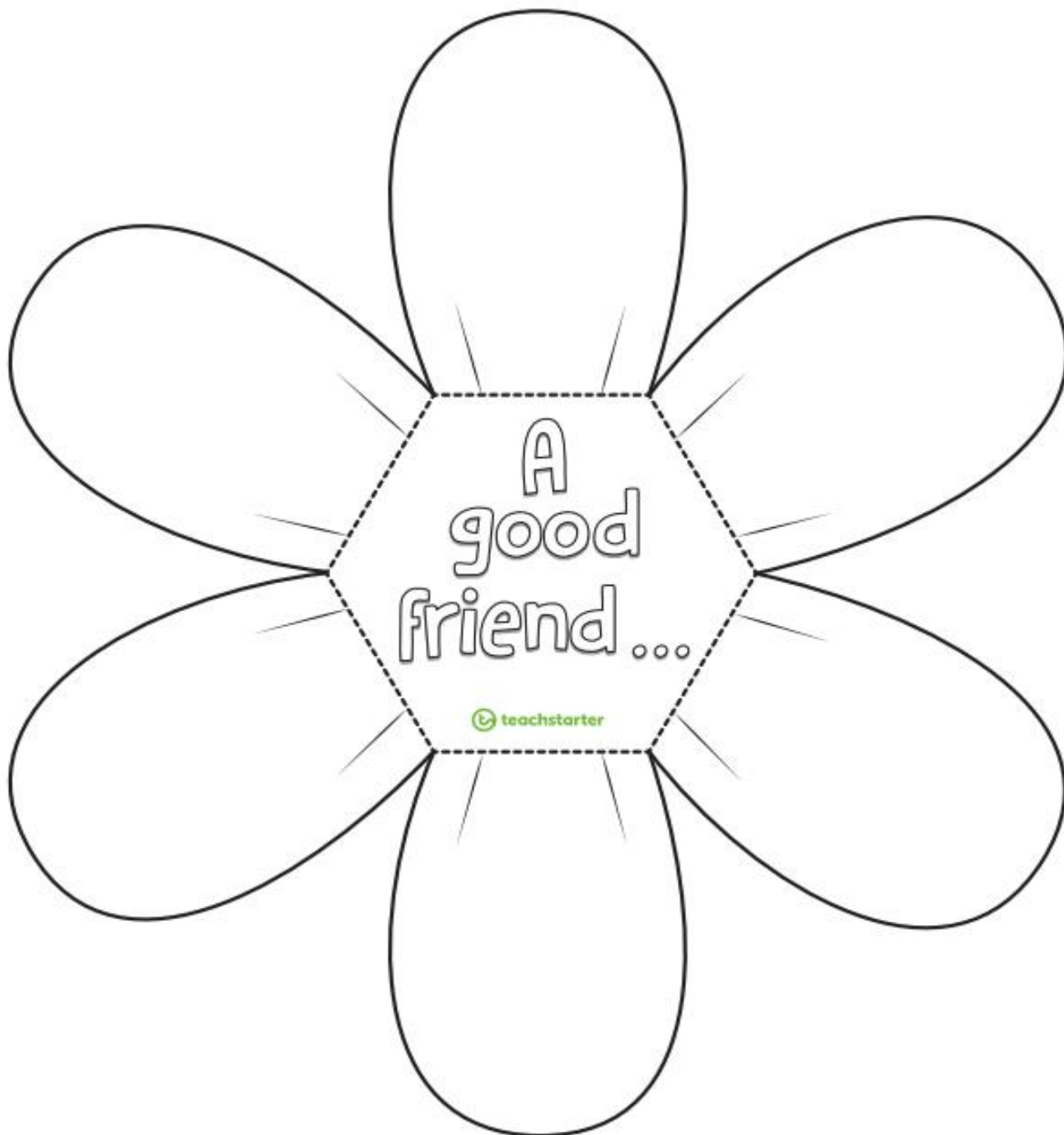
### Instructions

- Think about what makes a good friend – what are the important things. Think of times when someone has been a good friend to you, or you have had the chance to be a good friend to someone else.
- Take two pieces of string or wool, side by side, and tie a knot in them each time you think of one of these times, or a particular thing that makes a good friend. Keep this to remember what holds good friends together.



See below for activity sheets

## What makes a good friend? – craft activity



### Instructions:

1. Fill each petal with a word, sentence or picture that describes what a good friend does.
2. Decorate your friendship flower.
3. Cut out the flower and fold each petal along the dotted lines.

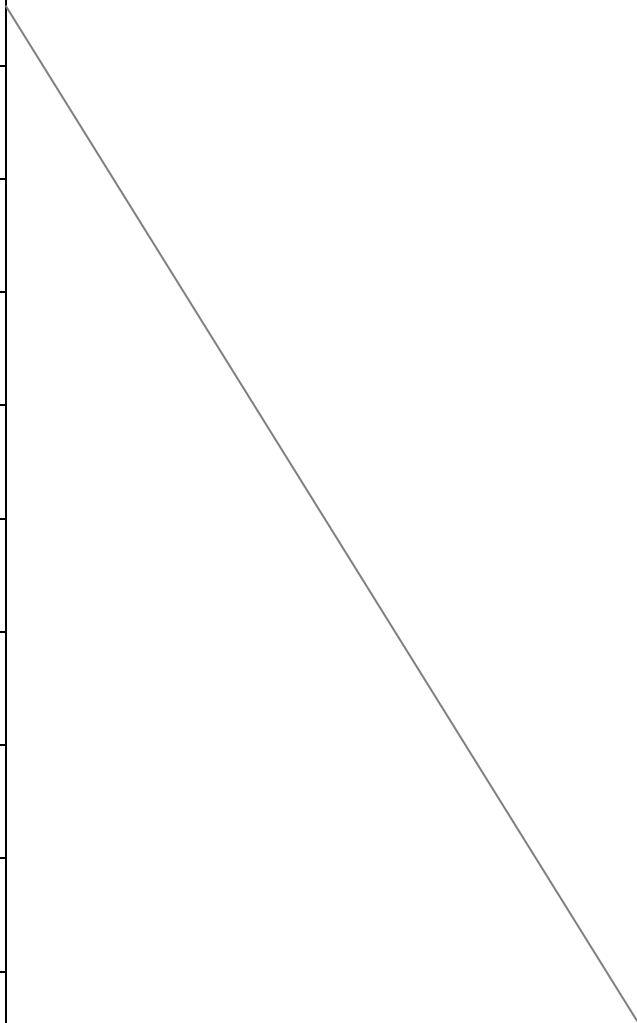


## Pairs Game

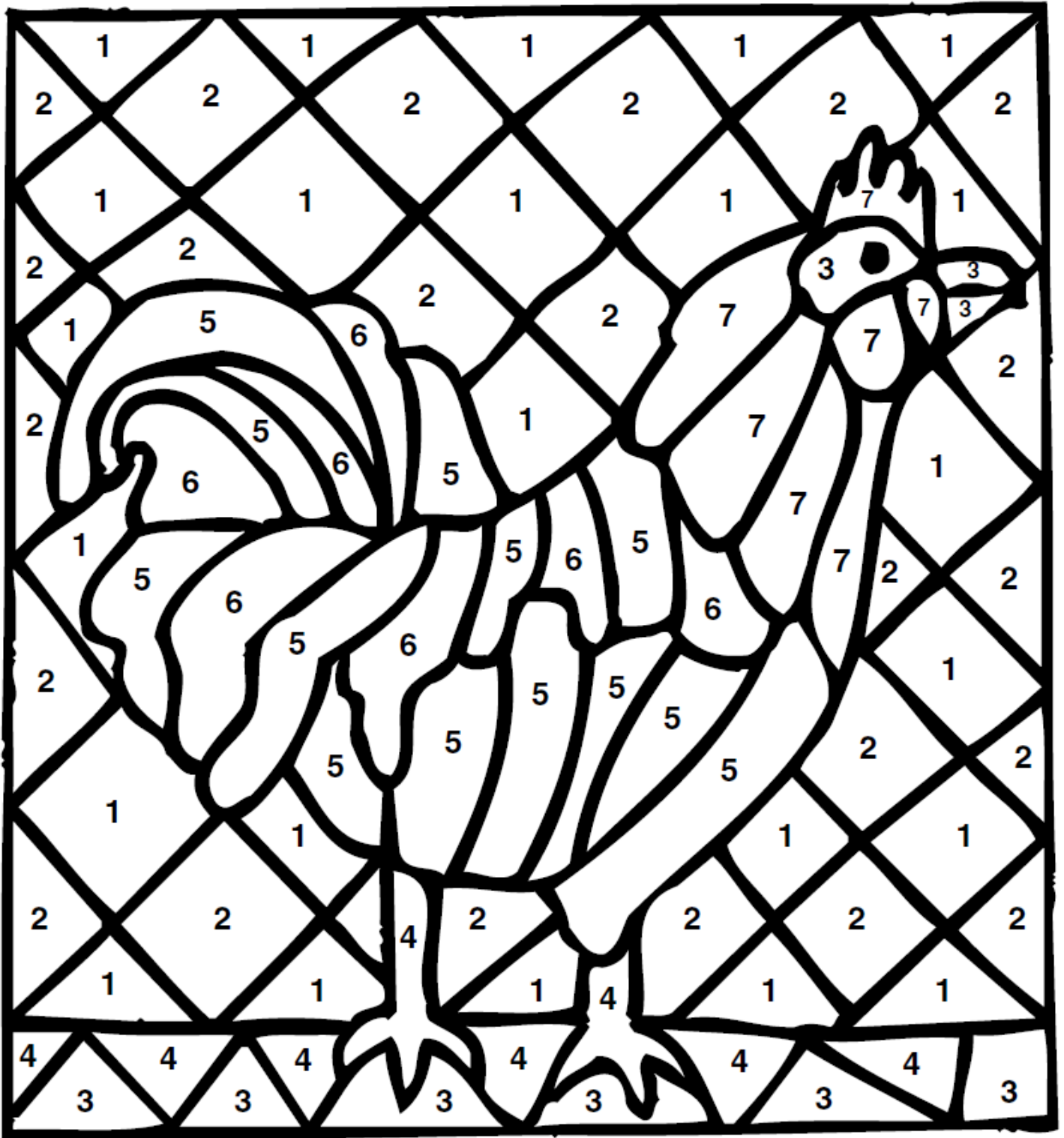
In the video the team played pairs games. Can you match the words below to their pair?

The first one is done for you.

table	fork
cup	chips
bacon	seek
fish	socks
bread	saucer
pen	spade
needle	pepper
day	key
shoes	night
lock	chair
peanut butter	thread
bat	jam
knife	paper
salt	ball
bucket	butter
hide	eggs



# *I Don't Know Him*



Luke 22:54-62

At the last supper Peter professed his love for Jesus. But later he denied knowing Jesus three times.

What farm animal reminded Peter of his lies?

**Use the color code to find out:**

1=Green 2=Blue 3=Yellow 4=Orange 5=Brown 6=Black 7=Red





# Bible Pathway Adventures

WORD SEARCH

## PETER'S DENIAL

V J L R R S K Z H T X A O T M F K W E J  
F W Z W U C A I A P H A S C O E Y O F B  
I P A S S O V E R U A J R H U U F J U A  
J T J F W U G C Y L T T O S N R J O N G  
C E E A S H Y Q U L N O I A T G A U L J  
P X O M R E S K W N L T O N O A L U E U  
E R H R P H B A L A C H Y H F L T Z A P  
T P X H E L C T Q K Q V W E O I R M V X  
E Y N L Q S E N B G V P U D L L O U E R  
R M A O T O K C N J E Q U R I E O O N W  
V I T G W K J H R T V T E I V A S E E W  
H Y E S H U A D S I C V H N E N T H D V  
K E Q A T R B S K X E U X S S G E W B P  
D I S C I P L E E W K R K Z E Q R U R O  
N D H Y B H I G H P R I E S T M T H E N  
G Z E M N U X A I Y P B S O B R A C A Z  
M Q D N I S U L Q U T E M P L E L N D I  
M B B A Y S Q R Z X I J O S F M M K E B  
P U P F B E T R A Y A L E A H H M F J T  
S E R V A N T A M A S T E R Y X P C S F

PASSOVER

GALILEAN

PETER

MASTER

HIGH PRIEST

MOUNT OF OLIVES

ROOSTER

BETRAYAL

TEMPLE CRIER

DENY

CAIAPHAS

TEMPLE

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