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## DIDACTIC UNIT 4 - HISTORY

### Lesson plan 1

Type of love: Philia

Topic: Historical friendships

#### INTRODUCTION (7 minutes)

Students choose an imaginary friend who should be a famous historical figure. They explain why they chose this person and what they would talk about with this historical figure. Each student gives feedback to the class and the teacher.

#### DEVELOPMENT (25 minutes)

##### Main activities:

1. Pairwork - In pairs, students read about the friendship of two famous historical individuals (*HELEN KELLER AND MARK TWAIN, HELEN KELLER AND ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL, JOHN F. KENNEDY AND FRANK SINATRA, J.R.R. TOLKIEN AND C.S. LEWIS, ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE AND HARRY HOUDINI, MARK TWAIN AND NIKOLA TESLA, WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART AND JOSEPH HAYDN*). They discuss what they know about the individuals and what they think about their relationship. They also have to analyze the historical period that the famous individuals lived in. Then they prepare a dialogue between the two friends, based on what they read about.

2. Roleplays - Students explain which historical period their characters are from, what famous historical events happened at that time. Then they act out the roleplay.

#### CONCLUSION (10 minutes)

Students work in small groups. They are given a 3x5 card. The teacher chooses “friendship” as a topic, and they each write out a question for anyone in the group to answer about friendship. For example, “What do you value most in a friend?” or, “Who was your best friend growing up and why?” Topic ideas: jobs, life goals, funny stories, hobbies, family, fears, significant relationships, historical friendships.



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### **FOLLOW-UP** (3 minutes)

**Homework:** Choose two famous individuals from history who could be friends in your opinion. Prepare a short presentation. Include an explanation of the historical period that the two "friends" lived in. Then talk about their relationship and explain why you think they could have been good friends in the past.



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