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Grade 5

Writing

11 I agree with Emma. Most people disagree with their friends, even on little things like watching the same movie, but you don't see them not being friends. It has been proven that differences in friends actually help them become better friends because they work out their problems and become closer. I think that Emma and George can definitely still be friends. They didn't even really have a bad fight. (Paragraph 3, sentences 4-6) "It was not a bad fight, as fights go. Neither one insulted the other or said anything mean. Still, Emma felt uncomfortable." They can still be friends also because they are both able to realize their mistake and apologize to eachother and they were good sports about it.

⓫ I do agree with Emma for these reasons. Firstly, because it's just a movie and why would a movie break their freindship? It would have had to be a MUCH bigger fight in order to break their freindship. Next, Emma is right because even though they got in a fight, there were no heart feelings so it wasn't such a big deal. A fight really only matters when someones feelings get heart. Finally, they handled it in a very mature manner. George called Emma and Emma said they should be friends. That shows they are both mature and that they must really like eachother. In conclusion, I agree with Emma because the fight wasn't that big.

⓫ In "Agreeing To Disagree" when Emma says even thaugh George and Emma fight or disagree they can still be friends. I agree. I agree because in the story they only fought about the movie. If that were me I would try not to fight about a silly thing like that because you can lose a good friend. I also agree they can still be friends because one can do what one wants on one weekend and then the next weekend the other one can do what the other one wants to do on that weekend. I think they can find there way around the fight and be friends.

⓫ Yes, I do agree with Emma that she and George can disagree and still be friends because, there is no perfect relationship. All friends have fights and disagreements every now and then. A good thing is that Emma and George appologized to each other because I don't know about you, but I certainly don't know anybody who likes to fight besides wrestlers and guys like that. Emma and George also felt uncofortable about their disagreement, which makes a good friendship. That is why I agree with Emma that she and George can still be friends.

⓫ Yeah I agree with her. I agree with her because they sound like good friends and they should only watch that movie sometimes. I still think that they should watch another movie though. But, yeah they should still be friends.

11 I think Emma is right because friends should not start not liking eachother because They disagreed on a movie that they watch every weekend that Emma goes over to Gorge's house. If Emm walks out on Gorge she does not have to be mad at him and they not be friend for awhile Later Gorge called her back and he said we need to talk about this some more and Emma said she was sorry for walking out on Gorge and Gorge said he was sorry about making Emma watch the same movie every time she come over to watch a movie with Gorge on the weekends.

11 Yes, I do agree with Emma be cause everybody gets into arguments with their friends sometimes.

⓫ I think they should stay freends because eventhod they had a fight and after they both felt bad for what they did.

⓫

Emma invites her firend over to wach a move and they are fiting over a move. They say lets watch George jokingly but Emma's firend says lets not watch it so she says lets JUST whatch one move and we can watch the other one after.

⓬ Gorillas are very humble creatures. They spend hours grooming each other for bugs and looking for food. A strong male usually decides when it is time to eat and rest. Adults like to rest during the day but they must still make nests in the trees for them and their young. While adult Gorillas rest, the younger Gorillas grow strong by playing together, although Gorillas are usually very gentle creatures, They become feirce, dangerous animals when time comes to protect their family. Gorillas are an amazing species. They do all of these things and many more.

⓬ Gorilla families are gentle and loving and VERY protective of their family. Well at least the males are. They build nests in trees to sleep and the babies sleep with the mothers at night. They spend hours a day grooming and cleaning each other. The Adults rest during the day while the young gorillas play. They spend many hours searching for food and many hours eating. The males protect their families with courage and strength. The strong male gorilla decides all eating times. he also makes desicions on when they shut their eyes! Those are my Facts About Gorillas!

⓬ Gorilla families are very interesting. Here are some facts on them. They are gentle animals but, also protective with there family. Most of the time they spend hours looking for food. The strong, male gorilla decides when they eat and rest. The families will spend hours cleaning there hair. When the adults rest in the day, the gorillas play. One last fact is they build nest in trees and the babies sleep with the mothers at night.

What interesting animals.

⓬ In gorilla families, life seems fun. Gorillas are gentle creatures, but will protect themselves if nessusary. Adults like to sleep through the day, while the children play. Later, they spend hours grooming each other. In each group of gorillas, there is a strong male gorilla leader that chooses when they eat and rest. Then they spend many hours looking for food and eating. Then they make nests in the trees. And the little babies fall asleep on their mothers.

⓬ Gorilla families are like us for many resons. To begin with goung gorillas play during the day so do young humans when their not in school taking N.E.C.A.P.S.. Next gorilla baby's sleep with their mothers at night. Finally gorilla's are gentle but will protect their familiy's. In conclusion gorilla's are just like us humans.

⓬ The gorilla family likes to build nests
I looks like they travel to get
food to eat and the adults like
to sleep during the as the young gorillas
play and they spend hours cleaning each
others hair so I think gorillas
care about each other a lot the
gorillas life may not be easy but
they have eachother to protect
that is a life of a gorilla.

⓬

Gorilla families are animals who are bigger than monkeys and spend time with the each other.

⓬ The gorilla's family is like protective they care for oneanother and the groome other.

⓬ Gorillas are like humans because we don't have a tail and they don't have a tail.

⓭ Yes, this passage makes me want to read the entire book. In pa-ra-graph two, I was surprised that many people in the world perfer a live oyster or bowl of bugs over pizza. Then I understood why it depends on where you live and what you're used to eating. It put me in shock when I learned many africans will eat a cooked grasshopper or two. The passage stated that kids from Europe and Asia love to eat fish heads. Nevermind the head, but I have never in my life ate fish at all. I would love to learn a-bout the different foods different cultures eat. That is why the passage makes me want to read the entire book.

⓭ I probably wouldn't want to read more. I don't want to because thinking about eating grasshoppers kind of makes me sick to the stomach. I think I would rather pick up a more delightful book. To me, I'm thankful someone invented the refrigerator! I wouldn't want to eat cockroach cookies and fish gills everyday, I would rather eat some string! Well, maybe I wouldn't go that far.

⓭ This passage makes me want to read the entire book because it sounds like it would be interesting to find out what other people eat around the world. Like I didin't know that Africans think that cooked grasshopper has a delightful crunch, or that kids in Europe and Aisa love to eat fish heads, and I thought most people in America ate pizza not oysters. That is why I want to read the entire book.

⓭ Yes!! Definitly I want to read this book because It has such Good Detail. Plus I want to know what other people eat around the world. like if I said cockroaches are gross people in afrika would say pasta is gross but I bet If I try cockroach I would like it. and they would like pasta, So you can't judge a food by what It looks like. So Yes, I would love to read this book Really bad.

⓭ Yes it does because it is giving a nice hook. Also, it is very interesting and gets me thinking Like when he Says most people would <u>not</u> answer pizza. When it Says you might have a hankering for some horrid spinach. I would love to have that book to read expecially when my family doesn't know what to eat for dinner.

⓭ Yes it dose make me want to read the rest because it did not tell me the sickest foods.

⓭ NO it doesnot. I do not know why but it just does not make me feel like I want to read the entire book. I just doesn't make me feel like I want to read the book. I like to say that I would eat pizza but not anything eals. I don't like to eat other stuff like oysters.

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I eat piece of pizza for lunch. my favorite pizza is pepperoni. NO Why you didn't read the whole book.

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"Come on!" yelled tim's mom waiting in the car on sunday morning, "if you want to get good seats we should leave now." Tim stuffed the egg into his jacket and tumbled down the stairs, flung through the door and slipped into the car. His mom said, "You've been acting very strange lately." "No way!" replied tim. He starred down at the large dragon egg in his palms, it was about the size of his little sister's (Molly) head. Suddenly, he heard a, "CRACKK!" and Tims mother yelped "What was that!" she flipped her head back, Slyly, Tim slithered it behind his back, by the time her eyes were focused on him. "Oh, just me clearing my throght," lied tim, he coughed to show proof. He put a finger to his lips and went "shhh!" at the egg, Molly the 6 year old wonder of tattle-tailing yipped like a chiwawa "Tim is talking to a rock!" after that, again Tim's mother zipped around to see the comotion, again he slipped the dragonegg behind his back, if his mother saw she would scream, rip the egg from me and throw it out the window. he thought luckily, he only had a few close calls with the "egg secrect." It turns out the "egg secret" has only been around because of chores. Chores, Chor-

es, Chores. He had the plan all out, he would say, "If you hadn't told me to go out and rake the leaves, then I wouldn't have wandered in to the hedge to look at a green and red, glowing, egg-shaped mystery, plus if you hadn't made me I wouln't have been so curious," he played it through his head and found he should cut the last part out. Then he heard a giant rumble, his stomach, he said "I don't care about the seats, I'm hungry," "Well, I guess if you want bad seats we can stop for lunch" said his mom. They pulled into Quizno's. They jumped out of the car, Molly still struggling in her carseat. After Molly was out, we all walked to the door of Quizno's. I could hear Molly's dress-up shoes clacking on the cement. Suddenly a thought shot up like a firework into my brain, the egg was still in my jacket! I could not walk into public with a dragon egg in my jacket, My stomach churned, I wasn't hungry anymore, I couldn't go back! We swung

through the door to Quizno's. Molly and I sat at a tall circle table while Mom ordered. Finally she came back with the food. I dug into my roast beef sandwich when I heard the same dreaded "Crack!" I felt a flutter in my jacket, I knew it, It found the path out of my coat and flew straight above me, then the dragon did somthing that I did not think would happen it puffed a small flame out of it's mouth. I heard people yell and scream, "It's a dragon!" I felt like running, It swerved aroun every corner, it look like it was looking for food. Finally, the manager ran out and lured it into an empty cabenit. I didn't realize it but it turned out channel 5 news was there the newspaper, even some police! The police crew got the dragon under control and then walked over to me. I was just barely holding in my tears when I finished my confesion. I thought they were going to arrest me but then, they started to laugh. I was mortified. They said "If youre going to hold a secret in that exicteing you might as well tell." Sadly, we missed the play, but now I know to always be honest!

⓮ It was Haloween, and Joey was trick or treating with his friends. They had been to maybe 2 or 3 houses when they stopped at a rustic-looking house that had probably been built in colonial times. Joey, a Star Wars charachter, darted down the brick path with his friends. They stood there for about ten seconds. Then the door opened. An elderly woman dressed in a white blouse and crocs looked down on the gang. "Look at your nice costumes. Come in." They went past the kitchen, which had a very small TV and a table for 4. Then into the hall they went, and they marveled at the buckets of candy lining the walls. "You each may take ten." the woman said. There was every thing from caramel to candy corn. Joey's eyes glowed as he wisely picked his loot. When they each had added ten to their pillow cases, they thanked the woman and left. "Wow, we hit the jackpot." Joey said to his friend steven. They went

on long into the night. They easily had 30 done when all wanted to turn in. All but Joey, who had about ten more pieces of candy to go before he filled his pillowcase. Then he thought up a lie. There was a lonely adult following a group of vampires, monster trucks and aliens. Joey told Steven that it was his old first grade teacher and he wanted to say hi. Knowing what Joey might do if they left, Steven and the group stayed put. Instead of mingling Joey passed the strangers and went straight to the colonial, candy-rich house. Then Joey did his stuff. The old woman fell for the trick and Joey got ten more pieces of candy. He then left and went back to his friends. They all slept well that night except Joey. The next morning everyone met at Steven's house, where he called an official Halloween candy trading ceremony. They had just dumped their loot on the table

when Steven noticed something. "Hey, Joey, it seems like you have more candy than the rest of us." There was an akward silence. Then it all came out in one breath. Steven looked at Jamal. He looked at Colin. Colin looked at Greg. Greg looked at Joey. He nodded mournfully and put up 5 fingers. Steven, Jamal, Colin, and Greg each took 5 pieces of Joey's candy.

So the moral is, When you lie who are you really cheating.

14 Lea looked up at her ceiling. It was a gloomy Saturday afternoon. The sun shone and the weather was beautiful, but it was still gloomy to Lea because Lea had lied to her friend Katilyn. When Katilyn moved from Miami, Florida, she was instantly popular. With her wavy, blond hair, big blue eyes, tan skin, and georgeous figure, Katiyn was an instant hit. Katilyn had always asked about Lea's mom, who Katilyn knew was divorced, but wasn't being mean about. She asked questions like "How old is she?" or "What is she like?" or "Is she nice?" and all that junk. Lea thought if Katilyn knew what her mom was like, she wouldn't like Lea as much.

Lea's mom was short and squat, with plain brown-gray short hair and she was nearly 50 years old! She was nothing at all like Katilyn's mom.

Katilyn's mom was 32, with long, wavy brown hair, she was tall, lean,

fit and tan. In the dictionary under the word "beautiful," would be Katilyn's mom's picture.

"Lea, lunch time" Lea's dad had called. "Guess what, I got the best news. Your mom is coming over tonight to meet Katilyn!" Even though Lea's parent's didn't love each other any more, they were still good friends.

"Oh, no" Lea thought. Katilyn couldn't meet her mom!

"My mom's 29, with wavy black hair down to her waist, with big green eyes. Her skin is beautiful and she is 6' 1"," that's what Lea had said to Katilyn. Now she knew what she had to do. After a long walk she stood in front of Katilyn's house.

"Should I knock?" she thought. She didn't have to.

"Lea! Katie, Lea's here." Ali Lea's sister, cute as her name, bounced around.

"Oh, hey, Lea. Come on in," Katilyn voice rang through the hallways.

"Hey, Ali, Can me and Katie talk alone. It will be just a minute?

"Sure," Ali flounced away.

"So, what's up Lea?"

"I'm sorry," Lea's lip quivered.

"For what?" Katilyn was confused.

"For lying to you. I lied to you about my mom. She's really plain, and old, and so," Lea said.

"Oh Lea, but why?" Katilyn asked.

"Because your mom is so cool. I thought you wouldn't like me if my mom wasn't."

"Lea, I'm not friends with your mom, I'm friends with you. I don't care what your mom is like. Let's go to your house, it's almost dinner time." Lea nodded. Katilyn ended up loving Lea's mom and they all lived happily ever after.

The End

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One Sunday night Chris and his friend Sam and Tyler were driving home. Chris got on the highway and hit it he got up to 190mph he soon lost control and crashed into a tree. Chris knew he was in for it he just crashed his mom and dad new Porshe Suv. All the airbags went off so it was bad. Chris got out of the car and went to see the damage. It was so bad you didn't know if the car even had a front. "man" Chris said "This is the worst thing that has happened to me what am I going to do"! "Well" sam said "you can always say someone crashed into you so you don't get in trouble."

"Yeah" said Tyler "you could say I went into wendy's to get something to eat and

when I came out the
new car was wrecked"
That night when Chris got
home his parents were
waiting for him.
"So" his mom said "Were is the
new porsh suv I let
you take" "
"You won't believe this" Chris said "I
was walking into Wendy's to
get something and when I
came out it was like
it had no front at all."
"So" his dad said "What you are
saying is that the car
is totally wrecked and that
you didn't do it." "Yup" Chris said.
"Well, we will see about that" his
mom said. That night while Chris
was in his bed his mom
and dad were talking to the
other parents to see what
had happened. That morning
Chris went downstair to
confess to his parents.

"mom, dad what I said to
you last night was a lie
I was to busy thinking what
could happen to me." chris said"
I am going to tell you what
really happened" go on" his mom said.
"Well, I was coming home when
I went on the highway
and hit it. I lost control and
crashed. I am very sorry that
I lied to you"
"well" his mom said "you did the
right thing to tell us
that you lied but next time
be honest and tell us the
truth because you won't
get in that much
trouble than you are in so
next time remember what
I said and tell the
truth"

14 I have a cousin named Isabel. She has two little sisters, Olivia and Ava, also a brother named Ethan. She was the oldest child in her family. When she was little, she used to lie to me a lot, like one time, when I came over to Isabel's house, we watched television for about an hour and a half, but we got bored. Then, Isabel asked, "Does anybody want to play tag because I'm bored?". Right after she asked, Olivia, Ava, and I raised our hands and I said, "Can all of us play?", and Isabel said, "Yes. It will be so much fun!". After that, all of us ran all the way to the family room. When all of us got to the family room, I asked Isabel, Olivia, and Ava if they wanted to be it because I didn't want to be it. However, no one raised their hand. I asked again. Then, Isabel raised her hand. I told her the rules for what to do and not do. The rules were that there would be no pulling or pushing anybody, tagging a person on the hair would not

count, and that if she hurt anybody, she would have to be it again, even if she tagged them. When I was done telling Isabel the rules she said, "Okay! No problem.", and I said, "Good. Okay, everybody in the middle. Are you ready, set? Go!". Then, everybody started running everywhere. We were all screaming! Just then, Isabel's mom came in and said, "You have to be quiet because Ethan is taking a nap!". Then, all of us said, "Sorry!" quietly and started playing again, without screaming. Isabel tried to tag me, but she didn't get me, so she tried to tag Olivia and got her, but Olivia said, "I don't want to play anymore!". After Olivia said that, Isabel pushed her on the floor. Olivia started crying. I asked Isabel if she pushed Olivia, but she said, "No." because she didn't want to get in trouble. I told her that it's not nice to lie, then she told the truth. I told her that even if she get in trouble it's best to tell the truth. That was the day Isabel started telling the truth

until now.

THE END

14 One day there was a boy named Luke Barnett. He had 2 best friends named Victoria and Frank. They loved playing and hanging out after school One afternoon Victoria and Frank were going over to Luke's house to play his new video game. When Frank and Victoria got there, they Knocked on the door. Mrs. Barnett openned the door and greated them. When Frank and Victoria asked where Luke was, the mother said he was having a bad day and they should stop by some other time. On their way back Victoria was worried, She didn't think Luke could have a bad day because he's always so excited. The next day at lunch, Victoria asked if anything was wrong when they stopped by, but he just said he was fine, and said to leave him alone. That afternoon Victoria and Frank went over to Luke, but before they could sit down Luke said he needed a few days alone. Day after day went by and Luke never saw Victoria or Frank. Then he said to his mom he missed playing with his friends, and the mom he should tell his friends

the truth. So the next day at school Luke went up to Frank and Victoria. and told them the complete truth. He told them that his grandmother had died and he was very close to her. He told them he was sorry for avoiding them and acting rude. Then from that point on Luke never told another lie.

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Melrose is 11 years old. She hears all these amazing storys like I'm going to huwil to day or I'm going to Florda. So melrose decides to tell "little white lies." She says I'm going to huwil and I've gone to Seaworld. every one belives her. One day Melrose came to School with the best white lies to tell "I'm going to meet Chacago" every one knows Chacago is the hottest boy band around and I can only take one pirson Melrose said Now who will it be? every one rasied their hand and yelled pick me pick me who ever I pick has to honest um nice and my friend even Berrny cept his hand up berrny hates me! for the next two weeks they treated me like a queen but a few weeks later they looked mad. I said "I still havent chosen who I'll pick. they glared at me "What" I said the finily Chelsey came up and said firmly we asked lareta (older sister) She said you've never been to Huwil, or Seaworld and, you're not going to see Chacago. "Well, well I can explain" "well than explain" every day I hear these amazing storeys and I wanted to make some two forgive me "we forgive you! the whole

Class Sond. the end

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One day at school

There was a Kid named Nick. Who DiDn't Do His Homework. And He told His teacher that He did His Homework. But He and His friend Eric whent out Side before he did His Home work. And when He came in Side he sead To his mom there was no Homework and after that He got in trouble for lying to His

parents and teachers.

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One scorching hot day a bumble bee called Berry was doing his morning rutine collecting pollen for his queen. He came back to the hive and the queen said, "do you got the pollen," he said, "no" She sent him off to the jail for not doin his job. Berry started talking to him self about what he just did the guard over heard him saying he lied and he scampered off to tell the queen. "Queen queen," he yelled the prisoner Berry lied to you I overheard him." "He must be punished at once," "bring him to me," 10 mintues later Berry comes the queen yells, "don't lie again," "now be gone."

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there is a ceid cold Dan
and his mom said it is best
to be honest and Dan said whey
beucase if you didnt then
soum one meit find out then Dan
start being honest to every
one he Does.

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I was watching a show and Zack lied to his mom and he told the truth he did not get into much trouble by his mom but he was punish for lieing so be never lie to any one always be honest it get you help if you lie lots of trouble