You've got a friend in me

1.-) Read the following texts of people talking about their friends.

I've always been a very extroverted person and I've never had problems to make new friends. **Getting to know** new people is a great experience. I'm not one of those people that have a BFF and **spend** all the **time** with her. I could say I have lots of BFFs!

Jane, 18 (New York)

My best friend is called Alice and she's also my cousin. We're the same age and we've grown up together. She always **gives** me the best **advice**, especially when it comes to girls! She also shares a lot of my interests and we always **enjoy each other's company**.

Matt, 19 (Seattle)

I know I have a friend for life in Tom. We started high school together. We had moved to town with our families and we were the new kids. Some people started to **pick on** us at school but we always **had each other's backs**. Now we're going to different colleges but I know my **buddy** will always be there for me.

Jack, 18 (California)

Some people say that you cannot make real friends on the Internet but that's not true! I met my friend Laura online and we've been friends for 4 years. We discovered very soon that we **had a lot in common**. We've **kept in touch** through email and Facebook. I will meet her when she comes to London this summer but I already consider her a very **close friend**.

Jessica, 21 (London)

My best friend Helen and I have known each other since kindergarten. We've gone through everything together and I know that I can always **count on** her. She's one of the people that I know I can **trust**. We're going to attend the same college together and I'm really excited to start this new stage of my life with her.

Amy, 18 (Chicago)

I met my friend Peter when we were in primary school. We always **got on** very well. We played together all the time because he was also my neighbour. We **lost touch** when he moved to another city. Now, we're studying at the same university and we can spend a lot of time together. I'm glad I've found my **mate** again!

Tayler, 20 (Sydney)

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2.-) Match the underlined words in the text with the definitions:

1. To tell someone what you think he/she should do about a problem: _____
2. To stay in contact: _____
3. To like someone and have a friendly relationship with them: _____
4. Informal word that means 'friend' and is mainly used in the United States:

_____

5. To rely on someone to support you or help you: _____
6. To pass time in a specific way: _____
7. To look out for each other, to protect each other: _____
8. To have a good time when you are with someone: _____
9. To treat someone badly, to bully someone: _____
10. Informal word that means 'friend' and is mainly used in the UK and Australia:

_____

11. To like the same things than another person: _____
12. A very good friend: _____
13. To believe that someone is honest and will not do anything against you: _____
14. To stop having contact with someone: _____
15. To know a person better:_____

3.-) Think of your best friend or a close friend. Write a short text similar to the ones you have read in exercise 1. Use some of the expressions of exercise 2.

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