

**what my croatian teacher said that made me realize
how friendships actually work
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one day I had croatian class and I don't remember the topic of the class but near the end she said something that has stuck with me since. She said "friendships are made when we have something in common but that also means flaws too". And I had been thinking about all of my friendships and their foundations. Like "is this what brought me and them together", "have i chose the right path to take this friend with me?", "would we still be friends without that one thing", "am i a good person"

because with friendships, of course you're going to connect with them around something in common, but the spike in that fact is ; you're going to connect with flaws too. And that's not a bad thing, but what if that's the first or maybe the only thing you'll have incommon.

It's really interesting to think about it in my pov, because I have dropped many flaws that had connected me with that one person, and now I see how unnecessary those flaws were. I was blown away when I realized that one of us has changed... and the friendship was no longer the same. I felt like i had to keep seeing them and looking if they have changed or not. it was like trying to find a needle in a haystack but there was actually no needle. Just waiting for a glimpse of hope to continue the friendship was not worth it. it was exhausting.

Seeing how many friends i made with a solid and positive foundation made that whole ordeal worthless and sad.

Having other people see your problem and helping you go through it was refreshing because before i was just feeling like an ornament in the old friend group.

one thing I learned from those people is; if somebody can say sorry but not mean it, i can forgive them in the same way.

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