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True friendship has been highly regarded in different cultures throughout history. An article published on "China daily" allows us to see how friendship is viewed in China. It tells us the story of Guan Zhong and Bao Shuya. They became acquainted with each other at an early age, and friendship sprung between them. Despite different economic backgrounds, they respected each other. Bao recognized Guan's abilities and even persuaded the Duke Huan of Qi to make him a chancellor. Guan, meanwhile, admired his lifelong friend. This story is an example of true friendship and mutual understanding. This example proves that true friendship was highly regarded in China and continues to have practical significance in contemporary society and international relations. This article shows us the importance of friendship and I fully agree with it.

Our modern society is built on friendship. Friends will always stand by your side, they will respect you for who you are. Friends will always come to rescue you if you find yourself in trouble. Life without friendship is impossible. I shall provide my friend as an example. We've known each other since kindergarten, and she was always by my side, even during my worst moments. Without my best friend, I would never get to where I am now. My example proves just how important friendship is for <sup>a person</sup> individual people and society in general.

In international relations friendship is just as important. It allows nations to prosper in peace and harmony. Friendship between countries prevents war. Mutual trust allows nations to exchange resources and knowledge. Friendship between Cuba and <sup>the</sup> USSR can be a good example. Soviet help allowed Cuba to secure <sup>it's</sup> ~~their~~ independence, boosted it's economy. Cuba, meanwhile, became a loyal Soviet ally. Friendship and mutual trust allowed these nations to thrive.

In conclusion, I want to repeat myself, summarize my point.

Friendship is essential in contemporary society and especially in international relations. Human beings cannot live without friends, and nations cannot prosper without mutual trust between each other. Importance of friendship must not be underestimated. True friendship guarantees peace and happiness.