

# CHAPTER SUMMARY

## Section 20.1

### **Successful Friendships**

While each friendship is different, qualities such as caring, empathy, and respect are common to strong friendships. To make new friends, look for ways to meet people who share your interests. Start a conversation by showing interest in the other person, listening, and asking open-ended questions. Diversity in friendships often brings many benefits. Good friendships take time and effort to grow and maintain.

## Section 20.2

### **Friendship Challenges**

It is natural for some friendships to grow stronger over time and for others to become more distant or to come to an end. Some peer friendships can pose challenges. You can show maturity by avoiding cliques, and you can stay safe by avoiding gangs. Peer harassment is harmful and should never be tolerated. Some peer pressure is positive, but be prepared to recognize and resist negative peer pressure.