

**You will be expected to collaborate with your class to develop marking rubrics for your projects. To give you an idea of how a marking rubric is created, consider the following example:**

If you were to develop a marking rubric for evaluating friendship, you might list the criteria of being **honest**, **kind**, **fair**, and **loyal** down the left side. At the top, you would assign a number of **points** to each **level of performance**. Then, in the grid, you would **describe the levels of performance** for each of the criteria on the list.

**Friendship Rubric** A “friend” has been evaluated using purple ✓ marks.

<b>Characteristics of a Good Friend</b> (Criteria)	<b>Excellent</b> (levels of performance) 3 points (add for total score)	<b>Good</b> 2 points	<b>So-So</b> 1 point	<b>Poor</b> 0 points	
<b>Honest</b>	Always tells everyone the truth. (description of levels of performance)	Consistently tells me the truth.	Lies to me sometimes.	Lies to me most of the time.	
Mark the level			✓		
<b>Kind</b>	Is kind to everyone all of the time.	Always kind to me.	Rude or mean to me sometimes.	Rude or mean to me most of the time.	
Mark the level			✓		
<b>Fair</b>	Is fair in every situation with everyone.	Is always fair with me.	Sometimes insists on having own way, even if it isn't fair to others.	Always wants own way, even at the expense of others.	
Mark the level			✓		
<b>Loyal</b>	Always sticks by friends and family.	Sticks by me even when others don't.	Can turn against me if others do.	Never admits to being my friend.	
Mark the level			✓		
Total points in each column	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	Total of all points = <b>6</b>

## What does the score mean?

After creating the rubric, you would need to decide what the total score means:

1. You might want to design a scoring guide:

- 9 – 12 points = “best” friend – someone you would trust with your personal thoughts and feelings.
- 6 – 8 points = casual friend – someone who is fun to hang out with once in a while, but you wouldn’t trust him/her with your personal thoughts and feelings.
- 0 – 5 points = failing grade - someone you would avoid being friends with.

2. You might want to assign a **percentage**:

In this case, if a friend received a mark of “Excellent” for all four criteria, he would earn a total of 12 points (4 criteria X 3 points each). A score of 12 points is the **most possible points** on this rubric, or 100%. If he received a mark of “Poor” in all areas, he would earn a total score of 0, or the worst score possible on this rubric. A score of 0 total points would be 0%.