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Life, Friendship



Jennifer Hansen Rant paper Creative writing August 29, 2012 My pet peeve One of my biggest pet peeves is that when people don't hold up to what they say. I have been surrounded by people not keeping their promises. Living it in. And being around it, it has only made me annoyed by it. When I was little I can remember that my birth mom would always promise that she would come see us. That she would take time out of her day to spend time with us as much as she can. But she would never show up or she would not call. Even to this day I get really irritated by people lying and not keeping their promises. Even by little things like saying 'oh I would be able to come get you tomorrow because I can.' I can understand if someone gets caught up in things or has trouble. But what really gets under my skin is when they lie about it or when they don't call to let the person that they made the promise to or said that they would do this and not let them know what has gone on or what has happened. I know it may be a really stupid peeve. And maybe a better one to talk about would be like chewing with your mouth open or something in that criteria but stuff like that doesn't seem to really bug me as much as not keeping a promise. I believe that if you don't mean it than don't say it to make yourself look better. Because in all honesty when you don't hold up to it it really makes you look worse and it only hurts you in the long run. Trust me I have learned this through my mistakes and others that have made the same ones around me. It is not an easy mistake to fix. It's like Benjamin Franklin said " A slip of the foot you may soon recover from, but a slip of the tongue you may never recover. " And it really is true. Being around people that actually keep their promises really does make a difference on a person. it is scientifically proven that the people you hang

out around you will soon do the same actions that they do. Or you might be the influence on someone. Good or bad. People that don't keep their promises usually don't make or keep lifelong friends. It takes a good friend to keep a good friend. It is very important to be a person of your word but very worth the while to be one and try your hardest to keep that reputation. It would be really hard to have people not trust you. I know I do not want anything to do with people I cannot trust. And it is really hard to be around them without the urge to keep an eye on your back or on them. That is why I always try my hardest to be a person of my word. To be trustworthy by everyone I meet. But also to be a person of good word you also have to have a big heart and very understanding. My biggest pet peeve is one of my biggest pet peeves.