Lesson 1 Student material



## **Buddy program**

You have been paired with another person in the class – this is your buddy.

You will be split into the partnerships randomly, so you can get to know each other across the classroom.

You will be buddies for three weeks, after which you will receive a new buddy. You will be with the new buddy for three weeks, after which you receive your final buddy in the program. The buddy program stops before the autumn break, where it will briefly be evaluated orally. It may be reintroduced again later time, for example, if you receive new classmates.

## What will I use my buddy for?

- You sit next to each other in class.
- You are attentive to whether the other is doing well do they have someone to spend time with during breaks, do they attend social events with the class or at school, etc. If you become worried, you may talk to a teacher who can handle the situation.
- You contact each other if your buddy does not show up for social events at school/in class.
- You contact each other in the case of absence. The one who is absent should send a text to their buddy
  to inform them. If they forget, the buddy will send a text in the morning to ask if everything is okay.
- You are responsible for bringing hand-outs to each other if one of you is absent.
- You share the notes from class if one of you is absent.
- In class, the teacher may ask you to work together with your buddy or in your buddy groups, which consist of two partnerships.
- You can work together on your homework.

## **Buddy groups**

Your buddy groups consist of two pairs: you, your buddy and two other class mates who are buddies. Your teacher will be in charge of forming the buddy groups. A buddy group is a safe base during the transition to an upper secondary education and can be used later as a working group. The buddy groups may continue as working groups throughout the rest of your time in school. Up until the autumn break, they change every third week.

## What will I use my buddy group for?

- The buddy group represents is a part of the buddy program, and if your own buddy is absent, you will work with your buddy group during group work.
- During class, the teacher may ask you to work together in your buddy groups.
- You can work together on your homework.