



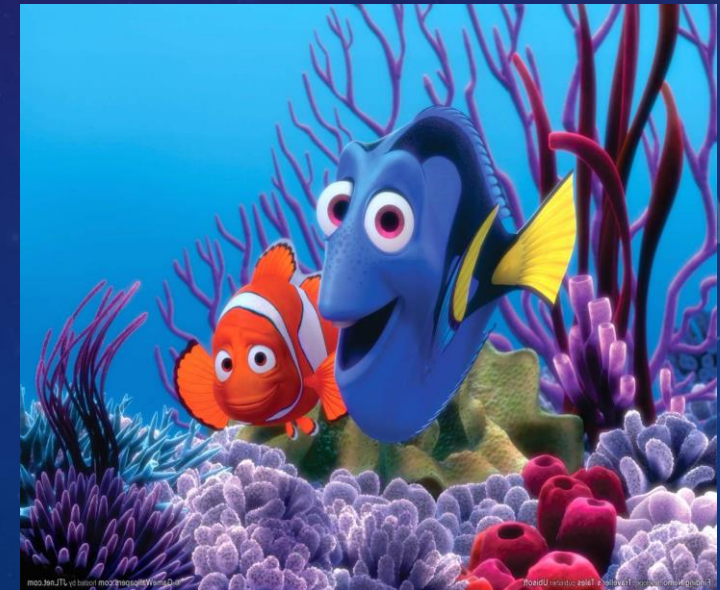
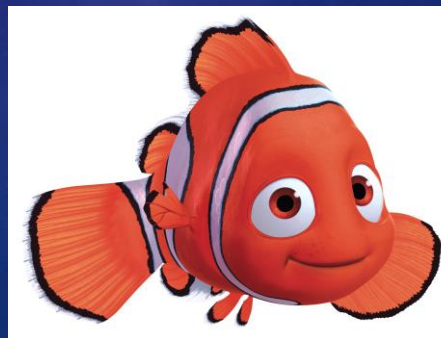
TRUST

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WHAT DOES THE FILM *'FINDING NEMO'* HAVE TO SAY ABOUT TRUST?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9oQ628Seb9w>



THERE ARE SEVERAL THEMES RUNNING THROUGH THE FILM.... BUT TODAY WE ARE GOING TO CONSIDER THE THEME OF **TRUST**

Marlin is a clownfish who is afraid of the ocean due to a previous terrible experience. Then, his son, Nemo, is taken by divers and Marlin sets off on a mission to find his son and bring him home.

On his journey, Marlin meets Dory, a blue tang with short-term memory loss. Dory tags along, much to Marlin's dismay, and they form an unlikely friendship.

Dory has little fear and Marlin, who is full of fear, struggles to accept what she says. There are several times when Marlin fails to trust Dory, even though, ultimately, she is right.

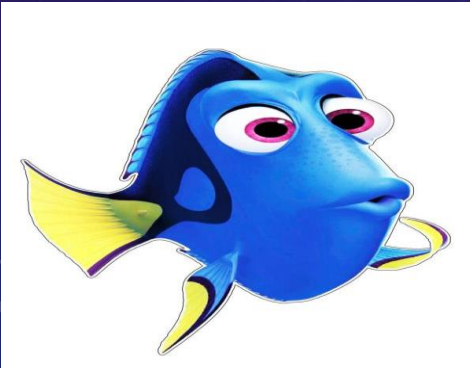
In one instance, Dory has been told by a shoal of fish to swim along a trench, not over it, so she asks Marlin to trust her because that's what friends do. However, the route along the trench looks dark and frightening, so Marlin is reluctant to go that way. Due to his fear, he convinces Dory to swim over the top. They end up in a jellyfish bloom – a huge mass of jellyfish – and Dory very nearly loses her life. She is left with scars from the encounter.

Later, when Dory asks Marlin to trust her again, he starts to object, but sees the scars left from the jellyfish and realizes that he has to trust her.



THINK.....

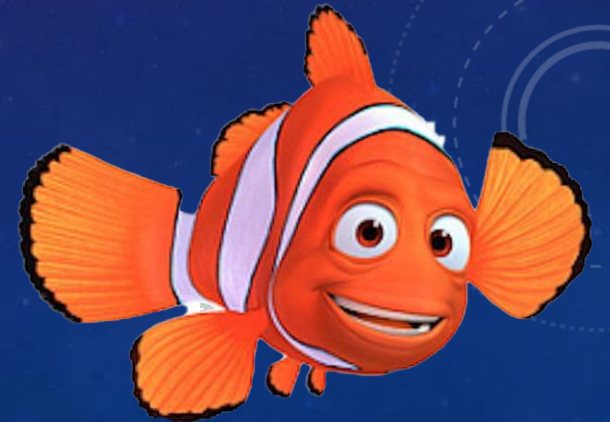
Why is it important for us to trust people?



How do you know if you are a trustworthy person?



Why is it so difficult for some people to TRUST others?



TIME TO REFLECT – LET'S PLAY A GAME

1) Would you give a two-year old something precious and TRUST them not to break it?

2) Would you TRUST your friend, teacher or family not to break something precious?

Yes, because they are older and more likely to take care of something precious.

We probably would not do this: the child might break it because they don't understand the value of something precious.

REFLECTION..... KEY MESSAGES.....

We need to earn other people's trust. If we let them down repeatedly, they will lose trust in us.

Let's remember that all of our relationships work on TRUST – both being trustworthy ourselves and trusting others – and that trust is fragile. We have to work hard to gain it, but we have to work even harder to build it again after it is broken.

FINAL PRAYER

Dear Lord,

May we be as trustworthy
towards others as we would
like them to be towards us.

← Amen

