

Answer the questions.



# Could you describe one of your closest friends?

#### Read and learn.

## A Perfect Pair

Jia Haixia and Jia Wenqi are two farmers from Hebei Province, North China. Both of them are in their 50s. They are not only close friends but also working partners.

Haixia is blind, while Wenqi has no arms. It is difficult for a blind or armless man to find a job. So the two disabled men help each other to make a living. They plant trees. How did they make it?



farmer



disabled



partner



#### Read and learn.

Every day, Wenqi guides his blind friend Haixia around with one sleeve of his coat. They work together and act as each other's eyes and arms. Wenqi looks for branches on trees. Haixia then climbs up the trees and cuts them off. After climbing back down, Haixia digs holes in the ground to plant the cuttings. Wenqi then waters the new trees.

This perfect pair of friends make a living by helping each other. In the past 10 years, they have planted over 10,000 trees around their village.





branch



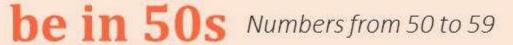
village

#### Choose the correct word.



- 1. To make money and live
- 2. A person who owns or takes care of a farm
- 3. Part of a shirt that covers the arm
- 4. A small town
- 5. People working together
- 6. Some of the person's body parts can't be moved or used

#### Grammar



Used to express an uncertain year, age or number

## **Examples**

- Both Wenqi and Haixia are in their 50s.
- It was in 1990s when I met my friend.
- Complete the sentences below.

I was in \_\_\_\_\_ (age) when I met my friend.

It \_\_\_\_ (year) when I met my friend.

### Think and speak out



What are Jia Haixia and Jia Wenqi's disabilities?



How do they make a living together?



How did they help each other?



What can you say about Jia Haixia and Jia Wenqi's friendship?

Talk More!

# My Friend and I!

When do you and your friend help each other?

We help each other when ...