Friendship

I believe that friendships are chosen and that they also happen based on circumstances/proximity.

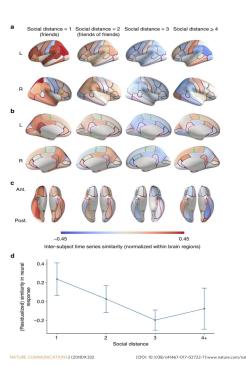
Evidence #1.:The anatomy of friendship

"What defines this group of people seems to be recognition of a mutual, reciprocal relationship of trust and obligation, combined with a willingness to act prosocially. Trust is central to this, not least because it underpins everything from how we interact with each other to our willingness to offer help to trading."

Evidence #2: Neural Responses predict friendship

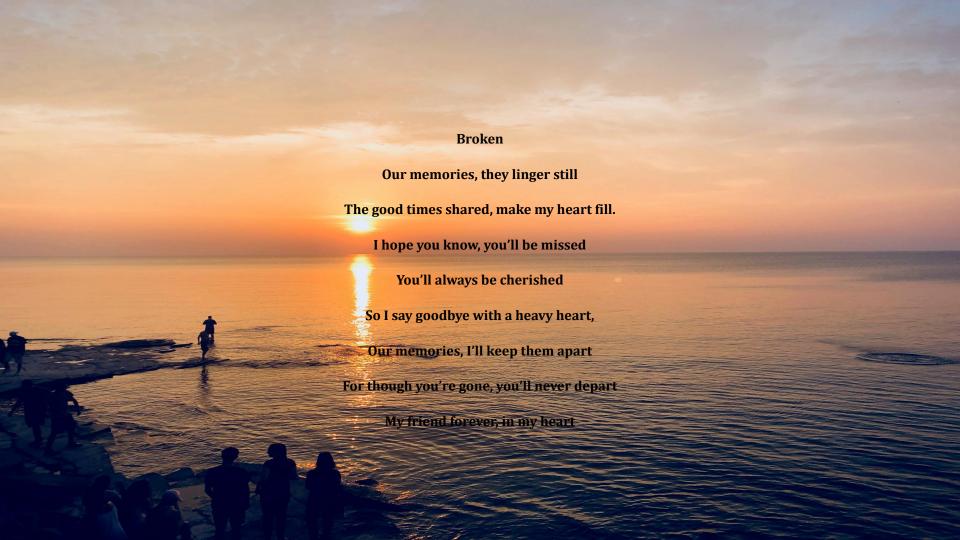
"Social network proximity appears to be significantly associated with neural response similarity in brain regions involved in attentional allocation, narrative interpretation, and affective responding, suggesting that friends may be exceptionally similar in how they attend to, interpret, and emotionally react to their surroundings"

friends)



Summary: a handful of students were selected to participate in experiment where they watched a variety of videos while undergoing the observation of neural stimulation in the brain. The videos differed in topics and genre to ensure accurate results and constrain the subjects thoughts/response by also choosing unfamiliar topics.

Conclusion: The results of the study suggests that friends extremely similar to one another in how they perceive, interpret, and react to the world around them, as reflected in mental processes.



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