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The Odd Couple Dormmates

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Strong and enduring friendships are built on qualities like mutual respect, acceptance, communication, compromise, and the ability to appreciate and learn from each other's differences.
2. Alex and Sam's experiences in the college dorms prepared them for future challenges by teaching them valuable life skills such as teamwork, adaptability, and the ability to find common ground with others.
3. Answers will vary, but students may share personal stories of becoming friends with someone different and mention the lessons they learned from that friendship, such as empathy, tolerance, or the joy of new experiences.
4. Some strategies to make sharing a dorm room with someone different a positive experience could include open communication, setting boundaries, finding common interests, and respecting each other's personal space and preferences.

