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The Influence of Peer Pressure on Decision-Making

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. (Personal Experience) Once, my friends wanted me to skip school with them, but I knew it was wrong, and it would get me into trouble. I politely declined, and although they went ahead, I felt proud of my decision. They did get in trouble, which reinforced my belief in making choices that align with my values.
2. Being a positive influencer among your friends and peers means setting a good example by making responsible and positive choices. This can encourage those around you to do the same and create a supportive environment.
3. Peer pressure can influence decision-making positively by encouraging good choices like studying or being physically active together. On the negative side, it can lead to risky decisions like trying harmful substances or engaging in unsafe behaviors to fit in.
4. Other strategies to deal with peer pressure effectively include finding supportive friends who share your values, developing strong self-esteem and confidence, and being open to discussions with your parents or other trusted adults about the challenges you face.

