Suggested ages 9-12

More than the words

A proverb can make us picture one thing while suggesting a bigger idea.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine

We live in one another's shelter.

The picture in the words

Draw physical shelter: somewhere protected from the weather.

The bigger idea

Draw how people can support or look out for one another.

1 Connect the two

How does your second picture help explain the saying?

You can use imaginary people or situations.

Irish wording: Ireland.ie, "11 seanfhocail".

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A teamwork comic

Tell a story that brings this saying to life. Draw first, then add captions.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Ní neart go cur le chéile

There is strength in unity.

1 A problem

2 A first attempt

3 Working together

4 What changes?

Check: a clear problem, shared effort, and an ending that makes sense.

Irish wording: Ó Dónaill (1977), s.v. neart.

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A good start... then what?

Use reasons and examples. A proverb is a starting point for thinking.

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Tús maith leath na hoibre

Well begun is half done.

Alex plans a brilliant group display, but never starts making it. Jo makes a simple plan, begins, then changes the plan when the first idea does not work.

1 Make your case

Is a good start enough? Write 3-5 sentences. Use Alex or Jo as an example.

2 Try one useful first step

Name a small project and one action that will help you begin.

Irish wording: Ó Dónaill (1977), s.v. tús.