

***Picture Books
about
Friends and Friendship***



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BEST FRIENDS TOGETHER AGAIN

JEASY 1995

When Robert's best friend Peter, who moved away, comes back to visit, various emotions surface, but mostly pleasure--which all the old friends share.

Argent, Kerry

WOMBAT & BANDICOOT, BEST OF FRIENDS : THREE STORIES

JEASY 1990

Presents the adventures of Wombat and Bandicoot as they learn the bonds of friendship, spend a glorious day at the beach, relish the thrill of hiding, and share a picnic with good friends.

Brewster, Patience

TWO BUSHY BADGERS

JEASY 1994

Two badgers, the best of friends, quarrel and stop talking to each other; but time and a piece of pie bring their friendship back to its original state.

Brown, Marc Tolon

ARTHUR'S BIRTHDAY

JEASY 1989

Their friends must decide which party to attend when Francine schedules her birthday party for the same day as Arthur's birthday party.

Browne, Anthony

WILLY AND HUGH

JEASY 1991

Willy the chimpanzee is lonely until he meets Hugh Jape in the park, and the two become friends.

Bunting, Eve

MONKEY IN THE MIDDLE

JEASY 1984

When Hashim and Mohammed, two coconut pickers who were once friends, quarrel over a bicycle, Mohammed's monkey finds a way to make peace.

Bynum, Janie

OTIS

JEASY 2000

Because he doesn't like mud, Otis is different from the other pigs and has trouble finding friends.

Carlson, Nancy L.

HOW TO LOSE ALL YOUR FRIENDS

JEASY 1994

Offers advice on the kinds of things to do if you don't want to have any friends.

Carlson, Nancy L.

MY BEST FRIEND MOVED AWAY

JEASY 2001

After her best friend moves away, a little girl misses the special times they had together.

Carlstrom, Nancy White

THE WAY TO WYATT'S HOUSE

JEASY 2000

Two children have fun visiting their friend Wyatt's farm.

Caseley, Judith

HARRY AND WILLY AND CARROTHEAD

JEASY 1991

Three boys overcome prejudicial ideas about appearances and become friends.

Champion, Joyce

EMILY AND ALICE AGAIN

JEASY 1995

Two best friends have fun trading sunglasses for a sister, wearing new hats, and having a sleepover.

Cooper, Helen

PUMPKIN SOUP

JEASY 1999, c1998

The Cat and the Squirrel come to blows with the Duck in arguing about who will perform what duty in preparing their pumpkin soup, and they almost lose the Duck's friendship when he decides to leave them.

Cote, Nancy

PALM TREES

JEASY 1993

When Millie has to fix her hair by herself for the first time, her friend Renee and a sense of humor help her to discover something about friendship and independence.

Crimi, Carolyn

DON'T NEED FRIENDS

JEASY 1999

After his best friend moves away, Rat rudely rebuffs the efforts of the other residents of the junkyard to be friendly, until he and a grouchy old dog decide that they need each other.

Davies, Sally

WHY DID WE HAVE TO MOVE HERE?

JEASY 1997

A young boy has trouble adjusting to his new home and his new school, until he decides that with a little effort, he can make new friends.

De Groat, Diane

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, YOU BELONG IN A ZOO

JEASY 1999

Before Lewis's birthday party, Gilbert's mother wisely substitutes a toy for the frying pan Gilbert wants to give Lewis.

Egan, Tim

METROPOLITAN COW

JEASY 1996

Although his parents, very cosmopolitan cows, are uncomfortable with the idea, Bennett becomes good friends with Webster, a young pig who moves in next door.

Freymann, Saxton

ONE LONELY SEAHORSE

JEASY 2000

One lonely sea horse learns that she has a lot of friends--friends she can really "count" on. The fruit and vegetable sculptures redefine the meaning of the word "seafood".

Gantos, Jack

BACK TO SCHOOL FOR ROTTEN RALPH

JEASY 1998

Afraid of being left alone, Rotten Ralph, the nasty red cat, follows Sarah to school and tries to prevent her from making new friends.

Gauch, Patricia Lee

TANYA AND EMILY IN A DANCE FOR TWO

JEASY 1994

When Tanya, the smallest and wiggliest girl in her ballet class, makes friends with a talented newcomer, they both learn something.

Giff, Patricia Reilly

GOOD LUCK, RONALD MORGAN

JEASY 1996

Ronald Morgan needs lots of luck not only to train the dog which he just received for his birthday but also to win the friendship of his new neighbor.

Guy, Rosa

BILLY THE GREAT

JEASY 1992, c1991.

Billy's parents try to plan his life for him, including his choice of friends, but he has ideas of his own.

Heine, Helme

FRIENDS

JEASY 1982

Three inseparable friends discover that there are times when it is not always possible to be together.

Henkes, Kevin

A WEEKEND WITH WENDELL

JEASY 1986

Sophie does not enjoy energetic, assertive Wendell's weekend visit until the very end, when she learns to assert herself and finds out Wendell can be fun to play with after all.

Henkes, Kevin

CHESTER'S WAY

JEASY 1988

Chester and Wilson share the same exact way of doing things, until Lilly moves into the neighborhood and shows them that new ways can be just as good.

Heo, Yumi

FATHER'S RUBBER SHOES

JEASY 1995

Yungsu misses Korea terribly until he begins to make friends in America.

Hest, Amy

THE BEST-EVER GOOD-BYE PARTY

JEASY 1989

Depressed about her best friend's upcoming move to a new apartment, Jessica tries to cheer herself up by throwing a going away party.

Hoberman, Mary Ann

ONE OF EACH

JEASY 1997

Oliver Tolliver, who lives alone in his little house with just one of everything, discovers that it is more fun to have two of everything and share with a friend.

Hoberman, Mary Ann

AND TO THINK THAT WE THOUGHT THAT WE'D NEVER BE FRIENDS

JEASY 1999

A brother and sister learn that friendship is better than fighting and they soon spread their message all over the world.

Howe, James

I WISH I WERE A BUTTERFLY

JEASY 1987

A wise dragonfly helps a despondent cricket realize that he is special in his own way.

Howe, James

HORACE AND MORRIS BUT MOSTLY DOLORES

JEASY 1999

Three mice friends learn that the best clubs include everyone.

Hughes, Shirley

WHEELS : A TALE OF TROTTER STREET

JEASY 1991

Carlos is jealous of his friend Billy's new bicycle and desperately wants a new one of his own for his upcoming birthday.

Hutchins, Pat

TITCH AND DAISY

JEASY 1996

Because he can't find Daisy at the party, Titch hides in one place after another, until finally he discovers his friend hiding because she can't find him.

Jackson, Isaac

SOMEBODY'S NEW PAJAMAS

JEASY 1996

When two boys from different backgrounds become friends and sleep over at each other's homes, they exchange ideas about sleepwear as well as about family life.

James, Betsy

MARY ANN

JEASY 1994

After her best friend Mary Ann moves away, Amy finds a praying mantis and names her Mary Ann.

James, Simon

LEON AND BOB

JEASY 1997

Leon and his imaginary friend Bob do everything together until a new boy moves in next door.

Kasza, Keiko

THE RAT AND THE TIGER

JEASY 1993

In his friendship with Rat, Tiger takes advantage and plays the bully because of his greater size, but one day Rat stands up for his rights.

Kasza, Keiko

DOROTHY & MIKEY

JEASY 2000

Three stories featuring Mikey and Dorothy, two hippopotamus friends that play and compete with one another.

Keller, Holly

ROSATA

JEASY 1995

Having found a hat with a bird on it, Camilla names the bird Rosata and takes the hat everywhere with her until she meets the new girl next door.

King, Larry

BECAUSE OF LOZO BROWN

JEASY 1988

A little boy is afraid to meet his new neighbor, Lozo Brown, until they begin to play and become friends.

King, Stephen Michael

HENRY AND AMY (RIGHT-WAY-ROUND AND UPSIDE DOWN)

JEASY 1998

Even though they are very different, Henry and Amy are good friends.

Komaiko, Leah

ANNIE BANANIE

JEASY 1987

Sad because her best friend, Annie Bananie, is moving away, a little girl remembers all the fun they had together.

Lewis, Kim

FRIENDS

JEASY 1997

While searching for eggs on the farm, Sam and Alice discover that they can be better friends when they cooperate with each other.

Lionni, Leo

LITTLE BLUE AND LITTLE YELLOW

JEASY 1995, c1959

A little blue spot and a little yellow spot are best friends, and when they hug each other they become green.

McGugan, Jim

JOSEPHA : A PRAIRIE BOY'S STORY

JEASY 1994

Josepha, an immigrant boy, leaves school to begin working and says good-bye to his best friend.

Mahy, Margaret

MAKING FRIENDS

JEASY 1990

Small Mrs. de Vere's large dog Titania and large Mr. Derry's small dog Oberon serve as the instruments that bring their masters together in an unexpected but quite successful friendship.

Marshall, James

GEORGE AND MARTHA, TONS OF FUN

JEASY 1980

The misunderstanding.--The sweet tooth.--The photograph.--The hypnotist.--The special gift. Five brief episodes reveal the ups and downs of a great friendship.

Marshall, James

GEORGE AND MARTHA BACK IN TOWN

JEASY 1984

Though their friendship is often tested, George and Martha survive with a sense of humor.

Marshall, James

GEORGE AND MARTHA 'ROUND AND 'ROUND

JEASY 1988

Five episodes chronicle the ups and downs of a special friendship.

Mathers, Petra

LOTTIE'S NEW FRIEND

JEASY 1999

When a new bird moves in nearby, Herbie the duck worries that his friend Lottie the chicken doesn't care about him anymore.

Medearis, Angela Shelf

THE ADVENTURES OF SUGAR AND JUNIOR

JEASY 1995

Santiago Antonio Ramirez, also known as Junior, enjoys playing games, making cookies, and going to the movies with Sugar, the new girl next door.

Narahashi, Keiko

TWO GIRLS CAN!

JEASY 2000

Two girls celebrate all the things that friends can do together.

Novak, Matt

JAZZBO AND GOOGY

JEASY 2000

Best buddies Jazzbo and his teddy bear become friends with messy Googy.

Oram, Hiawyn

BADGER'S BAD MOOD

JEASY 1998

When Badger is in such a bad mood that he will not see any of his friends, Mole devises a plan to remind him that he is loved regardless of his mood.

Pomerantz, Charlotte

YOU'RE NOT MY BEST FRIEND ANYMORE

JEASY 1998

Molly and Ben are best friends and share everything until they have a fight.

Raschka, Christopher

YO! YES?

JEASY 1993

Two lonely characters, one black and one white, meet on the street and become friends.

Recknagel, Friedrich

MEG'S WISH

JEASY 1999

In a dream, Meg makes a wish on a shooting star that she will find a friend.

Reiser, Lynn

MARGARET AND MARGARITA, MARGARITA Y MARGARET

JEASY 1993

Margaret, who only speaks English, and Margarita, who only speaks Spanish, meet in the park and have fun playing together even though they have different languages.

Rogers, Fred

MAKING FRIENDS

JEASY 1987

"Mister Rogers' Neighborhood"--Cover. Explains what it means to be friends and some of the easy and difficult aspects of friendship.

Russo, Marisabina

ALEX IS MY FRIEND

JEASY 1992

Even though Alex is a dwarf and sometimes has to use a wheelchair because of the operation he had on his back, his friend does not mind because they still have good times together.

Rylant, Cynthia

THIMBLEBERRY STORIES

JEASY 2000

Nigel Chipmunk shares a pleasant life with his friends Dipper the hummingbird, Little Owl, Copper the butterfly, Claudius the garter snake, and Mudpuppy the salamander.

Scheffler, Ursel

WHO HAS TIME FOR LITTLE BEAR?

JEASY 1998

A little bear whose parents are too busy to play with him finds a friend in another little bear with the same problem.

Schick, Eleanor

MY NAVAJO SISTER.

JEASY 1996

A white girl lives for a short time on an Indian reservation and forms a close bond with a Navajo girl.

Schwartz, Amy

HER MAJESTY, AUNT ESSIE

JEASY 1984

Ruthie boasts to her best friend that her aunt is a queen and then has to prove it.

Snyder, Zilpha Keatley

COME ON, PATSY

JEASY 1982

As Patsy and her friend walk to the park, she gets talked into situations that always seem to leave her the loser and a bit the worse for wear. But her bossy friend loses, too.

Stevenson, James

NO FRIENDS

JEASY 1986

Worried that they won't make friends in their new neighborhood, Mary Ann and Louie listen to Grandpa reminisce about the new friends he and his brother made when he moved to another neighborhood.

Tafari, Nancy

WILL YOU BE MY FRIEND? : A BUNNY AND BIRD STORY

JEASY 2000

Bird comes to feel less shy when Bunny helps her rebuild her ruined nest, showing her what a good friend can be.

Uchida, Yoshiko

THE BRACELET

JEASY 1993

Emi, a Japanese American in the second grade, is sent with her family to an internment camp during World War II, but the loss of the bracelet her best friend has given her proves that she does not need a physical reminder of that friendship.

Vainio, Pirkko

THE BEST OF FRIENDS

JEASY 2000

Despite their physical differences, best friends Hare and Bear laugh together, play together, and share special moments.

Waber, Bernard

IRA SAYS GOODBYE

JEASY 1988

Ira is surprised to discover that his best friend Reggie feels happy about having to move to a new town.

Waber, Bernard

GINA

JEASY 1995

When Gina moves to a new apartment building, she discovers that there are plenty of boys but no girls her own age to play with.

Wagner, Karen

BRAVO, MILDRED & ED!

JEASY 2000

Mouse friends Mildred and Ed, pulled apart by different interests, find that they can successfully do some things together and other things separately.

Weninger, Brigitte

WHY ARE YOU FIGHTING, DAVY?

JEASY 1999

Davy has a fight with his friend Eddie when the best boat he has ever made gets washed away, but then build great dams, is more important.

Williams, Sherley Anne

GIRLS TOGETHER

JEASY 1999

Four African American girls slip out of their housing project and spend a day playing together before returning home with a gift for the friend who was not able to join them.

Willner-Pardo, Gina

NATALIE SPITZER'S TURTLES

JEASY 1992

When Jess thinks she is losing her friend Molly to the new girl in their second-grade class, she gets interested in Natalie Spitzer and her pet turtles.

Willner-Pardo, Gina

WHEN JANE-MARIE TOLD MY SECRET

JEASY 1995

When Carolyn's best friend Jane-Marie tells her secret to someone else, it makes a big difference in their friendship.

Winthrop, Elizabeth

KATHARINE'S DOLL

JEASY 1983

After quarreling over a doll, two girls come to realize that people make the best friends.

Winthrop, Elizabeth

THE BEST FRIENDS CLUB : A LIZZIE AND HAROLD STORY

JEASY 1989

Lizzie learns to share her best friend and enjoy it, too.

Wolkstein, Diane

STEP BY STEP

JEASY 1994

A little ant and her friend enjoy a day together, dining on the nectar of a yellow flower, sailing on a leaf, and dancing in the rain.

Young, Ruth

GOLDEN BEAR

JEASY 1992

Golden Bear and his human companion learn to play the violin, talk to a ladybug, make mudpies, wish on stars, and dream together.

Zolotow, Charlotte

MY FRIEND JOHN

JEASY 2000

John's best friend tells everything he knows about John, the secrets they share, their likes and dislikes, and the fun they have as friends.

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