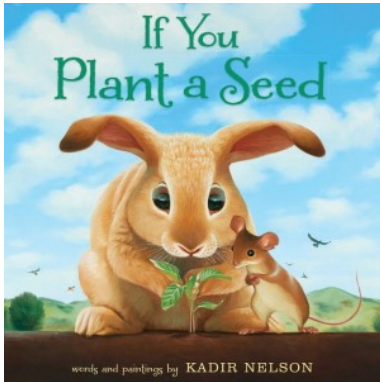


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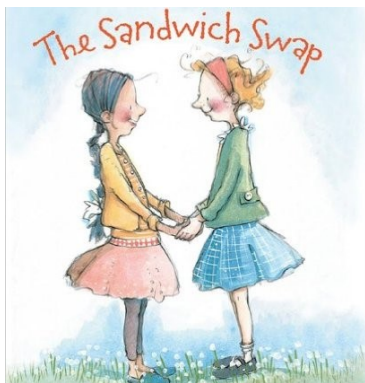
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## **If You Plant a Seed**

by Kadir Nelson, c2015 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.2)

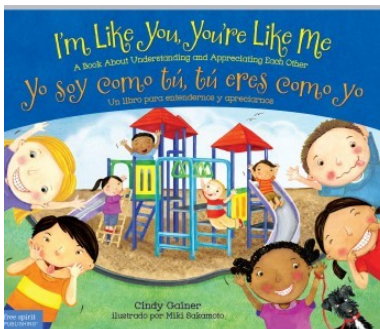
"If you plant a carrot seed...a carrot will grow. If you plant a cabbage seed...cabbage will grow. But what happens if you plant a seed of kindness... or selfishness? A resonant, gently humorous story about the power of even the smallest acts and the rewards of compassion and generosity." - Pub.



## **The Sandwich Swap**

by Queen Rania of Jordan, c2010 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.3)

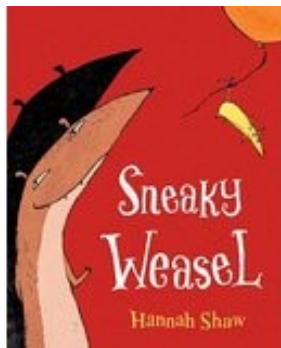
"Lily and Salma are best friends. They like doing all the same things, and they always eat lunch together. Lily eats peanut butter and Salma eats hummus-but what's that between friends? It turns out, a lot. Before they know it, a food fight breaks out. Can Lily and Salma put aside their differences? Or will a sandwich come between them?" - Pub.



## **I'm Like You, You're Like me: A Book About Understanding and Appreciating Each Other**

by Cindy Gainer, c2011 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.2)

"It's fun to find ways I'm like you and you're like me. It's fun to find ways we're different.' In this colorful, inviting book, kids from preschool to lower elementary learn about diversity in terms they can understand: hair that's straight or curly, families with many people or few, bodies that are big or small." - Pub.



## **Sneaky Weasel**

by Hannah Shaw, c2009

"He tries to feed you to a cat, tapes you upside down to a chalkboard, and causes you to be very, very itchy. And when you don't show up at the extra fancy party he's throwing for himself, he can't understand *Why!* Not only is Weasel totally sneaky—he just doesn't get what a rat he is!" - Pub.

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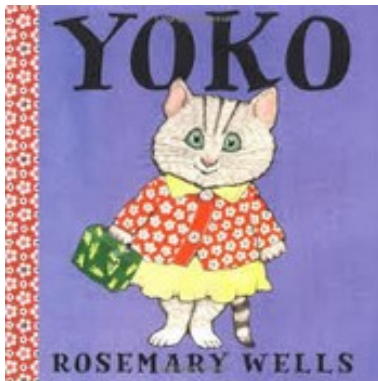
THE SMALLEST GIRL IN THE SMALLEST GRADE



## **The Smallest Girl in the Smallest Grade**

by Justin Roberts, c2014 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.5)

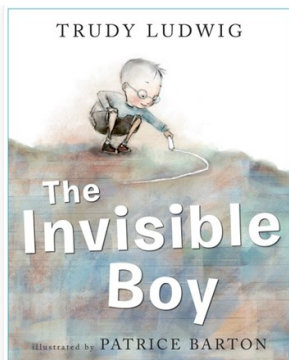
"Hardly anyone noticed young Sally McCabe, but Sally notices everything—from the twenty-seven keys on the janitor's ring to the bullying happening on the playground. One day, Sally has had enough and decides to make herself heard. And when she takes a chance and stands up to the bullies, she finds that one small girl can make a big difference." - Pub.



## **Yoko**

by Rosemary Wells, c1998 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.9)

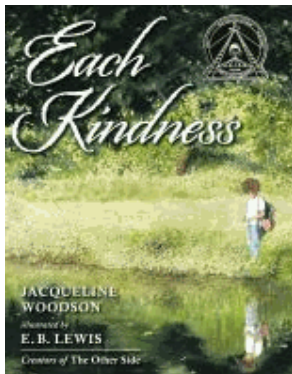
"Yoko's mom has packed her favorite for lunch today—sushi! But her classmates don't think it looks quite so yummy. "Ick!" says one of the Franks. "It's seaweed!" They're not even impressed by her red bean ice cream dessert. Of course, Mrs. Jenkins has a plan that might solve Yoko's problem. But will it work with the other children in class?" - Pub.



## **The Invisible Boy**

by Trudy Ludwig, c2013 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.9)

"Brian has always felt invisible at school. Nobody ever seems to notice him or think to include him in their group, game, or birthday party. When Justin, the new boy, arrives, Brian is the first to make him feel welcome." - Pub.



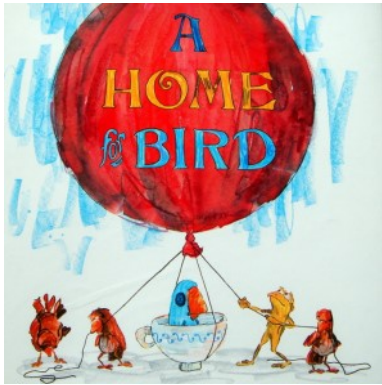
## **Each Kindness**

by Jacqueline Woodson, c2012 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.1)

"When Ms. Albert teaches a lesson on kindness, Chloe realizes that she and her friends have been wrong in making fun of new student Maya's shabby clothes and refusing to play with her." - Follett

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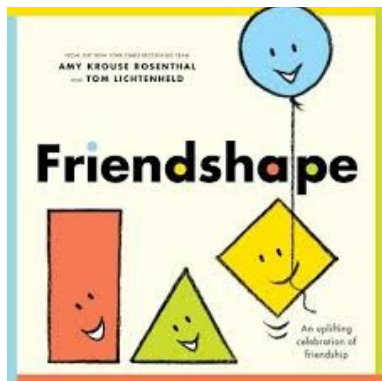
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## A Home for Bird

by Philip C. Stead, c2012 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.1)

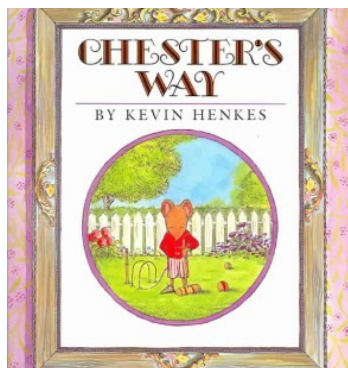
"While out foraging for interesting things, Vernon the toad finds a new friend—a small blue bird who is curiously silent. Vernon shows Bird the river and the forest and some of his other favorite things, but Bird says nothing. A tender tale of a thoughtful friend who is determined to help his quiet companion." - Pub.



## Friendshape

by Amy Krouse Rosenthal, c2015 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.6)

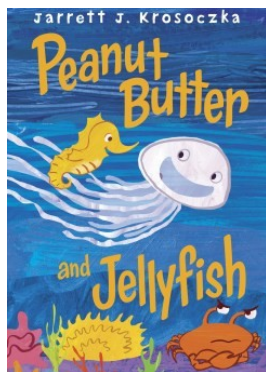
"Friends shape who we are. They make us laugh. They fill us with fun. They stand by us during life's up and downs. And even when we disagree with our friends, if they're tried-and-true, they don't stay bent out of shape for long. That's the beauty of a good buddy. This joyous book rejoices in the simple beauties of friendship, and reminds readers of all ages that it's good to have a group of pals." - Pub.



## Chester's Way

by Kevin Henkes, c1988 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.4)

"Chester and Wilson had their own way of doing things, and they did everything together. When they cut their sandwiches, it was always diagonally. When they rode their bikes, they always used hand signals. If Chester was hungry, Wilson was too. They were two of a kind, and that's the way it was - until indomitable Lilly, who had her own way of doing things, moved into the neighborhood." - Pub.



## Peanut Butter and Jellyfish

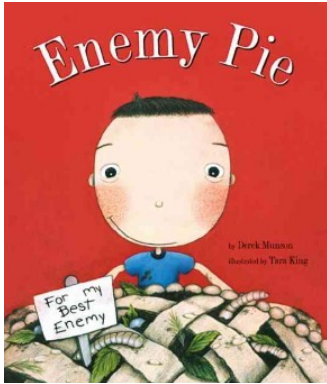
by Jarrett Krosoczka, c2014 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.6)

"Peanut Butter and Jellyfish are best of friends and swim up, down, around, and through their ocean home. Crabby is their neighbor. He is not their best friend. But when Crabby gets in trouble, will Peanut Butter and Jellyfish come to the rescue? You bet they will!" - Pub.



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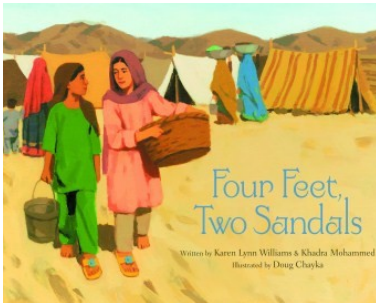
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## Enemy Pi

by Derek Munson, c2000 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.2)

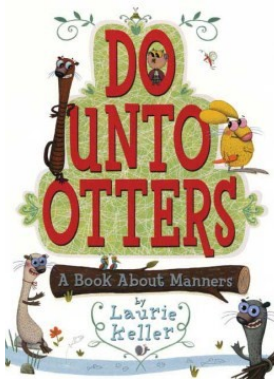
"It was the perfect summer. That is, until Jeremy Ross moved into the house down the street and became neighborhood enemy number one. Luckily Dad had a surefire way to get rid of enemies: Enemy Pie. But part of the secret recipe is spending an entire day playing with the enemy! In this funny yet endearing story, one little boy learns an effective recipes for turning your best enemy into your best friend." - Pub.



## Four Feet, Two Sandals

by Karen Lynn Williams, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.0)

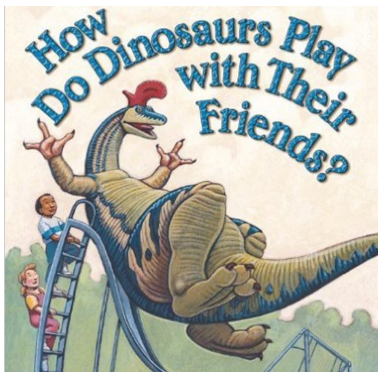
"Two young Afghani girls living in a refugee camp in Pakistan share a precious pair of sandals brought by relief workers." - Follett



## Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners

by Laurie Keller, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.7)

"Mr. Rabbit's new neighbors are Otters. OTTERS! But he doesn't know anything about otters. Will they get along? Will they be friends? Just treat otters the same way you'd like them to treat you, advises Mr. Owl." - Pub.



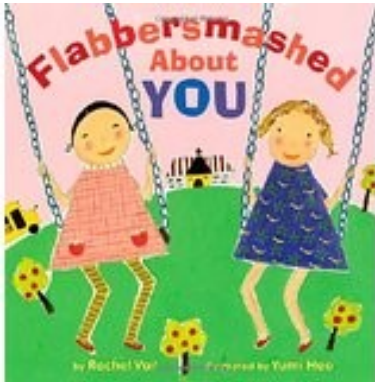
## How Do Dinosaurs Play With Their Friends?

by Jane Yolen, c2006 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.7)

"What if a dinosaur's friends come to play? Does he mope, does he pout if he can't get his way? Does he hide all his dump trucks, refusing to share? Does he throw his friends' coloring books up in the air? Time and time again, children are told to "play nice."- Pub.

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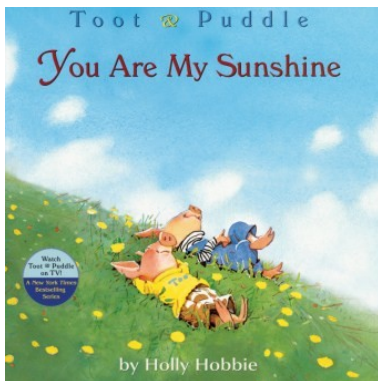
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## **Flabbersmashed About You**

by Rachel Vail, c2012

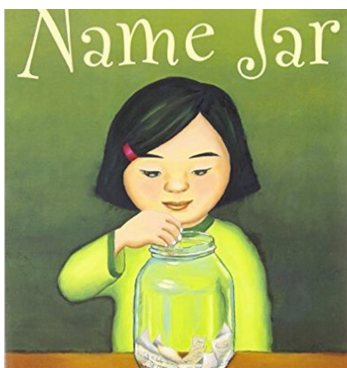
"Now Katie is back as she deals with feeling "flabbersmashed" by her best friend, who suddenly wants to be friends with another kid. We've all been flabbersmashed by a friend--left out of an activity or secret, left to feel sorry for ourselves, or move on. Will Katie ever stop feeling left out?" - Pub.



## **Toot & Puddle: You Are My Sunshine**

by Holly Hobbie, c1999 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.4)

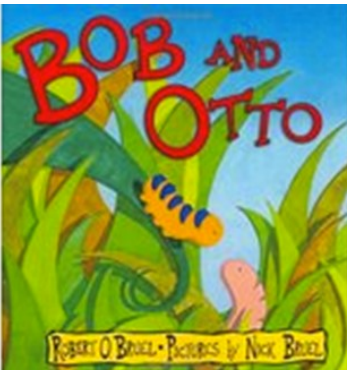
"The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and the flowers are in full bloom- so why is Toot so blue? In an effort to cheer up his best friend, Puddle bakes Toot's favorite berry cobbler, takes him on a river rafting adventure, invites all of their friends over for a fun-filled day of games and sing-alongs, but nothing seems to help...The next day, Puddle wakes up to find the air cleared...and his old friend back." - Pub.



## **The Name Jar**

by Yangsook Choi, c2001 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.1)

"Being the new kid in school is hard enough, but what about when nobody can pronounce your name? Unhei is anxious that American kids will like her. So instead of introducing herself on the first day of school, she tells the class that she will choose a name by the following week. Her new classmates are fascinated by this no-name girl and decide to help out by filling a glass jar with names for her to pick from...One of her classmates comes to her neighborhood and discovers her real name and its special meaning." - Pub.



## **Bob and Otto**

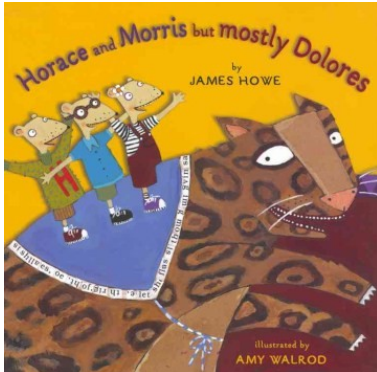
by Robert O. Bruel, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.3)

"Bob and Otto do best-friend kinds of things together--eating leaves, digging, playing--until the day Bob decides to climb a tree, simply because . . . he has to. When the two meet again, Otto is still the same dirt-loving earthworm, but Bob has done the unthinkable: grown wings. Friendship overcomes all else in this sweet and funny story, because no matter what happens, ". . . friends are important." - Pub.



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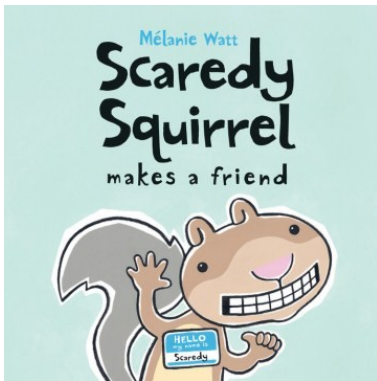


## Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores

by James Howe, c1999 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.0)

"Will their friendship ever be the same?"

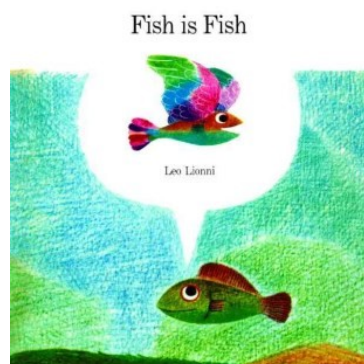
Horace, Morris, and Dolores have been best friends forever. They do everything together—from sailing the seven sewers to climbing Mount Ever-Rust. But one day Horace and Morris join the Mega-Mice (no girls allowed), and Dolores joins the Cheese Puffs (no boys allowed). Is this the end? Or will Horace and Morris but mostly Dolores find a way to save the day—and their friendship?" - Pub.



## Scaredy Squirrel Makes a Friend

by Mélanie Watt, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.0)

"In his latest adventure, Scaredy Squirrel sets out to make The Perfect Friend. And once he's spotted a perfectly safe candidate (with no teeth), Scaredy's ready. Armed with a name tag, mittens, a mirror and a lemon, he's prepared to make The Perfect First Impression. But just when every detail is under control, Scaredy's Action Plan takes a surprising—and toothy—turn. Will he survive this ordeal? Will he find his kindred spirit? Will he discover the true meaning of friendship?" - Pub.



## Fish is Fish

by Leo Lionni, c1998 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.7)

"Two best friends, a minnow and a tadpole, are practically inseparable until the tadpole grows legs and decides to explore the world beyond the pond. When the tadpole, now a frog, returns to tell his friend of the extraordinary things he's seen, the minnow, now a fish, tries to follow in his footsteps, but quickly finds that land is not what he expected. Friendship truly saves the day in this imaginative tale of a fish out of water." - Pub.



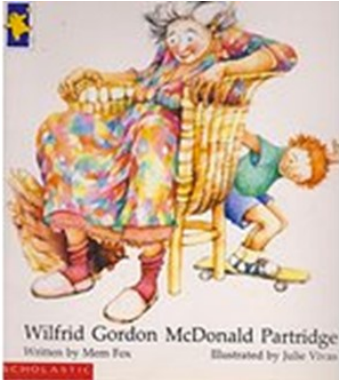
## The Giving Tree

by Shel Silverstein, c1964 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.9)

"Since it was first published fifty years ago, Shel Silverstein's poignant picture book for readers of all ages has offered a touching interpretation of the gift of giving and a serene acceptance of another's capacity to love in return." - Pub.

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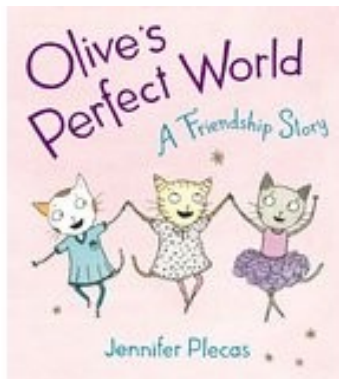
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## Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge

by Mem Fox, c1988 (IL: K-3)

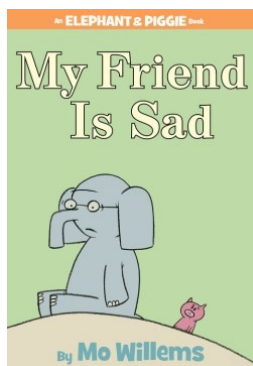
"Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge is a small boy who has a big name - and that's why he likes Miss Nancy Alison Delacourt Cooper because she has too. So when he finds Miss Nancy has lost her memory, Wilfrid determines to discover what memories are so he can find it for her. A perennial classic, perfect for reading aloud." - Pub.



## Olive's Perfect World: A Friendship Story

by Jennifer Plecas, c2013 (IL: 3-6)

"Little kittens Olive and Emily have always been friends, ever since they were little. But now Emily has a new friend, and it makes Olive feel left out—especially when she realizes all of the things that Emily and her new friend Eva have in common." - Follett



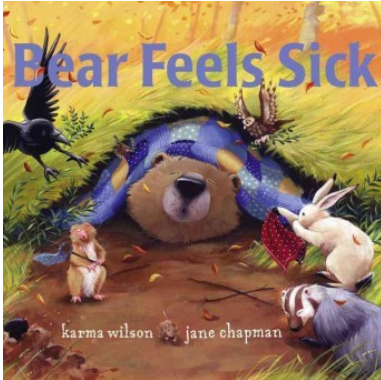
## My Friend Is Sad

by Mo Willems, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 0.7)

"Elephant Gerald is down in the dumps. Piggie is determined to cheer him up by dressing as a cowboy, a clown, and even a robot! But what does it take to make a sad elephant happy? The answer will make even pessimistic elephants smile." - Pub.

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## **Bear Feels Sick**

by Karma Wilson, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.8)

"Sweet Bear isn't feeling well at all. He is achy, sneezy, wheezy, and just plain sick! He's in no shape to go outside to play. So Mole, Hare, Mouse, and the rest of the gang try to make Bear feel as comfortable as possible in his cave. Bear starts to get better—but as soon as Bear is well, all of his friends get sick!" - Pub.



Written by Lana Button Illustrated by Tania Howells

## **Willow Finds a Way**

by Lana Button, c2013 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.6)

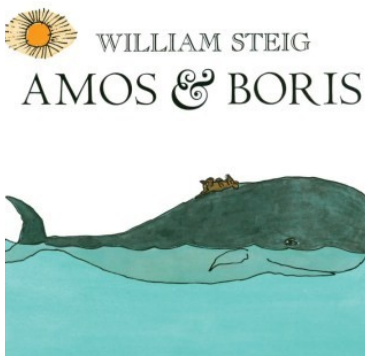
"Shy, quiet Willow silently wishes she could find a way to say no to her bossy classmate Kristabelle's demands, but the words never seem to come when she needs them. That is, until Kristabelle starts using the powerful threat of un-inviting children from her 'fantastic' birthday party to keep them in line, and Willow decides she's finally had enough." - Pub.



## **The Best Friends Book**

by Todd Parr, c2000 (IL: K-3)

"What makes a best friend? Illustrations and brief text describe how best friends treat each other in this bold and quirky book. Full color." - Follett



## **Amos & Boris**

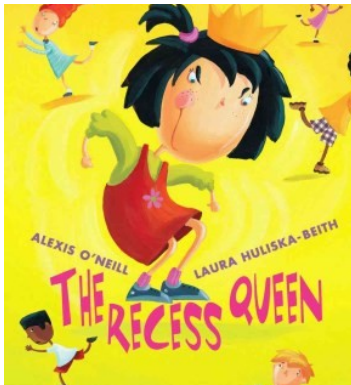
by William Steig, c1971 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.2)

"Amos the mouse and Boris the whale: a devoted pair of friends with nothing at all in common, except good hearts and a willingness to help their fellow mammal. They meet after Amos sets out to sail the sea and finds himself in extreme need of rescue. And there will come a day, long after Boris has gone back to a life at sea and Amos has gone back to life on dry land, when the tiny mouse must find a way to rescue the great whale." - Pub.



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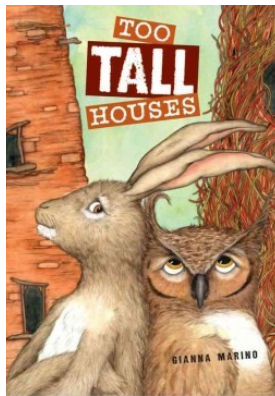
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## **The Recess Queen**

by Alexis O'Neill, c2002 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.1)

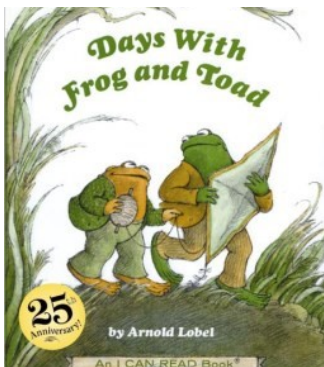
"Mean Jean was Recess Queen and nobody said any different. Nobody swung until Mean Jean swung. Nobody kicked until Mean Jean kicked. Nobody bounced until Mean Jean bounced. If kids ever crossed her, she'd push 'em and smooch 'em lollapaloosh 'em, hammer 'em, slammer 'em kitz and kajammer 'em. Until a new kid came to school! With her irrepressible spirit, the new girl dethrones the reigning recess bully by becoming her friend in this infectious playground romp."  
- Pub.



## **Too Tall Houses**

by Gianna Marino, c2012 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.0)

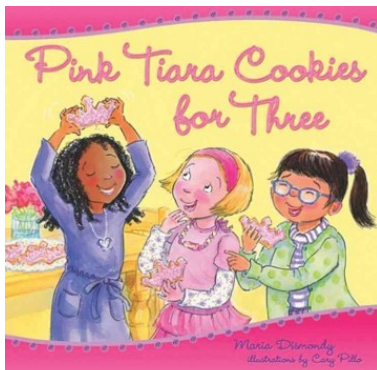
"Owl and Rabbit are good friends and live in two small houses next to each other. They are perfectly happy . . . until Rabbit's garden gets in the way of Owl's view. So Owl builds his house a little taller. Only that blocks the sun from Rabbit's vegetables. So Rabbit builds *his* house taller. And soon it's a house-building frenzy and the two now not-so-good friends have the two tallest houses in the world!" - Pub.



## **Days With Frog and Toad**

by Arnold Lobel, c1979 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.1)

"Frog and Toad enjoy spending their days together. They fly kites, celebrate Toad's birthday, and share the shivers when Frog tells a scary story. Most of all, they have fun together—every day of the year." - Follett



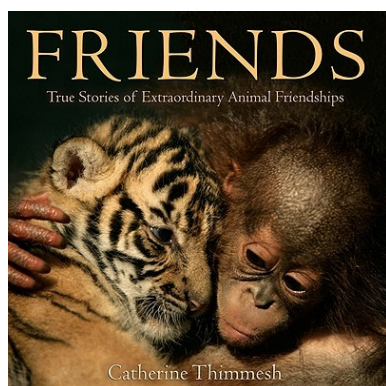
## **Pink Tiara Cookies for Three**

by Maria Dismondy, c2011 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.1)

"Sami and Stella are best friends and neighbors. When Jasmine moves in across the street, a friendship triangle begins. The girls learn how to adjust and make room for one more." - Follett

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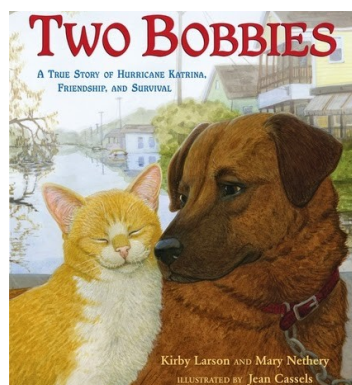
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## **Friends: True Stories of Extraordinary Animal Friendships**

by Catherine Thimmesh, c2011 (IL: K-3, RL: 5.4)

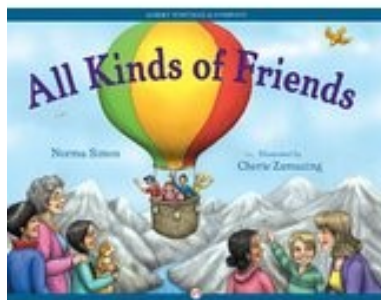
"Famous examples of interspecies friendships successfully translated to picture book format."  
- Follett



## **Two Bobbies—A True Story of Hurricane Katrina, Friendship, and Survival**

by Kirby Larson, c2008 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.2)

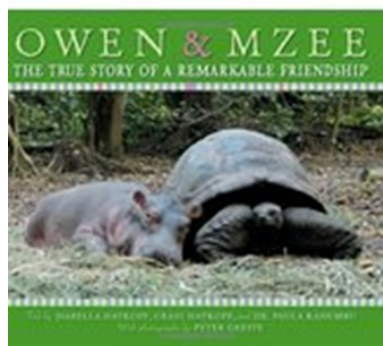
"Bobbi and Bob Cat are the best of friends. When their hometown of New Orleans was struck by Hurricane Katrina, many lost everything. But not Bobbi and Bob Cat they still had each other. Only by staying together could they survive. This is the story of their remarkable friendship." - Pub.



## **All Kinds of Friends**

by Norma Simon, c2013 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.5)

"Norma Simon leads us through a celebration of friendship—school friends, family friends, grownup friends, even pet friends! Simple, reassuring, and thoughtful, children will recognize themselves—and their friends—on every page." - Follett



## **Owen & Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship**

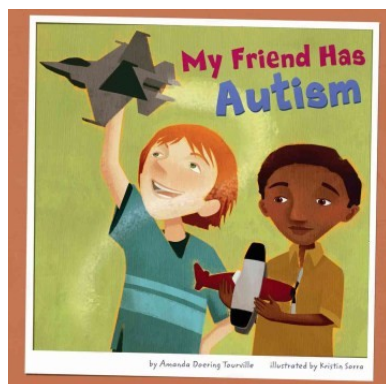
by Craig Hatkoff, c2006 (IL: 3-6, RL: 5.9)

"The inspiring true story of two great friends, a baby hippo named Owen and a 130-yr-old giant tortoise named Mzee (Mm-ZAY). When Owen was stranded after the Dec 2004 tsunami, villagers in Kenya worked tirelessly to rescue him. Then, to everyone's amazement, the orphan hippo and the elderly tortoise adopted each other. Now they are inseparable, swimming, eating, and playing together." - Pub.



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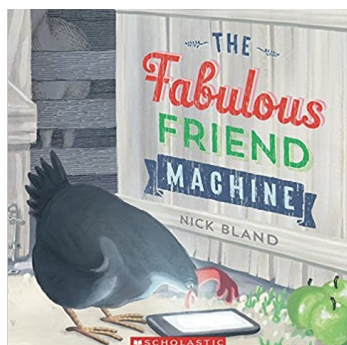
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## My Friend Has Autism

by Amanda Doering Tourville, c2010 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.8)

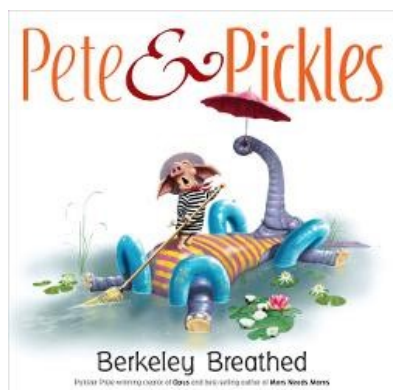
"Celebrating tolerance and acceptance, each title in this constructive and accessible series focuses on the rewards and challenges of having a friend with a disability. Everyday situations are accompanied by informative sidebars that provide details about the highlighted disability." - Pub.



## The Fabulous Friend Machine

by Nick Bland, c2017 (IL: K-3)

"A cautionary tale... When Popcorn, the friendliest chicken at fiddlesticks Farm, finds a Fabulous Friend machine in the barn, she sets about making some brand new friends. But maybe her new friends are not so friendly after all..." - Pub.



## Pete & Pickles

by Berkeley Breathed, c2008 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.6)

"Pete is a perfectly predictable, practical, uncomplicated pig. At least, he was . . . before a runaway circus elephant named Pickles stampeded into his life, needing a friend. Pickles is larger than life and overflowing with imagination. She takes Pete swan diving off Niagara Falls. (Sort of.) And sledding down the Matterhorn. (Sort of.) Pete goes along for the wild ride and actually begins to enjoy himself . . . until Pickles goes too far." - Pub.



## Imaginary Fred

by Eoin Colfer, c2015 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.5)

"Fred is the best imaginary friend you could ever hope for, but no matter how hard he tries, the same thing always happens: his friend finds a real friend in the real world, and Fred fades away, bit by bit, waiting to be wished for again... Then one day, a boy called Sam wishes for a friend, and Fred appears! For a while, everything is perfect. But what about the day when Sam finds a real friend? Could it be that this time, something magical might happen...?" - Pub.