



Get Kindergarten Ready at OC Public Libraries Books About Friendship



[Be a Friend](#) by Salina Yoon (2016). Dennis, who loves to mime, feels lonely until a little girl kicks his imaginary ball back to him. Encourages kids to have an open mind. **XFICP YOON S**

[Be Kind](#) by Pat Zietlow Miller (2018). A story that explores how to be kind in different situations and how difficult it can be to know the right thing to do. **XFICP REUL S**

[Best Friends, Busy Friends](#) by Susan Rollings (2020). A rhyming story about the different kinds of friends and how important they are. **XFICP ROLLINGS S**

[Can Cat and Bird Be Friends?](#) by Coll Muir (2019). A very funny book that demonstrates that you can be friends with someone, even if it doesn't seem like you have that much in common. **XFICP MUIR C**

[Elwood Bigfoot: Wanted: Birdie Friends!](#) by Jill Esbaum (2015). Elwood really wants to make friends with the birds, but nothing he does works, until he learns to be calm and quiet. **XFICP ESBAUM J**

[A Friend Is](#) by Lisa Thiesing (2020). A simple story about what a friend can be with lots of great vocabulary for young learners. **XFICP THIESING L**

[How Do Dinosaurs Play with Their Friends?](#) by Jane Yolen and Mark Teague (2006). Mark Teague's laugh-aloud illustrations, along with Jane Yolen's playful text, will show children that "playing nice" can be easy and fun. **XFICP YOLEN J**

[Kat Writes a Song](#) by Eva Eland (2018). Feeling sad on a rainy day, Kat the kitten writes a song to cheer herself up. It gets even better when she shares the song with her friends. A lovely story about the power of creativity and friendship. **XFICP FOLEY G**

[Llama Llama Time to Share](#) by Anna Dewdney (2012). Llama Llama learns the difficult lesson that it is more fun to share. **XFICP DEWDNEY A**

[My Friend is Sad](#) by Mo Willems (2007). In this easy reader Gerald the Elephant is sad and Piggie is going cheer him up! A simple introduction to the concept of empathy. **XFICP GEE K**

[The Rabbit Listened](#) by Cori Doerrfeld (2018). When Taylor's block castle is destroyed, all of his animal friends think they know just what to do, but only the rabbit quietly listens to how Taylor is feeling. A great story for kids feeling sad and for those who want to help. **XFICP DOERRFELD C**

[That's NOT How You Do It](#) by Ariana Hoffman-Maniyar (2016). Lucy the cat thinks she knows the right way to do everything, but when she meets Toshi the dog she learns something new. A funny story about respecting our differences. **XFICP HOFMANN-MANIYAR A**

[The Day You Begin](#) by Jacqueline Woodson (2018). A beautiful story about feeling new and different and how important sharing your story can be. **XFICP WOODSON J**

[This Book is Gray](#) by Lindsay Ward (2019). Gray feels left out, so he decides to make an all-gray book. Explores the idea of acceptance AND basic color concepts. **XFICP WARD L**

[Will You Be My Friend?](#) By Sam McBratney (2020). A sweet story about the joys of newfound friendship. **XFICP MCBRATNEY S**

[We Are \(Not\) Friends](#) by Anna Kang (2019). Two friends are having playdate when a new friend joins in. How can they all play together without someone feeling left out? **XFICP KANG A**

[We Don't Eat Our Classmates](#) by Ryan T. Higgins (2018). A hilarious story of Penelope, a dinosaur, who learns that it's not okay to nibble on her friends. **XFICP HIGGINS R**



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