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A Boy, A Dog, and A Frog by Mercer Mayer
Tells in pictures a boy's unsuccessful attempts to catch a frog.

A Library Book for Bear Bonny Becker
Although he sees no need for more books to read, Bear agrees to accompany Mouse to the library.

A Perfect Day For It by Jan Fearnley
Bear announces that it's 'a perfect day for it' and his friends follow him up the mountain, each imagining what special treat they might share there, but all come to agree that Bear's 'it' is just right.

A Tale of Two Rats by Claude Lager
After moving from New York to Italy, Arthur finds success as a painter and new friends like Jack and Mario.

A Winter's Yarn by Kathleen Cook Waldron
When a child sets out to learn what animals do when it's cold at the zoo, he encounters a most unusual zookeeper who promises him a tour. This spirited book about helping and friendship features a hippo in a hot tub, a giraffe in a turtleneck, and much, much more.

Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse by Leo Lionni
Alexander, a real mouse, wants to be a toy mouse like his friend Willy until he discovers Willy is to be thrown away.

An Emu Called Tangles by Josephine Barrymore
Tangles is an emu who lives under a windmill in Australia's great Outback, and who's ambition is to fly like other birds, so his little Aussie friends decide to visit him and teach him how to fly.

Anna, Paul and Tommycat Say Hello! by Nicole Girard & Pol Danheux
Meet Anna and Paul and their kitty friend Tommycat—he eats chocolate, does magic tricks, walks upside down on the ceiling, and slithers under doors, even when they're closed.

Bambert's Book of Missing Stories by Reinhardt Jung
A recluse, having written stories peopled with beloved characters, releases them into the world on hot-air balloons, hoping they will find life and return to him.

Bashful Bob and Doleful Dorinda by Margaret Atwood
Bashful Bob, abandoned and raised by dogs, meets Doleful Dorinda, who deals with dirty dishes, and the two become fast friends and eventually heroes.

Best Friends for Frances by Russell Hoban
When Albert and his buddies have a 'no girls' baseball game, Frances and her sister organize a 'Best Friends Outing -- No Boys.'

Big Cheese by Eve Bunting
A cumulative tale in which the purchase of an enormous cheese results in a greatly enriched life for two lonely old women.

Biggest, Meanest, Ugliest Dog in the Whole Wide World by Rebecca C. Jones
Jonathan is terrified of the dog next door, until one day he throws his ball at it in defense and their relationship changes.

Bunyip of Berkeley's Creek by Jenny Wagner
The creature from Berkeley's Creek thinks he's a bunyip but no one agrees because bunyips simply don't exist.

Catching the Nimbin by Jenny Wagner
It's summer holidays again and Philippa is longing to see Greg and the nimbin. But things aren't turning out how she hoped. The nimbin has a secret that it's trying to tell, and every time it does something wrong, which is all the time, Philippa gets the blame. And then things get worse.

Chicken Cat by Stephanie Simpson McLellan
Raised by a chicken who longs to fly, Merlin the kitten learns to spread his wings after being adopted by a young African American girl.

Cottage at Crescent Beach by Ann Blades
A delightful story of two young girls on a seaside vacation.
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Courage to Fly by Troon Harrison

Meg is new to the city with its tall buildings and long shadows. It's nothing like her Caribbean home. Here, the city closes in on her and she feels safe in her bedroom. But gradually she begins to discover that there's more to the city than she thought.... Courage to Fly captures the anxiety of a child who is alone in a new and strange world but whose imagination and courage are nourished by unexpected friendships.

Do You Want to Be My Friend? by Eric Carle

A mouse searches everywhere for a friend.

Dougall the Garbage Dump Bear by Matt Dray

Based on a true story the author and photographer Matt Dray discovered Dougall the Bear when he worked at a dump in Australia. Follow Dougall's journey from being a favoured toy to being discarded to the garbage dump where he makes new friends and begins a new life.

Duck & Goose by Tad Hills

Duck and Goose learn to work together to take care of a ball, which they think is an egg.

Fish is Fish by Leo Lionni

When his friend, the tadpole, becomes a frog and leaves the pond to explore the world, the little fish decides that maybe he doesn't have to remain in the pond either.

Forever Friends Camin Berger

In the spring, a blue bird awakens a rabbit and invites him to play, and they enjoy every day together until it is time for the bird to fly south for the winter, with a promise to return again next spring.

Four Stories for Four Seasons by Tomie de Paola

Four friends—a cat, dog, pig, and frog—share the delights of each season.

Fox by Margaret Wild

An injured magpie and a one-eyed dog live happily together in the forest until a jealous fox arrives to teach them what it means to be alone.

Goodbye to Griffith Street by Marilynn Reynolds

John finds a special way to say goodbye to his friends on Griffith Street in a small mining town in the mid-1940s.

Harry and Shellburt by Dorothy O. Van Woerkom

Harry and Shellburt, two good friends, rerun the classic race between the tortoise and the hare.

How Butterbees Came to Bee! by Lana Bloch and Tania Bloch

Bizzy and Buzzy Butterbee inherit the gifts of both bees and butterflies. They help inspire others to discover their unique gifts and talents.

How to Grow A Friend by Sara Gillingham

Friendship advice given as gardening tips.

I Wish I Were A Butterfly by James Howe

The littlest cricket of Swampswallow Pond is convinced only by the Wise Old One that being special has nothing to do with physical metamorphosis, flashy colors, or shimmering wings.

Josepha : A Prairie Boy’s Story by Jim McGugan

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

Kira-Kira Cynthia Kadohata

Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.

Leaving Barrumbi Leonie Norrington

Dale stands up hanging onto the wire cage of the Toyota and see his home, Long Hole, shrinking away. The rusty iron roofs of the old people's houses at the bottom camp are already disappearing into the red soil. And suddenly it hits him that he's leaving. The nine-hour trip is the beginning; he's only ever lived with Aboriginal kids!
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Little Elephant and Big Mouse by Benita Cantieni
The friendship between a little elephant and a big mouse helps them to understand the size relationship between the sun and the Earth.

Loop the Loop by Barbara Dugan
A young girl and an old woman form a friendship that lasts even after the woman enters a nursing home.

Magic Rabbit by Annette LeBlanc Cate
When Bunny becomes separated from Ray, a magician who is his business partner and friend, he follows a crowd to a park where he has a lovely afternoon, and after the people leave and darkness falls, the lonely and frightened Bunny finds a glittering trail of hope.

Mermaid’s Muse: The Legend of the Dragon Boats by David Bouchard
History meets myth in this inspiring tale of friendship, loyalty and transformation, as Qu Yuan, celebrated poet-in-exile of ancient China, and a sea dragon in the guise of a mermaid develop a curious friendship.

Merry Christmas, Ernest and Celestine by Gabrielle Vincent
Even though they have no money, Ernest and Celestine use their ingenuity to make a Christmas party for their friends, knowing that it is love and friendship and not money that really matters.

Mine! by Hiawyn Oram
Claudia becomes very possessive of her toys when Isabel comes to visit.

My Friend Isabelle by Eliza Woloson
A young boy named Charlie describes the activities he shares with his friend Isabelle, a girl with Down Syndrome.

My Friend Jacob by Lucille Clifton
A young boy tells about Jacob, who, though older and mentally slower, helps him a lot and is his very best friend.

Naomi and Mrs. Lumbago Gilles Tibo
When Naomi hunts for hidden treasure in Mrs. Lumbago’s apartment, her search reaps more than she realizes. A sensitive and funny exploration of intergenerational friendship.

Nicolas, Where Have You Been? by Leo Lionni
Mishap turns to adventure as a young mouse learns that all birds aren’t the enemies he thought they were.

Old Bird by Irene Morck
Father buys an old mare to carry Archie and his brother, Arnfeld, to school every day. But the stubborn old horse has other ideas about her place on the farm. And in the battle of will that follows, Bird gets a chance to show that she’s not ready to go out to pasture just yet.

Peach & Blue by Sarah S. Kilborne
A frog helps a peach see the world and the peach shows the frog sights he has never seen before.

Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley Aaron Blabey
Pearl barley and Charlie Parsley are the best of friends, but they are different in almost every way.

Petunia by Roger Duvoisin
Petunia, the goose, learns that possessing knowledge involves more than just carrying a book around under her wing.

Playschool by Helen Oxenbury
A little girl is not looking forward to her first day at nursery school until she makes friends with another new girl.

Return of the Nimbin Jenny Wagner
Philippa’s second summer holidays with Greg and the nimbin are nearly ruined by sinister forces beyond their control in a gripping tale of friendship, money, chocolate biscuits, and the nimbin lost—and found.

Rude Ramsay and the Roaring Radishes by Margaret Atwood
Rude Ramsay has reached the end of his rope! Ramsay and Ralph the red-nosed rat resolve to leave their rectangular residence on a quest for a more refreshing repast. Together, Ramsay, Ralph, and Rillah manage to reveal that, sometimes, the grass is truly greener on the other side of the rampart.
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**Sloan & Philamina: or, How to Make Friends With Your Lunch** by Patti Stren

PZ 7. S9163 SL 1979

The anteaters pressure Sloan to give up his friend Philamina, an ant. He has no intention of doing so and must resort to drastic measures.

**Someone Like You** by Sarah Dessen

PZ 7. D455 SO 2000

Halley's junior year of high school includes the death of her best friend Scarlett's boyfriend, the discovery that Scarlett is pregnant, and Halley's own first serious relationship.

**Spid** by Ursula Moray Williams

PZ 7. W6683 Sp 2000

One day Spid comes up the plughole in Henry's bathroom. Within minutes, Henry and this very large black spider are best of friends. Spid only wants to be loved. Unfortunately, Henry's family don't like Spiders, so Spid sets out to win them over - with some extraordinary results!

**That's What Friends Are For** by Florence Parry Heide & Sylvia Worth Van Clief


All the elephant's friends give him advice, but none can solve his problem until the opossum announces that friends are to help, not just to give advice.

**There You Are** by Joanne Taylor

PZ 7. T21475 The 2004

World War II is not long past and life is returning to normal in Cape Breton's lovely Margaree Valley. But Jeannie Shaw is achingly lonely. Among the thirteen families in her community, there is no one who is potential friend material, and that includes her troublesome four-year-old sister. When the Parker family moves back to the Valley, Jeannie is thrilled. Perhaps among the children is a girl her age. All these thoughts are put aside when a near tragedy strikes Jeannie's family. Through the hardship she finally finds a friend in the most unexpected way.

**Tim and Charlotte** by Edward Ardizzone

PZ 7. A682 TI 2002

Tim and Ginger find a new friend in this classic storybook that has enthralled generations of children.

**True Friends: A Tale From Tanzania** by John Kilaka

PZ 7. K54 Tr 2006

Only Rat knows how to make fire, and he generously provides it to all the other animals. When his best friend, Elephant, suggests that Rat store his food in Elephant's solid house, Rat agrees. But when the drought comes, Elephant refuses to share the stored food. "You are tiny, and you don't need much," he says. "So go away." When the other animals return to fetch their fire, Rat is gone and Elephant is worried. What will his betrayed friend do?

**Willy and Hugh** by Anthony Browne

PZ 7. B81984 Wil 1991

Willy makes a new friend.

**Wind in the Willows: An Annotated Edition** by Kenneth Grahame

PZ 10.3 . G76 Win 2009

"There's nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing around in boats." Fed up of spring-cleaning, the Mole flees his underground dwelling to discover a world full of adventure - from boating on the river with the Water Rat to the forbidden Wild Wood, over which the badger keeps watch, and Toad's obsession over anything with four wheels and a motor. After Toad commits a series of car-related felonies, he is sentenced to a lengthy imprisonment in a maximum-security dungeon. Can he escape and atone for his reckless behaviour? And can the four friends reclaim Toad Hall, the finest home on the riverside, from the Weasels of the Wild Wood?

**Yuck, A Love Story** by Don Gillmor, Marie-Louise Gay

PZ 7. G5412 YU 2000

Austin's life was perfect until Amy moved in next door. It seems to be 'yuck' at first sight, but when Austin is invited to her party, he decides Amy deserves nothing less than the moon.