

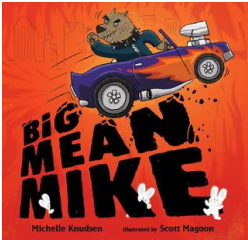


Friendship



A Select List of Brown County Library Children's Books (Toddler– Early Elementary)

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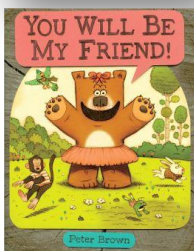
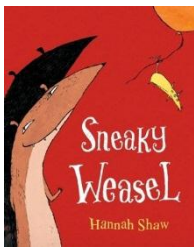
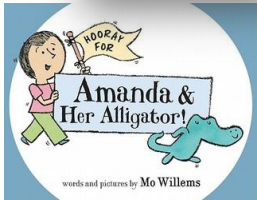
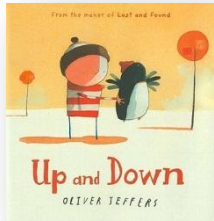


Picture Books:

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Being a Good Friend

- [Bella & Bean](#) by Rebecca Dotlich
- [Best Friends for Frances](#) by Russell Hoban
- [A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever](#) by Marla Frazee (ages 6+)
- [Crafty Chloe](#) by Kelly DiPucchio
- [Duck Soup](#) by Jackie Urbanovic
- [Each Kindness](#) by Jacqueline Woodson (ages 6+)
- [The Hole in the Middle](#) by Paul Budnitz
- [Hooray for Amanda & her Alligator!](#) by Mo Willems
- [I'm Not](#) by Pam Smallcomb
- [Leonardo the Terrible Monster](#) by Mo Willems*
- [Little Bear's Friend](#) (beginning reader) by Else Holmelund Minarik
- [Lost and Found/Up and Down](#) by Oliver Jeffers
- [Louder, Lili](#) by Gennifer Choldenko
- [My Friend Maya Loves to Dance](#) by Cheryl Willis Hudson
- [My Friend Rabbit](#) by Eric Rohmann*
- [Poppleton](#) (beginning reader series) by Cynthia Rylant
- [Rabbit's Gift: A Fable from China](#) by George Shannon
- [Root Beer and Banana](#) by Sarah Sullivan (ages 5+)
- [A Sick Day for Amos McGee](#) by Philip Stead
- [Since We're Friends: An Autism Picture Book](#) by Celeste Shally
- [Sneaky Weasel](#) by Hannah Shaw (ages 5+)
- [When No One is Watching](#) by Eileen Spinelli
- [Wilfred](#) by Ryan Higgins (ages 5+)
- [The Yellow Tutu](#) by Kirsten Bramsen
- [You are to Me](#) by Rebecca Doughty
- [You Can Be a Friend](#) by Tony Dungy (ages 5+)

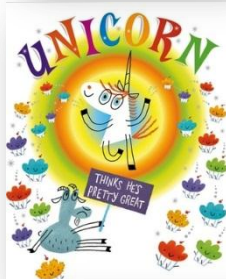


Making Friends

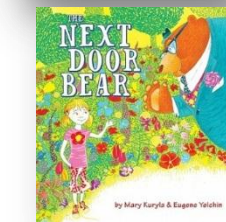
- [Bee-Wigged](#) by Cece Bell (ages 5+)
- [David's Drawings](#) by Cathryn Falwell
- [Disappearing Desmond](#) by Anna Alter
- [Ladybug Girl and Bumblebee Boy](#) by David Soman
- [Lissy's Friends](#) by Grace Lin
- [My Best Friend](#) by Mary Ann Rodman
- [The Next Door Bear](#) by Mary Kuryla-Yelchin
- [The New Arrival](#) by Vanya Nastanlieva
- [The New Girl and Me](#) by Jacqui Robbins (ages 5+)



[Oliver](#) by Birgitta Sif (ages 5+)
[Poindexter Makes a Friend](#) by Mike Twohy (ages 5+)
[The Red Book](#) (wordless) by Barbara Lehman
[Ribbit!](#) by Rodrigo Folgueira*
[Say Hello](#) by Jack Foreman
[Scaredy Squirrel Makes a Friend](#) by Melanie Watt
[Swim! Swim!](#) by James Proimos
[A Very Big Bunny](#) by Marisabina Russo

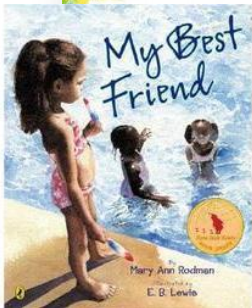


[A Visitor for Bear](#) by Bonny Becker
Curmudgeonly Bear has a cozy cottage with a decidedly un-cozy sign posted on the front door: "No visitors allowed." When a very persistent and polite mouse invites himself over for tea, Bear repeatedly rebuffs the unwanted visitor until he finds his grumpiness is replaced with curiosity. Much to his own surprise, Bear warms to his tiny guest, and by the end of Mouse's visit, Bear is regaling Mouse with his life story as well as showing off his headstand skills. Gentle, expressive illustrations capture Bear's shifting emotions as well as Mouse's bright-eyed charm. The perfect blend of humor and sweetness at the core of this timeless tale emphasizes that patience and good listening skills can defrost even the grumpiest of demeanor. For ages 3-6.

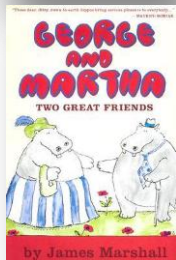
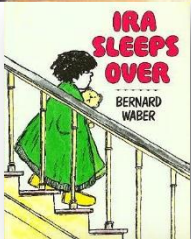


[You Will Be My Friend!](#) by Peter Brown
[Zuzu's Wishing Cake](#) by Linda Michelin

Overcoming Conflicts

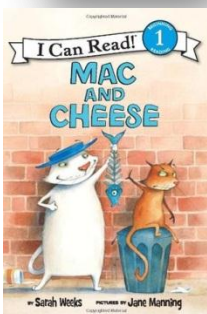


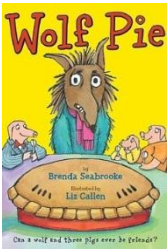
[A Bargain for Frances](#) by Russell Hoban
[Best Best Friends](#) by Margaret Chodos-Irvine
[The Cardboard Piano](#) by Lynne Rae Perkins (ages 5+)
[Duck & Goose/Duck, Duck, Goose](#) by Tad Hill*
[Enemy Pie](#) by Derek Munson (ages 6+)
[Flabbersmashed about You](#) by Rachel Vail
[Friends](#) by Mies van Hout
[I Don't Want to Be a Pea!](#) by Ann Bonwill
[I'm the Best!](#) by Lucy Cousins*
[Ira Sleeps Over](#) by Bernard Waber
[Jane and Mizmow](#) by Matthew Armstrong
[Moonbear's Pet](#) by Frank Asch
[Ollie and Claire](#) by Tiffany Haber
[Peace, Baby!](#) by Linda Ashman*
[Pug & Doug](#) by Steve Breen (ages 5+)
[Sorry!](#) by Norbert Landa
[Squid and Octopus: Friends for Always](#) by Tao Nyeau
[Two of a Kind](#) by Jacqui Robbins



[Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great](#) by Bob Shea

Unicorn poses proudly, surrounded by rainbows, cupcakes, glitter, and sheer charisma, while grumpy Goat glowers in the corner. This cover scene reveals to children that jealousy is at the center of this tale. Goat grumbles at Unicorn's seeming perfection; from flying, to advanced magic tricks, to prancing skills, everything seems to come easily to Unicorn. Embittered, Goat takes to imitating Unicorn by prancing about with a plunger on his forehead in lieu of a horn. Goat only starts to recognize his own strengths, including goat cheese-making and mountain climbing, when Unicorn points them out. Unicorn's willingness to share his own insecurities, as well as notice the good qualities in others, wins over the once resentful Goat. In fact, the new friends decide they would make quite the crime-fighting duo when combining Unicorn's power of flight with Goat's "cloven [hooves of] justice." This surprisingly nuanced friendship story will resonate with children ages 4-8.





[What about Bear?](#) by Suzanne Bloom*
[The Worst Best Friend](#) by Alexis O'Neil

Opposites Attract/Unlikely Friendships

[Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse](#) by Leo Lionni
[Asiago](#) by Adam McHeffey
[Bear and Bee](#) by Sergio Ruzzier*
[Big Mean Mike](#) by Michelle Knudsen
[Boy + Bot](#) by Ame Dyckman
[Dog and Bear](#) (series) by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
[Elephant and Piggie](#) (beginning reader series) by Mo Willems
[Frog and Toad](#) (series) by Arnold Lobel
[George and Martha](#) (series) by James Marshall
[Help! A Story of Friendship/Sophie's Window](#) by Holly Keller
[Hurry Up and Slow Down](#) by Layn Marlow
[Jumpy Jack and Googily](#) by Meg Rosoff
[Mac and Cheese/Mac and Cheese and the Perfect Plan](#) (beginning readers) by Sarah Weeks
[The Octonauts & the Only Lonely Monster](#) by Meomi
[Ready for Anything](#) by Keiko Kasza
[A Splendid Friend Indeed](#) by Suzanne Bloom*

[The Story of Fish and Snail](#) by Deborah Freedman

Intrepid Goldfish feels stifled by the confines of his aquarium-within-a-picture-book while timid Snail's idea of adventure is playing "sleeping cats." Snail loves to hear Fish's stories of adventure from beyond the borders of the book they dwell in, but he doesn't want to actually meet pirates or princesses or explore sunken ships. When Snail dares Fish to go exploring without him, Fish does just that, much to Snail's distress. Realizing that he must expand his interests to keep his friend, Snail ventures to the edges of his own book. Snail bravely dives into another open book, plunging into an illustration of the open sea, surprising himself with his courage, and earning the admiration of Fish. The happily reunited duo set off on a new adventure. Freedman's innovative tribute to the imaginative realms of stories will captivate children ages 4-8.

[Suryia and Roscoe: The True Story of an Unlikely Friendship](#) by Bhagavan Antle
[Toot & Puddle](#) (series) by Holly Hobbie
[Wolf Pie](#) (beginning reader) by Brenda Seabrooke

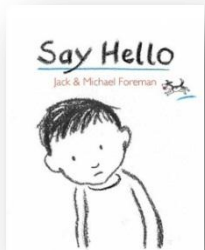
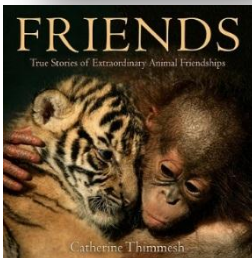
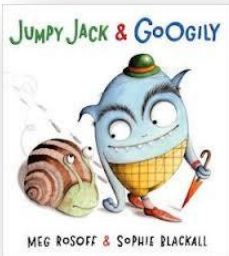
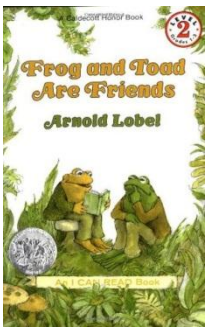
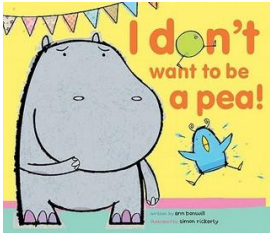
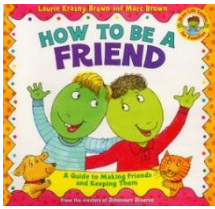
Non-Fiction and Parent/Teacher

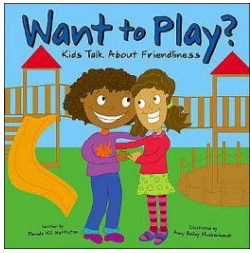
[Friendliness](#) by Cynthia Amoroso

[Friends](#) by Katherine Thimmesh*

From the tiger cub and baby orangutan embracing on the cover, to a squirrel monkey perched on a capybara's back, these compelling photos capture extraordinary, yet authentic animal friendships. Each duo is depicted with a full-page photo; the sentiment expressed by each photo is compellingly captured in a few lines of prose. While the photos and prose can be appreciated by children as young as three, older children will appreciate the informational text that provides some background to each pairing. For ages 3-10.

[How to Be a Friend: A Guide to Making Friends and Keeping Them](#) by Laurene Brown
[Making Friends](#) by Fred Rogers
[Me, My Family, and Friends: 26 Songs and over 300 Activities for Young Children](#) by





Pamela Byrne Schiller

[Owen and Mzee: The Language of Friendship/Owen and Mzee: the True Story of a Remarkable Friendship](#) by Isabella Hatkoff

[Ready for Kindergarten! From Recognizing Colors to Making Friends, Your Essential Guide to Kindergarten Success](#) by Deborah Stewart

[The Unwritten Rules of Friendship: Simple Strategies to Help your Child Make Friends](#) by Natalie Elman

[Terra and Bella: The Elephant and Dog that Became Best Friends](#) by Carol Buckley

[Want to Play? Kids Talk about Friendliness](#) by Pamela Nettleton (ages 6+)

[Where Are You Going? To See My Friend!: A Story of Friendship in Two Languages](#) by Eric Carle



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