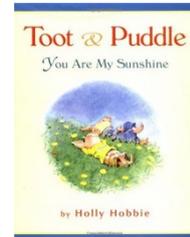




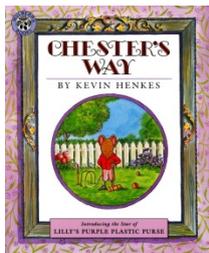
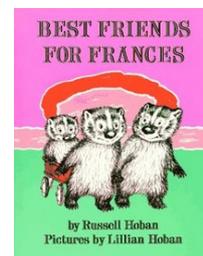
## Recommended books for children

### Friendships

**Toot and Puddle: You Are my Sunshine by Holly Hobbie.** This book is one in a series of books about two pigs, Toot (the adventurer) and Puddle (the homebody), who are best friends. In all Toot and Puddle books, the two friends are affectionate, picking out thoughtful gifts, writing postcards to each other, and looking out for each other. In *Toot and Puddle: You are my Sunshine*, Puddle goes to great lengths to try to cheer up his friend Toot. **Ages 3+**

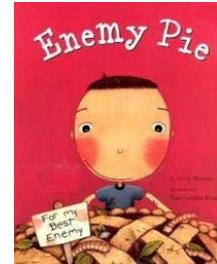


**Best Friends for Frances by Russell Hoban.** Frances is left out by her good friend Albert. In retribution, she decides to befriend her sister and go on a no boys outing. In the end, the friends decide that they will not leave each other out in the future. **Ages 4+**



**Chester's Way by Kevin Henkes.** When Lilly moves into the neighborhood, Chester and Wilson are initially suspicious of Lilly's eccentric ways. After Chester and Wilson get past their initial distrust, they discover that they have things in common with Lilly, have fun introducing each other to new things, and ultimately end up being great friends. **Ages 4+**

**Enemy Pie by Derek Munson.** A funny story, with instructions for turning a best enemy into a best friend. **Ages 4+**



**Should I Share My Ice Cream? by Mo Willems.** Also part of Mo Willems' series of early readers' stories about friendship are *Can I Play Too?* and *My Friend is Sad*. Messages about friendship flow naturally from the stories Willems tells about best friends Elephant and Piggie. **Ages 5+**

**Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson and E. B. Lewis.** In *Each Kindness*, a new girl Maya moves to town. It is clear from Maya's old and ragged clothes that Maya's family does not have as much money as do her classmates' families. Maya's classmates refuse to talk to or play with her. *Each Kindness* is told from the perspective of one of Maya's classmates. When Maya leaves school, the narrator regrets not being kind to Maya. **Ages 6+**

