



I never want to play with Quentin again.



Never, never, never! I have lots of friends.

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I play with Tony.



Tony knows a lot about animals, like dinosaurs and sharks and spiders and fish.







Jerry and I like the same games, like tag, hide-and-go-seek, and rock-paper-scissors. We watch the same cartoons and get to stay up late at sleepovers. Sayeed is nice.



He always shares his snacks
—granola bars, candy, cookies.

He doesn't like soccer, but that's OK.



Alex used to be my friend,



but not anymore! He teases me. I don't like that.





Friends Never Always

I'm never playing with Quentin again! Never, never, NEVER!

I can play with Tony—he likes dinosaurs. I can play with Nadia—she likes tea parties. I can play with Jerry—he likes hide-and-go-seek. I can play with Estelle—she makes me laugh.

Or I can play with Quentin. Wonder what he's doing?

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Reading this book with your child can be a fun way to talk about friendship, conflicts with friends, and forgiveness. A Note to Parents and Caregivers written by Elizabeth McCallum, PhD, discusses the normal ups and downs of childhood friendships and how children argue and make up with friends as a means of practicing social roles that they will assume in later years.

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