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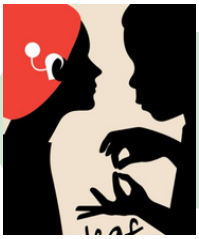
CHAPTER BOOKS ABOUT FRIENDSHIP



THE BRAVE BY JAMES BIRD
Collin can't help himself--he has a unique condition that finds him counting every letter spoken to him. It's a quirk that makes him a prime target for bullies, and a continual frustration to the adults around him. When Collin asked to leave yet another school, his dad decides to send him to live in Minnesota with the mother he's never met.



ANYBODY HERE SEEN FRENCHIE? BY LESLIE CONNOR
At the heart of this story is the friendship between hyper-talkative Aurora and nonvocal Frenchie. Conflict arises when Aurora is better able to expand her social abilities and finds new friends. When Frenchie goes missing, Aurora must figure out how to use her voice to help find him, and lift him up when he is found.



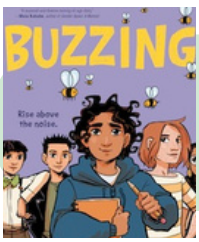
DEAF NOT DEAF BY CHRISTIAN FUSCO
Rian is starting her sixth grade year in a new home and at a new school in Northeast Philadelphia. On her first day, she is greeted by Shack, the class bully, who wastes no time breaking one of her cochlear implants. She's used to feeling like an outsider, but nothing could prepare her for life at John Hancock Elementary.



NOT IF I SEE YOU FIRST BY ERIC LINDSTROM
Blind sixteen-year-old Parker Grant navigates friendships and romantic relationships, including a run-in with a boy who previously broke her heart, while coping with her father's recent death.



RULES BY CYNTHIA LORD
Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.



BUZZING BY SAMUEL SATTIN
Isaac is a shy boy with OCD, but one day at school he meets new friends who introduce him to role-playing games, which lead him on a journey of self-discovery and growth.

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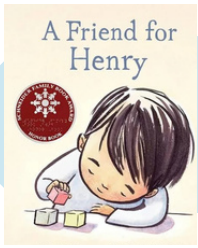
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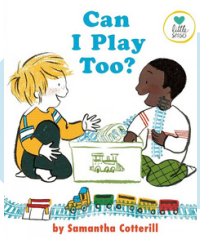
AMAZING BY STEVE ANTHONY
A little boy and his pet dragon are the very best of friends. They laugh, they sing, they dance, they snooze. They are both amazing, just like everyone else.



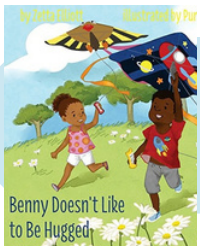
A FRIEND FOR HENRY BY JENN BAILEY
Henry would like to find a friend at school, but for a boy on the autism spectrum, making friends can be difficult, as his efforts are sometimes misinterpreted, or things just go wrong--but Henry keeps trying, and in the end he finds a friend he can play with.



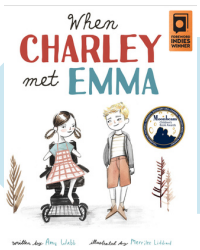
MARA HEARS IN STYLE BY TERRI CLEMMONS
Mara is worried about what the students at her new school will think about her hearing aids, but as she explains about lip reading and sign language she makes two new friends.



CAN I PLAY TOO? BY SAMANTHA COTTERILL
A young boy building a train track with his friend is headed for trouble until a teacher steps in and helps him learn social cues of anger and happiness.



BENNY DOESN'T LIKE TO BE HUGGED BY ZETTA ELLIOTT
A little girl describes the unique traits of Benny, her friend who has autism. Benny likes trains and cupcakes without sprinkles, but he can also be fussy sometimes. She doesn't mind, however, because "true friends accept each other just the way they are."



WHEN CHARLEY MET EMMA BY AMY WEBB
Five-year-old Charley gets teased for daydreaming and drawing more than his friends, but when he meets Emma, who is physically different, he needs help remembering that being different is okay.

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