

# MEESHA MAKES FRIENDS



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Dear Reader,

This is a book about a girl who finds it hard to make friends.

Making friends is one of those things that *looks* really easy, but it can sometimes feel like the hardest thing in the world!

If you ever find it hard to make friends, then a great place to start is speaking to children who seem to enjoy the same things as you, whether that's music, art, football, rock climbing, ice skating or **ANYTHING** at all!

And if you ever see someone who looks a little bit '*on-their-own*' try to include them. Ask them what they like to do. You never know, it might be something that **YOU** love to do as well, and you might have just met your new best friend!

No matter what you're feeling, remember that it always helps to talk about it. Be open, be honest, be **YOU!**



Love,  
TOM





This book is dedicated to Isaac Parsons

Thanks to Ash and Joey for Meesha's paintings

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Meesha LOVED  
making things.



She could make pictures  
out of numbers . . .



and pictures  
out of sounds.



Sometimes she made  
pictures out of *both*.



But there was one thing that Meesha  
found hard to make . . .



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Meesha loves making things . . .



but she finds it difficult to make friends.

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