

A Friend for Jane

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Pre-reading questions:

- What do you do when you are lonely?
- How do you introduce a new person to your friends?

Once upon a time, there was a **lonely** crocodile



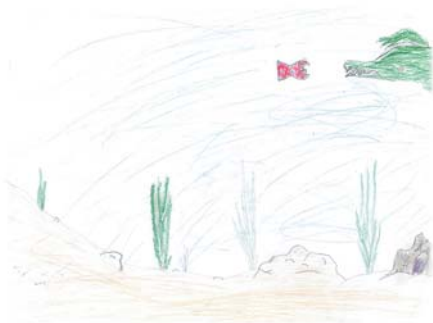
named Jane. One day, Jane was hungry and went to look for food in the lake.

Jane swam to the middle of the lake and

went to the bottom. She found a fish named Oliver.

Jane swam slowly towards him and decided to **attack**.

Just when Jane's teeth were about to come down on the little fish, the fish yelled, "Wait, do not eat me! Let us be friends."





Jane looked at the
little fish and asked,
“What is a friend?”

Oliver replied, “A
friend is someone you
like to spend time with.”

“Oh,” said Jane.

“Here,” said Oliver,
offering Jane his **fin**. “I

will **introduce** you to some of my friends.”

“Okay,” said Jane.

They swam quietly through the blue water until
they came across a large group of small fish that
looked exactly like Oliver.

“AAHH!” yelled the other fish when they saw Jane.

They all started to swim away, but Oliver yelled,
“Wait! Do not
leave. This is my
friend Jane. She
is nice and will
not eat you.”



“Okay, we believe you,” the other fish all said.

Jane saw how many friends Oliver had and how they all **supported** each other. She wanted to have that, too.

Jane turned to Oliver and said, “Oliver, I want to be your friend. I want to be everyone’s friend!”

Everyone started to **celebrate**! Jane was very happy to have made friends and not be **lonely** anymore.



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