

The Soccer Game

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Pre-reading questions:

- What have you **disagreed** about with a friend?
- How did you settle that disagreement?

It was a bright and sunny day. Maia and Ryan were playing soccer with a few other kids.

Maia kicked the ball very hard. It **flew** through the air and it went over the tress.



“Where did the ball go?” everyone **wondered**.

“I want to look in the **playground**,” Maia said.

“But I want to look in the field,” said Ryan,

because he
thought the ball
went that way.



Maia thought that the ball went the other way, so she and Ryan started **arguing**.

Another kid who was also playing soccer got tired of hearing them fight. He came over and tried to help Maia and Ryan **compromise**.



“Calm down,” he said. “Let us look in the playground, and then we can look in the field. Do we have an **agreement**?”

“Yes,” they said.

Maia and Ryan both worked together to look for the soccer ball in the playground. They looked under the **slide**, under the **swings**, and around the **monkey bars**. They could not find the ball anywhere.



“Let us look in the field now,” Ryan said.

They looked in the grass **clumps**, but they did not find the ball. Then they decided to look in the trees. There was the soccer ball lying next to a huge tree.

“I guess we were both wrong!” said Ryan. He laughed very hard.

Ryan and Maia hugged, and they promised they would never fight again.



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A Game of Tag

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Pre-reading questions:

- What games do you like to play with your friends?
- How would you feel if you were new to a place and people did not want to play with you?

Silvia, Donathan, and Maddie were playing at the **park**. “Do you want to play **tag**?” asked Silvia.



“Yes, that sounds like fun!” **exclaimed** Donathan and Maddie, jumping up and down **excitedly**.

“Wait,” said Silvia, “We only have three people. That will not be any fun at all!”

She looked at the other two kids with a sad face. Silvia looked around and something **caught her eye**.