Parent Resource

How to Help Your Child's First Friendships Grow

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Abstract: "By springtime in the preschool/kindergarten year, children have become comfortable enough with each other that intense friendships can occur. This is the beginning of the "best friends" stage. These friendships are wonderful because children are beginning to see the value of sharing play (and materials) with others. But they can be problematic too, because kids are not yet clear on how to be fast friends without hurting or excluding others."

