



The Friendship Light

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Scarlett was drawing a beautiful rainbow, her crayons scattered around her. Finn, her little brother, wanted the red crayon too. "Mine!" they both cried, their voices filled with frustration.



Suddenly, the toys in their playroom began to glow! The stuffed animals and building blocks seemed to wobble and grumble. Puffletop, a friendly stuffed dragon, woke up with a sleepy yawn.



Puffletop explained that the toys were upset because of the arguing. He told them about the Friendship Light, which only shines when siblings work together. The light needed their teamwork.



The siblings decided to go on a quest to restore the Friendship Light. They took turns using the red crayon, setting a timer, and practicing calm words. "Can we make a plan?" Scarlett asked Finn.



Together, they helped each other across a pretend river of building blocks and built a tower. Finn admired Scarlett's drawing skills and Scarlett loved Finn's silly ideas. They both cheered each other on.



Finally, as they worked together to decorate Puffletop's tail with sparkly stickers, the Friendship Light shone brightly! They realized that when they were kind and shared, their playroom magic was the strongest. And even when the toys went quiet again, Scarlett and Finn knew the real magic was how they listened to each other's hearts.