

I Don't Wanna Share!

It's Mine! It's Mine! It's Mine!

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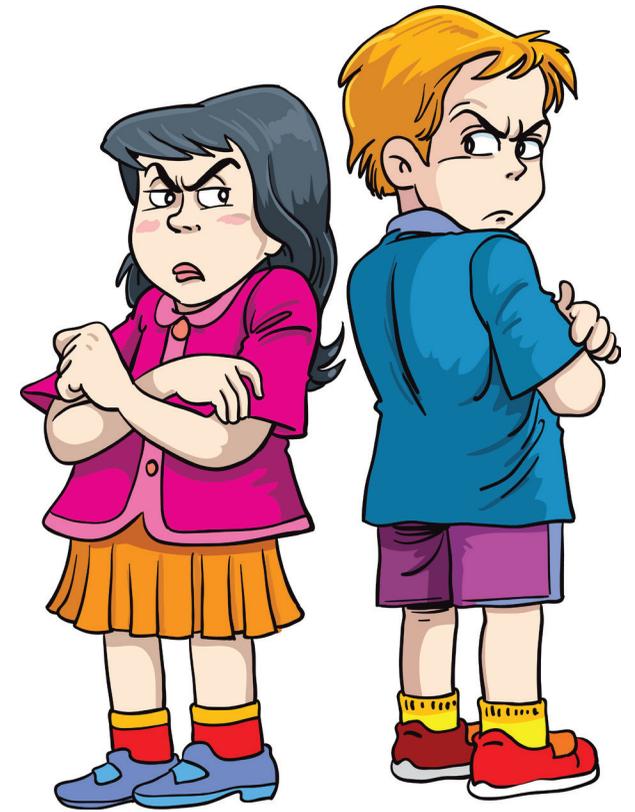
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That's okay. Most people don't want to share.

At least not at first.



You don't have to share.

Unless you want friends.

Think it over.



Does anyone ever share things with you?

Probably?

Certainly.



That's the way the world works.

We all share things with each other.

Including you.



When you hear a really funny joke, do you tell it to a friend?



When you hear a new song that you like, do you tell anyone?

That's sharing.



You have a favorite toy, right?

Where did you get it? From someone?

How long have you had it?

You played with it a lot. Right?



Why would it matter if someone else played with it?

You'll get it back. It will still be yours.



Some little kids don't want to share.

Some big kids don't want to share.

Some boys don't want to share.

Some girls don't want to share.

Still don't want to share? Still think it's dumb?



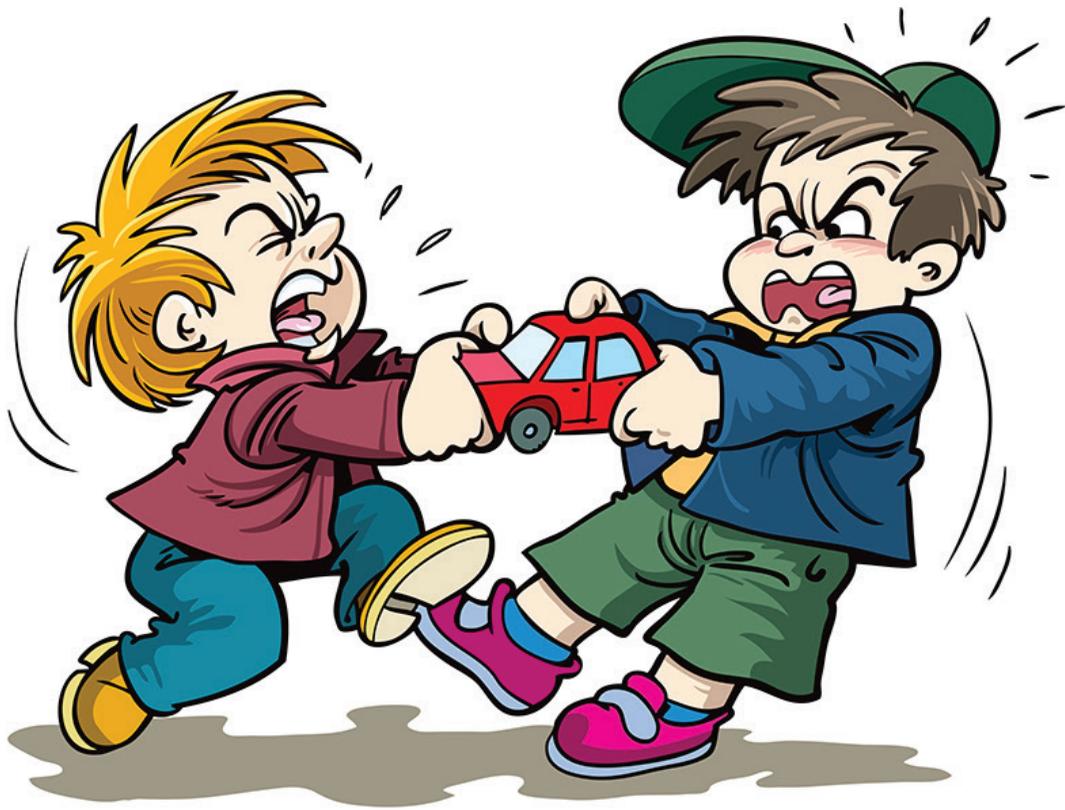


You don't want to be the kid that everyone says
doesn't like to share.

That's not the kid with lots of friends.



Maybe you've noticed that the other kids are having
lots of fun -- together.



Do you think people should share with you?

Maybe you don't -- but...

Where do you get your meals?

Ever needed a ride?

Do you live by yourself?

Do you sometimes ask other people for things?



So you don't want to share? That happens.

Maybe this is the wrong book for you.

Just close the book until you want something from somebody.

Anything.

Even attention.

Sharing is unnatural...



...but it can be learned.

Kids start out so beautifully.
The whole world is theirs.
Until someone else wants part of it, too.
Or, until they see something they can't have.
That's when things start to change.
Learning to share takes time,
and sometimes a special book.