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Frenemies to Besties

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Grace Dill was a fifth-grader at Hillpark Elementary. She had an enemy, like all fifth-graders. Her enemy was Brittany Covert, better known as “Britt.” She was Grace’s former best friend. They used to eat ice cream together, play games, and also go to the library together. All was well until the fight. The fight was when things got messed up. You see, back then, they used to trade toy ducks. They had a tradition to split them into groups based on their colors. So, one day, when they were trading ducks, Britt was with another person, Kiki Olsen. The popular girl.

Britt told Grace, “Sorry, I don’t think the tradition is good for us now that we’re fifth graders.”

“We always do it, though!” exclaimed Grace.

Britt rolled her eyes.

“We aren’t babies anymore.”

Then Britt said the meanest thing she had ever said to Grace.

“You know what? I don’t want a stuck-up friend like you!”

That day Grace was hurt. Kiki’s presence had changed Britt. Or so she thought.

It was official. Britt and Grace were no longer best friends.

They didn't talk for days. When Grace went to school, she would notice Kiki and Britt laughing together. Grace's life was boring without Britt. One day when she went to lunch, she fell down the stairs. It hurt. She walked and saw Britt.

"What's wrong?"

"I fell down the stairs at lunch," she sobbed.

Britt walked her down to the nurse.

"Thank you," she whispered.

Britt smiled back. She said sorry about the duck situation. They were friends again.

The next day, they went back to the luxurious life of doing childhood activities that they had done over the years. Britt told Grace why she was so mean that day. Turns out her mom had a brain tumor, and her surgery was happening that day. She was with Kiki because Kiki was comforting her.

"I guess it changed me." Britt had said.

"Well, I don't blame you. You were going through a tough time."

That was how a little act of kindness and an apology brought them back together again.

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