

# Jeb's chocolate

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Jeb was new. He didn't have any friends.  
He was lonely.

He walked sadly, kicking a stone. He had chocolate in his pocket, but it didn't help. He still felt sad. He had chocolate, but he didn't have friends.

Jeb almost walked into a little girl. She was crying.

“Um ... can I help you?”

“No.”

Jeb thought for a moment. “Would you like some chocolate?”

The little girl smiled. “Thank you.”



Jeb and the little girl walked along. They almost walked into a fight! Two boys were hitting one another.

Jeb thought for a moment. “Would you like some chocolate?”

The boys stopped fighting. “Yes!”

Jeb and the little girl and the two boys walked on.  
They almost walked into a lady with a dog.

The dog got such a fright when he saw Jeb and  
the little girl and the two boys, that he ran away.

It took a long time to catch him. The lady was very  
hot and cross.



“Would you like some chocolate?”

The lady smiled. “Yes! Thank you!”

Jeb gave her his last bit of chocolate.  
He had no chocolate for himself.

But he had friends!



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## Ideas to talk about

When Jeb shared his chocolate with others, they became his friends. How else could he have made new friends? What does friendship mean to you?

What makes people feel lonely? Have you ever felt lonely?



## Visual

Draw a picture of yourself feeling lonely.



## Reading

Go to the activity sheet here: <https://nalibali.org/story-supplies/activity-sheets>

Write a number in each box to put the pictures in order. Find the text in the story that goes with each picture.



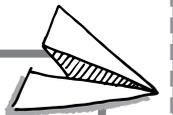
## Writing

Write a thank-you letter to someone who has made a difference in your life by being kind to you.



## Craft

Use a paper plate or cut out a cardboard circle. On one side draw a "feeling lonely" face and on the other side, draw a "feeling happy" face.



## Performance

Use the correctly numbered pictures to retell the story.

