Helping a New Friend



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new girl $oldsymbol{\lambda}$ joined our school class in the middle of the year. She looked and spoke differently than the other students. She had moved around a lot

and had a hard time making

friends. She had sad things happening in her family and came to school crying on some days. I knew I wanted to try to help this girl, but I wasn't exactly sure what I should do because she did not always like to talk with other children. I prayed about what I should do and could feel the Holy Ghost whisper that I should just try to be her friend.



I helped her with her schoolwork, and told her that our Heavenly Father gave her special talents for her to use and share with others. I invited her to play with me and other students at recess. A few months later, she said I was the first friend she ever had.

She had to move again, and I felt really sad. I asked the school secretary to send a letter to her at her new address. In the letter, I told my friend I would miss her and that she would always be my friend. I drew pictures of us playing together and reminded her of some of her talents. I told her she should be brave and try

to make a new friend because she could help someone else. I prayed that she would find a friend in her new school and that the other children would be nice to her.

I know that Heavenly Father loves all of His children, and I am thankful that He helps us to help each of them.