

Little blue and little yellow

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This is little blue.



Here he is at home with papa and mama blue.

Little blue has many friends



But his best friend is little yellow

Who lives across the street.



How they love to play at Hide-and-Seek

And Ring-a-Ring-O'Roses !



In school they sit still in neat rows.

After school they run and jump.



One day mama blue went shopping. "You stay at home" she said to little blue.

But little blue went out to look for little yellow.



Alas! The house across the street was empty.

He looked here



and there

and everywhere until suddenly around the corner



there was little yellow !

Happily they hugged each other



And hugged each other

Until they were green.



Then they went to play in the park.

They ran through a tunnel.



They chased little orange.

They climbed a mountain.



When they were tired

they went home.



But papa and mama blue said : “ You are not our little blue – you are green.”

And papa and mama yellow said : “You are not our little yellow – you are green.”



Little blue and little yellow were very sad. They cried big blue and yellow tears.

They cried and cried until they were all tears.



When they finally pulled themselves together they said : “Will they believe us now?”

Mama blue and papa blue were very happy to see their little blue.



They hugged and kissed him.

And they hugged little yellow too... but look... they became green !



Now they knew what had happened

And so they went across the street to bring the good news.



They all hugged each other with joy

And the children played until suppertime.