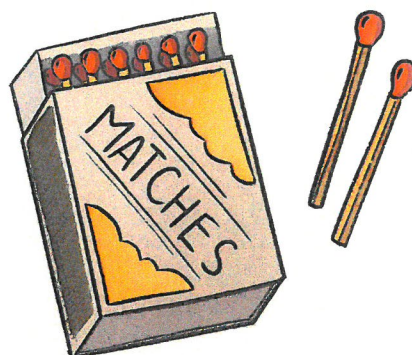


# THE TRICK WITH STICKS



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Friendships can be tricky!

Why do some children find the creation of friendships difficult?

What draws children together? What keeps them together?

What can parents do to help children develop these friendships?

What are these bonds, and how can they be explained?

*The Trick with Sticks* gives you and your child a simple visual concept to help their development and maintenance of friendships and to assist with their understanding of others. The sticks provide a visual analogy of the bonds of friendship.

*The Trick with Sticks* uses sticks to symbolise what behaviours contribute to or diminish these bonds.

*"Oh, my goodness, the story is so clever. I teared up.  
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