

## Real friends

People say, "*Friends come and go*"  
and I couldn't disagree more.  
Real friends are ones that never fully leave  
they stay,  
    get comfy,  
        and make a home  
in your heart forevermore

You might doubt if this is accurate  
but if you've had a real friend, you'd agree.  
After all, how do you explain the hours spent  
laughing,  
    sharing,  
        and sobbing together  
those memories remain at the core of your soul, I guarantee

I learnt this truth from the shock of loss  
that was experienced at the fresh age of four years old.  
The loss of the family cat didn't hurt me, instead I was  
comforted,  
    satisfied,  
        and grateful  
for the memories we spent together that I could always hold.

I learnt this truth from the fire of hatred  
that burnt hot in girls so youthful.  
Lashing out with their tongues, no lie could taint the girl I saw as  
funny,  
    gracious,  
        and honest,  
she always felt as the only friendship then that was truthful.

I learnt this truth from the world of literature  
a friendship that's endured through the years.  
Although at times, life felt like something

tiring,  
    tedious,  
    and even too hard,  
books have always been available to distract from my fears.

In a world so uncertain and constantly changing  
there's only thing of which I am sure.  
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