

# Special Friends


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Stephen Lambert

### On My Way Practice Readers

#### **The Ant and the Dove** retold by Mindy Menschell

#### **Pen Pals** by Kathryn E. Lewis

#### **Pet Shop** by Ryan Fadus

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### Practice Readers

#### **You Can Help, Too!**

by Kathryn E. Lewis

#### **A Storm at the Farm**

by Iris Littleman

#### **Wind and Sun**

retold by Nicolas Thilo

### Theme Paperbacks

#### **Bunny Cakes**

written and illustrated

by Rosemary Wells



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