

## The Imaginary Friend

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There was a boy named Terry. He was always last for everything but he didn't mind it. You might think he was sad or bored. You'd probably think he was being ignored. But he wasn't. He just doesn't like to talk to people. Later that day a group of high schoolers came up to him and said why are you so lame? People said how was he not embarrassed? He just said, "I'm not."

He has an imaginary friend named Jerry. Every time they were picked last, Terry was happy because it gave him time to play with Jerry. Soon Jerry told him, "Go make some real friends." Then Terry said, "I can't."

Jerry said, "Why not?"

Terry said, "I'm too scared."

Jerry said, "It's ok to be scared sometimes. It's part of learning to be better than what you already are. It's how you make friends."

Then Terry got the courage to talk to some people. He found some people who like the same things he does. Then the more friends Terry got, the more Jerry started to fade away. Terry knows making friends can be hard but we have to try no matter what. You keep trying till you succeed.