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When I have opened  
my heart to a

 **friend,**

I am more myself  
than ever.

— Thomas Moore





**T**hat old line about  
counting blessings

Is advice we'd all do  
well to heed—



And whenever I do,  
my thoughts  
turn to you,









For you are a

**friend**



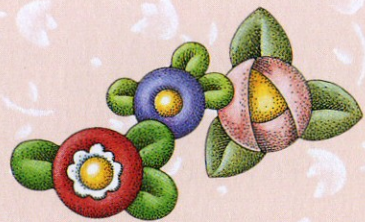
indeed.





**I**t seems that we've  
been friends forever

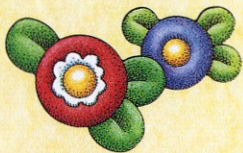
(though I know  
we're not *nearly*  
that old!)



But I'll not  
take for granted—  
I'm still quite  
enchanted—







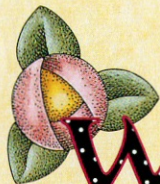
Vintage friends are more  
precious than  
gold.











**W**e've been friends

through days  
washed with



**sunshine,**



And through times  
when the sky  
turned to gray.







But when storms  
rOcked  
the boat,  
friendship  
kept us afloat.



Friends indeed make  
the tough times okay.











**F**riends like you help me  
keep my perspective

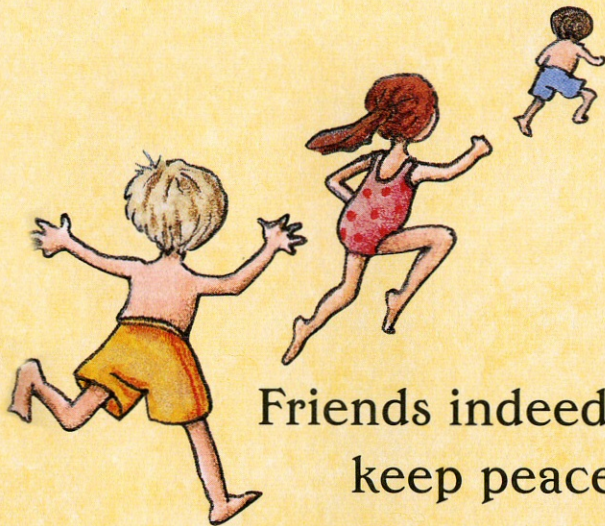
When clear thought  
proves illusive to find.



And when worries  
unfetter,  
two heads make it  
better—

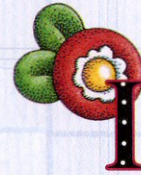






Friends indeed help us  
keep peace of mind.





If we stay side-by-side  
on life's journey,



We'll enjoy it  
wherever it leads—

From now till forever,  
we'll stick close together

And we'll always be

**friends**

indeed.

