

IT'S MINE!

“Stay out of the pond,” yelled Milton. “The water is mine,” shouted Rupert. “The earth is mine.” This story has an important message about sharing.

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This book really brings a message of how good it feels to be able to share. You may want to point out that sharing toys means taking turns playing with them. It doesn't always mean that they have to give up a toy just because someone else wants to play with it. It's okay to finish playing with it first. Take time to talk about things they don't have to share, like special toys or a special “friendly” blanket. Ask your child how they feel about having to share toys.

- What is their favorite toy?
- How do they feel when they see someone else playing with it?
- What toys do they like to share? Why?
- How can we decide who plays with what and when?

Point out that thoughts are something else that belong to them alone. They can always decide if they want to share their thoughts and feelings.