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Bailey and Darby are really good friends, they go most places together.
The two puppy pals share fun and games, they will be friends forever.



"Darby, what shall we do today?" Bailey can't decide.
Darby says he would love to go somewhere with a slide.

Bailey has brown eyebrows and he moves them while he thinks. "I've thought of somewhere with a slide," Bailey smiles and winks.




Darby is so excited, "Where is it Bailey, where?"
"A new play park," Bailey points, "it's somewhere over there!"



Our two dog friends with wagging tails, trot along the street.
They are yapping with excitement, to think who they might meet.
The park is bright and shiny, the toys are all brand new.

"You go first!" says Bailey. "No..." Darby says, "After you!"



They take turns on the slide,
they both have so much fun.
One stands at the bottom,
just to watch the other one.

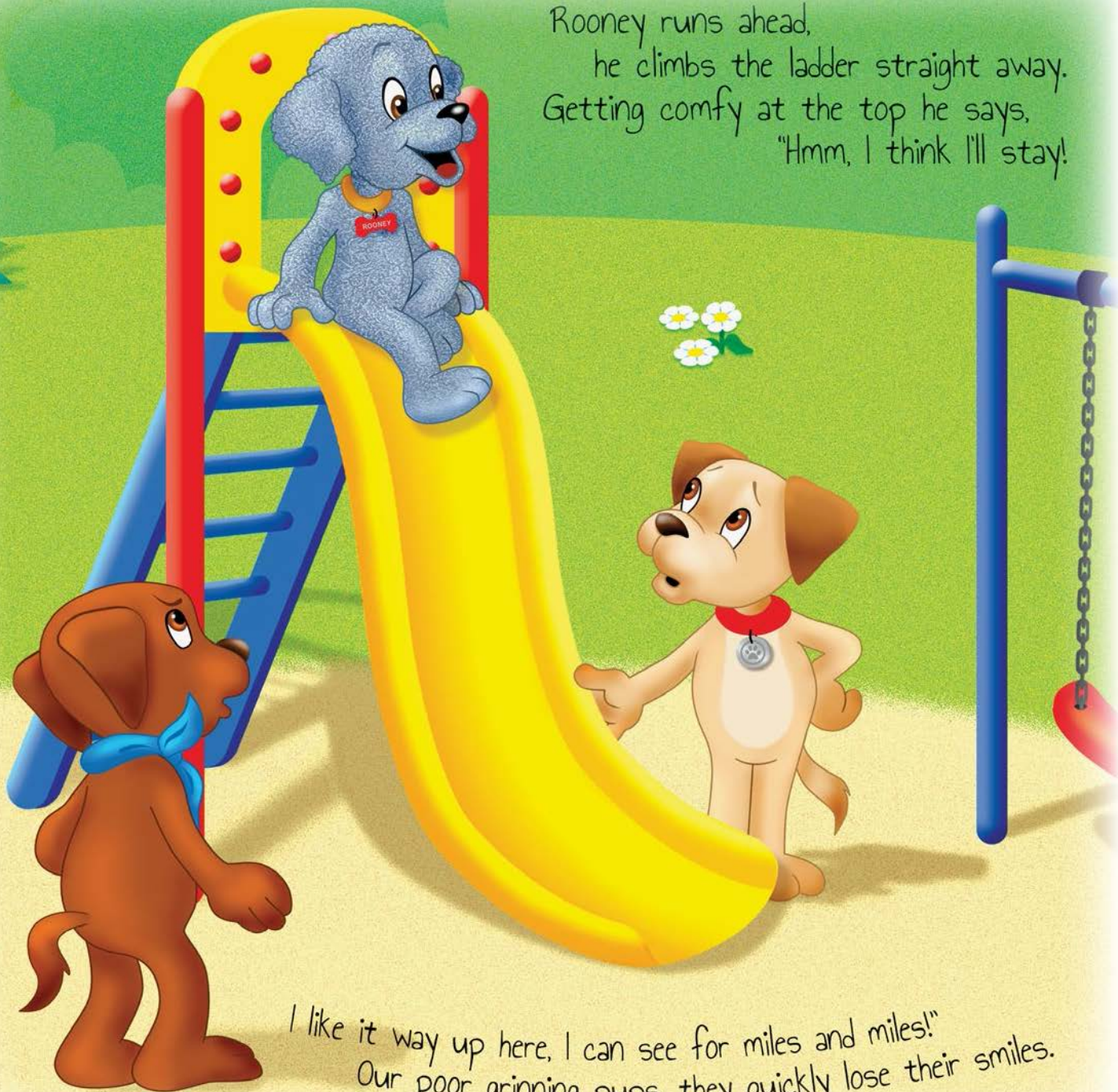
On the climber, all alone, they see another pup.
"Hello there, what's up?!"
"I'm going over," Bailey says.

Darby goes over too
and extends the pup a paw.
"Hello, pleased to meet you,
have we met before?"



"I'm Rooney," says the dog, "can I play on the slide?"
"Of course!" cries Darby, "It's pretty fast, it really is some ride!"

Rooney runs ahead,
he climbs the ladder straight away.
Getting comfy at the top he says,
"Hmm, I think I'll stay!"



I like it way up here, I can see for miles and miles!"
Our poor grinning pups, they quickly lose their smiles.

"Could I have a go now, please?"
Darby asks very nicely.
"I'll give you a go in say...
a million years precisely!"
"You've just sat at the top,"
Bailey says, "it isn't fair."
Rooney sticks his tongue out,
it's clear he doesn't care.





"We wanted to be friends," says Darby, "thought you might be lonely!"
There's other toys apart from slides, it's not the one and only!"
"That's right, it's not!" says Bailey, "Come on Darby, let's play."
We'll go do something else since Rooney won't behave."



So our two puppy pals play nicely on the teeter-totter.
Up and down they go, wagging tails high and low.
Rooney looks the other way, he doesn't want a go.

"Let's go on the bouncers!" Bailey runs there, panting.
"You won't make me jealous!" Rooney's started ranting.



Our little pups ignore him, they're having too much fun.
Rooney should make three pups, instead he sits as one.

"Swings next!" Darby announces, racing through the park.
"I'm gonna swing forever, or at least until it's dark!"
Darby and Bailey, to and fro, racing through the air.
Rooney's trying hard to look as though he doesn't care.



It isn't very long though, until Rooney starts to stir.
Biting his top lip, he whines and ruffles his black fur.
He slowly scuffs and saunters, over to the swings.
Quietly he mumbles, "Can I try one of those things?"





"No you can't!" Darby growls, "You didn't share with us!"
"Calm down now," says Bailey, "let's not cause a fuss."
Rooney you were mean because you refused to share -
But Darby, to hold a grudge, is equally unfair..."



The three pups start again, shake paws and say their names.
They make a pledge to share, including others in their games.
Rooney learned some manners and the three are now great friends.
Sharing, caring, learning. Puppy playtime never ends.



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