

# TWO MATES by MELANIE PREWETT AND MAGGIE PREWETT

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		✓	✓	✓						

This book could be shared with all year levels but used to study reading and writing for the above year levels.

Writing	
Ideas	✓
Organisation	✓
Voice	✓
Word Choice	
Sentence Fluency	✓
Conventions	
Presentation	



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Reading	
Determining Importance	
Inferring	✓
Making Connections	
Predicting	
Questioning	✓
Summarising & Synthesising	✓
Visualising	

Two Mates by Melanie Prewett and Maggie Prewett is a true story about the bond between two best friends. This is a book that celebrates diversity and friendship.

## Writing

**IDEAS:** Students could use this book as a mentor for writing their own memoir. This text is written from the first-person point of view where the main character, Jack, recounts memories and stories of his friendship with his best mate, Raf. He has selected a handful of key events/memories in their friendship and written about these. **ORGANISATION:** The structure of this text would be a great model for students to create a similar book about a person they enjoy spending time with (could be a friend or family member). They can practise slowing down the pace of their writing to add extra details to some of their events (in the same way the author has done with the four-wheeler memory in this book). **SENTENCE FLUENCY-** once students have written their first draft, they can look at revising their sentence structure to include compound and complex sentences.

## Reading

This would make a good text for a shared reading to practise fluency and intonation. The illustrations in this text add extra information to the text, the final page is very important and requires readers to INFER in order to gain a deeper understanding of the entire text. Much **QUESTIONING** and discussion could come from this and from the extra author and illustrator notes at the back of the book.