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Jamaica hates having to wear her brother's 'passed down' grey boots. "They're boy boots," she says, and what makes matters worse is that her friend Brianna tells her so, too. Jamaica is determined to get new boots somehow, but even when she proudly wears her new cowboy boots Brianna makes disparaging comments and the two girls are at odds with each other. Then, at school on Monday, thanks to a remark from their teacher and an understanding approach from Jamaica, all becomes well between the friends again. The author clearly has an understanding of the ups and downs of young children's relationships and her manner of telling - largely through dialogue - rings absolutely true. Anne Sibley O'Brien's warm illustrations are equally realistic and sensitive. All in all, a lovely book, rich in potential for discussion.

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