

**Benji's Doll: La muñeca de Lucas****Luis Amavisca****Alicia Acosta****Amélie Graux, Illustrator**

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Available in both Spanish and English versions, this updated take on a story of a boy who desperately wants a doll of his own eschews gendered judgments (Benji's friends exhibit none) in favor of championing gentle play and making amends. Benji is sad when Pablo squeezes his toy so hard that her eye pops out, but Pablo is remorseful, and a tentative peace is forged—and pirate play ensues! Goofy expressions dominate the colored-pencil illustrations of this chipper and encouraging tale.

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