

## FRIENDSHIP

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Distant thunderclouds abound,  
Rumbling the only sound  
Trembling below the ground  
On which a lonesome wooden see-saw stands,  
One seat soaring high in the air  
Warm and bright from the remaining light,  
With its back turned away experiencing no fear.  
While the other on the earth sits small  
As if wishing to watch the incoming storm,  
For it knows as if by Natural form  
That as he rises so must his partner fall.

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