

### **Be A Friend - Poem by Edgar Albert Guest**

Be a friend. You don't need money;  
Just a disposition sunny;  
Just the wish to help another  
Get along some way or other;  
Just a kindly hand extended  
Out to one who's unbefriended;  
Just the will to give or lend,  
This will make you someone's friend.

Be a friend. You don't need glory.  
Friendship is a simple story.  
Pass by trifling errors blindly,  
Gaze on honest effort kindly,  
Cheer the youth who's bravely trying,  
Pity him who's sadly sighing;  
Just a little labor spend  
On the duties of a friend.

Be a friend. The pay is bigger  
(Though not written by a figure)  
Than is earned by people clever  
In what's merely self-endeavor.  
You'll have friends instead of neighbors  
For the profits of your labors;  
You'll be richer in the end  
Than a prince, if you're a friend.