

## I Have a Friend

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**I        have    a       friend,    a    true,    true    friend,**  
[a:ɪ    hæv    ʌ       frɛnd    ʌ    tu       tu       frɛnd]

Strong and fresh from the Ocean.  
Brave and free as the rushing wave,  
Is the soul of his deep devotion.

He never fails in times of need,  
Times of grief or sorrow;  
One warm clasp of his big brown hand,  
And a cheery hope for the morrow.

Come, O my friend, with happy voice,  
Blithe as birds in the dawning,  
Bring a breath from your fragrant Sea  
And a smile as bright as the morning!

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*Thank you!*

