

25. Little Words



“Yes, you did, too.” “I did not.”

Thus by unkind little words,
Two fond friends were parted.

“I am sorry.” “So am I.”

Thus the little quarrel ended,
Thus by loving little words two bonded
hearts were mended.

– Benjamin Keech



- **fond friends** : close friends.
- **parted** : separated.
- **bonded** : joined securely.
- **mended** : repaired.

Things to do :

1. Rewrite this poem as a short story.
2. Form pairs or groups. Discuss the reasons why you have quarrels with other people. Then discuss what **you** can do to end the quarrel. Write short conversations on those ideas and present them.
3. Punctuate the following :
 - * yes, you did, too
i did not
 - * i am sorry
so am i