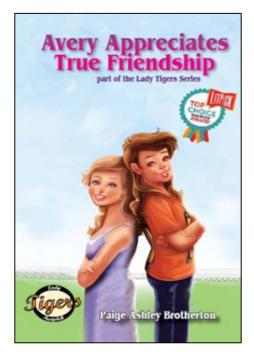


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Avery Appreciates True Friendship

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Playing softball for the Lady Tigers had always been the key to Avery, Charlotte, and Bianca's friendship. It was the common interest they shared.

But when Charlotte grows closer to a new girl in the neighborhood, Avery worries that her friend's new interest in clothes and shopping will tear the trio apart. Suddenly, Avery finds herself surrounded by worry, stress, and jealousy that affects the whole team. Can the girls come together for the upcoming tournament, or will insecurities get the better of the Lady Tigers?

And can Avery learn to accept her friend's new interest...and herself?

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