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## **Arthur and the Forgetful Elephant**

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A young boy befriends an elderly elephant in this tender tale that works to make the experience of memory loss accessible to children. Sparse language and illustrations make poignant use of void spaces, emphasizing Arthur's small stature and the elephant's girth. Starting with a muted palette of reds, grays, and greens, the story gains more color as the two new friends build a connection despite their differences, demonstrating that love and friendship are not things easily forgotten.

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