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Shelby

Stacy A. Nyikos

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With colorful illustrations from Shawn N. Sisneros, *Shelby* by Stacy A. Nyikos is the entertaining story of Shelby, a shy young lemon shark who desperately wants a friendship but is frightened of whaoos, ballyoos, and little tunnies with the razor-sharp teeth. The lyrical text perfectly augmented with colored drawings provides young readers with an engaging picturebook story of Shelby's encounter in a mangrove swamp provides her the chance to save some fish and begin surprising new friendships. An ideal and fun picturebook story about overcoming shyness and loneliness that many young readers will readily identify with, *Shelby* is very highly recommended for family, school, and library collections.