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Rond and Dus live at opposite poles... literally. Rond is a polar bear: he has a white, fluffy-as-the-snow fur, he loves taking dips and lives on his small piece of glacier at the North Pole. Unfortunately, the ice on which he lives is getting smaller and smaller. Dus is an Antarctic penguin, his belly is as white as ice and his back is as black as the night; he walks in a peculiar, funny way and lives at the South Pole. He feels very lonely and would love to have a friend to hold tight, but he can't see anyone around him. Both on their lonesome, Rond and Dus decide to take a journey around the globe to look for some company.

A simple and poetic story which works as a reminder to everyone: loneliness can be defeated with the help of a friend. The idea of sharing a playful and funny moment with someone will encourage children to open to the outer world and naturally develop their personality. The sweet, straightforward illustrations guide the narration in the description of the touching protagonists' adventures. Younger children will find the story easy to follow and understand thanks to the use of black and white.

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