READING GUIDE

The Adventures of Rudy: The Christmas Mishap

A guide to support reading, discussion, and learning with Rudy's adventure!

ABOUT THE BOOK

Rudy is a little red ball with a big heart and an even bigger sense of adventure! When a mishap on Christmas Eve sends him rolling into a magical night, Rudy discovers the joy of helping others and the true meaning of Christmas.

THEMES

Helping Others
Rudy shows how small acts of kindness can make a big difference.

Bravery
Rudy is brave when he takes on a challenge he never expected.

Teamwork
Rudy works with Santa and the elves to save Christmas.

Christmas Spirit
The story celebrates the magic of Christmas and giving from the heart.

BEFORE READING

- Look at the cover and title. What do you think the story will be about?
- Who do you think Rudy might meet?
- What do you think might go wrong on Christmas Eve?
- What do you think Rudy will learn?

READING TIP

Encourage students to make connections to their own experiences and the holiday traditions in their lives!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why did Rudy bounce out of the toy shop?
2. What problem happened with Santa's sack?
3. How did Rudy help Santa and the elves?
4. What did Santa invite Rudy to do?
5. What did Rudy do on Christmas Eve night?
6. What lesson did Rudy learn from his adventure?
7. Why was Rudy a good helper?
8. If you could go on a Christmas adventure like Rudy, where would you go and who would you help?

AFTER READING ACTIVITIES

- ★ Draw and write about your favorite part of the story.
- ★ Create a "Rudy's Adventure Map" showing where Rudy went on Christmas Eve.
- ★ Write a thank you note to Santa or your favorite helper.
- ★ Act out a favorite scene with a partner or group.
- ★ Make a list of ways you can help others.

EXTENSION IDEAS

- ★ Research how people celebrate Christmas in different countries.
- ★ Create a "Kindness Tree" with acts of kindness you can do during the holidays.
- ★ Write your own adventure story about Rudy or another toy.

Stories help us learn, grow, and dream. Thank you for helping your students explore Rudy's adventure and the lessons that come with it!

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