READING GUIDE

The Adventures of Rudy: A Day at School

This guide is designed for teachers, parents, and caregivers to help children connect with Rudy's adventure and apply the story's lessons in meaningful ways.

Ages
4–8

Reading Time
5–10 minutes

Themes
Curiosity, Friendship, Learning, School, Creativity, Adventure

Reading Level
Picture Book
(Grades 1–2)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After reading this story, children will be able to:

- Retell the story in order (beginning, middle, end).
- Identify activities that happen during a school day.
- Explain why curiosity and trying new things are important.
- Describe ways to be a kind and helpful friend.
- Connect Rudy's experiences to their own school day.

BEFORE READING

Set the stage and spark curiosity!

- Look at the cover together. What do you think Rudy will discover at school?
- What are some of your favorite things about school?
- What questions would you ask if you could spend a day at school with Rudy?

DURING READING

Pause and engage as you read!

- What do you think Rudy is feeling right now?
- What do you think will happen next?
- Which activity would you most like to try with Rudy?

AFTER READING

Discuss and reflect on the story!

- Why was Rudy curious about school?
- What was your favorite part of Rudy's adventure? Why?
- What did Rudy learn about school?
- How did Rudy make new friends?
- What is one thing you learned or enjoyed today at school?

CLASSROOM EXTENSIONS

READING
Retell the story using beginning, middle, and end. Ask students to recommend a favorite book to Rudy.

ART
Design a backpack that Rudy would love to use!
Draw Rudy's next school adventure.

SCIENCE
Observe something in your classroom. What do you see? What do you wonder about it?

SOCIAL SKILLS
Talk about ways to be a good friend at school.
Share one way you can help a classmate.

SCHOOL ROUTINE
Compare Rudy's school day to your own. What is the same? What is different?

TEACHER TIP
Encourage children to share their own school experiences. When they connect the story to their life, comprehension grows and confidence builds!

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