# READING GUIDE

## The Adventures of Rudy, the Little Red Ball

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

### ABOUT THE BOOK

Rudy is a curious little red ball who leaves his toy box to explore the world outside. Along the way, he makes new friends, faces challenges, and learns important lessons about friendship, teamwork, and finding his way home.

### THEMES

**Friendship**
Rudy meets and learns from many new friends.

**Teamwork**
Rudy learns that working together can solve problems.

**Courage & Curiosity**
Trying new things helps us grow and discover.

**Home & Belonging**
Home is special, and friends can be found in many places.

### BEFORE READING

- Look at the cover and title. What do you think the story will be about?
- Where might Rudy go on an adventure?
- What kinds of friends do you think Rudy will meet?
- What do you think Rudy will learn?

### READING TIP

Encourage students to make connections to their own adventures and experiences!

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why did Rudy decide to leave the toy box?
2. Who were some of the friends Rudy met?
3. What problem did Rudy face in the forest?
4. How did Oliver the owl help Rudy?
5. How did the duck family help Rudy?
6. What lesson did Rudy learn about teamwork?
7. Why do you think Rudy was happy to return home?
8. If you could go on an adventure like Rudy, where would you go and who would you meet?

### AFTER READING ACTIVITIES

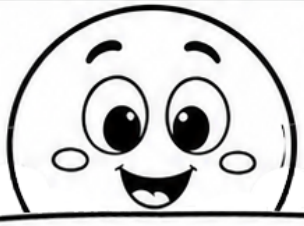
- ★ Draw and write about your favorite part of the story.
- ★ Create a "Rudy's Adventure Map" showing the places Rudy visited.
- ★ Write a thank you note to one of Rudy's friends.
- ★ Act out a favorite scene with a partner or group.
- ★ Make a list of lessons Rudy learned on his adventure.

### EXTENSION IDEAS

- ★ Research one of the animals Rudy met. Create an information poster about it.
- ★ Make a class "Friendship Chain" each link sharing a way to be a good friend.
- ★ Plan and share your own class adventure story!

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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# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

## The Adventures of Rudy, the Little Red Ball

Let's think about Rudy's adventure!

1. Where does Rudy live at the beginning of the story?

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2. Why did Rudy decide to leave the toy box?

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3. Who were some of the friends Rudy met on his adventure?

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4. What problem did Rudy face in the forest?

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5. How did Oliver the owl help Rudy?

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6. What lesson did Rudy learn during his adventure?

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7. What was your favorite part of Rudy's adventure? Why?

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**DRAW HERE!**

Draw your favorite part of Rudy's adventure.





**THINK LIKE RUDY!**

Be curious, be kind, and enjoy every adventure!



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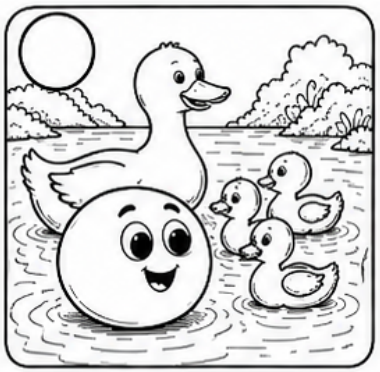
# STORY SEQUENCING

## The Adventures of Rudy, the Little Red Ball

Rudy's adventure happened in order,
but the pictures below are all mixed up!
Look at each picture and write the numbers 1 to 5
to put the story in the right order.



Rudy lives in a toy box with many toys.



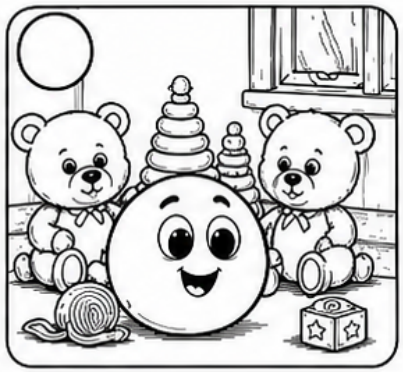
A family of ducks helps Rudy and guides him to safety.



Rudy meets Bella the butterfly and other garden friends.



Rudy gets lost in the forest and feels scared.



Rudy shares his adventures with the other toys.

### THINK & WRITE!

1. What was your favorite part of Rudy's adventure? Why?

2. Which friend did Rudy meet that you liked the most? Why?

3. What lesson did Rudy learn on his adventure?

### DRAW YOUR FAVORITE SCENE!

Draw a picture of your favorite part of Rudy's adventure.

Great job helping Rudy put his adventure in the right order!

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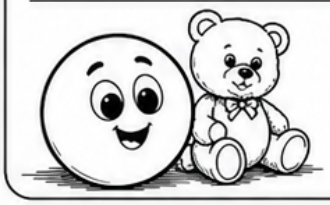
# STORY MAP

## The Adventures of Rudy, the Little Red Ball

A story map helps us remember
the important parts of a story.
Fill in each part using what you learned about Rudy's adventure!

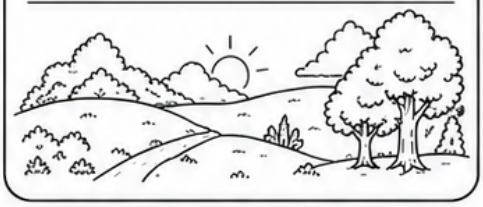
### CHARACTERS

Who are the main characters in the story?



### SETTING

Where does the story take place? When does it happen?



### PROBLEM

What problem does Rudy face in the story?



### KEY EVENTS

What happens in the story? List the important events in order.

1.



2.



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4.



5.



### SOLUTION

How does Rudy solve the problem? What helps him?



### LESSON LEARNED

What important lesson does Rudy learn in his adventure?

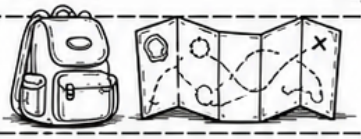


### HOW I FEEL

How did this story make you feel? Why?



Every adventure teaches us something new!
What's one adventure you hope to go on someday?



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# The Adventures of RUDY: the Little Red Ball

## WORD SEARCH





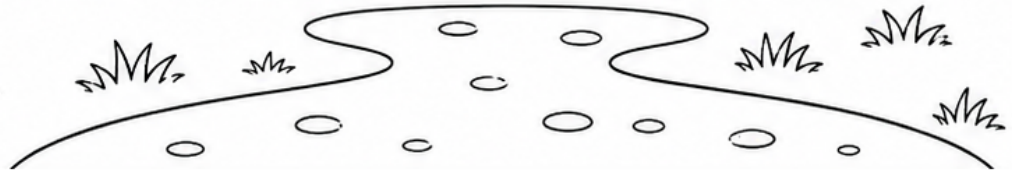

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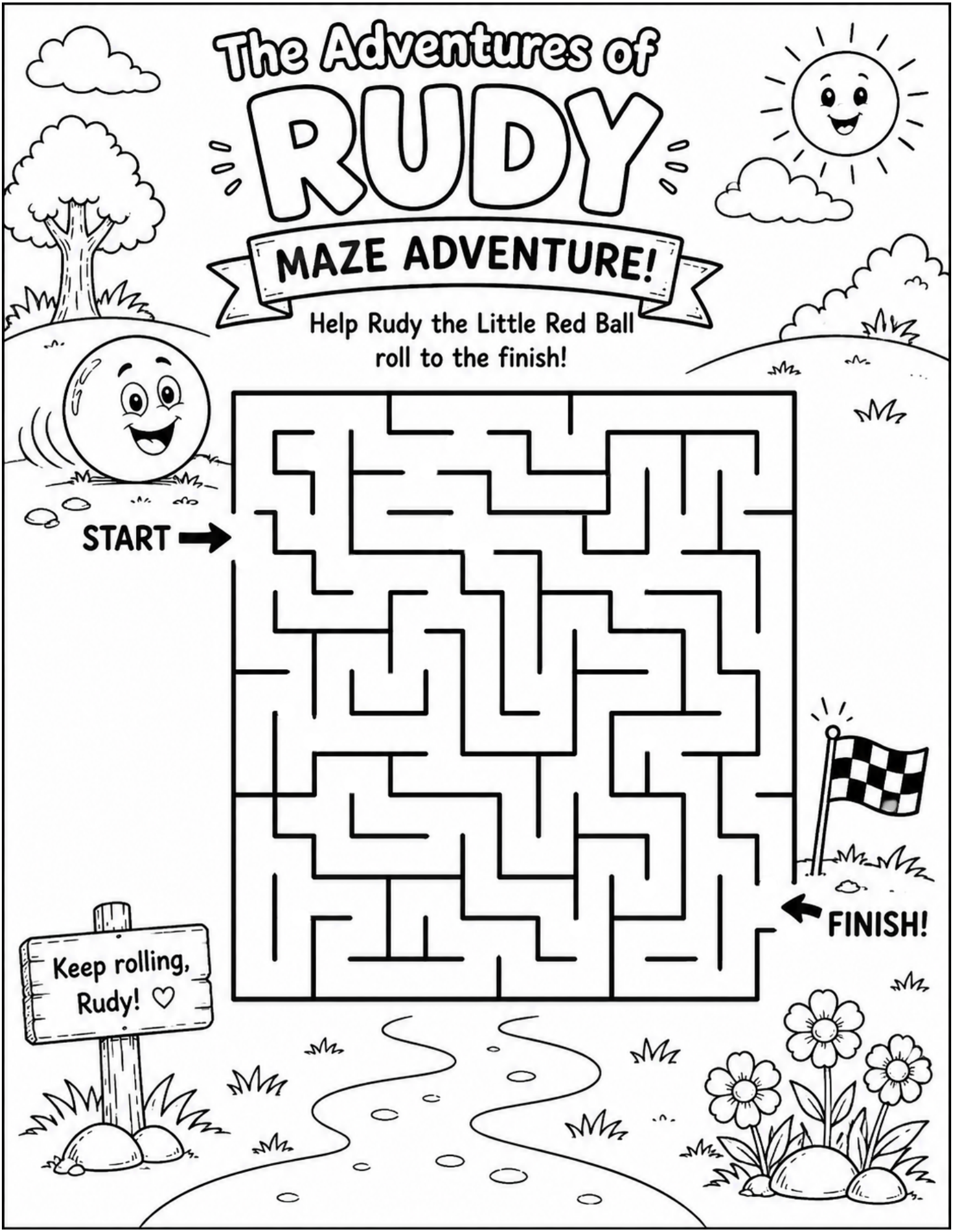
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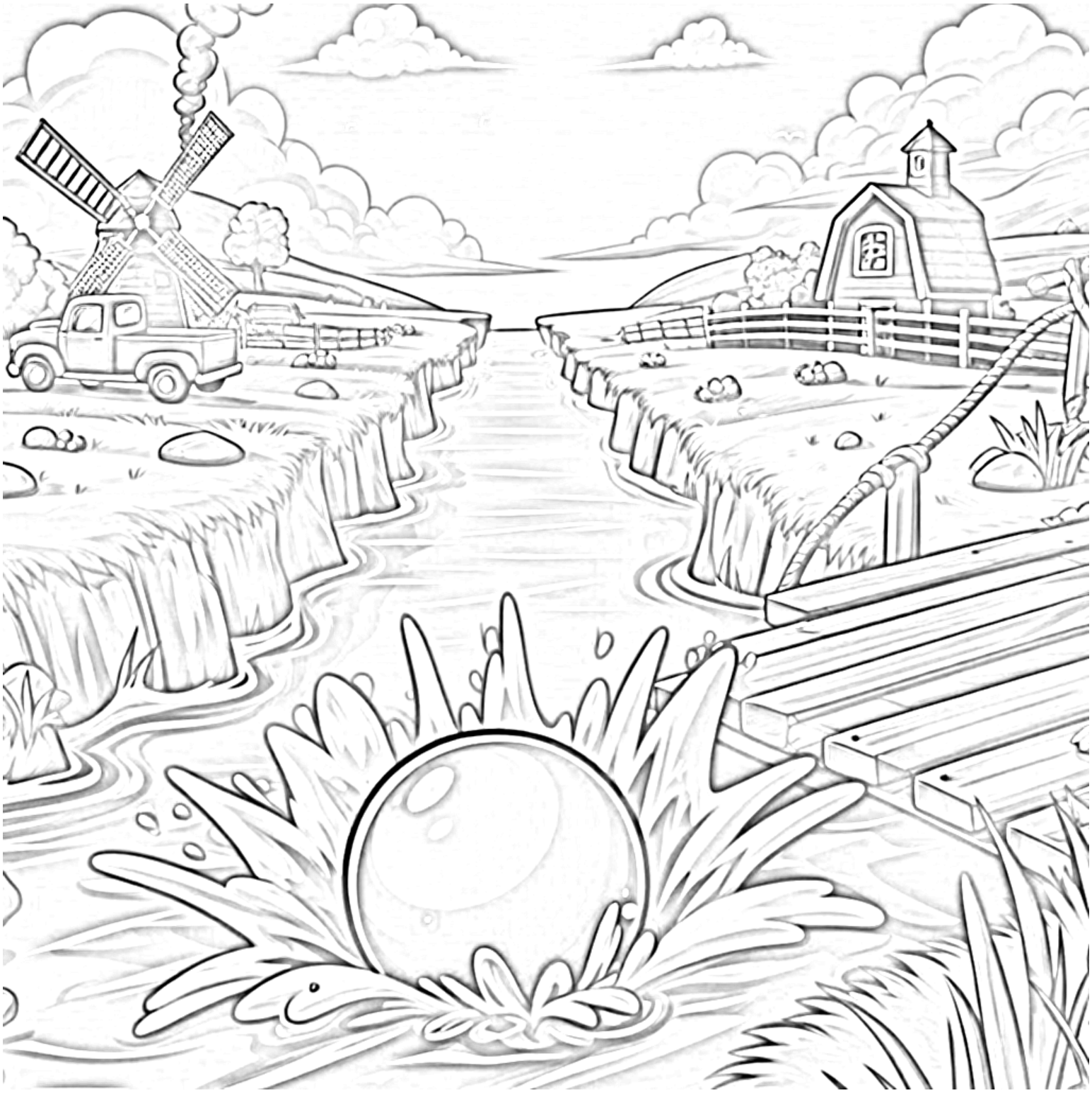


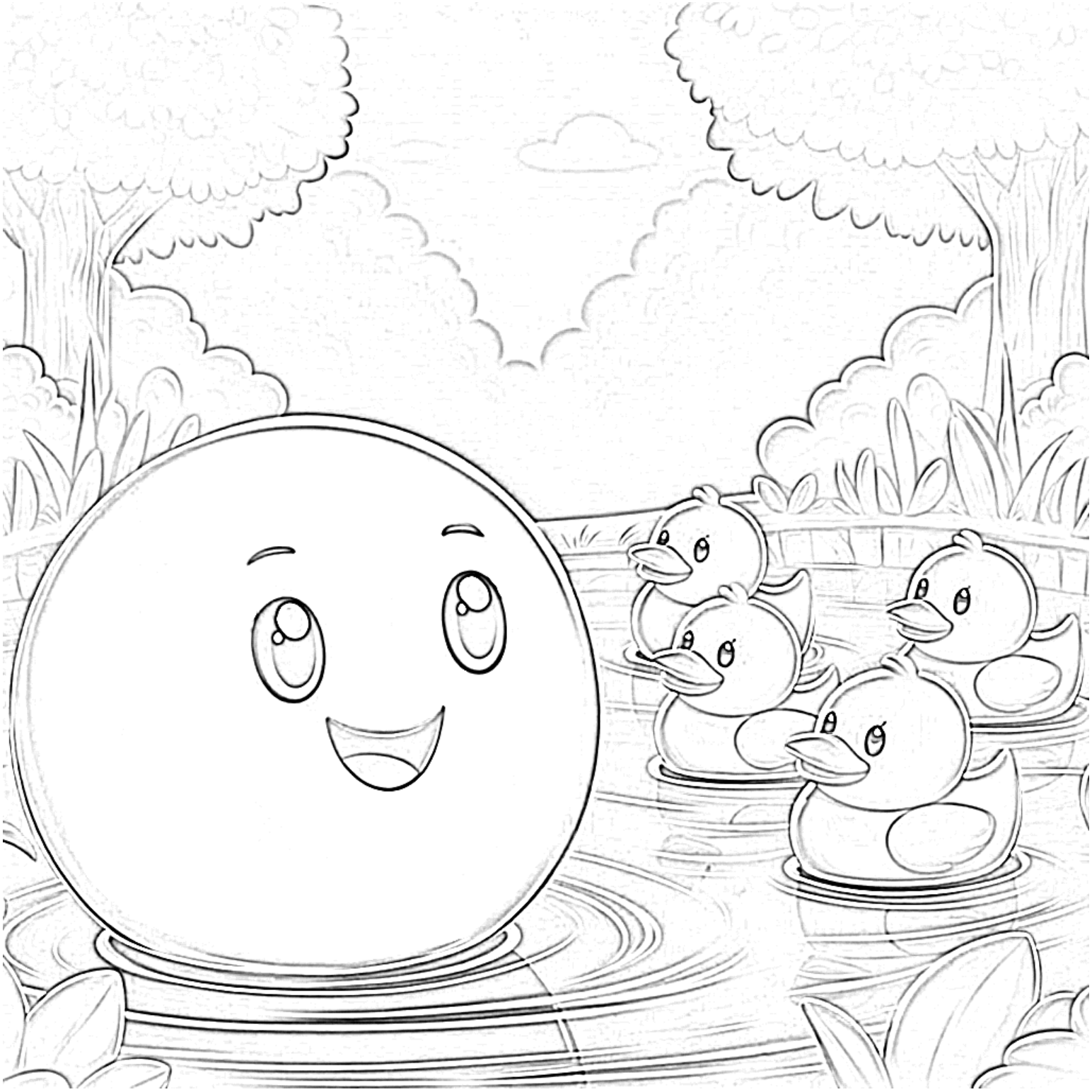







The Adventures of
RUDY
MAZE ADVENTURE!
Help Rudy the Little Red Ball
roll to the finish!
START
FINISH!
Keep rolling,
Rudy! ♡






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# READING JOURNAL

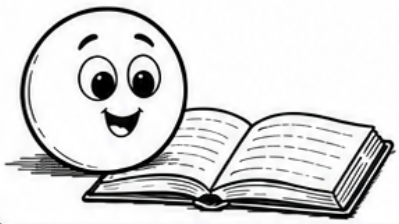
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Date: _____ Pages Read: _____

Where I Read: _____

### SUMMARY

Write a short summary of what happened in this part of the story.



### MY FAVORITE PART

What was your favorite part? Why did you like it?



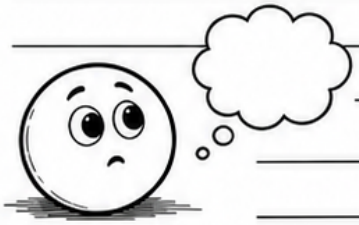
### CHARACTERS

Who are the main characters? What did they do?



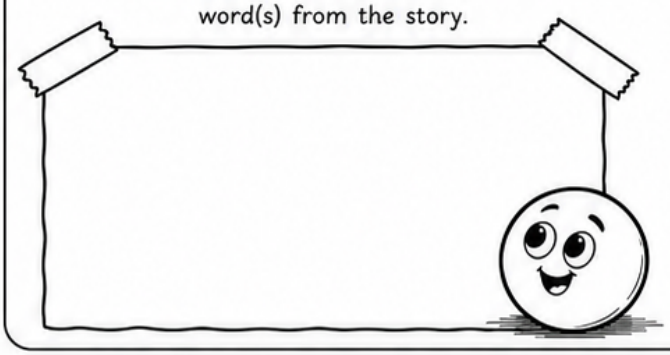
### WHAT I LEARNED

What is something new you learned from this story?



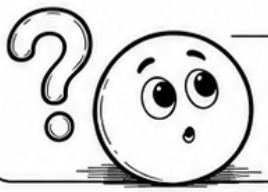
### WORDS I LIKE

Write or draw your favorite word(s) from the story.



### QUESTIONS I HAVE

Write any questions you have about the story.



### RATE THE STORY

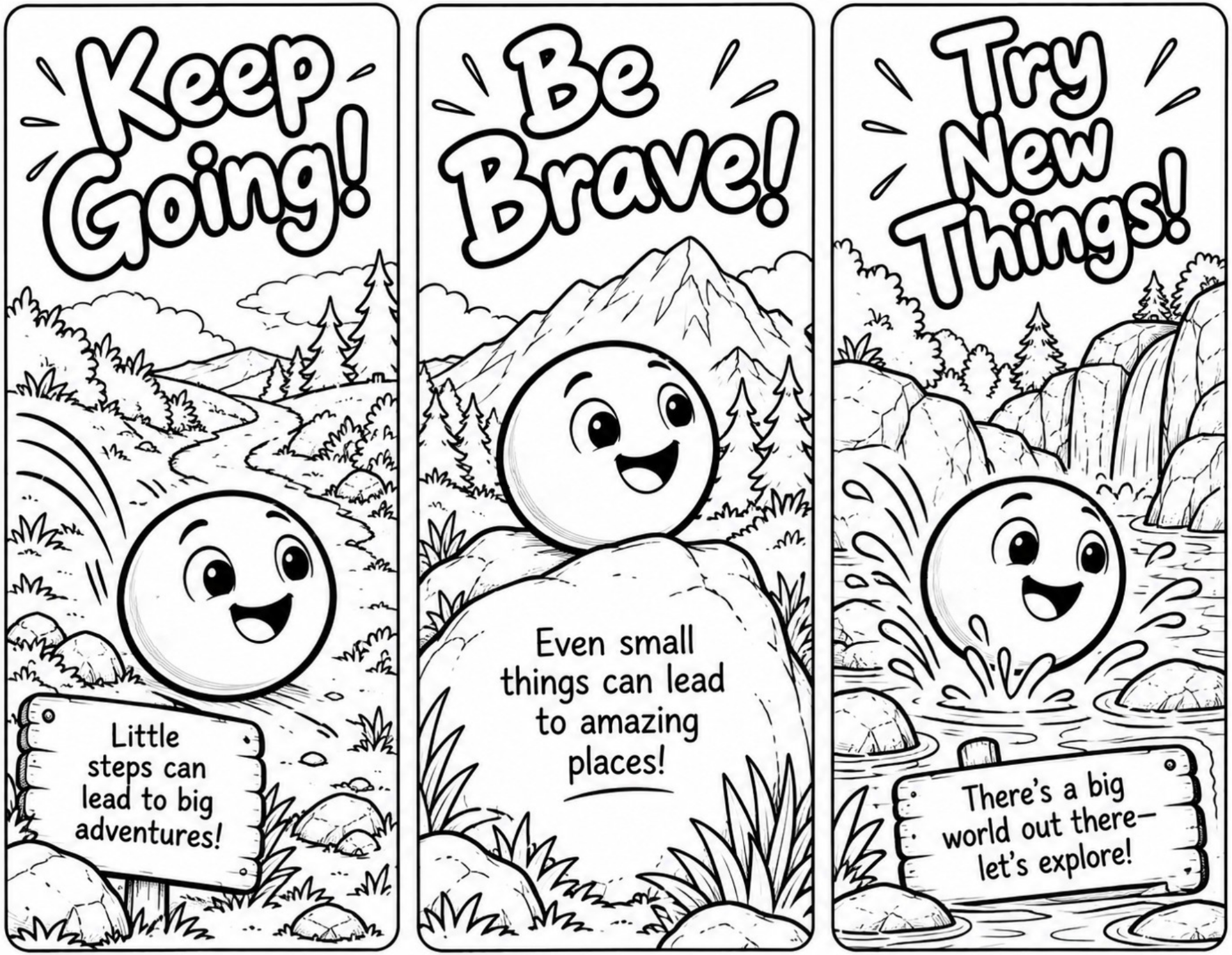
How would you rate this story? Color a star!





Rudy loves adventures, and so do readers like you!
Keep reading, keep learning, and keep dreaming big!

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Keep Going!
Little steps can lead to big adventures!
Be Brave!
Even small things can lead to amazing places!
Try New Things!
There's a big world out there— let's explore!