COMPLETE STORY + QUIZ

Rory Fox and the Echo Cave

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Rory uses a gentle voice to guide a bat out of a cave.

Read, talk, and discover

The complete story is followed by questions and a separate answer guide. Read aloud together, pause to talk, and take your time.

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Part 1

Rory Fox was picking berries near a cave when he heard a tiny squeak. A young bat named Pip was inside and could not find the opening.

Part 2

The cave had many turns. When Rory shouted, his loud voice bounced everywhere, and Pip could not tell which echo was Rory.

Part 3

Rory stopped and thought about what Pip needed. He spoke gently into the cave: ‘Pip, listen for my one soft hello.’

Part 4

‘Hello,’ called Rory. One quiet echo returned, and then Pip answered with two clear squeaks from deep inside.

Part 5

Rory took three steps toward the sound and called softly again. Pip followed Rory’s voice, turn by careful turn.

Part 6

At one dark corner, Pip felt scared. Rory stayed where he was and said, ‘I am here. Take your time.’

Part 7

Soon two little ears and two wings appeared in the moonlit opening. Pip flew out and landed safely beside Rory.

Part 8

Pip thanked Rory for using a calm voice. Rory learned that gentle sounds can be easier to follow than loud ones.

Draw, tell, or write

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.

My favorite part, and why I chose it

STORY QUIZ

Think about the story

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Read each question and all the choices. Circle one answer. A grown-up can read aloud; you can point or say your answer, too.

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1. Where was Pip the bat?

A. On a sailboat	B. In a flower pot	C. Inside the cave

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

2. What made too many echoes?

A. Rory’s loud shout	B. A quiet whisper	C. Soft raindrops

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

3. What did Rory ask Pip to listen for?

A. A ringing phone	B. One soft hello	C. A barking dog

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

Questions 4 to 5

4. How many squeaks did Pip make?

A. Five	B. Ten	C. Two

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

5. Where did Pip finally appear?

A. At the moonlit opening	B. At the bottom of a pond	C. Behind a snowman

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

ANSWER GUIDE

For the grown-up

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Keep this page separate from the child's activity. Read directions aloud when helpful, and invite the child to explain their ideas.

1. C - Inside the cave

Pip was lost inside the cave.

2. A - Rory’s loud shout

The loud shout bounced everywhere.

3. B - One soft hello

Rory used one gentle hello.

4. C - Two

Pip answered with two squeaks.

5. A - At the moonlit opening

Pip followed the voice to the opening.

Keep exploring

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.