COMPLETE STORY + QUIZ

Rory's Goodbye Window

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Rory feels worried when Dad leaves for work and uses a goodbye routine to begin his preschool day.

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 the red panda held Dad's hand at the preschool door. Today, letting go felt harder than yesterday.

Part 2

His eyes filled with tears when Dad picked up his work bag. Rory asked, "Will you really come back?"

Part 3

Dad pointed to Rory's picture schedule. He would return after story, lunch, rest, and their outdoor wagon time together.

Part 4

They followed their goodbye routine: one hug, one nose kiss, and one wave through the low classroom window.

Part 5

Rory cried while Dad walked away. His teacher stayed close and said his sad feeling could come with them.

Part 6

Rory carried the picture schedule to the rug. He moved one card after story and another card after lunch.

Part 7

After outdoor wagon time, Dad appeared at the window exactly as promised. Rory raced over for their hello hug.

Part 8

Goodbye still felt sad, but the little routine helped Rory trust what came next. Dad returned after outdoor time, just as the picture schedule showed.

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. Why did Rory cry at the door?

A. Dad was leaving for work	B. The classroom was closed	C. His wagon was broken

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

2. What showed Rory when Dad would return?

A. A clock tower	B. His picture schedule	C. A blue balloon

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

3. What came last in the goodbye routine?

A. A snack	B. A song	C. A wave through the window

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

Questions 4 to 5

4. Who stayed close while Rory cried?

A. His teacher	B. A bus driver	C. A puppy

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

5. When did Dad return?

A. Before story time	B. After outdoor wagon time	C. The next week

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. A - Dad was leaving for work

Dad was leaving for work

2. B - His picture schedule

His picture schedule

3. C - A wave through the window

A wave through the window

4. A - His teacher

His teacher

5. B - After outdoor wagon time

After outdoor wagon time

Keep exploring

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