COMPLETE STORY + QUIZ

Bella and the Book That Changed Shelves

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Bella tracks a traveling library book by its colored return cart labels and solves a mix-up without blaming anyone.

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

Bella returned for her favorite space book, but its shelf was empty. The catalog still said the book belonged in Space and Stars.

Part 2

A silver star sticker marked the book's spine. Bella checked nearby shelves, yet she found no silver star among the planet books.

Part 3

She first thought someone had hidden it. Then she saw the silver-star spine of her actual book beneath nature books in the green return cart.

Part 4

The green cart was meant for nature books, while the blue cart carried space books. A helper began shelving every book from the green cart on the nature shelf.

Part 5

Bella followed the helper and watched her space book go between two books about trees. Now she understood exactly how it had changed shelves.

Part 6

The librarian explained that the carts had been moved during story time. The helper followed the green cart correctly and had not tried to hide anything.

Part 7

Bella and the helper sorted the remaining books by their spine symbols. Silver stars went to space, and green leaves went to nature.

Part 8

Bella learned to look for a process mistake before blaming a person. One misplaced cart explained how the book seemed to change shelves.

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. What marked Bella's space book?

A. A silver star sticker	B. A green leaf sticker	C. A red circle

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

2. Where did Bella see the silver-star spine of her book?

A. Under a chair	B. Beneath nature books in the green cart	C. On the window

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

3. Where did the helper place Bella's space book?

A. In the kitchen	B. Inside a backpack	C. On the nature shelf

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

Questions 4 to 5

4. Why did the helper put the book there?

A. Bella asked for a hiding place	B. The helper was shelving the green nature cart	C. The book changed shelves by itself

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

5. What did Bella learn before blaming someone?

A. Look for a process mistake	B. Ask who is fastest	C. Close the library

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 - A silver star sticker

A silver star sticker

2. B - Beneath nature books in the green cart

Beneath nature books in the green cart

3. C - On the nature shelf

On the nature shelf

4. B - The helper was shelving the green nature cart

The helper was shelving the green nature cart

5. A - Look for a process mistake

Look for a process mistake

Keep exploring

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