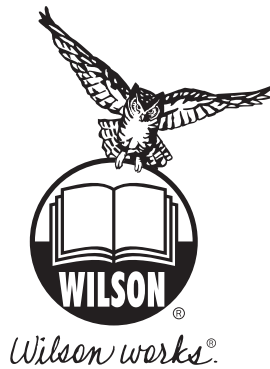


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A New School

Today is a big day for Beth Fry! It is her first day at a new school, and she will be in the fourth grade. Beth moved to her new home just four days ago. Her old home is very far away. In fact, it is in a different state.

Beth is sad as she stands at the bus stop. Her mom stands by her and says, “Do not cry, Beth. Things will be different, but it will be fine in the end.” Beth nods and smiles, but she is shy and has a tough time when it comes to trying new things.

Before long, the bus comes. Beth tells herself to be strong as she gets on and looks for a spot to sit. She finds one at the front of the bus next to two other kids. They look at her name tag and say, “Hi Beth!” The three kids talk while the bus makes several more stops. When the bus stops in front of the school, one of Beth’s new friends says, “We ought to grab our lunch bags and backpacks now. The bell will ring in five minutes and we do not want to be late for class.”

Beth thinks that her mom may have been right. Things will be just fine.

Mom's Big Day

It was Mom's birthday so Rachel and Jaden wanted to make the day great for her. They woke up early and went right out to shop.

When they got to the store, Rachel and Jaden put several pink tulips and white lilacs in their basket. Then they bought chunks of fresh melon, bagels, jumbo cupcakes, and a jug of cold lemonade. The plan was to get everything set up before Mom woke up.

The man at the store learned about their important plans and rang up their items as fast as he could. After Rachel and Jaden handed over the cash, they ran to the local gift shop. There, they got Mom some new sunglasses.

Then, the siblings sprinted back toward the house.

Rachel and Jaden put the tulips and lilacs in a vase with water. Next, they put glasses out for the lemonade. They moved the bagels and cupcakes onto the most attractive plate they owned. The final step was to put picks in the melon chunks so there would be zero problems picking them up. Now, they just had to hold off until Mom got up.

When Mom woke up, her smile said it all. Everything was a hit! She was pleased and thought in her heart that she had the best kids in the world!

Amy and the Pony

Amy is a very active young lady. Not only does she study a lot, but she also spends time helping at a local animal rescue.

Today, Amy thought she would spend the entire day working with the animals. Most of the time, it is her duty to take care of a lazy kitty, Andy, and a silly dog, Teddy. They both require care because they were very sick for a long time. However, today was going to be different from most days. A pony at the rescue would have a baby, and Amy would get to help!

Every person at the rescue would move fast all day. There was a lot to do to make sure everything went well. Amy had to empty the entry to the barn and make sure there was a cozy place for the pony, Ruby, to rest. There was plenty for everyone to do! When Amy was done with all her tasks, a woman came in. She was a vet who was there to help Ruby.

In the end, everything went very well! Amy was so happy she was dizzy! The pony was beautiful. Amy was sure this was the best day the rescue ever had!

A Code to be Safe

Being in seventh grade is going to be a blast! I will be attending a new school, and I have been granted the duty to babysit my sister each day after school gets out. My mother and father will not be home from work until six p.m. They are going to put a lot of trust in me, but I am up for the job.

My mother and father are proactive people. They bought a new program to make the house safe for my sister and me. It will keep us protected and keep all others from coming into the house. There is a small box with a restricted code for entry. It cost my parents a lot of cash to get it in place. Each component is connected with wires so the

signals will transmit to the control panel. The handyman was quick to finish the work. My sister and I will now be in a safe environment, and my mother and father will not be insecure. They said, “Nothing is more important than our son and daughter!”

There is only one problem with this plan. I have to recall the code to unlock the house, and my father says I cannot write the number down. Someone could find it and then use it to get into the house. More than three mistakes when punching in the code will set off the bells and sirens. I must study the code and develop a way to fix it in my mind. So, that’s what I am going to do! I will get it!

Ribbons

Amanda is so happy. The day that she has been longing for is here at last! Amanda is five years old, and soon she will be the last child in her family to begin school at the academy. Amanda is happy to join her brothers and sisters in school and demonstrate the same positive attitude.

Almost all the families on Amanda's block have kids that go to the same school. Amanda is so pleased when she thinks about traveling on the bus like them. The woman who drives the bus has a funny habit of granting a cute nickname to each student. Amanda is aware of this and can't wait for hers.

When Amanda is almost set to go, her mom fixes three small identical satin ribbons onto her hair. Amanda and her siblings exit the house and run toward the bus stop. The bus will be coming soon, and they all want to try to get there extra early.

When Amanda runs up the steps of the bus, she says a quick hello to the bus lady. The woman takes one look at Amanda and says, “Hi, Ribbons!” Amanda gives the lady a wide smile and, at that moment, she knows that everything is going to be great!