

MENTOR TEXT – BOOKLET 17

Our class usually met in our bright and colourful classroom, but because of the stay-at-home order, we had Zoom class every morning. It wasn't quite the same as seeing all my friends in person, but it was still fun to see their faces on the screen and learn new things. My teacher, Mrs. Ramdeen, always made it interesting with funny videos and cool online games.

Today, Zoom class was going exceptionally well, until my little brother, Kai, decided to join the meeting uninvited. Kai is only three, and he loves to copy everything I do. I was sitting at the dining table with my headphones on, concentrating on Mrs. Ramdeen explaining fractions with a pizza picture on the shared screen. Suddenly, I felt a little tug on my shirt. I looked down, and there was Kai, holding his wet diaper in his hand, grinning from ear to ear. Before I could say anything, he climbed onto my lap, right in front of the camera! All my classmates started giggling. I could see them laughing in the corner of my screen. Kai's wet diaper was exposed to the entire class.

Mrs. Ramdeen paused her explanation. "Well, hello there! Who is this special guest?" she asked, smiling kindly. Kai, never shy, immediately raised his diaper to the screen, waved it about and made a loud dinosaur roar. "RAWR!" I tried to gently move Kai off my lap, but he thought it was a game. He grabbed my headphones and started babbling into the microphone. "Kai dinosaur! Rawr!" Now, even Mrs. Ramdeen was chuckling. My face felt hot. I was so embarrassed! I tried to whisper to Kai to go away, but he just giggled louder and patted my head. Finally, my mom came into the room and gently scooped Kai up, promising him some juice and a cartoon.

I quickly apologized to Mrs. Ramdeen and my classmates. "Sorry about that," I mumbled, my cheeks still red. Mrs. Ramdeen just smiled and said, "No worries! It was a funny surprise. It's nice to meet your little brother, even if Kai stole the show for a moment."

We went back to learning about fractions, but every now and then, someone would make a dinosaur sound, and we would all giggle again. Even though Kai's unexpected appearance was a bit mortifying, it definitely made our Zoom class more memorable!

