

Tommy

& the Bad Day



Thursday after school, Tommy was walking home, but he wasn't happy. He got in trouble at school for taking Fred's truck and knocking down his tower. He didn't want to tell his mom and dad, but he knew he must tell the truth. So, when he got home, he told his mom.



"Mom," he said. "I got in trouble at school."

"Tommy, I'm glad you told me the truth," said his mom. "Why did you get in trouble?"

"Well, I was mad at Fred so I took his truck and knocked over his block tower."

"Why was that bad?" asked his mom.

"The rule is that you can't break things that belong to others. I broke that rule."

"What did you do after you got in trouble?"

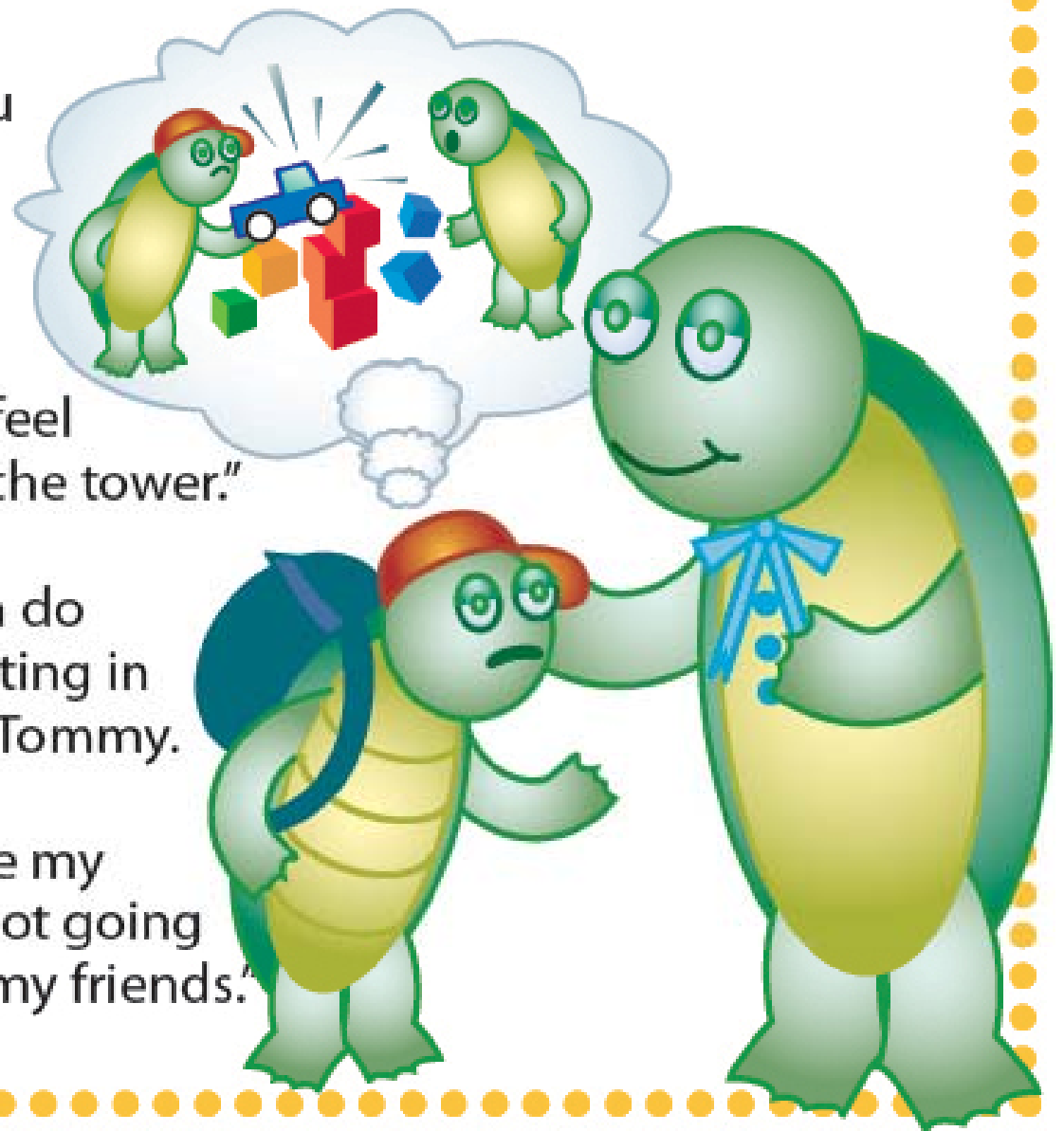
"I told Fred I was sorry, I gave him back his truck and then I helped him rebuild his tower."

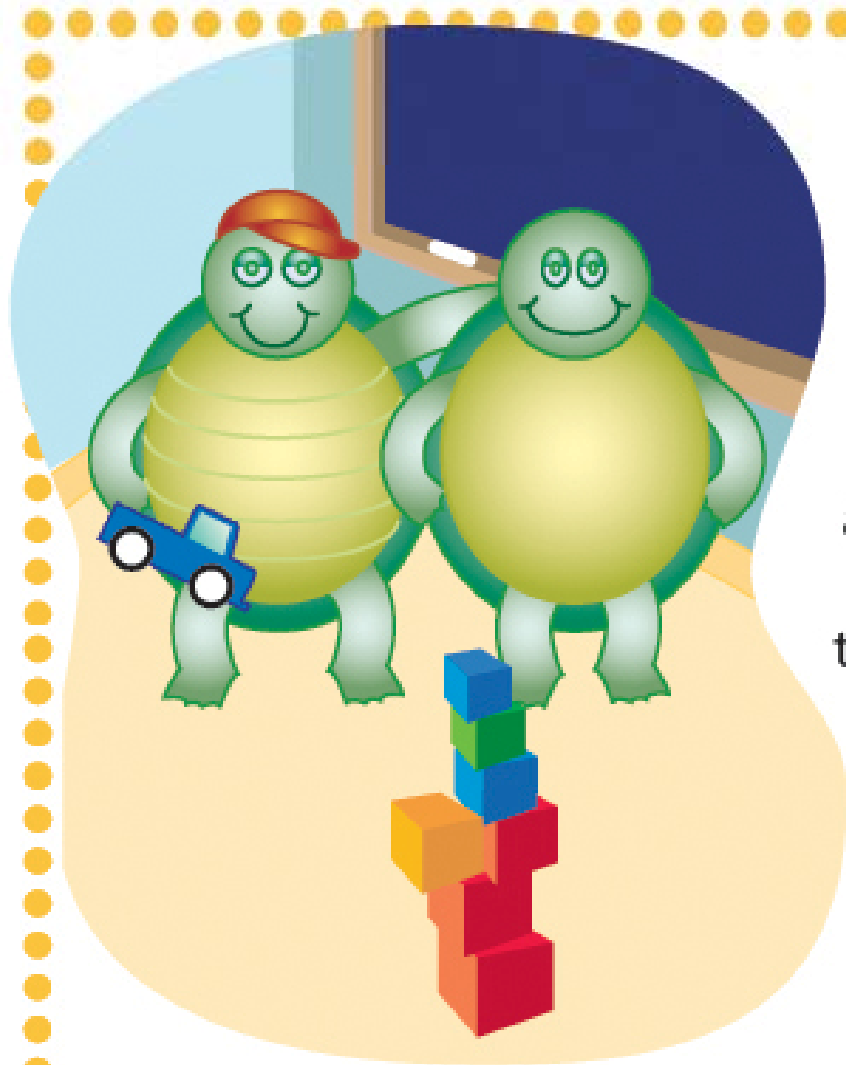
"Well, Tommy, I am glad you helped Fred rebuild his tower. I bet that made you feel good."

"Yes, Mom, it did make me feel better to help Fred rebuild the tower."

"What do you think you can do tomorrow to keep from getting in trouble?" his mother asked Tommy.

"First, I am not going to take my friends' toys. Second, I am not going to ruin toys that belong to my friends."





"That sounds like a good plan, Tommy. Will you tell me what happens tomorrow?"

The next day Fred brought his truck to school. Tommy asked Fred if he could play with it instead of taking it, and Fred said yes. Tommy followed all the class rules and was very helpful to the teacher. When he walked home after school, he was very happy. He did not get into trouble, and he couldn't wait to tell his mom.

"Mom," he said as soon as he got home. "Guess who didn't get into trouble today? I did what I said I was going to do. I didn't get into trouble, and I had more fun with Fred because we weren't fighting."

"Tommy, I am so glad you had a good day. What do you think you will do from now on at school?"

"I will tell the truth, follow the rules, not take things that don't belong to me, and do what I say I am going to do."

"That sounds like a great plan, Tommy," said his mother.



Tommy

the Trustworthy
Turtle



**Meet Tommy.
He likes to be trustworthy.
Every day he tries:**

- To tell the truth.
- To follow the rules
- Not to take things that don't belong to him.