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Twins Learn to Surf

In the summers, Ben and his twin Will went to live at the beach. They stayed with their Aunt Joy. She lived at the beach. She always planned fun things for them to do. The twins would often play in the waves and build giant castles out of sand.

Ben and Will also liked to watch the surfers. Every year, the twins asked their aunt to teach them to surf. This was the first year that she finally said they were old enough to take surfing lessons. The boys could not wait to start surfing.

The next day Will and Ben went to the beach to meet their surfing teacher. The teacher told them the safety rules. Then their lessons began. The teacher had them practice "pop ups" on the beach. To pop up, first you lie flat on your board or on the beach. Then, you push up your arms and hop to your feet. All surfers must learn this skill.

Every day the twins learned a new skill. They learned how to take their surfboards into the water and how to choose a good wave. By the end of the week, Ben and Will could both stand on their boards. They were happy to finally be able to surf. Both agreed it was their best summer ever.

Taking Eggs to Market

The chickens walked all over the yard. They were looking for bugs to eat. Kate walked around the yard, too, but she was looking for eggs. The shells were hard to see because they matched the color of the grass.

Kate's family raised chickens. They sold the eggs at a market each Saturday. Kate helped by picking up the eggs every morning and evening.

Kate found one more egg under a bush and walked to the barn. She gave the eggs to her mother. Together, they washed and dried them. Then they put them in boxes. After the eggs had dried, Kate's mother checked them for cracks. Now they were ready to go to the market. Kate and her mother loaded all the eggs into the truck.

Kate liked to go to the market. Some people sold food they grew, like beans and berries. Other people sold things they made, like rings and necklaces. Kate hoped the family with the grapes was there. Kate loved grapes.

When they got to the market, people were waiting for the fresh eggs. They gave Kate's mother the money, and Kate handed the eggs to them. In a short time, the eggs were sold out.

"You have worked hard," Kate's mother said, giving her some money. "You can buy a treat!"

Kate saw the family with the grapes at the end of the row. She knew just which treat she would get.

Let's Make a Smoothie

There is one drink that you can have any time during the day. It is a smoothie. A smoothie is a good breakfast drink because it has fruit and yogurt. The fruit also makes it taste sweet, so a smoothie can be a dessert. As a snack, a smoothie is a good choice, too. It fills you up and gives you lots of energy. Best of all, a smoothie is very healthy.

There are many ways to make a smoothie. Here is just one of those ways.

First, get one cup of yogurt. Yogurt makes a smoothie creamy. Some people use a half-cup of milk, though. That is fine, too. Put the yogurt or milk in a blender.

Next, pick a fruit, such as bananas or strawberries. If you use a banana, cut one whole banana into pieces. Measure out one cup of any other fruit. You can use fresh or frozen fruit. Spoon the fruit into the blender.

Now drop in six ice cubes. Ask your mother or father to turn on the blender. Mix all the things until the ice is gone. Your smoothie should be thick and creamy. You may need to add some more ice if it is too thick.

When the smoothie is done, pour it into a glass. It is time to enjoy your delicious drink!