

## Kitten Phyu Wah and the Bully





Kitten Phyu Wah hated walking to school. The big brown cat was always waiting to grab her lunch box.



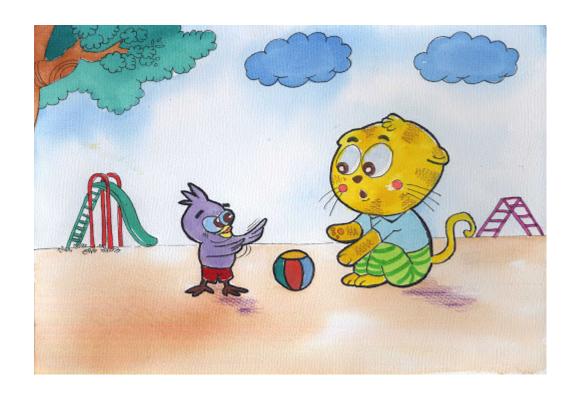
Sitting at the park, Phyu Wah wondered how she could get rid of the big brown cat.



Then, right in front of her, a pigeon stole a ball from a sparrow. The sparrow bravely yelled at the pigeon, who dropped the ball and flew away.



Phyu Wah was surprised. She wondered why the sparrow was not afraid of the pigeon.



Phyu Wah asked the sparrow, 'Aren't you afraid of the pigeon?"



'I am not afraid. If I was afraid, he would bully me more in the future. We have to tell bullies what we don't like firmly and bravely, so that they will not bully us again.'



The next day, the big brown cat was waiting for Phyu Wah as usual. But now, Phyu Wah was not afraid anymore.



Phyu Wah stared at the big brown cat and shouted, 'I don't like being bullied like this. If you keep doing this, I will report you to the police.'



Phyu Wah's friends watched as she spoke firmly to the big brown cat. They cheered her on! The big brown cat was frightened and ran away.



The big brown cat never bullied brave Phyu Wah again. Now, Phyu Wah thinks of new ways to be brave!



Questions: 1. Why doesn't Phyu Wah want to go to school? 2. What did Phyu Wah tell the big brown cat? 3. Why isn't the sparrow afraid of the pigeon? 4. What would you do if you faced a bully?



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