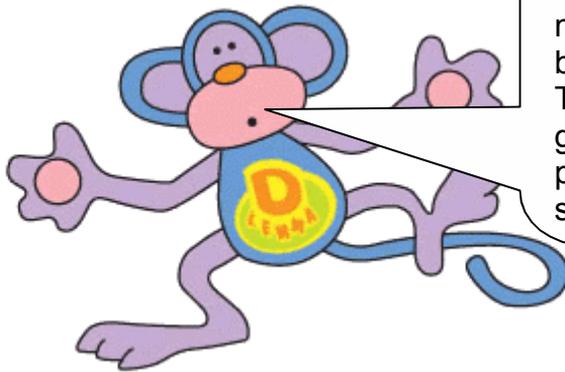


Di Lemma goes to a birthday party



Hi everyone, Di Lemma here again. I am off to my friend Jakes birthday party today. There will be cake and games and loads of people to play with. It should be brilliant!!!!

Di Lemma was in his bedroom getting changed and ready to go to Jakes birthday party. He had got him a new football shirt because he was a Liverpool supporter. Di Lemma was really looking forward to the party; there would be loads of party food, games and best of all, cake!

Di Lemma's mum took him to the party in the afternoon and he ran off into the garden to play with all the other boys and girls. The garden was massive. Di Lemma took a tennis bat from one of the other children because he wanted to play tennis. They hadn't finished their turn

Do you think it is unfair/wrong/bad that Di Lemma took the bat from another child before they had finished?

Di Lemma joined in the game of tag with all of the other children. A boy called Pete who had only just started at school was standing at the side of the garden on his own. Di Lemma asked Jake why Pete wasn't playing. Jake said "he's new. We're not sure if he can even run quickly, we don't want him on our side!" Di Lemma thought this was really unfair/wrong/bad!

Do you think that it is unfair/wrong/bad that Pete can't join in the games with the other children?

Di Lemma thought this was so unfair/wrong/bad that he went and spoke to Pete and asked Pete if he wanted to play a different game? The two of them started a game of hide and seek, and soon enough, all the other children stopped playing tag and joined in. Jake said he was sorry to Pete and said how fast a runner he was and asked if he wanted to play a game of football later on. Di Lemma was really pleased that Pete wasn't left out anymore.

Just as Di Lemma had found the greatest hiding place ever where nobody would find him, Jake's mum came into the garden and called everybody in for tea. They all ran in, Di Lemma was starving after all that running around. Jake's mum had made loads of sandwiches, sausage rolls and cheese and pineapple on sticks. It was a feast fit for a king. Di Lemma loved sausage rolls and he went to take the last one on the plate because he hadn't had one yet and Jim grabbed it and ran off. Di Lemma was really cross and thought this was really unfair/wrong/bad/wrong/bad not to share.

Do you think Jim was being unfair/wrong/bad to take the sausage roll when he had already had four and Di Lemma hadn't had any?

Just as Di Lemma thought he wasn't even going to get one sausage roll, Jake's mum bought out a whole new tray and Di Lemma ate six sausage rolls. Jake's mum said it was ok to have that many because she had more in the oven for other people.

Once they had all eaten loads and had lots of squash, the children were allowed back into the garden. This time they were going to play football. The teams were picked and the game started, Di Lemma was on a team with Pete but they only had five players. Jake's team had seven. Di Lemma thought this was really unfair/wrong/bad!!! Couldn't Jake let one of his players go so they would both have six players each.

Do you think that Di Lemma is right? Do you think it is unfair/wrong/bad that one team has five players and one team has seven? Do you think somebody should move so the teams are equal?

Eventually Paul moved onto Di Lemma's team so the teams were equal. Di Lemma scored two goals. Just as the game was drawing to an end, Jake's mum came out carrying a really big birthday cake shaped like a racing car. They lit the candles and all sang happy birthday. Once they had all had cake which was chocolate with lots of icing and chocolate filling, the children started to play party games. They played pass the parcel, sleeping lions and musical chairs. Whilst Di Lemma was pretending to be asleep during sleeping lions, he spotted a large frog under a bush. He shouted for all the other children to come over. Gary, Jake's brother ran over and pushed some of the smaller children out of the way. Caroline fell over and grazed her knee. Gary grabbed hold of the frog and really frightened it; Di Lemma thought he was going to hurt it so he ran in and told Jake and Gary's dad. Gary got really told off by his Dad, who said it was wrong to hurt other creatures!

Is it wrong/bad to push people that are smaller than you out of the way?

Do you think Di Lemma was good/right to tell Gary's dad what he doing to the frog?

Gary was going to frighten the frog so do you think he should have been told off?

Once Gary had been told off, John (Gary's dad) took the frog and let it go over the wall into the marsh lands where he could swim and sunbathe all he liked. The children played for a little bit longer and then sadly it was time to go home. Jake really liked the football shirt Di Lemma gave him and he was wearing it when Di Lemma left to go home.

Di Lemma had such a good day and he told his mum all about it, the frog, the games and the cake. By the time he got home, he was so tired from all the running around; he curled up on the sofa to watch his favourite cartoons.

Di Lemma says bye until next time.....