

THE KNIGHT IN THE POLKA DOT APRON



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In the Kingdom of Grrr, the 'Grrr Games' were over! Every knight had been tested to see who was the strongest, the toughest, and the bravest of them all.



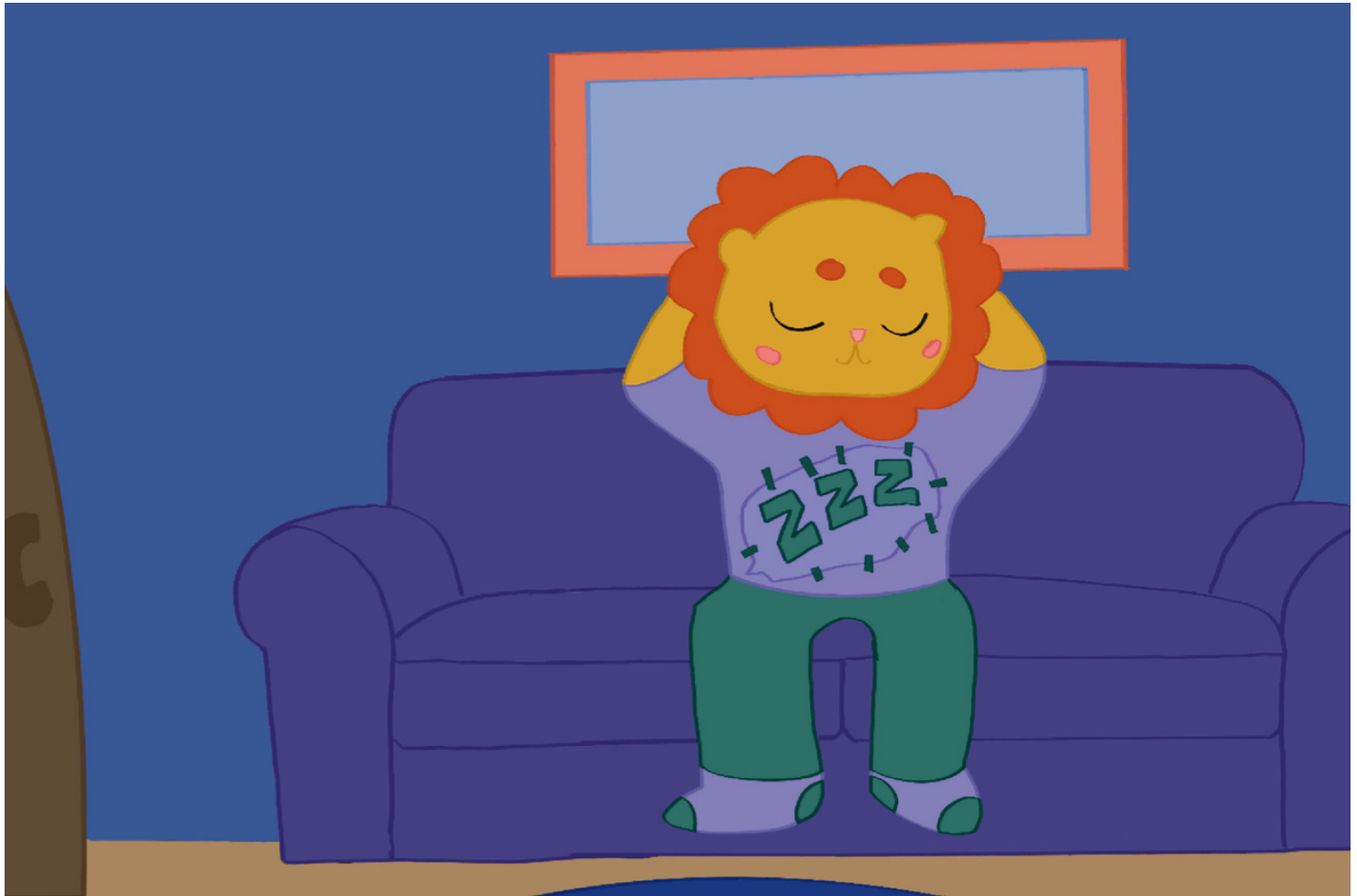
Sir Leo won! He was the champion of the games. But, his heavy armor went clank-clank-clank as he walked home. He was the toughest knight, but also very tired.



The other knights cheered for Sir Leo. They stomped their feet and shouted. Leo smiled, but he was ready to relax and wear his pajamas.



Finally, Sir Leo was home. He took off his metal boots. Clunk!
And took off his heavy armor. Clack! He put on his favorite,
soft, fuzzy pajamas.



Ahhhhh! Sir Leo sank into his squishy, purple couch. Even the bravest and toughest knights need a rest too.



Another way Sir Leo relaxes after a long day of protecting the Kingdom is: knitting! Leo loved to knit. To be a good Knight, you have to be patient. To knit a scarf, you have to be patient, too!

THE NEXT DAY...



The next day, Sir Leo begins to walk back to the castle. On his way there, he sees Koda and Milo - two of his knight friends, practicing fighting moves.



Koda stops Sir Leo. Koda asks, "Do you want to join us? Help us practice with our heavy sword and shield!"

Leo replies, "No thank you Koda, I'm on my way to the castle. Maybe another time!"



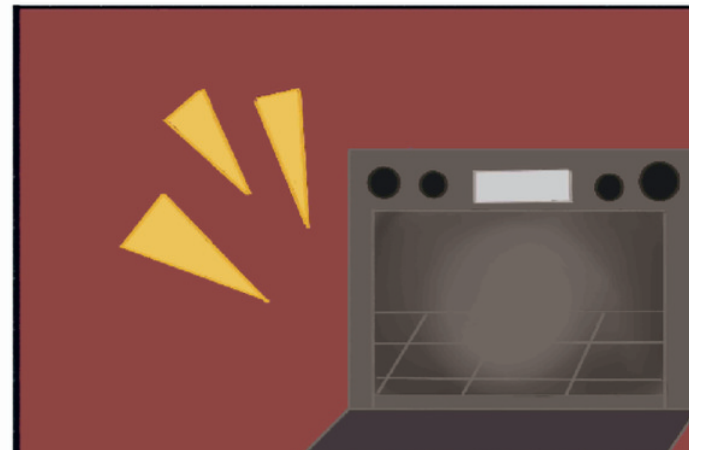
He finally gets to the castle. He makes his way down, down, down to the basement - where the kitchen is. It smelled like sugar and butter.



He enters the kitchen, and makes sure to put on his favorite polka-dot apron over his armor before doing anything else.



Stir-stir-plop! Leo begins to make chocolate chip cookie dough to be able to share with his friends later. He loves a sweet treat, and who doesn't?



Baking was hard work! He had to measure the flour and wait for the oven to go Ding! You have to be smart and strong to be a baker.



After a good day of baking and cleaning up, Leo hung up his polka-dot apron. He then begins the long walk home.



Suddenly, Milo ran past. His face looked worried. Leo went to check it out.



King Roar was pointing at the sky. A magical blue storm was swirling in! Whoosh! The wind blew. Crackle! The sky turned darker blue. He told the knights to get ready to fight the storm!



The knights gathered their swords and shields. They bravely charged towards the magical blue storm.



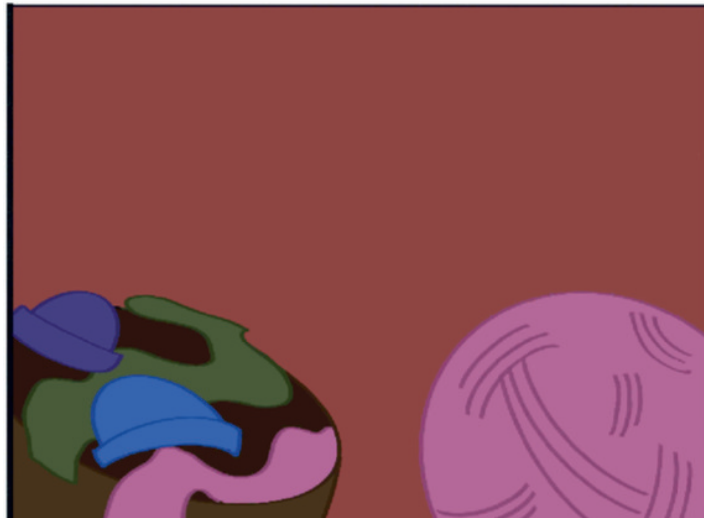
They poked at the wind. Swish! They blocked the rain. Clang! But you cannot fight a storm with a sword.



King Roar yelled at the knights, "Keep fighting! Stay strong and brave!" But, the knights were cold and tired. The wind was making their armor even colder.



Seeing his fellow knights fight the mighty, magical storm - Sir Leo got an idea!



He ran as fast as he could to grab his polka-dot apron, his basket of fresh baked cookies, his knitted scarves and beanies. Then, he prepared to go to the courtyard.



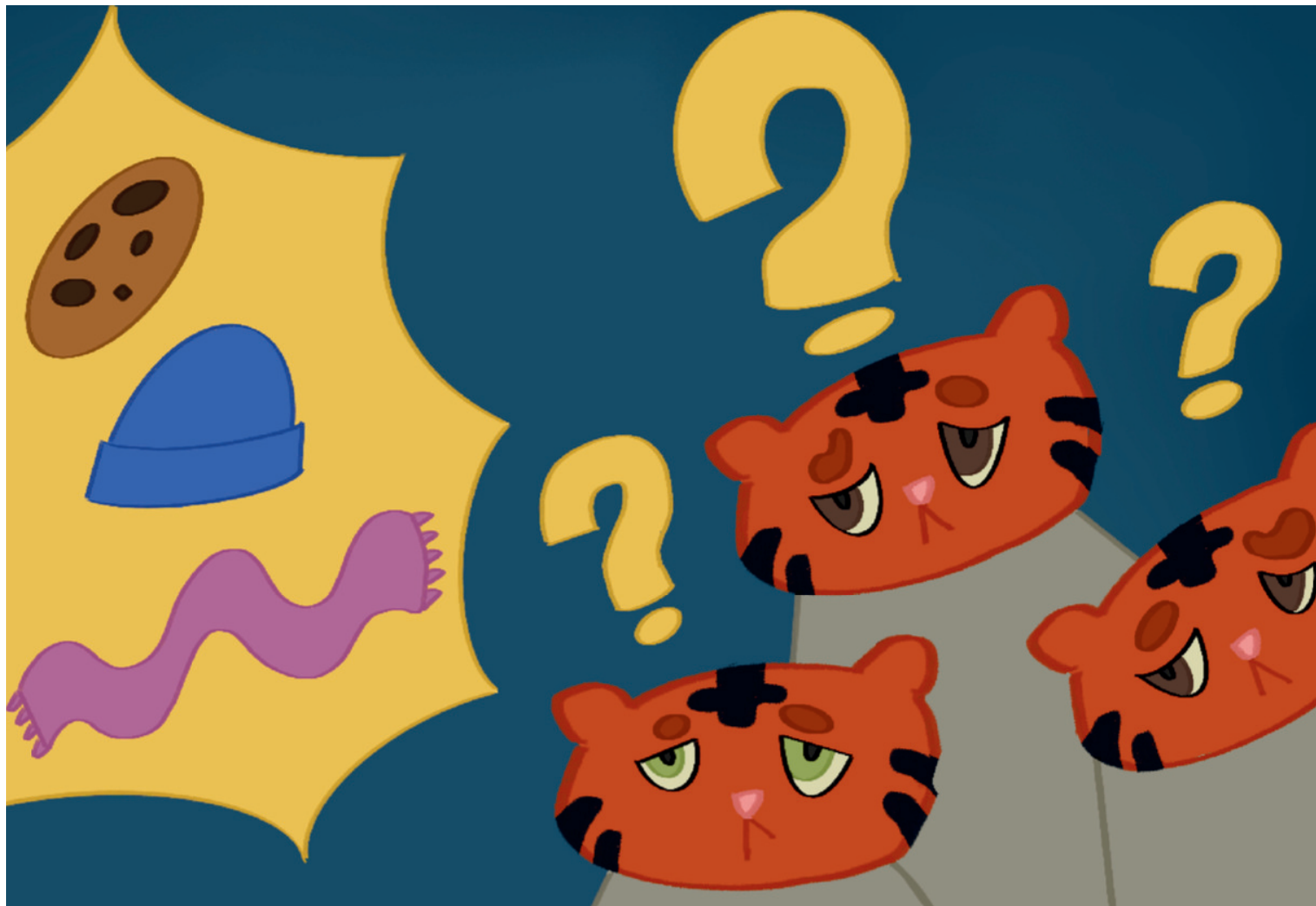
Sir Leo runs out into the courtyard in his apron, with baskets of goodies in his hands, and yells -
"I know how to help!"



King Roar looked at Leo's polka-dot apron. "Leo? How do you plan on fighting the storm? The knights are freezing."



"With these!" Sir Leo shouts. He shows everyone the fresh baked cookies, warm scarves, and knitted beanies.



The knights stared at the items, confused on how these things would defeat the mightiest storm they have ever seen.



Sir Leo explains, "These things are meant to help you warm up and stay comfortable, while we wait the storm out. You can't fight a magical storm, but you can try your best to relax and enjoy time together as the storm passes."



The knights roared with laughter. "Tough knights don't wear fuzzy hats or eat cookies! We need to stay tough to fight the storm!"



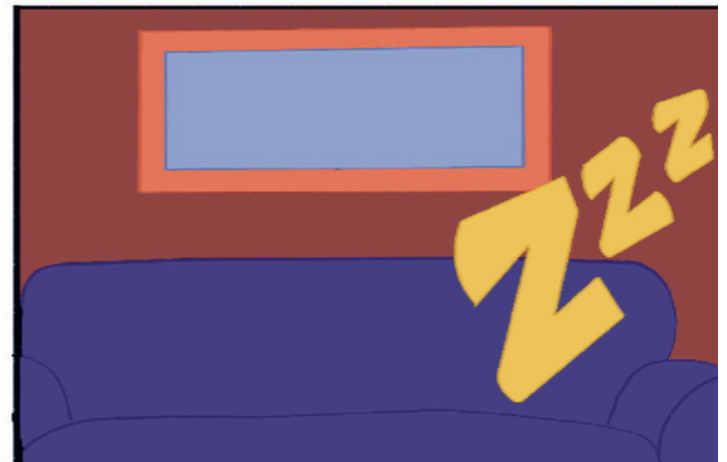
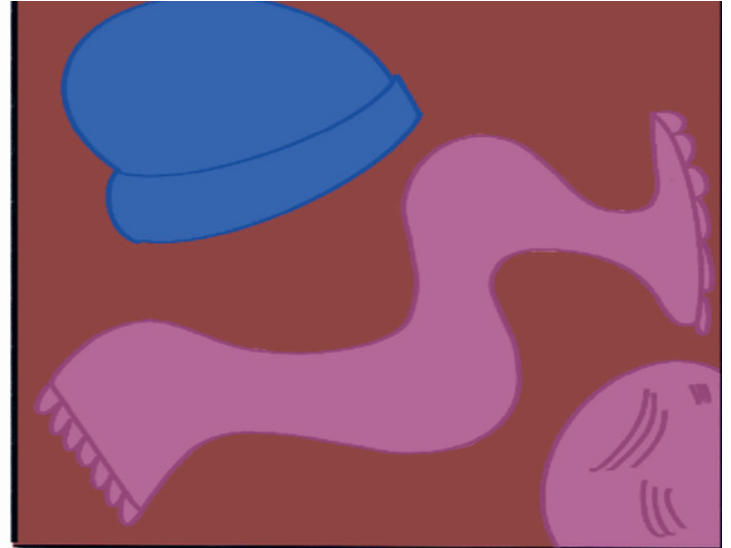
Sir Leo said, "Toughness doesn't mean you can't be warm and comfortable. I won the Grrr Games, and I love knitting scarves and baking cookies!"



The knights nodded. They all began to grab warm scarves, knitted beanies, and the cookies that Sir Leo had baked.



The knights became more warm and comfortable. With their cookies, scarves, and hats - they all enjoyed time together, and waited for the magical storm to go away.



In the end, Sir Leo shows the Knights that it's cool to have different hobbies. Baking, knitting, sparring, and relaxing can all be activities that tough and strong Knights like to do!

Sir Leo is the toughest knight in the Kingdom of Grrr.

He's the champion of Grrr Games, but he secretly prefers the care of baking and softness of pink yarn to the weight of his heavy armor. When a magical frost sweeps across the land - Leo must find the courage to trade his blade for a polka dot apron to save his shivering friends. By sharing fresh baked cookies and handmade hats, he proves that true bravery means being both tough enough to protect and kind enough to care.

