## 蚯蚓的日记

## Diary of a Worm

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In Diary of a Worm, the Worm and his friends—Fly and Spider—navigate school life while discovering the differences in their abilities. Worm enjoys wiggling through the earth, while his friends struggle with tasks that come naturally to him, like digging and moving underground. Together, they learn about teamwork and friendship despite their differences.

One day, they decide to find the perfect birthday gift for Mrs. Mulch. After several comical ideas, they finally come together to find the ideal present, showcasing their resourcefulness and teamwork. This highlights how even the smallest creatures can make a big difference.

## Why We Love It:

- · Celebrates collaboration, embracing differences, and friendship
- Humorous and relatable storytelling, with a focus on working together to solve problems
- Encourages children to appreciate and care for the earth



扭动 (niǔ dòng) – wiggle 苍蝇 (cāng yíng) – fly 钻地 (zuān dì) – digging into the ground 团队的力量 (tuán duì de lì liàng) – the power of teamwork

团队的刀童 (tuán duí de li liáng) – the power of teamwork
口香糖 (kǒu xiāng táng) – chewing gum代课老师 (dài kè lǎo shī) – substitute teacher霉菌 (méi jūn) – mold鸡蛋壳 (jī dàn ké) – eggshell粪球 (fèn qiú) – dung ball蛛丝拖鞋 (zhū sī tuō xié) – spider silk slippers废弃物 (fèi qì wù) – waste围巾 (wéi jīn) – scarf烂掉 (làn diào) – rotten助威 (zhù wēi) – cheer on网兜 (wǎng dōu) – net bag

责任感 (zé rèn gǎn) - sense of responsibility

蜕皮 (tuì pí) - shed skin



- How did Worm, Fly, and Spider work together to move the apple to school? 蚯蚓、苍蝇和蜘蛛是怎样一起把苹果搬到学校的?
- If the apple had been too heavy for them to move, what other ideas could Worm and his friends have come up with? 蚯蚓、苍蝇和蜘蛛是怎样一起把苹果搬到学校的?
- Can you think of a time when you had to solve a problem with your friends? What did you do to solve it together? 你有没有和朋友一起解决过问题? 你们是怎么一起解决的呢?



qiūyin de rìjì

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Earthworm's Diary 1

niǔ dòng kè shàng cāngying bùhuì niǔ zhǐ huì yònglì shān chìbǎng 扭动课上,苍蝇不会扭,只会用力扇翅膀。 In Twisting class, flies can't twist; they just flap their wings hard.

zuān de kè shàng zhīzhū xìcháng de tuǐ gēnběn zuān bùdòng nítǔ 钻地课上,蜘蛛细长的腿根本钻不动泥土。
In Digging class, spiders can't dig with their long legs.

cāngying hé zhīzhū dōu néng dào diào zài kōngzhōng 苍蝇 和 蜘蛛 都 能 倒 吊 在 空中, Flies and spiders can hang upside down,

> ér wǒ zuòbùdào 而我做不到。 but I can't.

kànkan zhège píngguŏ zài kànkan wŏmende gètóur zhè jiùshì tuánduì de lìliang

看看 这个 苹果 , 再 看看 我们的 个头儿 , 这 就是 团队 的 力量 ! Look at this apple and look at us—teamwork makes us strong!

kǒu xiāng táng zhǐ shì bàba de zuì ài 口香 糖纸 是 爸爸 的 最爱。 Dad loves chewing gum wrappers.

> yuè rì 10月3日 October 3rd

jīntiān shì xīngqīsì 今天是星期四。 Today is Thursday.

mǎshàng jiù dào zhōumò le 马上就到周末了! The weekend is coming soon!

> wǒ xǐ huān zhōumò 我喜欢 周末,

yīnwèi zhōumò wǒ kěyǐ hé zhīzhū cāngying yīqǐ wán 因为 周末 我 可以 和 蜘蛛 , 苍蝇 一起 玩 。 I love weekends because I can play with Spider and Fly.

wǒ zhēn xiǎng ràng tāmen hé wǒ shàng tóngyī suǒ xuéxiào 我 真想 让 他们 和 我 上 同一 所 学校, I really want them to come to my school,

> dàn wǒ zhīdào zhè shì bùxíng de 但我知道这是不行的。 but they can't.

yīnwèi cāngying méi fă shàng niǔ dòng kè zhīzhū yě méi fǎ shàng zuān de kè

因为 苍蝇 没 法上 扭动 课 , 蜘蛛 也 没 法上 钻 地 课 。 Flies can't do Twist class, and spiders can't do Digging class.

> yuè rì 10月4日 October 4th

jīntiān lái le yī wèi dàikè lǎoshī 今天来了一位代课老师。 Today we have a substitute teacher.



mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī qíngjià le yīnwèi tā guòshēngrì 玛尔施老师请假了,因为她过生日。 Ms. Marsh is on vacation for her birthday.

wǒ yǐqián bùzhīdào lǎoshī yě huì qǐngjià 我以前不知道老师也会请假, I didn't know teachers took vacations

yě bùzhī dào lǎoshī yě yào guòshēngrì 也 不知 道 老师 也 要 过生日。 or had birthdays too.

dàikè lăoshī shuō nimen kěyi zàixià zhōuyī wèi mă ěr shī lăoshī kāi yī gè shēngrì pàiduì

代课 老师 说:"你们 可以 在下 周一 为 玛尔 施 老师 开 一个 生日 派对

The substitute said, "You can have a birthday party for Ms. Marsh next Monday."

chī guò wǔfàn dàjiā dōu zài tǎolùn pàiduì shàng yào sònggěi mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī shénme lǐwù

吃 过 午饭 , 大家 都 在 讨论 派对 上 要 送给 玛尔 施 老师 什么 礼物 。 After lunch, everyone talked about what to give Ms. Marsh.

> yǒurén yào sòng méijūn zuò de máo róng zhěntou 有人 要 送 霉菌 做 的 毛绒 枕头, Some want to give a moldy pillow,

yǒurén yào sòng jīdàn qiào zuò de tángguǒ pán 有人 要 送 鸡蛋 壳 做 的 糖果 盘 。 some want to give a candy dish made from eggshells.

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我?

Me?

wǒde xuǎnzé yǒudiǎn duō 我的选择有点多。 I have lots of choices.

> yuè rì 10月5日 October 5th

wǒ kěyi sònggěi mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī 我可以送给玛尔施老师: I could give Ms. Marsh:

> fèn qiú zhènzhí 粪球 镇纸 A waste-ball paperweight

> > zhū sī tuōxié 蛛丝 拖鞋 Spider silk slippers

fèi qì wù zàishēng xiāngshuǐ 废弃物 再生 香水; Recycled waste perfume

kǒu xiāng táng zhǐ wéijīn 口香 糖纸 围巾。 A chewing gum wrapper scarf

qíshí kǒu xiāng táng zhǐ wéijīn de zhǔyi bùcuò zhǐshì zuìhòu yī zhāngkǒu xiāng táng zhǐ gānggang bèi wǒ bàba chīdiào le 其实 口香 糖纸 围巾 的 主意 不错 , 只是 最后 一 张口 香 糖纸 刚刚 被 我 爸爸 吃掉 了。

The scarf idea is good, but Dad ate the last gum wrapper.



āi wǒ dé gǎnjin xiǎngxiang biéde kě sòng de dōngxi 唉!我得赶紧想想别的可送的东西。 Oh no! I need a new idea.

mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī kěshì wǒ yùdào zuìhǎo de lǎoshī le 玛尔施老师可是我遇到最好的老师了! Ms. Marsh is the best teacher!

> yuè rì 10月6日, October 6th

wǒ zài yōuchóu zhōng xi̇nglái míngtiān jiùshì mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī de shēngrì pàiduì le kě wǒ háishi méi xiǎng chūlái sòng shénme 我 在 忧愁 中 醒来 。 明天 就是 玛尔 施 老师 的 生日 派对 了! , 可 我 还 是 没 想 出来 送 什么 。

I woke up feeling sad. Tomorrow is Ms. Marsh's birthday party, and I don't have a gift yet.

wèile ràng wŏ fàngsōng yīxià zhīzhū hé cāngying dài zhe wŏqù fàng fēng zhēng

为了 让 我 放松 一下 , 蜘蛛 和 苍蝇 带 着 我去 放风筝 。 Spider and Fly took me kite flying to cheer me up.

> dàn wǒ réngrán gāoxìng bù qilai 但我仍然高兴不起来。 But I still felt sad.

xièxie nimen wǒ mènmènbùlè de shuō 谢谢你们。 我闷闷不乐地说。 "Thank you," I said.

zhèshí cāngying yòng tā wúshù xiǎo yǎn zhòngdì yī zhi fāxiàn le shénme 这时, 苍蝇 用 她 无数 小眼 中的 一 只 发现 了 什么。

Then Fly noticed something.

hēi nàshi shénme tā shuō "嘿,那是什么?"她说。 "Hey, what's that?" she asked.

> nàshi yī gè píngguǒ 那是一个苹果。 It was an apple.

yī gè dàdà de hóng hóng de shǎn zhe guāng de píngguǒ 一个大大的,红红的,闪着光的苹果。 A big, red, shiny apple.

lǎoshī men dōu xǐhuan píngguǒ 老师 们 都 喜欢 苹果! Teachers love apples! dànshì děngděng tā làn diào le ma zhīzhū dài wǒ xiàlai chákàn 但是,等等,它烂掉了吗? 蜘蛛 带我下来查看。 But wait, is it rotten? Spider helped me check.

> wǒ chuō le yīxià nàge píngguǒ 我戳了一下那个苹果。 I poked the apple.

> > pū 噗。 Pfft.

tā yǐjīng wánquán làn diào le 它 已经 完全 烂掉 了。 It was all rotten.

wā tài bàng le wǒ zhōngyú zhǎodào le zuì wánměi de shēngrì lïwù 哇! 太棒了! 我终于找到了最完美的生日礼物!
Wow! This is perfect for a gift!



xiànzài wǒ zhǐ xūyào bǎ tā nòngdào xuéxiào qù 现在我只需要把它弄到学校去。 Now I just need to get it to school.

> wǒ shǐjìn tuī zhīzhū shǐ jìn lā 我使劲推。 蜘蛛使劲拉。 I pushed hard. Spider pulled hard.

cāngying wèi wŏmen jiāyóu zhùwēi 苍蝇 为 我们 加油 助威 。 Fly cheered us on.

wŏmen yídòng de hĕn màn hěn màn dàn zuìzhōng wŏmen chénggōng le 我们移动的很慢很慢,但最终我们成功了。 We moved slowly, but we did it!

> yuè rì 10月7日 October 7th

jīntiān jiùshì mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī de shēngrì pàiduì 今天 就是 玛尔 施 老师 的 生日 派对! Today is Ms. Marsh's birthday party!

> wǒ juéde hěn tài bàng le 我觉得很太棒了。 It's going to be great.

tūrán wǒ tīngdào yǒurén shuō wǒ zhǎodào yī zhāng hé lǐwù hěn xiāngpèi de kǎpiàn mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī yīdìng huì xǐhuan 突然,我听到有人说:"我找到一张和礼物很相配的卡片,玛尔施老师一定会喜欢。"

Suddenly, I heard someone say, "I found a card that matches the gift

perfectly. Ms. Marsh will love it."

kǎpiàn 卡片? A card?

zāole 糟了! Oh no!

xìngyùn de shì wǒ hái méiyǒu chī zǎocān 幸运的是,我还没有吃早餐。 Luckily, I haven't had breakfast yet.

wǒ jíshí zhǔnbèihǎole yīqiè 我及时准备好了一切。 I got everything ready just in time.

mǎ ěr shī lǎoshī hěn kāixīn wǒ yīcì sòng le tā sān yàng dōngxi 玛尔施老师很开心。我一次送了她三样东西: Ms. Marsh was very happy. I gave her three things:

> yī fèn shēngrì lǐwù 一份生日礼物, A birthday gift

yī zhāng shēng rì kǎpiàn 一张生日卡片, A birthday card

háiyǒu yī fèn shēngrì jīngxǐ 还有一份生日惊喜! A birthday surprise!

> sònggěi wŏde lǎoshī 送给 我的 老师 To My Teacher



yǎng chǒngwù ràng wǒ biànde xìxīn yǒu zérèngǎn 养宠物让我变得细心,有责任感。 Having pets makes me careful and responsible.

zhège xiǎo wǎng dōu shì zhīzhū sònggěi wǒde 这个小网兜是蜘蛛送给我的。 This little net bag was a gift from Spider.

> wŏde hǎopéngyou men 我的 好朋友 们 My good friends

duōkuī le zhīzhū wǒ yě néng fēi dé gāogāo de 多亏了蜘蛛,我也能"飞"得高高的! Thanks to Spider, I can "fly" high too!

xiǎnrán zhīzhū bìngbù xiàng wǒmen zhèyàng xíhuan chī shùyè 显然, 蜘蛛 并不 像 我们 这样 喜欢 吃 树叶。

Clearly, spiders don't eat leaves like we do.

xiètiānxièdì wǒ bùyòng xiàng zhīzhū nàyàng yào tuìpí cáinéng zhǎngdà 谢天谢地, 我 不用 像 蜘蛛 那样 要 蜕皮 才能 长大。

Thank goodness I don't have to molt like spiders to grow up.