Jelly

The Dog Who Dug a Hole

LITTLE READERS



Mia and her puppy
play in the garden.
The sun is warm.



Mia rolls a red ball
across the grass.
The puppy runs after it.



He brings the ball back
and drops it by her feet.
“Good boy!” Mia says.



Mia rolls it again.
This time, the puppy stops
beside the flower bed.



He sniffs the soft earth.
His nose goes this way
and that way.



“What did you find?”
Mia asks. The puppy
sniffs some more.



Then he starts to dig.

His paws move fast.

Dirt flies behind him.



"Oh!" says Mia.
A little pile of dirt
lands on the path.



The puppy keeps digging.

The hole gets wider.

The dirt pile gets bigger.



“Wait, puppy,” Mia says.
He stops and looks up
with dirt on his nose.



Mia looks at the hole.

It is close to the flowers.

She calls for Mom.



Mom comes outside.
"What happened here?"
she asks.



"Puppy made a hole,"
Mia says. "I wonder
why he was digging."



Mom kneels beside Mia.
"Let us take a look,"
she says.



Mia sees loose dirt beside the flowers. Puppy sniffs the little hole.



"What could be in there?"
Mia asks. Mom looks
carefully at the ground.



Mom comes closer
and looks at the hole
beside the flowers.



Mia tells Mom how Puppy
dug in the soft earth.
Mom listens carefully.



"We can fix the garden,"
Mom says. "First, let us
see what Puppy found."



Mia and Mom look down at the little hole. Puppy sits beside them.



Mia sees something blue
in the soft dirt.
“Look, Mom!” she says.



Mom reaches down
and gently lifts out
a small blue toy.



"It is Puppy's toy!"
Mia says. "I could not
find it yesterday."



Puppy wags his tail.
Perhaps he buried his toy
to save it for later.



Mia moves some dirt
back into the hole.
Mom helps her.



Little by little,
the hole gets smaller.
The puppy watches.



Mia pats the earth flat.
The flowers stand safely
beside the path.



"There," says Mia.
"The garden looks tidy again."
Mom gives her a smile.



Puppy sniffs the ground.
His paws begin to move.
“Not here,” Mia says gently.



"He likes to dig,"
Mom says. "Let us make
a place just for him."



They choose a sandy spot
away from the flowers.
Mom shows it to Puppy.



Mia hides the blue toy
under a little sand.
The puppy watches closely.



Mom and Mia choose
a sandy place away
from the flowers.



They put little stones
around the sandy spot.
Puppy watches them.



Mia hides the blue toy
under a little sand.
Puppy watches closely.



"Find it!" Mia says.
Puppy sniffs the sand
and begins to dig.



Puppy looks in the sand.
His paws move quickly.
Mia watches with a smile.



Soon he sees his blue toy.
He digs around it
and lifts it from the sand.



"You found it!" Mia says.

Mom smiles at Puppy.

The flowers sway nearby.




"You have a place to dig,"
Mia tells Puppy. He holds
his toy and wags his tail.

What do Mia and Puppy
play with in the garden?
What color is it?



Where does Puppy
begin to dig?
What happens to the dirt?



What does Mia see
in the hole?
Who helps lift it out?



Why might Puppy have
buried his blue toy?
What do you think?



How do Mia and Mom
fix the hole?
What tools do they use?



Why do they make Puppy
a different place to dig?
Where is it?



What does Mia hide
in the sand?
How does Puppy find it?



How do Mia and Mom
care for the garden
and help Puppy play?



The End

