

WHO'S FIRST

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Fiction

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Nora was a girl who always liked to be first.

One day Mrs. Tolman asked Nora and two of Nora's friends over to the house. Mrs. Tolman had bought some ice cream. "Come by at two," she told them.

Nora got there first. "I'm glad you're early," Mrs. Tolman said. "You can help me wash the dishes."

Nora helped wash the dishes. "Will you set the table?" Mrs. Tolman asked. Nora set the table. "I need two more chairs around the table," Mrs. Tolman said. Nora got the chairs.

By the time her friends got there, Nora was tired. She didn't even enjoy the ice cream that much.

On the way home, the children passed by the playground. "Let's swing on the swings," the boy said.

Nora was still tired. But she said, "I'll go first." The seat of the swing had a loose nail. Nora tore her shorts.

Next time, she thought, I'll wait my turn.