

Welcome back to our summertime favorites. I hope you've been enjoying this.

Whether it's your first time visiting Miss Robin or you're a longtime friend of our podcast, there's always a place for YOU here.

Today's original story is a very funny one! Do you like to joke around? Well, in this episode Funny Ferret and Giggly Goat, who you heard about last week in episode 48, learn that making jokes aren't as funny when you hurt people's feelings.

So now, without any further adieu, find a friend, get something yummy to snack on and settle in as we listen together.

Here we go!

The Jester Club By Robin Marie Johnson

“Count to five Stubba-roo.” Lucy the dog always knew what to do.

“One, Two, Three, Four, Five.” Stubby squeezed his eyes shut and counted out loud.

“Remember, Stubb-a-roo, it's never ok to say hurtful things that will ruin your day.”

Lucy had a way of rhyming her words that made Stubby smile.

“Take some time and count it out. You won't regret NOT lashing out.” Lucy barked.

Stubby knew that Lucy was right. But learning to keep quiet when his friends were mean was hard!

“Stubby Stubby, leg that's blue, you look like a pirate and you smell like one too!” Funny Ferret chanted the hurtful words over and over as Stubby made his way out to the playground.

“One Two Three Four Five”

Stubby knew that when he counted, it calmed him down. And today was a day he needed to be calm.

“You are blind, and your tail is bent. Just run away, Stubby, we'll be happy you went.”

Giggly Goat hurt Stubby the most, over the summer Giggly Goat had changed, and not for the better.

“Just turn and walk away,” Lucy said one day. “Words only hurt you if you let them,” she’d say.

But walking away was not always easy as it sounded.

Stubby closed his eyes and thought for a moment.

Why had he liked Giggly Goat and Funny Ferret in the first place?

That’s RIGHT!

Because they made him laugh!

Opening his mouth, Stubby gave a gentle answer instead of a mean one.

“I liked you both the minute I met you because you made me laugh,” Stubby responded to his friends. “Let’s do something fun!. Maybe we could write a book together and fill it full of jokes. I’m sure it would make our friends laugh and feel good at the same time.”

What do you think happened next?

Did Funny Ferret and Giggly Goat stop teasing Stubby?

Maybe Stubby helped them make new friends?

You’ll just have to come back next week to hear the rest of the story!

Now for our next little surprise.

Some kids ask Miss Robin where she writes her stories and where she records them.

Do you think she has a special recording studio like other podcasters do?

NO WAY!

She records everything in her bedroom, sitting on her comfy couch. It's the best place to do it.

And she writes in all different places. Her bedroom, her office, outside by the pool, and at her kitchen table.

Have your parents find Miss Robin on Instagram at robinmarie59 and you'll see pictures of her favorite places to record and write plus lots of other pictures.

I'd love to hear from you so bring your parents over to my place at www.robinmarie.org. You'll find all kinds of fun things to look at and download, including real pictures and videos of Stubby the cat and all his friends, located on my resource page.

Don't forget to have your parents subscribe to this kids podcast and spread the word to all your friends and family.

Remember, next week we will finish the rest of the story. I'll meet you back here soon. Have a great week and remember don't be afraid to be brave, be kind and be different!

Bye.