Show and Tell

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Benjamin wanted to take something really neat to school for show and tell, so he decided to take his new baby sister. He went upstairs, picked her up, put her in his knapsack and walked off to school.
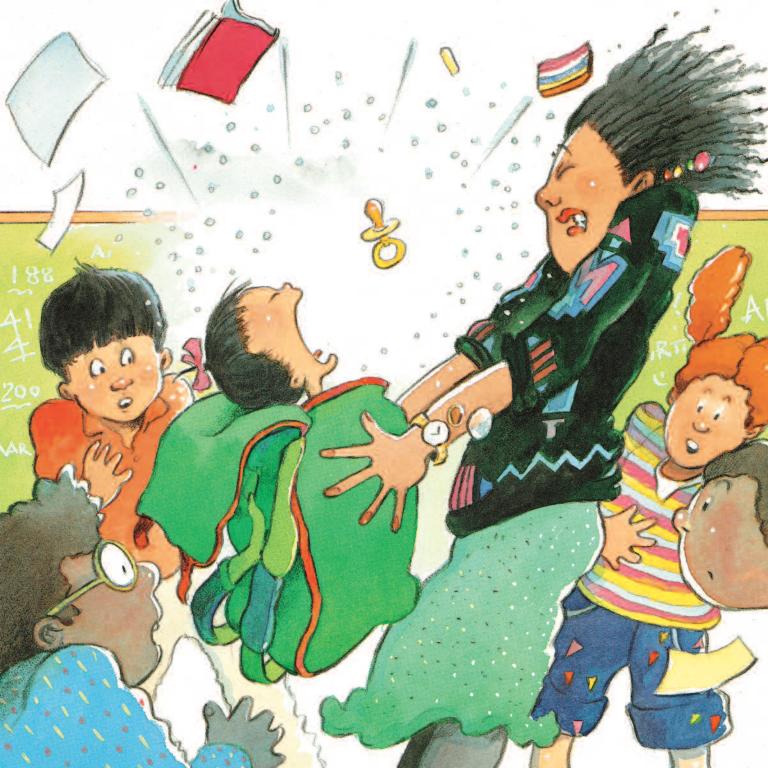
But when Ben sat down, his baby sister finally woke up. She was not happy inside the knapsack and started to cry: "WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA."

The teacher looked at him and said, "Benjamin, stop making that noise."

Ben said, "That's not me. It's my baby sister. She's in my knapsack. I brought her for show and tell."

"Yikes!" said the teacher. "You can't keep a baby in a knapsack!" She grabbed Ben's knapsack and opened it up. The baby looked at the teacher and said, "WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA."

"Don't worry," said the teacher. "I know how to take care of babies." She picked it up and rocked it back and forth, back and forth, back and forth.

Unfortunately, the teacher was not the baby's mother and she didn't rock quite right. The baby cried even louder: "WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA, WAAA."