

Easy English Stories – Episode 41: James's Loose Tooth

Target Level: Move 2 and up

Grammar: *going to* for future plans (e.g., *I am going to buy a car. She is going to come.*)

Vocabulary: tooth, tooth fairy, coin, pillow, note, vacation, plans

Functions: talking about future plans and intentions

INTRODUCTION

C.S.: Hello, boys and girls! Welcome to Easy English Stories!

Echo: Captain Story, I have big news. I am going to get a robot update.

C.S.: An update? What kind of update?

Echo: My voice is going to be better. My brain is going to be faster. I am going to be Echo 2.0.

C.S.: That sounds exciting. How long are you going to be gone?

Echo: I don't know. But don't worry. I am going to bring a friend. His name is Pip. He is going to help you.

C.S.: Pip? Where is he?

Echo: Pip, come in!

Pip: Hello. I am... I am... I forgot my name.

C.S.: Oh, boy!

Echo: It's Pip.

Pip: Yes, Pip. Hello.

C.S.: Hello, Pip. Are you ready to help?

Pip: I am going to help.

C.S.: Good. We are going to tell a story.

Pip: A story? I like stories.

C.S.: Then let's begin!

MAIN STORY: James's Loose Tooth

C.S.: James had a loose tooth. It wiggled and wiggled. It was going to fall out soon.

James was excited. He had big plans.

"I am going to get a gold coin from the tooth fairy," he said. "Then, I am going to buy a toy car. A red one. Very fast."

Pip: He is going to buy a car.

C.S.: His sister Maya looked at him. "Can I play with it?"

"No," James said. "Only I am going to play with it."

He looked at his tooth in the mirror. "Then I am going to buy candies. A lot of candies."

Pip: He is going to buy candies.

C.S.: Yes. Maya said, "Can I have some candies, too?"

"No," James said. "Only I am going to eat them."

He wiggled the tooth. "Then I'm going to buy a big kite. And I'm not going to share."

Mom and Dad looked at each other. They said nothing.

At lunch, James bit into an apple. Crunch! His tooth came out. It fell out, right on the plate.

"It is out!" James shouted. "The tooth fairy is going to come tonight! I am going to get a coin!"

Maya looked sad. Mom and Dad looked at each other again.

That night, James put the tooth under his pillow. He closed his eyes. "Goodnight, tooth. Goodnight, coin. Goodnight, red toy car."

He dreamed of candies. A lot of candies.

In the morning, James woke up. He jumped out of the bed. He looked under the pillow. The tooth was still there.

His face fell. "Where is my coin?" he asked.

Then he saw a note under his pillow.

He read the note. It said, "Sorry. I'm on vacation. I am going to come back for your next tooth. Your friend, The Tooth Fairy."

James read the note again. He was not happy at all.

PRACTICE

C.S.: Now let's practice! Please repeat after us!

C.S.: James is going to buy a car.

Pip: James is going to buy a car.

C.S.: He is going to eat candies.

Pip: He is going to eat candies.

C.S.: He is not going to share.

Pip: He is not going to share.

C.S.: The Tooth Fairy is not going to come.

Pip: The Tooth Fairy is not going to come.

Q&A + Fun Fact

C.S.: Now it's time for your questions! Let's see what you sent us.

Our first email is from Tara. She asks, "Captain Story, why don't snakes have legs?"

Look at the bright side, Tara. When you don't have legs, you don't slip and fall. Snakes never fall.

Our next question is from Kian. He asks, "Captain Story, why doesn't my bird start to fly?"

Well, maybe she wants to learn to drive first, Kian.

And our last email is from Lina. She asks, "Captain Story, what is a starfish?"

I think it is the most famous fish in the sea.

Echo, do you have a fun fact? Echo? Oh, Echo is getting her update. Pip, do you have a fun fact?

Pip: Yes! Did you know that some children throw their tooth on the roof? They think a bird is going to take it and bring a new tooth.

C.S.: Interesting.

Pip: Yes. Bird delivery!

C.S.: OK, my friends. This is the end of our show. See you next week for another story!

Pip: Goodbye.

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WORDS FROM THE STORY

dream

pictures and stories in your mind when you sleep



pillow

a soft bag filled with feathers or soft material that you put your head on when you sleep



share

to give a part of something to someone else



tooth fairy

a small, make-believe person who takes a lost tooth and leaves a coin or gift

wiggle

to move something small from side to side quickly