

Easy English Stories – Episode 33: Dan's Mixed-Up Day

Target Level: Move 1 and up

Grammar: Times of the day and their prepositions (*in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening, at night*)

Vocabulary: morning, afternoon, evening, night, dark, breakfast, lunch, dinner, sleep, school, soccer, pajamas, blanket, backpack, tired, scientists

Functions: Talking about daily routines and times of the day

INTRODUCTION

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

Echo: Captain Story, I am late.

C.S.: Late for what?

Echo: Everything. I set my alarm clock for 7 p.m. instead of 7 a.m.

C.S.: So what did you do?

Echo: I woke up. I ate breakfast. I brushed my teeth. I put on my shoes. Then I looked outside. It was dark.

C.S.: And?

Echo: I took off my shoes. I put on my pajamas. I went back to bed.

C.S.: So you had a very busy day!

Echo: Yes.

C.S.: Well, today's story is about a boy who does things at the wrong time. Let's listen!

MAIN STORY: Dan's Mixed-Up Day

C.S.: Dan is not happy. Every day is the same. Breakfast **in the morning**. Lunch **in the afternoon**. Dinner **in the evening**. Sleep **at night**.

Dan is bored.

Dan has a little brother. His name is Tom. Tom is very quiet.

One morning, Dan wakes up. He looks at his breakfast. He is not hungry.

"I don't want breakfast **in the morning**," he says. "Let's change things today."

He puts on his pajamas, and he goes back to bed.

His mother comes in. "Dan! It is **morning**! Time to wake up!"

"But I want to sleep **in the morning**," Dan says.

He sleeps all **morning**. He wakes up **in the afternoon**.

Echo: He sleeps **in the morning** and wakes up in **the afternoon**?

C.S.: Yes! Mixed up!

Now Dan is hungry. "I want breakfast," he says.

He eats breakfast **in the** afternoon. Breakfast **in the afternoon** tastes funny.

In the evening, Dan says, "Now it is time for school!"

Echo: **In the evening**.

C.S.: He puts on his backpack. He walks to school. But the school is dark. The doors are closed. Nobody is there.

Dan sits on the steps. "School **in the evening** is not fun," he says.

He walks home. Now it is **night**. The stars are out.

"I want to play soccer," Dan says.

He goes outside with his ball. But it is very dark. He can't see the ball. He kicks a rock. His foot hurts.

Dan goes inside. He sits on his bed.

"This is hard," he says.

The next **morning**, Dan wakes up.

He is tired. But he is happy.

"I want to go to school," he says. "I want to see my friends."

He gets dressed. He eats breakfast. Breakfast **in the morning** tastes very good.

Mom asks, "Where is your brother?" Then she goes into Tom's room.

Tom is in his bed. He is under the blanket.

"Tom! Time to eat breakfast!"

"I don't want breakfast **in the morning**," he says. "Let's change things today."

Mom puts her hands on her head.

PRACTICE

C.S.: Let's practice the times of the day! Please repeat.

C.S.: In the morning.

Echo: In the morning.

C.S.: I go to school in the morning.

Echo: I go to school in the morning.

C.S.: In the afternoon.

Echo: In the afternoon.

C.S.: In the evening.

Echo: In the evening.

C.S.: At night.

Echo: At night.

C.S.: I sleep at night.

Echo: I sleep at night.

Q&A + Fun Fact

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

Our first email is from Lola. She asks, "Captain Story, when is the best time to study and when is the best time to play?"

Scientists say the best time to study is between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The best time to play is all the time.

Our next email is from Kaveh. He writes, "Captain Story, why does my teacher wear sunglasses to school?"

Well, looks like she has bright students, Kaveh!

Our next email is from Rosa. She asks, "Captain Story, why am I tired when I wake up in the morning?"

Rosa, it's because of all the things you do in your dreams. All the running and playing and flying and stuff.

Echo, do you have a fun fact for us?

Echo: Yes! Did you know that in some places, the sun does not set for many days? And in other places, it is dark for many days!

C.S.: Wow! So some children have mornings all day?

Echo: Yes! And some have night all day!

C.S.: Um, I would love that. Well, boys and girls, thank you for listening. See you next week for another story!

Echo: Goodbye.

WORDS FROM THE STORY

pajamas

soft clothes you wear in bed

blanket

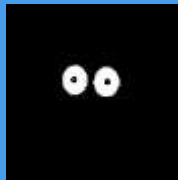
a soft cover you use on your bed to keep warm

backpack

a bag you wear on your back to carry things

dark

with no light or very little light



rock

a hard, solid stone or a big piece of stone



scientist

someone who studies things to learn how they work



tired

when you feel you need to rest or sleep

