

Ravi’s Moon Mission

A space adventure needs more than one kind of hero.



Ravi and Mum had made a cardboard spaceship. It had paper stars, pretend buttons and a round window. Today, Ravi was going on a mission to the moon.



His little sister, Leela, brought a toy bear and a toy car. ‘Bear needs a ride,’ she announced. Ravi put Bear in the car beside a cushion moon.



‘I will be the captain,’ Ravi said. ‘Me too,’ said Leela. They both reached for the paper steering wheel. It bent between their hands, and the game stopped.

Mum sat beside them. ‘What jobs does your mission need?’ she asked. Ravi thought of flying. Leela thought of talking to the pilot. Both jobs sounded important.

They smoothed the paper wheel together. Ravi would fly first. Leela would guide him from a small table called mission control. After the rescue, they would swap jobs.



Leela drew a big round moon on paper. She added a star beside it. Ravi watched from his spaceship window. ‘Ready, Captain?’ she called. ‘Ready!’ he answered.



‘Three, two, one!’ Ravi pressed a pretend button. His spaceship stayed safely on the rug, but he imagined it sailing through the dark, past a thousand shining stars.



At the cushion moon, Bear’s car had tipped against a pillow. Ravi reached for Bear, then paused. ‘Mission control, I need a plan,’ he called across the room.



Leela studied the scene. ‘Stand the car up first. Then help Bear aboard.’ Ravi followed her instructions carefully. Soon the small passenger sat safely beside him in the spaceship.



‘Rescue complete!’ Ravi announced. Leela clapped, then glanced at the steering wheel. Ravi remembered their agreement. He climbed out and offered her the captain’s place with a bow.



Now Leela flew while Ravi guided her home. He made a gentle landing sound. Bear waved through the window, and Mum welcomed the explorers with a cheerful round of applause.



Ravi and Leela tucked Bear into his bed. Tomorrow, they might explore another planet. For now, their spaceship could rest. Every good mission needed everyone to have a turn.

The end

There is more than one important job in an adventure.

What job would you choose on a pretend space mission?

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