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Ick's Bleh Day



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Meet the Characters



Crud



Ick

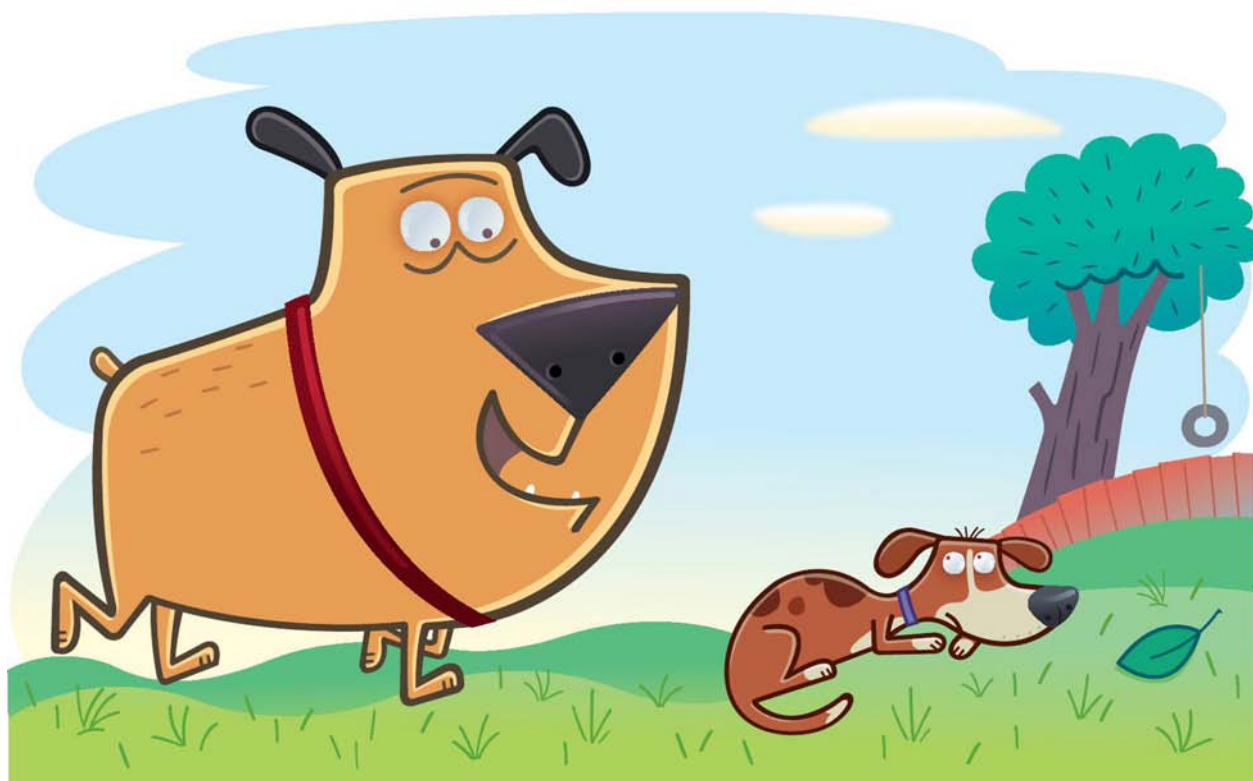


Miss Puffy



Bob

Fun in the Mud



“**W**hat’s wrong, Ick?” asked Crud.

“I’m feeling *bleh*,” said Ick.

“*Bleh?*” asked Crud.

“Yes,” said Ick. “Sad. Bad. Bored.”

“Oh,” said Crud. “Then we need to fix that. You need to feel good like me, buddy.”

“Hmmm,” thought Ick. “It *would* be great to feel like Crud.”



“Let me think of a way to cheer you up,” said Crud. “Would you like a dog bone?”

“No,” said Ick. “I would not like a dog bone.”

“Would you like to chase a squirrel?” asked Crud.

“No,” said Ick. “I would not like to chase a squirrel.”

“Would you like to see me dance?”
asked Crud.

“No,” said Ick. “I would not like to see
you dance. No one would.”

“Then what about some ice cream?”
asked Crud.

Ick sat up. “I think I would like that,”
he said.

“Then let’s get some,” said Crud.



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