The Great Escape



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"Thanks for letting me help out in your pet shop, Uncle Bill," Sarah said. "I won't disappoint you."

"You can start by feeding the guinea pigs," her uncle told her. "Just be careful and make sure you close up the pen when you're done. Those little guys love to escape."

"No problem," Sarah said.

She got the bag of guinea pig food and opened the pen. The phone rang while she was working. Uncle Bill talked for a minute, then walked up to her.

"Sarah, I've got to run out for a few minutes," he said. "I've got a hamster emergency to take care of."

"I'll take good care of things while you're gone," Sarah promised.

Uncle Bill left, and Sarah poured the guinea pig food into the bowl in the pen. The little animals crowded around the bowl. Then Sarah heard a crash. She turned around to see that one of the plastic fish bowls had fallen over. She ran to the bowl and quickly scooped up the fish. She put the fish in another bowl and cleaned up the water. Then she went back to the guinea pig pen.

"Oh no!" Sarah cried.

She had accidentally left the pen open. The guinea pigs had escaped!