

Hattie Helps Out

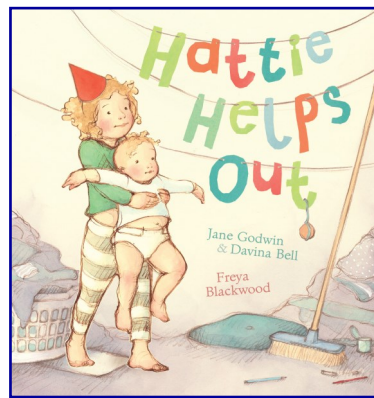
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It's a busy day at Hattie's house. There's a lot to do before Dad's birthday party...Hattie is being very helpful, until it's time for her afternoon nap...Hattie's not even sleepy! But Mama looks tired. Very tired.....A delightfully funny story about a little girl with big ideas, from a winning combination of creators.



Themes:

- Helping Out
- Celebrations
- Busy Family Life

Discussion Points:

- Hattie and her Mama were getting ready for her Dad's birthday dinner. How do you celebrate family birthdays at your house? What is your favourite thing about birthdays?
- Why did Hattie not want to have a sleep, only a 'rest'?
- Why do you think Hattie's Mama was so tired? Does your Mum sometimes look really tired? Has she ever fallen asleep next to you when you were having a rest or a sleep?
- What jobs did Hattie remember that her Mama had to do?
- Compare the pictures of her Mama's vision of these jobs and then what Hattie created. Which do you like best? How do you think you would have done it?
- Was Hattie's Mama upset that Hattie hadn't done the jobs the way that she would have done them? Explain.
- How would you describe what Hattie did to help her family?
- What are some of the things that you do now to help in the house?

Activities:

- Write up a list of other jobs that you and your family could do to help out your Mum and Dad around the house?
- Hattie made place cards for everyone that was coming for dinner. Pretend you are having a birthday party for someone in your family and make your own unique place cards for all of the people that would attend. Keep them for your next family birthday celebration.