

## Monday

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Hello, everyone. My number is \_\_\_\_\_. Today I'm going to read you a story.  
It's called "Monday".

It's a well-known fact: any day of the week is more likable than Monday. Take Sunday for example. She enjoys taking long naps (Yawn) and relaxing at home before the... SMASH, BOOM, CRASH of Monday. Monday always comes and shouts,

"The weekend is over!" "Time to go back to school!" "Get out of bed!" Then he wants you to enjoy eating soggy cereal and drinking pulpy orange juice. Ugh.

But then sweet Tuesday follows. She hands out ice cream cones and she never shouts. "Here you go! Here you go," she says cheerily. Wednesday always happily sends out cards to everyone and says, "The week is half over." Thursday hurries and says "Check! Check! Check! I'm done with this and that."

Finally comes Friday, who throws a wonderful party for everyone (except Monday) to welcome the weekend. "Come on

over, guys,” he shouts. Saturday fills his hours with fun.

“There’s so much I can do: bike riding, pool parties, and hiking. I can’t wait for them all!”

Sadly, unlike all the other days, Monday doesn’t like himself. (Sigh.) One week, he decides not to show up anymore. Then Sunday oversleeps. Everyone misses a whole day of work and school. No one is glad to see Tuesday anymore. Wednesday isn’t sure if she’s close to the start or end of the week. Thursday doesn’t know when to show up. He feels left out. Friday holds a party, and no one comes because they don’t know that it is Friday. Saturday doesn’t have anything planned. He is so upset.

“What chaos!” Sunday thinks. She’s afraid of another week like this. So she looks for Monday.

“Go away!” says Monday.

“No.” says Sunday. “I’m not leaving until you come back.” She sits down on the porch steps. Monday stays where he is. Sunday stays where she is. It looks like it is going to be Sunday forever.

Finally, Monday says, “I wish my fellow days liked me

more.” Then he looks at Sunday.

“Hmm,” grumbles Sunday. She looks impatient and grumpy-- just like Monday! Monday realizes that his fellow days need him. So he takes his proper spot in the week back. And everyone agrees that Monday is just as special, needed, and likable as any other day of the week. “Hooray!”

Thank you for listening.