A Good Day
By Kevin Henkes

“It started out as a bad day for little yellow bird, little orange fox, and little brown squirrel. Until... a discovery, and love, and luck, and persistence, and a different point of view changed all that. What can turn a bad day into a good day? You decide.”

-Kevin Henkes

Things to Do Together:

➔ Read the story!

➔ Draw a picture of a good day and then draw a picture of a bad day. Write down what your child tells you. Talk about the difference between a good and a bad day. How can you make a bad day into a good day?

➔ Talk about what would happen if the animals day didn't get better? What could you do to help the animals have a better day? What could you do to make someone's day better if you notice someone else having a bad day? What does your child do when they are having a bad day?

➔ Sometimes things change. Talk about how a feeling can change and a bad day can change into a good day. What else changes? The weather changes, we change our clothes and we change what we eat every day. Some things stay the same. What stays the same? Parents will always love their children, the sun comes out in the morning, and the stars appear at night.

➔ Look at the animals facial expressions. How do you think the animals are feeling? Identify the feelings together and talk about why they might be having that feeling?

➔ Talk about where the animals live? What are their homes made out of?

➔ Go on a walk. Try and find some of the animals and their homes on the walk.

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