



Do you want to know what happened<sup>1</sup> to Ruffy Tufty? Then read this tale.

## RUFFY TUFTY<sup>2</sup>

(After Ruth Ainsworth)

### Part I

## Ruffy Tufty and the Surprise<sup>3</sup>

Ruffy Tufty is a black doll. He has got a black face, black hair, brown eyes, a red mouth and white teeth, as white as snow.

Do you know why he has got that name? It's because of his hair. His hair is tufty. So that is why he has got the name Ruffy Tufty.

Ruffy Tufty does not like to get up early<sup>4</sup> in the morning. One morning Mother says, "It's time to get up, Ruffy Tufty." "I don't want to get up," says Ruffy Tufty. "Do you want to get a surprise?" asks Mother. Ruffy Tufty loves surprises. So he opens his eyes and says: "Certainly." "I have a surprise for you," says Mother. "Get up!" Ruffy Tufty wants to get the surprise very much. He asks, "Is it tasty?" "No, it isn't." "Can I eat it?" "No, you can't." "Can I play with it?" "No, you can't." "Then what is it?" "It's a new red jacket." "Oh, is that all? It is a bad surprise. It isn't a surprise at all. I don't like it," says Ruffy Tufty.

"But the jacket has got five pockets,"<sup>5</sup> says Mother. "Oh, five pockets... Isn't that nice?!" says Ruffy Tufty and jumps out of bed. He is happy.

### Choose the right sentences. (Part I.)

1. Ruffy Tufty is a puppy.
2. Ruffy Tufty is a brown doll.
3. Ruffy Tufty is a black doll.

<sup>1</sup>happen ['hæpən] — случаться

<sup>2</sup>Ruffy Tufty — кудрявый Рафти

<sup>3</sup>surprise [sə'praɪz] — сюрприз

<sup>4</sup>early ['ɜ:li] — рано

<sup>5</sup>pocket — карман

4. His eyes are blue.
5. His eyes are brown.
6. Ruffy Tufty does not like to get up early in the morning.
7. Ruffy Tufty likes to get up early in the morning.
8. Ruffy Tufty's mother has a surprise for him.
9. It's a new toy.
10. It's a red jacket with five pockets.
11. Ruffy Tufty does not like jackets with pockets.
12. Ruffy Tufty likes jackets with pockets.

## Part II

### Mother and the Surprise

Ruffy Tufty did his morning exercises, then he went to the bathroom.<sup>1</sup> There he washed his hands and face and cleaned his teeth. Then he went to his bedroom again and put on his new red jacket. He liked it very much. He was the happiest doll!

Mother asked him to come to the kitchen<sup>2</sup> to have his breakfast. She gave him porridge and milk for breakfast and went to the garden to work.

At that time somebody came into their garden. Ruffy Tufty wanted to know who it was. He quickly jumped up and ran up



<sup>1</sup>bathroom ['bɑ:θrʊm] — ванная

<sup>2</sup>kitchen ['kɪtʃən] — кухня

to the window. All the hot porridge was on his new red jacket! He didn't know what to do! Then he decided<sup>1</sup> to wash his jacket. He ran to the bathroom and washed his jacket with hot water.<sup>2</sup>

His mother came into the bathroom and looked at Rufty Tufty. Rufty Tufty quickly put on the jacket. It was very wet!<sup>3</sup> Now it was Mother's turn to be surprised<sup>4</sup> and she said: "Oh, Rufty Tufty, you must be ashamed!"<sup>5</sup>

Then she asked him to take off his new red very wet jacket and washed it. She gave Rufty Tufty his very old brown jacket.

So Rufty Tufty could not show<sup>6</sup> his friends his new jacket with five beautiful pockets where he could put a lot of things: sweets, toys and many other things!

**Find and read the sentences to illustrate the pictures. (Part II.)**

### Part III

## Rufty Tufty Had an Idea

Rufty Tufty lived in Doll Village.<sup>7</sup> The people who lived in the village were very nice and kind.

But sometimes a man who was not nice or kind visited their village. This man was Mr Shilling, the shopman.<sup>8</sup> When he came up to the village, all the doll-children quickly ran home.

In Town<sup>9</sup> Mr Shilling had a toy-shop. He sold<sup>10</sup> balloons, teddy-bears, toy-monkeys, toy-giraffes, toy-dogs and cats and other toy-animals. He sold dolls, too.

One day, when Mr Shilling visited the village again, all the doll-children ran home. Rufty Tufty ran home, too. His mother was not at home.

<sup>1</sup> **decide** [dɪ'saɪd] — решать

<sup>2</sup> **water** ['wɔ:tə] — вода

<sup>3</sup> **wet** — мокрый

<sup>4</sup> **Mother's turn** [tɜ:n] **to be surprised** — мамина очередь удивляться

<sup>5</sup> **you must be ashamed** [ə'ʃeɪmd] — постыдись

<sup>6</sup> **show** [ʃəʊ] — показывать

<sup>7</sup> **village** ['vɪlɪdʒ] — деревня

<sup>8</sup> **shopman** — торговец

<sup>9</sup> **town** [taʊn] — город

<sup>10</sup> **sell** (**sold** [səʊld]) — продавать (продавал)



Mr Shilling came up to their house and said, "Who wants some fun?<sup>1</sup> Who wants to have some fun? Who wants to have a good time? Come with me! Come with me! Come with me to see the world!"<sup>2</sup>

Certainly Rufty Tufty wanted to have some fun. Certainly he wanted to see the world. But certainly he didn't want to go with Mr Shilling whom he didn't like.

Then Rufty Tufty had an idea. He walked after Mr Shilling, so that Mr Shilling couldn't see him. Mr Shilling walked and walked. Rufty Tufty walked and walked after Mr Shilling. Rufty Tufty thought that Mr Shilling didn't see him.

#### Agree or disagree. (Part III.)

1. Rufty Tufty lived in Doll Town.
2. The people who lived in the village were very nice and kind.
3. Mr Shilling was a kind man.
4. The children liked Mr Shilling.
5. Mr Shilling had a toy-shop in Town.
6. There were a lot of toys in his shop.

<sup>1</sup> fun [fʌn] — веселье, забава

<sup>2</sup> world [wɜ:ld] — мир, вселенная

7. When Mr Shilling came up to Ruffy Tufty's house, Mother was at home.
8. Ruffy Tufty wanted to have some fun.
9. Ruffy Tufty had an idea.
10. Ruffy Tufty didn't walk after Mr Shilling.

## Part IV

### Mr Shilling Got Ruffy Tufty

Suddenly<sup>1</sup> Mr Shilling turned round<sup>2</sup> and quickly took Ruffy Tufty by his hand. "I have got you at last!"<sup>3</sup> he said. "A fine doll! I can sell you and get a lot of money!" said Mr Shilling and put Ruffy Tufty into his bag.

Mr Shilling walked and walked. Ruffy Tufty didn't know how to get out of the bag. Then he had an idea. There was a pin<sup>4</sup> in his pocket. Ruffy Tufty said, "Buzzbuzz-buzzzzzz..." Then he took the pin and pushed<sup>5</sup> it into Mr Shilling's back.<sup>6</sup> Mr Shilling jumped



<sup>1</sup> suddenly — вдруг

<sup>2</sup> turn round [raʊnd] — повернуться

<sup>3</sup> I have got you at last! — Попался наконец!

<sup>4</sup> pin — булавка

<sup>5</sup> push [pʊʃ] — воткнуть

<sup>6</sup> back — спина



up and the bag fell to the ground.<sup>1</sup> "Oh, help me, help me!" cried<sup>2</sup> Mr Shilling and ran home. He left<sup>3</sup> his bag with Rufty Tufty in it on the ground. But Rufty Tufty could not get out of the bag.

Just then a large owl<sup>4</sup> was flying<sup>5</sup> by. He saw the bag on the ground. There was something in the bag. The owl took the bag into his mouth and flew home. The owl flew up to the tree where his family lived.

"Is there anything in the bag for supper?" asked Mother Owl. "What is there in the bag for supper?" asked his three little children. "I am sorry I don't know," said Father Owl. "But I think it's a nice tasty hare. Let's see who is there in the bag." And Father Owl opened the bag. They all saw Rufty Tufty in the bag.

**Find and read the answers to the questions. (Part IV.)**

1. What did Mr Shilling suddenly do?
2. What did Mr Shilling want to do with Rufty Tufty?
3. Where did Mr Shilling put Rufty Tufty into?

<sup>1</sup> ground [graʊnd] — земля

<sup>2</sup> cry (cried) — закричать (закричал)

<sup>3</sup> leave [li:v] (left) — оставлять (оставил)

<sup>4</sup> owl [aʊl] — сова

<sup>5</sup> was flying — летала

4. What idea did Rufty Tufty have?
5. Could Rufty Tufty get out of the bag?
6. Who saw the bag on the ground?
7. What did Mother Owl ask Father Owl?
8. Whom did they see in the bag?

## Part V

### Rufty Tufty Has Seen<sup>1</sup> the World

"Oh, what's that?" asked one of the children. "Is it a black hare?" "No, its ears are not long," said Father Owl. "Is it a black cat?" asked another child. "Is it a black puppy?" asked another. They didn't know what it was or who it was. "Well, it's nice and I think it's tasty," said Mother Owl. "I think we shall cook a good supper." She began to take off Rufty Tufty's coat, shirt and shoes. "Stop! Stop!" said Rufty Tufty. "I am a doll. You can't eat me!" "Why not?" asked the hungry little children.

"Because I'm poisonous,<sup>2</sup> very, very poisonous." "Oh, what a pity!" said Mother Owl. "But it's very kind of you to warn<sup>3</sup> us.



<sup>1</sup> has seen — повидал

<sup>2</sup> poisonous [ˈpɔɪzənəs] — ядовитый

<sup>3</sup> warn [wɔːn] — предупредить



Thank you very much." "Not at all," answered Rufty Tufty. "I think it's time to go home now. My mother is waiting for<sup>1</sup> me. I'm sorry about your supper. Goodbye!" "Goodbye!" said the Owl family. "What a pity you are so poisonous. Goodbye!" Rufty Tufty ran home very quickly. His mother was very glad<sup>2</sup> to see him. She washed him and gave him clean clothes: blue trousers, clean socks and a red shirt. Then she gave him a lot of things to eat: two apples, ten sweets and a cup of tea. The supper was very tasty! It was so warm in the room!

"I've seen the world and had some fun," thought Rufty Tufty. "But there is no place like home."

**Find and read 7-9 sentences to give the main idea of Part V.**

## Part VI

### Rufty Tufty and Rose Went to Town

Rufty Tufty is always happy. But one day he was not happy. That was when he thought of the dolls in Mr Shilling's toy-shop. Rufty Tufty knew that Mr Shilling wanted to sell them.

He said to his friend Rose: "Can we do anything to help the dolls in Mr Shilling's shop?"

"I think we can do nothing," said Rose. "The Town is not near our village. The doors<sup>3</sup> and the windows in the shop are usually closed.<sup>4</sup> And Mr Shilling is an angry<sup>5</sup> man!"

"But let's go to the shop at night. I think we can get into the shop and help the dolls," said Rufty Tufty.

"All right, let's go," said his friend Rose.

That day Rufty Tufty and Rose told their mothers that they were not very well, and they went to bed earlier than usual. But when their mothers said



<sup>1</sup> wait [weɪt] for — ждать

<sup>2</sup> glad [glæd] — радостный

<sup>3</sup> door [dɔː] — дверь

<sup>4</sup> closed [klaʊzd] — закрытый

<sup>5</sup> angry ['æŋɡrɪ] — злой

good night to them and went away, they got up, dressed quickly and went out into the street.

They walked to Town. Soon they were in the forest.<sup>1</sup> The moon was high<sup>2</sup> up in the sky.

They walked, and walked, and walked. They passed by<sup>3</sup> a lake, a large field and high hills.

When they came to Town it was night. There was nobody in the streets. There were no lights<sup>4</sup> in the houses.

At last they came to Mr Shilling's shop. All the doors and windows were closed. How could they get into the house? Then Ruffy Tufty had an idea!

"The chimney!"<sup>5</sup> he said. "We can get into the house through<sup>6</sup> the chimney!"

Rose didn't want to go through the chimney, but she didn't want to show it, so she said, "All right, let's go!"

Ruffy Tufty went first, of course. Rose went after him. Oh, they didn't like it there, in the chimney! And the chimney was very, very long! At last they were in the room. As there was no light in the room, they could not see anything. But they heard "hrr... hrr... hrr...".

**Answer the questions. (Part VI.)**

1. Why wasn't Ruffy Tufty happy?
2. Who was Ruffy Tufty's friend?
3. Why did Rose think that they could do nothing to help the dolls?
4. Why did Ruffy Tufty want to go to Town at night?
5. Why did Ruffy Tufty and Rose go to bed earlier than usual?

<sup>1</sup> forest ['fɒrɪst] — лес

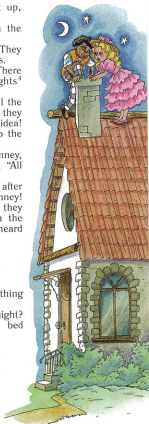
<sup>2</sup> high [haɪ] — высокий

<sup>3</sup> pass by — проходить мимо

<sup>4</sup> light [laɪt] — огонёк

<sup>5</sup> chimney ['tʃɪmni:] — труба

<sup>6</sup> through [θru:] — через



6. How did they get to Town?
7. When were they in Town?
8. Why couldn't they get into Mr Shilling's shop through the door or the windows?
9. How did they get into the house?
10. Did they see anybody or hear anything when they were in the room?

## Part VII

### Ruffy Tufty and Rose Helped the Dolls

They didn't know what it was or who it was. They didn't know what to do. "Well, I think it's a pig," said Ruffy Tufty at last. "Why does Mr Shilling have a pig in the room, I wonder?" said Rose. "I shall flash my torch<sup>1</sup> and we shall see where the pig is," said Ruffy Tufty. He flashed his torch, but they didn't see any pig! They saw Mr Shilling in his bed! He was asleep. It was he who said "hrr... hrr...". On the table near his bed they saw keys.<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup> flash a torch — зажечь фонарь

<sup>2</sup> key [ki:] — ключ





All the dolls got into the cars. And away they went! Very soon they were in their Doll Village. Fathers and mothers and children ran out of the houses. They were very glad to see the doll-children in their Doll Village again. They all thanked Rufty Tufty and Rose. Rufty Tufty and Rose were very happy, too.

Now they had a lot of new good friends.

**1** Arrange the sentences in a logical order according to the text. Then use them as a plan to retell Part VII.

1. Rufty Tufty and Rose saw Mr Shilling.
2. All the dolls were in Doll Village again.
3. Rufty Tufty and Rose heard "hrr... hrr...".
4. Rufty Tufty took the keys.
5. Rufty Tufty had an idea.

**2** Now let's have a talk.

1. Do you like the tale? Why?
2. Describe Rufty Tufty, please.
3. Choose any picture you like and describe it.
4. Retell the chapter you like best.
5. What do you think of Rufty Tufty?
6. Do you know an English proverb about good friends? What is it?
7. Tell us how you help your friends.
8. Find in the tale another English proverb and read it.
9. Are you always glad to be back home? Why?
10. Do you know any stories or tales about good friends? Tell us one of them.

