

# Kyle's Attic



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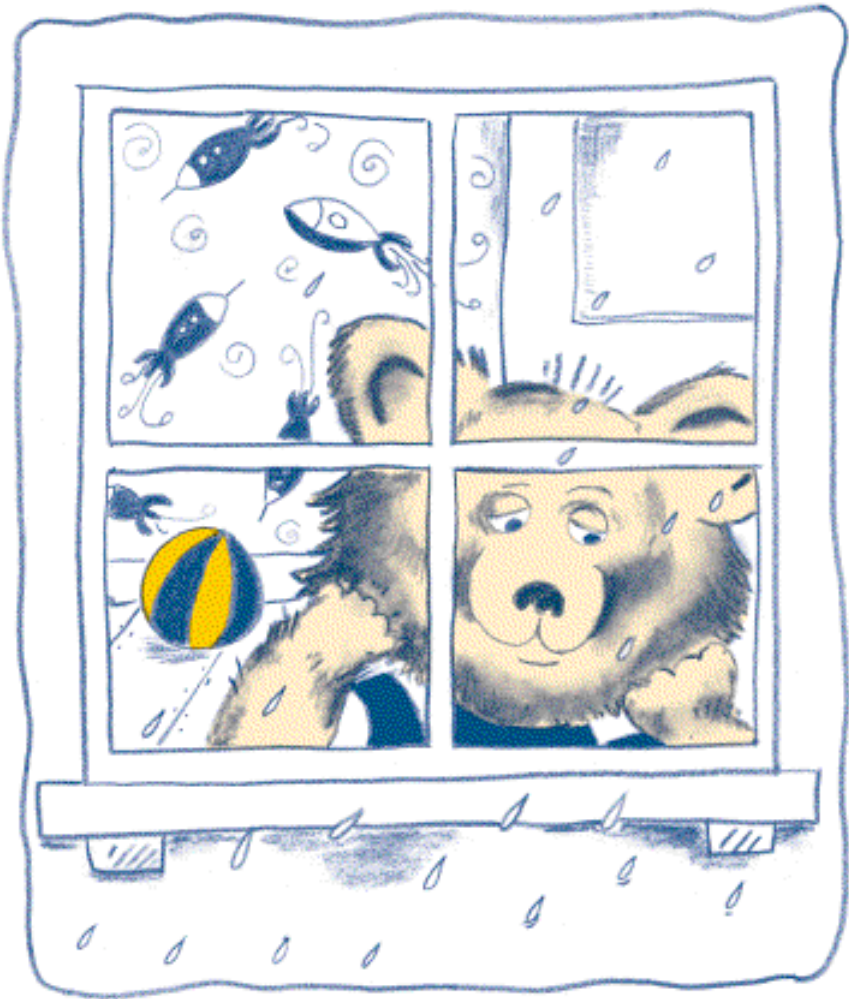
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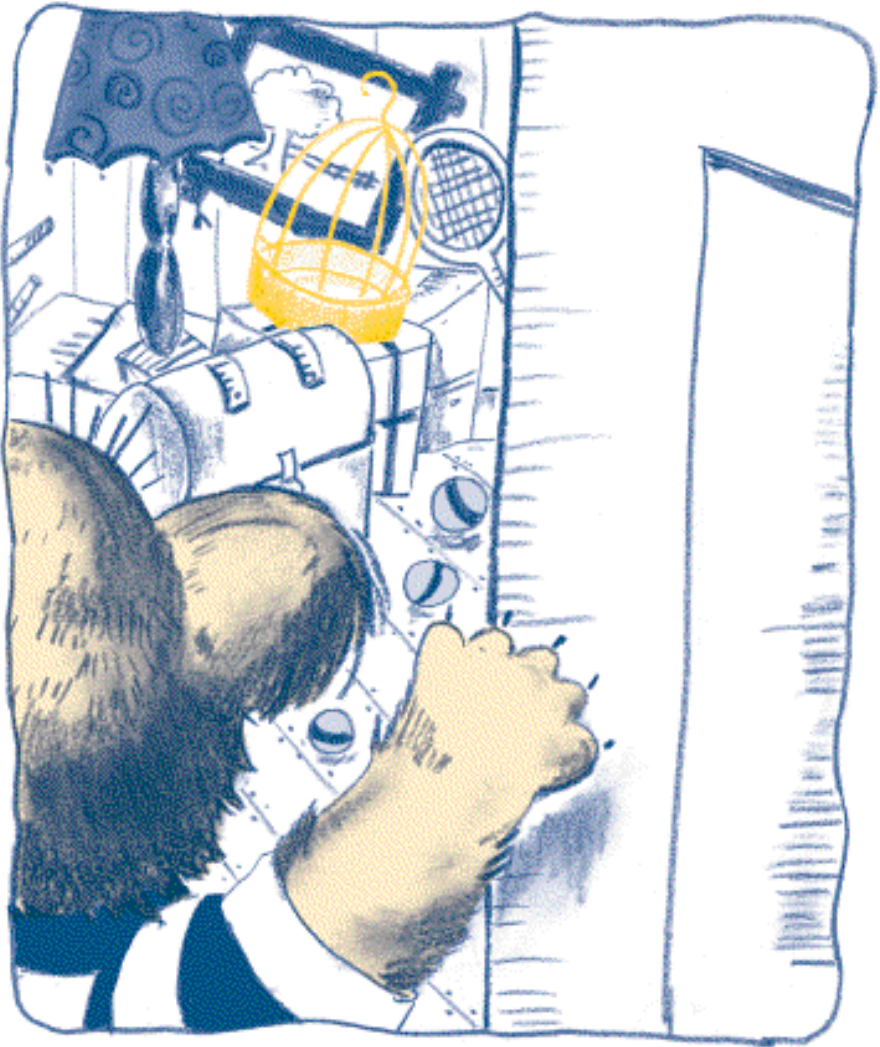


Kyle was sad because no one could come and play. He wanted to do something to cheer up.



“I know! I’ll go into the attic. I love the attic because there are lots of surprises there.”





Kyle opened the creaky door.  
The attic was dark and dusty.  
Old things were piled up high.



- ▶▶ “My! Look at everything!”
- ▶▶ Kyle cried. “This is fun!”
- ▶▶ First he opened an old chest.

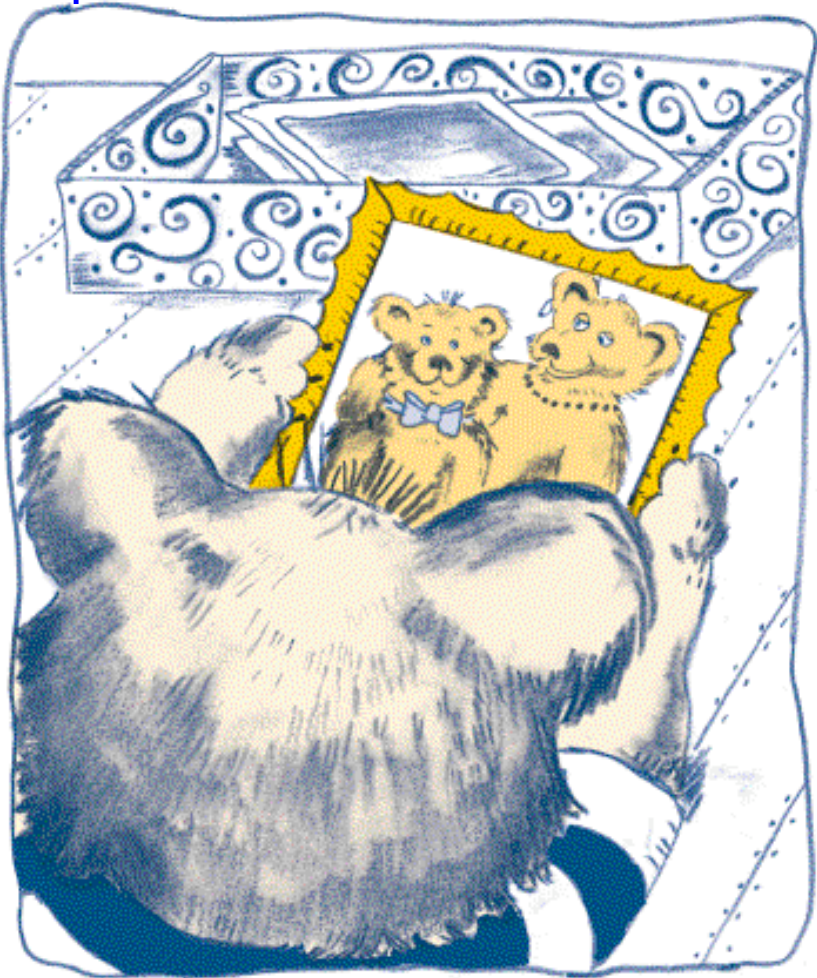


Then he opened a box. He wanted to know if the dolls had been his mother's.





“My, my!” Kyle saw old baseballs, skates, and a bike. Kyle could try them in the backyard.



▶ A pretty box on a high shelf had plenty of old pictures in it. Kyle loved looking at them again and again.



Then Kyle saw a soft bear that his Dad had played with when he was small. It had a big blue bow on it.



▶ Kyle found something special,  
so he took the old bear and  
left the attic.










“Mom, would you give us some pie and then sing us a lullaby?” Kyle asked.





“I love my new friend.”  
Kyle made a new friend  
on a stormy day.

## **Think and Respond**

-  **1** Why is Kyle sad?
-  **2** How does Kyle feel when he opens the attic door?
-  **3** What is in the chest that Kyle opened first?
-  **4** Do you think that Kyle's attic looks like the rest of his house?
-  **5** Why do you think Kyle likes to look at old family photographs?



**Compare Communities** Think about older relatives and how they do things. Make a picture that shows how you play and how your older relatives played.



**School-Home Connection** After you read aloud the story, ask a family member to show you some old photographs. Talk about how things are alike and different.