Good Night, Little Rainbow Fish

1. Background Knowledge

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Mom: Have you ever had trouble sleeping at night?

Child: Yes, Mom.

Mom: So, what did you do?

Child: I just closed my eyes, thinking of funny things.

Mom: Why couldn't you sleep well?

Child: Mmm... My room was too dark and I was not used to sleeping alone.

So I needed someone to stay with me.

Mom: Then why didn't you call for me?

Child: I didn't want to act like a baby. In fact I needed you very much.

When you read me a bedtime story, I can sleep well.

Mom: I will always be here, whenever you need me.

2. Picture Walking

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Mom: What is on the cover?

Child: The Little Rainbow Fish and his mommy.

Mom: That's right. What are they doing?

Child: They are kissing each other. Maybe it's a good night kiss.

Mom: Wow, how do you know this is a goodnight kiss?

Child: Because the title says "Good Night."

Mom: Good guess! The title is "Good Night, Little Rainbow Fish", written by Marcus Pfister.

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Mom: Look at the picture! What can you see?

Child: I see a fish.

Mom: Do you know who he is?

Child: Yes. He is the Little Rainbow Fish.

Mom: Great. Where is he?

Child: He is in the sea. He lies down on the leaves.

Mom: The Little Rainbow Fish can't sleep. Can you guess why?

Child: Maybe he doesn't want to sleep alone.

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Mom: Little Rainbow Fish says he can't get to sleep. Can you guess why?

Child: Mmmm.. I see a fish with a light.

Mom: Good. It is called a lantern fish. Why is he here?

Child: Maybe Little Rainbow Fish is afraid of the dark.

Mom: Yes, Mommy will send him to Little Rainbow Fish.

What is the lantern fish doing?

Child: He is shining his light while Little Rainbow Fish falls asleep.

Mom: Great. He can sleep tight now.

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Mom: What is Mommy doing?

Child: She is near Little Rainbow Fish.

Mom: How does Little Rainbow Fish feel?

Child: He feels cozy.

Mom: Yes. Little Rainbow Fish wants Mommy to stay with him.

What about you? Do you want me to be with you when you sleep?

Child: Of course. Mom, don't ever leave me while I am sleeping.

Mom: OK, I promise.

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Mom: What happens to Little Rainbow Fish?

Child: Little Rainbow Fish swims very fast.

Mom: Why do you think Little Rainbow Fish swims fast?

Child: Ah... I can see the tide.

Mom: Yes. The tide takes him away.

But does the tide really take him away?

Child: No, Mom. I think it is his imagination.

Mom: Brilliant. How do you know?

Child: I see the word "suppose."

Mom: Right. You can use the word "suppose" when you want to say "imagine" or "what if."

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Mom: What does Mommy do?

Child: Mommy follows Little Rainbow Fish.

Maybe she can rescue him.

Mom: Right. Mommy saves Little Rainbow Fish. Mommy promises to swim faster

than a swordfish and get Little Rainbow Fish back home safely.

Do you think Little Rainbow Fish still worries about the tide?

Child: No. Not anymore.

Mom: Excellent!

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Mom: Wow, do you know what this animal is?

Child: It is an octopus. It's very big.

Mom: Yes. What does the octopus do?

Child: The octopus blows out ink.

Mom: So, what happens to Little Rainbow Fish?

Child: He can't see anything. It might be dangerous.

Mom: Maybe he gets lost in a cloud of ink.

Can you guess who helps him?

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Mom: Look at Mommy. What is she doing?

Child: She is blowing.

Mom: Why?

Child: I think Little Rainbow Fish is in the black cloud of ink so Mommy tries

to save Little Rainbow Fish.

Mom: Yes. She blows away the black cloud.

How does Little Rainbow Fish feel?

Child: He feels safe now.

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Mom: Is Mommy around?

Child: No, she isn't.

Mom: What can you see here?

Child: I see something black coming. Maybe a big fish, a shark's shadow?

Mom: He is a monster fish.

How does he make Little Rainbow Fish feel?

Child: He makes Little Rainbow Fish scared.

He might eat him.

Mom: What will happen next? Let's see.

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Mom: Yes, there is Mommy.

What is she doing?

Child: She is scaring the monster fish.

Mom: How does she look?

Child: She looks brave.

Mom: Why do you think she is brave?

Child: She is smaller than the monster fish, but she isn't afraid.

Mom: What about the monster fish? How does he look?

Child: He looks frightened.

Mom: Brilliant. He will never come back.

Mommy saves Little Rainbow Fish again.

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Mom: Wow, what is that?

Child: Mom, this is a jellyfish. But it looks strange.

Mom: Right. It is a poisonous jellyfish.

What happens to Little Rainbow Fish?

Child: He gets stuck.

But I think Mommy will save him again.

Mom: How do you know?

Child: Whenever Little Rainbow Fish is in trouble, Mommy comes and protects him.

Mom: Excellent!

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Mom: Yes, you are right.

This time Mommy saves Little Rainbow Fish again! How does she rescue him?

Child: Mommy ties its arms together. It can't move its arms at all.

Mom: Good! How might the poisonous jellyfish feel?

Child: He might feel surprised.

Mom: Okay. The jellyfish seems to be in trouble.

And Mommy says she will nurse Little Rainbow Fish. How nice!

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Mom: Little Rainbow Fish worries that he might have a bad dream.

Will he really have a bad dream?

Child: No.

Mom: How do you know?

Child: Mommy holds Little Rainbow Fish tight and Little Rainbow Fish is

sound asleep.

Mom: Super. Mommy will even rescue Little Rainbow Fish from bad dreams.

3. Comprehension Check Up

Mom: What is the problem in this story?

Child: Little Rainbow Fish couldn't sleep without his mom.

He kept saying something bad would happen.

Mom: Was Little Rainbow Fish really afraid of sleeping alone? Why or why not?

Child: Little Rainbow Fish was afraid of sleeping alone because he was still little.

Also, I think he didn't want to sleep. He wanted to talk with his mommy before

going to bed.

Mom: What advice would you give Little Rainbow Fish if you met him?

Child: If I met Little Rainbow Fish, I would say, "Your mommy will always be with you.

Don't be scared. You are not alone. You will have a nice dream while you are sleeping."

Mom: How would Mommy help Little Rainbow Fish if he was in trouble?

Child: She would act bravely and keep him safe even if she was in danger.

If Little Rainbow Fish got caught in the arms of a poisonous jellyfish, Mommy would tie its arms together so it couldn't move at all.

Mom: How did Little Rainbow Fish fall asleep happily at the end of story?

Child: Mommy said she would always protect him and stay with him.

So Little Rainbow Fish felt safe.

4. Activities

Art: Make a Dream Catcher

- 꿈을 잡아내는 주술 도구를 "Dream Catcher"라고 합니다. 나쁜 꿈을 꿀까 두려워 잠에 들지 못하는 Little Rainbow Fish를 위해 Dream Catcher를 만들어 봅시다. 철사와 구슬, 털실 등을 이용하여 모빌 형태로 만든 다음 아이들의 소원이나 사진을 곁들여 봅니다.

