Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood

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Daniel Tiger:
I'm going to share something special at school today.
I can't wait to show you what it is!
And then, we're having dinner... at a restaurant!
And you're coming, too!
I'll be right back!
It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood.
A beautiful day for a neighbor.
Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
Won't you be my neighbor?

Man:
A land of make-believe.
Won't you ride along with me?

Daniel Tiger:

Man:
So much to do, so much to see.
Won't you ride along with me?

Daniel Tiger:

Man:
In this land of make-believe.
A friendly face on every street.
Just waiting to greet you.
It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood.
A beautiful day for a neighbor.
In Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood.

Daniel Tiger:
I'm so excited!
Today is my turn to take something to school for Show and Tell!
That means I get to bring something in to school and show my friends.
Come on!
Dad and I made a book to show to the class for Show and Tell!
But I have to wait for Mom to go to school.
(humming)
(sighing)

Mom Tiger:
Ready to go to school, Daniel?

**Daniel Tiger:**
Today is my Show and Tell!
I can't wait!
Waiting is hard.

**Mom Tiger:**

**Daniel Tiger:**
anything.
Like what?

**Mom Tiger:**

**Trolley:**

**Mom Tiger:**
little easier.

**Daniel Tiger:**
Trolley!
Please take us to school.
I have Show and Tell today!

**Both:**

**Daniel Tiger:**

**Both:**

**Daniel Tiger:**
(gasps)
We're at school already!
Hmm, singing made waiting easier!
Don't you think?
Thanks, Trolley!

**Mom Tiger:**
Daniel Tiger:

Mom Tiger:
See you after school!

Daniel Tiger:
Hi, Miss Elaina!

Miss Elaina:

Teacher Harriet:

Daniel Tiger:

Both:

Teacher Harriet:

Miss Elaina:

Daniel Tiger:

Teacher Harriet:
Is it a book?
Did you make it yourself?

Daniel Tiger:
Do I really have to wait for Show and Tell?

Teacher Harriet:

Daniel Tiger:
Okay.
It's very, very hard to wait.
Teacher Harriet, When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.

Daniel Tiger:
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.
But what can we do?

Teacher Harriet:
waiting easier.
Okay, class!
Let's go to the science corner.
Remember when we went to the Neighborhood farm?
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, we went to the farm and learned all about ducks!

**Daniel Tiger:**

**Teacher Harriet:**

**Daniel Tiger:**
come out of the egg.

**Teacher Harriet:**
today?

**Miss Elaina:**
Who broke our egg?

**O the Owl:**
The crack means that the baby duck is trying to get out of the egg!

**Teacher Harriet:**
The duck is trying to get out of the egg.
And it's called 'hatching'.

**All:**

**Daniel Tiger:**

**Teacher Harriet:**
So now, we have to wait.

**Daniel Tiger:**

**Teacher Harriet:**
a baby duck hatch out of the egg!

**Daniel Tiger:**
Ha, ha!
(sighing)

**O the Owl:**
Hoo hoo.
Katerina Kittycat: Very hard to wait, meow meow.
Prince Wednesday: Royally hard to wait!
Miss Elaina:

Teacher Harriet:
anything.

All:

Teacher Harriet:

All:

Daniel Tiger:
1...

All:

Daniel Tiger:
Okay?
2...

All:

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Daniel Tiger:
Let's look at the egg!
Hmm...
Still nothing.
More waiting.

O the Owl:
Look at the egg!
Daniel Tiger:
The egg stopped moving.
More waiting.
I have an idea!
Now let's try singing to make the waiting go faster!
Daniel Tiger had a farm.

All:
Prince Wednesday: And on his farm he had some baby ducks!

All:
With a quack-quack here and a quack-quack there.
Here a quack, there a quack, everywhere a quack-quack.

Daniel Tiger:

All:
Prince Wednesday: EIEIO.

All:
(gasping)

Daniel Tiger:
Still nothing.
More waiting.
Quack!
I mean, look!

Both:

O the Owl:
Prince Wednesday: The baby duck is hatching!

O the Owl:
The baby duck needs quiet!
Prince Wednesday: It's hatching!
It's hatching!

Daniel Tiger:

O the Owl:
Hello, little ducky!

Miss Elaina:
Prince Wednesday: Look at her little beak!

Daniel Tiger:
Hi, baby duck!
Prince Wednesday: Welcome to the Neighborhood of Make Believe!
Katerina Kittycat: Quack quack!

Miss Elaina:

O the Owl:
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow.
Look!
The baby duck is going to sleep!

O the Owl:
Night night!

Daniel Tiger:
Shh.
Hey!
Do you want to make believe with me?
Let's make believe that we can play with the baby duck on the farm!
Come along and play with us.
Let's all waddle like a duck does.
Here we go!
If we flap our wings, we can all splash like a duck does!
Let's go!
It's fun to laugh and play with the ducklings.
If we march while we play, we can all join in the duck parade.
It's fun to laugh and play with the ducklings.
Wasn't that grr-ific?

Miss Elaina:
Quack!

All:

Teacher Harriet:
Time for Show and Tell!

Daniel Tiger:
I mean yeah!
Woohoo!
I waited, and waited, and now it's Show and Tell time, yeah!
Playing and imagining made waiting easier!

**Teacher Harriet:**
leader.
What do you have for us, Daniel?

**Daniel Tiger:**
It's called "My Birthday".
It was my... birthday!
I went to Baker Aker's bakery and picked out a tiger birthday cake.
Katerina and O helped me make stripes on the tiger cake.
I carried the birthday cake all the way home... by myself!
When I got home, the cake was smushed.
But... the cake still tasted good!
Yeah!
Happy birthday to me!
The End!
Katerina Kittycat: Wow!

**Miss Elaina:**
Prince Wednesday: I remember that!
The cake was so royally smushy yummy!
Katerina Kittycat: I like how you made the book, meow meow!

**Teacher Harriet:**
Nice job, Daniel.
I know it was hard to wait for Sharing Time, but you did it!

**Daniel Tiger:**

**Teacher Harriet:**

**All:**

**Miss Elaina:**
along.
Prince Wednesday: Play with your toys, something you enjoy!

**Daniel Tiger:**
So many ways to make the waiting go away!

**All:**
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.
Miss Elaina:
Pretend to be anyone you want to be!

Daniel Tiger:
Prince Wednesday: Or a dinosaur peeking over the trees!

All:
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.

Mom Tiger:
So, how was Show and Tell today?

Daniel Tiger:
It was Show and Tell time!
Yes!
Come and see what else we waited for.
Look!
Our baby duck hatched!
And she hatched right out of the egg!

Mom Tiger:
Hee, hee!
Ooh, you are too cute, yes you are!

Daniel Tiger:
(laughing)
Is it hard for you to wait sometimes?
Do you play, sing or imagine anything while you wait?
I'm glad you waited and saw my Show and Tell!
Quack!
Ugga-Mugga!

All:

Mom Tiger:
This is our friend Molly.

Molly:
I want to go to the park.

Molly's Mother:
we're going to go to the park.
But there are so many fun things that we can imagine while we wait.
What are you imagining?
All:

Mom Tiger:
What a great thing to imagine.

Woman:

Molly's Mother:
Remember, when you wait, you can imagine anything.

All:

Mom Tiger:
It didn't feel long when Molly used her imagination.
Now it's time to go the park!

All:
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
It's me, Daniel Tiger!
We're having dinner at the Neighborhood Restaurant tonight, and you're coming with us.
Okay?

Mom Tiger:
Katerina and her mom are meeting us at the Neighborhood Restaurant.
So let's get going!

Daniel Tiger:

Dad Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
Trolley!
Hey!
Where's Trolley?

Mom Tiger:
I guess we'll have to wait for Trolley.
Daniel Tiger:

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
I have to wait.
Waiting...
Waiting...
Is Trolley here yet?

Mom Tiger:
Now, I know it can be hard to wait, especially when you're excited!
But...
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.
It'll make the waiting feel easier.

Daniel Tiger:
anything.
Hmm.
So what can we do while we wait?

Dad Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
Like what?

Dad Tiger:
You pretend to be something, and we'll guess what it is.

Daniel Tiger:
Guess!
What am I pretending to be?
Ooh-ooh!
Aah-aah!
Ooh-ooh!
Aah-aah!
Ooh-ooh!
Aah-aah!
Ooh-ooh!
Aah-aah!

Mom Tiger:
You're a...
Dad Tiger:
I know!
Monkey!

Daniel Tiger:
Aah-ahh!
I mean... right!

Mom Tiger:

Dad Tiger:
Ribbit.
Ribbit.

Daniel Tiger:

Dad Tiger:
Ribbit.
Ribbit.

Daniel Tiger:
A frog!

Dad Tiger:
Your turn!

Mom Tiger:
What am I pretending to be?
Neigh!

Daniel Tiger:
Giddy-up, horsey!

Trolley:

Daniel Tiger:
The waiting time is done!
Yay!

Mom Tiger:
easier?

Daniel Tiger:
It really did!
Don't you think?

Dad Tiger:

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
Restaurant.
You're gonna love it!
Oh boy, I wish we were at the restaurant right now!

Mom Tiger:
Here, while we ride, let's sing a little.

All:
What a special treat!
Won't you ride along with me?

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Dad Tiger:
At the restaurant!

Daniel Tiger:
Singing on Trolley made waiting to get here easier!
Goodbye, Trolley!
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, hi, Tigers!

Daniel Tiger:

Both:

Prince Tuesday:
Welcome to the Neighborhood of Make-Believe Restaurant!
Please take a seat right over here.

Mom Tiger:
Henrietta Pussycat: Meow meow.

Daniel Tiger:
What are you doing here?
Prince Tuesday:
I'm a waiter.

Daniel Tiger:
Does that mean that you wait?

Prince Tuesday:
Good guess!
Being a waiter at a restaurant means: I will be helping you tonight!
Here are your menus.

Dad Tiger:

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, thank you!

Mom Tiger:

Dad Tiger:
Take a look at the menu, and see what you'd like to eat.
Katerina Kittycat: I always get the spaghetti and meatballs!
Meow meow, look!
They are yum-yum-yummy in my tum-tum-tummy.

Daniel Tiger:
The spaghetti and meatballs do look good.
Katerina Kittycat: They are yum-yum-yummy in my tum-tum-tummy.
Hee, hee!

Daniel Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: It's a cheese sandwich, meow meow.

Daniel Tiger:
And this is chicken and broccoli.
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, yes!
And don't forget the spaghetti and meatballs.
They are yum-yum-yummy.

Daniel Tiger:

Both:
Prince Tuesday: tonight?
Katerina Kittycat: Spaghetti and meatballs, please and thank you, meow meow!

Prince Tuesday: And you, little D?

Daniel Tiger:

Prince Tuesday: And how about you, Mr. and Mrs. Tiger?

Mom Tiger: salad.
Henrietta Pussycat: And I would like to have the grilled fish with spinach, please, meow meow.

Prince Tuesday: I'll tell the cook, and your food will be ready in just a little while.

All:

Daniel Tiger: Now what do we do?

Dad Tiger:

Daniel Tiger: More waiting.
  (sighing)
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, waiting is hard.

Daniel Tiger: It's very, very hard to wait.

Mom Tiger: When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.

Daniel Tiger: At a restaurant? How?

Dad Tiger:
A quiet sit-down game.
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, we could play...
(gasps)
"What's Missing?!"

Daniel Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: Okay, see all these things?

Daniel Tiger:
Fork, napkin, ketchup, salt.
Katerina Kittycat: Now remember all of these things and cover your eyes.

Daniel Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: Okay, now you can look!
Now...
What's missing?

Daniel Tiger:
The ketchup!
The ketchup is missing!
Katerina Kittycat: Yes!
You got it!
The ketchup was missing!
Your turn!

Daniel Tiger:
Remember everything on the table, and now... cover your eyes.
Okay, now you can look!
What's missing?
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow...
Oh!
The salt!

Daniel Tiger:
The salt is missing!
Katerina Kittycat: Hello, I'm Mrs. Salt.
How are you, Mr. Ketchup?

Daniel Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: Me too.
Waiting, waiting, to go on some food.
Daniel Tiger:
Is it time for the food?

Dad Tiger:
We have a little more waiting to do.

Daniel Tiger:
(humming)
What if the salt and ketchup could really play with us?
Hey... that gives me an idea!
Maybe if we imagine, the waiting will feel easier!
Do you want to make believe with me?
Let's make believe that the stuff on the table could play with us!

All:

Fork:
I pick the food up off your plate!

Knife:
Into small bits so you can chew.

Napkins:

Spoon:
You can use me to eat your soup.

All:
Let's have a dinner show at the table.
Come and take your seat!

Daniel Tiger:

Prince Tuesday:

Daniel Tiger:
Imagining did make waiting easier!

Prince Tuesday:

Dad Tiger:

Mom Tiger:
Prince Tuesday:
Henrietta Pussycat: Thank you, meow meow.

Prince Tuesday:

Daniel Tiger:

Prince Tuesday:
Spaghetti and meatballs for Katerina!
Katerina Kittycat: Meow meow, thank you!

Mom Tiger:
This smells delicious.

Both:

Daniel Tiger:

All:

Daniel Tiger:
Playing a game and using my imagination did make waiting for my food easier!
Don't you think?
When you wait, you can play, sing, or imagine anything.

Daniel Tiger:
Get together and start playing!
Katerina Kittycat: Something to pass the time.
While we wait in line.

Daniel Tiger:
anything.

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:

Mom Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: We can sing until it's time!

Dad Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:

Dad Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:

Dad Tiger:
Katerina Kittycat: Until it's time to go.

Dad Tiger:

Mom Tiger:

Daniel Tiger:
something fun and great!
Katerina Kittycat: Like singing our favorite waiting song!
So come and sing along.

Daniel Tiger:
anything.
Okay, guess what's missing now!
Katerina Kittycat: Broccoli!

Both:

Daniel Tiger:
wait.
What makes it easier when you have to wait?
You can play, sing, or imagine anything!
Ugga-Mugga!

Man:
It's such a happy feeling when they lend you a hand.
You wake up ready to say.
I think I'll make a snappy new day!
It's such a good feeling.
A very good feeling, a feeling you know.

Daniel Tiger:
And I'll have more ideas for you.
And you'll have things you'll want to talk about.
I will too.
Because it's you I like.

**Mom Tiger:**
Our friend Felix and his family are eating at a restaurant today.

**Felix:**

**Felix's Mother:**
they'd like to eat, and then she goes back to the kitchen and tells the chef so that they can prepare our lunch.
Why don't you use your imagination while you wait?

**Mom Tiger:**
Coloring is a great way to spend time waiting.
Now the food is ready to eat.
That didn't take so long.
Thanks for waiting with us, Felix!