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Main characters

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Title and author: A Bad Case of Stripes, by David Shannon

Main characters

Who are the important characters in the story?

Camilla

Camilla's parents

Dr. Bumble

Setting

When and where does the story take place?

At Camilla's home

At Camilla's school

Problem

What is the problem in the story?

Camilla wakes up one morning completely covered in rainbow stripes.

Plot

What are the most important events that happen in the story?

Beginning:

Camilla wakes up covered in stripes.

Middle:

Camilla gets worse. Her stripes change into different objects and patterns.

End:

Camilla admits she loves lima beans, eats the lima beans, and is cured.

Solution

How is the problem solved?

Camilla eats lima beans.

Theme

What is the message or big idea the author wants to share?

Always be yourself. Be comfortable in your own skin.