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It was a bright sunny day in Berkeley California. where a young girl named Khloee Johnson lived. Khloee was turning seven in a week and she was having the hardest time figuring out what to do for her birthday. She had always been the adventurous type and wanted to make this birthday VERY special, by conquering her fear of the characters at Disneyland. She had only been to Disneyland once in her life and remembers being afraid of all the BIG people in their costumes (especially Mickey Mouse). All of her 1<sup>st</sup> grade friends boasted about how much fun it was, and how only little kids were scared so she had to show them how much of a BIG girl she was.

“Mom, this year I want to go to Disneyland and ride the BIG rides, and even meet the BIG characters, since I’m such a BIG girl!” Khloee explained.

“Are you sure about that sweetie? You had quite a scare when we visited before.”

Her mother answered.

“Yes! Yes! Yesssss! That was the little Khloee, I am a big girl now!” she said.

“Okay then I’ll set up the trip, we will leave Thursday and you can bring two friends.” her mother said. Khloee was ecstatic. She couldn’t wait until Monday to tell her best friends the good news. Now she knew for sure she would be called a big girl.

Monday came and she raced up to the two young girls before the morning bell rang.

“Guess what?! Guess what?!” she quickly said.

“What?” they asked at the same time.

“My mom is taking me to Disneyland for my birthday Saturday! And she said I could take the two of you!” she exclaimed.

“Really?” asked Samantha

“Wow, I cant wait to get home so I can ask my mom,” said Tracy.

“See I am a big girl!” she said while sticking her tongue out.

“No, not until you prove your not afraid of little ol’ Mickey Mouse,” Samantha stated.

“You guys will see,” said Khloee calmly, the first bell rang and they all went their separate ways.

The next day Samantha and Tracy ran up to Khloee explaining that they could go. Khloee was excited but a little nervous because she didn’t know if she could face the BIG characters (especially Mickey Mouse) and she didn’t want her friends to think she was a big baby. So for the next two days she tried to get herself prepared for the big day at Disneyland.

They left Thursday morning and it was a long ride there, the kids slept and played road games on the way. When they finally arrived to Anaheim California the girls were exhausted so they ran up to the suite at the Disneyland resort and went to bed. When they woke up the next morning Khloee looked at Disneyland from her window. *Everything is so BIG*, she thought. They went swimming, sight seeing, and shopping for a BIG birthday

girl outfit. Everyone was excited about Khloee's birthday and Disneyland that they just kept talking about it all day, Khloee tried not to seem nervous.

The next morning all of the girls were burning with excitement and couldn't wait until the park opened so they could be the first ones in. At 9:30 they were standing at the gate anxiously awaiting the adventures ahead. The gates opened and they ran in and took a picture in front of the Mickey Mouse sign.

"Khloee can't wait until we see Mickey Mouse, how 'bout you?" Samantha teased.

"Ohh, I'm excited to, maybe he'll even let me ride in his float during the parade," Khloee said matter-of-factly.

"You?! In his float?! Puhleese! You're afraid of him he doesn't want a baby in his float, he wants a big girl like me." said Samantha.

"You guys stop it. You guys are always yelling at each other." said Tracy. They continued to argue about who would ride on a float until they arrived to the first world.

"Lets get on Indiana Jones. Unless your too scared Khloee!" said Samantha.

"No come on lets get on!" she yelled although she was scared.

They stood in line for a while and Khloee started to feel sick as her stomach did cartwheels. Once they got on the ride the girls sat in a row behind Khloee's mother and the ride took off. Khloee was scared because it started off in a dark cave but as she went along she noticed that the bumps and dips got fun then when the ball came out of nowhere she screamed with delight.

As they filed off the ride Khloee realized she was a BIG girl.

"That was fun I don't know why I was scared, I guess I'm a BIG girl after all."

“You screamed, only babies scream! And you still haven’t faced Mickey Mouse.”

Samantha teased.

“We still have a whole park to go through! And I screamed because it was fun.”

“Girls play nice,” Khloee’s mother warned.

They continued to walk through the park getting on rides but for some reason they ALWAYS missed Mickey. They had finished almost all of Disney Land and Mickey couldn’t be found. They decided to go to get a bite to eat.

“These burgers and fries are the best in the WHOLE wide world!” said Tracy.

“Yes they are rea---“ Khloee started before she saw something that side tracked her. There he stood with his big eyes, nose and ears, that long wiry tail. He had on a red jump suit and his shoes were humongous. Khloee tried to look away before Samantha caught her gaze but it was too late.

“I triple dog dare you to go say hi to him and ask him to be on his float!” screamed Samantha.

“My mom will never let me go.” Khloee said nervously.

“Shes by the drinks, just go and come right back she’ll never know, but go quickly BIG girls don’t back down from a triple dog dare!”

“Uhhh, okay. But look out for me.”

Khloee ran out of the shack and ran across the lot to the beginning of Space island and followed behind Mickey not realizing that she was drifting farther and farther away from the shack that her mom and best friends were at. She was lost and she didn’t know what to do so she continued to follow Mickey.

Mickey went into the back of a building and Khloee followed silently as she entered she saw all the characters getting dressed. As she entered she wondered around looking for Mickey. *So is this where all the characters get ready for the big parade, if I find Mickey then maybe I can ask him if I can ride in his float!* She thought, but first she had to find Mickey.

So she walked around the big studio until she approached some vans that looked like mobile homes, one of the homes had the signature big black ears and round face symbol so she walked towards it.

“M-I-C-K-E-Y, mmmm-iiiiicck-eeey! Mickey!” She said excitedly as she sounded it out.

“Here I go,” she said as she approached the door.

As soon as she came close to knocking, a security called after her.

“Hey little girl! What are you doing?” the big man called out. He quickly approached her,

“Im just umm-trying to meet Mickey.” She said quietly.

“Where are your parents?” he said in a kinder voice.

Khloee explained to the nice man everything she had went through just to meet Mickey and in the end he sighed and smiled just as Mickey came out.

Mickey waved his hands in a questioning position then looked at his security officer. The officer explained to him Khloee’s story and Mickey shook his head.

“How about this? We take you back to you mom and ask her if you can ride on the float with my good pal Mickey and with her permission we promise that you will sit up there the entire parade,” the nice man said.

“The ENTIRE parade?! Cool! Can we hurry up and get back to mom she’s at the burger shack probably looking for me, I can’t wait tell my two best friends they will never believe this.” Khloee said, her voice filled with excitement.

“Okay sounds like a plan.” He said as Mickey gestured a High five to Khloee she gave him the best high five ever, and the three of them went off to find her mother.

They walked to the shack and her mother wasn’t there, so the security officer called the front desk, her mother was there so they walked her over.

“Mommy! Meet my new friend Mickey! He said I can get can ride on the big girl float! Can I go? Can I go?” she squealed.

“Calm down Khloee, I’m just happy to see you’re here! Don’t ever walk away from me again, but I guess you can ride on the float as long as you come right back when its over,” her mother said sternly.

“Yess!” she screamed. Then she turned to face Mickey.

“Can my friends come too?” she asked. Mickey nodded yes and waved at them to follow him.

The girls ran back off to the building where they got made up like princesses. They were all ready and on the float and when the big parade started they waved at all the people the whole time and Khloee really felt like a BIG girl, and she was.