

Clumsy Bernie

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Bernie was a dinosaur. He lived on earth with all the humans. He was the only dinosaur that lived on earth. He knew there was a planet of dinosaurs somewhere in space but had no idea where it was. He did everything humans did too. He ate, he slept, and even watched television on his own movie theater size T.V. Although not everything about Bernie was normal. He was a very clumsy dinosaur. He tripped, he fell, broke all kinds of things, and had trouble walking a straight line at times. This is what the people of earth didn't like about Bernie. Whenever Bernie went outside of his big giant house, people would point and yell.

“Clumsy Bernie's out again. Watch out people. He's no friend.”

This always hurt Bernie's feeling and made him very sad. He wished he could just fit in, but knew, that was just impossible. There were no other dinosaurs for him to play with or be friends with.

So one day while Bernie was out and about he tripped on his own big foot. He went flying and fell right into an electric pole knocking it down, as well as the electricity of the town.



Everyone in town then began to scream and shout at Bernie. How they all do not like him and wished he would go away.

“Gosh Bernie why are so clumsy.”

“Bernie you’re such a disease.”

“I’m s-s-sorry,” Bernie stuttered.

Bernie then felt miserable and ran all the way home to go hide from all the angry people. As Bernie was up in his house hiding, the people of the town organized a meeting. They all gathered together in city hall and talked about what they would do with Bernie. They all wanted to get rid of him but didn’t know how. Just then, a man of the town found a flyer that said “Astronaut Tryouts”. Everyone in town thought this would be a

great idea and everyone agreed to have Bernie tryout.

The next day when Bernie came out of his house he expected everyone to yell at him, but instead found a flyer on his front door. It was the flyer for astronaut tryouts. He decides to go and tryout so he doesn't have to live in this town where he does not fit in and everyone dislikes him.

When he goes to tryout, he first has to go through all these tests. He not only passes the tests, but sets the record for every test. He held his breathe for 3 hours and 21 minutes, and was able to stay in the spinning machine for over 2 days.



After he passed they had to build a space ship just for him. Since Bernie is so big he is the only one that can go into the space ship and travel to space, alone.

On the day when Bernie was set to blast off people from all over the town gathered around the station waiting and watching the spaceship fly off. They all counted along with the count down.

“5..4..3..2..1..BLAST OFF!”

Boom with that Bernie was off. Everyone from the town there celebrated. They jumped up and yelled out.

“Clumsy Bernie’s finally gone!”

Bernie rumbled away. Bernie was sitting in his seat bouncing, shaking, and bumping along with the spaceship. Little did he notice his tail was caught in the door of the spaceship. Everyone below was pointing their fingers and shrugging their shoulders saying. “That’s Clumsy Bernie for you.”

Bernie finally stretched up above the continents, past the clouds and into space. He stared back down at earth for a second, then looked out into deep space. *There must be a better place out here for me*, he thought.

Bernie went to go get a better view when he noticed his tail was stuck. He started to pull. Harder and harder, he kept trying until finally with all his might he pulled his tail out. But from all the force of the pulling he went flying through the ship and slammed right into the control panel and knocking himself out. The ship began to roar and tremble. Then BAM! The ship blasted away. It was traveling at the speed of light.

When Bernie woke up, he noticed the ship was upside down and not moving. When he looked outside he saw the ship crashed on a planet. When he climbed out he stepped down on the ground and noticed the that it was really soft.



When he looked down he saw it was made of foam. *How nice*, Bernie thought. Bernie looked around and saw the shape of another person on the planet in the distance. As he got closer and closer the shape of the figure got bigger and bigger until finally he noticed it was another dinosaur. Bernie could not believe it. He found another dinosaur. Just then a whole group of dinosaurs wobbled on up.

“Hi, my name is Bernie, and I come from Earth,” Bernie said.

“Welcome to Clumso, Bernie,” said one of the other dinosaurs.

“This is where all of the dinosaurs live,”

Bernie was thrilled he found a place where he would fit in. As all the dinosaurs were showing Bernie around, he was just so excited and happy. They showed him the massive pool, the round mountain, and the giant park that was layered with bubble wrap.

Back on Earth everyone started to miss Bernie and his clumsiness. Ever since Bernie has left everyone began to blame each other for every little thing. No one had laughed since he had left, and a big dark grey cloud formed around the town from all the yelling.

As Bernie was getting shown around he began to notice that there weren't many or as much things on Clumso as back on earth. A lot of the stuff on the planet was broken, too from all the clumsy dinosaurs falling and flailing their little arms. Bernie didn't like this and noticed how the other dinosaurs never had much to do as everything they had to play with was broken. He was becoming home sick.

When Bernie looked over at Earth and noticed the cloud he knew something was wrong. He wanted to go and see what the problem was but couldn't go because his ship was broken. All the other dinosaurs then saw the same thing. They looked over at Bernie and saw that he wanted to go back to earth to see the problem. They all decided to repair the ship. They build the ship with all the broken pieces and scraps of everything they had broke on Clumso. There were a lot of broken things on the planet.

Once they finished building and repairing the ship it ended up to be 101 times bigger than it was before. When they showed Bernie he was filled with joy and could not wait to see earth. When he started to leave he saw all the other dinosaur were sad and gloomy. Just then he hopped out of the ship and invited all the others dinosaurs to come

with him.

They all crammed in and were off to earth. Once they landed, Bernie got out and saw what was going on. Once everyone noticed it was Bernie, people came running like a stampede. Everybody was yelling.

“Clumsy Bernie’s back, yay!”

Then all of Bernie dinosaur friends clumsily fell out of the ship and with all of the wind from their fall it whisked the dark cloud away. Soon every town on earth had a clumsy dinosaur for itself.



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