

“I’m sorry,” said Davy to the crowd. “I thought a day without rules would be the happiest day of my life—but this has been the WORST day of my life! Now I know that rules are very, very important.”

Then Davy looked at the Mayor and said, “Mr. Mayor, you are right. You cannot have a town without rules.”

Then he turned around and said, “And Dad, you are right, too. A family without rules will never be happy.”



Then turning to the crowd, Davy said, “From this moment on, I am no longer the mayor. I resign!”

Everyone clapped and shouted, “Hooray!”

They lifted Davy onto their shoulders. Davy had never felt better—stomachache and all.

Then the mayor cleared his throat and announced, “As mayor of this fine community, I declare that from now on—we have rules!”

“Hooray!!!” shouted the crowd. And Davy shouted the loudest of all.