FREE CLASSROOM PACK · 2ND GRADE

Puppy Love

2nd grade Classroom Pack

Ready-to-print activities for **Emily & Aiden, Puppy Love** by Miss Rose. Responsibility and kindness. Read the story aloud, then pick a page.



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FOR THE TEACHER

Read-aloud guide

Emily and Aiden have wished for a puppy forever. When Jax comes home, they learn that a puppy is a big job: measured food, fresh water, a leash, a trip to the vet, and lots of patience. In the end, Jax is more than a pet. He is their best friend. About 15 minutes to read aloud.

Before you read

- Read the subtitle, “Paws and Promises.” What promise might the kids make?
- What is the difference between wanting a pet and caring for one?

While you read

- **Aiden: “Sounds like a lot of work, but also a lot of fun!”** Do you agree? Why?
- **A dog needs to be invited outside by the owner.** Why do STAY and COME keep Jax safe?
- **Aiden says Jax will never be potty trained.** Emily says be patient. What does patient mean?
- Stop and predict **Jax is barking and will not stop.** How do you think Emily will solve it?
- **The girl in the park always wanted a dog.** What does Emily tell her about dreams?

After you read

- How do Emily and Aiden change from the start to the end?
- What is the author’s message? Use a detail from the book.
- Why is it the owner’s job to teach a dog how to behave?

Sing it!

Play **“New Puppy in The House”** from the Adventures in Melody: Kids Songs, Vol. 1 album (listen at authormissrose.com/music). Kids can act out the dog commands from the book: sit, stay, come, and high five!

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Retell the story

Write what happened at the beginning, in the middle, and at the end. Use words like **first**, **then**, and **finally**.



Beginning



Middle



End

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Problem and solution

Every problem in the story gets solved. How? Write the solution next to each problem.

Problem		How did they solve it?
Someone left the door open, and Jax ran into the backyard.	→	
Jax bites Aiden's favorite dinosaur.	→	
Jax barks and will not stop.	→	
Jax makes a mess on the floor.	→	

What is the big lesson of this book?



Answer key: 1. Put on his leash, say STAY at the door, then COME. 2. Switch the dinosaur with one of Jax's toys. 3. Hold a treat for him to sniff and say QUIET. 4. More potty training with GO PEE. Be patient!

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Is it safe for Jax?

Emily says you can give dogs some fruits and vegetables as snacks, but “never give dogs grapes, chocolate, or raisins because they are poisonous for dogs and can make them really sick.” Cut out the cards and sort them.

Safe snack	Never give Jax

✂ cut on the lines

baby carrots	grapes	apple
chocolate	blueberries	raisins
banana	green beans	watermelon

Why do pets need people to choose their food?

Answer key: never give grapes, chocolate, raisins. The others are safe snacks in the book.

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My pet care plan

Emily and Aiden learn that a puppy is a big job. Make a plan for one day. What does a puppy need in the morning, afternoon, and evening?

measure food | **fresh water** | **walk on a leash** | **go potty outside**

play with his toy | **practice a trick** | **vet check-up** | **bedtime cuddles**

Morning	Afternoon	Evening

Emily says it is the owner's job to teach a dog how to behave. Why?

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Who are Emily and Aiden?

A character trait tells what someone is like inside. Pick a word for each character. Then prove it with something they did in the story.

responsible · patient · kind · caring · helpful · gentle · loving · brave

Emily is

_____

I know because in the story, Emily

_____

_____

Aiden is

_____

I know because in the story, Aiden

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How does Aiden change from the beginning to the end?

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What do you think?

Aiden says having a dog is “so much work, but it is totally worth it!” Is a puppy more work or more fun? Tell what you think and give two reasons.

I think

One reason is

Another reason is

That is why

> Opinion writing: state the opinion, give two reasons with an example from the book, and end with a closing sentence.

TAKE HOME · FOR FAMILIES

Name _____

Read with me tonight

Today we read **Emily & Aiden, Puppy Love** in class. Emily and Aiden get a puppy named Jax and learn that a pet is a big job and a best friend. Ask your child to tell you the story!

Questions for bedtime

- What problems did Jax cause, and how were they solved?
- Why does Emily say it is the owner's job to teach a dog?
- What is a dream you have? How could you work toward it?

Our helper week

Your child helps at home each day: feeds a pet, fills a water bowl, or picks up toys. Color the day. Bring this page back to school!

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun

Jax's care list (from the book)

Measure his food. Small dogs need less food than big dogs.

Use a leash. And teach STAY and COME.

See the vet. Vets keep pets healthy.

Fresh water. Every day, for people and animals.

Healthy treats. Never grapes, chocolate, or raisins.

Be patient. Do not give up!



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PET CARE AWARD

Super helper!

This award goes to

_____

for learning how to care for a pet

_____



“We promise to take good care of you, Jax.”

Date _____

Signed _____

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Bookmarks



“We promise to take good care of you, Jax.”

Emily

This book belongs to

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“Jax is more than a pet; he is our best friend.”

Aiden

This book belongs to

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“There is magic in believing. Dreams can come true.”

Emily & Aiden, Puppy Love

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