



# THE NEW NEIGHBOUR



Dear Teachers,

Singapore Kindness Movement (SKM) believes that early education is important in laying the foundation for good character development. Therefore, we have enclosed a complimentary copy of *The New Neighbour* big book, as well as accompanying activity booklets for every child\* in your pre-school.

*The New Neighbour* aims to impart lessons on graciousness towards neighbours. We hope that the story will help you share the values of kindness and graciousness with young children.

Adapted from the animation series, *The Lynx Next Door*, you may wish to complement your lesson by screening the video from our YouTube channel, KindnessSG.

An e-copy of the big book and the activity booklet is also available for download on [www.kindness.sg/kindsville](http://www.kindness.sg/kindsville)

Enjoy reading and storytelling!

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\*Note: Number of activity booklets is based on ECDA's enrollment list as of February 2015 with an extra 5 booklets per pre-school.

Singa and the Kindness Cubbies live  
in the happy town of Kindsville.



Singa



Tomeo



Sher



Tosh



Kalle



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One afternoon...



Singa and the Kindness Cubbies are at Tosh's house to look at the new machine he is building. Suddenly, the whole house shakes.

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The Kindness Cubbies look out and see Gremio drilling in his garden.



Bonjour!  
I'm Gremio and  
this is Foofoo.

Gremio

FooFoo

The Kindness Cubbies look out and see  
Gremio drilling in his garden.

**Gremio: Bonjour! I'm Gremio  
and this is Foofoo.**

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Suggested prompts:

Do you know what 'Bonjour' means?

Bonjour is 'hello' in French.

Tosh walks angrily to Gremio's garden.



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**Tosh: I don't care who you are. Kindsville does  
not welcome noisy neighbours like you!**

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Suggested prompts:

Was Tosh right to do that?

How about Gremio making noise?

Have you ever looked at someone you don't know  
and say that he/she is a bad person?

The next morning...



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Tosh looks out of the window and sees Gremio painting and enjoying loud music.



Turn down the volume!



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Gremio painting and enjoying loud music.

**Tosh: Turn down the volume!**

But Gremio could not hear him.



SUPER DUPER  
LOUD

SUPER  
LOUD

LOUD

You want to make noise?  
Two can do it!

But Gremio could not hear him.

**Tosh: You want to make noise?**

**Two can do it!**

Gremio gets a shock and accidentally spoils his painting.



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Gremio and Foofoo stare at Tosh who is giggling.



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Suggested prompts:

Was Tosh right to turn up the volume?

Do you remember to lower the TV volume  
when it's early in the morning or late at night?

Later that day...



Tosh comes out of his house to see Foofoo digging in his garden.

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Tosh runs after Foofoo and catches him inside his workshop.



YOU STOP!



They fall and knock into Tosh's new machine.



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**Tosh: YOU STOP!**

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Tosh stomps angrily to Gremio's house.

Your naughty dog  
spoil my new machine!

Foofoo is  
a good dog!

Oh yeah?  
He dug holes in my garden!



Tosh stomps angrily to Gremio's house.

**Tosh: Your naughty dog spoilt my new machine!**

**Gremio: Foofoo is a good dog!**

**Tosh: Oh yeah? He dug holes in my garden!**

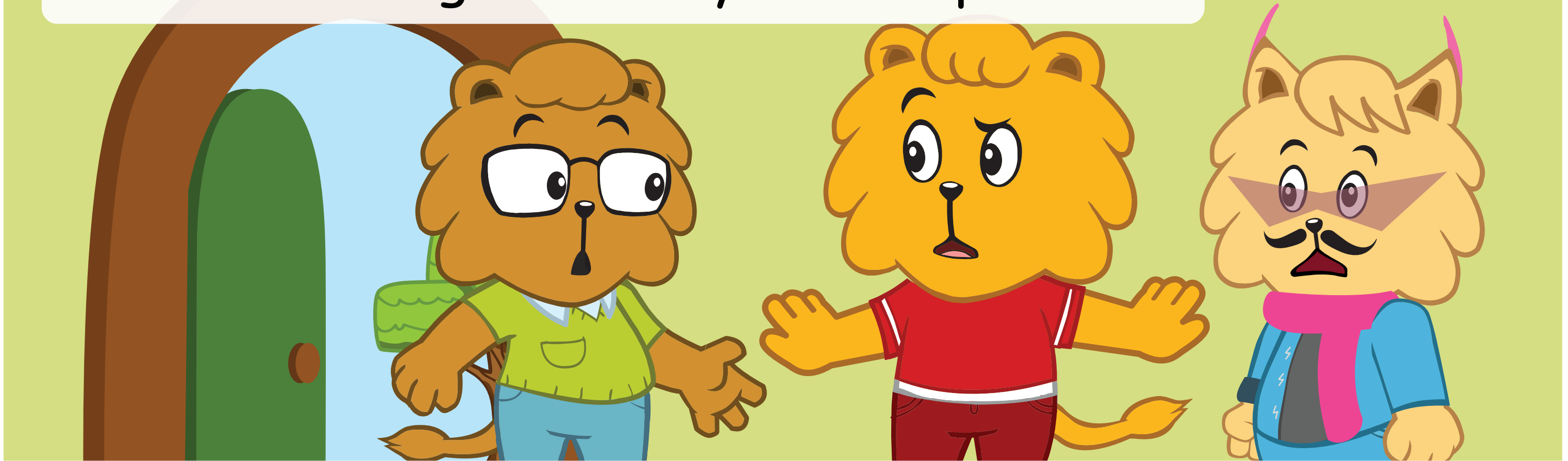
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Suggested prompts:

Should we allow our pets to dig anywhere?

What should we do if our pet digs downstairs?

Just then Singa walks by and stops them.



Look we are neighbours. You should talk to each other nicely if something is not right.



Just then Singa walks by and stops them.

**Singa: Look we are neighbours.**

**You should talk to each other nicely  
if something is not right.**

Tosh and Gremio realise that they are wrong.

I'm sorry I was mean to you.

Gremio is wrong too. I am sorry.  
I will help to clean up and repair your machine.



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**Gremio: Gremio is wrong too. I am sorry.  
I will help to clean up and repair  
your machine.**



Tosh and Gremio work together. Tosh's machine is repaired and his garden is now clean.



Tosh and Gremio work together.

Tosh's machine is repaired and his garden is now clean.

Tosh and Gremio are now happy neighbours.

Now this calls for a party!



Tosh and Gremio are now happy neighbours.

**Singa: Now this calls for a party!**

To welcome Gremio, all the Kindness Cubbies get together for a barbeque dinner.



To welcome Gremio, all the Kindness Cubbies  
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Suggested prompt:

Discuss about how we can be good neighbours.

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