



Tombi the Cat Adopts a Third Grade Classroom

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1. In what country does this story take place?

- a.) Poland
- b.) The United States
- c.) Turkey

3. What did the cat decide he really wanted to do a couple of weeks later?

- a.) Play outside
- b.) Go into the classroom
- c.) Take a nap

5. What did Mrs. Ivașcu say about the cat's presence in the classroom?

- a.) He was a distraction.
- b.) He made the students more excited to be in class.
- c.) He was funny.

7. Why did Tombi stop coming to class?

- a.) A parent complained about Tombi being in the classroom.
- b.) Tombi's owner moved.
- c.) One of the students was allergic to cats.

9. How did the students express their sadness when the cat had to leave?

- a.) They sent him handmade cards.
- b.) They cried.
- c.) They didn't come to school.

2. What did the cat do when he first appeared in the school's garden?

- a.) It started following students around.
- b.) It started meowing loudly.
- c.) It climbed trees.

4. What did the students and their teacher quickly do when the cat entered the third grade classroom?

- a.) Made a place for the cat to sit
- b.) Fell in love with the cat
- c.) Screamed with joy

6. What did the students do for the cat every morning?

- a.) The pet the cat.
- b.) They fed him.
- c.) They played with him.

8. Did Tombi like his new home?

- a.) Yes, but he missed the students.
- b.) Yes, but it was too far from the school.
- c.) No, he was stressed and unhappy.

10. Who eventually moved abroad with the cat?

- a.) The students
- b.) The school officials
- c.) Mrs. Iosiu

11. Jenn says that the parent who originally filed the complaint _____.

- a.) changed their mind
- b.) had a change of heart
- c.) wanted the class to get a dog instead of a cat.

13. What happened when Mrs. Ivaşcu moved abroad?

- a.) The school principal adopted the cat.
- b.) Nothing. The new teacher liked Tombi too and the cat continued to come to school for several years.
- c.) She took Tombi with her.

12. How long did Tombi stay with the third graders?

- a.) He stayed for several weeks.
- b.) He stayed for a year.
- c.) He stayed for several years.

Gap-fill

Complete these sentences with the words in the box.

Wordbank

him let himself into attention reunited filed focus media stuck
around negative showed up motivation stressed positive safe and
quiet

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1.) A cat in Turkey adopted a third-grade class when he _____ for school one day and decided not to leave.
 2.) When the cat first appeared in the school's garden, he started following students around, asking for _____.
 3.) A couple of weeks later, he decided he really wanted to hit the books and _____ the third-grade classroom.
 4.) The students and their teacher quickly fell in love with the cat and named _____ Tombi.
 5.) Mrs. Ivaşcu said that instead of being a distraction, Tombi made the students more excited to be in class, which actually helped their _____.
 6.) The students fed him every morning, giving them more _____ to come to school on time, as well as a shared responsibility that brought them all closer.
 7.) But one day, it seemed that the fun would have to come to an end. A parent _____ a complaint about Tombi being in the classroom, and school officials told Mrs. Ivaşcu that he would have to find somewhere else to live.
 8.) A home was found for Tombi, but he was _____ and unhappy there. Tombi's students were sad too, sending him handmade cards to let him know how much they missed him.
 9.) Students, parents, and even _____ outlets rallied around Tombi, trying to urge school officials to allow him back into his classroom.
 10.) Seeing the _____ effect that his absence was having, even the parent who originally filed the complaint had a change of heart.
 11.) So, the decision was reversed, and Tombi was _____ with his third-grade class.
 12.) Tombi then _____ for several years, getting to know dozens of new third graders and enriching their education.
 13.) Eventually, Mrs. Ivaşcu moved abroad, bringing Tombi with her, providing him with a _____ home for his later years.
 14.) I'm Jen, and I post something _____ every day.

Transcript

A cat in Turkey adopted a third-grade class when he showed up for school one day and decided not to leave. When the cat first appeared in the school's garden, he started following students around, asking for attention. A couple of weeks later, he decided he really wanted to hit the books and let himself into the third-grade classroom. The students and their teacher quickly fell in love with the cat and named him Tombi.

Mrs. Ivaşcu said that instead of being a distraction, Tombi made the students more excited to be in class, which actually helped their focus. The students fed him every morning, giving them more motivation to come to school on time, as well as a shared responsibility that brought them all closer.

But one day, it seemed that the fun would have to come to an end. A parent filed a complaint about Tombi being in the classroom, and school officials told Mrs. Ivaşcu that he would have to find somewhere else to live. A home was found for Tombi, but he was stressed and unhappy there. Tombi's students were sad too, sending him handmade cards to let him know how much they missed him.

Students, parents, and even media outlets rallied around Tombi, trying to urge school officials to allow him back into his classroom. Seeing the negative effect that his absence was having, even the parent who originally filed the complaint had a change of heart. So, the decision was reversed, and Tombi was reunited with his third-grade class.

Tombi then stuck around for several years, getting to know dozens of new third graders and enriching their education. Eventually, Mrs. Ivaşcu moved abroad, bringing Tombi with her, providing him with a safe and quiet home for his later years.

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