

JO JO'S PANCAKES

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Jo Jo jumped on his parents' bed.

"I want pancakes," he said.

"Not now," said his mom.

"Too early," said his dad.

So, Jo Jo hopped down and tramped over to his brother's room.

"I want pancakes," he said.

"Go back to sleep," said his brother.

Jo Jo marched to his sister's room.

"I want pancakes," he said.

"Eat some cereal," said his sister.

"I don't want cereal," he replied. "I want pancakes!"

Jo Jo went to the kitchen.

"I'll make them myself," he said.

Jo Jo got out the flour. He got out the milk. He got out some eggs and sugar. He mixed them all together in a big bowl.

Then, he had an idea.

"I'll make *special* pancakes for everyone," he said.

He poured the batter into several small bowls. Then he searched for special ingredients.

“Chocolate chips for me,” he said, pouring a bag of them in the first bowl.

“Brother likes lollipops.” They went in the second bowl.

“Bubble gum for Sister.” She always chewed gum.

“Mom eats lots of green beans.” He added some fresh from the garden.

“Dad loves coffee.” Jo Jo put in lots of coffee beans for him.

The last bowl was easiest. Tuna fish for Cat.

With that done, Jo Jo went back to his sister’s room and tickled her until she got up to help cook the pancakes.

When the rest of his family woke up, they were VERY surprised!

“How...interesting,” said his dad, as he crunched on his coffee pancakes.

“Very...unusual,” said his mom, chewing hers with a puckered face.

“Not bad,” said his brother, sucking on a lollipop pancake.

“Mmmmm,” said his sister, chewing and blowing bubbles with hers.

“Meowwwrrr,” purred Cat, waddling away from her empty plate.

After they ate, Mom and Dad went over to Jo Jo.

“What a nice surprise,” they said. “Thank you for making such *special* pancakes.”

But the next time Jo Jo got up in the morning and said, “I want pancakes,” his parents made some.