



Uncle Wiggily's Adventures

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS ARE EASY TO MAKE. THEY'RE ALSO, YOU'LL NOTICE, QUITE EASY TO BREAK. THE BAD CHAPS MADE A MOST TERRIBLE MISTAKE!

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1. It was close to the end of the Old Year. The New Year would soon arrive, when everyone tries to be a little better. In the den of the Bob Cat were the Fox and Wolf. "Look here, now, my friends," said the Bob Cat. "It's time we made a new resolution." The Fox and Wolf asked what about. "We should resolve not to try to catch Uncle Wiggily any more," said the Bob Cat. So they made the resolution.



2. About this time Uncle Wiggily said to Nurse Jane. "Come, it will soon be the first of the New Year. We ought to make some New Year's calls on our friends." The muskrat lady was willing, and off she and the bunny started. "We'll take some cakes and nuts along in case we get hungry," said Uncle Wiggily, filling a basket. The Fox saw them. "Forgetting his resolution the Fox said, 'I'm going to nibble!'"



3. As quietly as he could, the Fuzzy Fox tiptoed after Uncle Wiggily and Nurse Jane. "I'll get ahead of the Wolf and Bob Cat," thought the Fox. "They'd nibble ears if they could. I can and will!" But just as the Fox was going to jump on the bunny's back, the muskrat lady heard his paws on the dried leaves. "Look out, Uncle Wiggily!" she cried, and the bunny threw nuts at the Fox, hitting him on the nose.



4. So hard did Uncle Wiggily hit the Fox on the nose with the New Year's nuts, that the bad chap ran away howling. Then Uncle Wiggily and Nurse Jane made their New Year's calls and had a good time. But the rabbit had so many friends he could not call on them all. "To those I can't visit I will send New Year's cards," he said. He sat down on a stump with his fountain pen to write out his greeting cards.



5. As Uncle Wiggily was writing with his fountain pen, the Wolf happened to see the bunny. "New Year's promises are no good," growled the Wolf. "This is my chance to nibble ears and I'm going to!" He made a jump for the bunny, but Uncle Wiggily aimed his self-filling fountain pen. "Squirt! Squirt!" went a lot of ink in the eyes of the Wolf. "Oh, I've got a black mark!" howled the Wolf.



6. Having driven away the Wolf with his fountain pen, Uncle Wiggily thought he would go skating with Nurse Jane. The muskrat lady was first on the ice—and first to fall down. "Don't be afraid, Nurse Jane!" called the bunny. "Just sit there a minute and I'll come and pick you up!" The Bob Cat, hidden in the bushes, said to himself "What good are New Year's promises? I am going to nibble!"



7. Putting on his skates, Uncle Wiggily helped Nurse Jane to stand up. "Don't leave me!" begged the muskrat lady. "I can skate ever so much better if you hold me up!" Uncle Wiggily was very kind. He took a firm hold of Nurse Jane and began skating with her. "Now for some fancy tricks!" laughed the bunny, gliding around. The three bad chaps gathered on the shore. "Now for some fancy nibbles!" they said.



8. All of a sudden, just as Uncle Wiggily was going to show the muskrat lady how to skate a cheese sandwich, Miss Fuzzy Wuzzy cried: "Look behind us!" Uncle Wiggily looked and saw the Fox, the Wolf and the Bob Cat coming along over the ice. "If ever we skated, now we must!" cried the bunny. Away they went. "Oh, there's a big hole in the ice!" yelled Nurse Jane. "Just what we need," said the bunny.



9. Faster and faster skated Uncle Wiggily and Nurse Jane. And after them, faster and faster, came the bad chaps. "How are we going to get over the hole in the ice?" asked Miss Fuzzy Wuzzy. "We'll slide to one side," said the bunny. And they did. But the bad chaps didn't see the hole in time, and "plop!" they went into it. "Oh, New Year's!" they howled. "Help us out and we'll never be bad again!"

And if the apple pie doesn't wear the face of the clock out to a Hallow'en Party and look like a moving picture, the next story will be about
UNCLE WIGGILY'S WRIST WATCH.