



Mr. Grizley's Class ★

Rahma's



Gift

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CHAPTER 1

Not Speaking

Rahma raced into her classroom after recess.

“Am I late?” she asked Mr. Grizley.

Mr. Grizley checked his watch. “Not quite,” he said.

“Two kindergartners had an argument,” Rahma explained. “I was helping them learn to get along.”

Mr. Grizley smiled. “You sure have a gift for doing that,” he said.





It was Rahma's turn to smile.
"I just want to help everyone get
along," she said.

Rahma went to her desk and sat down. She tapped her best friend, Madison, on the shoulder.



“You’ll never guess what happened at recess,” Rahma said. Madison didn’t respond.



“Madison? Did you hear me?” Rahma asked.

Madison turned to Rahma and scowled. “I heard you,” she said.





“Why didn’t you answer?”
Rahma asked.

Madison turned around.
“Because,” she said, “I’m not
speaking to you.”