



Tikki Causes Trouble

HIRO's parents are holding a party in their new house and have told Hiro to not let Tikki, their new puppy, out of the room. Towards the end of the party Hiro decides to let Tikki out and carries her down the stairs, but unfortunately Tikki jumps out of Hiro's arms, causing havoc. Hiro has just run after Tikki into the study, but the door locks shut behind them...

HIRO: Tikki, come back here right now!

Oh no. *(HIRO goes to the door and tries to open it)*

It's locked shut! We're trapped!

Oh you silly dog! I thought I could trust you, but now look what you've done.

(HIRO looks through the key hole) I can see everyone... they didn't notice us come in here. HELLO? MUM? DAD? CAN YOU HEAR ME? I'M TRAPPED, THE DOOR IS LOCKED!

(HIRO waits for someone to respond, but no one does) No one can hear me, the music is too loud... and they are all busy fixing the mess you made, Tikki.

All I wanted was for you to join the party, I thought it was so unfair Mum and Dad said you couldn't leave my room. But I guess they were right. I told you to stay in my arms and not make a noise, but as soon as I got to the bottom of the stairs and you saw the cake you jumped out of my arms and onto the table, knocking the whole thing over and all the drinks spilled everywhere.

Dad spent ages cleaning the house from top to bottom making sure the party was going to be perfect. But now, icing sugar and cream is all over the place. I hope Ms Raleigh isn't too upset her silk dress is now covered in lemonade.

Oh, Tikki, how are we going to get out of here? I have no idea where the key is.

Mum always has clever ways of hiding important things. This room has her computer in it, so I bet she's hidden the key really well. She's probably used a riddle as a clue to find the key.

Hang on, there's that riddle about a door isn't there?

(HIRO tries to remember it) I know!

When is a door not a door? Hmm. When is a door not a door?

When it's a JAR!

That's it! Maybe mum hid the key in a jar — quick Tikki,
Help me try and find one in here.

(HIRO looks around for a jar) Aha! I found one... Look Tikki!
There's a key in here.

(HIRO takes the key out of the jar and goes to the door) Fingers
and paws crossed!

(HIRO puts the key in the door and the door opens) YES! It's
unlocked, Let's get out of here, Tikki, we can escape! We're
FREEEEEEEEEE! Yippee!

*(HIRO jumps up and down until Mum, Dad and Ms Raleigh
come over!)* Oh... hi Mum, Hi Dad... Ms Raleigh...

Sorry about the mess.

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