



## Scout Elf Squad Episode 5: A Chilly Mystery

### Episode Summary:

A trail of crumbs leads the Squad to Little Grunt, a shy SnoBoggie who needs help crossing a frozen log. With courage, kindness, and a little silliness, the elves show how friendship and bravery can help solve any mystery.

### Core social-emotional learning themes:

Perspective-taking, manners, courage to try, flexible thinking

### Vocabulary & feelings:

- *Clue, careful, try, nervous, relieved, excuse me.*
- Prompt: "Show a brave step with your foot."

### Connect to skills:

- **Social awareness:** manners & perspective-taking
- **Self-management:** trying new things
- **Relationship skills:** encouraging peers

### Episode Touchpoints

- The Squad follows clues, supports Little Grunt (a small SnoBoggie) in crossing a log, and sings a playful "excuse me" manners song after a burp.

### Talk & reflect (after viewing):

- "How did the elves show kindness to Little Grunt?"
- "What can we say after a burp or oops?" (Practice social scripts.)
- "What helped Little Grunt keep trying?"

### Try-it-together activities:

- **Manners play:** Turn common oopsies into call-and-response fun:
  - Normalizes mistakes; teaches repair.
  - **Adult:** "Oopsie...,"
  - **Child:** "...excuse me, please!"
- **Brave steps:**
  - Builds confidence through scaffolded risk.
  - Make a "log" with a taped line or walk along a low ledge.
- **Detective eyes:**
  - Builds flexible thinking.
  - Use "Detecto-Specs" (paper glasses) to hunt household "clues" (shoes by door = someone home; crumbs = snack time).

### Interaction questions

- **What clue did Frostina find that helped solve the donut mystery?**  
*Reinforces noticing small details and early critical thinking.*
- **Who was hiding behind the trees in the snowy forest?**  
*Encourages character identification and social awareness.*
- **Where did Little Grunt get stuck?**  
*Supports spatial reasoning and story location recall.*
- **Why was Little Grunt nervous about crossing the log?**  
*Builds emotional understanding, empathy, and perspective-taking.*
- **How did the Squad help him get safely across the pond?**  
*Strengthens understanding of teamwork, bravery, and problem-solving.*

**Four elves. One team. Endless adventure. Mission complete!**