



Scout Elf Squad Episode 5: A Chilly Mystery

Episode Summary:

A trail of crumbs leads the Squad to Little Grunt, a shy SnoBiggie 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 SnoBiggie) 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!