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Episode 8: Teamwork

It was 12 o'clock on a Tuesday afternoon at the Academy of **(insert fancy word)**. Mrs. Wibble was getting her class ready for a science competition. Mrs. Wibble decided to randomly group students based on the color of their **(insert something you're wearing)**. The competition was to create a rocket launcher! Whichever group made their rocket reach a height of **(insert number)** feet in the air, would win the grand prize of **(insert grand prize)**. Mrs. Wibble announced that the first group included: Ruth, Smith, and Jada. The group of students were not happy having to work together. Ruth, Smith, and Jada were not even close to being friends. The newly formed group sat down at the table with a **(insert object)** on it. Mrs. Wibble passed out a basket with the color **(insert color)** on it, with all the necessary supplies to create the rocket launcher. Jada and Smith reached for the basket at the same time. This resulted in the two of them playing tug of war until the basket ended up in Smith's hand. He dumped everything out on the table and took out a **(insert writing utensil)** and started to make a sketch. Smith said that he wanted the rocket to be the color **(insert color)** and be powered by two bottles.





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Jada argued that the rocket should be the color **(insert different color)** and be powered by only one bottle. Ruth chimed in and said that the rocket should be **(insert another different color)** and be powered by rubber bands. They kept arguing about how to create their launcher. Suddenly Mrs. Wibble announced that their time was halfway over and they only had a short time left to finish their rocket launcher. Jada, Ruth, and Smith all looked at each other nervously. Ruth suggested that they work together to come up with a plan for their launcher. Jada and Smith agreed that they needed to come up with a plan quickly. The group created a launcher out of one plastic bottle that had a logo of **(insert favorite drink)** on it and a pipe. They decided mutually that the color of the rocket should be **(insert your favorite color)**. After coloring the rocket, Mrs. Wibble announced to the class that the time was up! The students needed to line up at the front of the room. Ruth, Jada, and Smith excitedly walked up and waited their turn to show off their rocket launcher. When it was finally their turn, they launched their rocket and it soared until it hit the ceiling! They all screamed in excitement and watched as the rocket landed on a boy named **(insert boy name)**'s desk. Mrs.





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Wibble announced to the class that their group had won! She asked what their team name was and they responded triumphantly, “We are Team **(insert cool team name)**.” They ended up all getting a **(insert candy bar)** for winning. When the group sat down after all of the rocket launchers had been put away, Ruth, Jada, and Smith decided that they wanted to be more than just group members, they also wanted to be friends. Ruth, Jada, and Smith, agreed that they should do all group projects together because they made such a good team.

