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**Rudy is going on a vacation!**



In the past few days, Rudy has been very stressed out about a work deadline that is coming up next month. So, to clear her mind, she has decided that she will take a week-long vacation.

Image above - Lunch, who would love to go on a vacation.

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Many cats were surprised at Rudy's decision, because she would be losing a week of time to work. However, Rudy is feeling too stressed to work right now, and a week wouldn't make much of a difference if she barely got any work done. But this vacation is raising some questions among her kittens. Would they get to come on this vacation? If they couldn't, would they be home alone for a week? Blackspots would go on the vacation, but

would Rudy's kittens? Rudy and Blackspots are still deciding, as that would mean that their kittens would have to make up a week's worth of schoolwork afterwards.

Cats have different opinions on whether Rudy's kittens should go on the vacation. "I think that it's perfectly fine," says Naya, "I think that kittens are in school long enough. Let them take a week off school to relax!" However, Stripy has a very different idea. "School is important," says Stripy, "kittens need to learn regularly! There are already enough breaks in the school year, and summer break is a full two-and-a-half months! Kittens already don't learn enough!" Stripy's household is very strongly academic, and it isn't a surprise that she is against this unscheduled vacation. But kittens themselves have entirely different ideas about this vacation. "If you go on the vacation, take us with you," says Lunch's kittens, "or we'll vandalize your house." This isn't the most persuasive argument, but who knows if it will work.

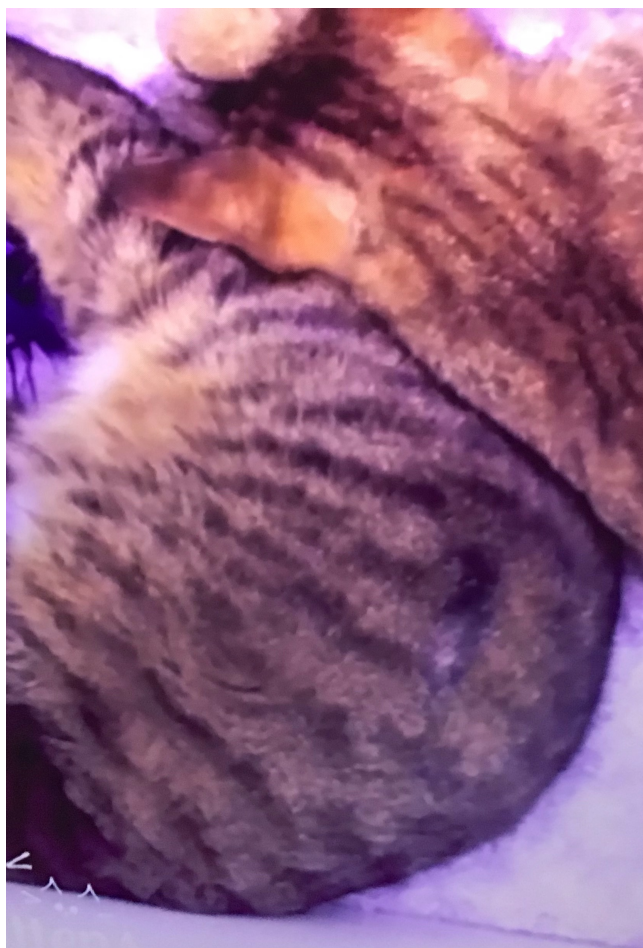


Image above - Harvey, who loves vacations almost as much as sugar cubes.

In the end, Rudy decided that she would let her kittens come on this vacation. They are leaving tomorrow, and they are going to a ski resort in the mountains. It is still snow season, so there will be good snow for skiing and sledding. But the fact that Rudy's kittens are the only ones going has angered other kittens. Juliet's kittens started dropping hints about surprise vacations, and Lunch's kittens tried to talk their mama up while she was in triple-task mode.

**"I think summer break should be one month, not two-and-a-half."**

**- STRIPY, WHO DEFINITELY DOESN'T HAVE POPULARITY ON HER SIDE**

But so far, only Rudy's kittens are taking a vacation, even though other kittens have tried and failed to get their parents to schedule one. However, some kittens are thinking about using threats, and maybe Juliet will agree to a vacation if her kittens steal her money and threaten to burn it. But hopefully things won't come to that, as parent cats do have experience giving punishments.

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