

It's a
GREAT DAY
to be an
OWL

It was Owen's **first day in school**, and while eating lunch in the cafeteria, he saw a girl named Opal drop her tray, and "**Ka-blash!**" Her lunch spilled everywhere. Rather than get upset, Opal pronounced, "Well, this is a **great day** to be an **owl**" and proceeded to pick up the mess. A boy named Omari **stepped in to help**. She smiled, and said "Thanks!"

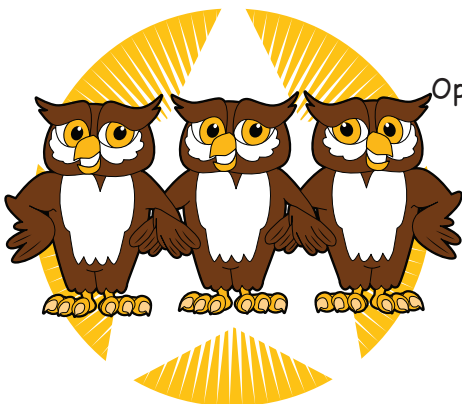
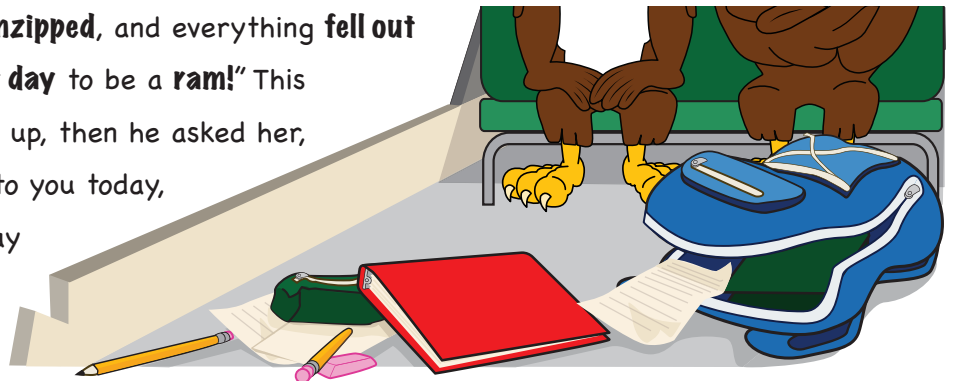


Later, while playing at recess, Owen saw Opal **trip** and **skin her knee**. He could tell it hurt, but was surprised by Opal's reaction.

After brushing a tear from her cheek, she said, "This is a **great day** to be an **owl**." Then a girl named Octavia came up to her and said, "You should get a **bandaid** on that. Let's go to the **nurse's office**." Opal smiled and said, "Thanks!"



On the bus ride home, Opal's backpack **unzipped**, and everything **fell out** on the floor. Again she said, "This a **great day** to be a **ram**!" This time Owen stepped in to help pick things up, then he asked her, "Opal, I've seen **three bad things** happen to you today, and each time you say 'This is a great day to be a owl.' Why do you say that?"



Opal replied, "Here at this school, we are **all owls**. We have **owl friends**, and we all care about each other, and help each other. **It's the owl way**. So no matter what happens, I know I have friends who **care**, and will **help** me. That makes every day a **great day** to be an **owl**!" After all of her things were gathered up, Opal smiled and said, "Thanks for your help! Isn't it a **great day** to be an **owl**!"