



The Very Long Sleep

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Fox has picked the wrong friends to be his roommates. Bear, Chipmunk, and Marmot are all animals who hibernate. After their home is made and the weather gets colder, all of Fox's new friends settle in for a long winter's nap. He tries everything to wake them up and even cooks their favorite foods in case they wake up and they are hungry. But it's no use. His friends will not wake up. After reading this book, ask your child what breakfast meal would wake them up from a deep sleep. Pancakes? Cinnamon rolls? Whatever it is, make it for them the day after reading the book. Ask your child, "Do you think your favorite breakfast would have woken up Bear, Chipmunk, and Marmot?" Who knows, maybe it would have!



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