STORY STARTERS

January story calendar 2027

For parents and teachers: each day, ask your child that day's question at breakfast, in the car or at bedtime, then let them tell the story.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 “It's New Year's Day! Who is the first visitor of the year, and what do they bring?”	**2** “A new notebook appears on your desk. What's written on the first page?”
3 “Invent a holiday that only your family celebrates. How do you celebrate it?”	**4** “A mitten gets lost in the snow. Tell the story from the mitten's side.”	**5** “The moon comes down to visit for a day. Where do you take it?”	**6** “It's so cold that words freeze in the air. What happens when they melt?”	**7** “Your shoes start walking on their own. Where do they take you?”	**8** “A snowflake wants to be different from every other snowflake. What does it do?”	**9** “You find a map under your bed. Where does the X lead?”
10 “A bear wakes up in the middle of winter. What does it want?”	**11** “Your home gets one brand-new room overnight. What's inside?”	**12** “A small cloud follows you home. What happens next?”	**13** “Invent a new animal. What does it eat, and where does it live?”	**14** “You find a sled that can fly. Where do you steer it?”	**15** “Whoever wears this hat gets a special power. What is it?”	**16** “The library books come alive at night. Which one starts the trouble?”
17 “You shrink to the size of a button. How do you get across the kitchen?”	**18** “Today is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. What is a dream you have for the world?”	**19** “The popcorn won't stop popping. What happens?”	**20** “A penguin who is tired of the cold packs a suitcase. Where does it go?”	**21** “A squirrel hides something that isn't a nut. What is it?”	**22** “Your grown-up is a kid for a day, and you're in charge. What happens?”	**23** “A robot wants to learn how to make a friend. What do you teach it?”
24 “You can talk to one kind of animal. Which one, and what do you ask?”	**25** “A dragon is afraid of the dark. How do you help?”	**26** “Invent a new snack. What's it called, and who loves it most?”	**27** “The playground comes alive after everyone goes home. What does it do?”	**28** “A letter arrives from you, ten years from now. What does it say?”	**29** “You open the freezer and find a tiny land made of ice. Who lives there?”	**30** “Your town holds a parade for something very unusual. What is it?”
31 “It's the last day of January. Tell a story about the best thing that happened this month.”						

How to use it: there are no wrong answers. Ask a follow-up ("And then what?"), and save the best stories to draw or write down later.

My Story