

Mrs. Hartzell's first graders wrote their own *Silly Animal Problem Stories* after reading Dav Pilkey's book Dog Breath.

Read these stories and be ready to share something you liked in each one.



Dock the Horse

by Riley, 1st grade writer

Dock has a copycat problem. One day he copied a cow. The cows would get milked. Dock wanted to get milked.

In the morning, Dock went out where the cows were. He waited for the farmer.

The farmer came with his bucket.

The cows were mooing loudly.

Dock said, "Neighhhh! Moooo! Moooo!"

The farmer tried to milk Dock, but he couldn't. Dock is a horse and horses don't get milked. So...the farmer took Dock back to the corral.



The Dog Who Was Never Housebroken

by Morgan, 1st grade writer

One day Max, our dog, had an accident in my mom's bathroom. It was kind of scary when my mom yelled at him. His accident didn't make any sense because he used to be housebroken, but now he's NOT!

Now he goes on my mom's bathroom carpet. So I got a great idea! I taught him how to go on the toilet! I think he was very proud of himself that he learned how to use the toilet.

Things were going well until...one day he left the toilet seat up and my mom got on it in the middle of the night. When she noticed cold and wetness, she let out a loud scream "Ahhhhhhhhh!"

Then Max screamed "Ahrooooooooo!"

Now Max has learned to stand at the door and bark "Woof! Woof!" until someone will come and let him out.

YAY! Now I won't have to listen to that terrible scream...from Mom or from Max.

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Monty the Dog

by Ross, 1st grade writer

Monty barks in the middle of the night. He wakes me up every time so I never get to sleep in the night.

I go get my mom and dad, and I sleep with them. Every night I go under the covers so I can get some sleep. Dad got tired of me crawling in bed every night, so Dad brought home a tennis ball machine.

He put the machine on the porch. He plugged the machine in. The balls began to shoot out into the yard!

Now Monty fetches tennis ball all night.

Now Monty's barking won't bother us anymore.

Can you write the start of your own *Silly Animal Problem Story* below? Finish your story on another piece of paper.
