

The Best Job in Town

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Mike liked having a job to do after school. Mike's dad Len ran Fluff's, the best donut shop in town. Each day, his dad got up at five so he could open the shop by six. He made the donuts fresh each day while Mike and his mom were still asleep.

Some people liked the plain donuts, but most people chose the frosted ones. Mike liked all donuts, but loved the cake donuts with chocolate frosting best. Each day Len would save two chocolate cake donuts for Mike's after school snack.

Len always wanted to have donuts for the whole day, but sometimes the donuts sold out. Len could not predict when people would come to the shop and ask for dozens of donuts for some big event.

Len hated to see people come to the shop and see that the donuts were gone. But most people would just smile and say that they would come back tomorrow.

There were lots of jobs to do when the shop closed for the day. After school, Mike spent a lot of time sweeping floors, cleaning shelves, and polishing trays. Len told him, "Cleaning the shop is as big a deal as making good donuts. No one wants to eat in a shop where they see filth and grime." Mike knew that his dad was right about people wanting to be in a clean and bright shop.

Mike liked having a job and having some cash too. He could treat himself and his friends to snacks and rides at FunLand. And when he was out of cash, he could bring some donuts to share.