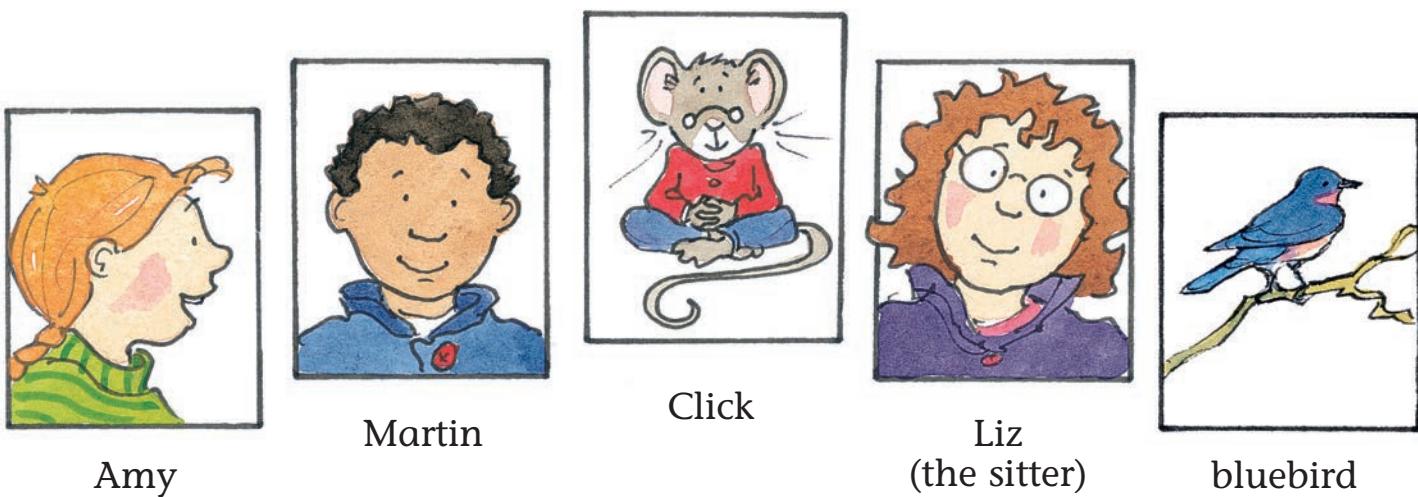


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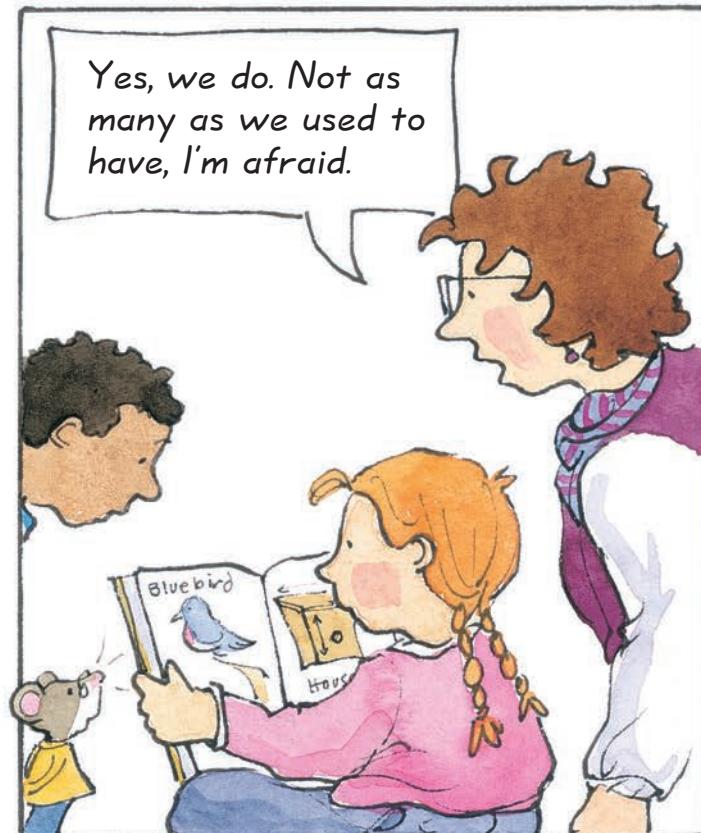
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Why do they call it the Bluebird of Happiness?

Because in some parts of the world the color blue stands for happiness, so the bluebird has always stood for happiness too.



What happened to them?

Bluebirds like to nest in hollow trees or woodpecker holes. When forests are cut down to build houses or widen roads, the birds lose their homes and are forced to leave.

Oh no! Bluebirds of UNhappiness.

I know! Let's let the bluebirds use our birdhouse!

Bluebirds do like to nest in birdhouses, Martin. Putting up special bluebird houses is one of the best ways to help them.

You mean they won't nest in this birdhouse? Why not?

Looks as if bluebirds like their houses pretty low—no higher than me.



And look how tiny the hole is! Big birds can't get in.



And they probably wouldn't feel comfortable this close to the house. Bluebirds like open fields and fences to perch on.



What do you say, Martin? Should we build some bluebird houses?



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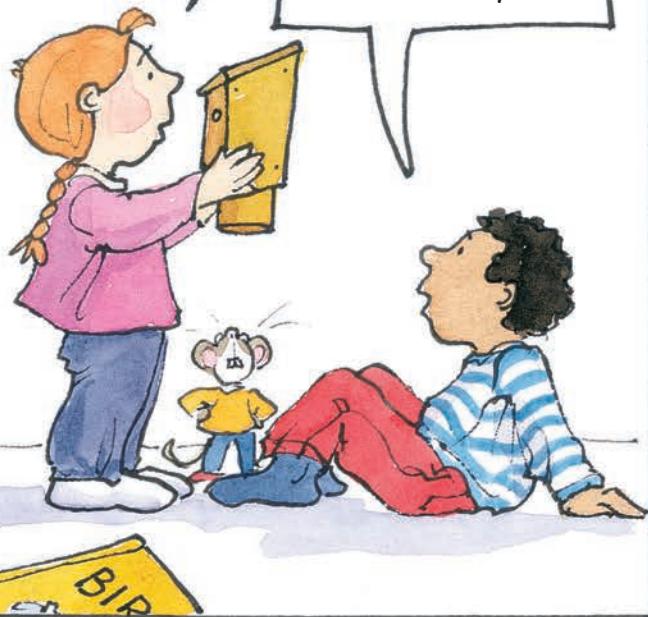
There! Our first bluebird house is finished.

And it's exactly like the one in the book.



Do you think they'll like it?

It's a little plain.



NEXT WEEK

The bluebirds will be so excited when they see these!

I can't wait for them to move in.

