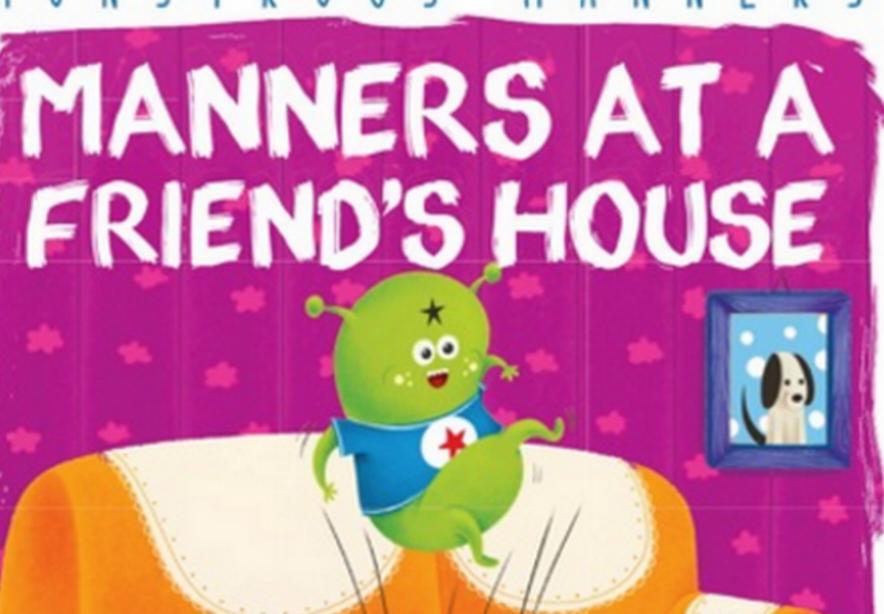
MONSTROUS MANNERS



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Stop jumping on our couch, Monster! Our mom will send you home for having bad manners. I know you want to stay and play. How about if we teach you good manners?

Let's start over outside.
What do you do when you
come to the door?
No, no, Monster. You don't
bust down the door. You must
ring the doorbell.





One time is enough, Monster.



No, Monster. Be polite. Say hello first.

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Wow! That was really nice, Monster.



This isn't a restaurant, Monster. Don't ask for food, even if you ask nicely. You can eat when the rest of the family eats.



"Hi, Ricardo! Hey, what's this?"

"That's my mom's!"

You need to play with toys, not breakable stuff, Monster!



"Ricardo, do you have any ninja toys?"

"They're in the closet."

Don't make a mess. Just get out the toys you want.



If you do make a mess, at least clean it up when you're done playing.



"Hey, you want to play soccer?"
"Not really, Ricardo."



Try again, Monster. It's polite to do things your friend wants to do. You can choose next.

When playing a game, be a good sport. Follow the rules. If you win, don't brag. If you lose, don't pout.



Monster, now it's your turn to choose a game to play.



Not so fast! Wash your hands, and then sit down at the table.



And don't grab! Wait for the food to be passed and for rest of the family to start eating. They may want to say prayers first.



If you don't like what's for dinner, keep it to yourself. Take a few bites. Think of something nice to say. The cook worked hard on this meal.



Look, your dad is here to pick you up. How do you leave a friend's house politely?



Don't run off and hide, Monster. When it's time to go, say goodbye. And don't forget to say thank you!



Hey, you're not a monster after all. You're our neighbor Jackson. Good job learning manners. Now, our mom will let you come over again!

GOOD MANNERS WHEN VISITING FRIENDS

- I. Knock and wait to be invited in.
- 2. Be polite and take time to say hello to all family members.
- 3. Don't ask for food. Wait for snack or meal time.
- 4. Don't touch breakable things.
- 5. If you make a mess, clean it up right away.
- 6. Follow the rules of games. Don't gloat or pout.
- Take turns playing what you and your friend want to play.
- 8. Wait for the rest of the family before eating dinner.
- 9. Say only nice things about the food.
- 10. When it's time to leave, say thank you and leave right away.