



Topic and Discussion Page

Kent the Manipulative Mouse

The Mischievous Mouse Series



Behavioral Book on being Manipulative (Learning Patience and Self-control, Thinking Before Acting)

This Christmas story is about mischievous behaviors. Kent the Manipulative Mouse is a little mouse who is impatient. He tends to break what he touches. He is manipulative and lies to get out of trouble. Santa Claus warns Kent about his behavior and tells him to behave. Santa tells Kent to practice patience. Kent learns to think before he acts and learns self-control in the process.

Kent's positive message is about how good it feels to get rewarded for good behavior and what it takes to make good decisions.

Book Topics

- Learning Self-Control
- Encourages Having Patience

Ideas for how to review this book with kids 3-6:

- What was the message of the story? Have the child retell the story in their own words.
- Go back to each page and have the child describe what is going on.
 - Why does Kent get into trouble?
 - What is Kents problem?
 - What does Santa Claus tell Kent to practice? To help him not touch everything he sees?
 - How does Kent learn not to touch everything he sees? What does he do?
 - What does Kent learn in the end of the story about good behavior?

Compare Books

Try comparing the story Kent The Manipulative Mouse with other Sculptlings Books, such as Pete The Sweet Mouse and compare the 2 messages.

- Try comparing the characters and their lessons. How are they different? How are they the same? (Both Characters lack patience. Pete steals cookies because he can't control himself and Kent gets into trouble for causing accidents because he has to touch everything. They both lack self control.)