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## Chapter 1 THE LAZY ROOSTER

Rafi Rooster. He splashed in the pond with the ducks. He raced in the yard with the



chicks. He flapped his feathers and danced with the hens.

If you wanted a good time, Rafi was your rooster.

But having fun was tiring work. After running around and crowing songs late into the

night, Rafi just wanted to sleep.

"Get up, Rafi!" said Ruvi, Rami, and Roni Rooster early each morning. "It's time to wake the farm!"

"Soon," mumbled Rafi. He snuggled deeper into the hay.

Then he slipped back into a wonderful dream about jumping into piles of grain.

The other roosters shook their heads. They marched

to the top of the barn. There, they crowed and crowed.

Soon everyone on the farm was awake and hopping. Everyone, that is, except Rafi.



One morning Rafi opened his eyes, late as usual, to find his rooster friends packing. He stretched, yawned loudly, and waddled over to the others.

"What's going on?" he asked.

Ruvi folded a shirt. He tucked it into his suitcase. "We're going on vacation," he said.

"Great!" said Rafi. "When do we leave?"

"No, Rafi," said Rami. He put on his beach hat. "You're not coming."

"Why not?" asked Rafi.

"Because," said Roni. He pushed his sunglasses higher up on his nose. "You are always on vacation. You stay up late every night and never work. For the next few days,