



# Maya's Missing Lunchbox

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MAYA - THE ADVENTURE BEGINS

## MORNING ROUTINE



MAYA - CHEF &amp; ATHLETE

Maya hums a happy tune in her bright kitchen as she packs her favorite ham sandwich, a cold juice box, and a delicious chocolate chip cookie into her lunchbox. She is extra excited today because she gets to sit with all her best friends during the lunch break.



At school, the morning sun shines brightly on the playground as Maya soars high on the swings. Her laughter fills the air, and her colorful backpack sits nearby on the grass while she enjoys the cool morning breeze.



MORNING ON THE PLAYGROUND - watercolor story

Maya moves to the jungle gym, climbing the colorful metal bars with expert agility. She reaches the very top and waves to her classmates, her mind full of fun and games before the school day officially begins.



Suddenly, the loud ringing of the school bell echoes across the yard, signaling the start of class. Maya jumps down and hurries toward the classroom doors, grabbing her backpack in such a rush that she doesn't notice her lunchbox sitting on the ground.



When the clock finally strikes noon, Maya sits at her desk and unzips her backpack with a very hungry tummy. Her eyes widen in surprise and her heart sinks when she realizes the main compartment is completely empty.



Maya carefully searches every corner of her wooden desk, lifting up her notebooks, folders, and pencil case. She looks underneath her chair and scans the floor nearby, but her delicious lunch is nowhere to be found.



With a worried expression, Maya checks her cubby and asks her kind teacher for help. They look through the rows of coats and cubbies together, but the missing lunch remains a mystery despite their thorough search.



Maya pauses for a moment, closes her eyes, and tries to remember every detail of her busy morning. Suddenly, a memory flashes in her mind of the jungle gym and the green grass, and she realizes exactly where she might have left it.



Playground Inspiration

Maya and her teacher walk back out to the quiet playground to investigate the scene of the morning's fun. There, sitting right next to the tall jungle gym, is her colorful lunchbox waiting patiently to be rescued.



Back in the cafeteria, Maya feels proud and relieved as she finally opens her lunchbox and takes a big bite of her sandwich. She smiles brightly while sharing stories with her friends, happy that her lunchtime mystery has a delicious ending.