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Crayon Solutions

Duncan loved to color. He used his crayons every day to create exciting pictures. But one day, when he opened his crayon box, he was surprised to find a stack of letters instead of his crayons. Each crayon had written to him, complaining about how it was treated.

Red Crayon was exhausted. "You use me too much! Fire trucks, apples, hearts—when do I get a break?" it wrote. Blue Crayon had a similar problem. "I'm getting so short from coloring so many oceans and skies that I can barely be held!" it complained.

Other crayons felt ignored. "I'm tired of just being an outline," Black Crayon wrote. "I want to color in something bold!" Pink Crayon was frustrated too. "You hardly ever use me! Why do you think I can only be for princess dresses?" Beige Crayon sighed. "Everyone uses Brown for big things, but I get stuck coloring boring wheat!"

Meanwhile, Yellow and Orange Crayons had an argument. "I am the real color of the sun!" Yellow declared. "No, I am!" Orange protested. Duncan didn't know which one to believe.

Duncan wanted his crayons to be happy, but he also wanted to keep using them for his drawings. So, he came up with a creative solution. Instead of coloring the way he always had, he tried something new. He used Pink Crayon for a dinosaur, made the sun a mix of Orange and Yellow, and let Black Crayon color in a bold castle. He even gave Beige Crayon a starring role in a giant sandy beach!

When he finished, his picture looked different, but it was the most colorful and creative drawing he had ever made. The crayons felt appreciated, and Duncan had solved their problems in a way that made everyone happy. He realized that good leadership means listening to others and finding solutions that work for everyone.

Duncan didn't just color—he problem-solved like a true leader.