

A Big Success

Riley fiddled with her Germ-Ex bottle as she walked home from school. She was thinking of a way to convince her parents to let her do gymnastics. Before she knew it she was home, she walked in, took off her shoes, and yelled I'm home! She walked into the kitchen her mom had already started cooking dinner. Hi mom, Riley said, can i do gymnastics? Riley we went over this, we don't have the money, said Riley's mom. But everybody at school does a sport except me, said Riley. I know Riley's mom said, but we just don't have the money - but, Riley said, no buts! said Riley's mom, we already went over this Riley. Riley sighed and went to her room. She fell onto her bed, and looked up at the ceiling. I'm going to do gymnastics, she said to herself, she thought for a moment, and then an idea struck her. I will do a carwash! Riley said, but where do i start? I know! I'll make a poster. She got a big pink poster and wrote "car wash" in bubble letters. Now I should get my supplies ready she got a sponge, bucket of water and a water hose. Then she went outside and waved her sign. This is never going to work, Riley thought, but a car pulled up, the

lady rolled down her window and asked how much? \$5 said Riley. OK, said the lady, she got a five dollar bill out of her wallet, and paid Riley. Riley washed her car, and then another, and another, and another came! And then a lot of cars came. Riley washed all the cars in no time! Before she knew it she had raised all the money she needed. She ran in the house and showed the money to her mom. Riley yelled I can finally do gymnastics! Where did you get all that money from? Riley's mom asked. My car wash, said Riley. Looks like your car wash was a big success! said Riley's mom, I'm so proud of you Riley! Thanks mom!