

## The Helping Hands

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One afternoon a hard-working girl named Rebecca Shelbie was getting ready for a fun evening at dance. Her dream was to become a fantastic and famous gymnast.

When she arrived at dance, she walked through the glass door and saw her awesome friends. Rebecca usually goes downstairs, but today she has to stay upstairs. Her teacher, Miss Mary, exclaimed, "Hello, class!"

The class shouted, "Hello, Miss Mary!" The whole class was warming up. Then they started practicing backhand springs.

At the end of class, Miss Mary beckons to Rebecca. "Come here," called Miss Mary.

"Yes?" questioned Rebecca.

"Come do your back tuck," Miss Mary said to Rebecca.

"Okay," she said, glad she could finally show Miss Mary her skills. Rebecca did her back tuck. Then, she did it again and again. Then...she broke her leg!

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Rebecca is home with a cast. It's been a month since the incident. Even though Rebecca broke her leg, she still helps people in her dance class. Then, one day her five-year-old sister, Rose, walked up to her. "I want to be a gymnast just you, Sis. Can you help me?"

“Yes. I might be hurt, but I can still help those in need,” Rebecca stated.

“Yay!” exclaimed Rose.

“Let’s start on your backbend,” said Rebecca. Then, Rose did her backbend perfectly.

Rebecca yelled, “Wow!” Then she told Rose to do her back walkover. “You need to work on that a bit. Try your back Arabian.”

Rose did something like a back walkover which is not a back Arabian. Even though Rose did not do her back Arabian very well, Rebecca still spotted her on her back handspring. Rose did well on her back handspring. Rebecca said to try in on her own. When she did, Rose did a great job.

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It has been a week since Rose did her back handspring on her own. They planned a party the next day for Rose to celebrate doing the back handspring. At the party they had cake, ice cream, decorations, and a dance competition. Then the doctor called right in the middle of the party. He said Rebecca was healing nicely and would be better in a week or two. Everyone at the party shouted, “YAY!”

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One week later, the doctor called again. “Rebecca is well again.”

Then, Rebecca achieved her dreams. She became a famous and fantastic gymnast. As for her little sister, Rose, she was always by Rebecca’s side.