

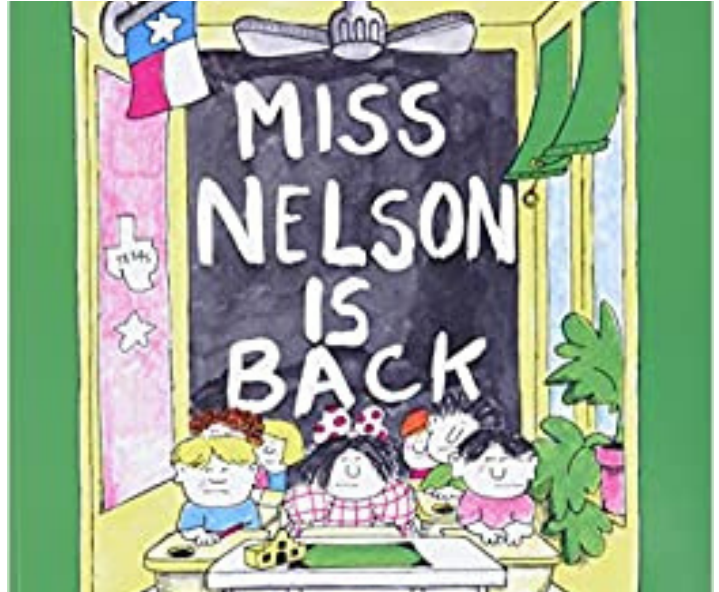


# MISS NELSON IS BACK

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## SUMMARY

Miss Nelson is going to be away from a week and the students in her class are afraid they will have their old evil substitute, Miss Swamp. Instead they have the principal. Only the principal isn't a very fun substitute. Will the kids make good choices while Miss Nelson is gone?



## Questions:

1. How did the kids from class 207 feel when the bigger boy from 309 warned them about Miss Swamp? Did he say that to help them or to scare them? Was he being nice?
2. Why didn't the kids sleep well that weekend? Is it kind to make someone worry and be afraid when it might be that nothing bad happens?
3. Have you ever had a substitute teacher? Were they fun or boring? How do you feel when you're bored in school? Is it harder to learn?
4. If someone is talking about something that matters to them, should you listen even if you think it's boring? How will they feel if you aren't listening?
5. Should teachers do their best to make learning time fun? Do you learn better when you're enjoying yourself? Can you think of an activity from your class where you had fun and learned at the same time?
6. When the class is being taught by the fake Miss Nelson, are they having fun? Are they learning? When you're at school, which one is more important?
7. How do you think Miss Nelson felt when she saw her students dressed up like her and lying to the school? Should she have to rush back to school, or does she deserve to get rest?
8. How do you think the kids feel when they see Miss Swamp? Is it fair to say she's a witch just by looking at her?
9. Should Miss Swamp have to be mean for the kids to listen and get their work done? How do you think teachers feel when kids don't listen when they're being nice?
10. How do you think the kids feel when they see that their teacher is back? If your teacher was gone for a while, would you be happy to see them come back? How could you show her that you missed her and that you're happy to see them?