LET'S READ TOGETHER

In this story, Ruby takes her little brother Max to a department store to buy a new pair of pants. Max wants a dragon shirt, not pants. Ruby tries dresses on, and loses Max. Ruby must spend all their money on Max’s ice-cream stained dragon shirt, and they head home without new pants. As you read or listen to the story with your child, pay attention to how Max gets lost in the department store and ends up eating ice cream in the dragon shirt.

LET'S TALK ABOUT NEW WORDS

Here are some words to talk about as you read or listen to Max's Dragon Shirt:

- **appliances**, machines that are used to do jobs in a house, like a stove or a dishwasher
- **disgusting**, yucky, very unpleasant
- **screamed**, made a loud, sharp cry
- **tight**, close-fitting, too small
- **confused**, not able to understand or think clearly
- **satisfied**, feeling pleased about something you did or something that happened to you

LET'S PLAY

**Design a T-Shirt**

In the story, Max chooses a new green dragon shirt at the department store. Make a paper doll version of Max by taking a sheet of paper and cutting it in half lengthwise. Then, fold the paper into quarters accordion style. Draw a figure of Max on the top layer. Make sure his arms extend beyond the edge of the folded sheet. Cut out the figure and then unfold. Invite your child to design and color different t-shirts on each Max figure using crayons or markers. Describe what you see your child doing and the colors they are using.