Selena’s Bicycle

Number the sentences below to put them in order and form a story.

2. Selena asked her mother for permission to ride her bike. When her mom said yes, Selena headed happily toward the front door.

6. Matthew must have heard Selena’s bike clatter to the ground, because before Selena knew it, he was there, helping her stand up.

1. It was Sunday morning, and the sun was shining brightly. “What a perfect day for a bike ride!” Selena said to herself.

7. “Let’s get you home,” said Matthew, picking up Selena’s bike and wheeling it toward the house.

4. However, Selena wouldn’t let Matthew’s criticism stop her from going for a ride. So she headed outside, put her helmet on, and took off riding down the sidewalk.

5. Suddenly, the neighbor’s cat, Fishbone, dashed across Selena’s path! She swerved to avoid hitting Fishbone and fell right off her bike.

3. Selena’s big brother, Matthew, sat in the living room playing a video game. “Where are you going?” he asked. When Selena told him, Matthew replied, “That’s a boring idea,” and went back to playing his game.

8. Though she scraped her knee and walking hurt a little, Selena found herself smiling. Brothers and sisters may fight sometimes, Selena realized, but deep down, they will always love each other.