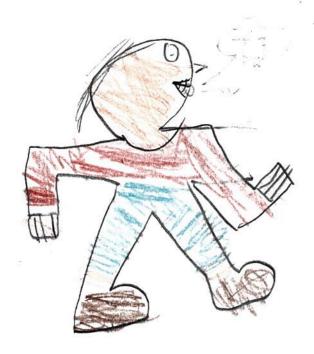
Amanda's Walk



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One day Amanda went for a walk. She noticed a saw on the sidewalk. She cut a log into boards. She used them to build a tree house. It was very fine. She hid in it all day. She did it every day all week. One day she moved in for a week.



But one day lots of snow piled on it. It cracked, broke, and fell apart. For the rest of the day Amanda was sad. Her house was ruined. She tried to rebuild it but it did not work. She kept trying and managed to rebuild it.



But it broke. Then she got metal and worked and worked until she fixed it. It did not break. It swayed. Then the tree bent down, then sprung up, then down, then up. She giggled. It was fun. "Wheee" she yelled. She made it heavier. It was even more fun than before. It went up and down.



Then she had an idea. What if she made a park out of trees. There were tons in the yard. She could not help herself. She got to work. When she finished, she hung a sign. It said "\$4 to come to the park." Kids came and came and came. Up down up down. Shouts of joy, cheers and laughter. When the day was over the kids went home and Amanda went home too.