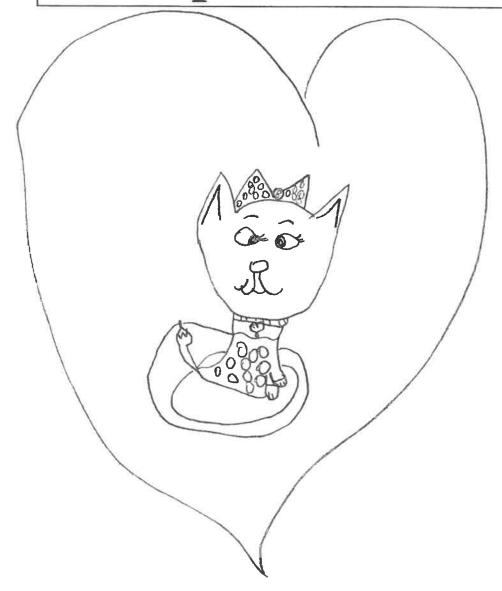
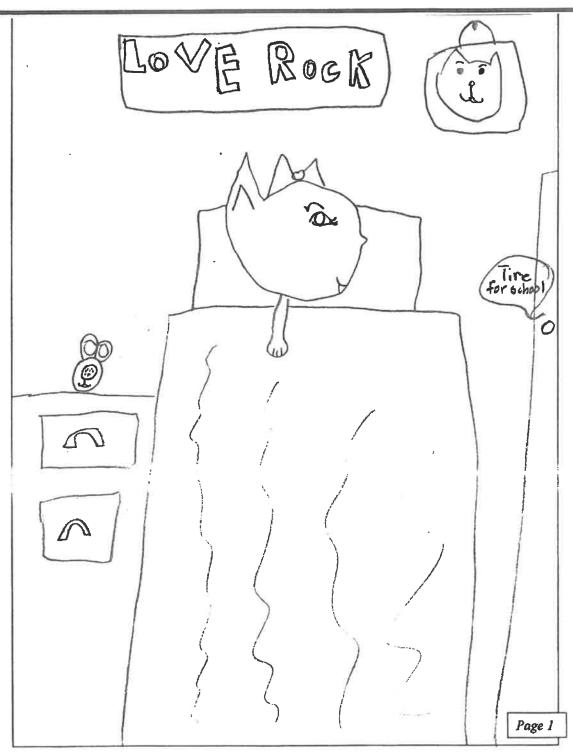
Foxy Goes to Neopet School!

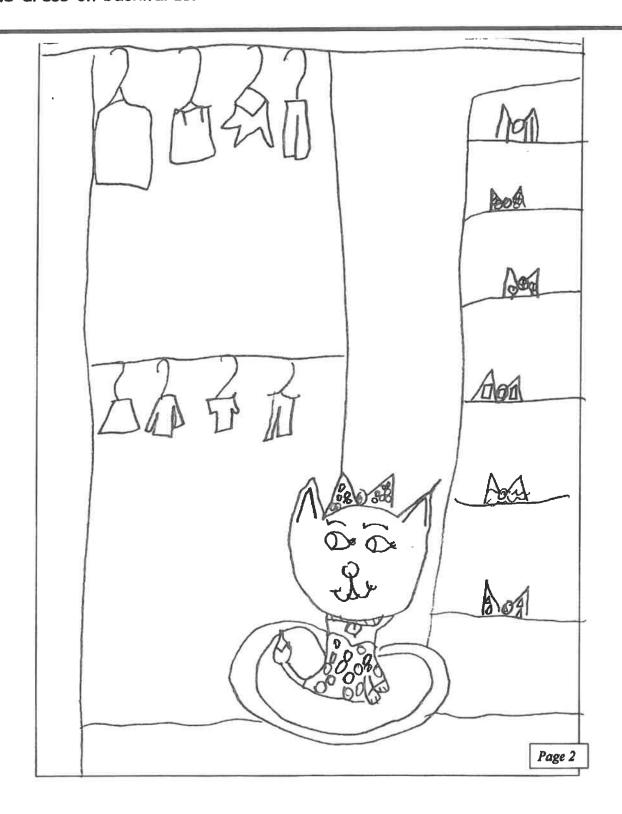


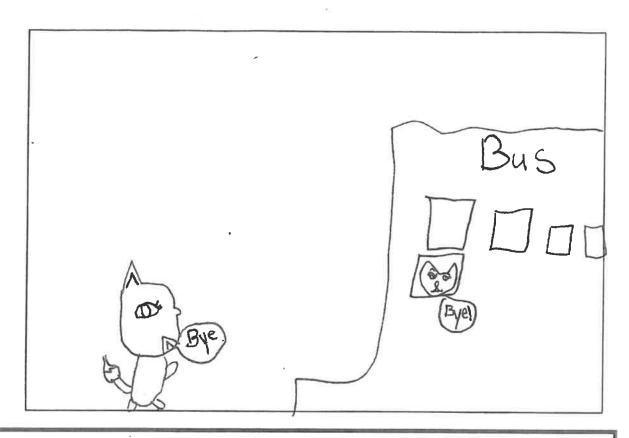
By Karyl McFarquhar

Foxy was sleeping in her room. Her mom banged on the door and said, "Time for school, Foxy!" Foxy didn't get out of bed right away. It was her first day at Neopet School and she was nervous. She was nervous about meeting new people, and she worried that nobody would like her. She felt like being lazy, like not getting up. But she finally got up and got ready. Her hands were shaking as she washed her face.



Foxy put on her spotted bow, spotted dress, and her striped collar to go to school. She didn't realize it, but she was so nervous that she put the dress on backwards!



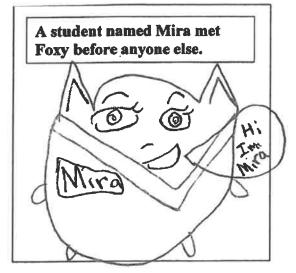


Foxy didn't eat much of her breakfast, because she felt like she had butterflies in her stomach. Then she got on the bus and said "Goodbye" to her mother. Her mother said, "You're a big girl now, going to a new school! Have fun!" Her mother smiled, and Foxy tried to smile back at her. The big bus roared like a hungry wolf and took off down the street. Foxy tried to show that she wasn't afraid, but she held her lunch bag so tightly that her fingers ached.

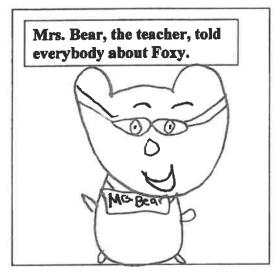
Foxy arrived at the Neopet School. The helpers there gave her a name tag because it was her first day. The helpers were very friendly. Foxy felt a little better. "Wow!" she said, trying to be nice. But she said it in a soft voice.

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Foxy met everyone in her classroom!





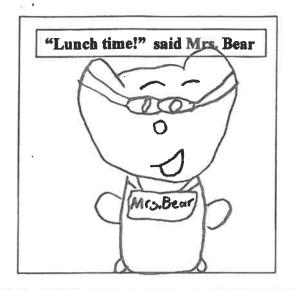


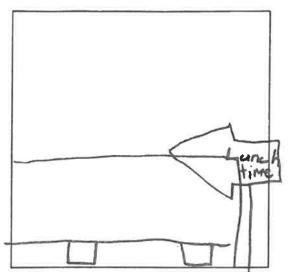




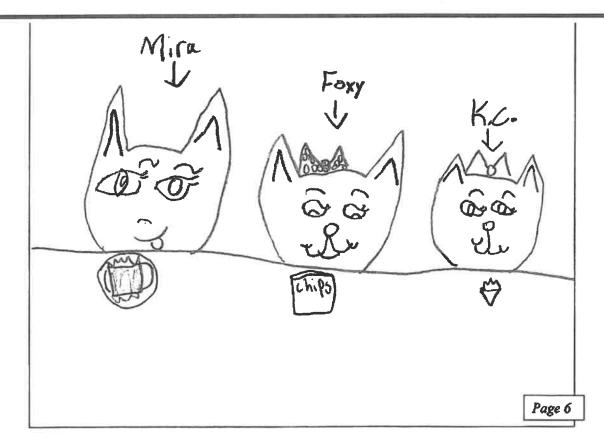


Then it was time for lunch!

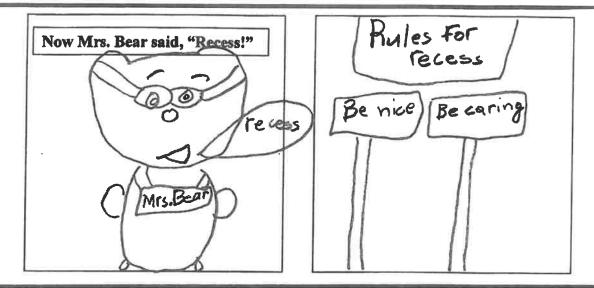




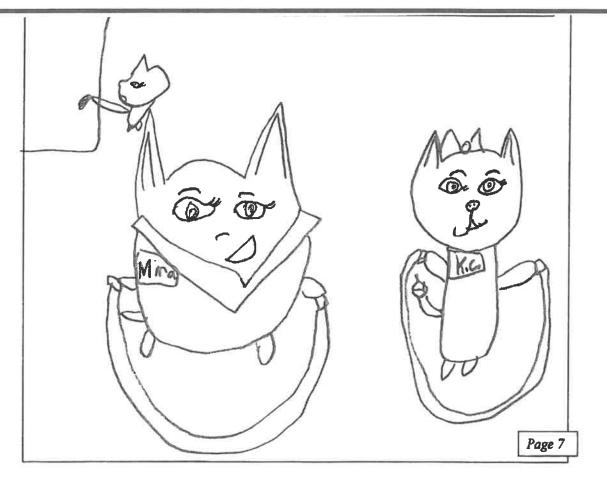
Foxy, Mira and K.C. got out their snacks and started eating. Foxy felt jittery again since she didn't know them very well. Because she was nervous, she accidentally dropped one of her chips on the floor, and worried that Mira and K.C. would think she was a fool.

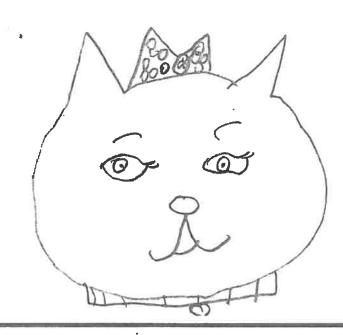


After lunch they had recess!



Mira and K.C. loved to jump rope at recess time. They said, "Come join us!" But Foxy ran into the bathroom because she now realized she had put her dress on backwards, and she needed to fix it. At this point, she was so nervous her heart was pounding! She slammed the bathroom door with a loud bang!





Foxy stayed a long time in the bathroom. She was too afraid to come out! When she finally left the bathroom, it was time for dismissal. However, Mira and K.C. were still friendly with her. They smiled and said, "See you tomorrow!"

As Foxy rode the bus home, she thought a lot. She realized that maybe she didn't need to feel nervous anymore, because everyone had been nice to her. She liked Mira and K.C. and wanted to be friends with them. She wanted to play jump rope with them, too. And the teacher and other staff were friendly. She hoped that the next day she could stop being nervous.

Foxy saw that she could have fun at school. She also saw that difficulties always happen, but you just have to deal with them and hope that everything will come out great. She would try to be a better student tomorrow and not worry so much. Being a new kid in school was difficult for her, but it was probably difficult for other children, too. She would try to relax and have fun!

Yes, she would try to relax! But in the back of her mind, she worried that it might be impossible. As the bus got near her home, she nervously bit her lip, and it started to bleed.

Writing Question

What character trait would you use to describe Foxy?	Use two details from the
story to support your response.	

