

(Background noise – children talking - indistinguishable)

Reader (female): So, whoever this person is, "He brought me to a place where they took care of me".  
Guess where that place might be. (Some rustling in background.)

Child #1 – Animal Shelter!

Child # 2 – Animal Shelter

(Other children mumbling agreement in background.)

Reader (female) – All right.

Reader (female): And "a person carefully clipped my claws. They were so long I could hardly walk!"  
Anybody seen a dog that - or even a cat for that matter - that the claws were so long?

Child #1– Oh, my cat – we haven't clipped him for a long time so we have to.

Child #2 - When they're sleeping!

Child #3 – (low in background) We haven't clipped my cat for a long time too.

More children talking in background.

Reader (female) – And "When I was feeling alright again, they put me into a place with food and water."  
Miracles happen (indistinguishable words). "The people I live with now came to visit – they chose *me* to be  
part of their family for always. They call me 'Buddy'."

Reader (female): What's - what - what is a - what is a Buddy?

Child – A friend (other children low murmurs).

Reader (female) – "'Good dog,' Buddy they say to me *every* day. They give me pats and hugs. I have  
*friends* to play with."

Child #1 – (laughing) Like the cat – my-my cat loves dogs.

Child #2 – Yeah I know it loves cats.

Child #3 – My cats are scared of dogs.

Reader (female): Just like on the cover of the book, "I have my *real* home, now I have everything. " That's  
Buddy's story. (clip ends)