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Book title and author: A Bad Case of Stripes, by David Shannon

Main Characters: Who are the important people in the story?

Camilla

Camilla's parents

Dr. Bumble

Setting: When and where does the story take place?

At Camilla's home

At Camilla's school

Problem: What is the problem in the story?

Camilla wakes up one morning completely

covered in rainbow stripes.

Plot: What are the most important events that happen in the story?

Beginning:

Camilla wakes up covered in stripes.

Middle:

Camilla gets worse. Her stripes change into

different objects and patterns.

End:

Camilla admits she loves lima beans, eats the

lima beans, and is cured.

Solution: How is the problem solved?

Camilla eats lima beans.

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Always be yourself. Be comfortable in your

own skin.