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Series: The Petal Fairies

Book: Charlotte the Sunflower Fairy

Village Visit

At the beginning of their vacation, the two girls had promised to help their fairy friends find the seven magical petals. The petals were very important because their magic helped all the flowers in the human world to bloom beautifully.

But mischievous Jack Frost wanted to make flowers grow in the frozen ground around his ice castle, so he had sent his naughty goblins to steal the magic petals and bring them to him. When the fairies tried to stop the goblins in their tracks, it turned into a battle of spells between Jack Frost and the fairies. Then the petals were whirled away into the human world in a cloud of pink-and-white magic. Now Rachel, Kirsty, and the Petal Fairies were trying to return all the petals to Fairyland before the goblins could get ahold of them again.

“We’ve already helped Tia the Tulip Fairy, Pippa the Poppy Fairy, and Louise the Lily Fairy,” said Kirsty. Maybe we’ll find another petal today.”

“I hope so,” Rachel agreed, as their parents joined them.

“Come on girls,” said Mrs. Walker, ushering them inside. “These early-blooming sunflowers are supposed to be amazing!”

As they went into the Visitors’ Center, a woman wearing a green T-shirt embroidered with bright yellow sunflowers stepped forward to greet them.

“Welcome to Leafley!” she said cheerfully. “My name’s Laura.” She handed Rachel and Kirsty each a large badge, and the girls were delighted to see that they were in the shape of a sunflower with glittering golden petals and dark-brown velvety centers. They quickly pinned them on.

“You’ve come to visit us on a very special day,” Laura went on. “The judges of the Most Colorful Village Award are coming to Leafley today, and we’re hoping

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we might win first prize! It goes to the town or village with the prettiest plants and blooming flowers.”

“Has Leafley ever won an award before?” asked Kirsty.

“Never,” Laura replied. “So everyone’s very excited. We’ve even planted some extra sunflowers to impress the judges!”

“Well, you must have a good chance of winning,” said Mr. Tate with a smile. “I’ve heard that the sunflowers are spectacular.”

Laura’s face fell. “Unfortunately, most of the sunflowers haven’t bloomed as early as they usually do.” She sighed. “There are only a few small ones out at the moment. It’s a real shame, but there’s nothing we can do about it. We’re hoping that the judges will still think Leafley is lovely anyway.”

Rachel and Kirsty glanced at each other. They knew exactly why the Leafley sunflowers weren’t blooming. Both girls silently hoped that they would find Charlotte the Sunflower Fairy’s magic petal as soon as possible.

Charlotte the Sunflower Fairy’s petal is tough to find, keep reading *Charlotte the Sunflower Fairy* to see how Kirsty and Rachel outtrick Jack Frosts’ goblins and recover the petal!

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