

Wretched

Rhett was a young boy who wanted his own shed. Thus, he decided to build a shed by himself, in his back yard. He built it out of materials he found lying about, such as twigs, branches and rocks. The shed wasn't its best, but what could you expect from such a young boy? However, it didn't seem to mind Rhett, as he played inside his shed as the days went by. He even named it 'Rhett's Shed'.

One day, his mother Genevieve looked outside, and noticed the dark clouds starting to gather.

“Rhett, my son, come inside, I believe there will be a storm soon.”

“Okay mother,” replied Rhett, “but what about my shed?”

Genevieve replied sternly, “Let it be, Rhett's Shed was bound to collapse anyway.”

“How could you say that, mother?”

“It is only the truth.”

Rhett became gloomy, and walked inside without another remark. As his mother stated, a storm did in fact come by. It wrecked the shed, tearing its twigs and branches apart. You never would have guessed there used to be a shed there, in his back yard. The storm went on for days, and each day Rhett would think of his shed.

The storm finally passed, and the next day, Rhett went back outside to observe the damage to his dear shed. He did not see anything but a few twigs about, as the storm completely devoured the shed.

His neighboring friend called from the other side of his fence, “What happened to Rhett's Shed?”

Rhett sighed. “Nothing good, I no longer have the materials to rebuild it, either.”

“That is too unfortunate, however you can come over to my house and play in my shed.”

Rhett nodded, not feeling any happier, and followed his friend into his yard.

“Oh, my friend. I cannot have fun, it reminds me too much of my dear shed.”

“Rhett, do not be so miserable. The shed was barely good enough for a day.”

Rhett, however, could not help but be dismal. As a kid, Rhett's Shed was so very important to him.

So, whenever you think of something or someone miserable or in poor condition, think of Rhett's Shed, and you will remember the word wretched.