

Sometimes Mr. Duncan would open the door and try to help her understand about the weather.

“Come see what’s happening outdoors, Piper,” Mr. Duncan would say. “We can’t go for a walk in pouring down rain!” Or he would say, “Just stick your nose out there, Piper, and feel how cold it is. Your nose *and* your feet would freeze today!” In the summer, when the temperature was very high, Mr. Duncan had a hard time convincing Piper that she wouldn’t be comfortable going for a walk in her black fur coat!



Piper didn’t understand exactly what Mr. Duncan was saying to her, but after awhile, she learned to let the Duncans have their way about *some* things.

“What season of the year do you think Piper likes the best?” Mrs. Duncan asked Mr. Duncan one day.

“That’s a good question,” Mr. Duncan replied. “She seemed to enjoy every season as it came along. It’s been