



☺ It was the day before Suzu's birthday and Suzu knew just what she wanted. It was not a bike, or skates, or even the red hat her mother made her try on at the store.

Suzu wanted . . .



⊙ . . . a white cat.



☺ Suzu told her mother that she wanted a cat and her mom said, "We'll see."

So Suzu was pretty sure she was going to get a new . . .



... red hat.



60 Still, Suzu was hopeful. She went to bed early that night to dream about the white cat she probably wasn't going to get. But before she fell asleep, she saw something moving in her bed. She pulled back the covers and found . . .



... one white cat!



☺ It was just what Suzu wanted! But Suzu barely had time to say "HOORAY!!" when another cat crawled out from under her bed.

First Suzu had no cats. Then she had one cat. And now there were . . .



. . . two cats!