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What's this story about?

Mum is dressing up. As she puts on the costume we see who she becomes ...Father Christmas!

Talk together

Look at the cover and talk about what time of year it is. Ask children to predict what Mum dresses up as.

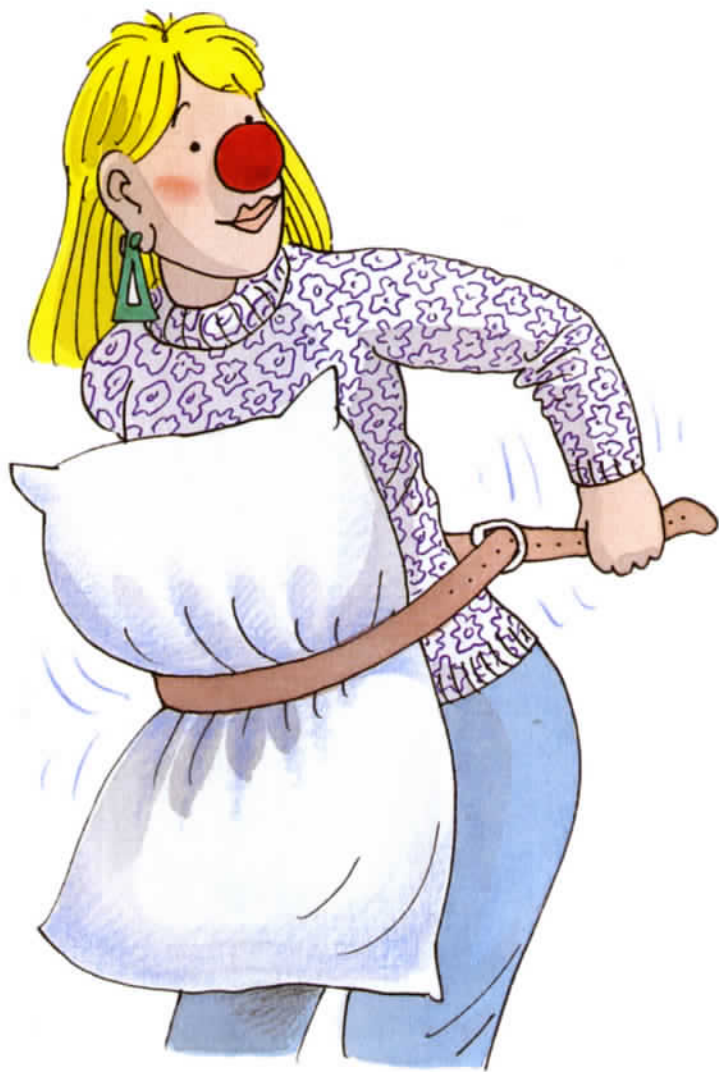
Read the story

W = Word recognition **C** = Language comprehension

- W** Read the word list on the back cover.
- C** Page 2, ask, "Why might Mum need a pillow?"
- C** Page 7, ask them to guess what Mum will be.
- C** Page 8, ask, "What is Kipper/Floppy dressed as?"

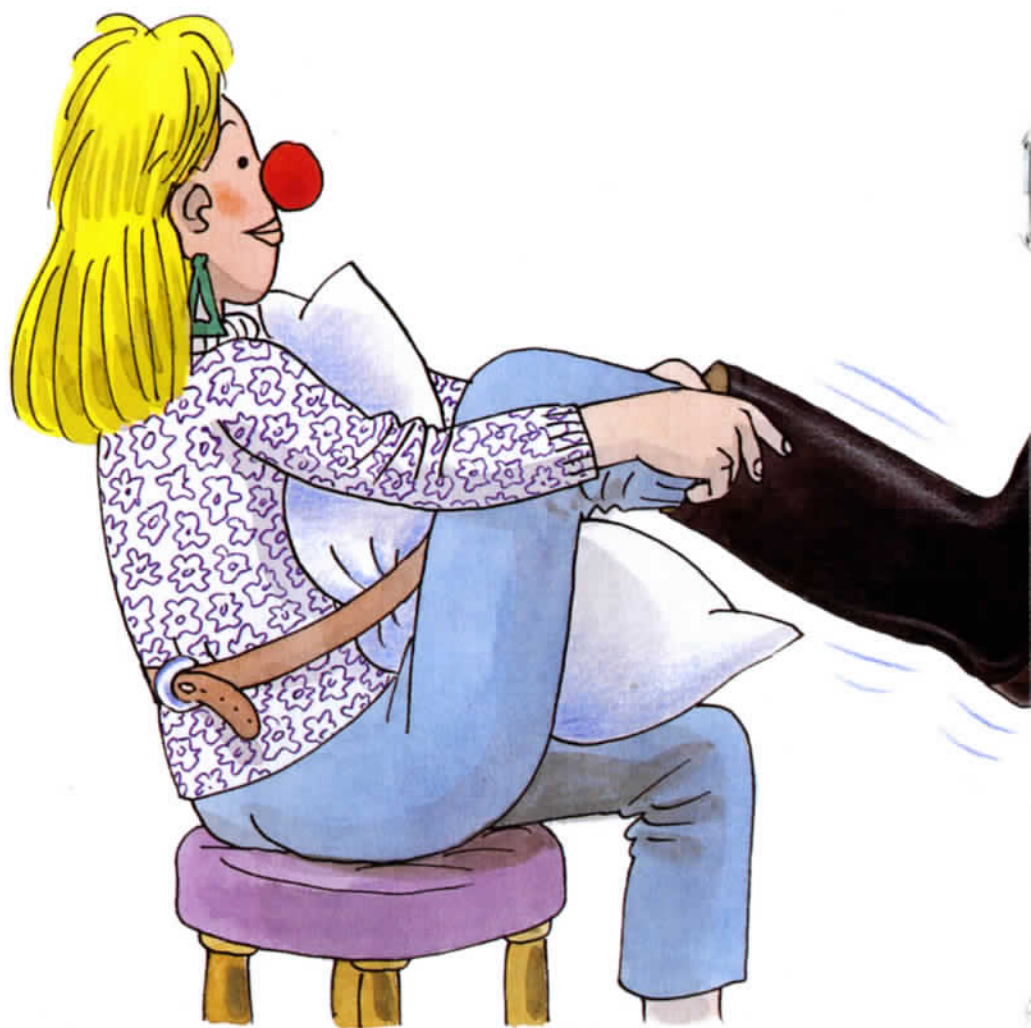


Mum put on a big red nose.



Mum put on a big pillow.



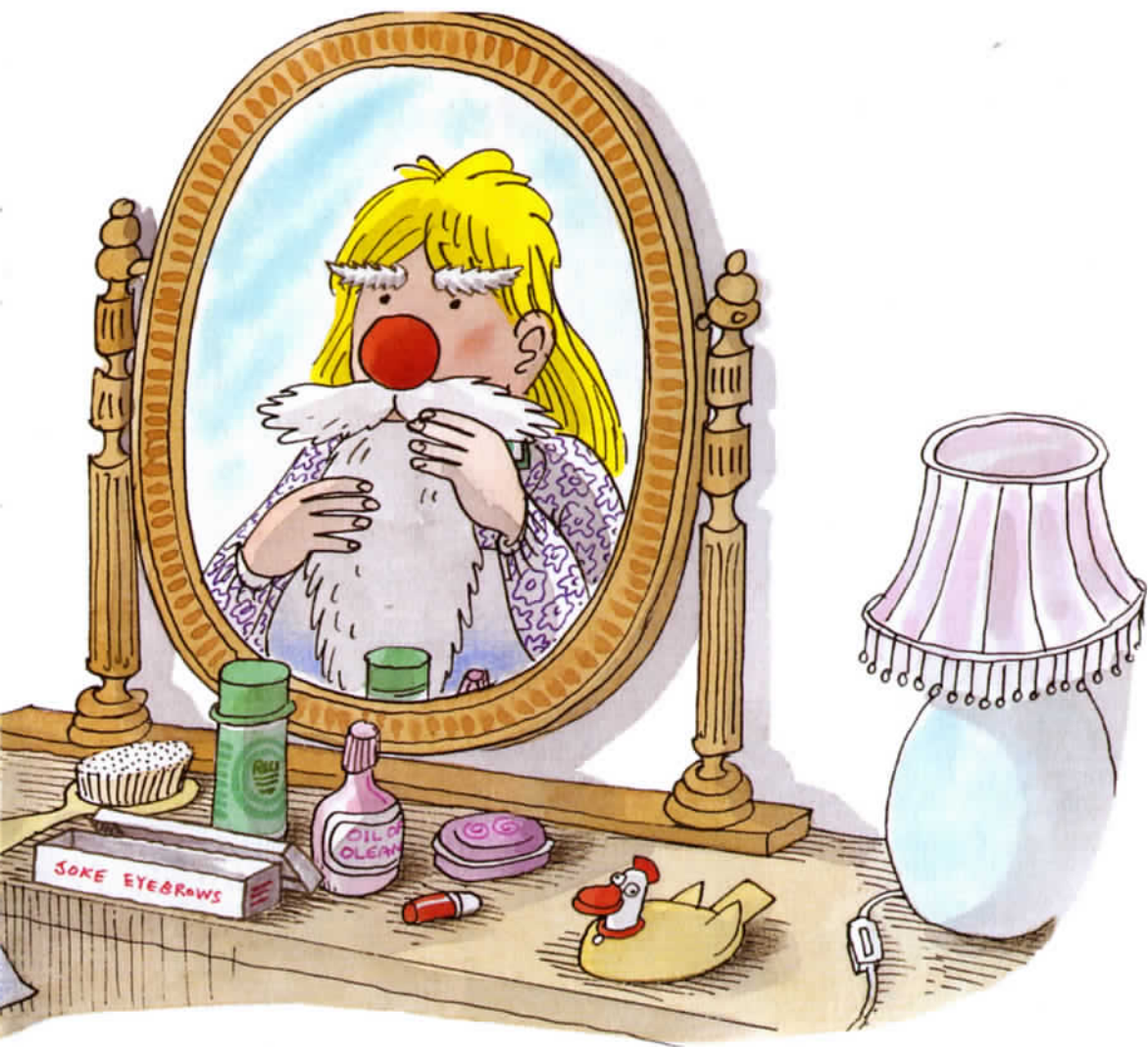


Mum put on big boots.



Mum put on big eyebrows.





She put on a big beard.



“Ho! Ho! Ho!” said Mum.

Play a game

Say the sounds

To help recognise when sentences make sense.

- Choose a word from the story and segment it into sounds, e.g. "What is this word: 'p-i-ll-ow'?"
- Children say the word. They then sound out another word from the story for you to guess.
- Have two or three turns each.

Other ideas

You can use these ideas straight away, or on another day.

- Choose one of the repeated words from the story, e.g. 'big'. Ask children to find how many times the word is used. Repeat for other words.
- Play Pelmanism. Write the repeated words onto card and put them face down (there needs to be two of each word). Take turns to try and find the matching words.

Good Old Mum

Mum dresses up.

This story practises these words:

a big on mum said she

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