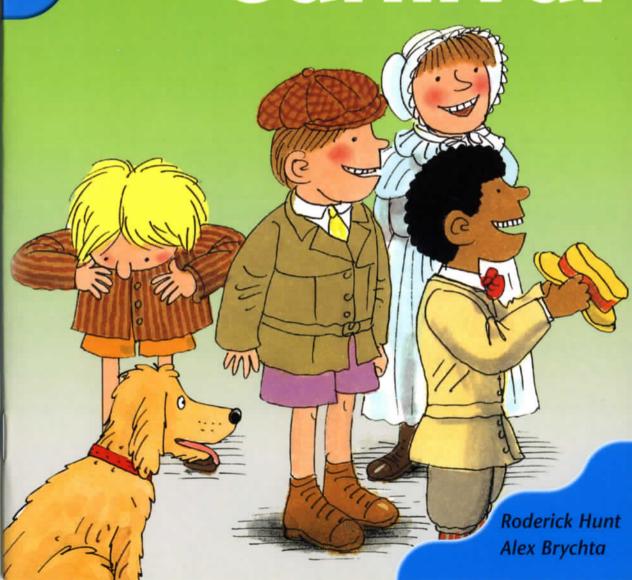


The Carnival



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What's this story about?

The children and Dad take part in the carnival as 'The old woman who lives in a shoe'. All goes well until the car breaks down.

Talk together

Talk about carnivals. If necessary, explain what happens. Look at the cover. Ask, "Why do you think the children are dressed like this?"

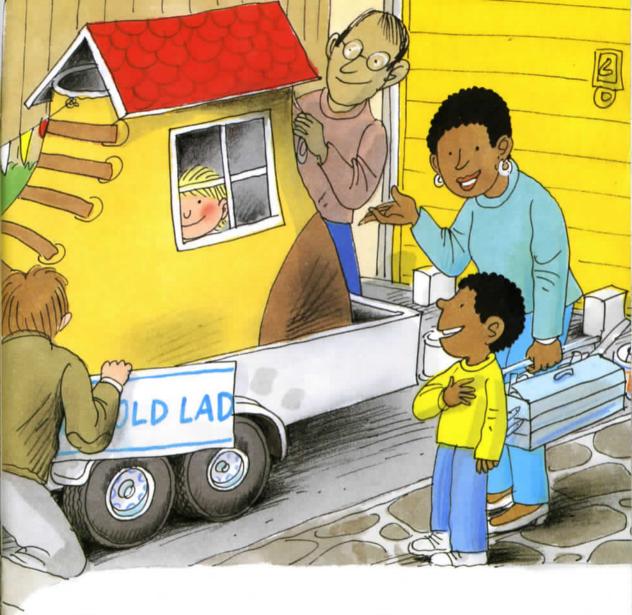
Read the story

- Read the title on the cover together. Point out that it begins with the word 'car'.
- Page 3, stretch out the sounds of trailer: 'tr-ai-l-er'.
- Page 9, ask, "What do you think the people on the big cake are shouting?"
- Page 15, explain that a 'float' is a decorated trailer.
- Page 16, ask, "Why was it 'a good job too'?" "Why is Kipper holding a cup?"



The mums and dads were busy.

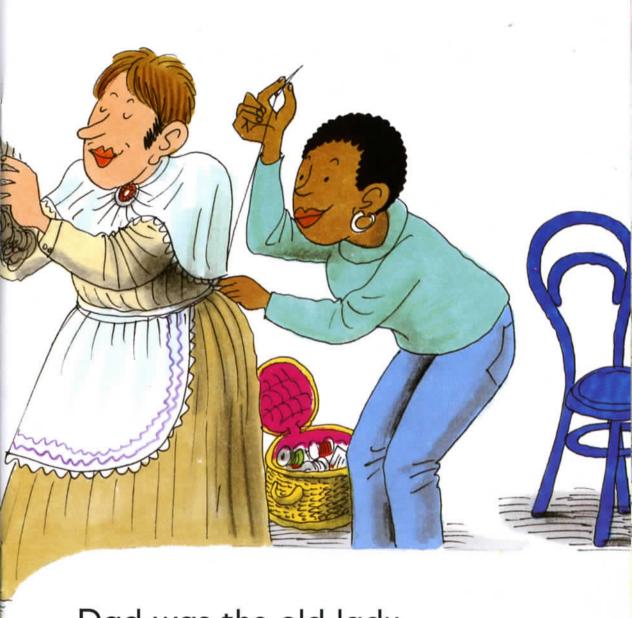
They made a giant shoe.



They put it on a trailer.

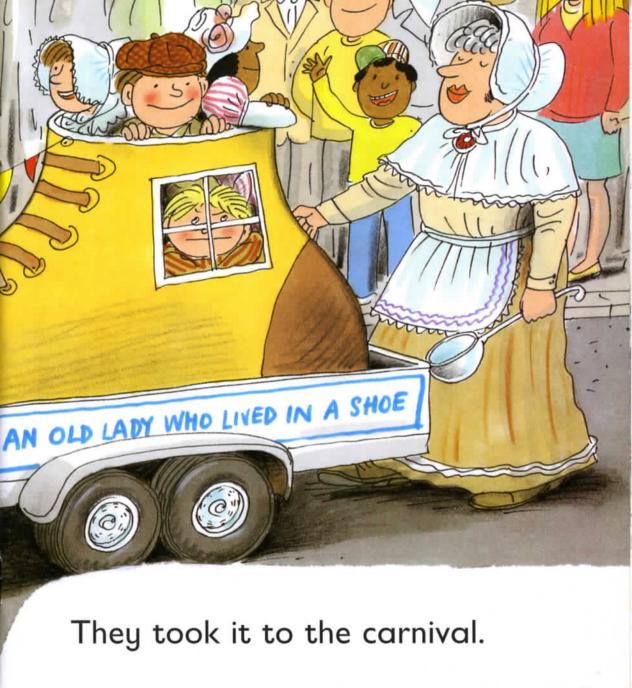
The children dressed up.





Dad was the old lady.





The car broke down.

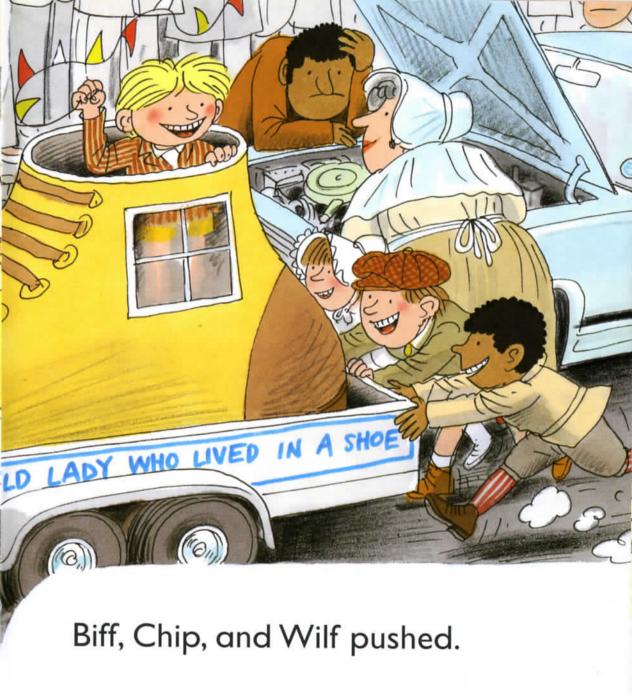


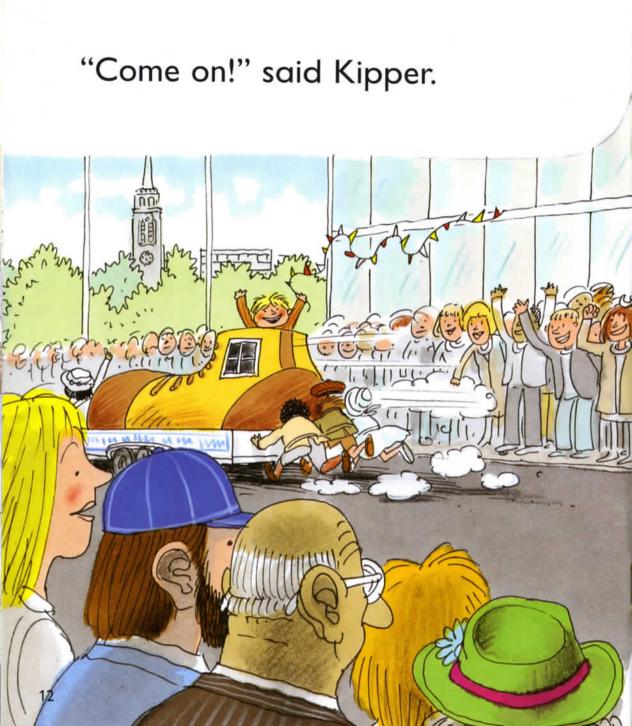


"Oh no!" everyone said.

"Come on!" said Wilma.

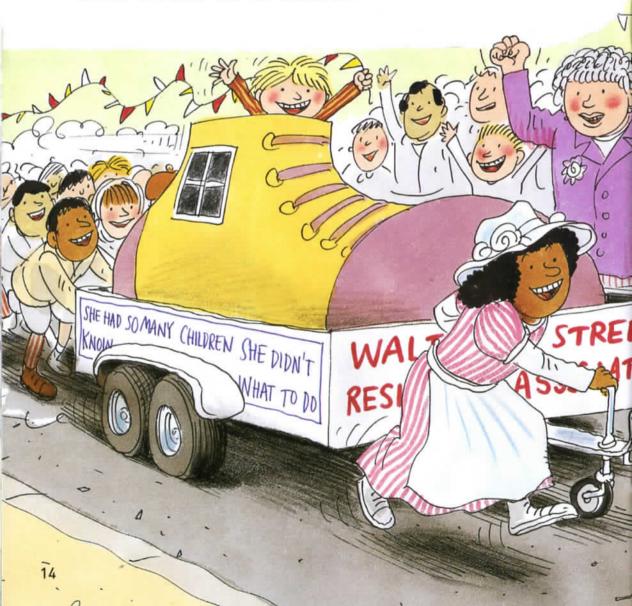


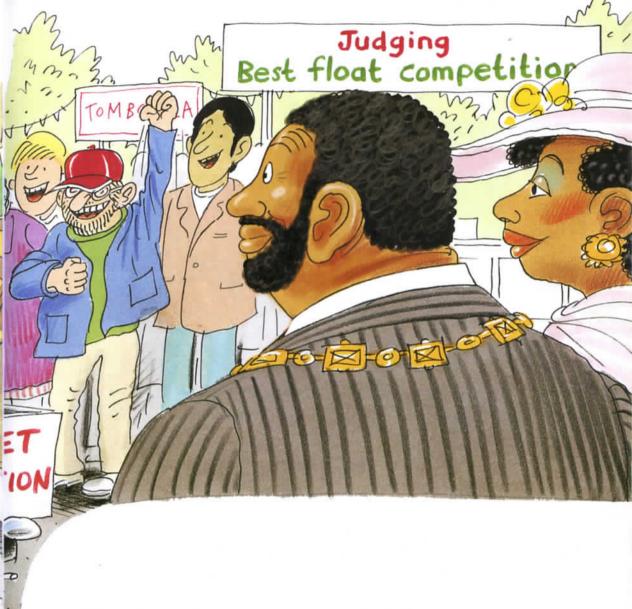






There was an old lady. She lived in a shoe.





She had so many children.



It was a good job, too.

Play a game

Nursery rhymes

To remind children of some nursery rhymes.

- Remind each other of nursery rhymes you both know.
- Choose one of them and say the first line. Ask, "What comes next?" The child says the next line. Take turns until you get stuck.
- Begin another rhyme in the same way.

Other ideas

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

- Look at a book of nursery rhymes and read some that are familiar and some that are new.
- Find words that end in 'y': 'busy', 'lady', 'they'. Notice how a 'y' changes 'bus' into 'busy', 'lad' into 'lady' and 'the' into 'they'.



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Everyone makes a carnival float.

This story practises these words:

down good had lived made many old
push(ed) put so there too took were

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