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What's this story about?

Wilf's dad and mum take the children on the river and nobody gets wet. Just as they set off home, a lorry drives through a large puddle!

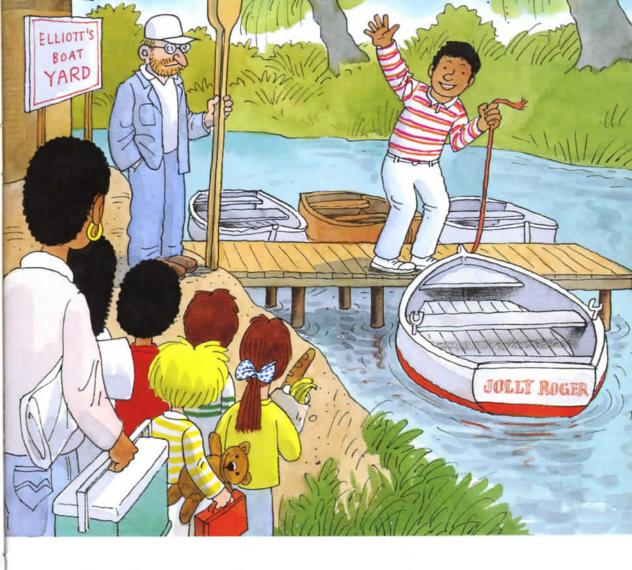
Talk together

Read the title and look at the picture. Ask, "What do you think will happen next?"

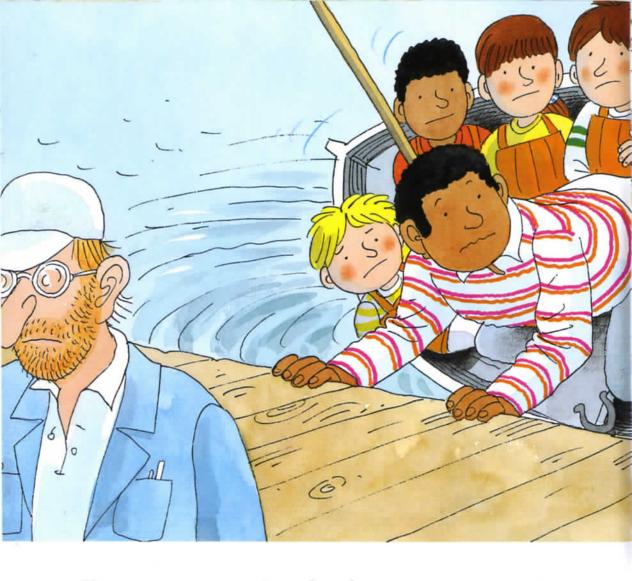
Read the story



- Read the story together.
- Talk about each picture, noticing how someone almost gets wet.
- Page 8, show how to work out 'picnic' using the letter sounds: 'p-i-c-n-i-c'.
- Page 10, work out 'floated' using the letter sounds: 'f–l–oa–t–e–d'.
- Page 16, ask, "Do you think they were surprised to get wet now?"



Dad got a boat.



Everyone sat in the boat.



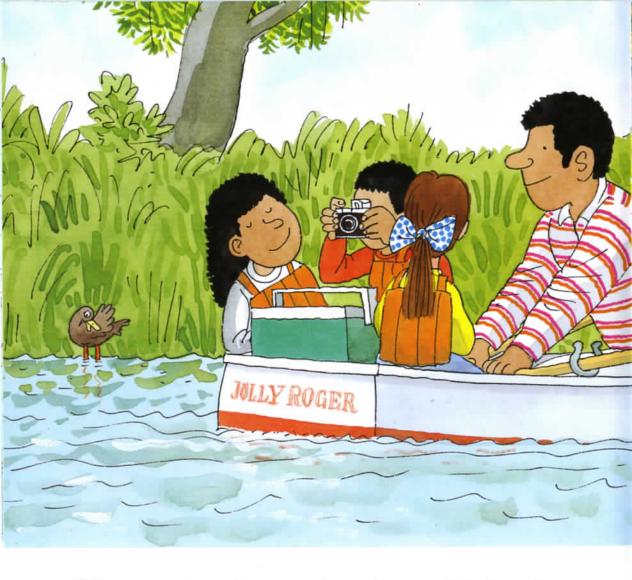
Dad pushed the boat out.



Oh no! Dad was stuck.



Mum pulled Dad. Wilma pushed the boat.



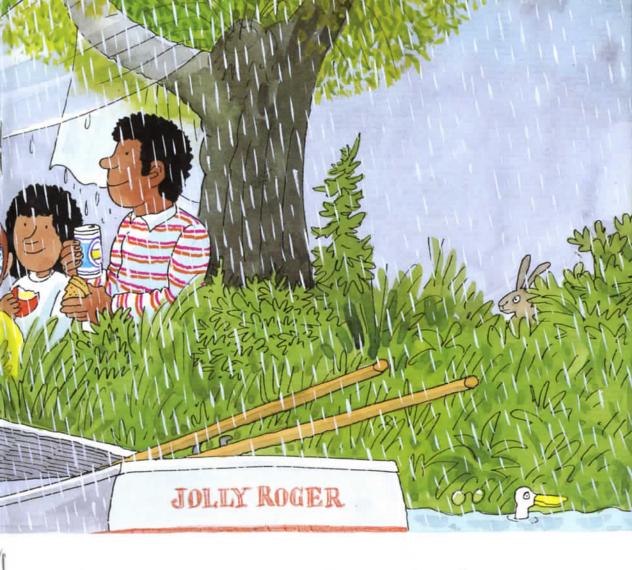
They went down the river. Nobody got wet.



"What a good job!" said Mum.



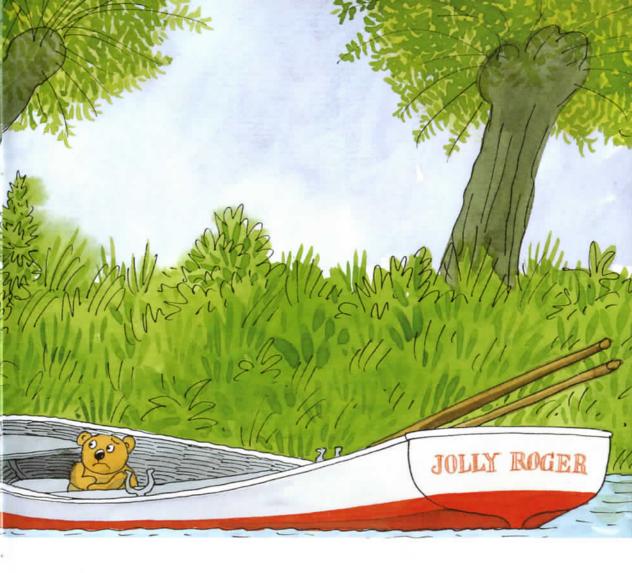
They had a picnic.



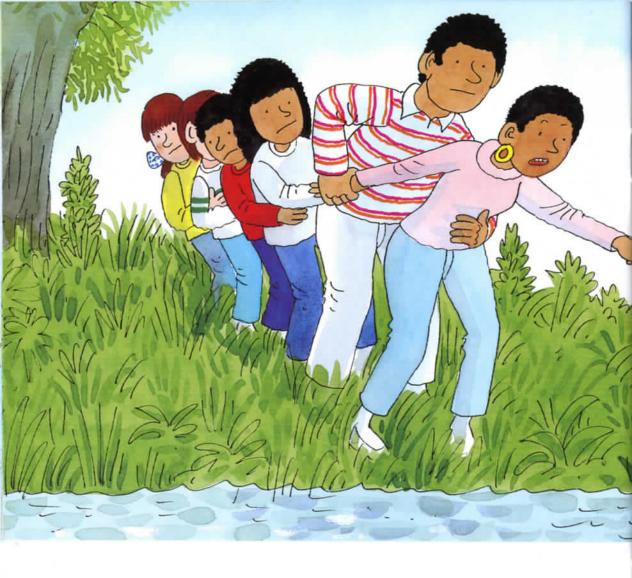
It began to rain. But nobody got wet.



The boat floated away.



"Oh no!" gasped Mum. "Help me get the boat."



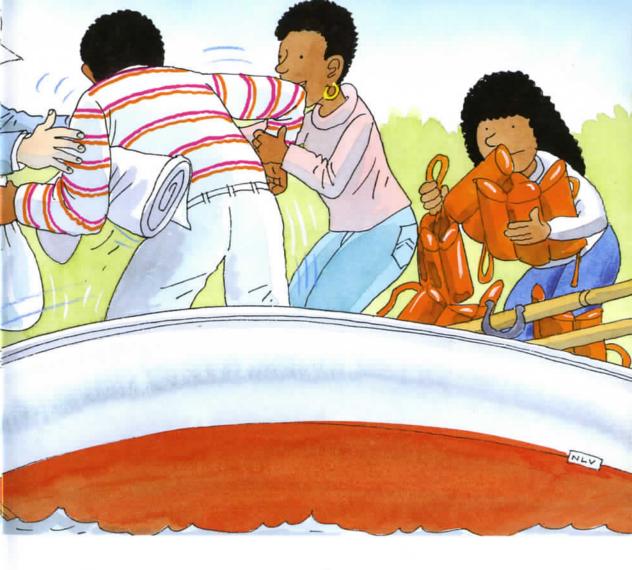
Mum pulled the boat in.



"Don't let me fall in," said Mum.



Mum didn't get wet.



"Nobody got wet," said Dad. It was time to go home.



Oh no! Everyone got wet!

Play a game

They nearly got wet

To help understanding.

- Find a picture where someone nearly got wet. Talk about what happened. Say what stopped them getting wet.
- Ask children to find a page where someone nearly gets wet and say what happened.
- Have two turns each.

Other ideas

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

- Find 'boat' and 'float' on page 10. Change the beginning letters to 'c', 'g', 'm', and 'st', to make new words.
- Find 'pulled' and 'pushed' in the story. Ask children to close their eyes and practise spelling the words.



Nobody Got Wet

Everyone goes to the river for a picnic.

This story practises these words: but don't down good got had help home out push(ed) pull(ed) time what



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