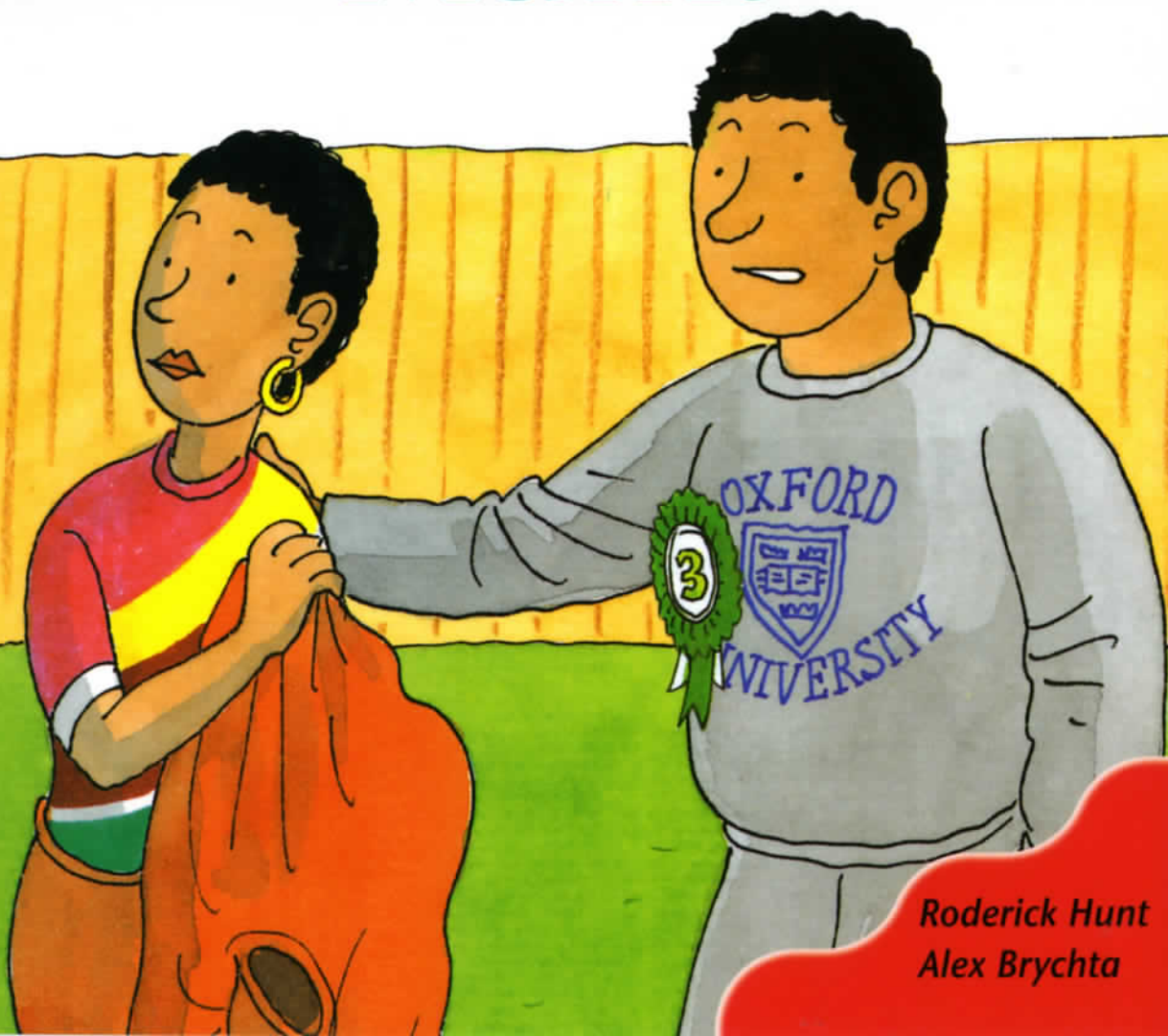




Oxford
Reading
Tree

Poor Old Mum!



Roderick Hunt
Alex Brychta

What's this story about?

The children's mum is in the mums' race on sports day, but trips just before the end.

Talk together

Look at the picture on the cover. Ask, "Why is there a '3' on Dad's rosette?"

Read the story

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

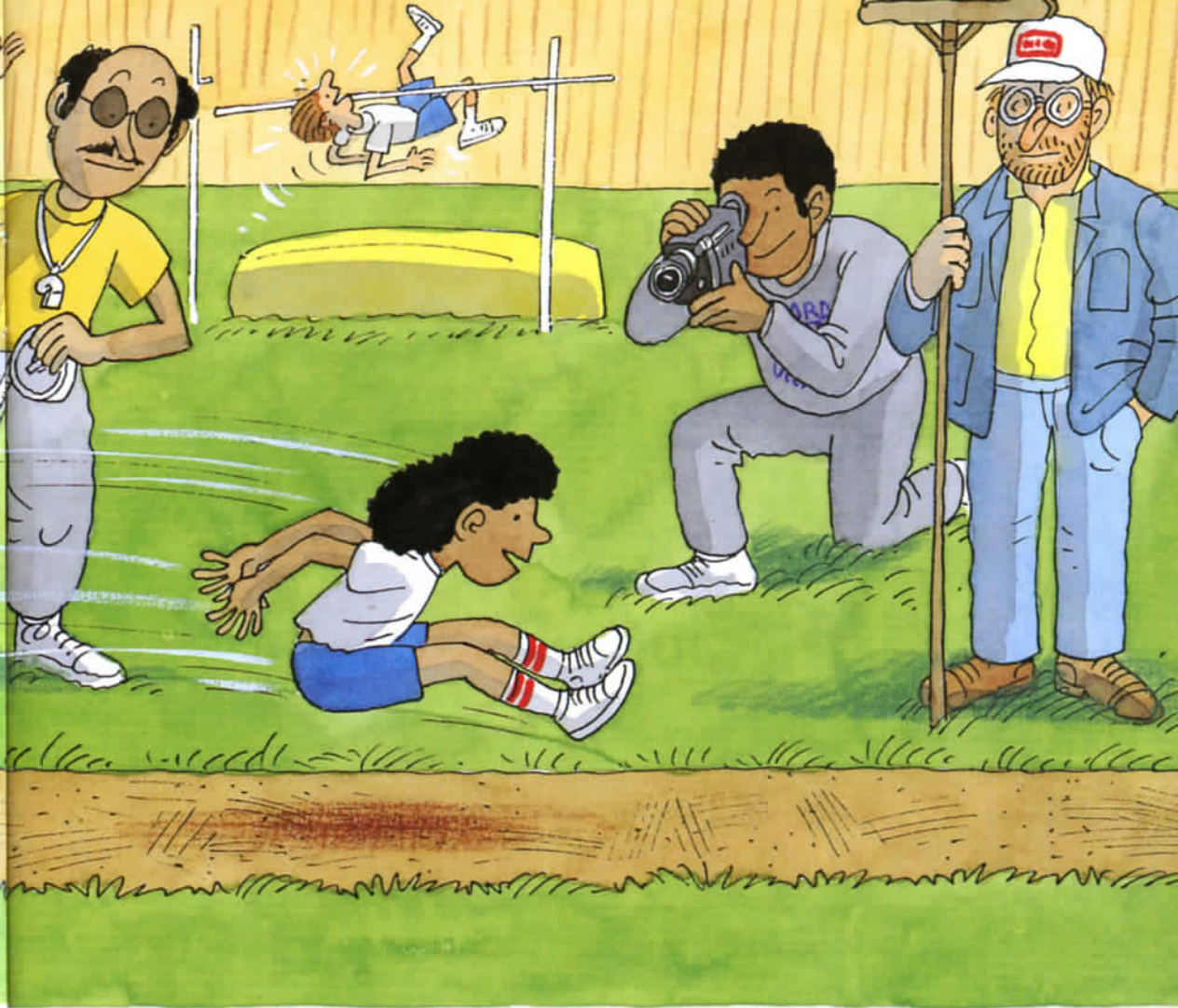
- Read the story together.
- W** Page 1, demonstrate how to work out 'sports' by using the letter sounds: 's-p-or-t-s'.
- C** Pages 4 and 5, ask, "What kind of race is this?" "Why is it called a three-legged race?"
- W** Page 12, work out 'disappointed' using the letter sounds: 'd-i-s-a-pp-oi-n-t-e-d'.
- C** Page 15, ask, "What do you think the surprise will be?"



It was sports day.



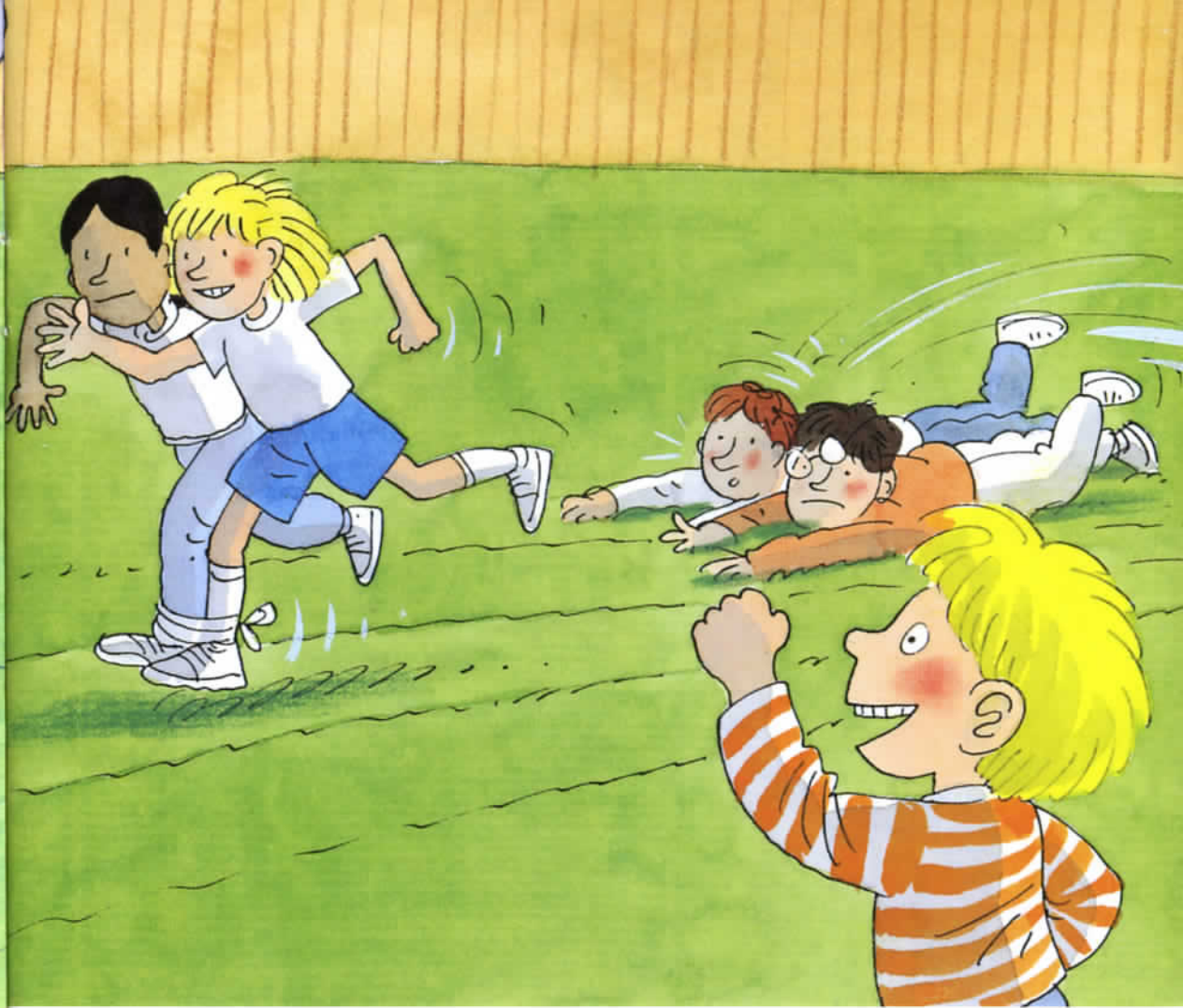
Wilma was in the long jump.



She came first.



Wilf and Chip were in a race. They came second.



“Hooray!” shouted Kipper.



Dad was in the egg and spoon race. He came third.



“Well done, Dad,” shouted Wilf.



Mum was in a race.



“Oh no!” said Wilma.



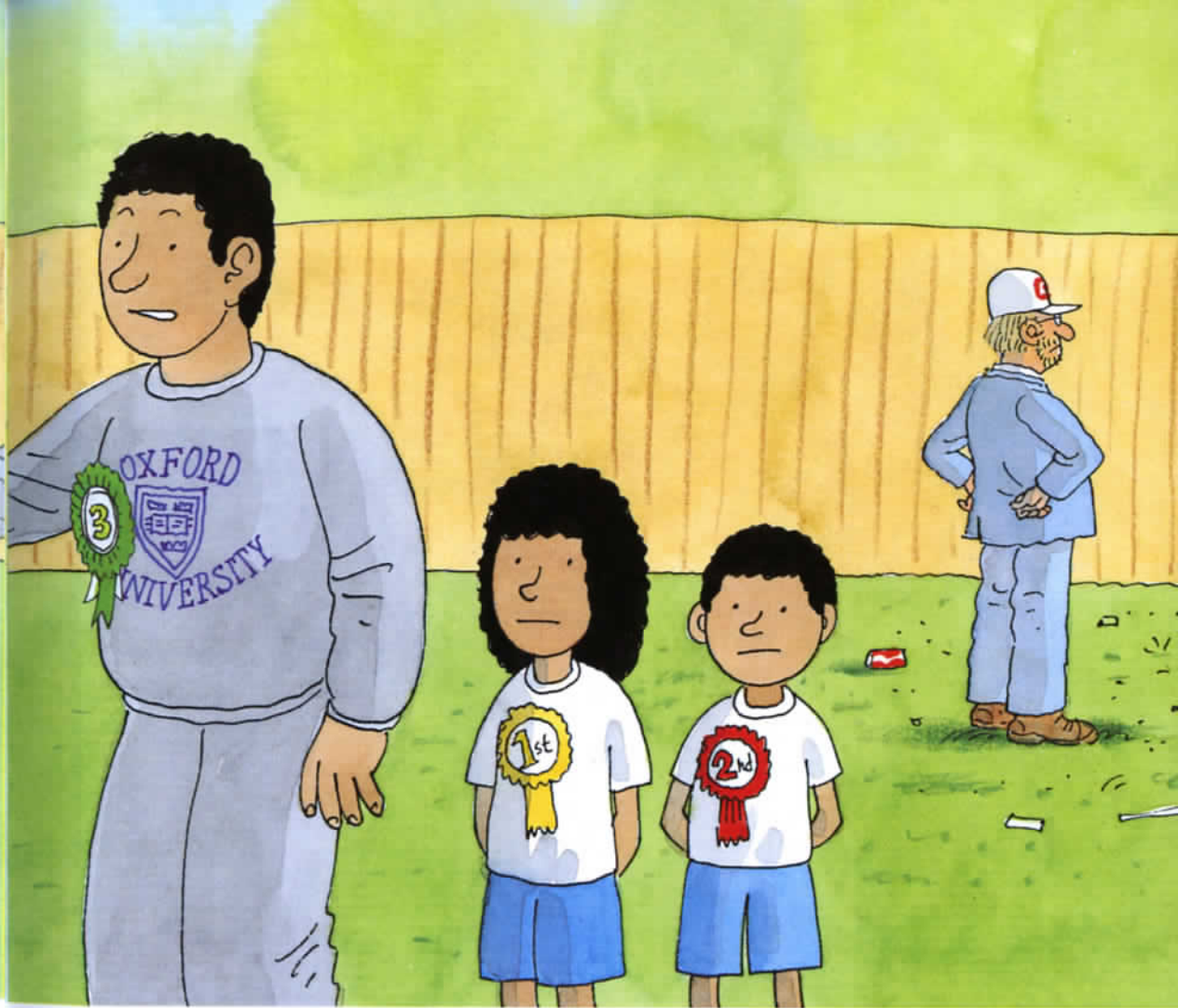
Mum came last.



“Poor old Mum,” said Wilf.



Mum was disappointed.



“What a shame!” said Dad.



Dad put a blindfold on Mum.



Wilf and Wilma had a surprise.



“Good old Mum,” said everyone.

Play a game

Spell it

To help with spelling.

- Choose a word from the story. Ask children to spell the word, then find the word in the book to check.
- Children choose any word from the story for you to spell.
- Have two or three turns each.

Other ideas

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

- Use pages 4–9. Look at the pictures to see who came first, second or third.
- Make paper rosettes and decide what they will be given for. You could have 'tidiest room', 'best helper', etc.

Poor Old Mum!

Wilma's mum runs in a race.

This story practises these words:

came first good had jump last old
put were what



Stage 4 More Stories A

Nobody Got Wet
The Weather Vane
Poor Old Mum!

The Wedding
The Camcorder
The Balloon

Available in packs

Stage 4 More Stories Pack A (one of each title) ISBN 978-0-19-846483-9

Stage 4 More Stories Class Pack A (six of each title) ISBN 978-0-19-846484-6

OXFORD
UNIVERSITY PRESS

Orders and enquiries to Customer Services:
tel. 01536 741171

For further information, phone the
Oxford Literacy Care-line: tel. 01865 353881

text © Roderick Hunt 1992
illustrations © Alex Brychta 1992
First published 1992
This edition published 2008
10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2

ISBN 978-0-19-846488-4



9 780198 464884