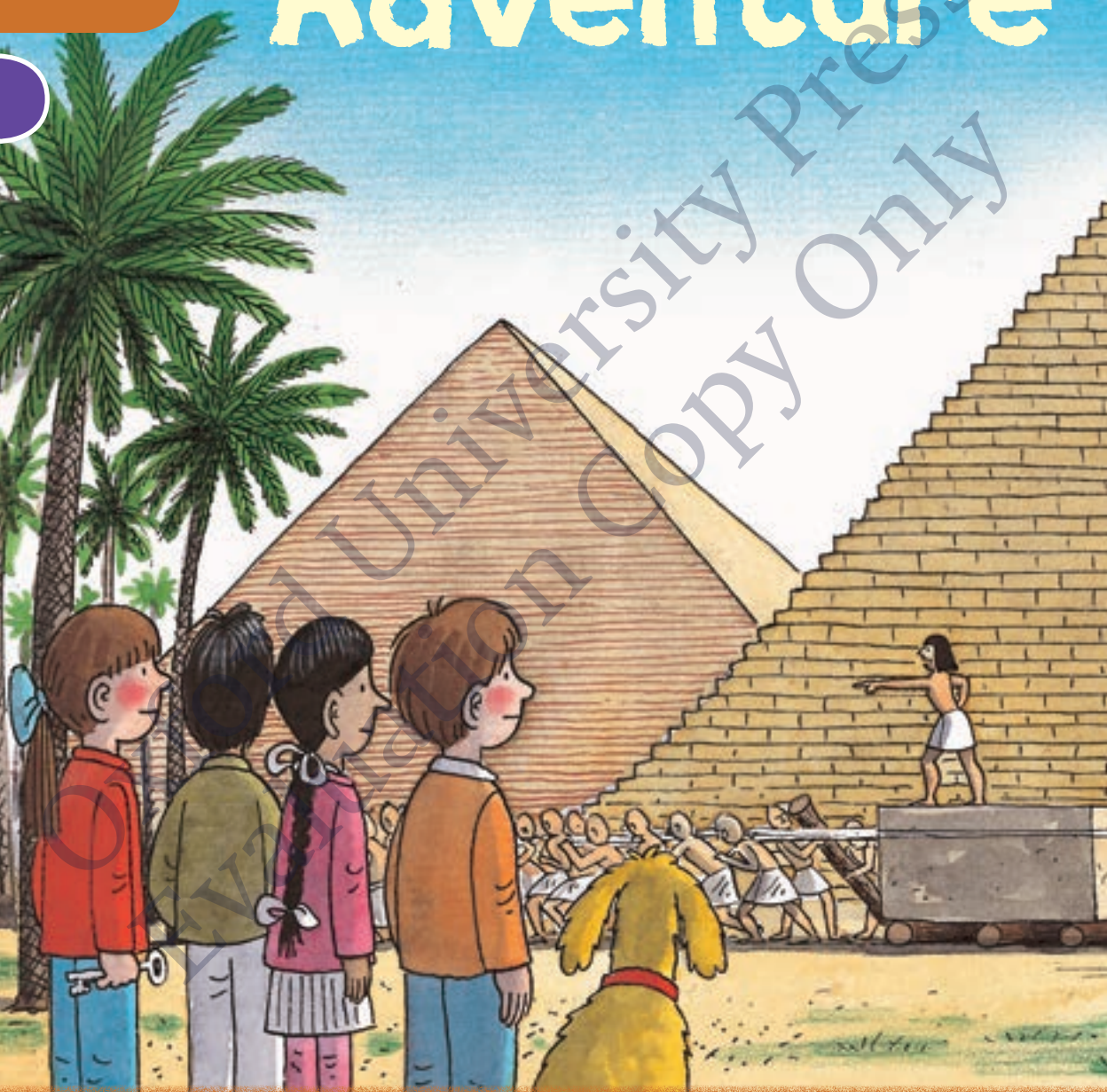


Egyptian Adventure





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BEFORE READING

Talk together

- Read the title together and look at the cover picture. Ask: *Where and when do you think the story is set?*
- Talk together about Ancient Egypt and the pyramids.
- Look through the book and talk about the pictures.

About the words in this book

- Your child will probably be able to read most of the words in this book. Encourage your child to sound out and blend any challenging words, such as those below. If necessary, model the blending or read the words for your child.

pyramid
Egyptian

climb
pharaoh

DURING READING

Enjoy the story together. If your child needs support to read the story:

- Break unfamiliar words into chunks or syllables to work them out (e.g. e–nor–mous).
- Remind your child to blend unfamiliar words from left to right.
- If a word is still too tricky, simply say the whole word for your child.
- Re-read sentences to focus on their meaning where necessary.

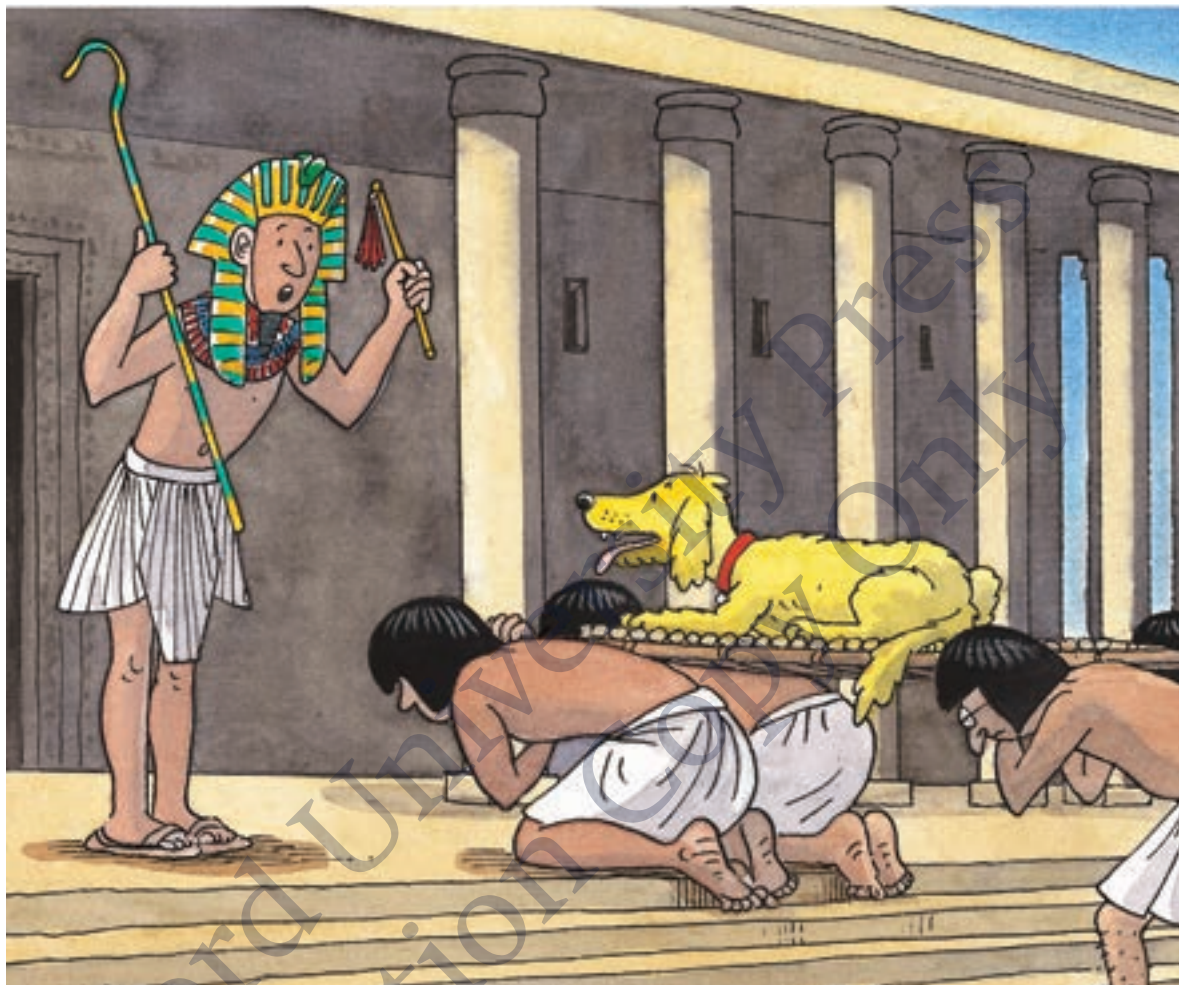


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for more ideas.



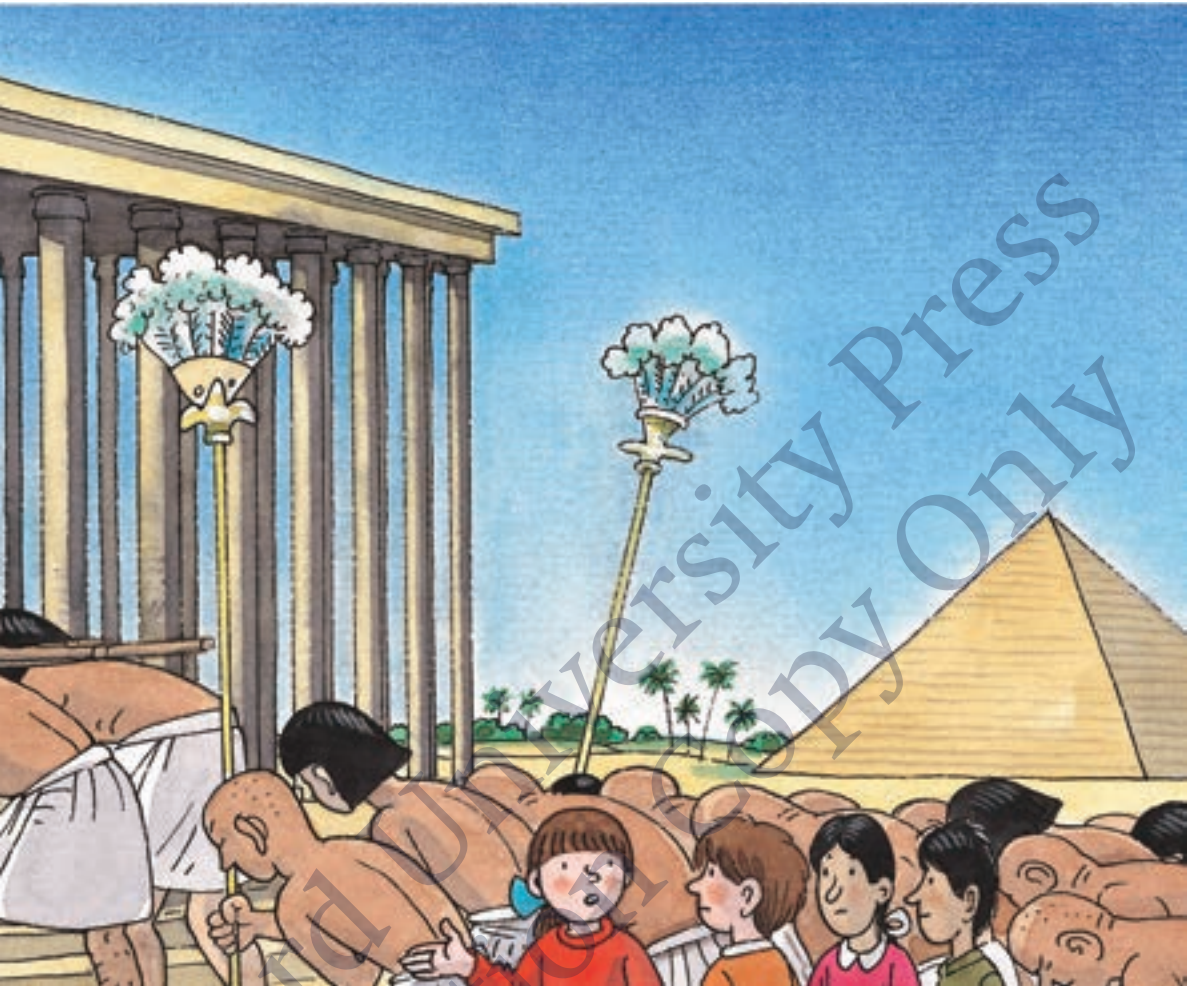
The people took Floppy away. The children followed. Floppy couldn't believe all this was happening to him.

"A magic adventure is bad enough," he thought, "and now this!"



The people took Floppy to the king's palace.
The king came out on to the steps.

"In Egypt a king is called a pharaoh,"
said Chip. "This pharaoh looks very fierce."
Everyone bowed when they saw him.



“We’d better bow down too,” said Biff.

“We don’t want to get into trouble.”

A man spoke to the pharaoh.

“Great Pharaoh!” he said. “See what we have brought.”

“The yellow dog!” gasped the pharaoh.



The pharaoh took Floppy inside the palace.
Then he clapped his hands.

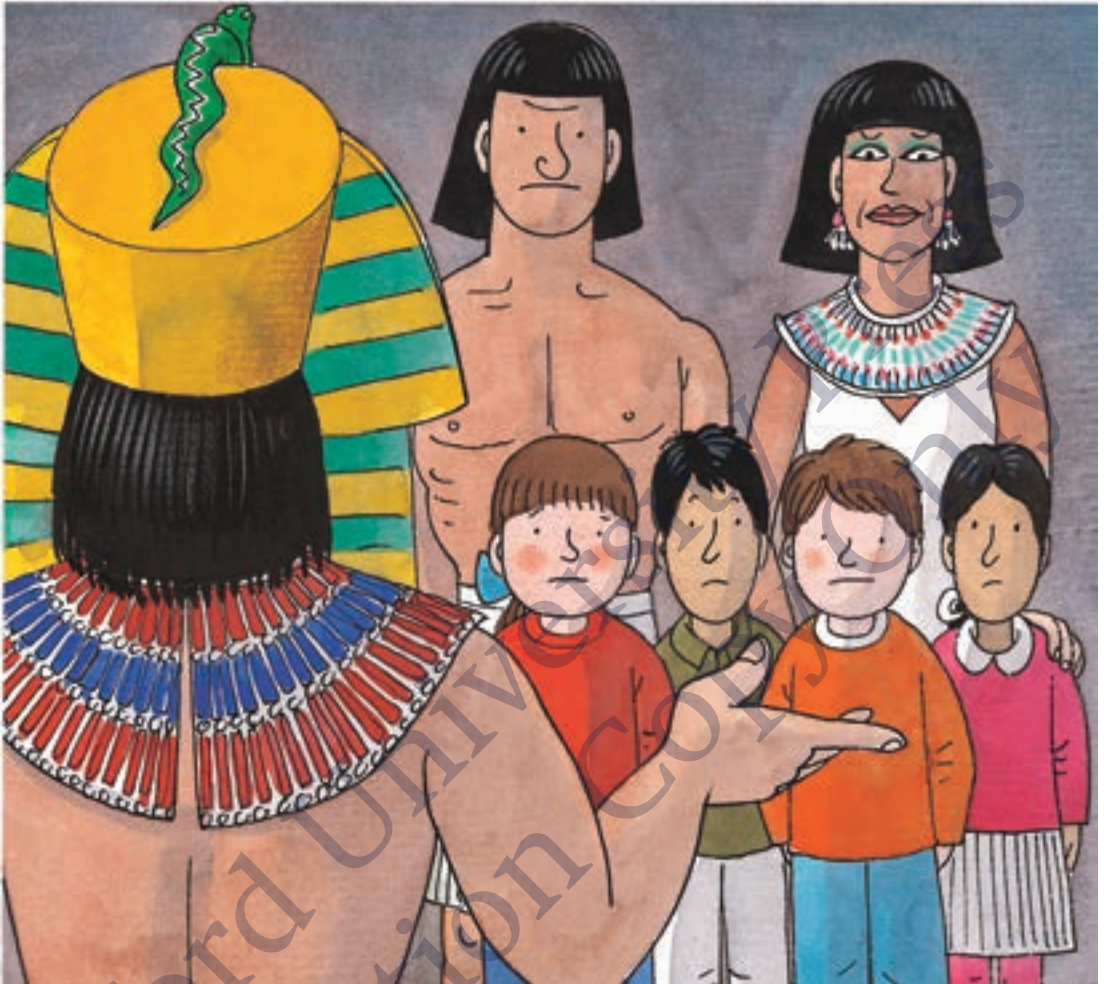
“Look after the yellow dog,” he said. “Give him whatever he wants.”

“Hmm!” thought Floppy. “I’m beginning to enjoy this adventure.”



“I just don’t get it,” said Biff. “Why are they making this fuss of Floppy?”

The pharaoh clapped his hands again. Some people ran into the palace. One of them began to paint a picture of Floppy.



Suddenly Biff sneezed. The pharaoh saw the children.

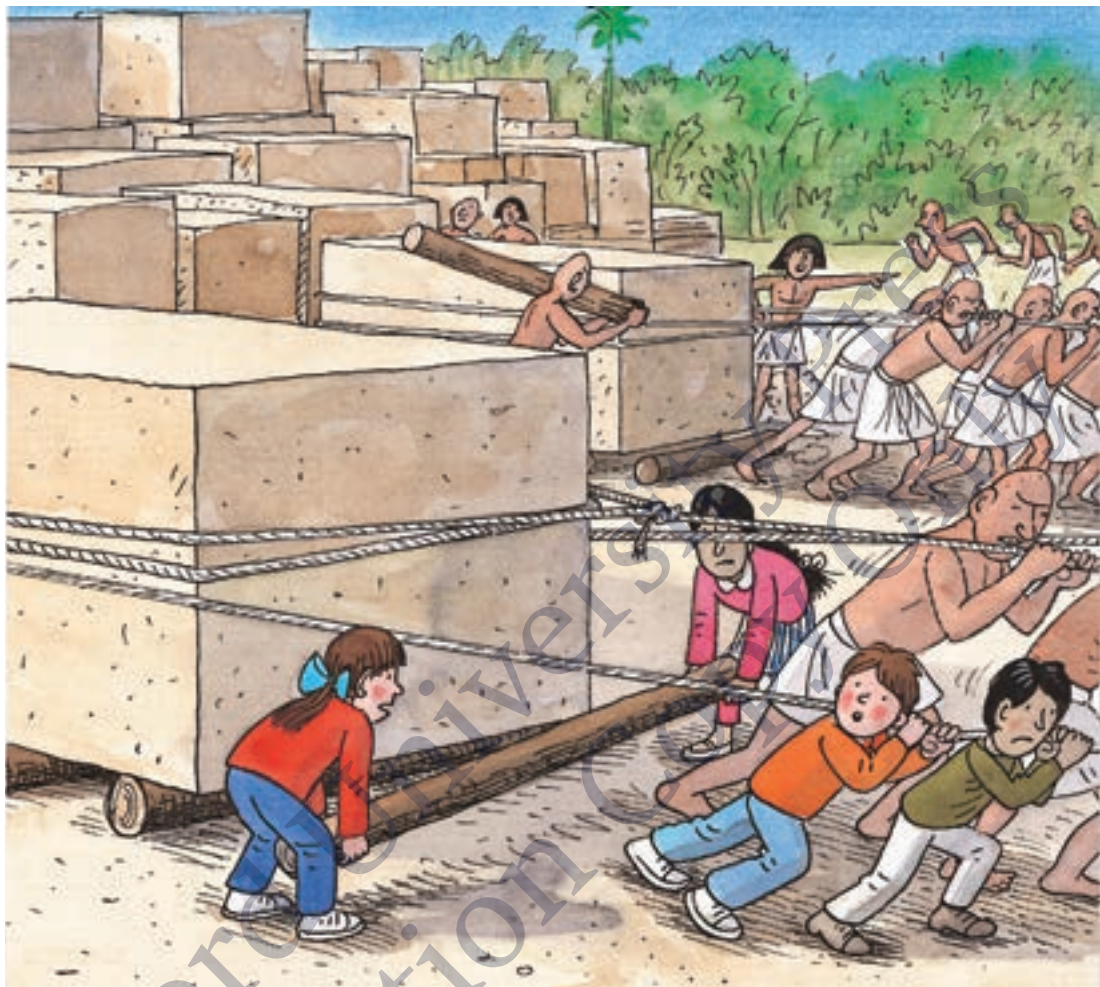
“Strangers in my palace,” he shouted. “How did they get in?”

A guard grabbed Chip and Anneena. Another one grabbed Biff and Nadim.



The guards took the children outside. They took them to one of the pyramids. The people were moving the big blocks of stone.

“You all look strong,” said a guard. “You can work here.”



The children had to help pull one of the big blocks. They had to put rollers down to slide it along.

“This is hard work,” moaned Biff. “These rollers are heavy.”



It was time for a rest. The children had to drink from a skin bag.

“Ugh!” said Chip. “This water is warm and it tastes funny too. I’d rather have an ice-cold can.”



The Egyptians were carving a giant stone block. The children had to pick up all the chips of stone that fell off.

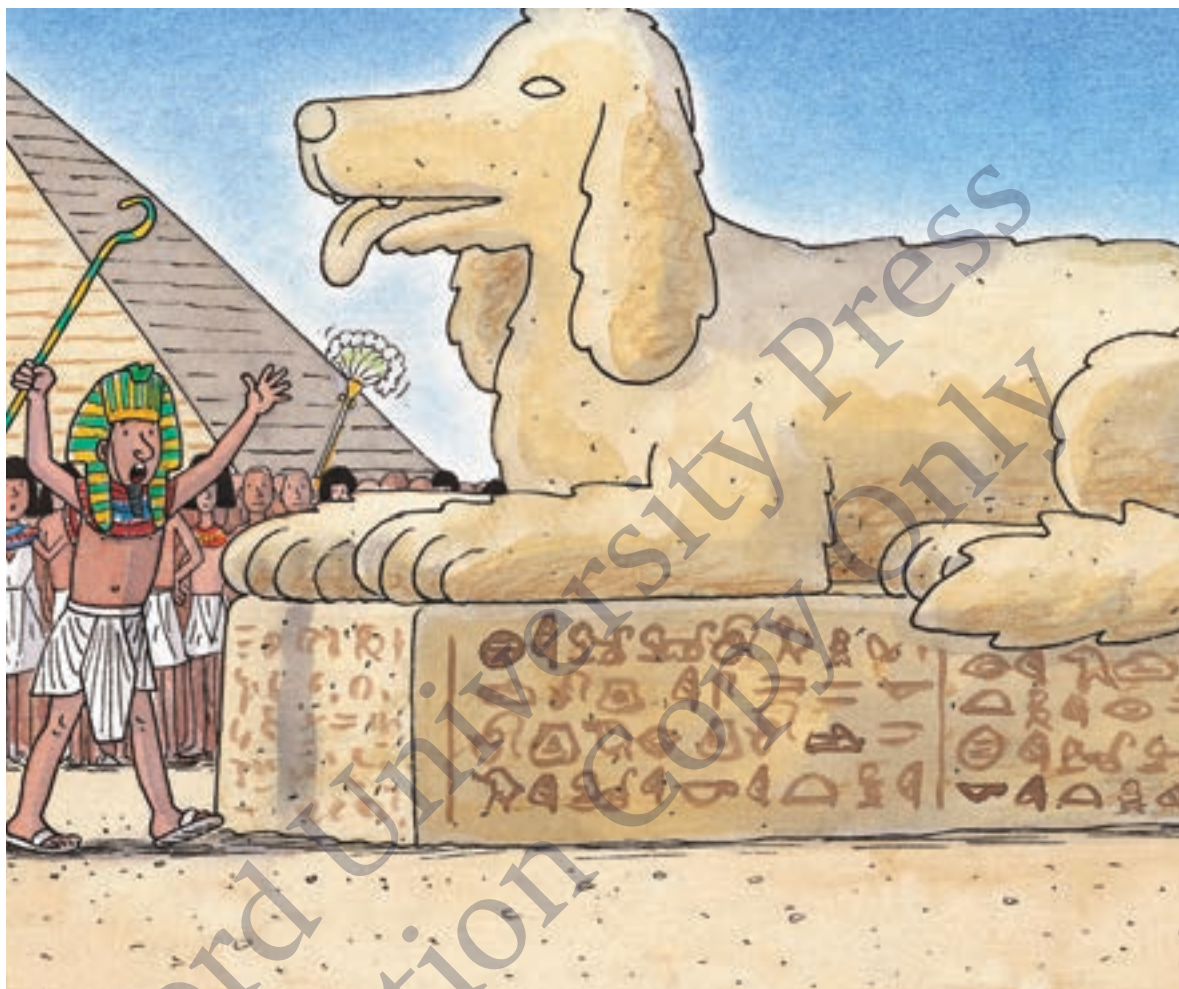
“This is hard work, too,” said Nadim.
“It’s no fun being an Egyptian slave.”



Anneena looked at the carving.

“I wonder if they are making a sphinx?” she said. “A sphinx has the body of a lion but that doesn’t look like a lion’s tail.”

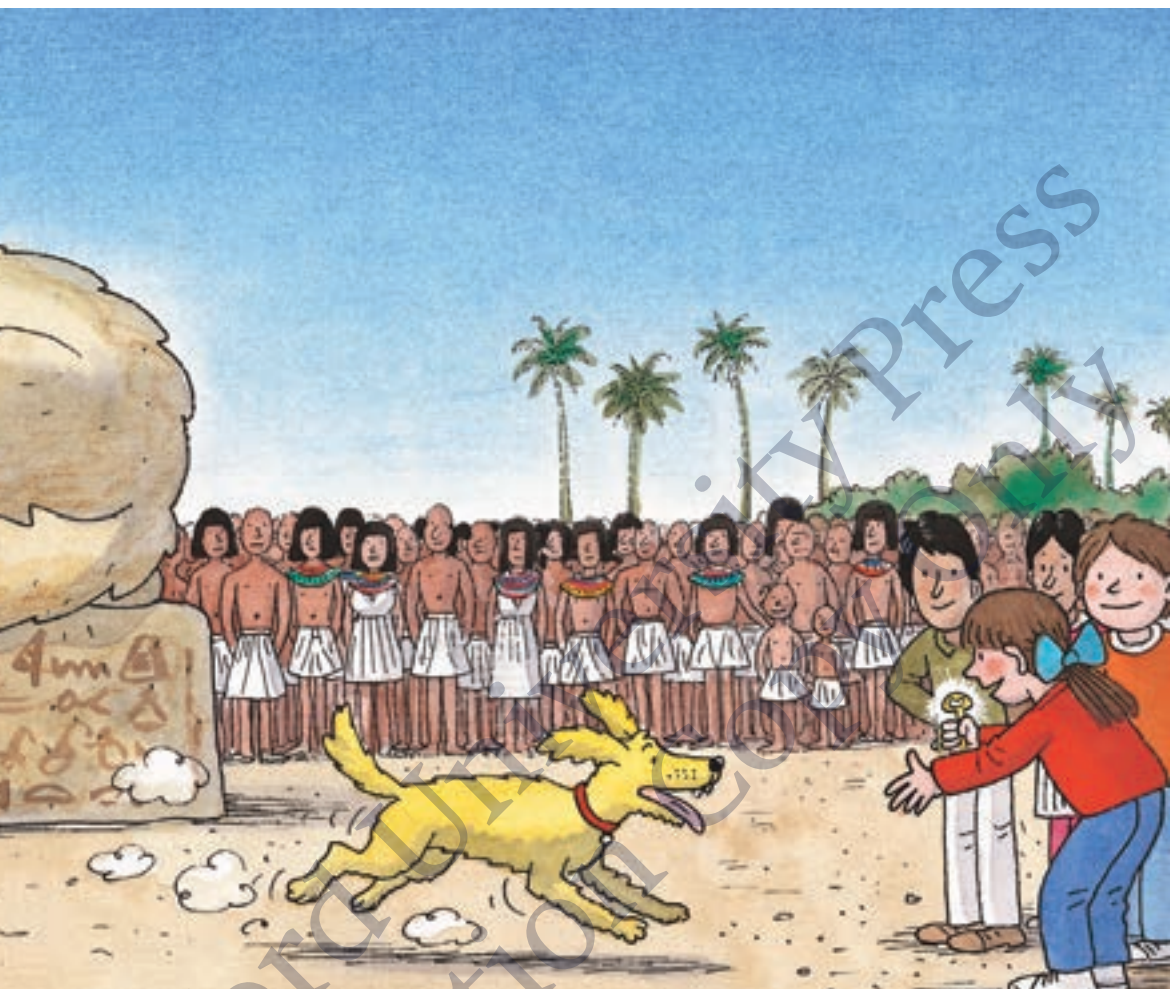
“Hmm! That tail looks familiar,” said Biff.



The carving was finished.

“I said it looked familiar,” gasped Biff. “It isn’t a sphinx at all – it’s Floppy.”

At that moment the pharaoh came to see the carving. Some Egyptians carried Floppy.



Suddenly the magic key began to glow. Floppy jumped down and ran over to the children.

“Come back, yellow dog,” called the pharaoh.

“I’m glad it’s time to go,” thought Floppy. “It was all getting too much of a good thing.”



“What an adventure,” said Nadim. “I didn’t like being an Egyptian slave.”

Anneena picked up the model sphinx.

“A sphinx has a lion’s body and a man’s head,” she said. “But this does look a bit like Floppy.”

AFTER READING

- Turn to page 22. Ask: *Why is Floppy given everything he wants?* (the Ancient Egyptians think he is a god)
- Look at pages 30 and 31. Ask: *Why did the Ancient Egyptians make a carving of Floppy?* (they often made statues of gods and worshipped them)
- Turn to page 32. Ask: *Which character do you think enjoyed the adventure the most? Why?*

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