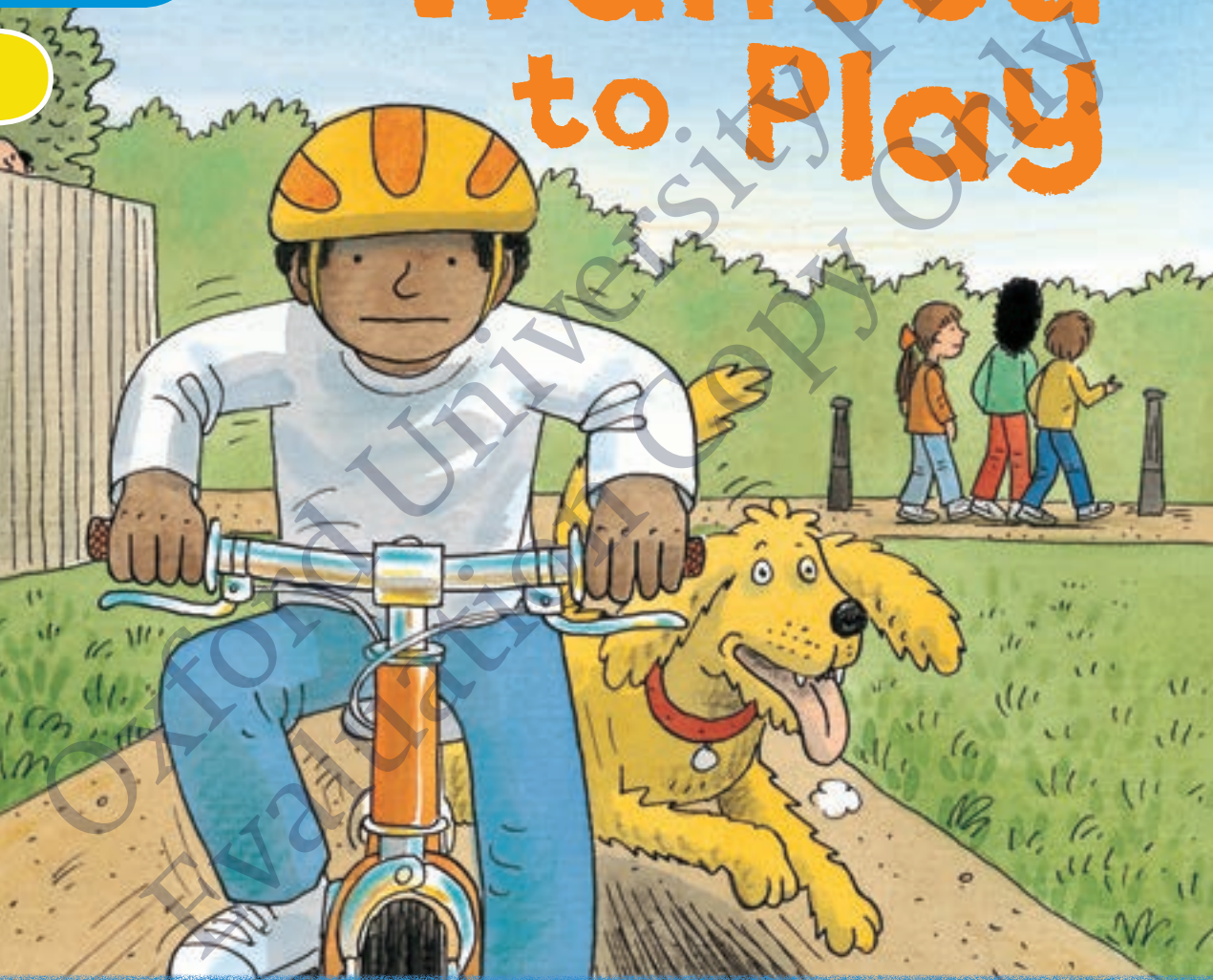


Nobody Wanted to Play





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BEFORE READING

Talk together

- Look at the cover and read the title.
- Ask your child what they like to do when nobody wants to play with them.
- Look through the book and talk about the pictures.

About the words in this book

- Your child should be able to sound out and blend some words, which may include:

park on am his up

- Some words may be more challenging. Encourage or model blending, then read the words below to your child if necessary.

he was played spaceman

spiderman stuntman

juggler cowboy

bicycle fireman



DURING READING

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

- Ask your child to point from left to right under each word whilst reading.
- Model how to sound out and blend new words if necessary.
- If a word is still too tricky, simply say the whole word for your child.
- Use the pictures to talk about the story and learn the meaning of new words.



See the inside back cover
for more ideas.



Wilf was cross.



Nobody wanted to play.



He went to the park.



Wilf played on the rocket.



“I am a spaceman,” he said.



He played on the see-saw.



“I am a juggler,” he said.



He played on the horse.



“I am a cowboy,” he said.



He played on his bicycle.



“I am a stuntman,” he said.



He climbed up the ladder.



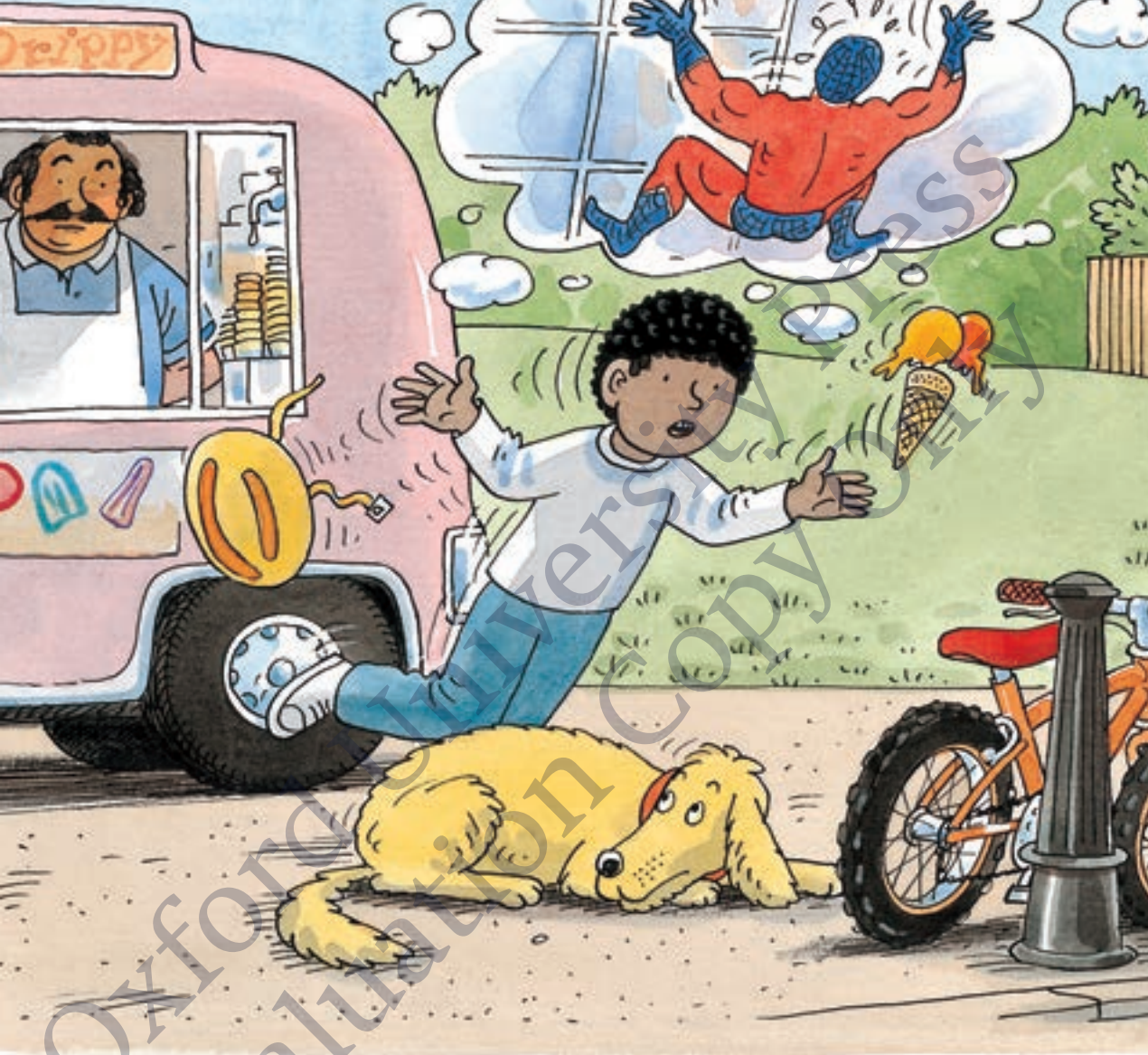
“I am a fireman,” he said.



He climbed on the wall.



“I am a spiderman,” he said.



Whoops!

AFTER READING

- Look at Wilf on page 1. Ask: *What do you think Wilf is saying?*
- Ask: *How did Wilf feel when he played on his own?*
- Talk about times when it is fun to play on your own and when it is fun to play with friends.

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Wilf is upset and
plays on his own.



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