

Series created by Roderick Hunt and Alex Brychta



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BEFORE READING Talk together

- Look at the front cover and read the title together. Ask: What are the children pointing at?
- Ask: What do you think will happen in this story?
- 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:
 set but back hot ran hut not get lots big of it Mum Dad
- Some words may be more challenging.
 Encourage or model blending, then read the words below to your child if necessary.

they was barbecue smoke firefighters engine said out came

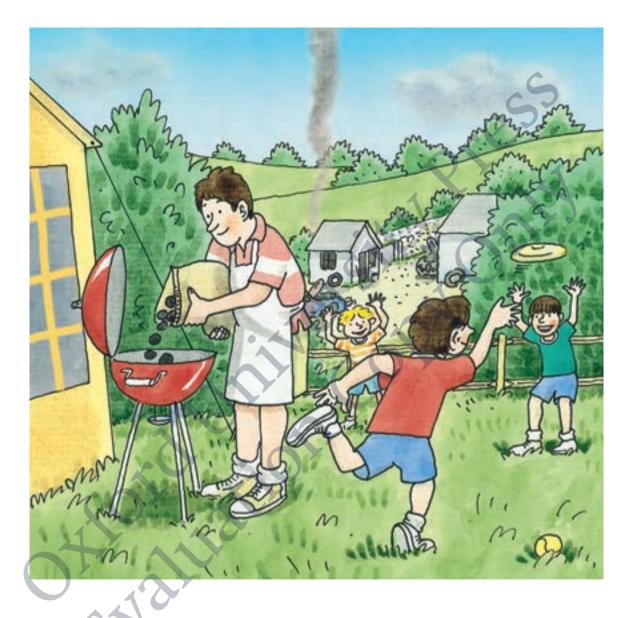


Enjoy the story together. If your child needs support to read the words:

- 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.

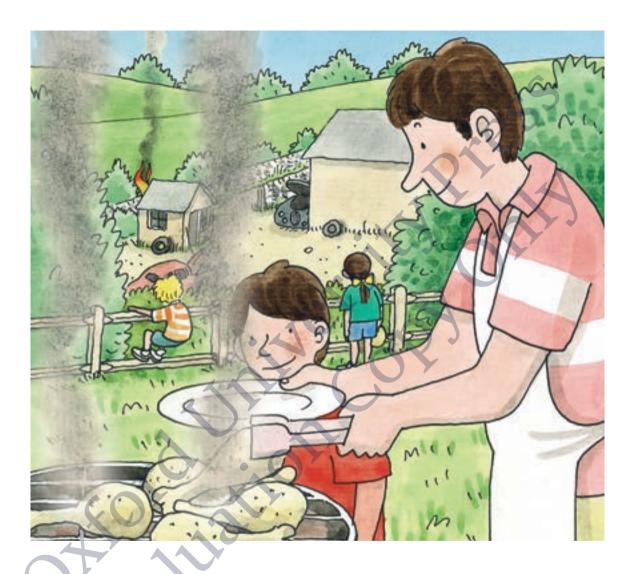


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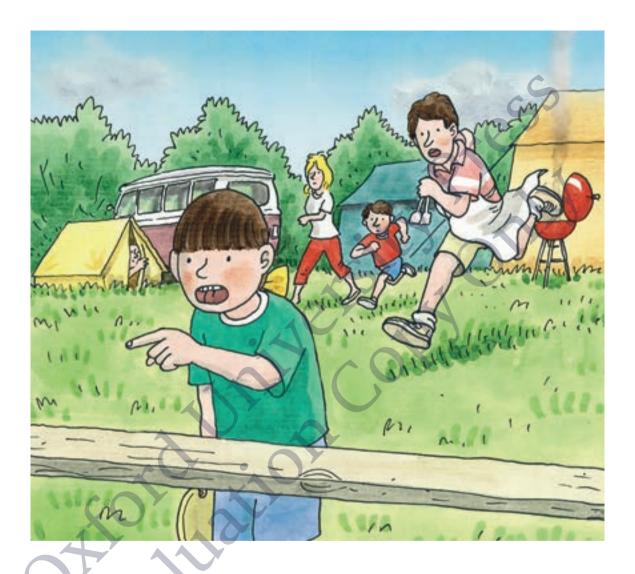


Dad set up the barbecue.

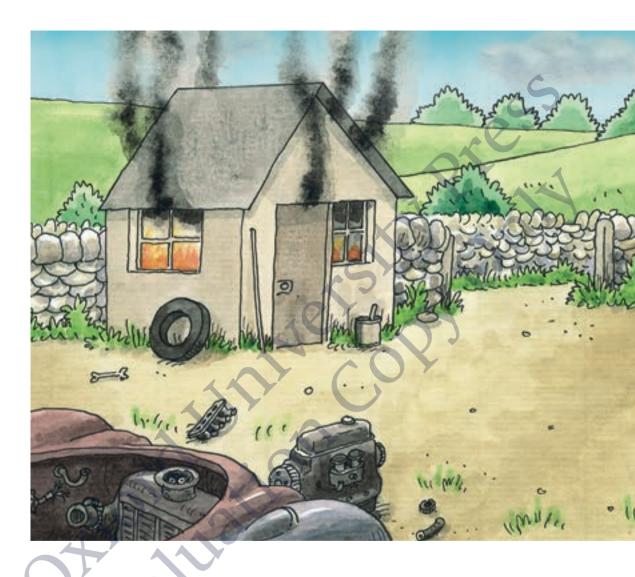
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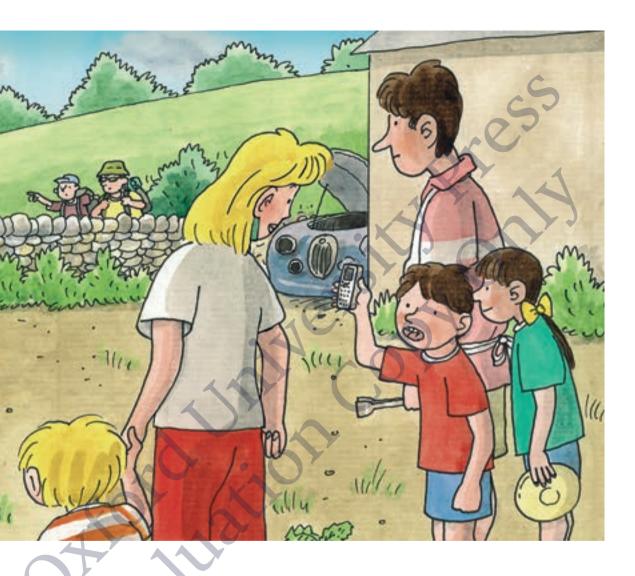
"Lots of smoke," said Chip.



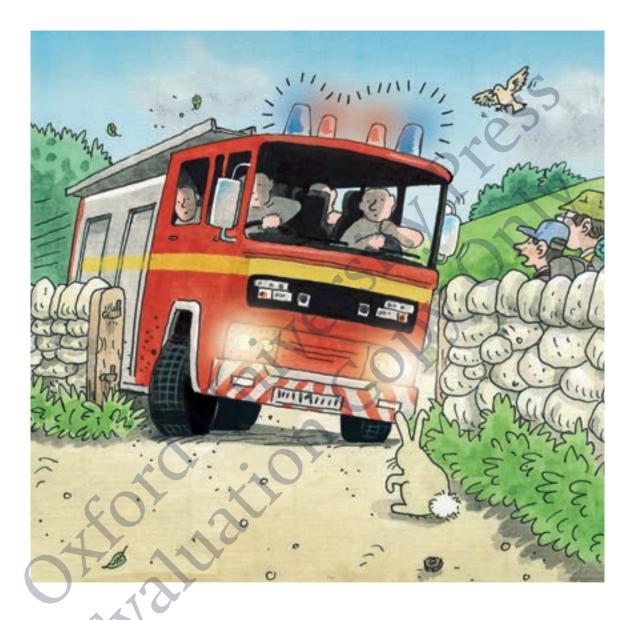
"But not barbecue smoke!" said Biff.



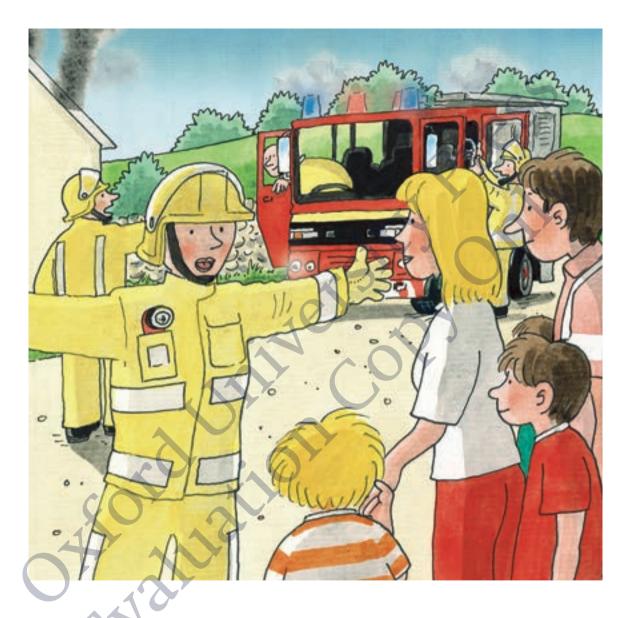
It was a hut on fire!



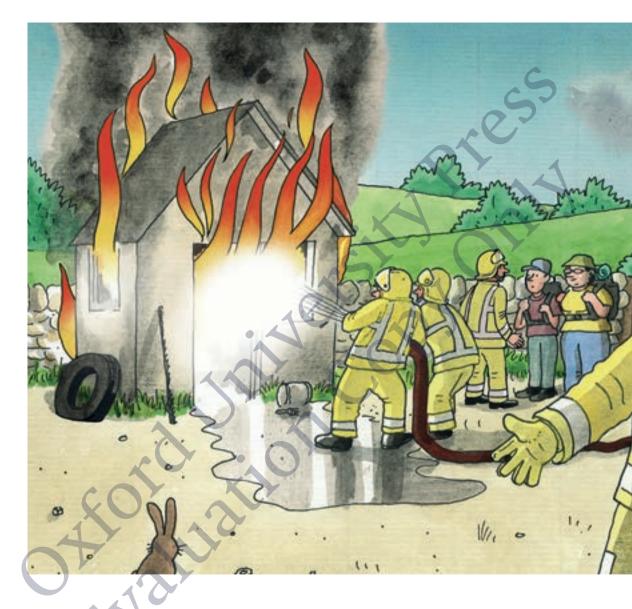
"Get the firefighters," said Chip.



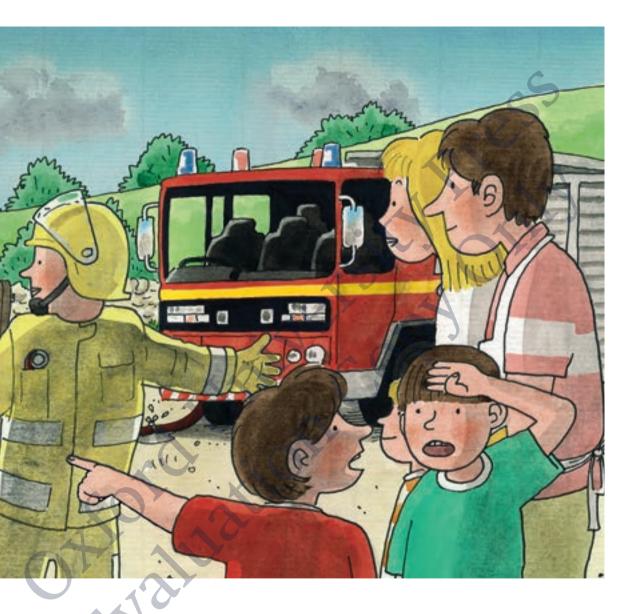
The fire engine came.



"Get back," said the firefighter.



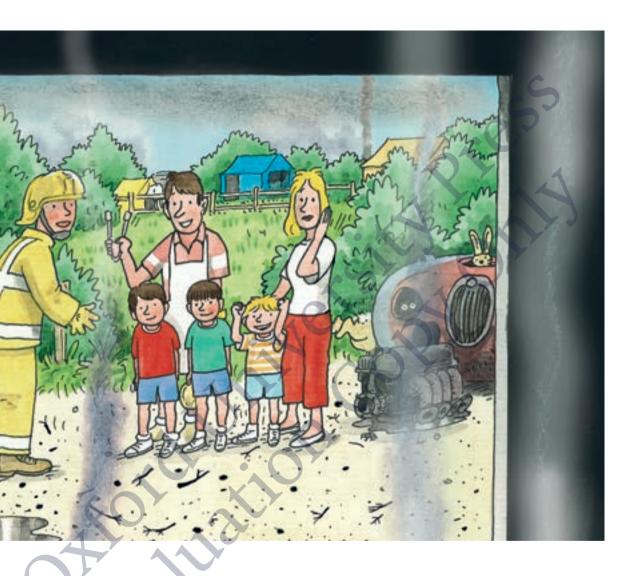
"It's hot," said Biff.



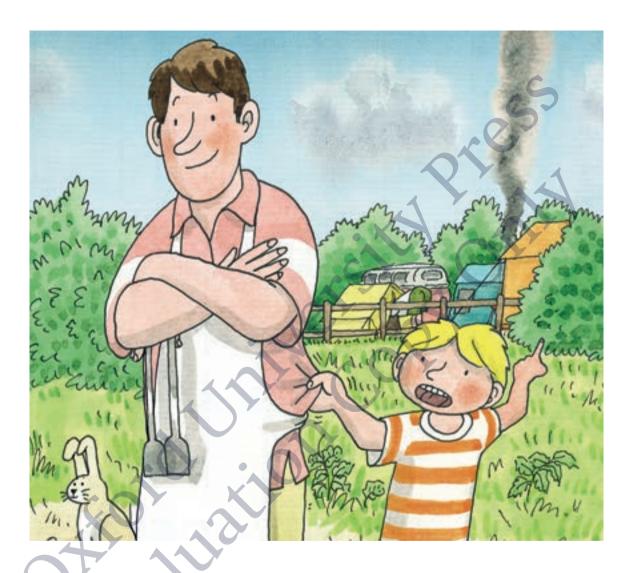
"It's a big fire," said Chip.



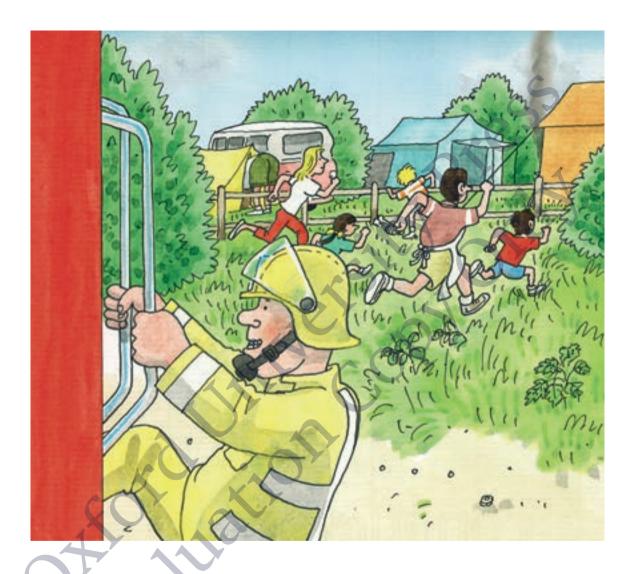
The firefighters put the fire out.



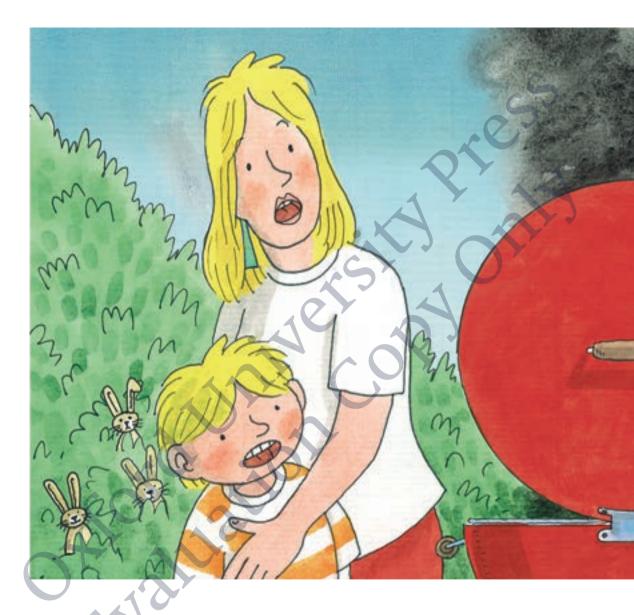
"Lots of smoke," said Mum.



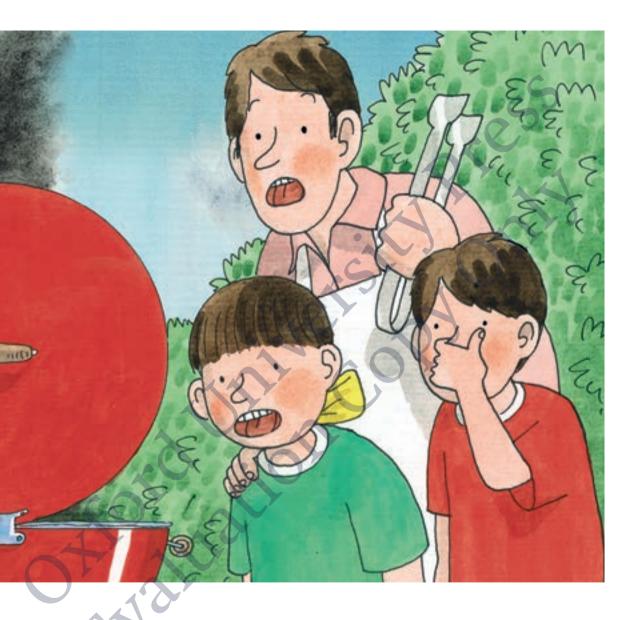
"Lots of barbecue smoke!" said Kipper.



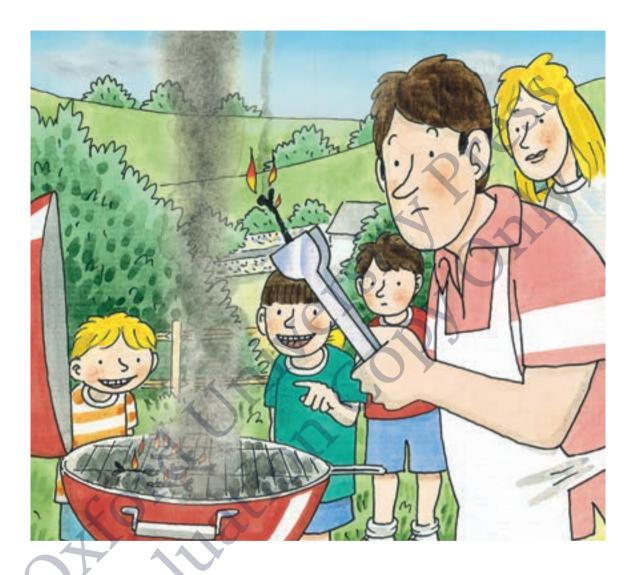
They ran back.



"Oh no," said Mum.



"The barbecue!" said Dad.



"Get the firefighters!" said Biff.

AFTER READING

- Look at pages 6–7. Ask: What does the firefighter tell the family to do? Why?
- At the end, ask: Will they really need firefighters for the barbecue?
- Ask: Which part of the story did you think was the most exciting?

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