

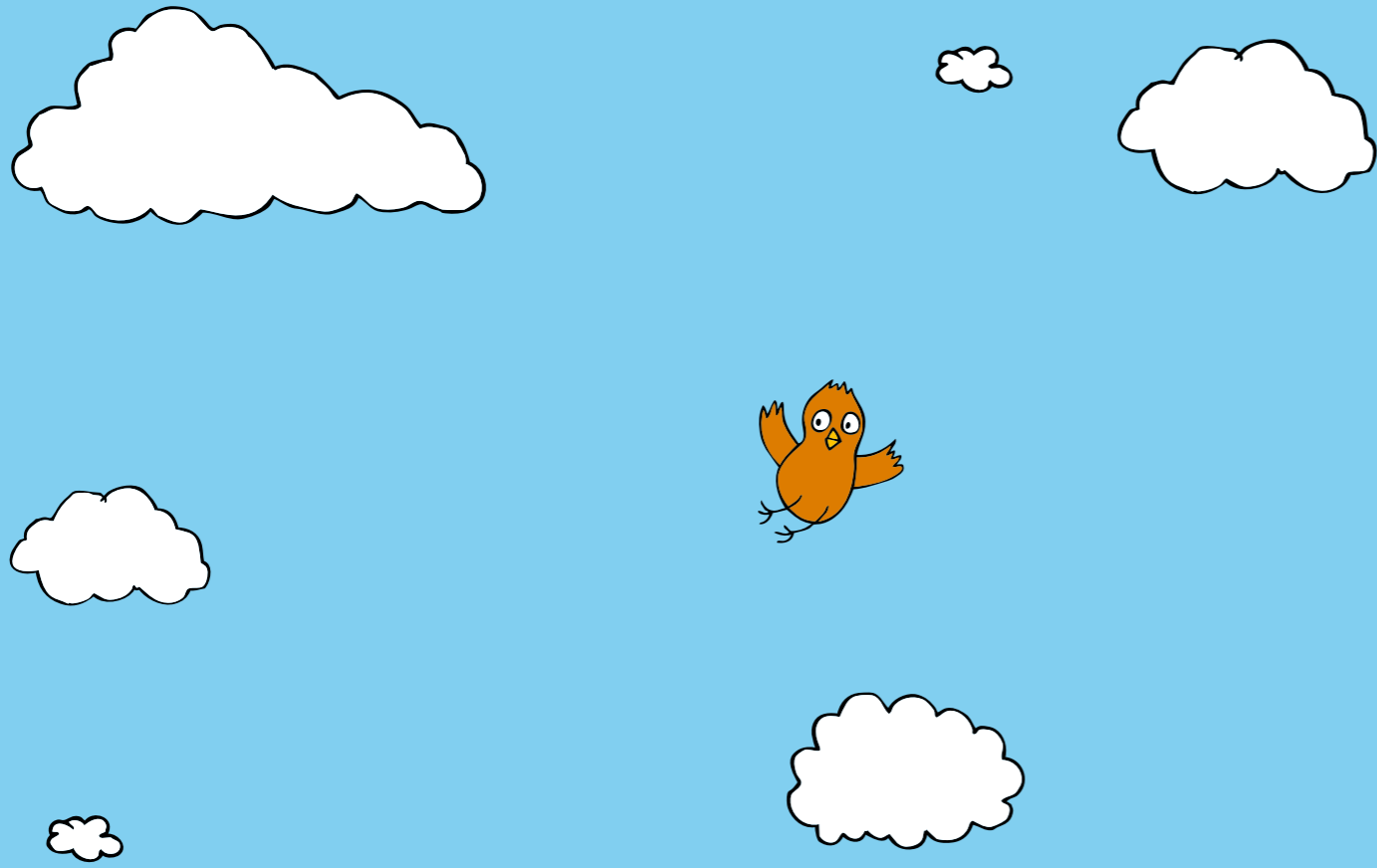
# Charlie Goes to a Party



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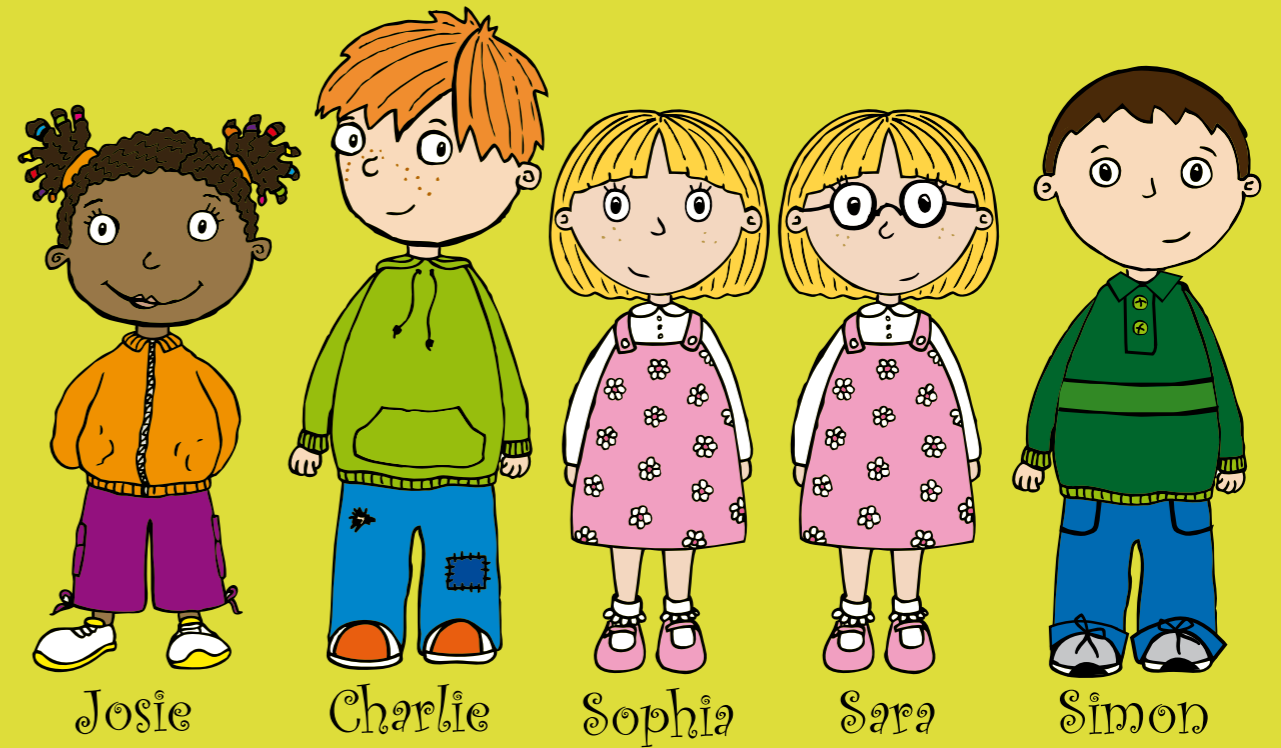


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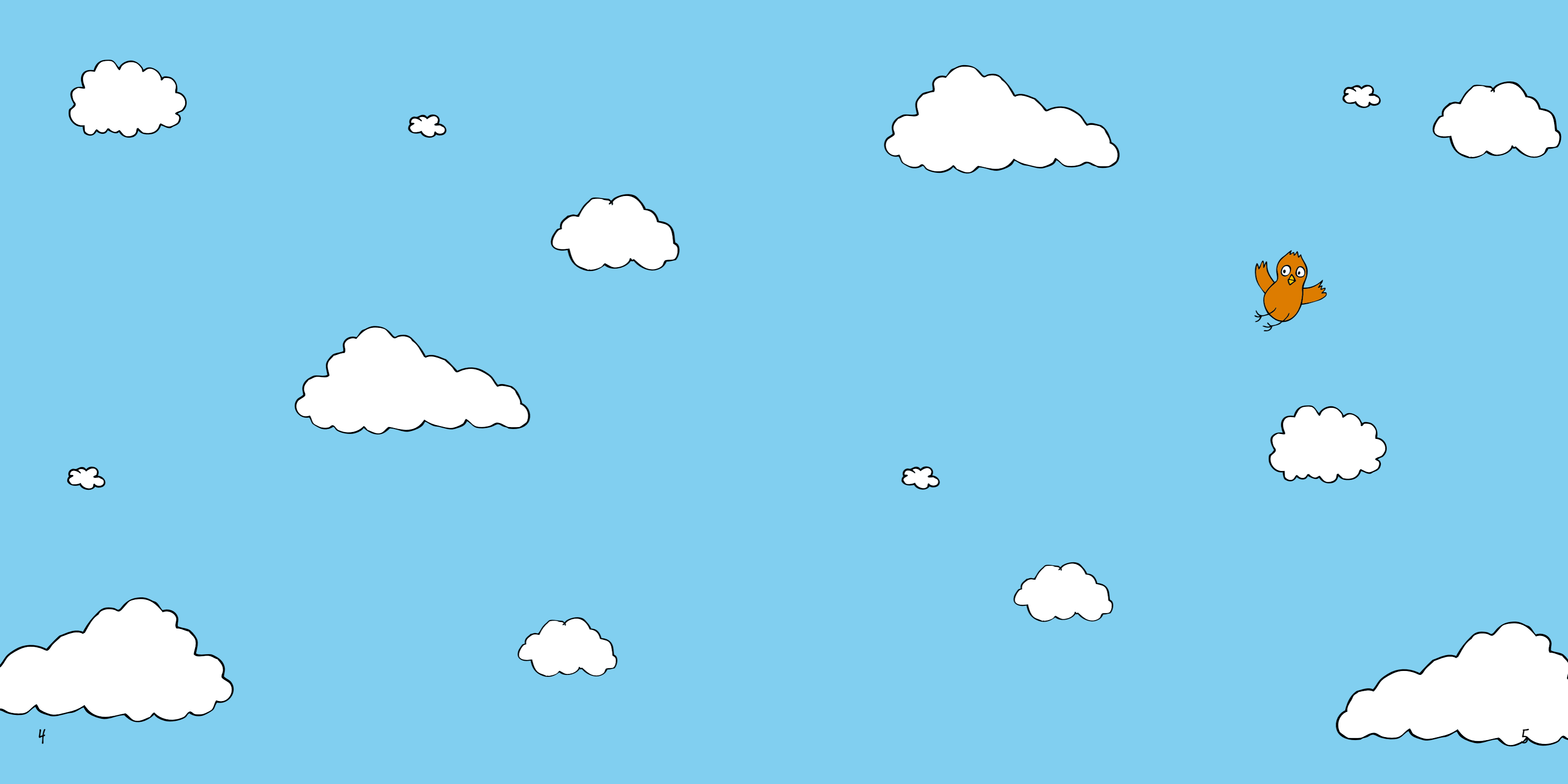
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# Simon and Friends

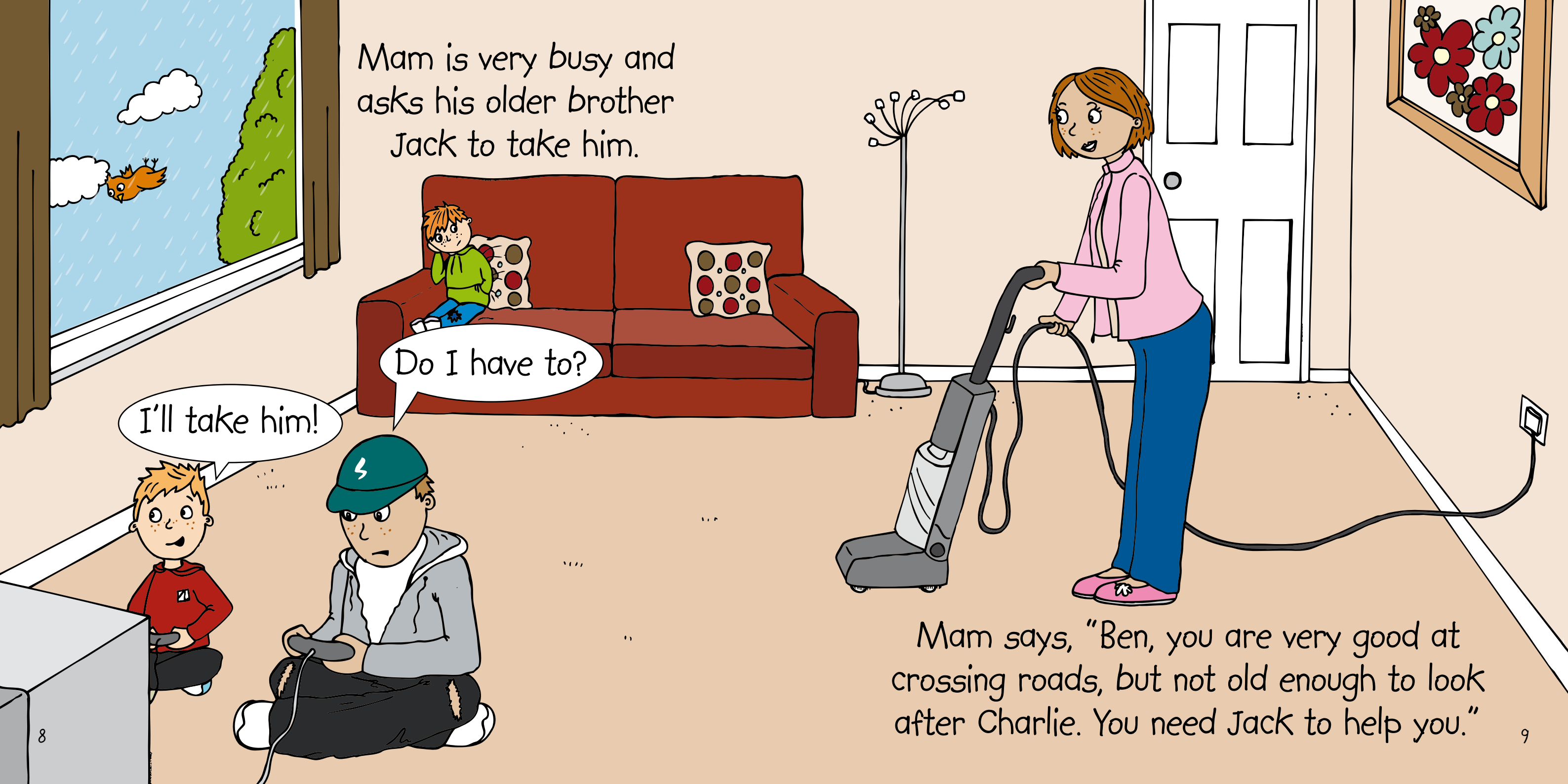


**Books in the series**  
Simon's Surprise  
Josie's Picnic  
Charlie Goes to a Party  
Sara & Sophia's Trip to the Farm





Charlie is bored. He is waiting to go to Sophia and Sara's party.

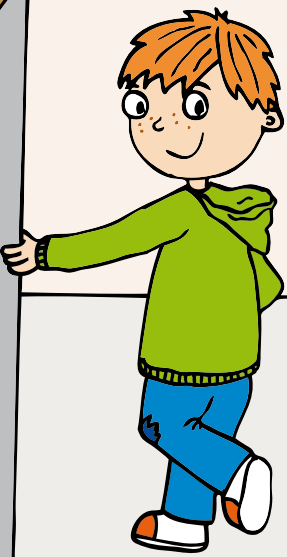


Mam is very busy and asks his older brother Jack to take him.


Do I have to?

I'll take him!

Mam says, "Ben, you are very good at crossing roads, but not old enough to look after Charlie. You need Jack to help you."



Charlie is excited.  
He quickly puts on  
his shoes and runs  
out of the door.



Ben shouts,  
"STOP! You  
have to hold  
Jack's hand."



Jack says, "It is  
wet out and we  
need to make sure you are  
safe and seen! You have to put on your  
high visibility vest Charlie!"

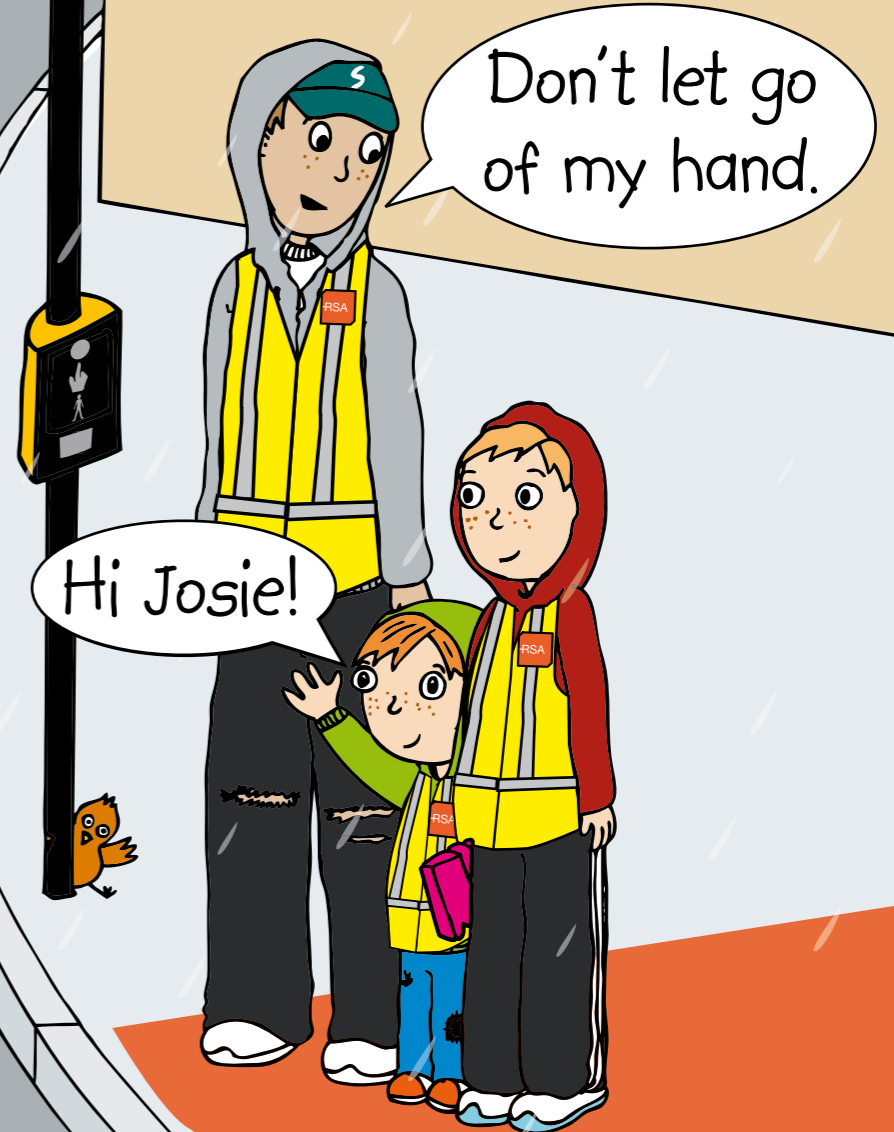




As they walk, they come to a pedestrian crossing where Charlie sees his friend Josie on the other side of the road.



Charlie lets go of Jack's hand and waves at her.





Ben adds, "Mam says we must take our hoods down so that we can see if any cars are coming."

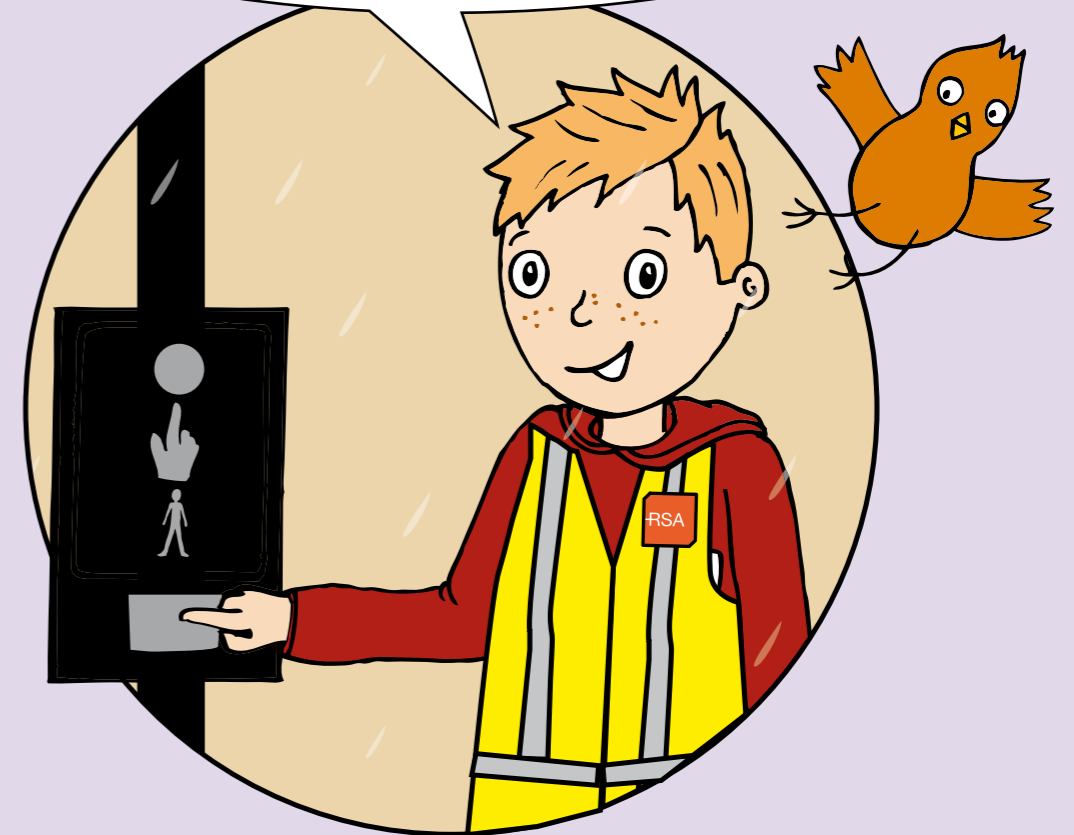
Beep  
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Ben shows Charlie what to do at the pedestrian crossing.

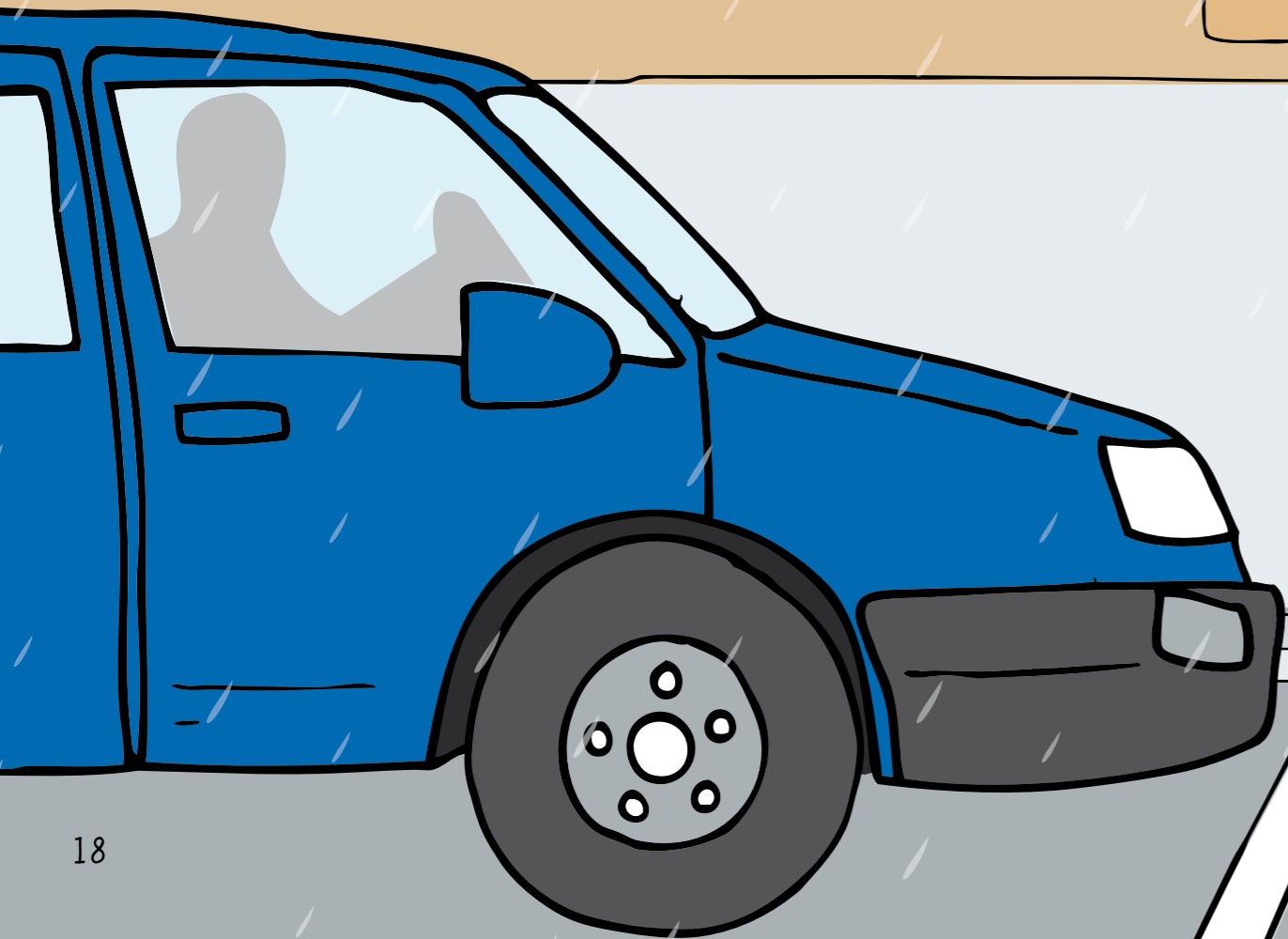
The button beeps when it is safe to cross.

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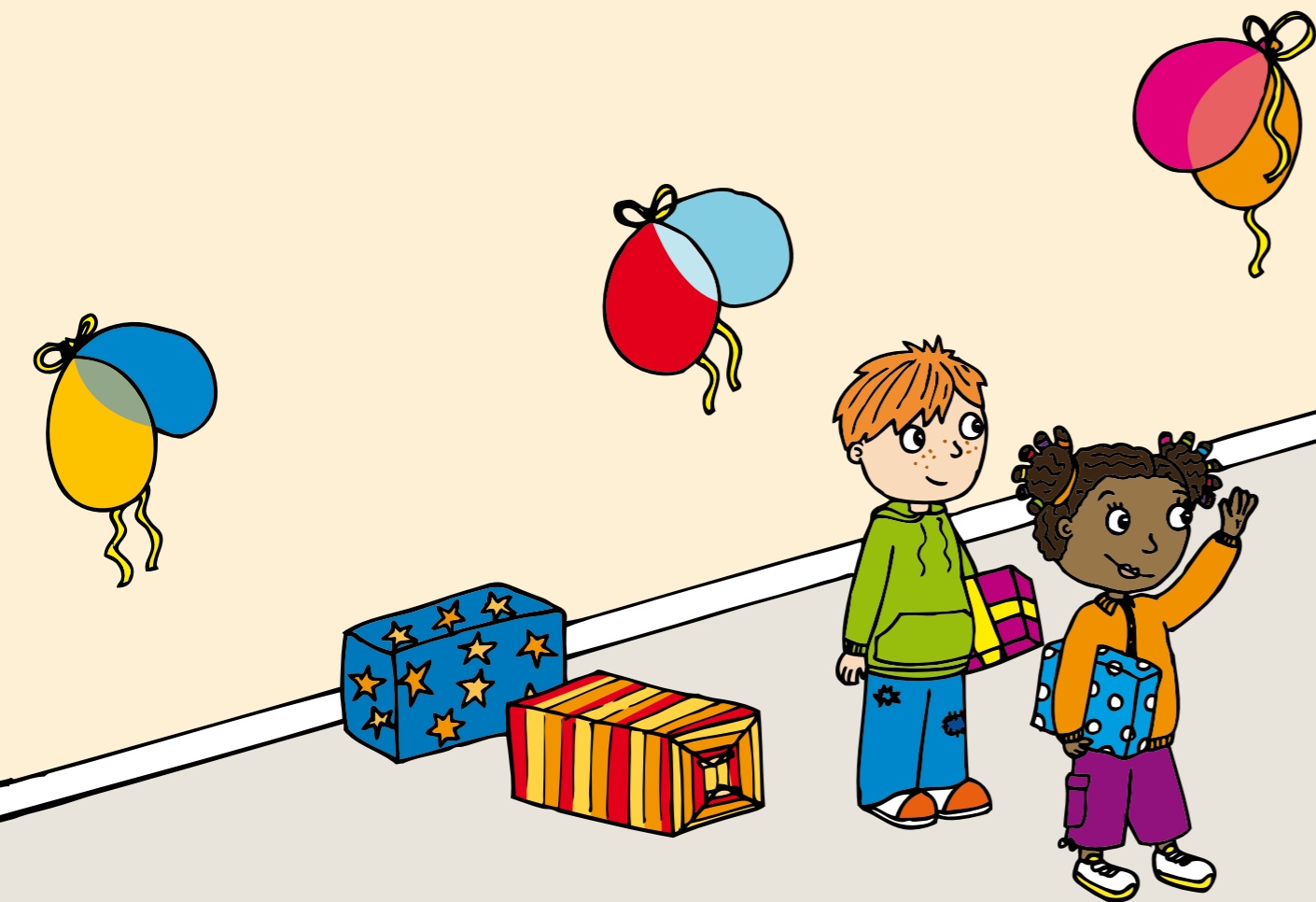


They all cross the road safely and join Josie and her mam. They come to another pedestrian crossing and Charlie shows Josie what to do.

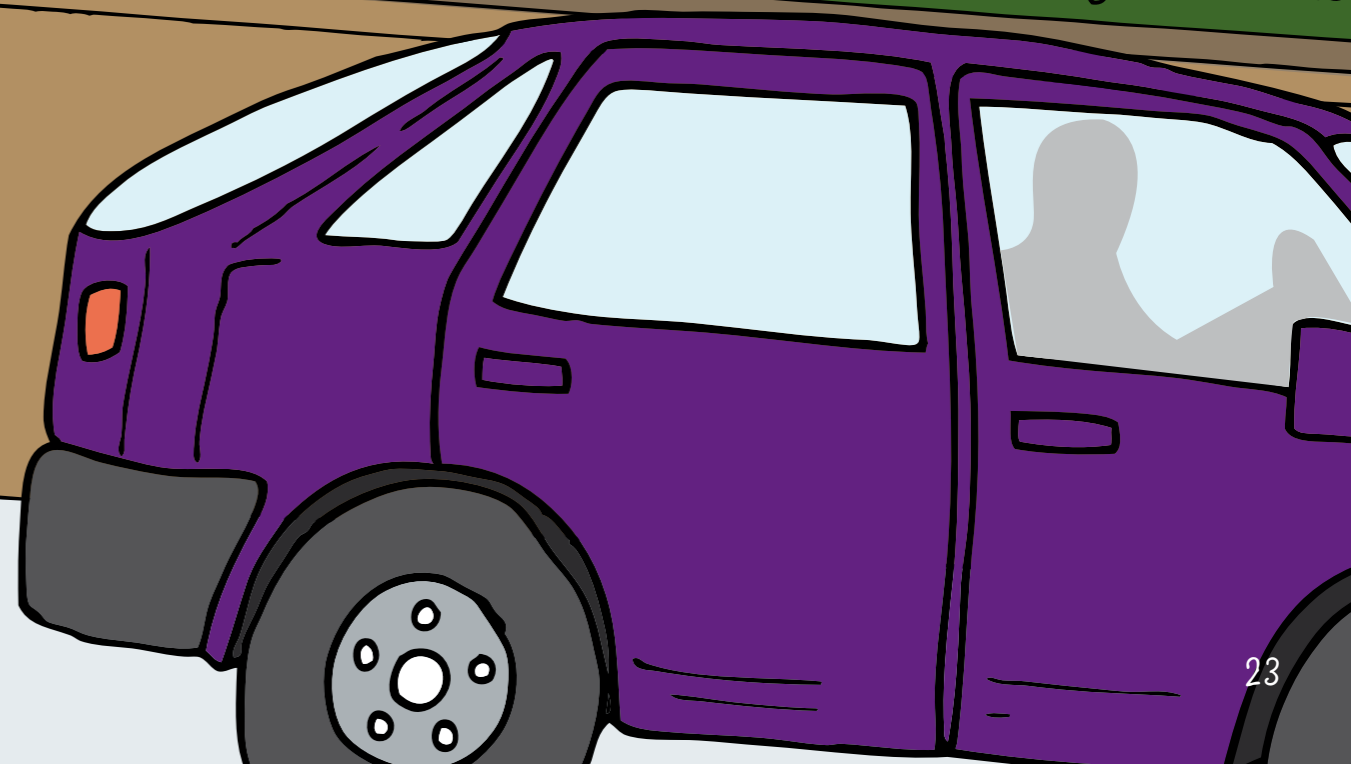
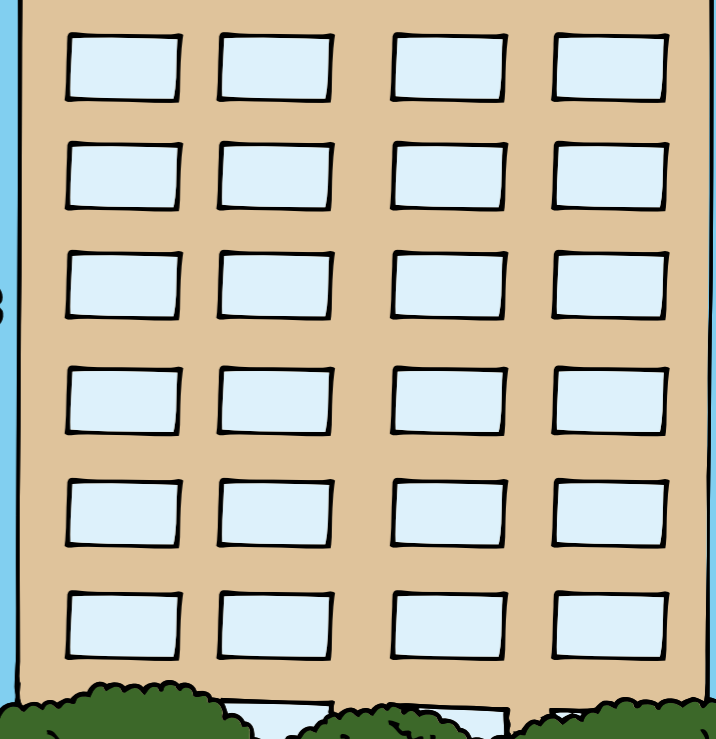
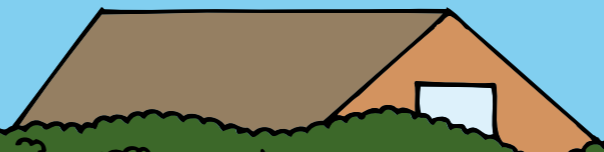


They push the button and wait for the green man to show.

At the party, Charlie and Josie go off to find their friends. Jack and Ben leave Charlie to have fun.



On the way back home, Jack says,  
"Well done Ben, we make a good team.  
When you are old enough you'll be able  
to take Charlie on your own."





Ben and Jack say, "It's important to always set a good example."



## Charlie goes to a party – Extension Activities

Enjoy this book with your child. Books are a good way to prompt other activities and learning experiences. You can talk about the story, pictures and characters. Encourage your child to ask questions.

Can your child help you to retell the story?

You can also use this story to talk about road safety points such as:

- Who is setting a good example in the story?
- Ben knows how to cross roads. Why can't he take Charlie to the party on his own?
- Why can wearing hoods be dangerous when crossing the road?
- Why is it important to wear a high visibility vest?

### Other activities to do with your child

**Play Follow my Leader or Simon Says** to encourage your child to follow instructions and copy good behaviour

**Red for Danger** – red is used to show stop and danger in many places, can you find these in books or signs in the area you live?

**Try on lots of different hats and hoods** – do any stop you from seeing clearly. Which ones are safe to wear when crossing the road?

## Songs

At the Kerb (Tune: Frere Jacques)

I see traffic, I see traffic  
Can you see? Can you see?  
Cars, vans and lorries,  
Bicycles and ice cream men  
Speeding along, Speeding along.

I hear hooters, I hear hooters,  
Can you hear? Can you hear?  
All the hooters, All the hooters,  
Honk, Honk, Honk,  
Honk, Honk, Honk.

Boys and girls, boys and girls,  
Mams and dads, mams and dads,  
People everywhere, people everywhere,  
Stop at the kerb, stop at the kerb.

Zebra Crossing (Tune: Mulberry Bush)

This is the way we stop at the kerb  
Stop at the kerb, stop at the kerb  
This is the way we stop at the kerb  
At the zebra crossing.

This is the way we look all around  
Look all around, look all around  
This is the way we look all around  
At the zebra crossing.

This is the way we listen for cars,  
Listen for cars, listen for cars  
This is the way we listen for cars,  
At the zebra crossing.

When the cars have stopped we cross  
Now we cross, now we cross  
When the cars have stopped we cross,  
At the zebra crossing.







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## Setting a Good Example

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