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For Josie Camus, my incredible cousin E. W.

> For Mum and Dad A. M.

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In the faraway village of Snottington Sneeze Lived a wizard named Woozy who breezed through the trees.

Up high on his broomstick he'd flit and he'd fly, With his Pig at his side as he sailed through the sky.

Woozy's broom seemed just right – not too small, not too big,

With a seat for himself

and a perch for his Pig.

But still, it was old,

and was mended in places

With oodles of noodles

and liquorice laces.

And it looked sort of tattered

and battered and rusty,

So, 'Pig,' Woozy said,

'though it's good and it's trusty,

'I need something speedy,

I need something slicker,

'I need a new broom

that will make us fly quicker.'

Then one sunny day Woozy screeched to a stop When he saw a large sign saying, **'Shiny New Shop'**.



Underneath, in big letters and twinkling pink lights Was an advert that said:

TAKE YOUR LIFE TO NEW HEIGHTS. IMPROVE WITH A HOOVER; THEY'RE BETTER THAN BROOMS! FLY ONE TODAY AND THEN WATCH HOW IT ZOOMS!



Woozy shot in through the shop's open door Calling, 'Pig, come inside. I can't wait any more!'

The hoover had gadgets and nozzles and knobs,

And thingummyjigs

that did all

sorts of jobs.

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