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Blue Kangaroo belonged to Lily. He was her very own kangaroo. Sometimes, Lily would say, "Do you remember when I first met you?" And Blue Kangaroo would smile while Lily told him the whole story all over again.



It seemed like ages and ages ago. Lily had been waiting for the day when her new baby brother, Jack, would come home for the first time.



"They're here! They're here!" she cried. She was so looking forward to helping with everything!



She began straight away!

"Here you are, Mum," she said as she took her some juice and cookies.

"Thank you, Lily," said her mother. "Be careful with that tray!"



"Oh! Lily! Look out!" But it was too late! The vase tipped over... water and flowers splashed all over Jack's cradle. "Oh, Lily!" sighed her mother.



Jack screamed and screamed. "It's all right, Lily," said her mother. "It was an accident." "Sorry, Jack," said Lily.