For my children - Jack (who has always said, 'Yes')
and Madeleine (who has always said, 'No')
S.M.

To my mother
D.A.

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STANLEY SAID NO!



Sue Meikle and Denis Angelov

One rainy day, Stanley and Mum were on their way to the museum.

DING!
DING!DING!
DING! DING!
DING! DING!

While they were on the bus,
Stanley dinged the bell.
He dinged it a lot of times!

"Stop ringing
the bell, please!"
said the bus driver.

But Stanley
said,
"NO!"

It was very busy
outside the museum.

"Hold my hand, please,"
said Mum.

But Stanley
said,
"**NO!**"

Instead, Stanley crawled in and out of the people in the queue.

Stanley thought the museum was dusty and stuffy and old.

"Shall we look at the dinosaurs?" said Mum. "You like dinosaurs. There's a T-Rex . . . a Stegosaurus . . . AND a Triceratops."

But Stanley said, "**NO!**"

"How about finding the fossils?" said Mum.

But Stanley said, "**NO!**"

"Why don't we go and see the giant blue whale instead?" said Mum.

Stanley was just about to say, "**NO!**" when he spotted . . .

. . . a door!

There was a big sign
on the door that said,

DO NOT
ENTER

But Stanley
said,
"**NO!**"



Behind the door was another sign that read:

DANGER
KEEP OUT

But Stanley
said,
"**NO!**"

Something
had caught
his eye . . .