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Chapter 1



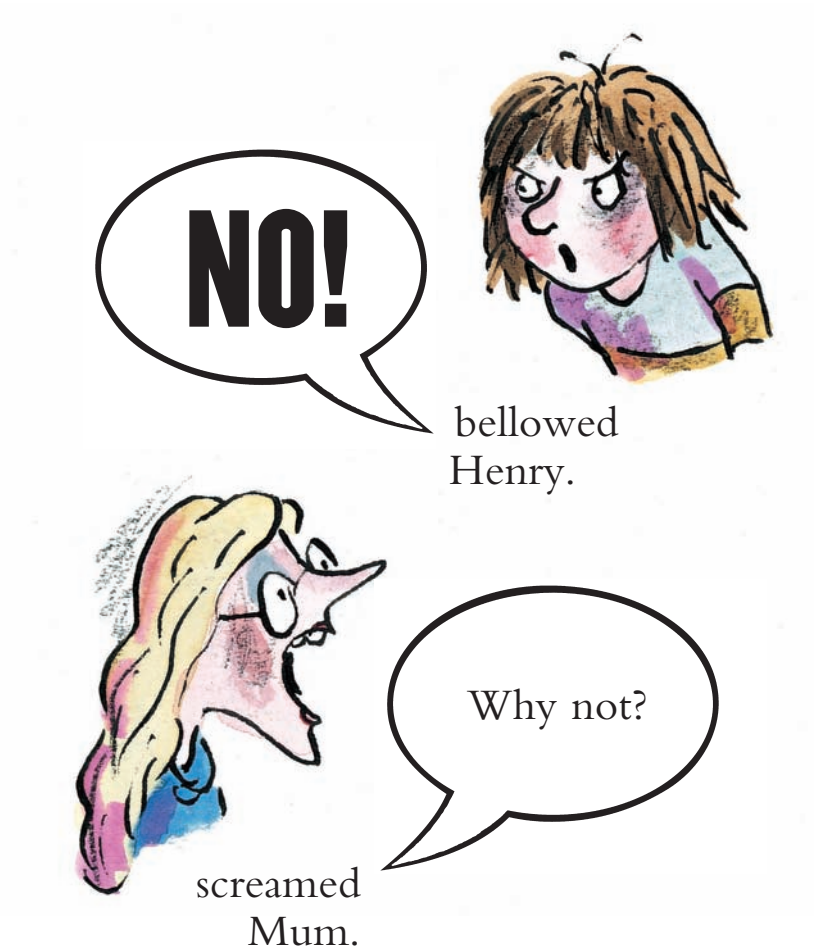
Ahh! This was the life!
A sofa, a telly, a bag of crisps.
Horrid Henry sighed happily.

"Henry!" shouted Mum from the kitchen. "Are you watching TV?"



Henry blocked his ears. Nothing was going to interrupt his new favourite TV programme, *Terminator Gladiator.*

"Answer me, Henry!" shouted Mum. "Have you written your Christmas thank you letters?"

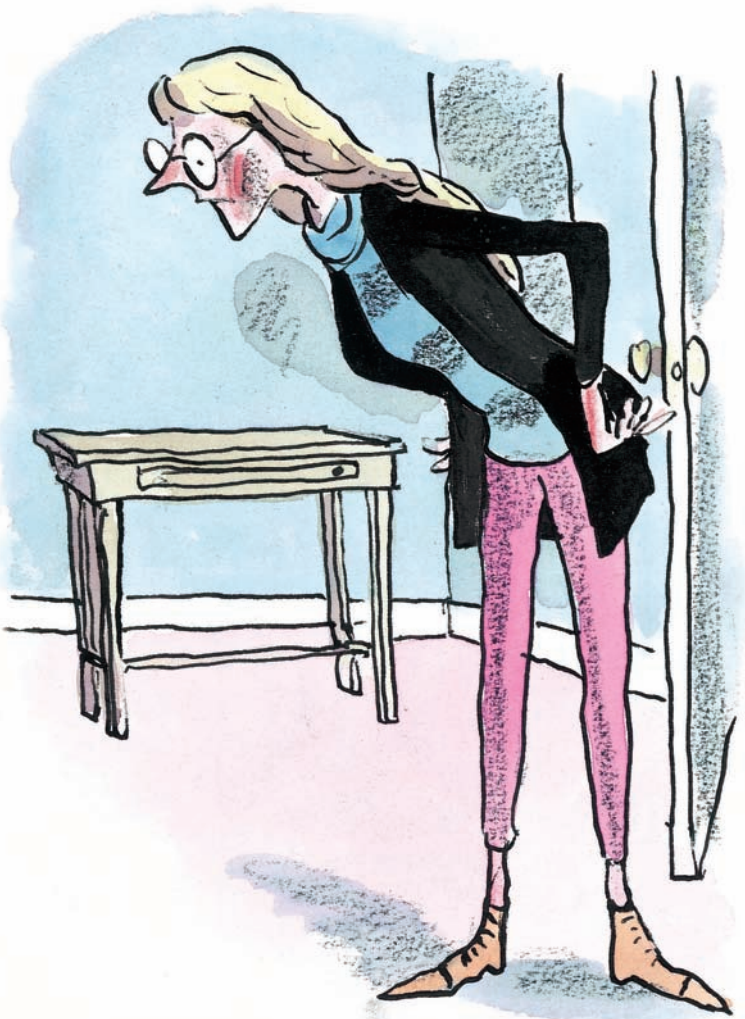


"Because I haven't," said Henry. "I'm busy." Couldn't she leave him alone for two seconds?



Mum marched into the room and switched off the TV.
"Hey!" said Henry. "I'm watching *Terminator Gladiator*."

"Too bad," said Mum. "I told you, no TV until you've written your thank you letters."



"It's not fair!" wailed Henry.



"I've written all *my* thank you letters," said Perfect Peter.

"Well done, Peter," said Mum. "Thank goodness *one* of my children has good manners."



Peter smiled modestly. "I always write mine the moment I unwrap a present. I'm a good boy, aren't I?"

"The best," said Mum.

"Oh, shut up, Peter," snarled Henry.

"Mum! Henry told me to shut up!" said Peter.





"Stop being horrid, Henry. You will write to Aunt Ruby, Great-Aunt Greta and Grandma now."

"Now?" moaned Henry. "Can't I do it later?"

"When's later?" said Dad.

"Later!" said Henry. Why wouldn't they stop nagging him about those stupid letters?

