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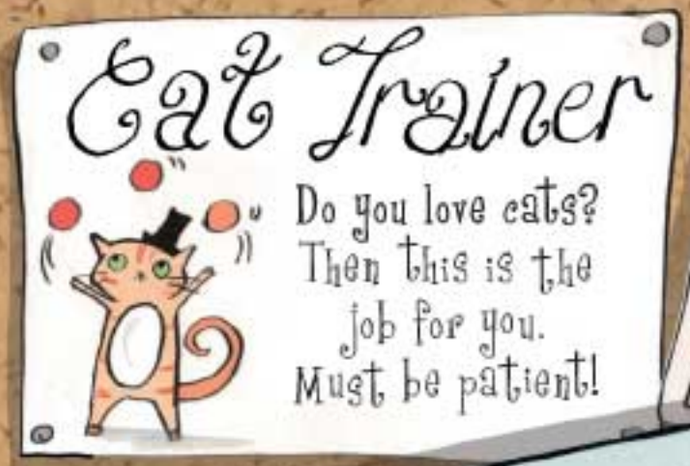
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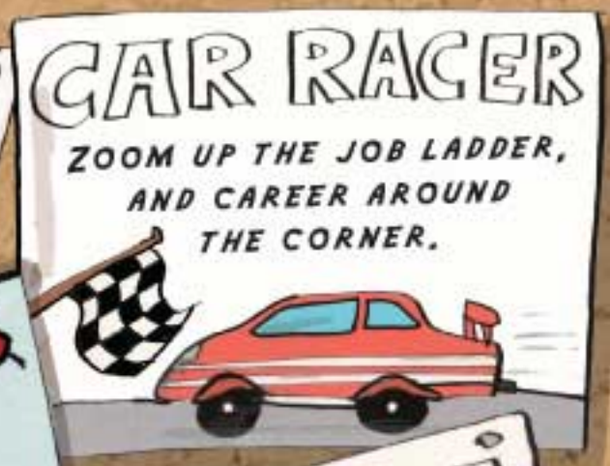
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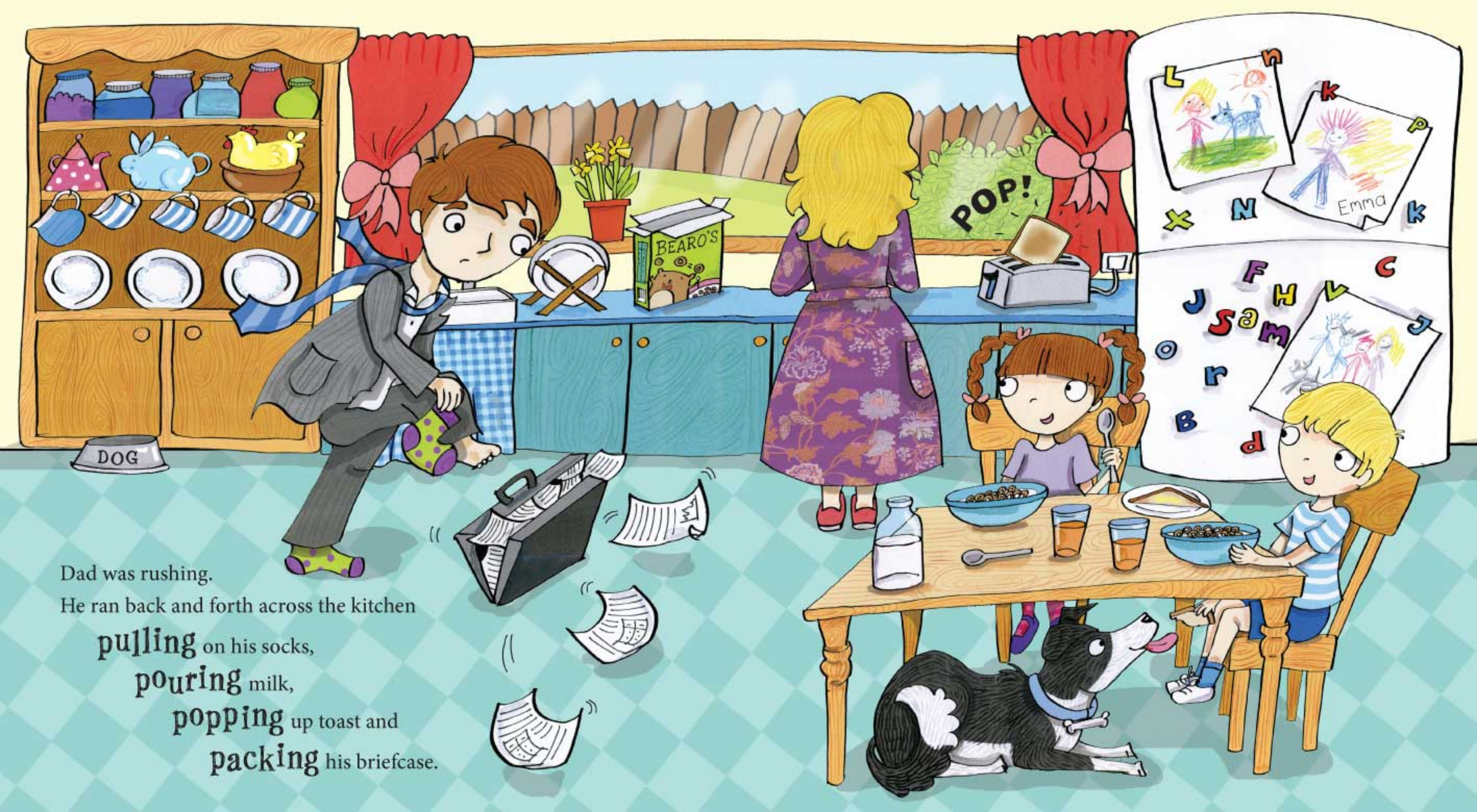
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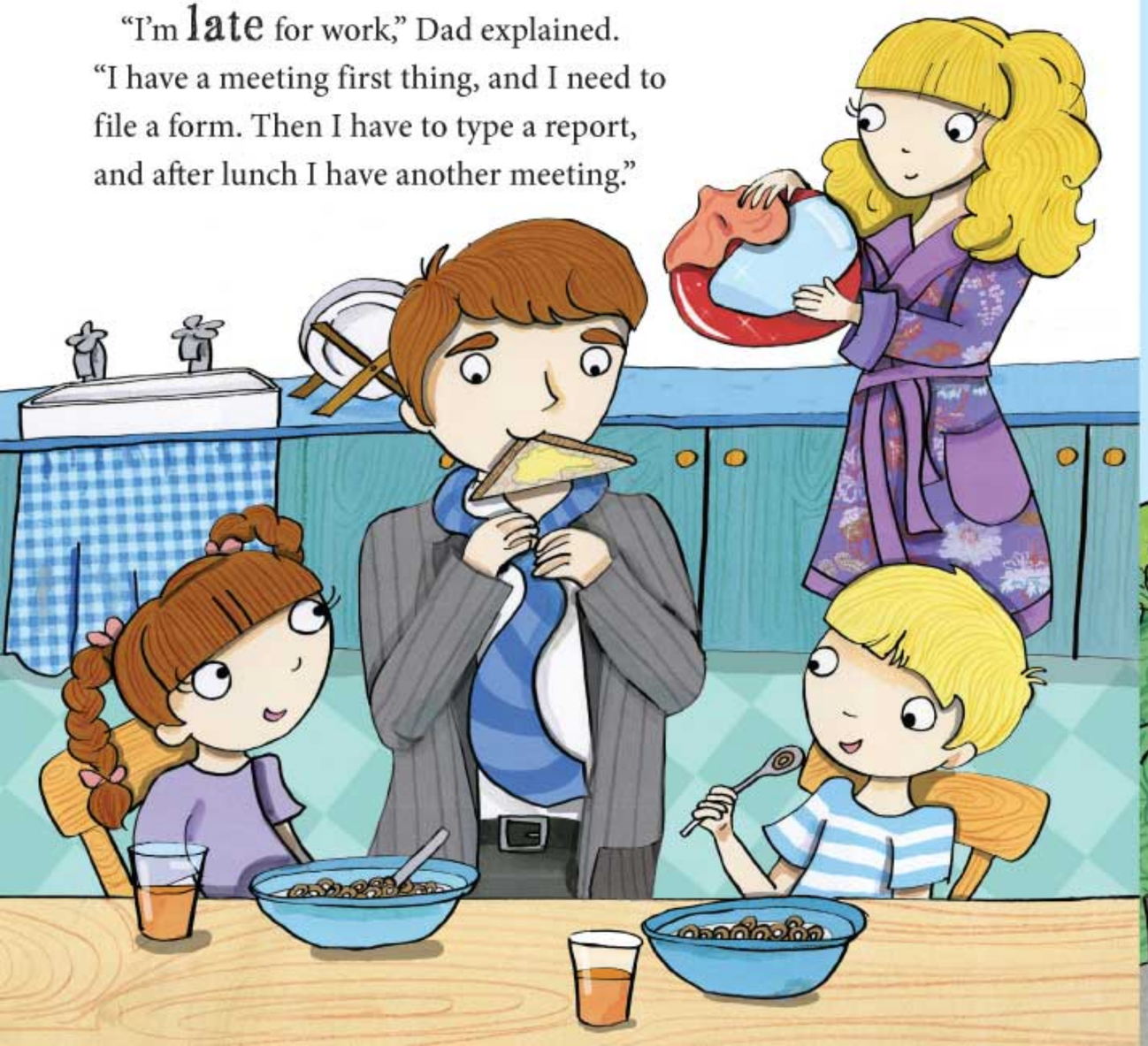


Dad was rushing.
He ran back and forth across the kitchen
pulling on his socks,
pouring milk,
popping up toast and
packing his briefcase.

"You're busy this morning," said Emma.

"Why are you running around?" asked Sam.

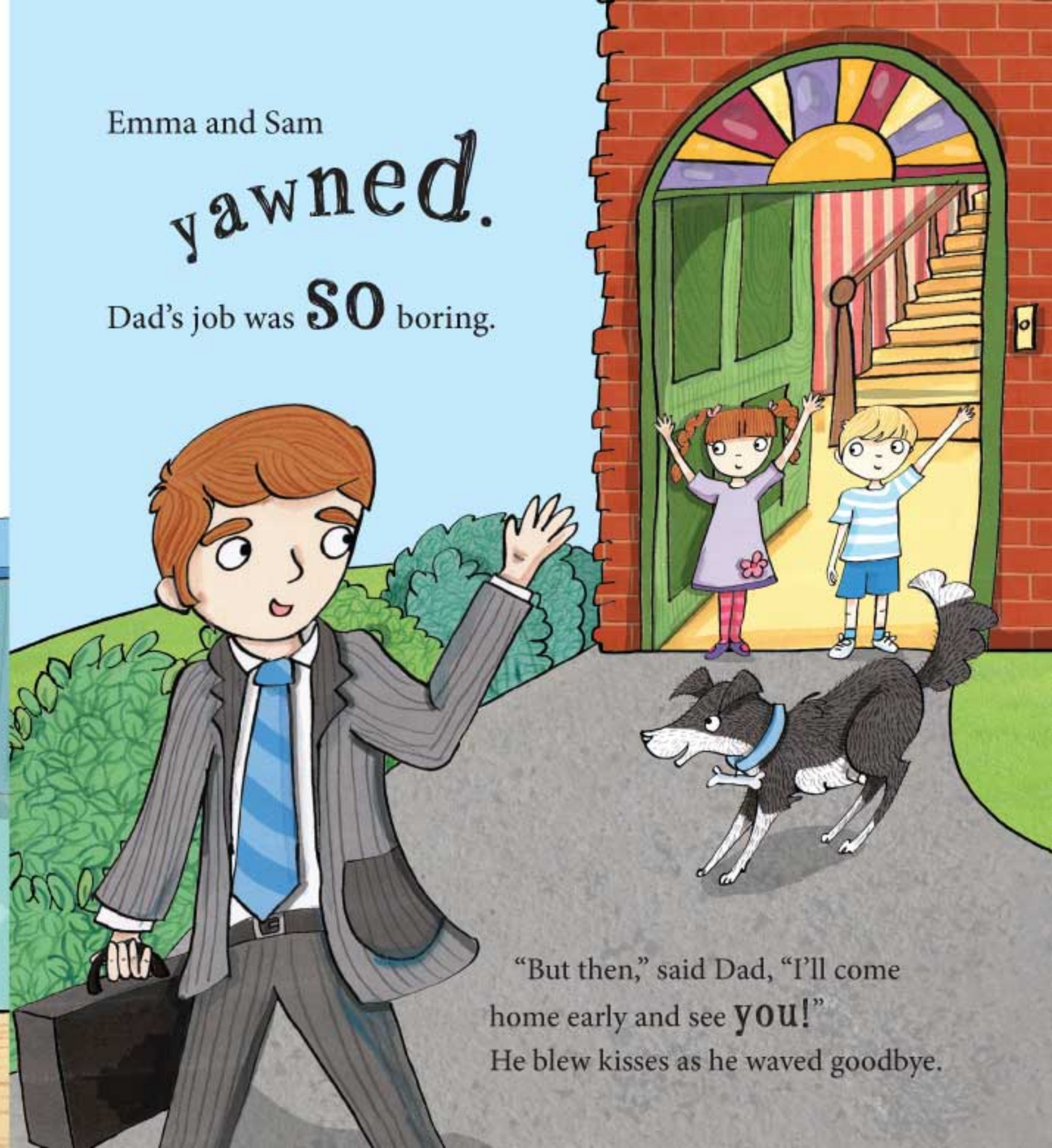
"I'm **late** for work," Dad explained.
"I have a meeting first thing, and I need to file a form. Then I have to type a report, and after lunch I have another meeting."



Emma and Sam

yawned.

Dad's job was **so** boring.



"But then," said Dad, "I'll come home early and see **you!**"
He blew kisses as he waved goodbye.

The children looked at each other.
They had just had a **brilliant** idea.



"Let's find Dad a more exciting job," said Emma.

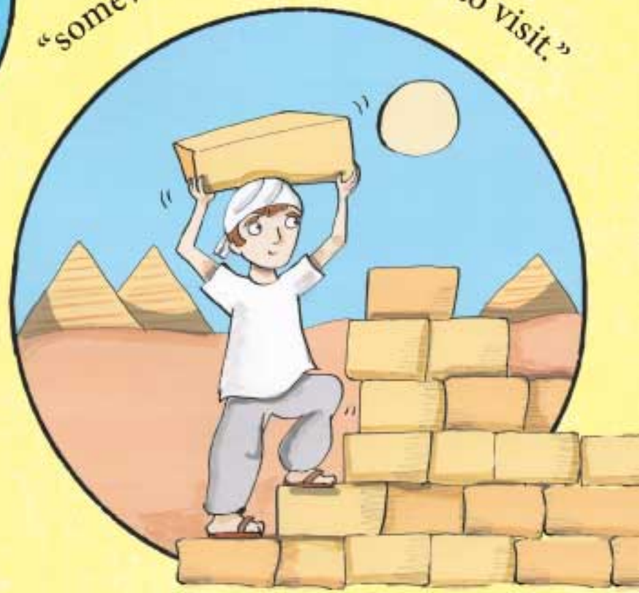




"Something fun," Sam added,



"somewhere amazing for us to visit."





"I know just where to start!"
Emma cried.