

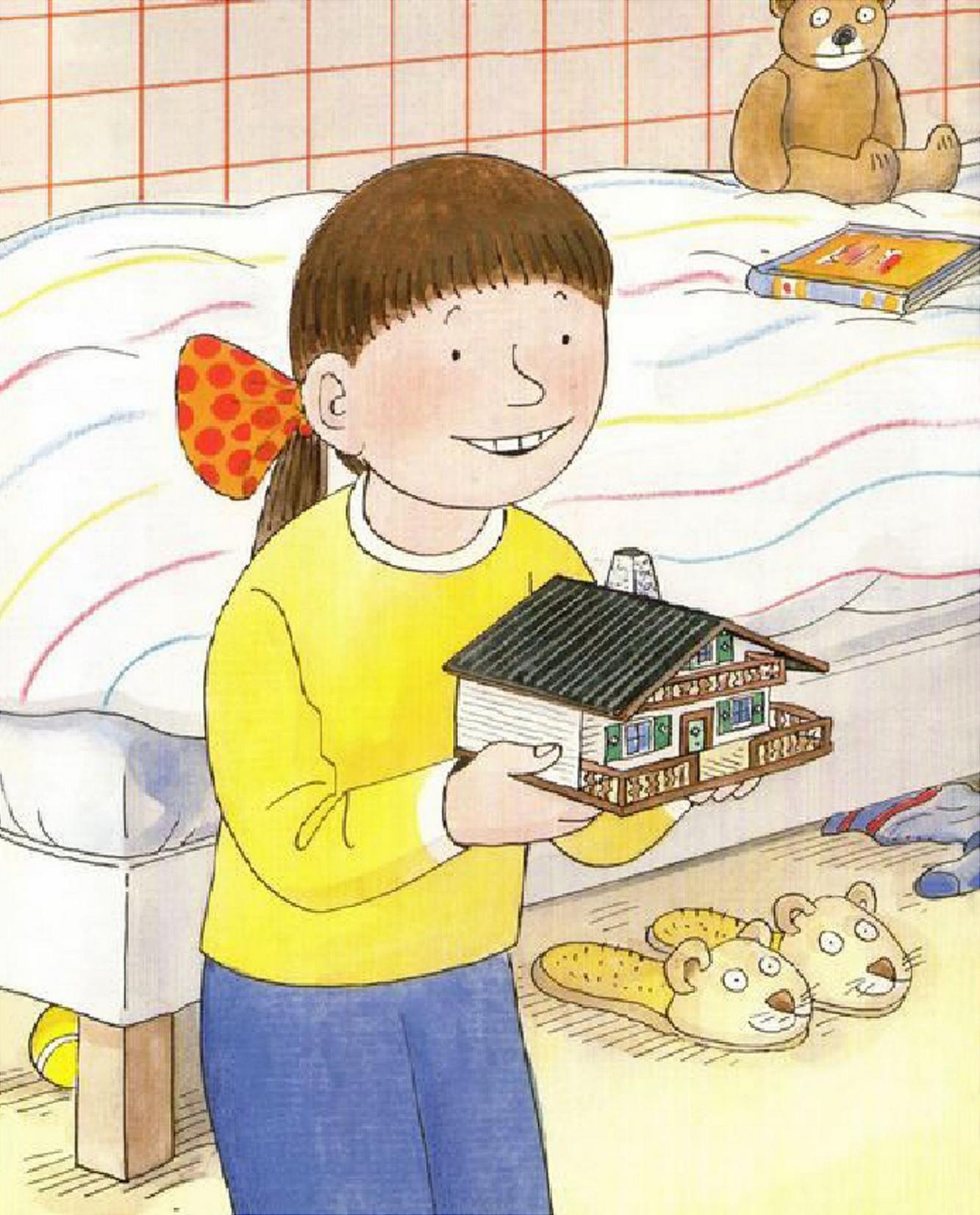
Mountain Rescue

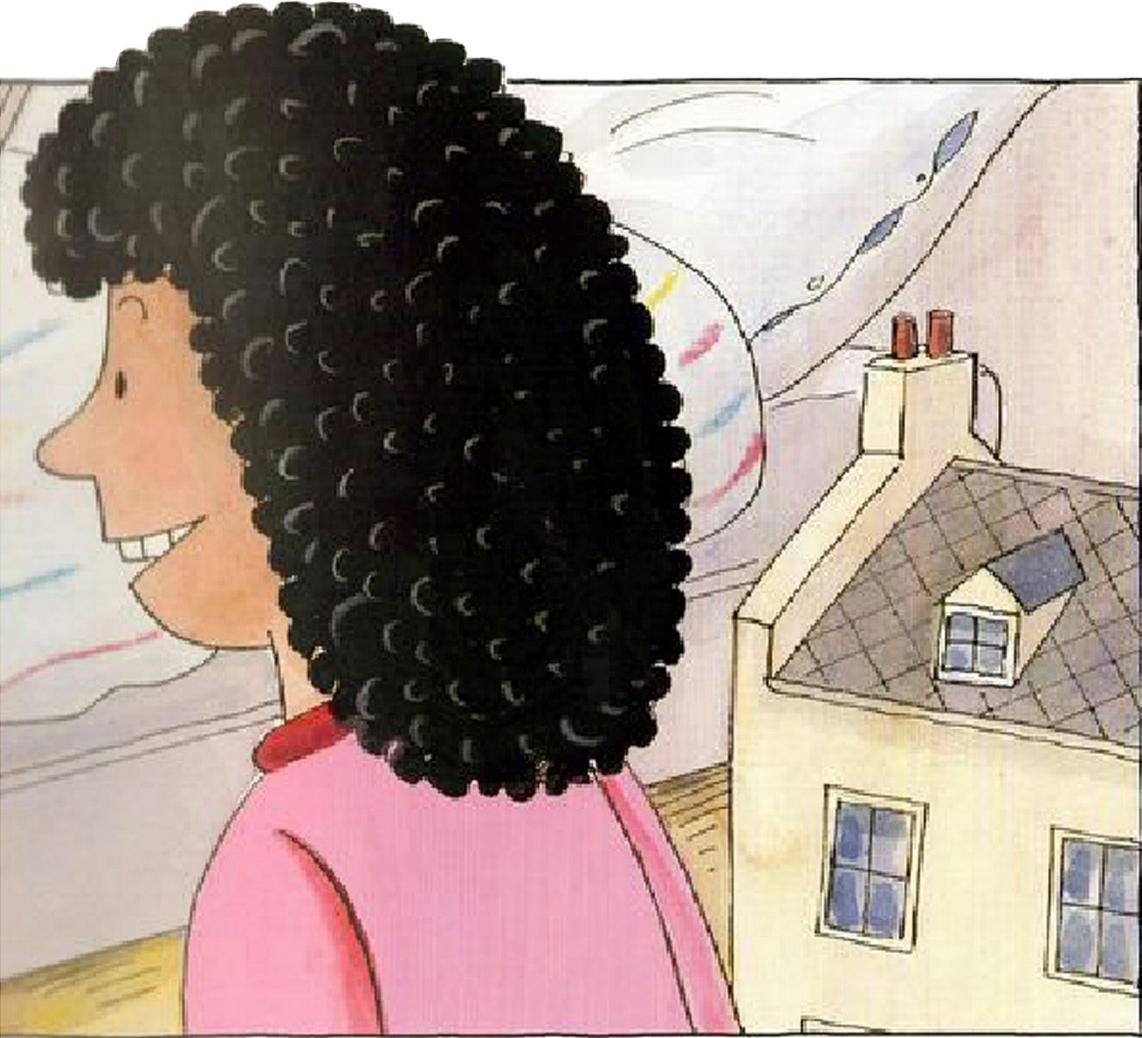
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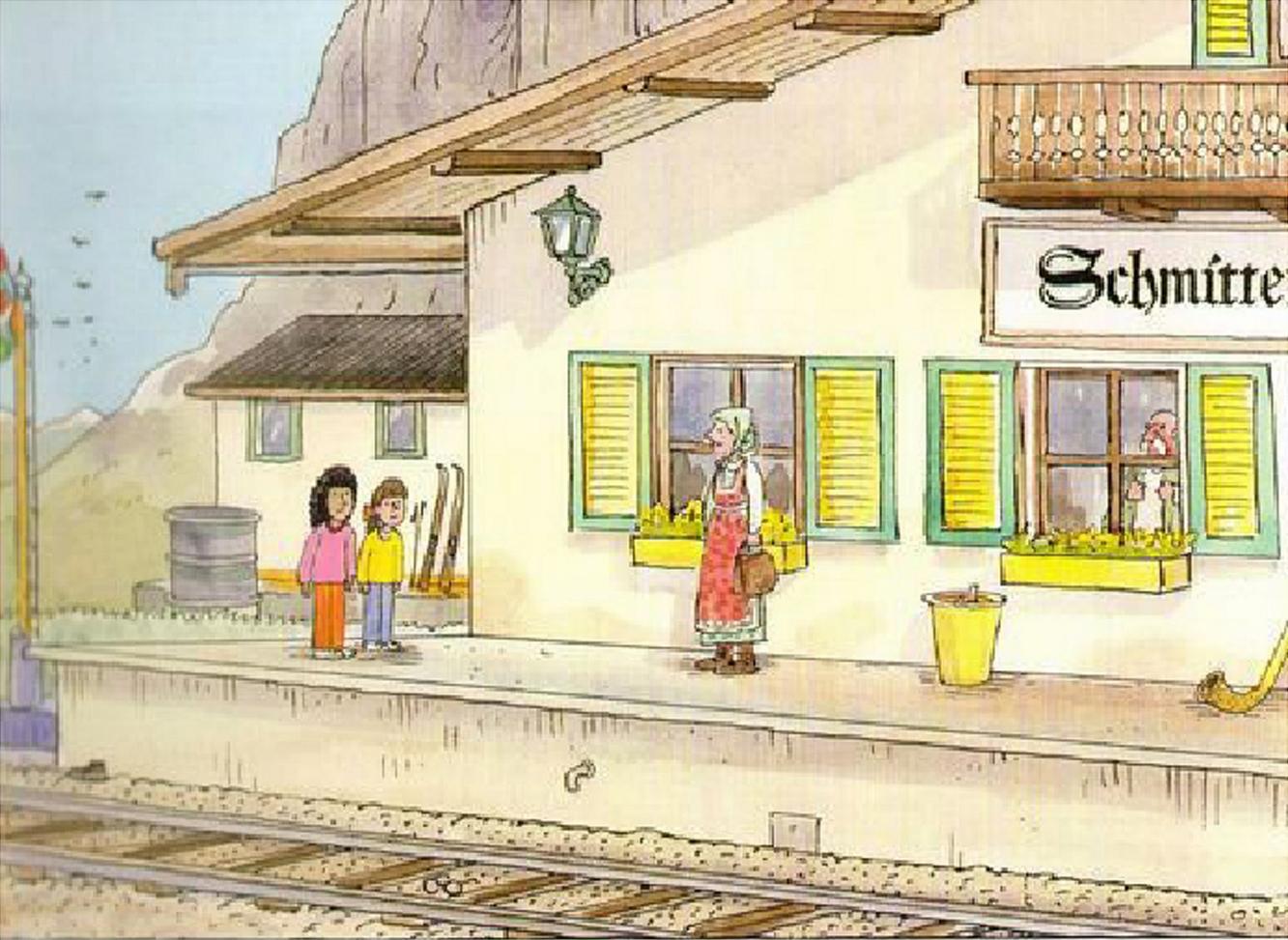




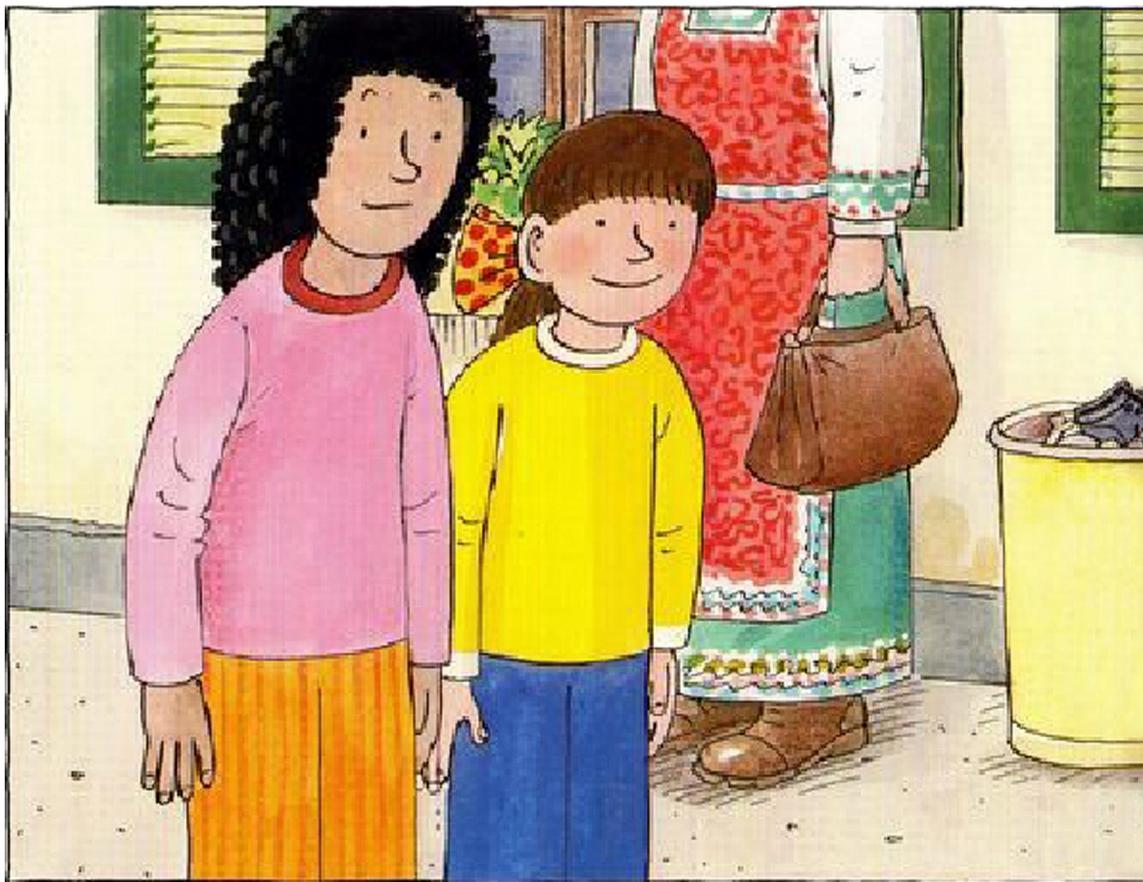
Biff was showing Wilma her new
music box.
“It’s like a little house,” said Wilma.



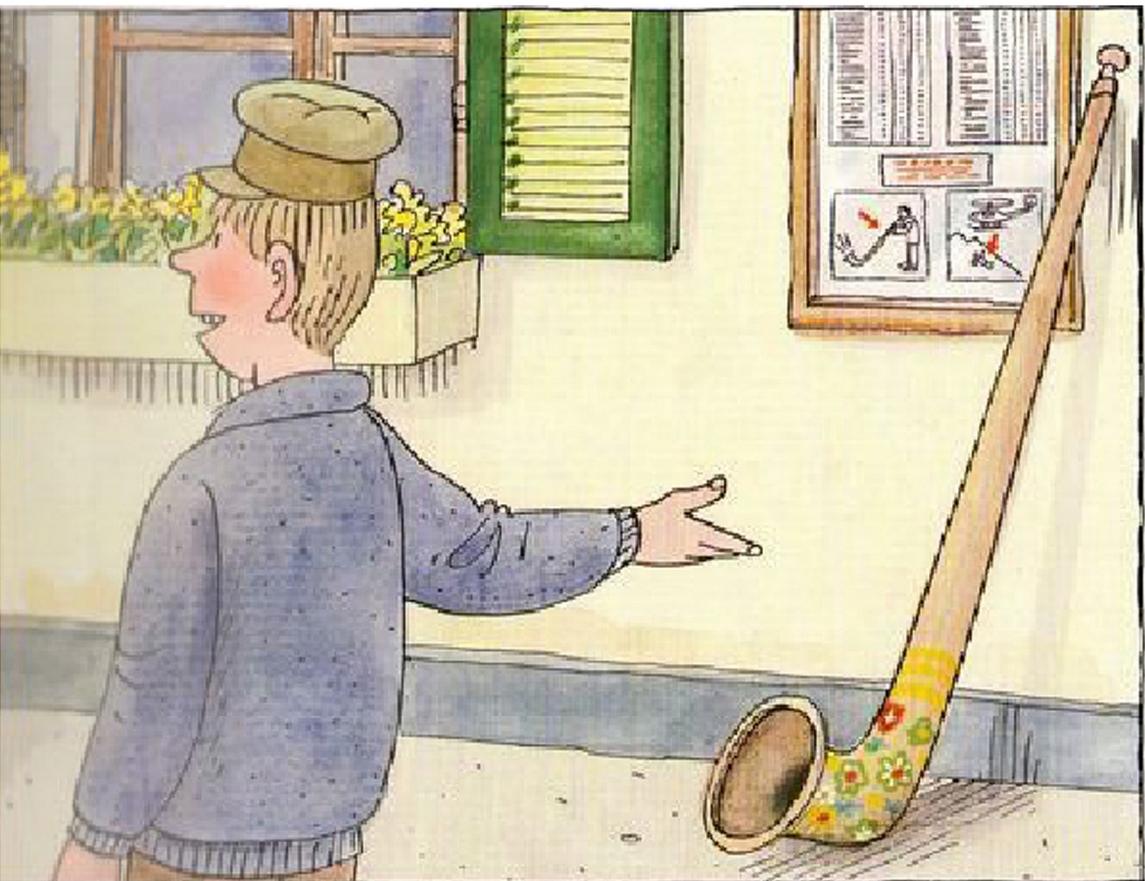
Biff opened the box and the music began to play. Suddenly, the magic key began to glow.



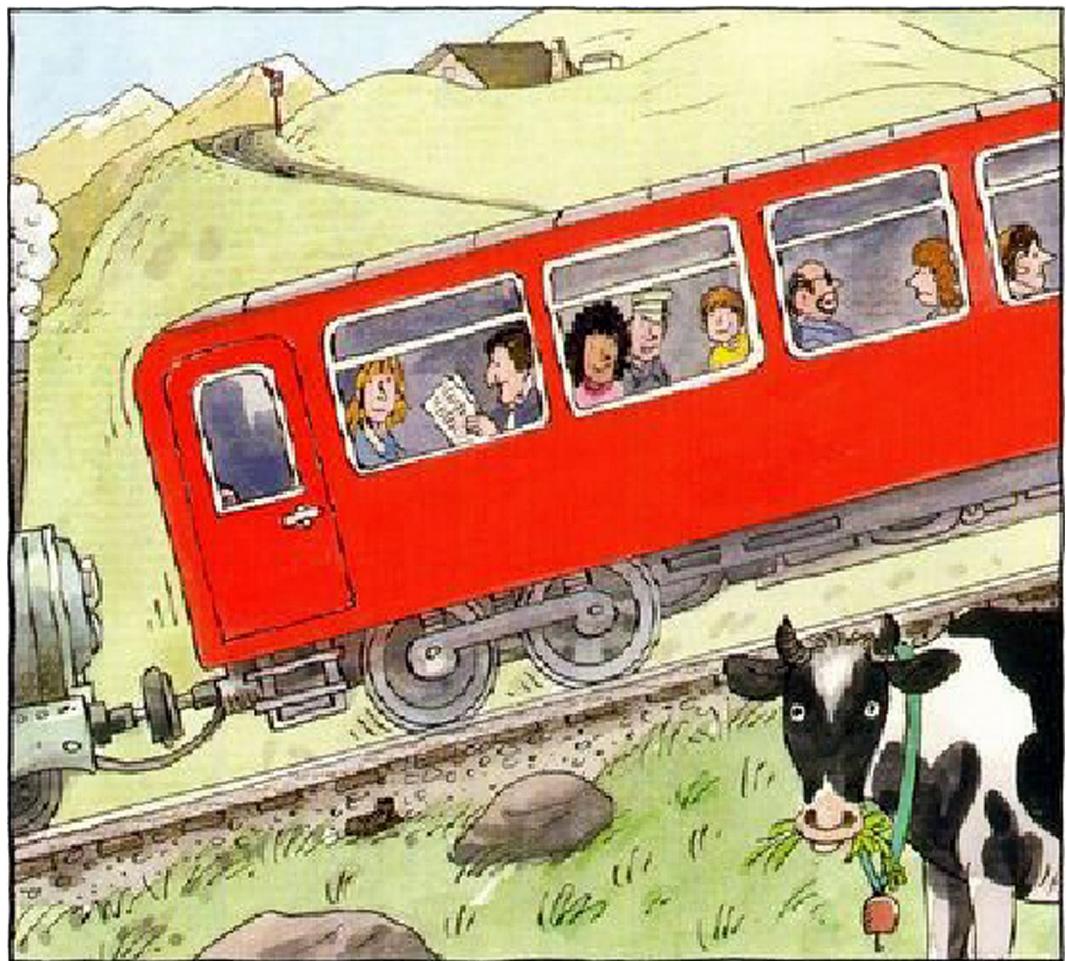
The magic took Biff and Wilma
to a mountain railway station.
“The station looks just like my
music box,” said Biff.



There was a big wooden horn at the station. A boy called Max told them that it was used to send for the Mountain Rescue helicopter.



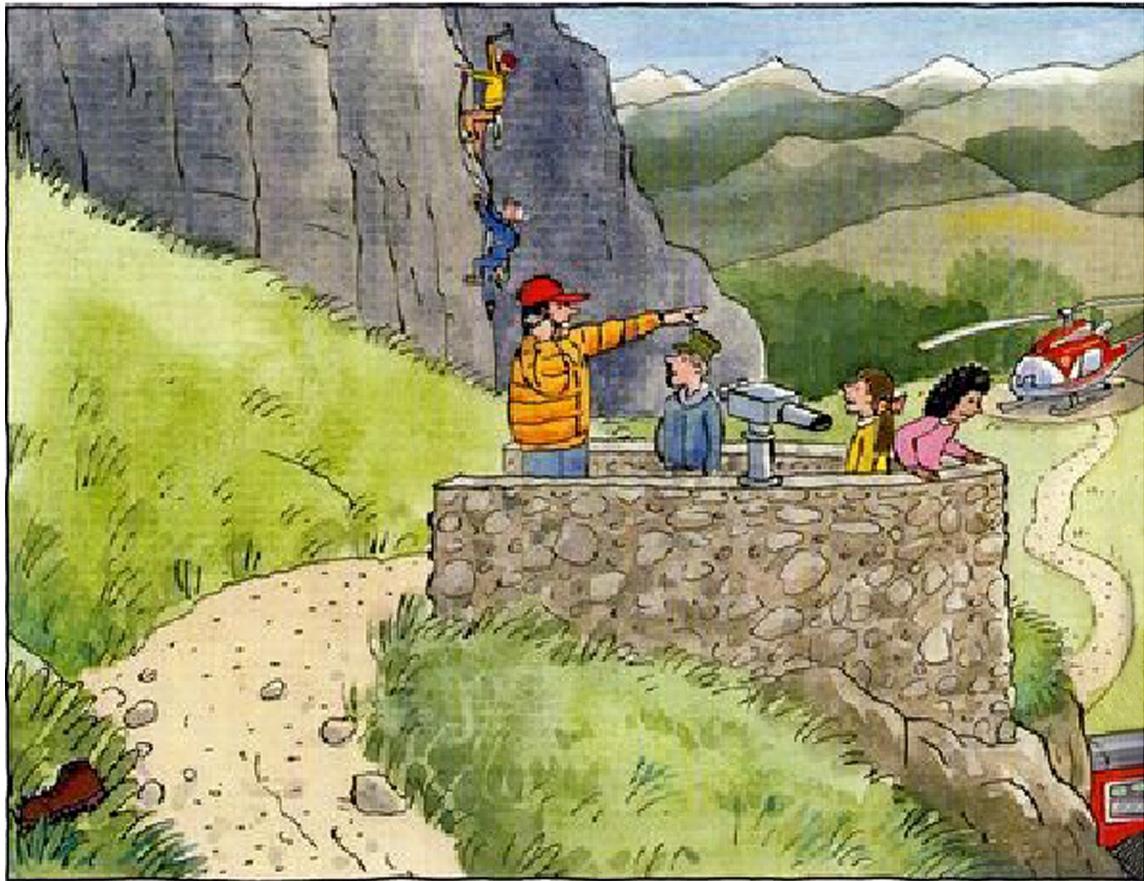
“My Uncle Hans flies the helicopter,” he said. “He’s taking me to see an eagle’s nest today. You can come with us.”



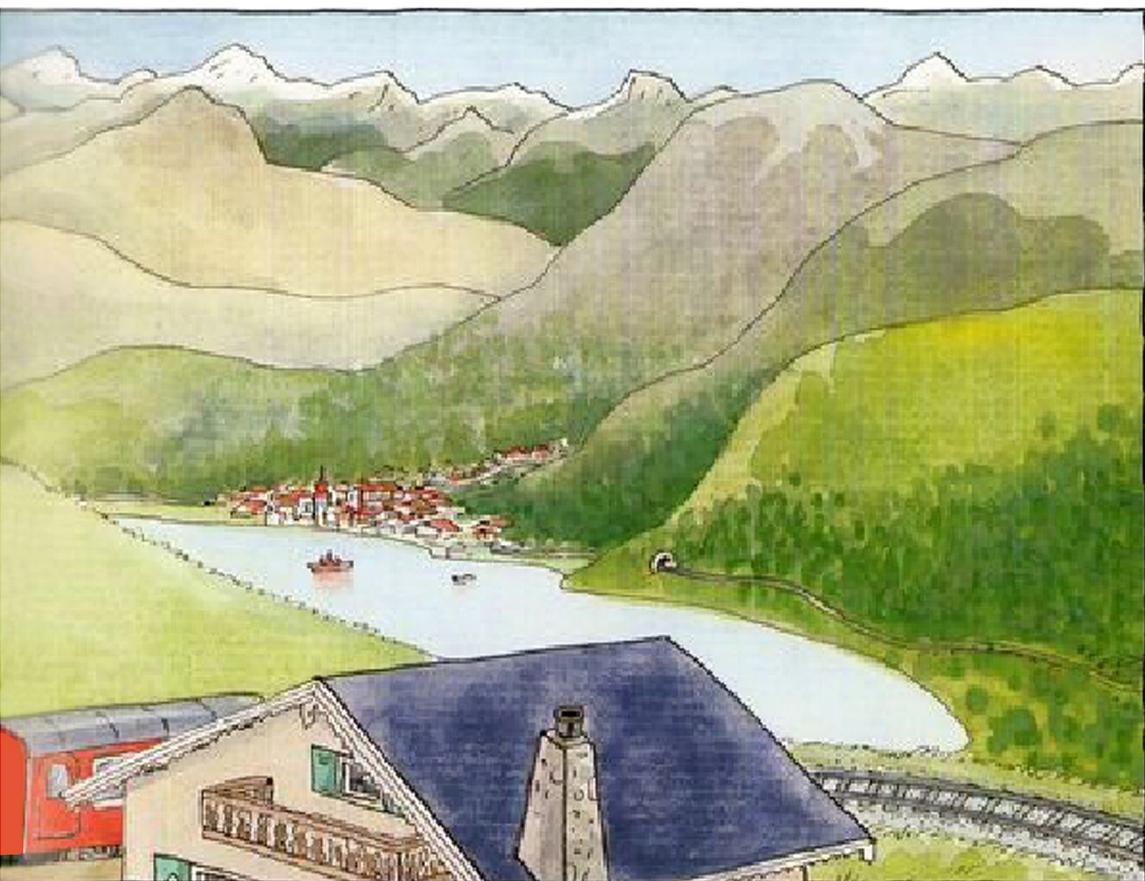
The children got into a train. It took them higher up the mountain. Uncle Hans was waiting at the station.



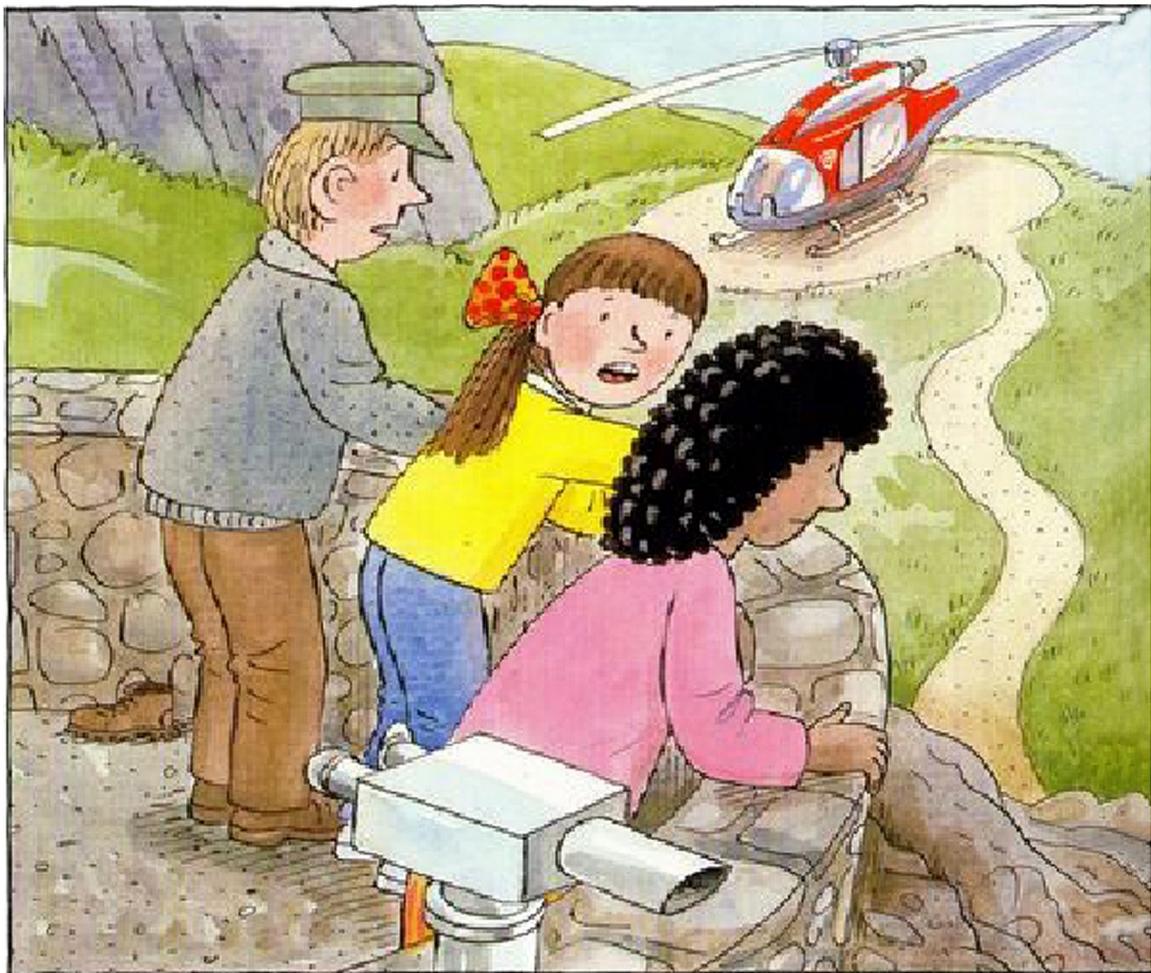
“Hi Max,” said Uncle Hans. “I’m glad some of your friends have come with you.”



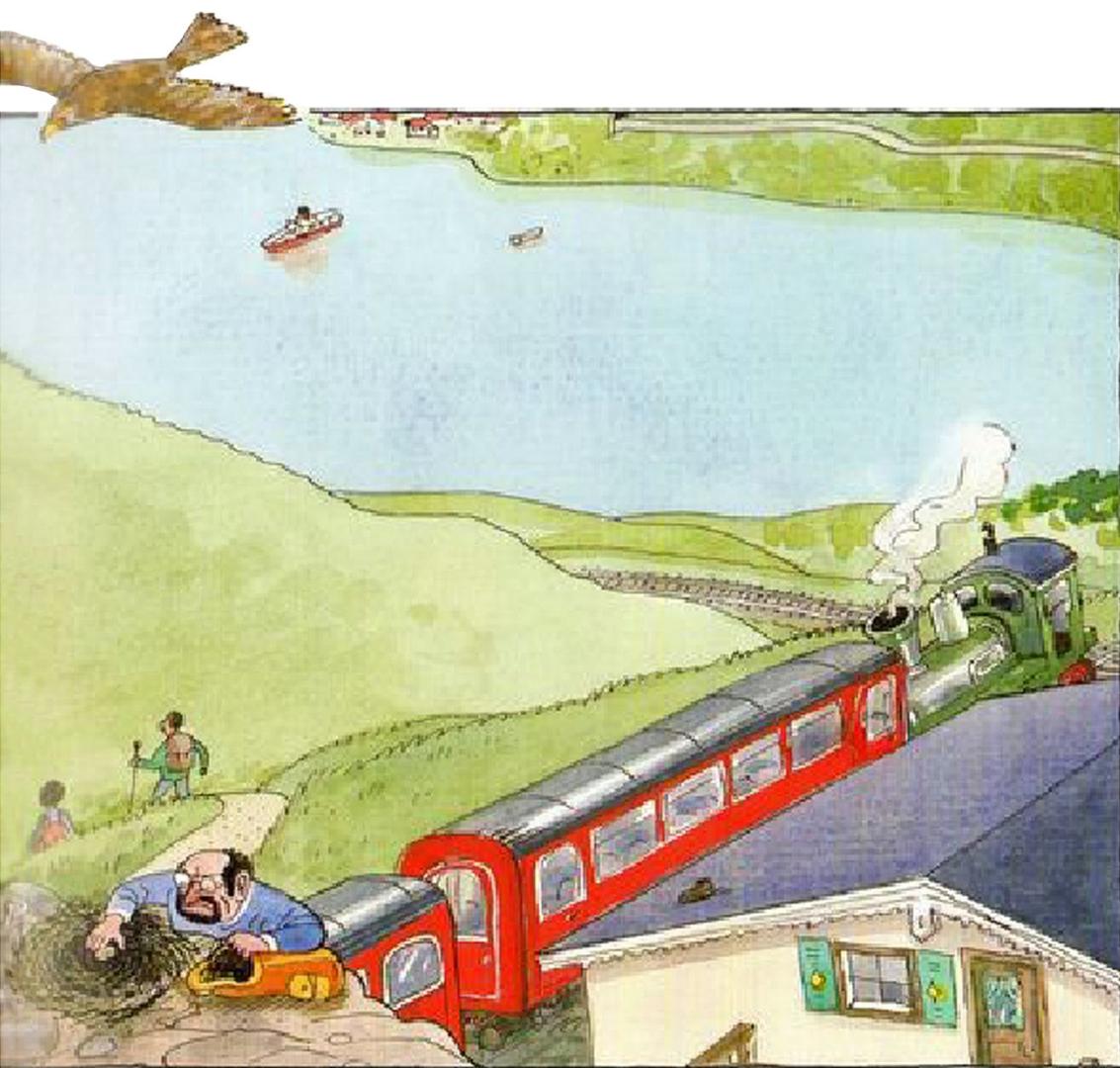
Uncle Hans and the children went up a steep track. They saw some people climbing a steep rock.
“That looks scary!” said Biff.



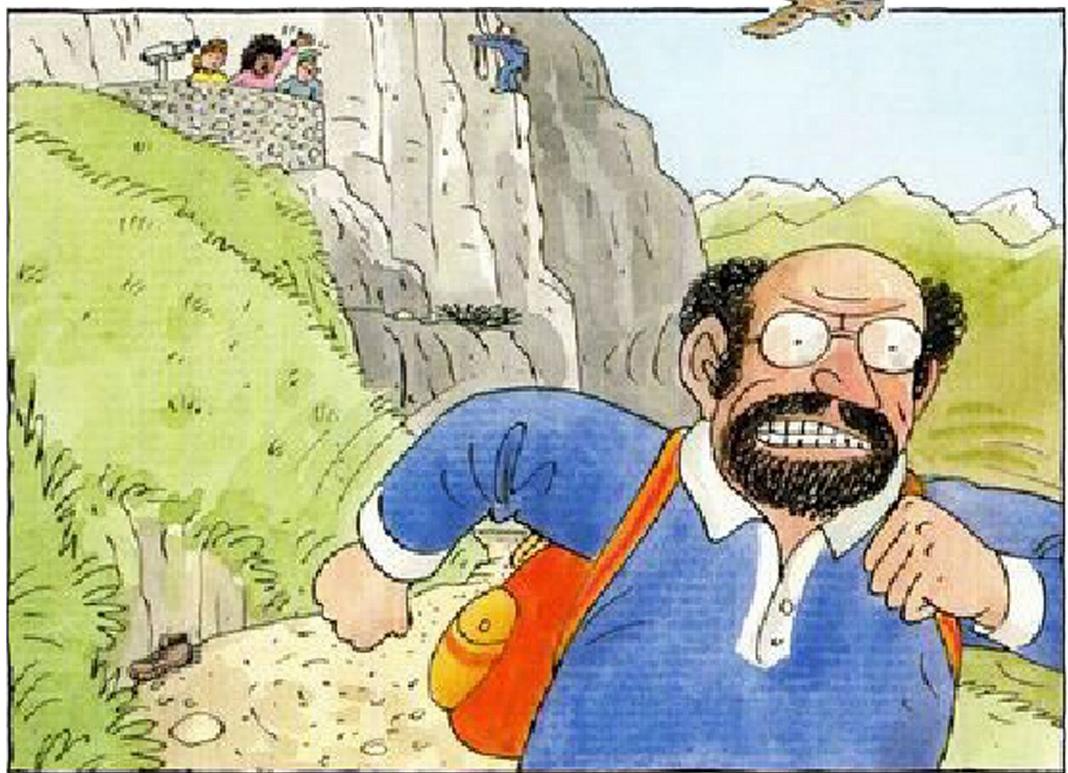
Just then, Uncle Hans's phone rang. "I have to go back, but you can see the eagle's nest from here," he said.



The eagle was sitting on her nest.
Suddenly, she squawked and flew
into the sky.

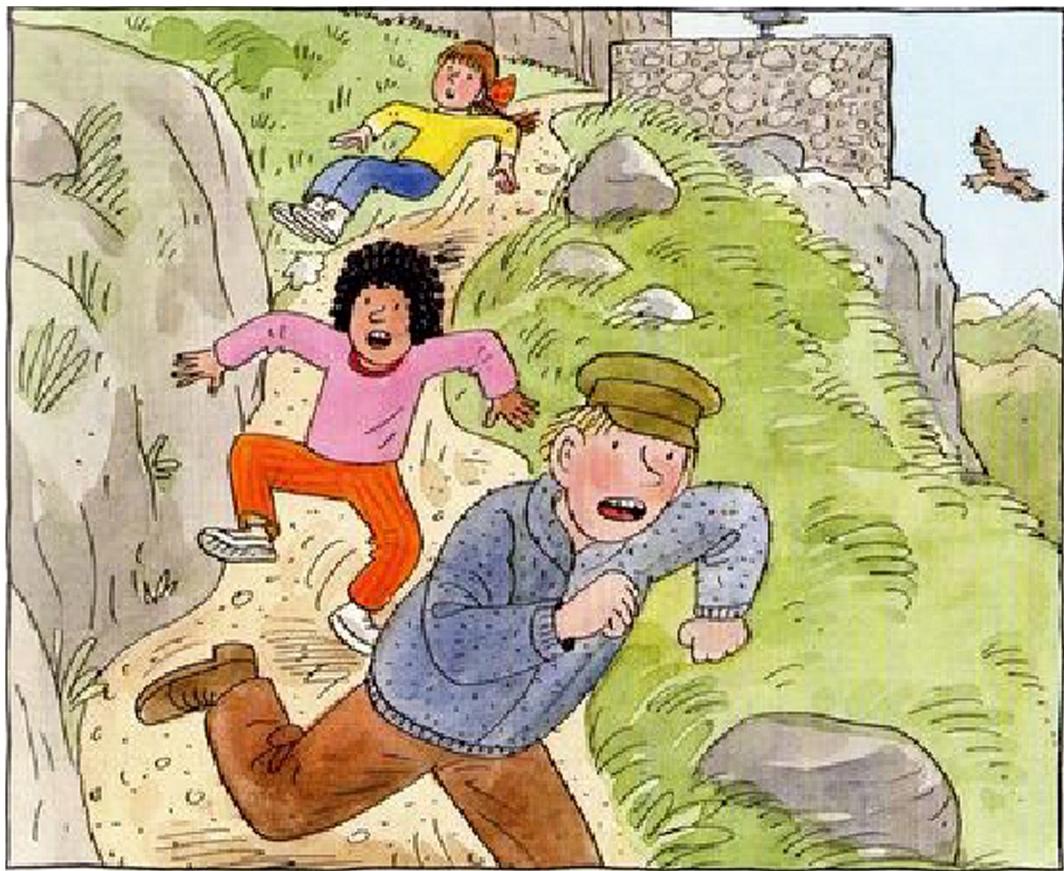


“A man has climbed up to the nest!” said Biff. “He’s putting the eagle’s egg into his bag.”



“Put that egg back!” shouted Wilma.

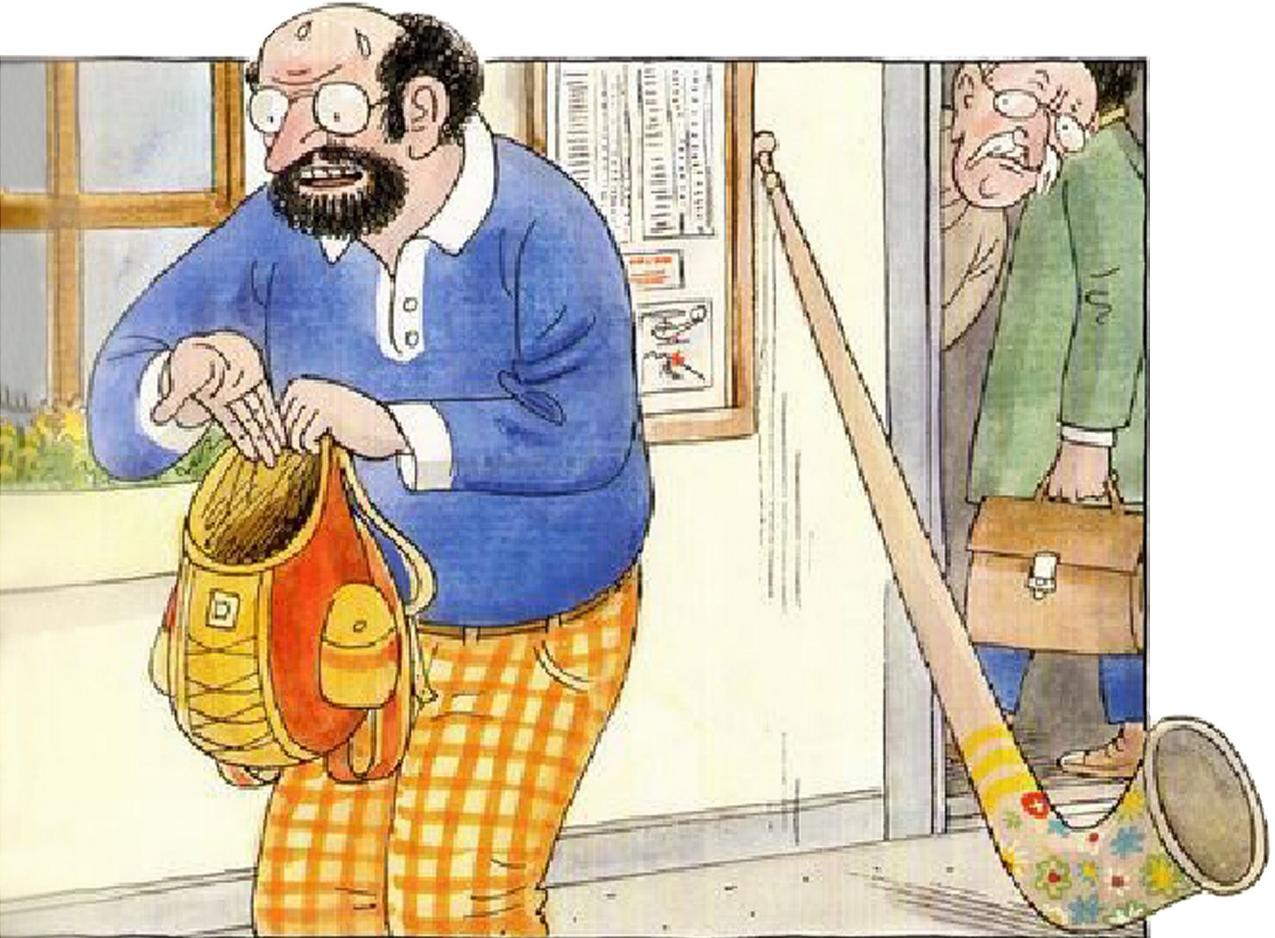
The man looked up. He saw the children watching him and started to run.



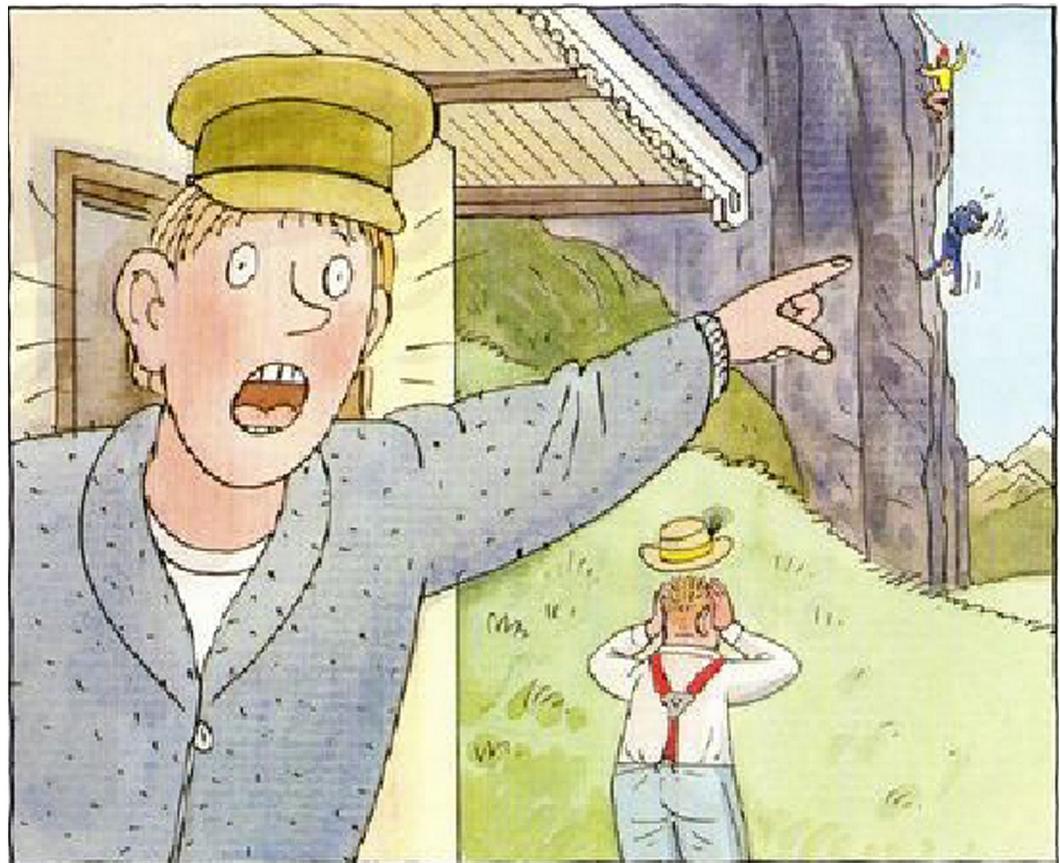
“He’s going to the station,” said Max. “Quick! Let’s follow him and get the egg back.” They slipped and scrambled down the steep path.



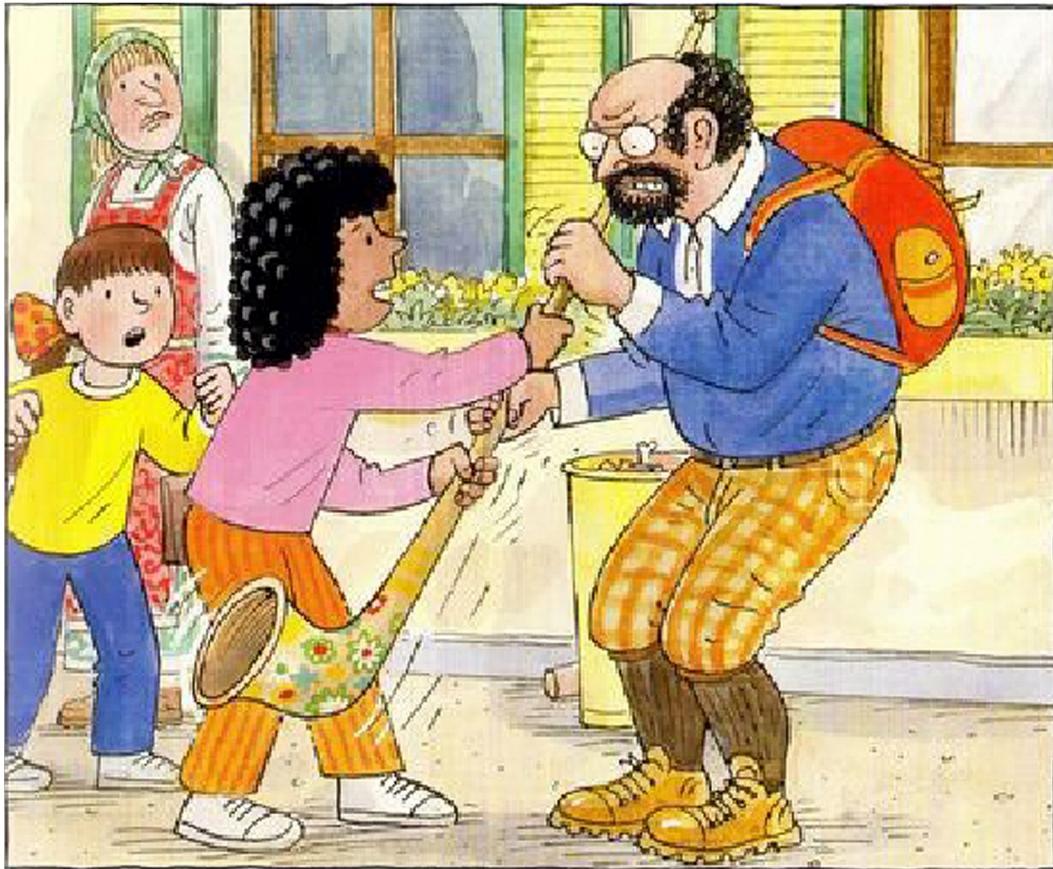
At last, they reached the station.
Wilma ran up to the man.
“We saw you take an egg from the
eagle’s nest,” she said.



The man was angry. “I didn’t take an egg,” he said, and he opened his bag. There was no egg inside.



Suddenly, there was a shout.
“One of the climbers has fallen!”
said Max. “We must call the
Mountain Rescue Team.”



Wilma ran to blow the horn, but
the man tried to stop her.

“Give me that horn!” he shouted,
but Wilma pulled it away from him.



Wilma looked in the horn. “He’s hidden the egg in here!” she said.

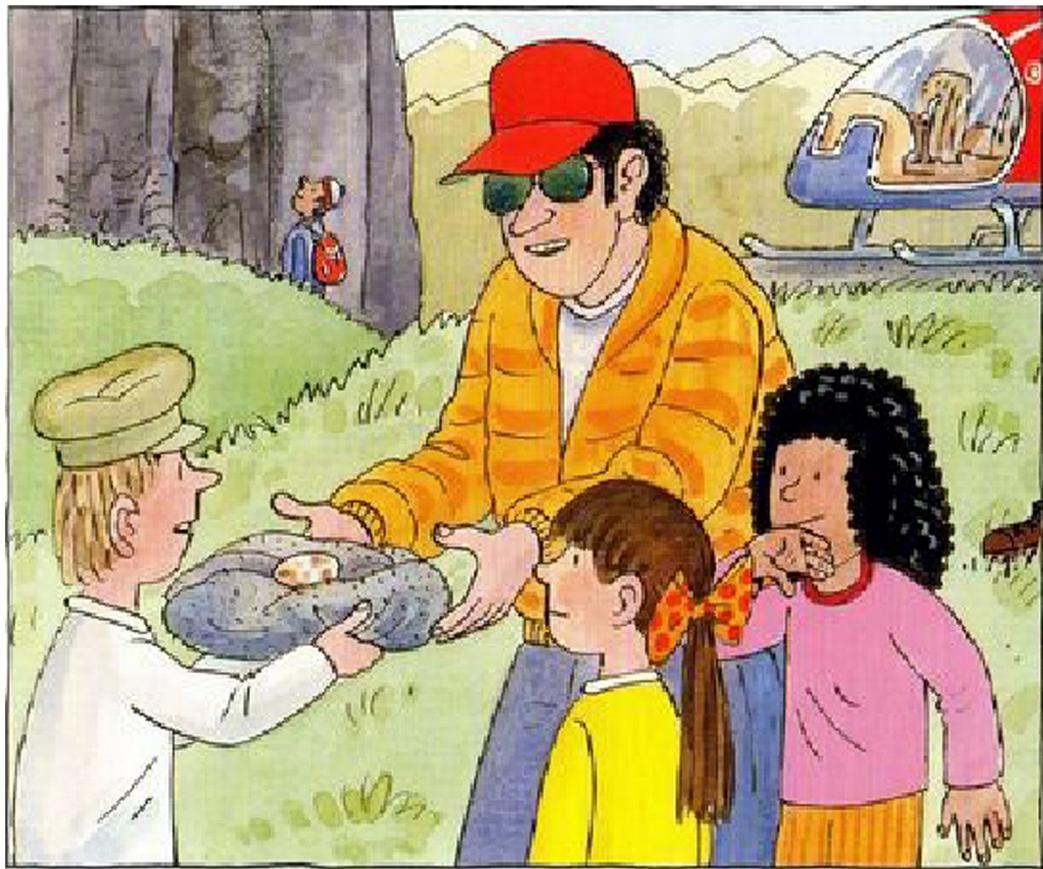
The man started to run but Biff tripped him up . . . CRASH!



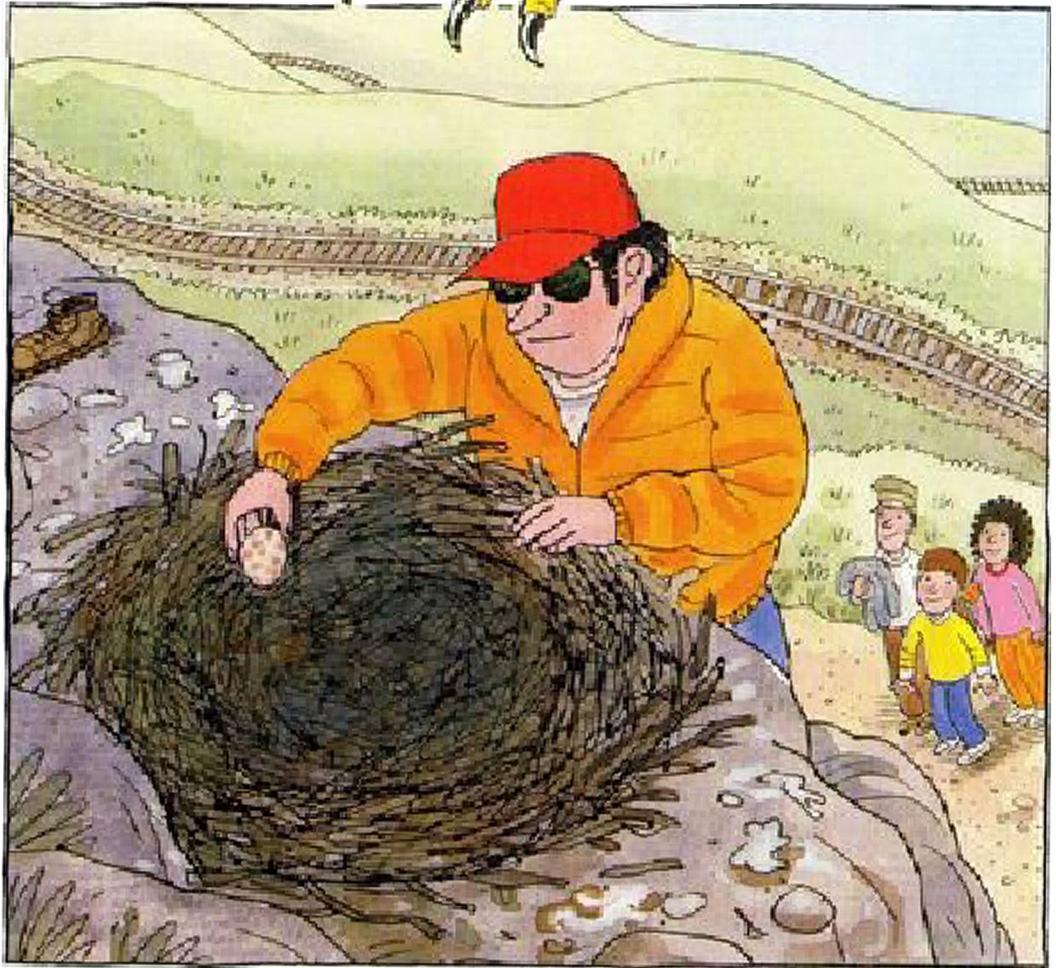
Max took the egg and wrapped it
in his jacket to keep it warm.
Then Wilma blew the horn.
BOOM! . . . BOOM! . . . BOOM!



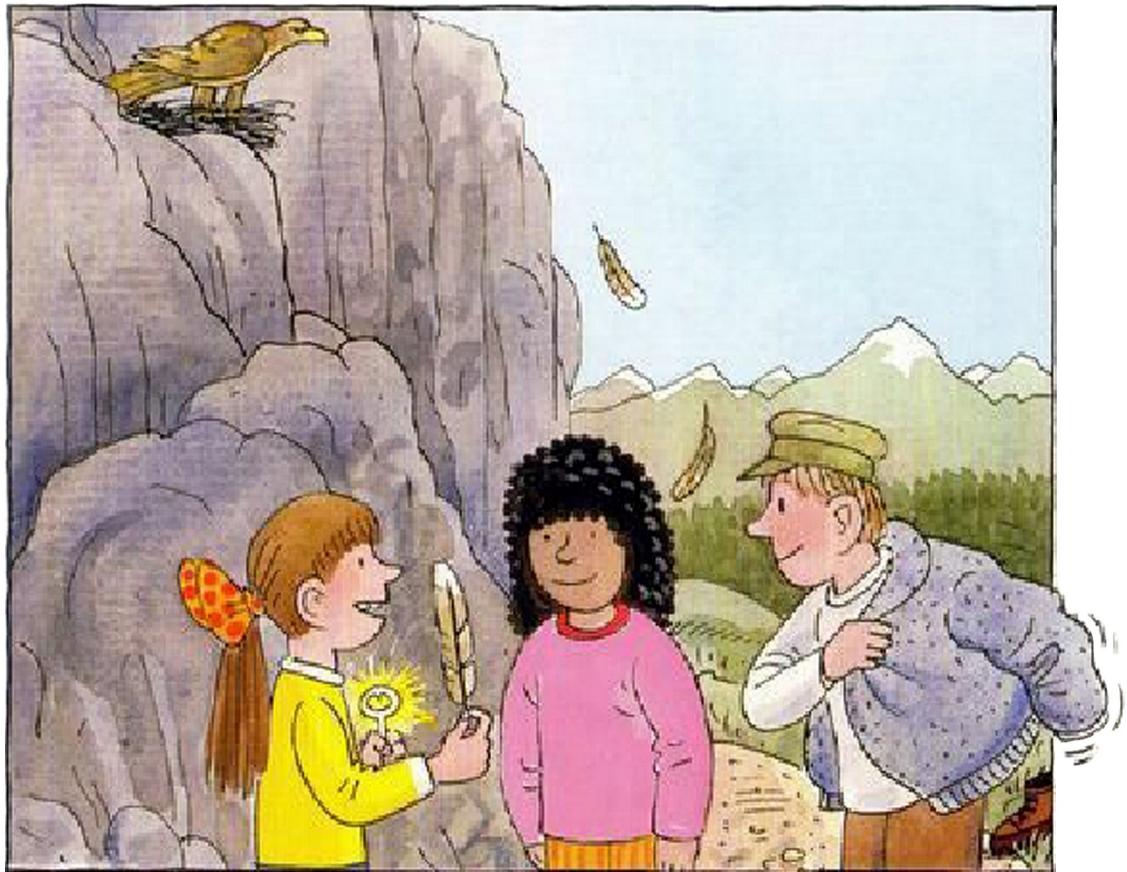
The Mountain Rescue helicopter flew into the sky. Everyone cheered as the climber was lifted to safety.



The helicopter landed and Max showed Uncle Hans the eagle's egg. "We must put the egg back before it gets cold," said Uncle Hans.

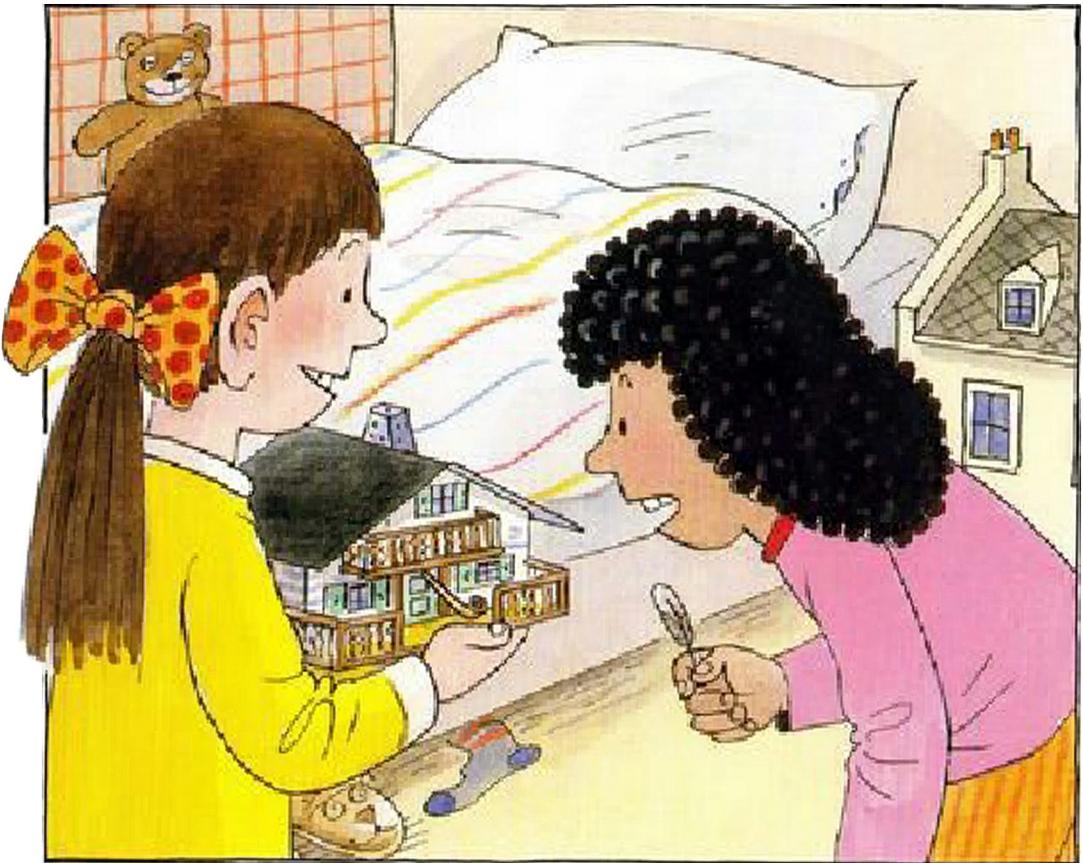


Uncle Hans climbed up to the nest
and put the egg back. The eagle saw
the egg and flew back to her nest.



Three big feathers float gently down to the children.

“The eagle is saying thank you,” said Biff, as the magic key glowed.



“Look! There’s a wooden horn
on your music box now,” said
Wilma. “How did it get there?”
“It must be magic,” smiled Biff.

Think about the story



What was
the big wooden horn
used for?



How do
you think the children
felt when the man
showed them his
empty bag?



Why did Max
wrap the egg in
his jacket?



How would
you feel if you saw
someone steal
something?

A maze

Help Uncle Hans put the egg back.



Useful common words repeated in this story and other books in the series.

children climbed come down flew magic mountain
music saw station suddenly took

Names in this story: Biff Max Uncle Hans Wilma