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# Presents for Dad



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### **What's this story about?**

Dad is in hospital. His foot is in an enormous bandage. Everyone goes to the hospital to visit and everyone takes a present.

### **Talk together**

Read the title and talk about the picture. Ask, "Why do you think Dad needs presents?" Talk about the bandage on his foot. "What might have happened? Why do you think it is being held up like that?"

### **Read the story**

**W** = Word recognition **C** = Language comprehension

- W** Read the titles on the front and back covers. Find the list of words and read them all.
- C** Look at page 1, guess what Kipper said to the nurse. Read the words.
- C** On each page notice who was speaking. This gives the child a clue as to what the words say.
- W** Read what Kipper said on pages 6 and 7.
- C** Notice that Kipper has nearly eaten them all! Go back and see what Kipper was doing on previous pages.
- C** On the last page ask, "What was Kipper doing now?"

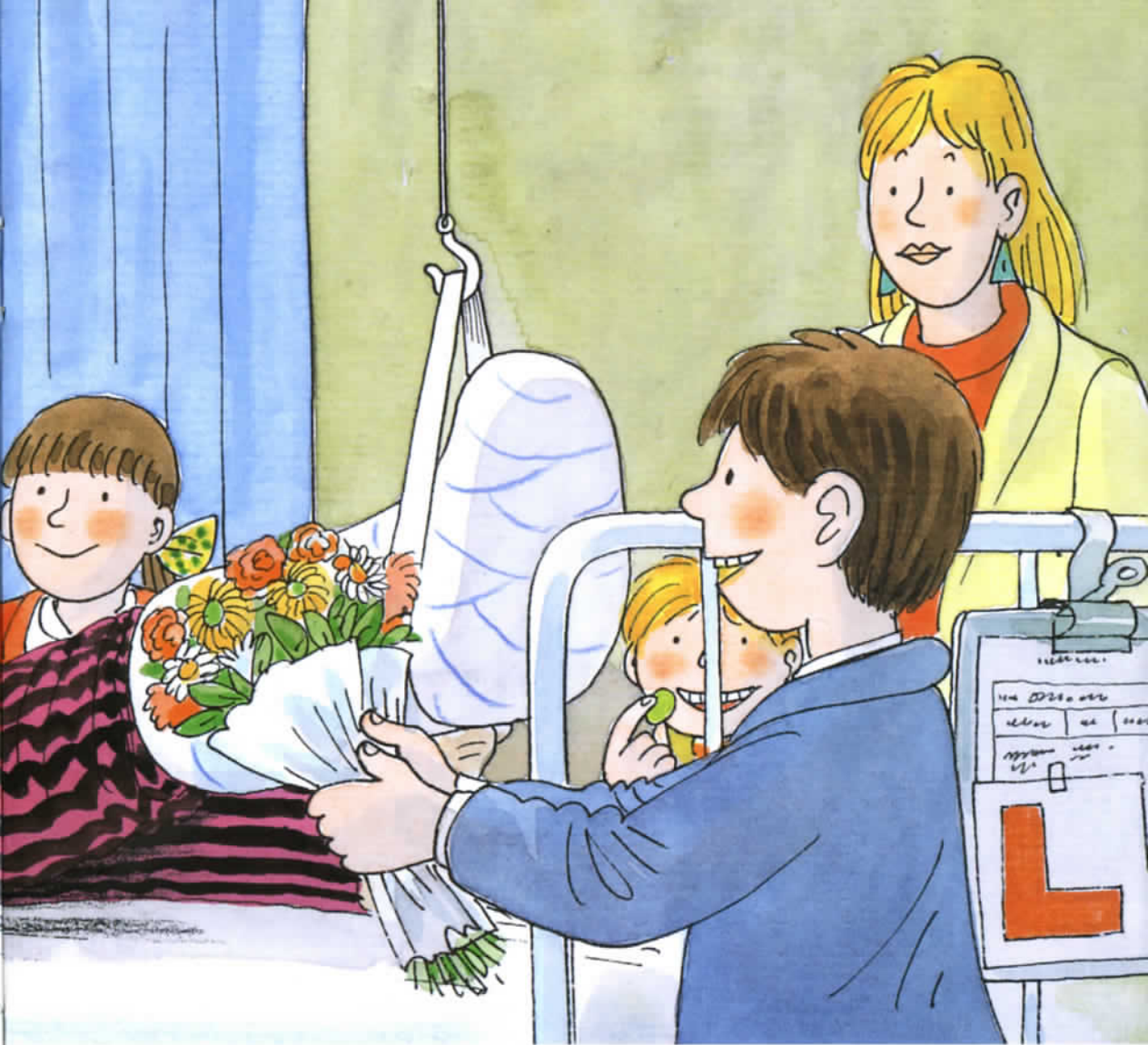


This is for Dad.





This is for you, Dad.



It is a bunch of flowers.

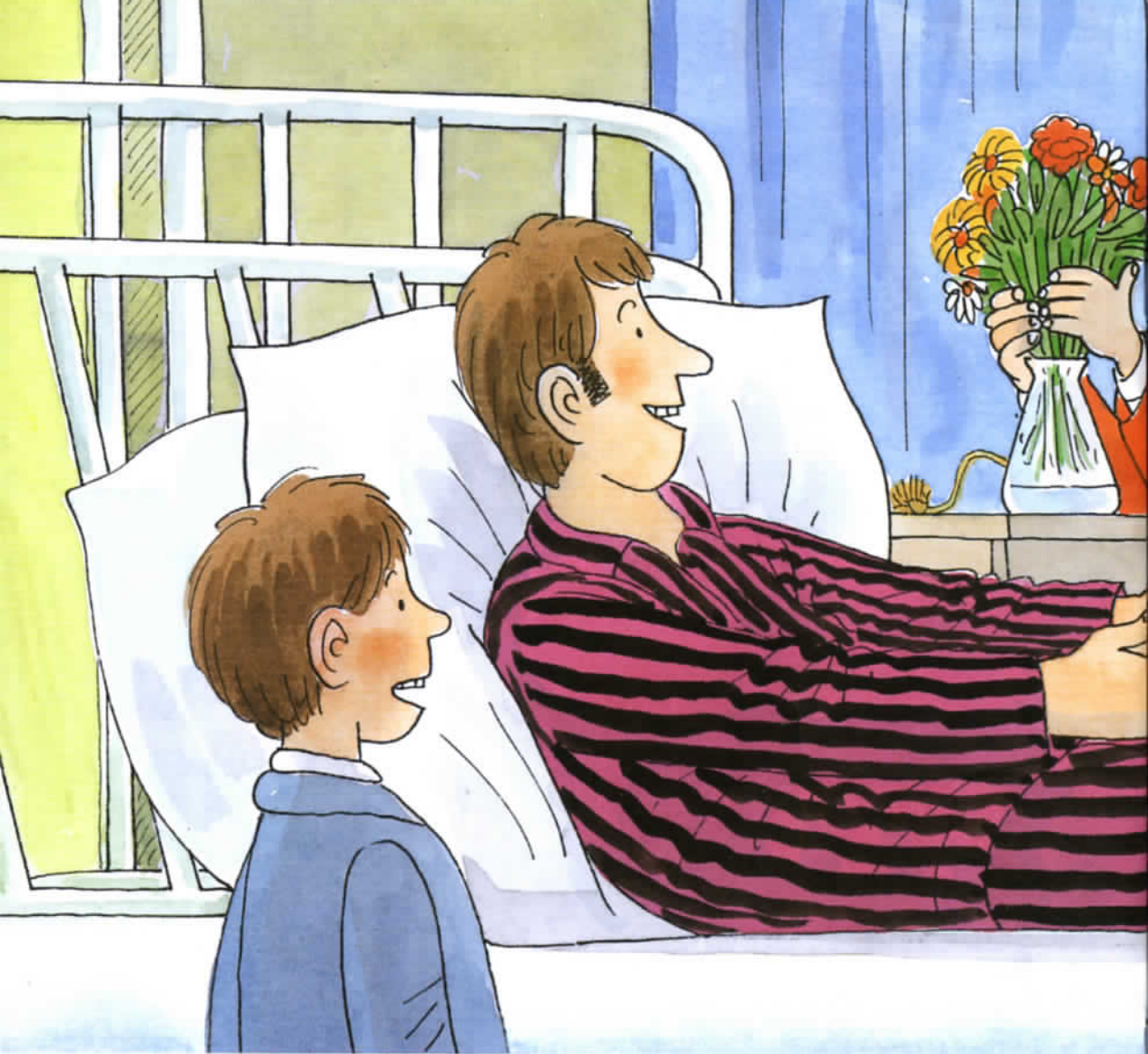


This is for you, Dad.





It is a box of chocolates.

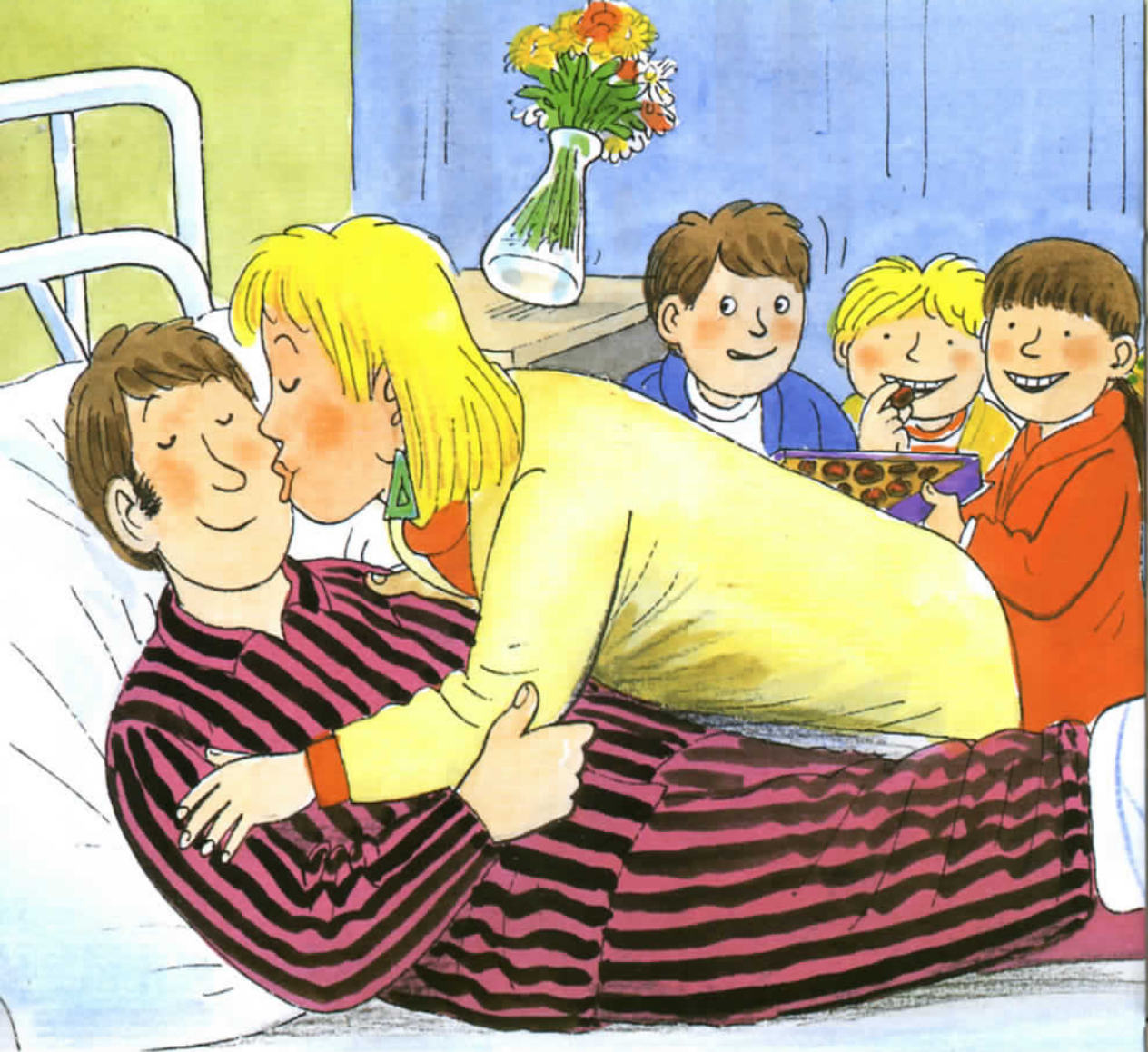


This is for you, Dad.





It is a bunch of grapes.



This is for the best Dad of all.

## ***Play a game***

### ***I-spy***

*To help the child notice letter sounds at the beginning of words.*

- Open the book at any page. Choose something in the picture, and without saying what it is, say, "I spy with my little eye, something beginning with..."
- As soon as the child has found the right thing, he or she chooses a page and asks you to work out the word.
- Have two or three turns each.

### ***Other ideas***

*You can use this idea straight away, or on another day.*

- Find the longest word in the story. Count the letters to check that you are right.
- Talk about people you know who have been in hospital.



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Dad goes to hospital.



This story practises these words:

a dad for is it of this you

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