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# The New Babysitter



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## Key words

bed  
new  
some  
time  
too



### Before the child reads the story:

- Read the title together.
- Look at the front cover illustration and talk about what might happen in the story.
- Look at the back cover for clues about the story.

### As the child reads the story:

- Encourage the child to read the speech in the story with appropriate expression.

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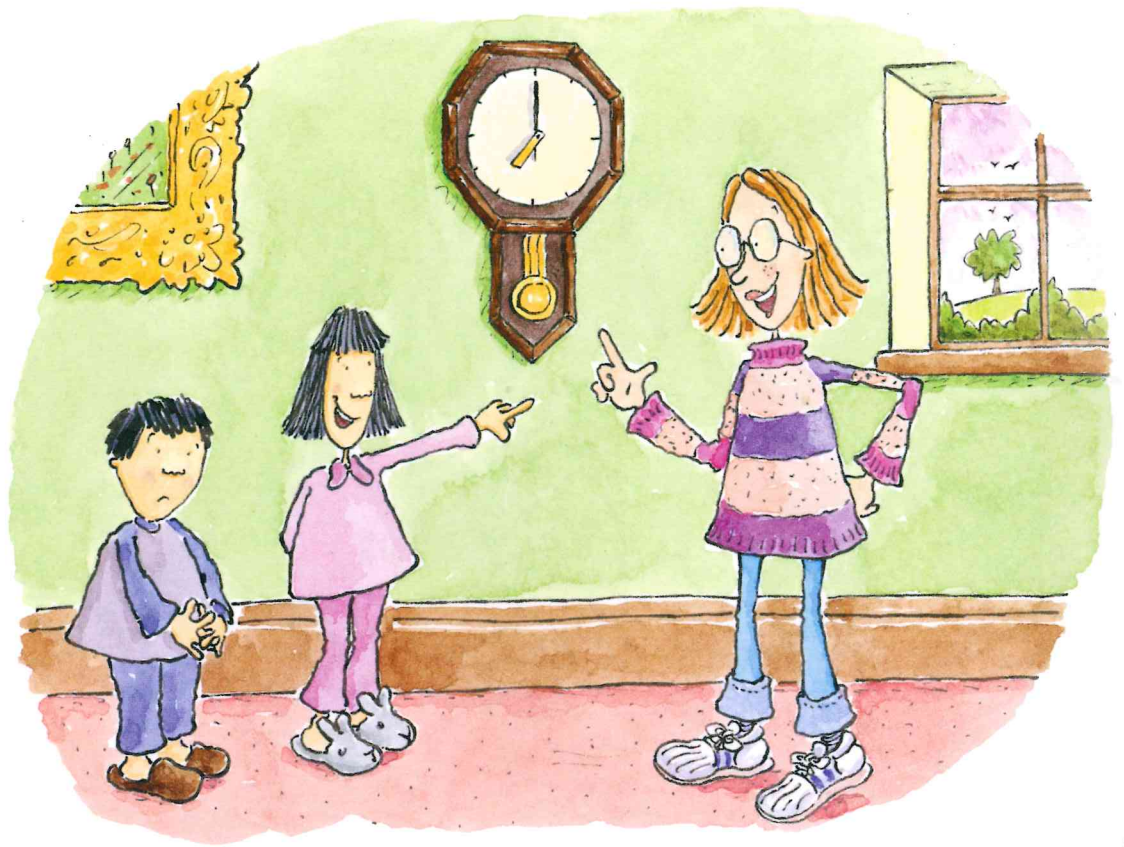


Emma and Jake had a new babysitter.  
“This is Megan,” said Mum.





Mum and Dad went out.



“It’s time for bed,” said Megan.

“It’s too early,” said Jake and Emma.

“Can we play in the garden?”

Emma and Jake played in the garden.  
Megan played, too.





“It’s time for bed,” said Megan.

“It’s too early,” said Jake.

“Can we play a game?” said Emma.

Emma and Jake played a game.  
Megan played, too.



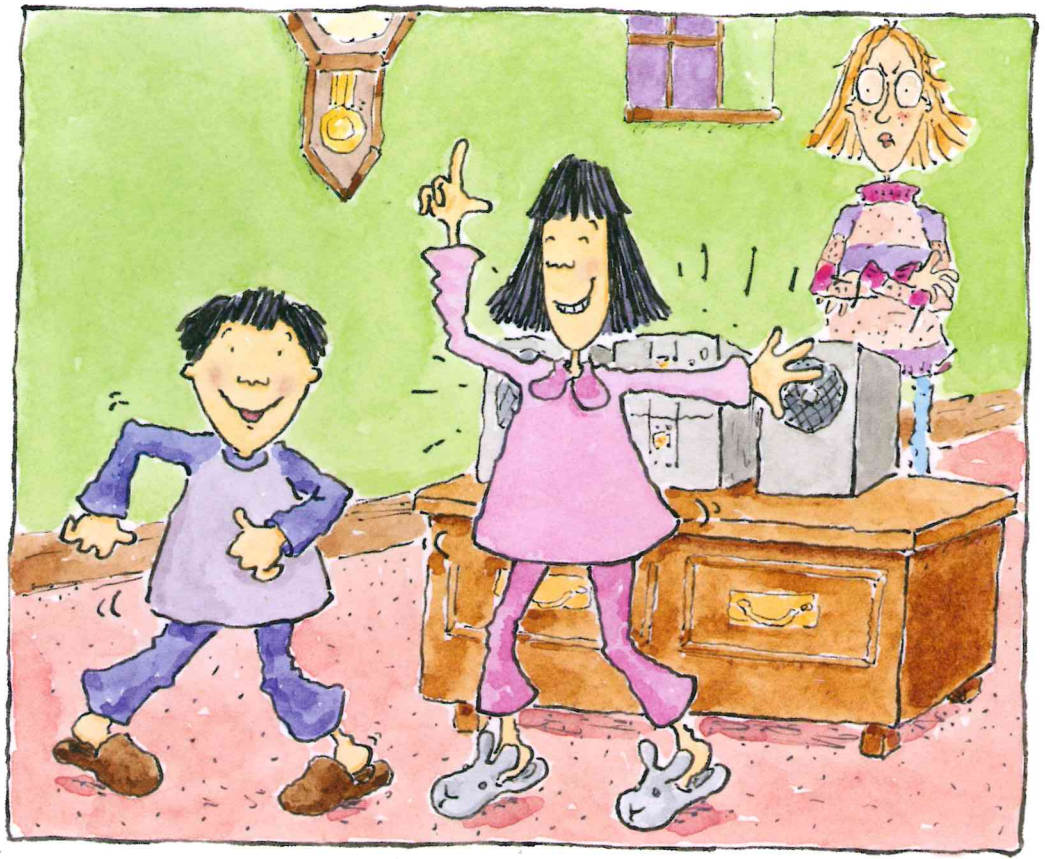


“It’s time for bed,” said Megan.

“It’s too early,” said Jake and Emma.

“Can we play some music?”

Emma and Jake played some music.



“I like to sing,” said Jake.

“I like to dance,” said Emma.



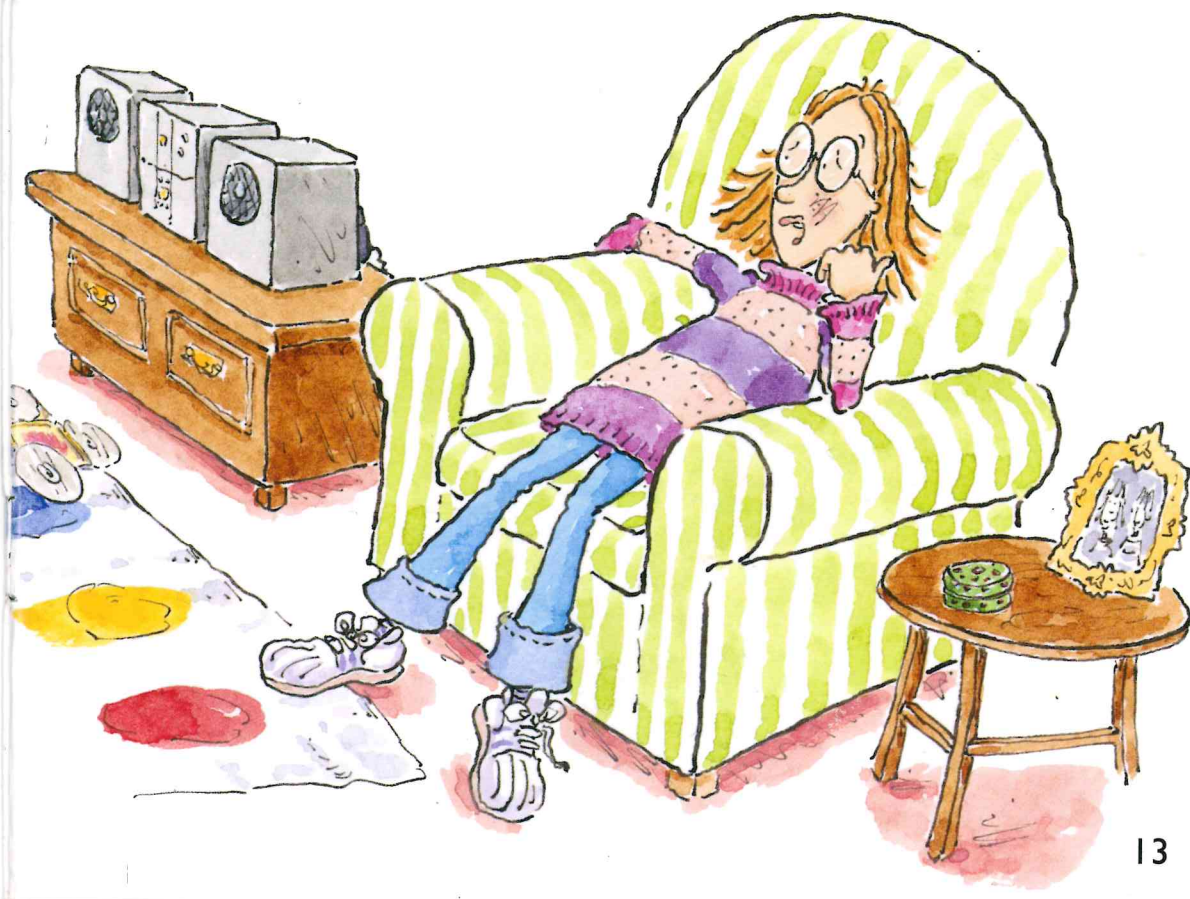
“It’s time for bed!” said Megan.





“It’s too early,” said Jake and Emma.  
“Can we watch a video?”

“OK,” said Megan. “Just for a while.”



Mum and Dad came home.  
“It’s past bedtime!” they said.





“Shhhhh!” said Emma and Jake.  
“Megan is asleep.”



### Questions to ask when the child has read the story

#### Understanding check:

- Do you think Megan liked babysitting for Emma and Jake?
- Look at the pictures of Megan in the book. How do you think she feels on page 5? How do you think she feels on page 11? Why has her mood changed?

#### Key word check:

- Turn to pages 4 and 5. Can you find the word 'too' on these pages?
- Can you find the word 'some' in the book?

#### Focus check: to retell main events

- Ask the child to tell you the story. Check that they have understood what happened. What did the children do first? What else did they do? What were they doing when Mum and Dad came home?



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Emma and Jake want to play. Will the new babysitter let them stay up late?



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