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 want to come first
 do not come first

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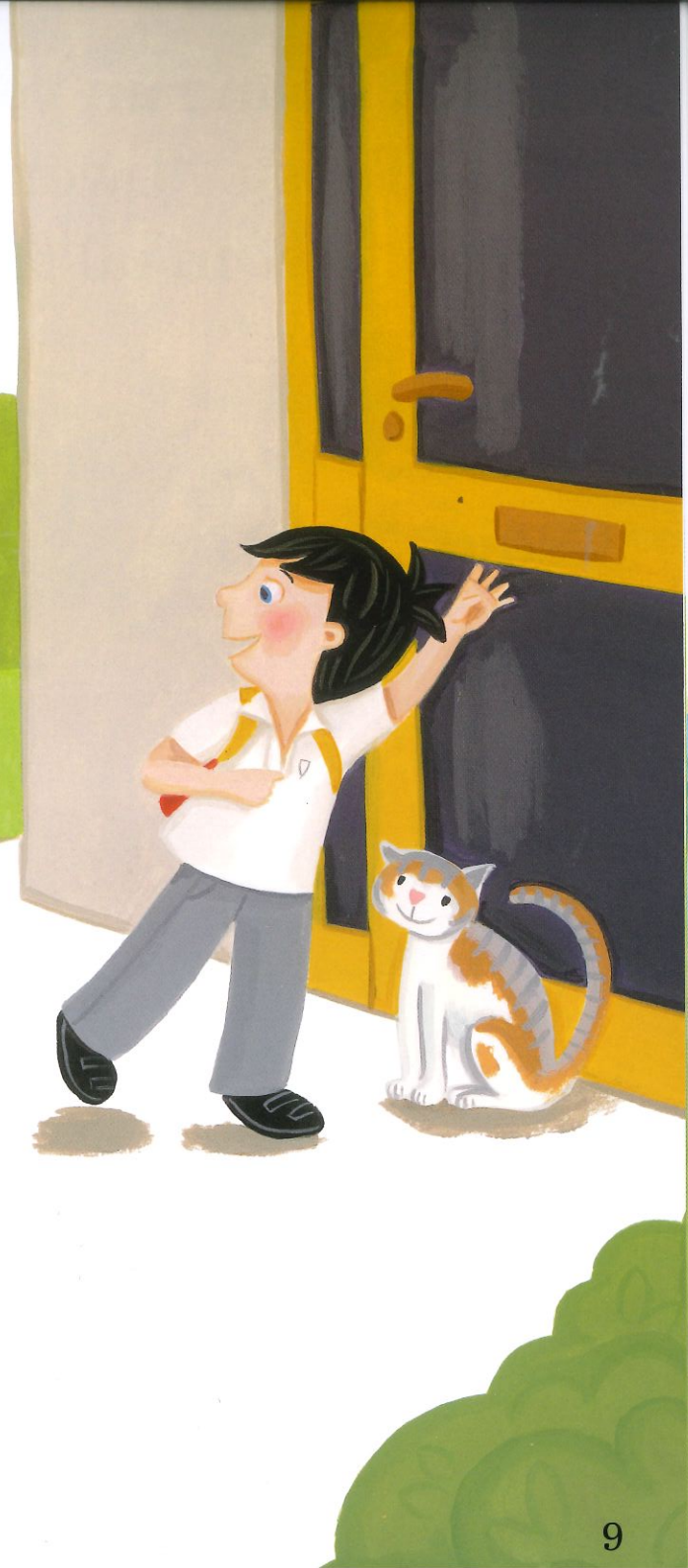


Topsy and her brother,
Tim had the same
birthday. They were twins.
The twins liked running.

They always ran together.
Sometimes Topsy came
first and sometimes Tim
came first. They did not
like coming second!



It was sports day at school.
Mommy came to school with
Topsy and Tim. She wanted
to watch the twins run.



“Tim, I can run very fast,”
said Topsy. “I want to
come first in all the sports
day races.”

“You cannot come first!”
said Tim.

“Yes, I can!”
said Topsy.



In the first sports day race
Topsy and Tim ran fast but
they did not come first.

They were not happy.



In the second race the children had to throw hoops.

“I can come first in this race,” said Topsy.

“No, you cannot! But I can!” said Tim.



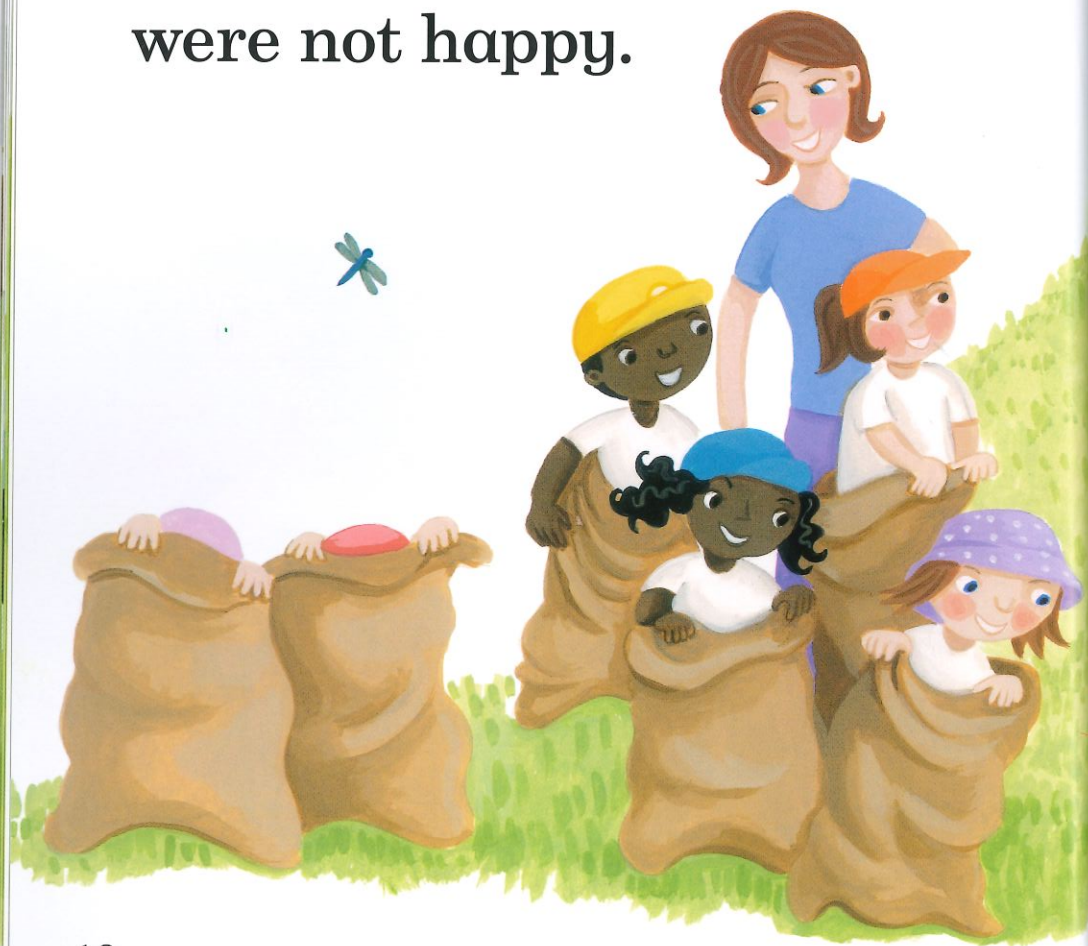
But Topsy and Tim were not good at hoops and they did not come first.

The twins were not happy.



The next race was the sack race.

Topsy and Tim were not good at the sack race. They did not come first and they were not happy.



The next race was the dressing-up race. The children had to wear big coats and hats. They had to open umbrellas.

Topsy and Tim liked dressing up but their umbrellas did not open. They did not come first and they were not happy.



The next race was the egg and spoon race. This race was only for moms.

Topsy and Tim's mommy ran very fast with the egg and spoon—and she came first!



Topsy and Tim had to run together for the next race.

“We must come first,”
they said.



Topsy and Tim ran very
fast—and they came first!
They were very happy!



“You came first together!”
said Mommy. And she
was very happy, too!



Activities

The key below describes the skills practiced in each activity.

 Spelling and writing

 Reading

 Speaking

 Critical thinking

 Preparation for the Cambridge Young Learners Exams



1 Look and read.


Put a or a in the box.



1  This is Mommy.

2  This is Tim.

3  This is Topsy.

4  Topsy and Tim are twins.

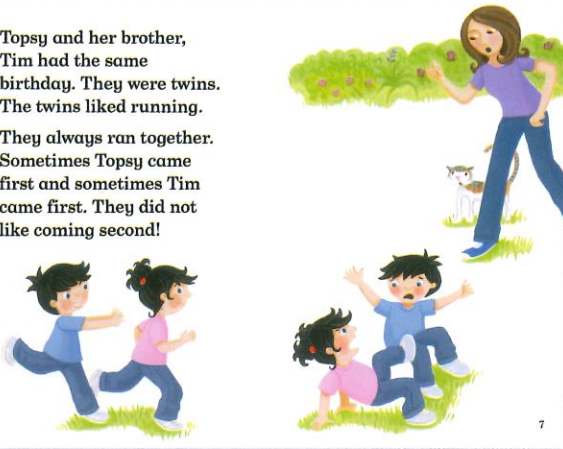
5  This is a race.

2 Look and read.

Write *yes* or *no*.



Topsy and her brother,
Tim had the same
birthday. They were twins.
The twins liked running.
They always ran together.
Sometimes Topsy came
first and sometimes Tim
came first. They did not
like coming second!



1 Topsy and Tim have got
the same birthday.

yes

2 Tim is Topsy's brother.

3 The twins do not
like running.

4 The twins never
run together.

5 The twins do not like
coming second in a race.

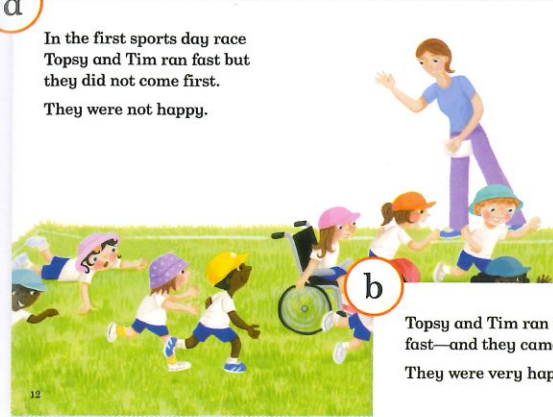
3 Work with a friend.

Talk about the two pictures.

How are they different?

a

In the first sports day race
Topsy and Tim ran fast but
they did not come first.
They were not happy.



b

Topsy and Tim ran very
fast—and they came first!
They were very happy!



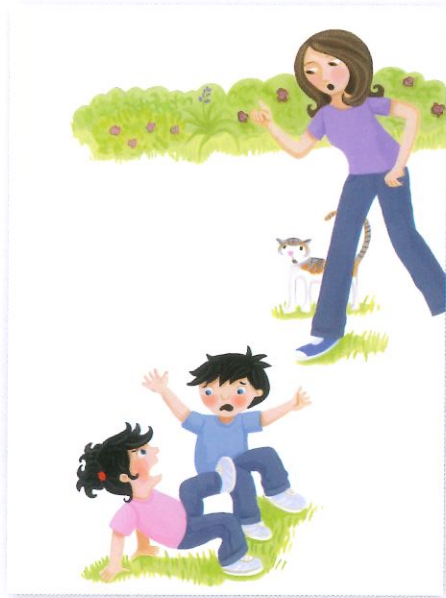
Example:

*In picture a, Topsy
is not happy.*




*In picture b,
Topsy is happy.*

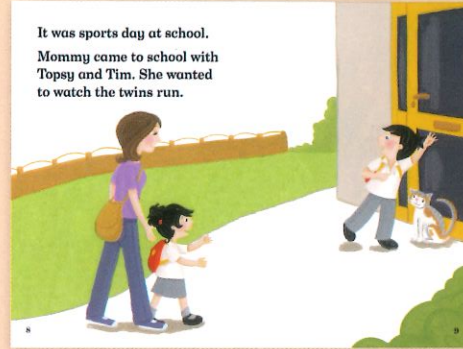
4 Look and read.

Write yes or no.   



- 1 Tim is not happy. yes
- 2 Mommy is talking to the twins. _____
- 3 The cat is in front of Mommy. _____
- 4 Topsy is happy. _____

5 Look at the picture. Look at the letters. Write the words.   



- 1 t s s p o r
- 2 m m M o y
- 3 s n w t i
- 4 c e s r a

- 1 It was s p o r t s day at school.
- 2 _____ came to school with Topsy and Tim.
- 3 Mommy wanted to watch the _____.
- 4 Topsy wanted to come first in all the sports day _____.

6 Circle the correct word. 



1 In the second race the children had to throw

- a bedroom **b hoops**

2 "I can come first in this race," said


- a Tim b Topsy

3 "No, you cannot!" said

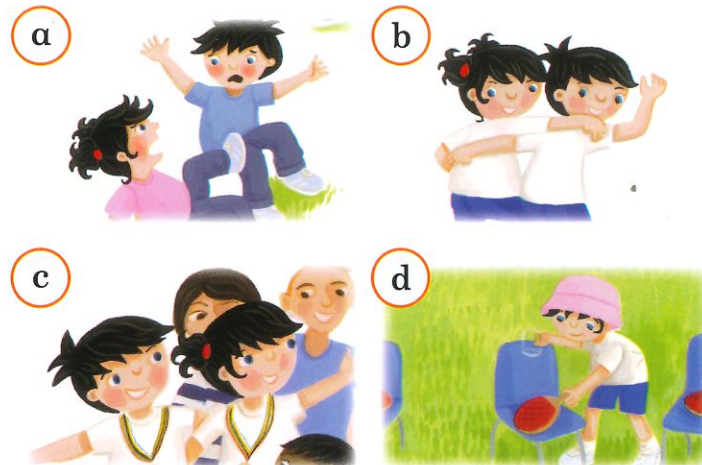
- a Tim b Topsy

4 Topsy and Tim wanted to come

- a second b first

7 Look at the pictures. One picture is different. How is it different? Tell your teacher. 

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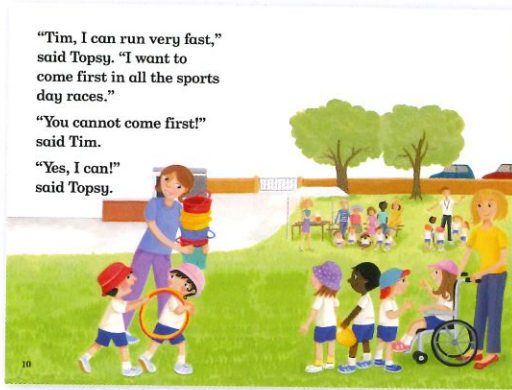


Picture a is different because Topsy and Tim are fighting.

2



10 Look and read. Put a or a in the box.   




- 1 Children like coming first in races.
- 2 Twins have the same mommy and dad.
- 3 Teachers help the children on sports day.
- 4 Children wear long trousers and dresses on sports day.

11 Write Who, What, or Where.  

- 1 Who came first in the egg and spoon race?
- 2 did the moms carry on their spoons?
- 3 was the egg and spoon race? Was it inside or outside?
- 4 came first in the sack race?
- 5 did the children wear for the dressing-up race?



12 Ask and answer questions about the sack race with a friend. 



Example:

How many children were in the sack race?

There were ten children in the sack race.

13 Read the text. Choose the correct words and write them on the lines.   

- | | | |
|---------------|------------|-------|
| 1 bad | easy | good |
| 2 dressing up | sports day | hoops |
| 3 come | coming | came |
| 4 was | were | where |

Topsy was not ¹ good

at hoops. And Tim was not good at

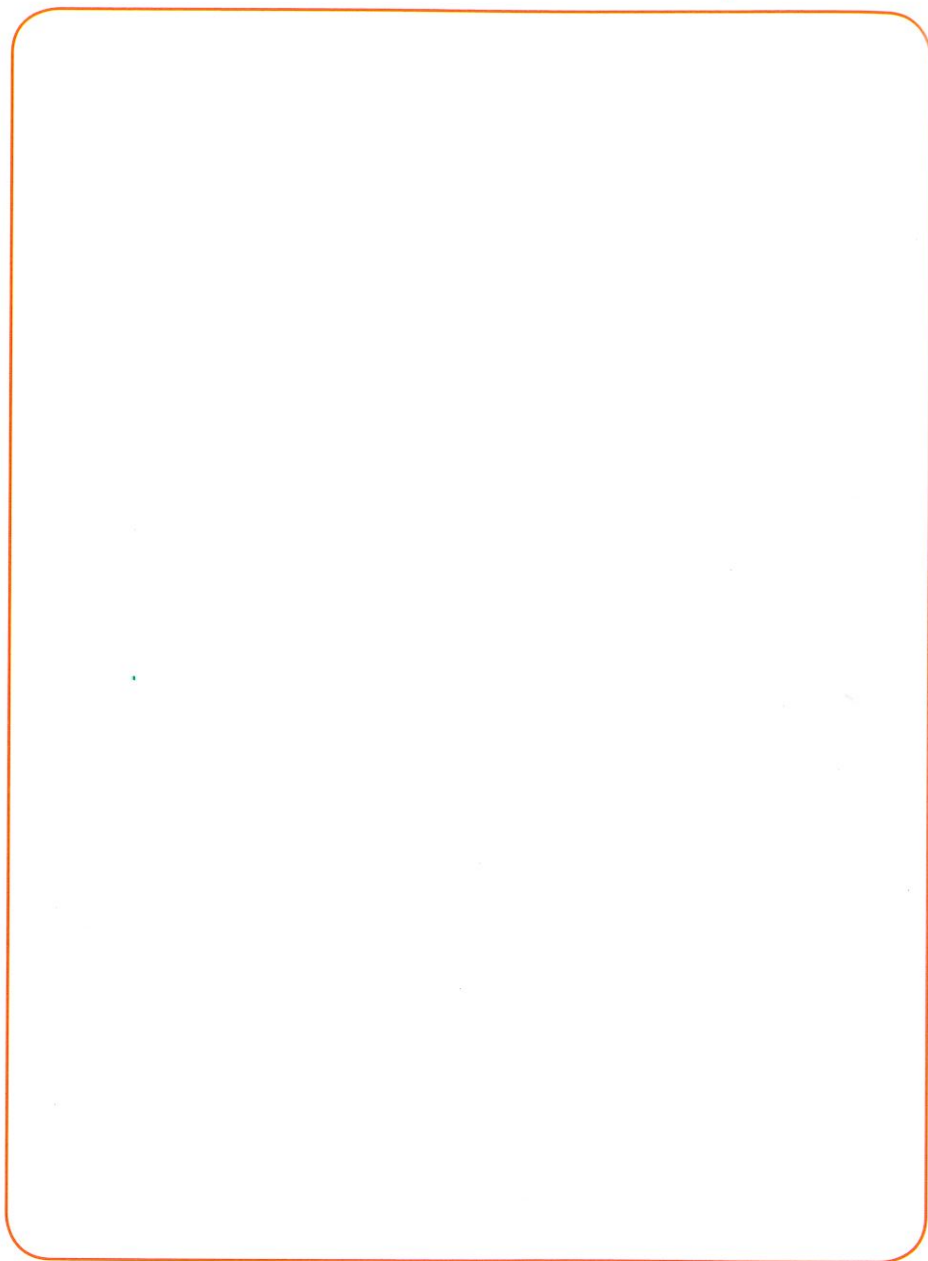
² They did not


³ first. The twins

⁴ not happy.



- 14 Draw a picture of you and a friend in a race at sports day.



- 15 Talk about your picture with a friend. 

1

Which sport are you doing?

The sport I am doing is running.

- 2 Is that your favorite sport? Why?
- 3 Do you enjoy sports day at school?
- 4 Which races are you good at?






16 Look at the pictures.

Tell the story to your teacher. 



Example:

*Topsy and Tim
liked running . . .*

17 Read the text. Choose a word from the box. Write the correct word next to numbers 1—5.   



come first happy ran

In the ¹ first sports day race,
Topsy and Tim ran fast but they did
not ² first. They were not
³ Their friends ⁴
fast.