



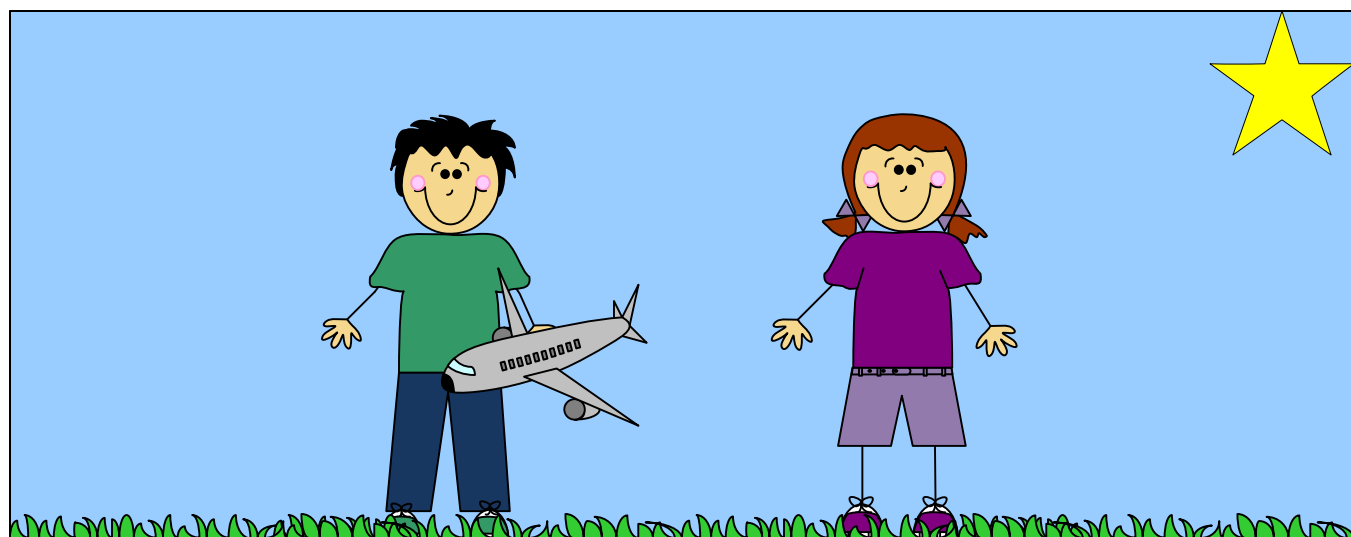
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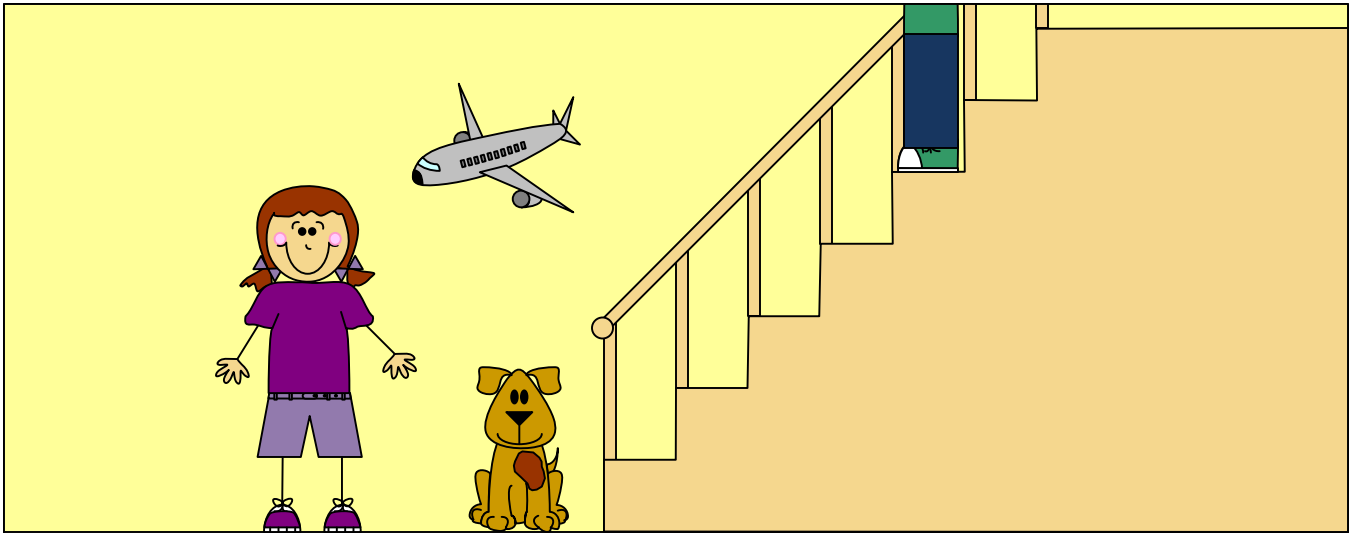
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Ted and Jan were playing in the house with an airplane.



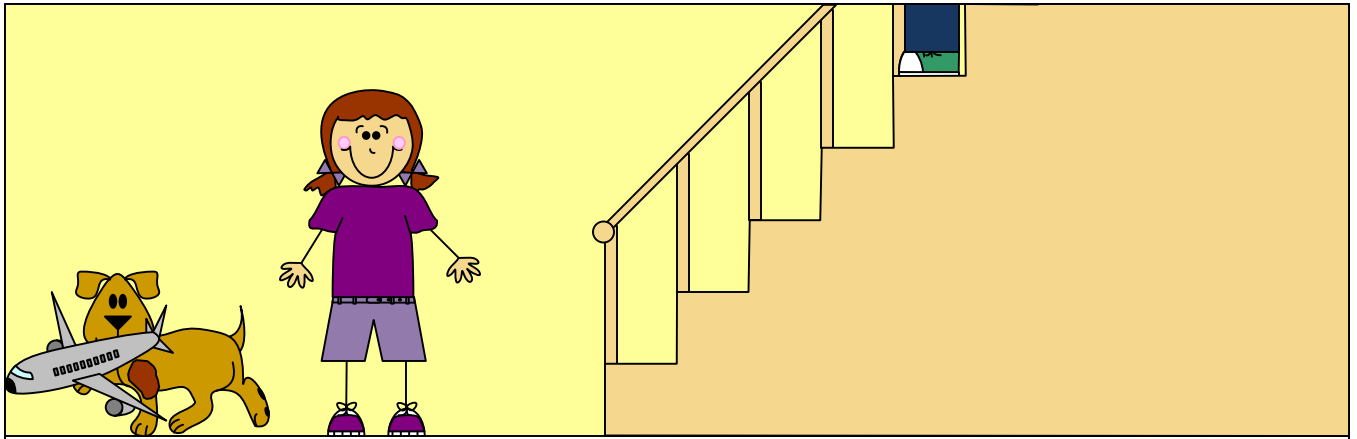
Ted ran to the top of the steps.

“Here it comes, Jan!” he yelled.

The airplane landed and Jan ran to get it.

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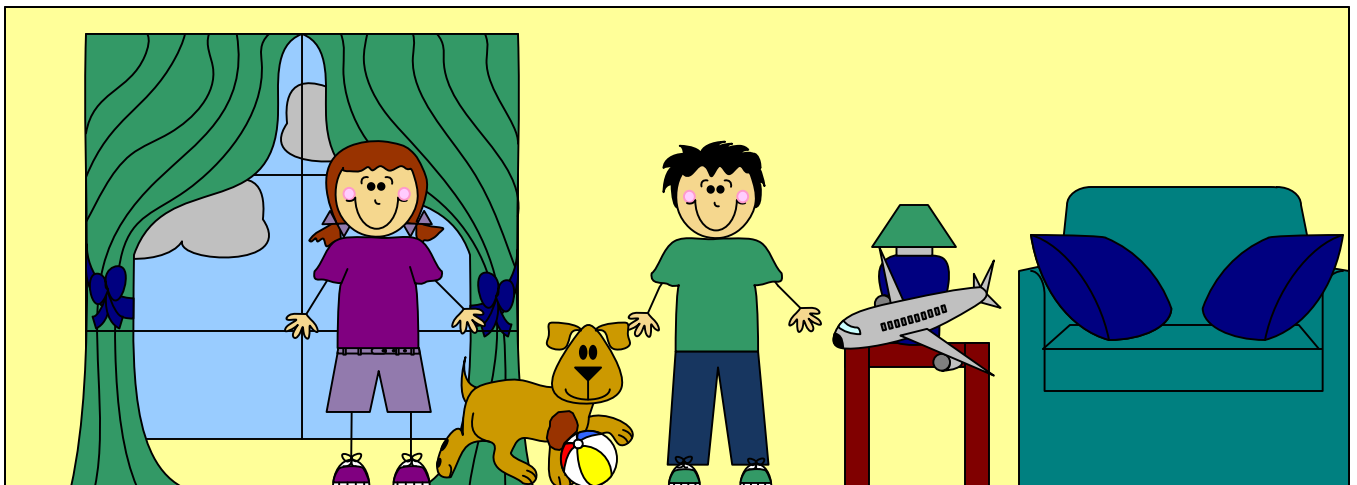
But just then, Socks jumped up and grabbed the airplane.

He grabbed the airplane and ran very fast.

“No, Socks!” yelled Ted and Jan.

“Give that back!” said Ted. “The airplane is not yours!”

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“Go get your ball, Socks,” said Ted.

So Socks ran and got his ball. Ted and Jan played with Socks.

Socks ran and jumped. He had a lot of fun.

But, Ted and Jan wanted to play with the airplane.

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Then Socks ran back to Ted and Jan. He dropped the airplane. Jan picked it up.



“That was bad, Socks!” Jan said. “Do not run with the airplane. We want to play with it.”



Socks looked sad.

“He just wants to play,” said Ted to Jan.

“Yes,” said Jan. “But, he cannot play with this.”

“Let’s play with Socks,” said Jan. “We can play with his ball.”



“Mom, we do not want Socks to stop us from playing with the airplane. We want to find a good spot to play,” said Ted.



“Can we go find a good spot?”

“Yes,” said Mom. “But if it looks like it will rain, come back. I do



not want you to get wet. Have fun!”

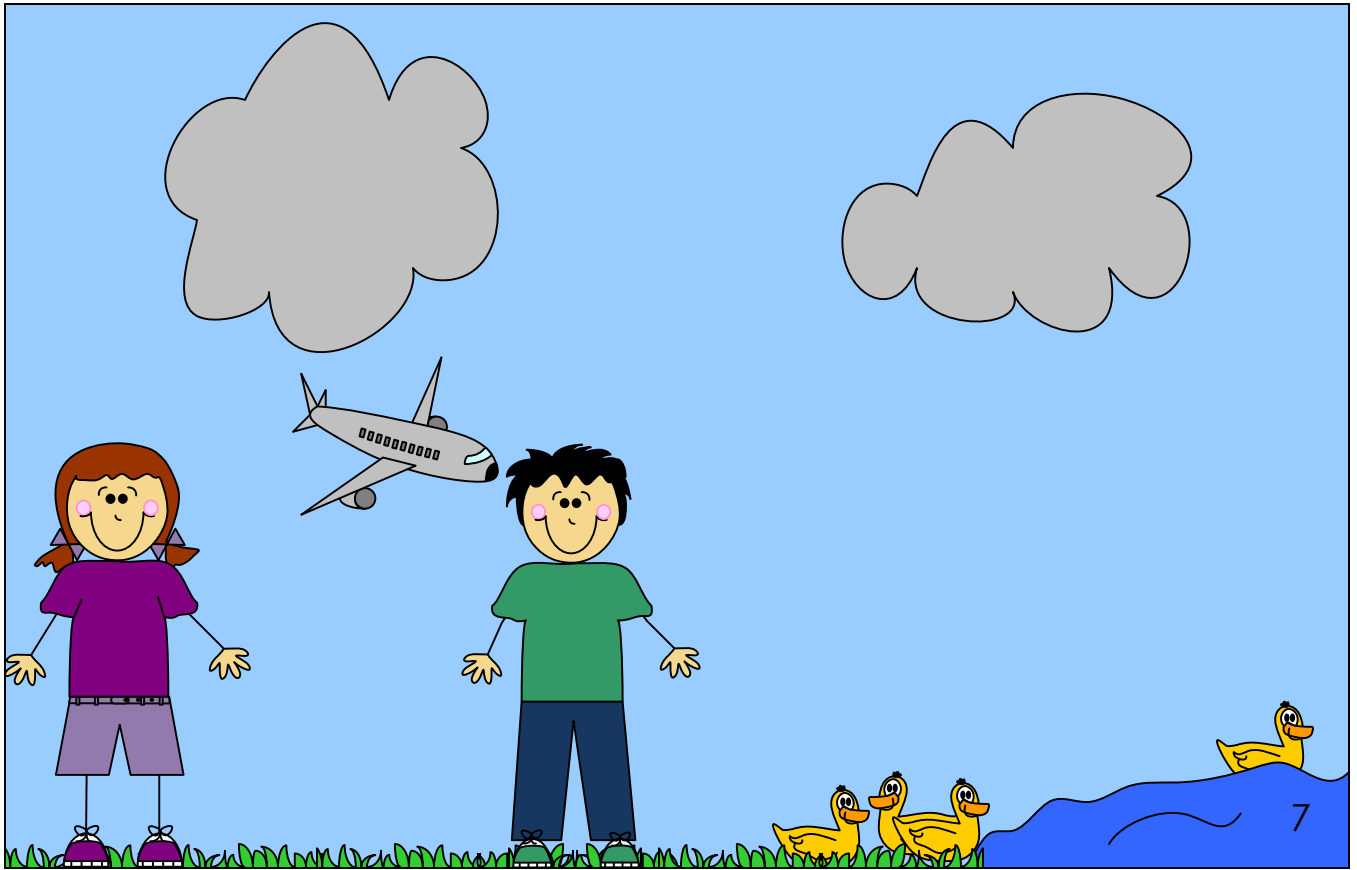
So, Ted and Jan went to find a good spot to play with the airplane.



“This looks like a good spot,” said Ted. “We can play in the grass next to the pond.”

Ted and Jan played with the airplane. They had a lot of fun.





“This looks like a good spot,” said Ted. “Let’s play here.”

So Ted and Jan had fun playing with the airplane.



Then the wind picked up the airplane.



“No! Not in the pond!” yelled Ted.

The airplane did not go in the pond, but it did hit a bunch of



ducks. Then it landed in the grass next to the pond.

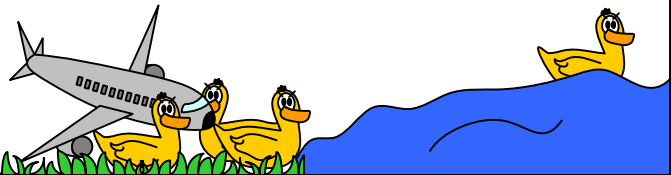
“QUACK! QUACK!” went the ducks.

“They are mad,” said Jan.

“This spot is not that good,” said Ted. “Let’s go find a good spot.”

“Yes,” said Jan. “Let’s find a good spot with no ducks!”

So Ted and Jan left the pond and went to find a good spot to play.



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But then, the wind picked up the airplane.



The airplane went into a sandbox.



A little boy grabbed the airplane and ran to his mom. He



did not want to give them the airplane.



“Sam,” the boy’s mom said. “Give them back the



airplane. It is not yours.”



Sam gave Jan and Ted the airplane, but he was very sad.



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"I do not think this is a good spot," said Ted.

"It's not good to play next to the sandbox. Let's go find a good spot," said Jan.

"I think we will find a good spot at the end of this path. Let's go."

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Jan and Ted had lots of fun playing with the airplane.

But then the wind picked up the airplane. It went up, up, UP!

It went up into the trees.

"Look at it go!" said Jan.

Just then, the airplane stopped. It was stuck in a branch.

"No!" yelled Jan. "It is stuck."



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"Look," said Jan. "Do you think this is a good spot?"

"Yes," said Ted. "This is the best spot. I do not see any ducks. I do not see a sandbox."

"I do see trees, but the trees will not get mad if we play



here," said Jan.

Jan and Ted grinned.

Jan looked up.

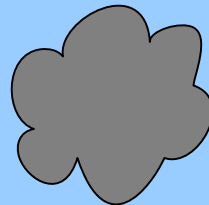
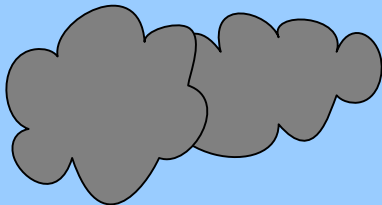
"Do you think it will rain?" asked Jan.



"Not yet," said Ted. "Let's play!"



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"Let's sit and rest," said Ted. "I want to get the airplane. Can you think of a plan?"



"No," said Jan. "I do not have a plan."

Ted and Jan just sat and looked up. They looked at the airplane. They looked at the trees.



"Jan, it looks like it will rain," said Ted. "Do you think it will rain?"



"Yes," said Jan. "It looks black. And Mom said not to get wet." Jan felt sad. "Let's go," she said.

But just then Jan and Ted felt the wind. It was a big wind.
They looked up at the airplane.



The wind was lifting up the airplane!



It went up, up, UP! The airplane was tossed in the wind. Then
it landed next to the tree.

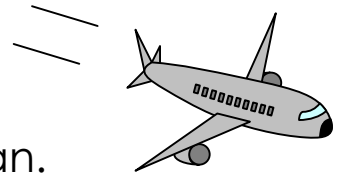


“Quick!” yelled Jan. “Let’s get it!”
Jan and Ted ran to get the airplane.



“Pick it up, Ted!” yelled Jan.

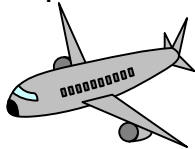
Ted picked up the airplane and grinned at Jan.



“Let’s go!” yelled Jan and Ted.

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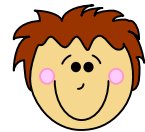
airplane



ball



boy



house



rain



tree



trees



Ted and Jan ran up the path. They passed the sandbox.

They passed the ducks. They got back to the house just as

the rain fell. They did not get wet. The airplane was in Ted's



hand. Ted and Jan looked at the airplane.



Jan said, "That was a lot of fun. I want to rest."

"Yes," said Ted. "Let's rest."

And they did.

