

Big Sis Best Toss





Big Sis is up in the big oak tree. She lies on a branch, way up in the shade.

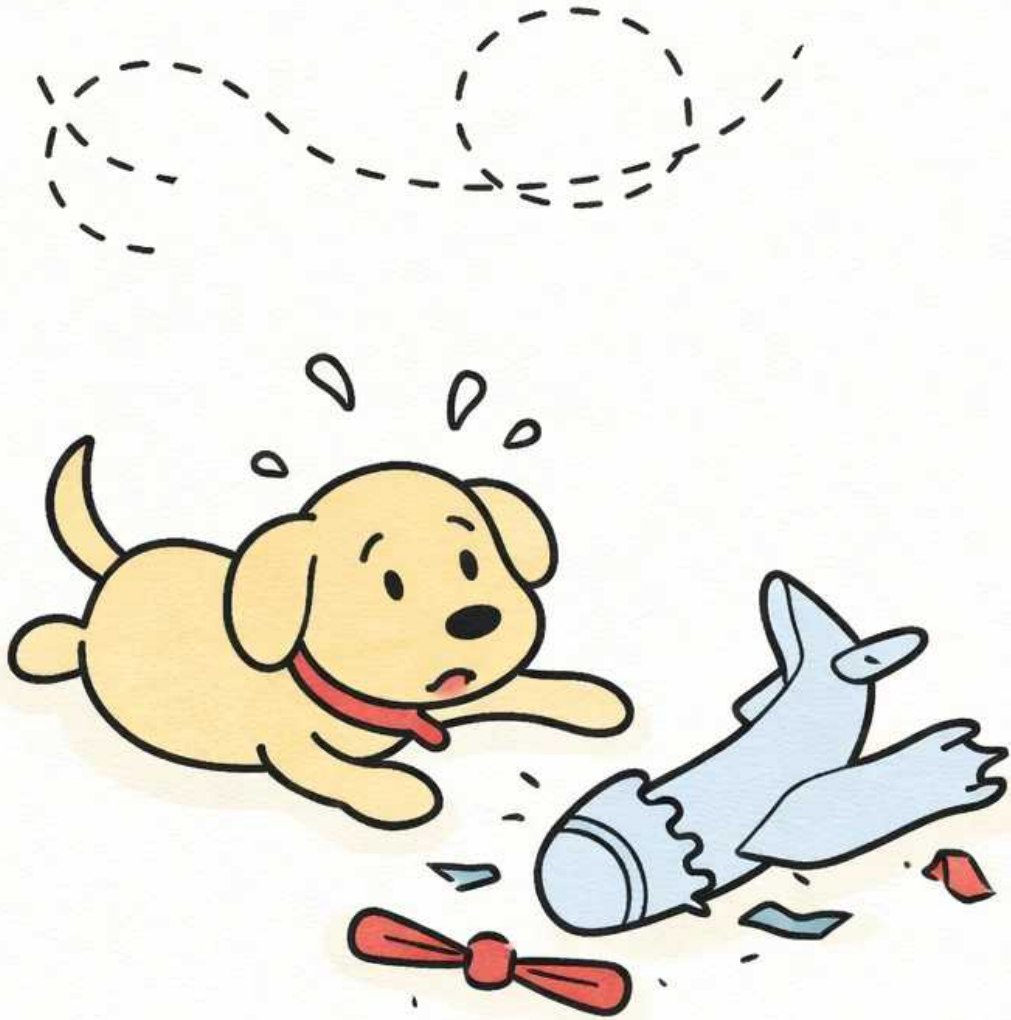
Jay hangs on a branch and swings his legs. 'Big Sis is so brave!' he says.

Big Sis stands up
on the branch with
her **toy** plane. 'This
is the best **day** for
a plane!' she says.

Jay looks up at
her with a big grin.



The plane loops up
and up. Then it
drops fast. Crash!
It hits the soil, and
the parts go all
over. Dog lies by
the plane in dismay.



Dog is not happy.
He jumps up and
barks and barks.

Jay **stays** up in
the tree. But Big
Sis just says,
'Shush, Dog. It did
not hit that hard.'



'We can fix the toy plane,' says Big Sis. She digs in the soil with a spade, and Jay sits by her.

Dog jumps up and tugs on a rope. Dog enjoys a good tug!



On the pathway, Big
Sis stops to pat Dog.
Dog wags his tail with
joy.

Jay hangs back and
grabs her arm. 'Dog
may nip me!' he says.



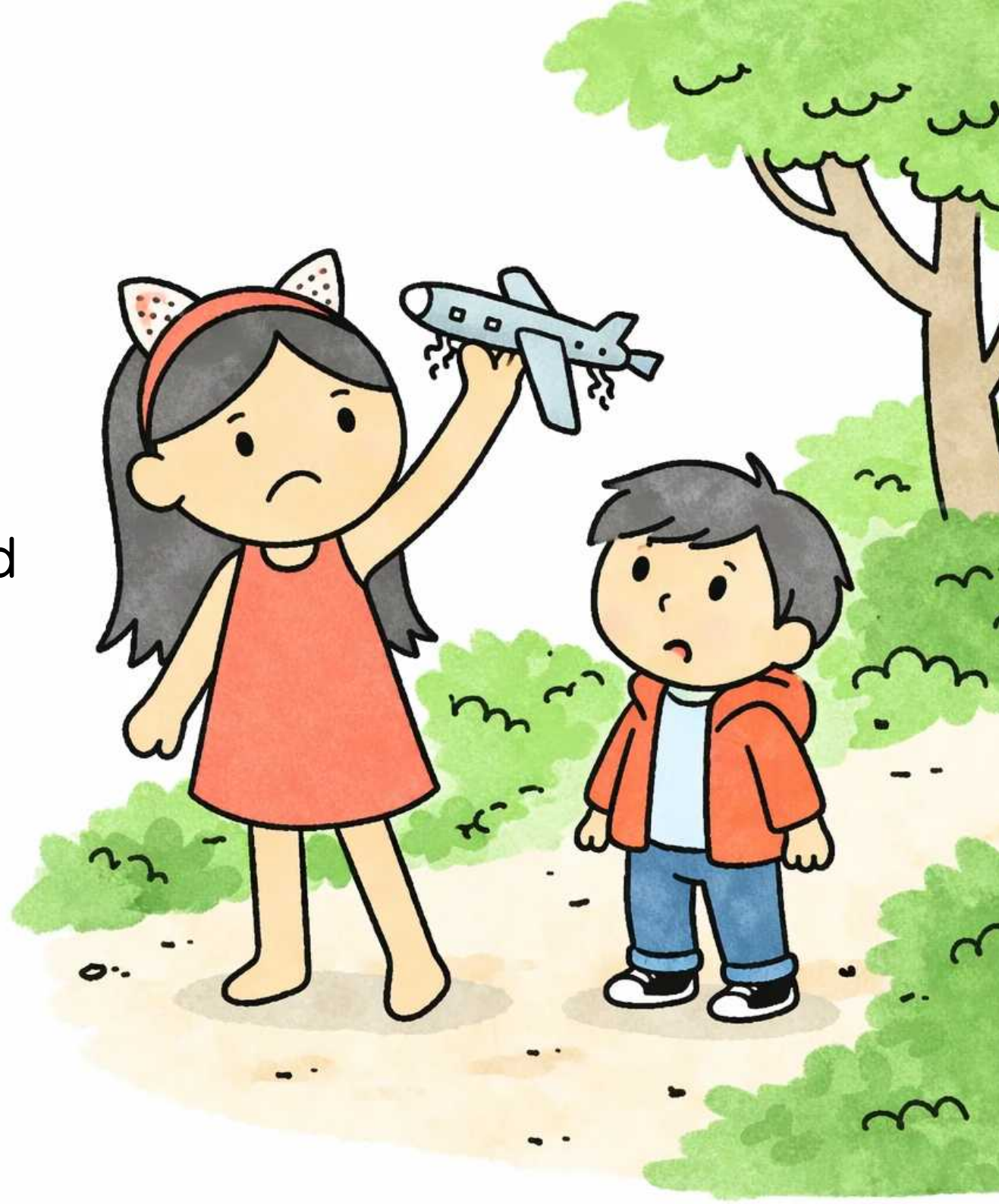
Then Big Sis trips on a root.
Whoops! She falls, and Jay
falls too. They land in the soil.

Dog just looks at them. But
Big Sis will not cry. No way!



Big Sis gets up and
picks up the plane.
'We can fix it **today**,'
she says. 'Some
wood, some glue, and
it can zoom.'

Jay has a bump, but
he will not cry. Not
him!





It is midday, and Jay needs some food. Big Sis cooks. She mixes a dish with a big spoon.

'Good food is on the way, Jay!' she says.

Jay sits and looks at her.

Jay peeks up over
the bench. To his
dismay, Big Sis
has wet cheeks!

Can Big Sis cry?
No way! Big Sis
never cries!





Jay thinks and thinks.
Big Sis did not cry
up in the tree. She
did not cry with Dog,
and she did not cry
as she fell that day.
So what can make
Big Sis cry?

Jay steps up to look.

Big Sis grins. 'I am not sad, Jay,' she says. 'It is just this!'

Jay grins too.

Hooray! Big Sis never cries. No way, not ever!





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Big Sis is the bravest person a boy knows, lying way up in the oak tree without a single wobble. But when her toy plane crashes and Dog barks his loudest bark, will she finally cry? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 7: ay as in day & oy as in boy), this book practices words like 'day', 'toy', 'joy', 'hooray', 'today'.

Phonics Focus: <ay> <oy>

day, dismay, enjoys, hooray, joy, may, midday, pathway, say, stays, today, toy, way

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