Brother Yanks It Back!

Max **has** the

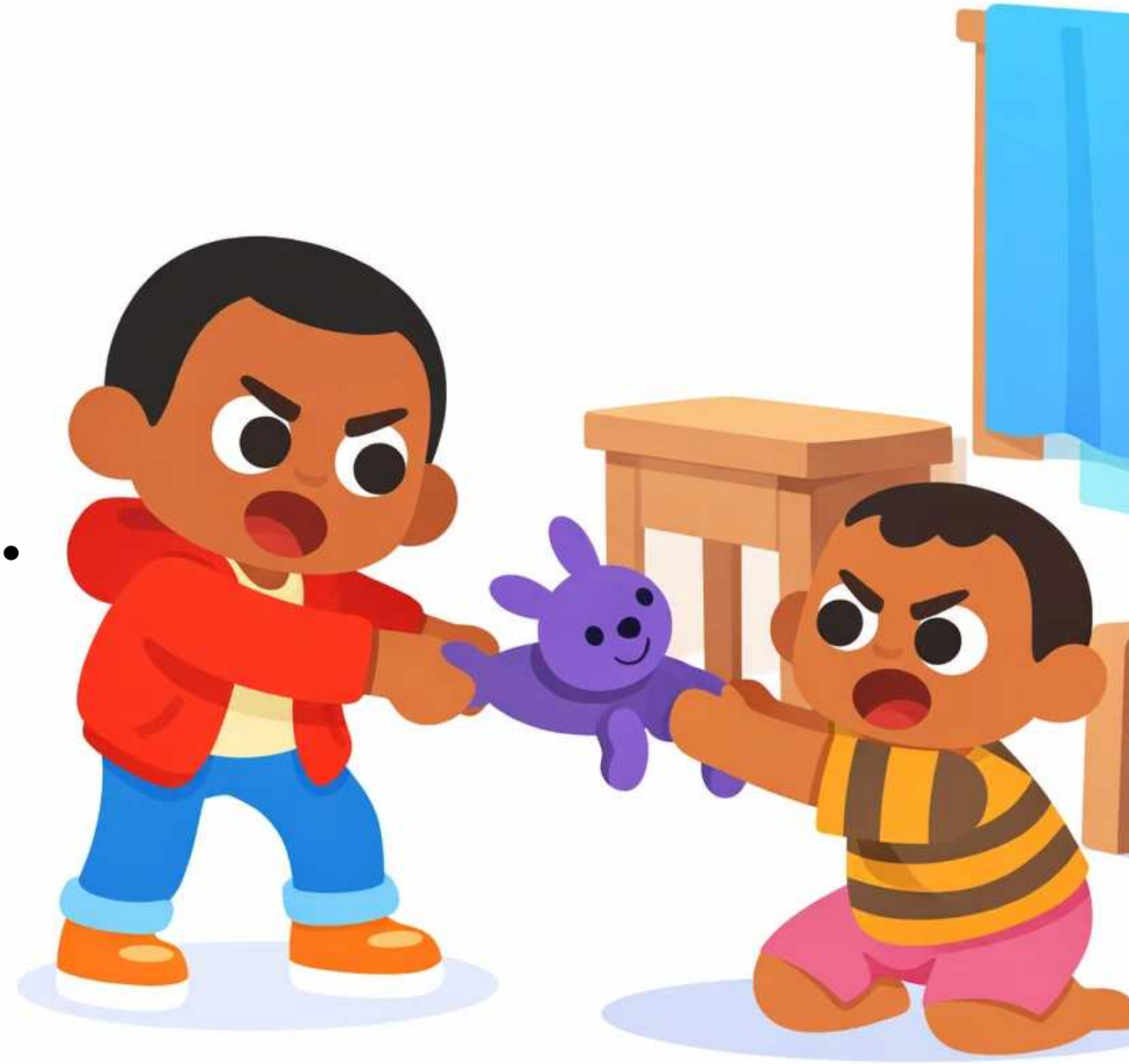
animal, but

Brother **tugs it.**

Max **tugs it back.**

Stop **it,** Brother!

Stop!



Crash! **Bits drop** on the **mat.**

Mum is **mad at them.** Max **and** Brother **must get** to **bed.**

Max **sits** with his wee **tractor.** He is a **bit sad.**

He wishes the **tractor can** be his, **and** just his.

Then Max **spots an** elephant on the green **plants!**

He **gets up** on its **back and grips it.** Hold on, Max! **It trots and trots.**

Max **and** the elephant trot on the plain. The **sun** is **hot and** Max **grins.**

Then he **spots** a **kid under** a **big** tree. **It** is Brother!

A **mad** elephant **runs at** Brother! Its feet **thump** the ground. Brother **sprints fast** on the green **plants.** Run, Brother, run!

Brother **gets up**

in the **big** tree.

He **grips** a branch

and pants.

Max **must help**

him, **and fast!**

Hold on, Brother!

Max **and** the elephant sprint on the plain.

He points **at** the tree. **It** is **not** far. **Not** far!

The **mad** elephant **tugs** the branch. Crack! The tree **rocks and rocks.**

Brother **grips it and gasps. Can** the branch hold?

Max **jumps up** on a branch. Grab on, Brother! Grab on!

Brother bends to him, **but** the **gap** is **big.**

The **mad** elephant **grips** Max with its **trunk! It lifts** him **up, up, up.**

Max **kicks** his **legs and** shouts. **Help! Help!**

Max **sits up** in **bed and blinks.** Mum **pats** him. **Hush,** Max, **hush.**

Brother stands **at** the **bed, and** Max grabs his **hand.** Hold on, Brother, hold on!

The **tractor** is for him **and** for Brother. Max **grins and** Brother **grins back.**

SHORT VOWELS

Brother Yanks It Back!

A boy finally has one thing that's just his: a little toy tractor, all to himself while his brother naps. Then something enormous appears in the yard, and he sneaks off for an adventure of his own. But when he spots his brother far out on the plain, everything changes. Can he get back in time to help? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 2: short vowels), this book practises words like 'tugs', 'sprints', 'grips', 'gasps', 'hush'.

Phonics Focus: <short> <vowels>

an, and, animal, at, back, bed, bend, big, bit, bits, blinks, but, can, drop, fast, gap, gasps, get, gets, grins, grips, hand, has, help, hot, hush, it, jumps, kicks, kid, legs, lifts, mad, mat, must, not, pants, pats, plants, rocks, runs, sad, sits, spots, sprints, sun, them, thump, tractor, trots, trunk, tugs, under, up

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