

Nib's Big Fright



Nib sits on the rug and
spins her red wool.

Spin, spin, spin.

A lad leans in. 'We go
up the hill, Nib. Lock up
tight!'

'I am **fine**,' says Nib.
But she did not lock up.





The day is
bright. Off go the
lads, up the path.

But a sly thing
hides by the hut.
It is Grim! Grim
spies on the hut.

Grim creeps up
and peeks in. He
can **spy** Nib inside
with her red wool.

Grim licks his lips
and grins a **sly**
grin.



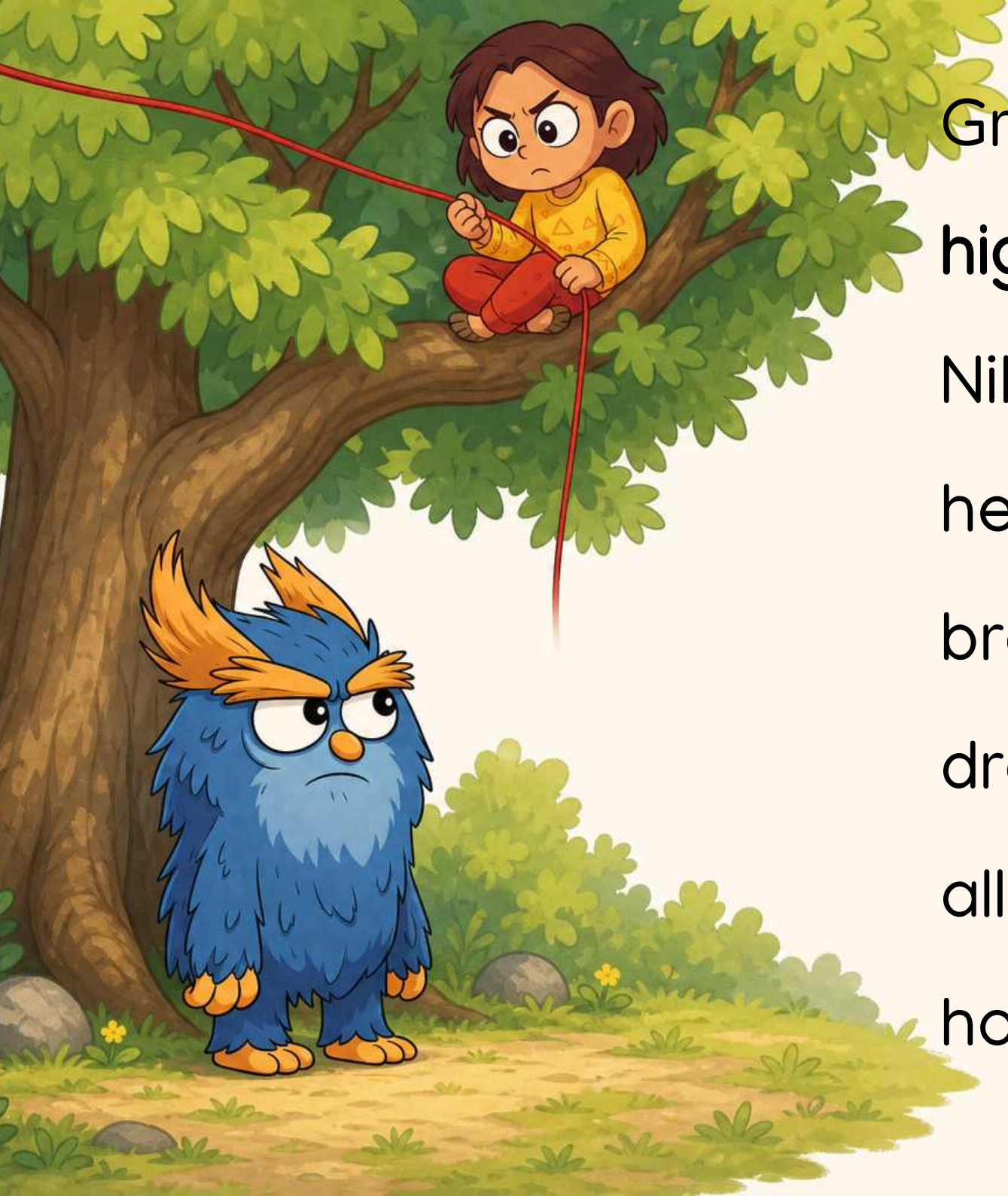
Smash! Grim
sticks his big
face in at the
pane. Nib gets
a big fright.
'Help!' she yells.



A big shaggy arm
grabs Nib and
lifts her up high.

Nib yelps. But she
hugs her red wool
tight. She has a
plan.





Grim sticks Nib up high in a tree. But Nib is sly. She ties her wool to a branch and lets it drop, a thin red line all the way back home.

The lads spot a
thin red line on
the path.

'That is Nib's
wool!' says a lad.

'It might lead us
to Nib. Come on!'





The red wool
trails up to a
high, dark cave.

'Nib might be in
there,' says a
lad. In they creep.

In the gloom they
spy Grim. He
sleeps and
snores. A big gold
key is on his belt.

A lad creeps up
and takes the key.
Hush! Not a peep.





In the dim light,
the lad slips the
key in the lock.

Click!

Out come the
kids. They are
free!

Snap! Grim
wakes up. 'My
food!' he yells.

The kids get a
big fright.

'Run!' yells a
lad.





Grim runs out into the daylight. But his legs snag on the red wool. It loops round him, good and tight. Down he goes! Boom! The kids race off, free at last.

Nib grins a bright grin. 'Nib, that wool
trick set us all free!' says a lad. 'But
next time, lock up tight!' Nib just
smiles a sly smile.





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Nib never locks the door, no matter how many times her brothers ask. So when something big, shaggy, and hungry has been watching the little house from the woods, nothing stops it from creeping right inside. What will Nib do when she's snatched up and carried off into the dark? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 9: y and igh as in fly & high), this book practices words like 'sly', 'tight', 'fright', 'hides', 'line'.

Phonics Focus: <y> <and> <igh>

bright, daylight, fine, fright, hides, high, inside, light, line, might, sly, smiles, spies, spy, ties, tight, time

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