



## Learning Support

# Sitting on Sophie

1. **Retell** the story in your own words.

2. Read the question and choose the **correct answer**.

i. Thomas and William sat on Sophie because:

- a) She had a fat little face.
- b) She couldn't keep a secret.
- c) She had spent most of her pocket money.

ii. Mum didn't like her old alarm clock because:

- a) It didn't wake her up in time.
- b) It was too soft and musical.
- c) It made a terrible racket.

iii. The lady in the Op Shop sold them the cuckoo clock because:

- a) She was fat and friendly.
- b) They had enough money.
- c) Sophie started to cry.

iv. Mum cried when she saw the cuckoo clock because:

- a) She liked it a lot.
- b) She didn't like it.
- c) You could hear the cuckoo from outside.

v. Mum shut her door and wore earplugs because:

- a) She hung the picture in her bedroom.
- b) The cuckoo clock was too loud.
- c) Sophie was crying.

3. Write words from the story with the **opposite meaning**. Some letters are provided to help you.

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long

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fat

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slow

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white

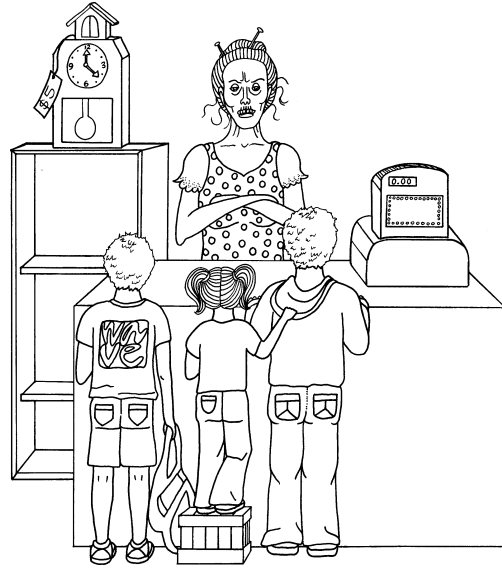
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4. You can use an apostrophe to shorten two words into one. This is called a **contraction**. Join up the contractions from the story with the words that match.

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| I'm    | what is  |
| don't  | we would |
| we're  | do not   |
| we'd   | we are   |
| you've | I am     |
| what's | you have |



5. Do you get **bought** and **brought** mixed up? Find **bought** on page 1 of the story. Remember: **bought** goes with **buy**, **brought** goes with **bring**. Write a sentence using *either* brought or bought.

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