



The Birthday Surprise



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"On Grace's birthday she got a big surprise. Her mother and father gave her a card with a string tied onto it. They told her to follow the string to find her birthday present. Can you guess where she went? What do you think she found at the end of the string?"



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- Use Teacher Talk to stimulate discussion of topic.
- Use initial letter plus picture clues to read unknown words.
- Notice letters and sound of digraph **sh** in **she**
- Understand use of prepositions throughout text.
- Identify key sight words in isolation and within text.
- Use exclamation mark to show expression and excitement.
- Learn key sight words using flashcards (back cover).
- Promote drama, writing or art as follow-up activities.
- Find learning resources to extend and reinforce the literacy strategies in this title @ redrocketreaders.com

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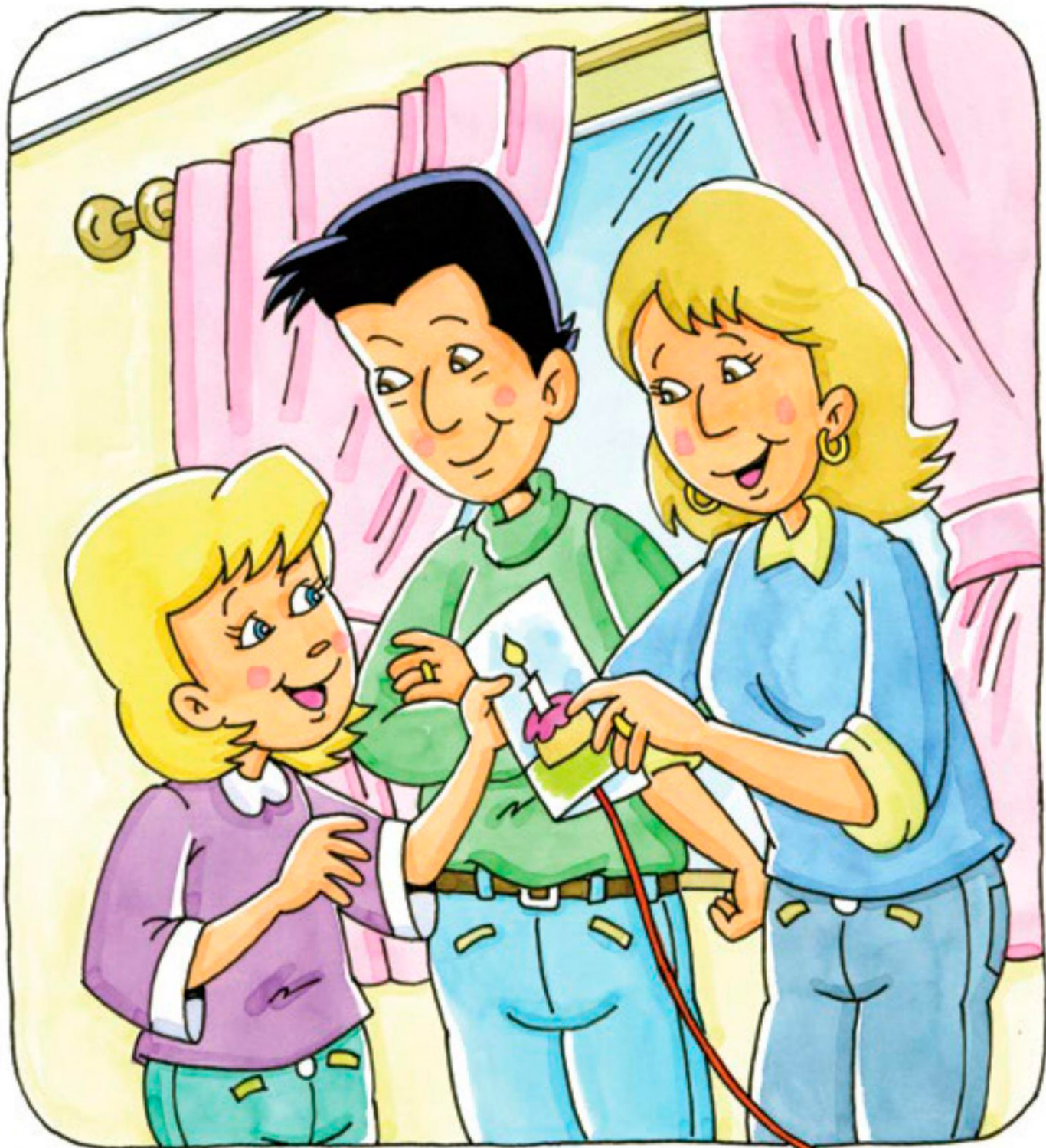
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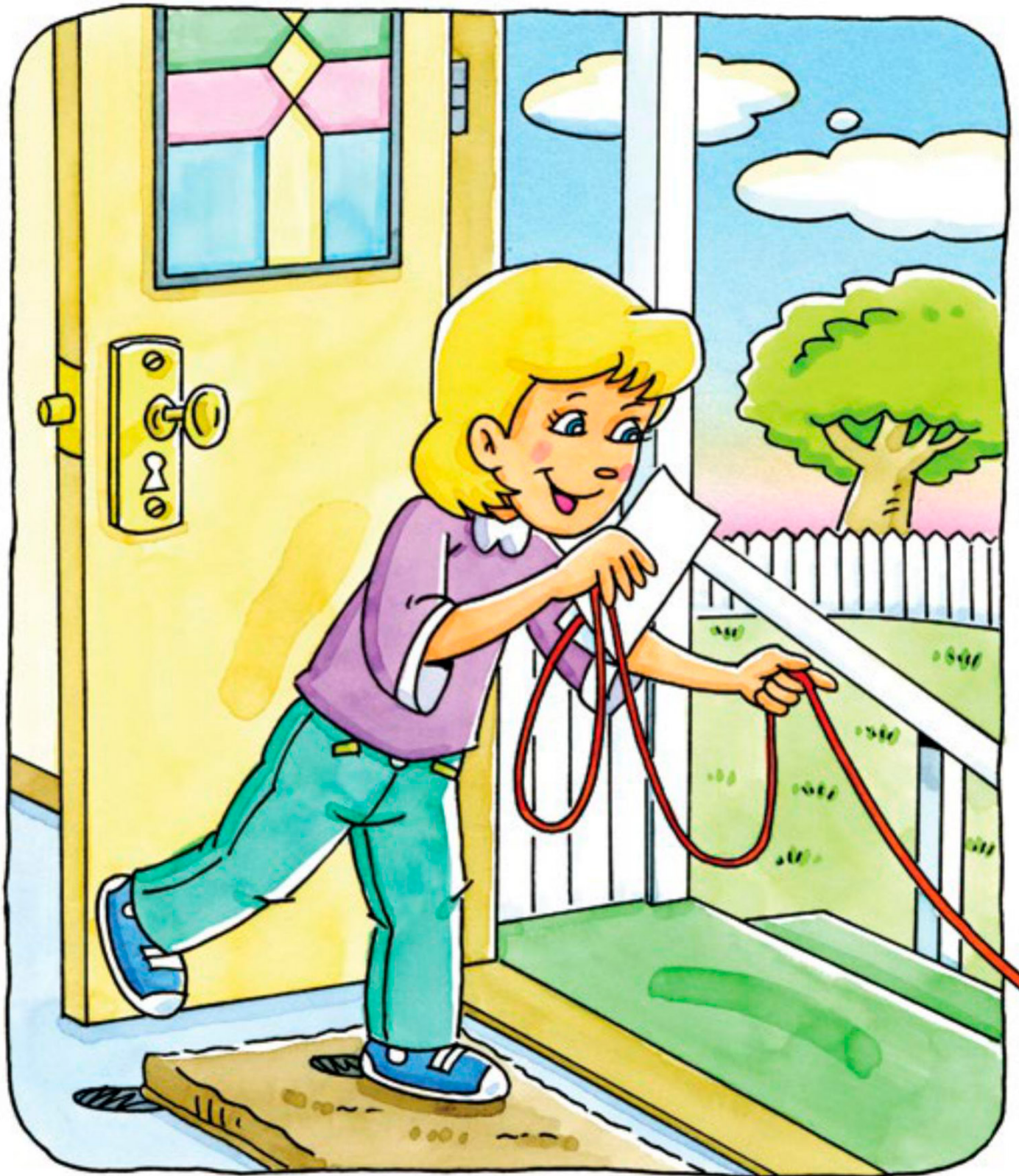


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Happy birthday, Grace!
The string went out
the door.



Grace followed the string
out the door.

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