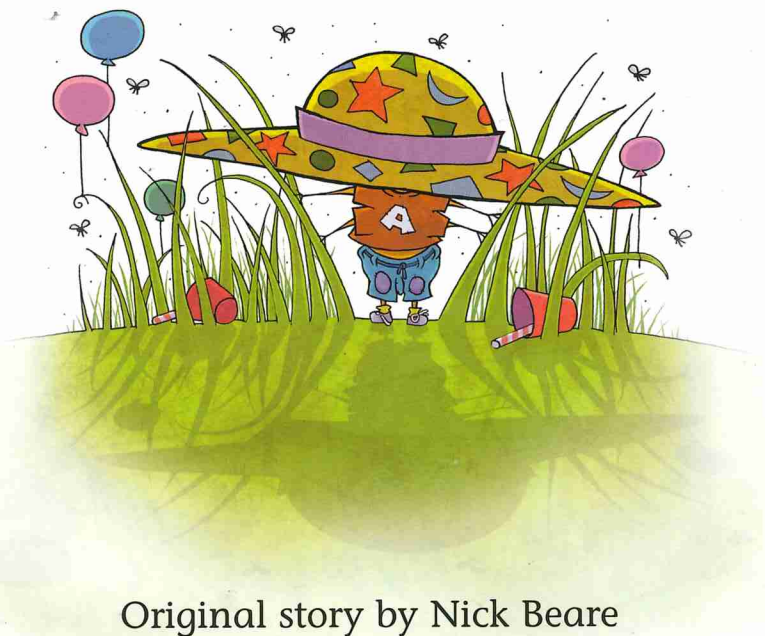


# The Ants' Party



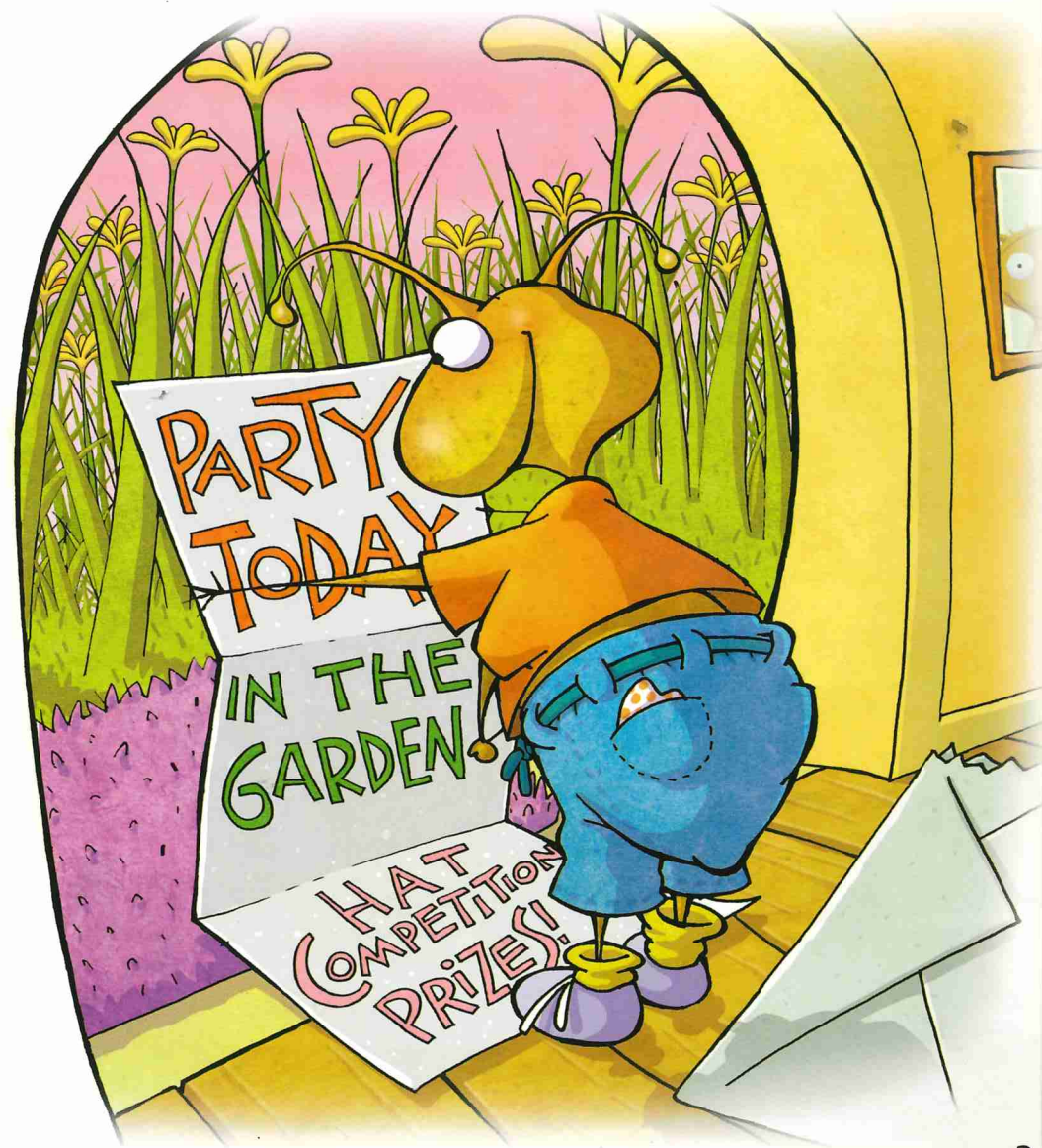
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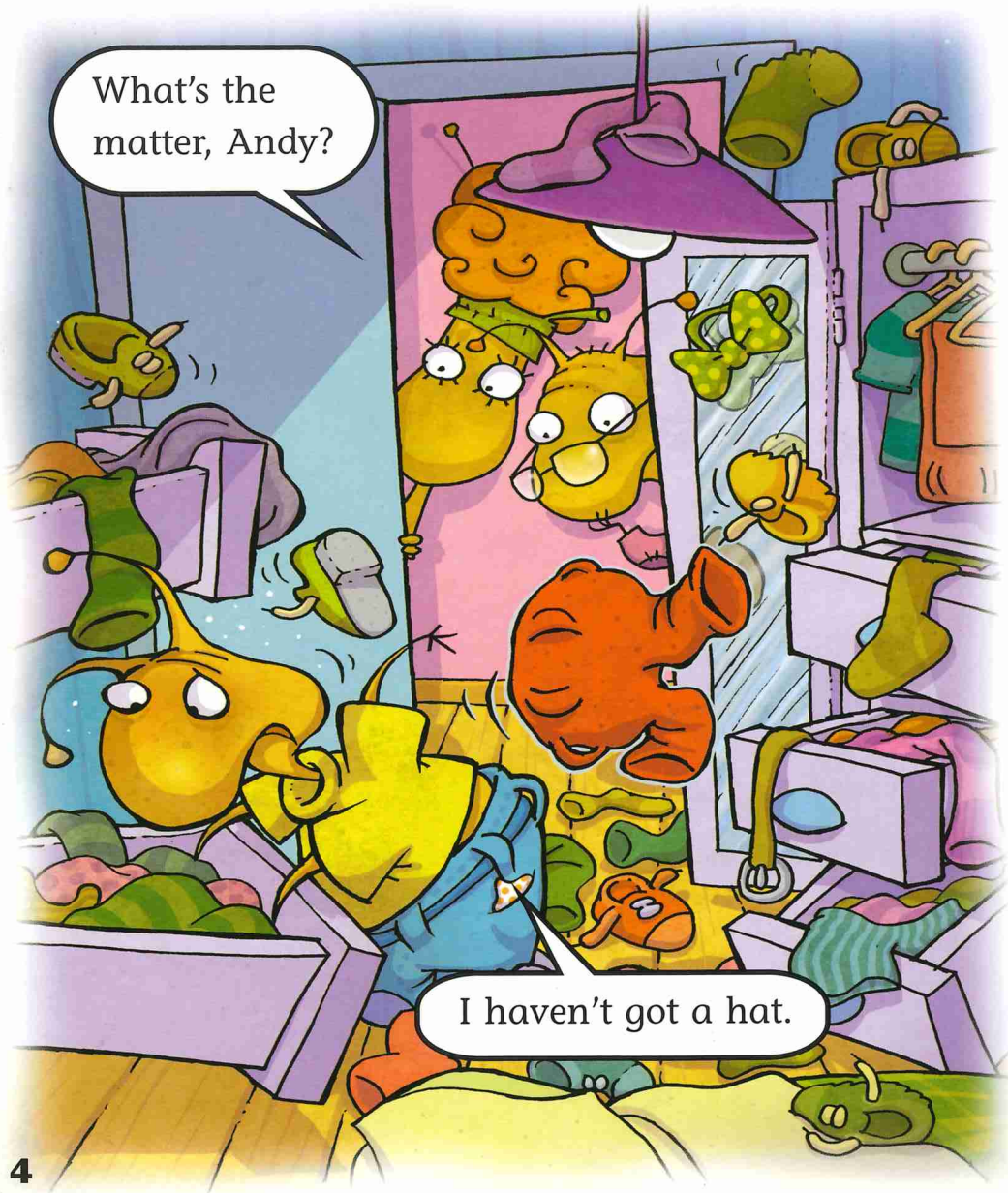
Andy Ant is in his house.  
His house is in the garden.  
It's under a tree.



Andy's very happy.  
There's a party today in the garden.



There's a hat competition.  
There are prizes.



What's the matter, Andy?

I haven't got a hat.

Andy Ant is in the kitchen.  
He's sad.

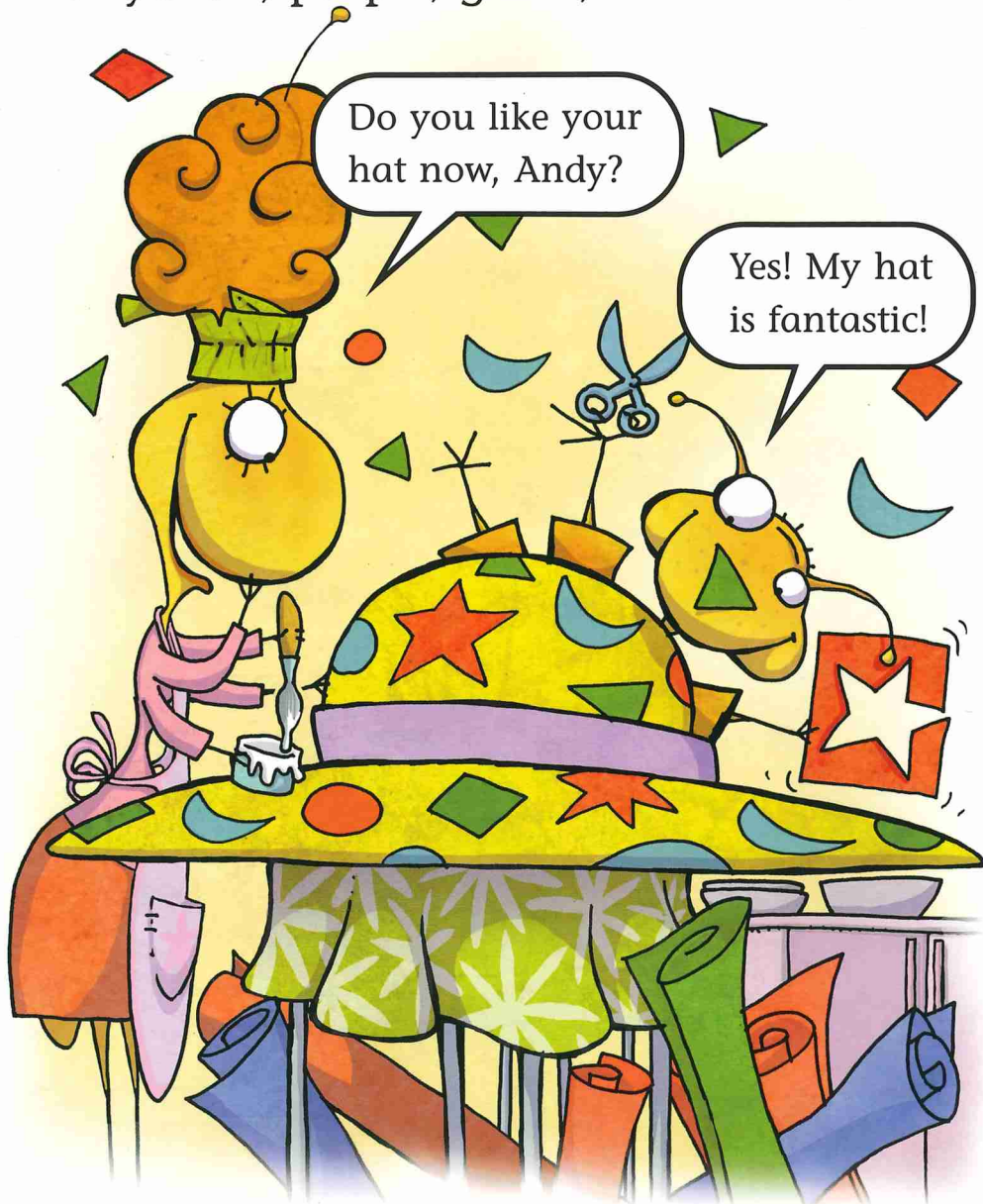


Here's a hat, Andy!

Oh, but it's very old,  
Dad. I don't like it.

Don't worry!  
I've got an idea!

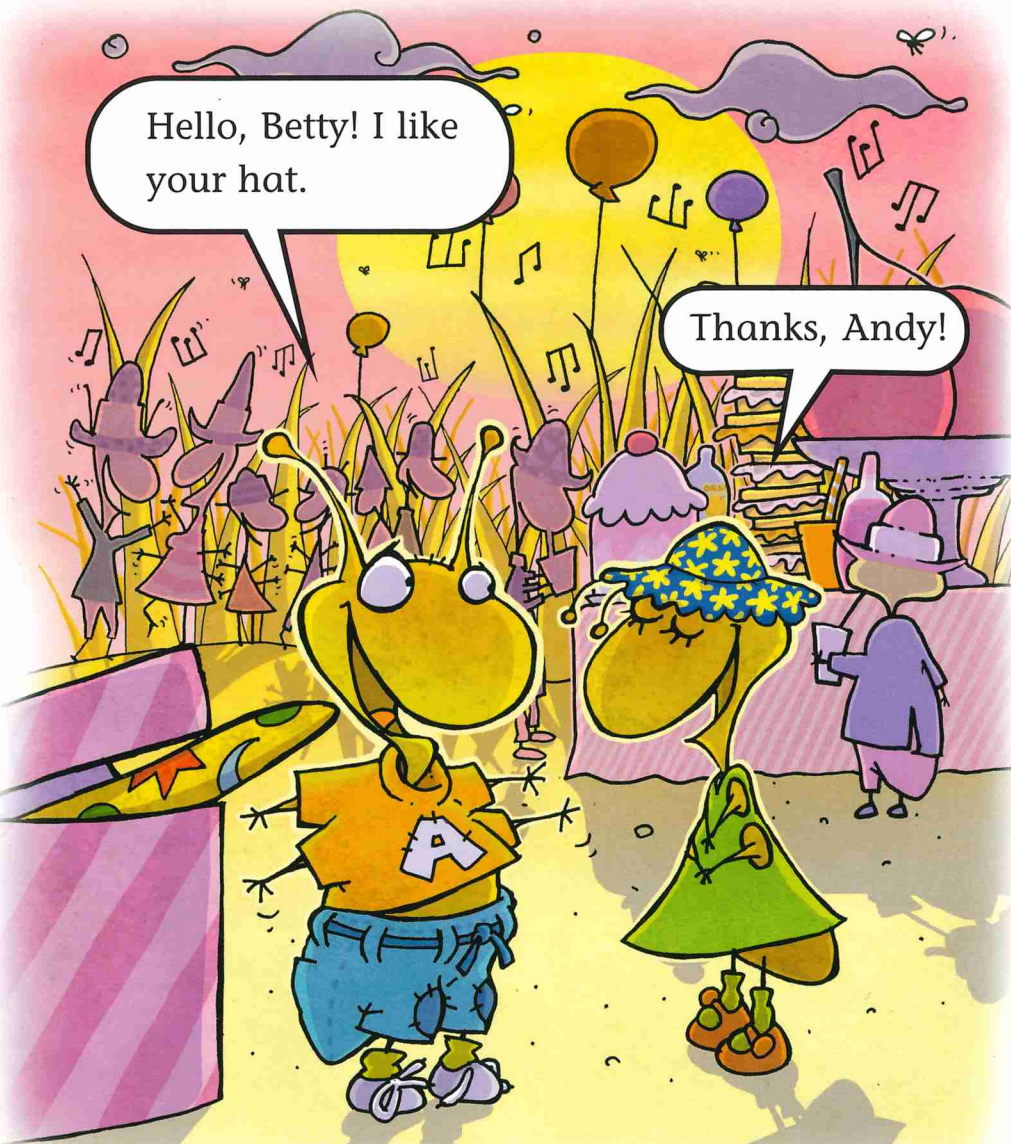
Now Andy has got a new hat!  
It's got stars, moons and shapes.  
It's yellow, purple, green, red and blue.



Andy is ready for the party.



Betty is wearing a small, blue hat.  
It's got yellow flowers.



Hello, Betty! I like  
your hat.

Thanks, Andy!



Where's your hat, Andy?

It's in the box.

Simon is Betty's brother.  
Simon is wearing a big, green hat.  
It's got red stars.

I like your hat, Simon.

Thank you, Andy.  
Where's your hat?

It's in the box.

Look at all the ants! Look at all the hats!  
Can you see ...

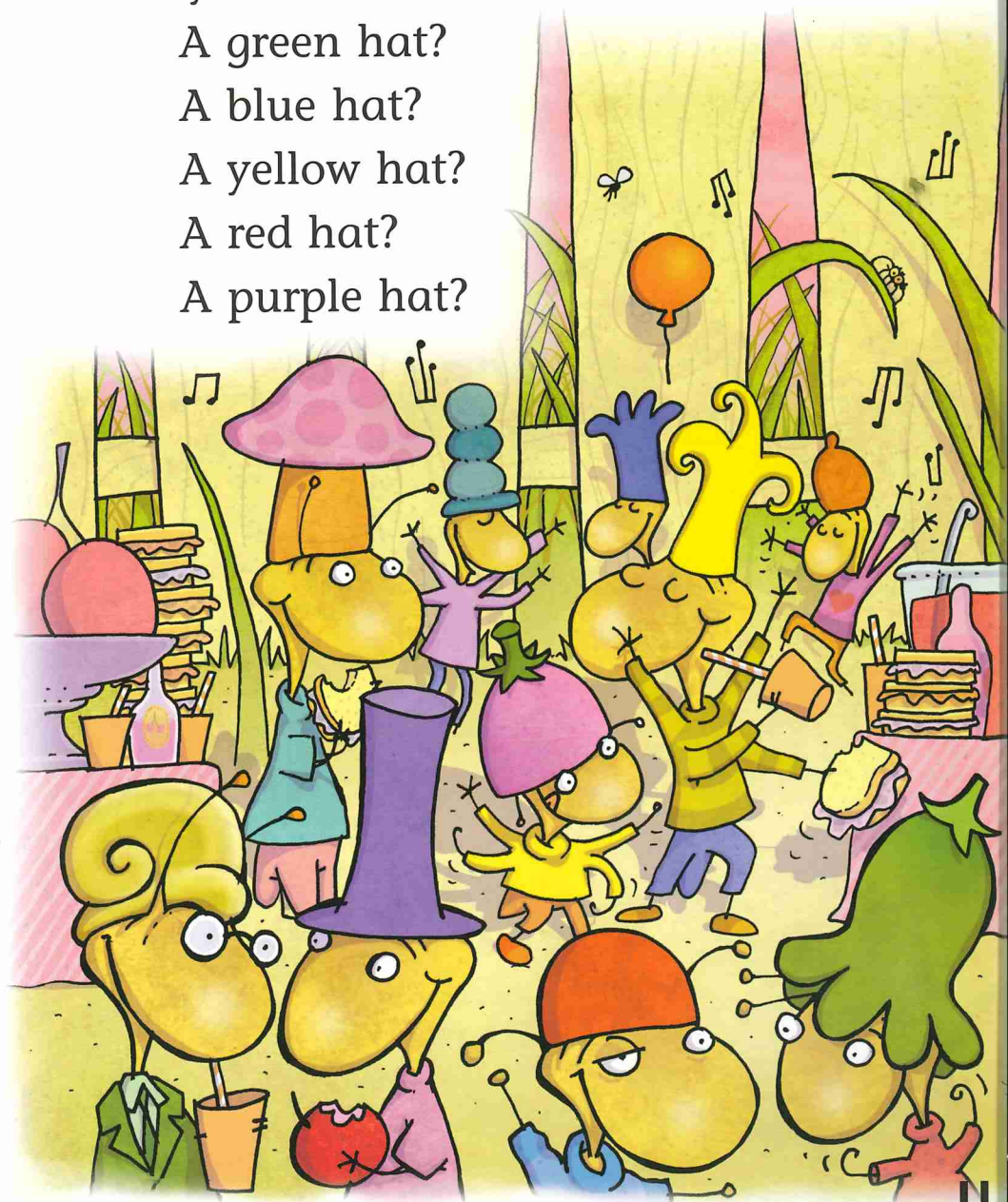
A green hat?

A blue hat?

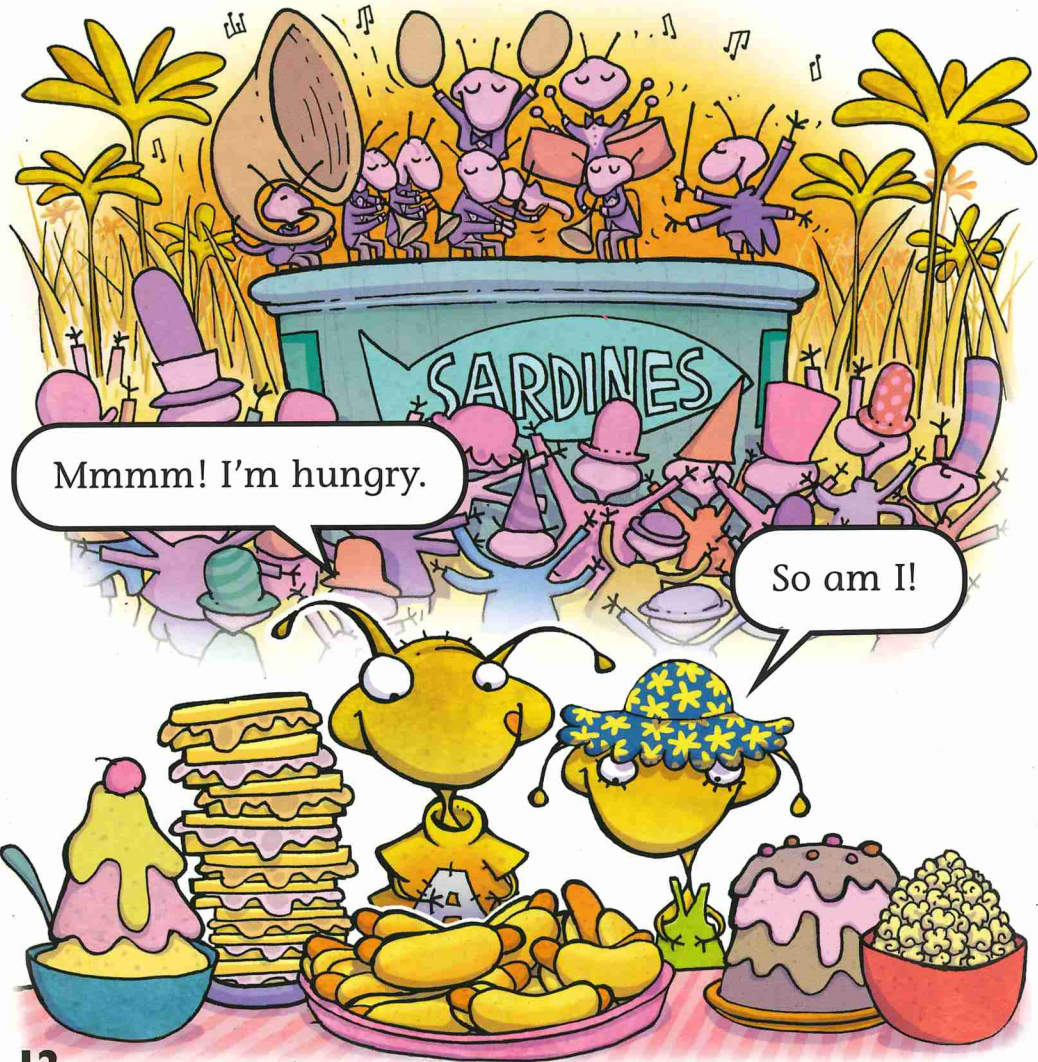
A yellow hat?

A red hat?

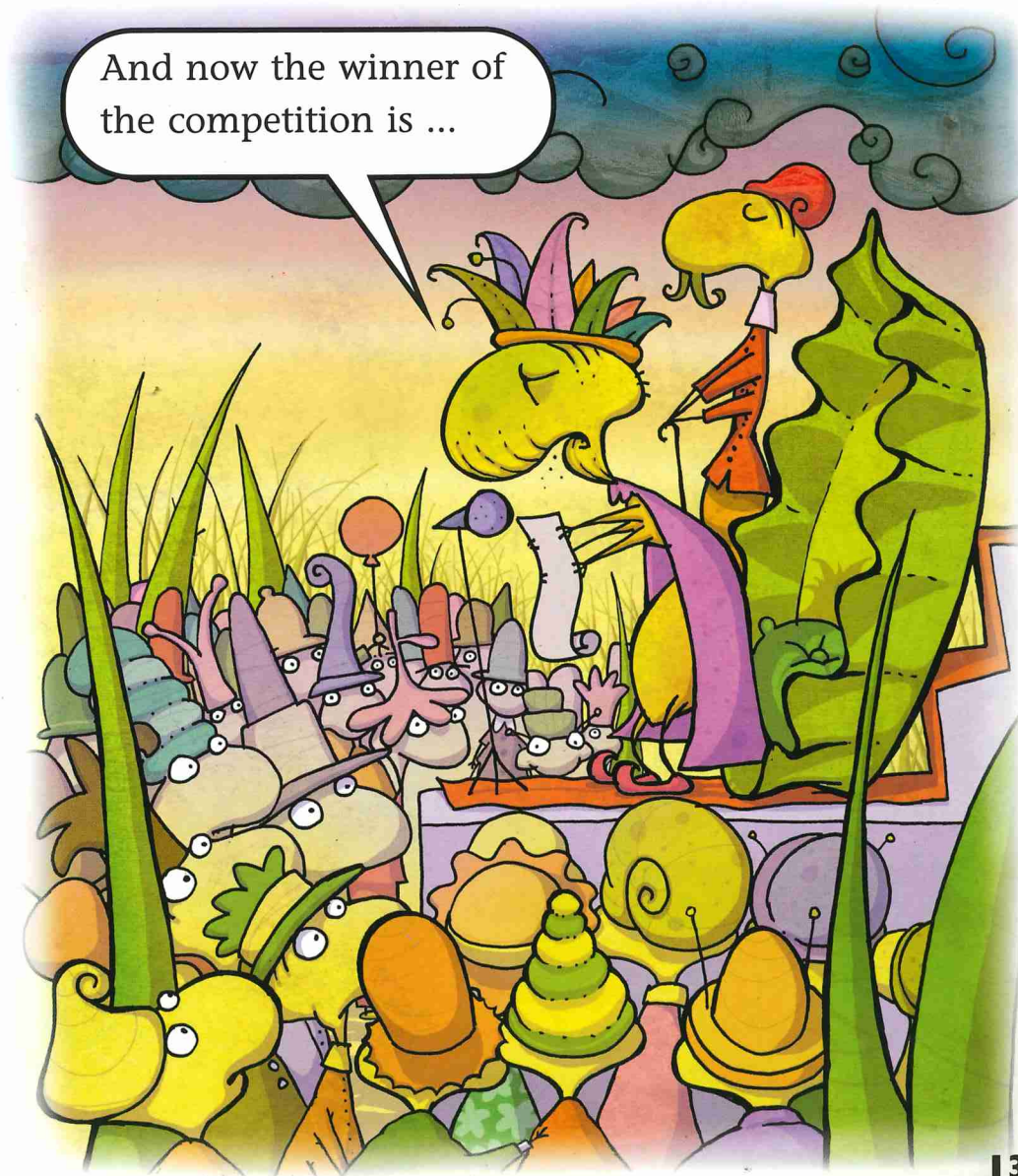
A purple hat?



The party is fantastic!  
Look at all the food on the table!  
Ice cream, popcorn, sandwiches  
and hot dogs!



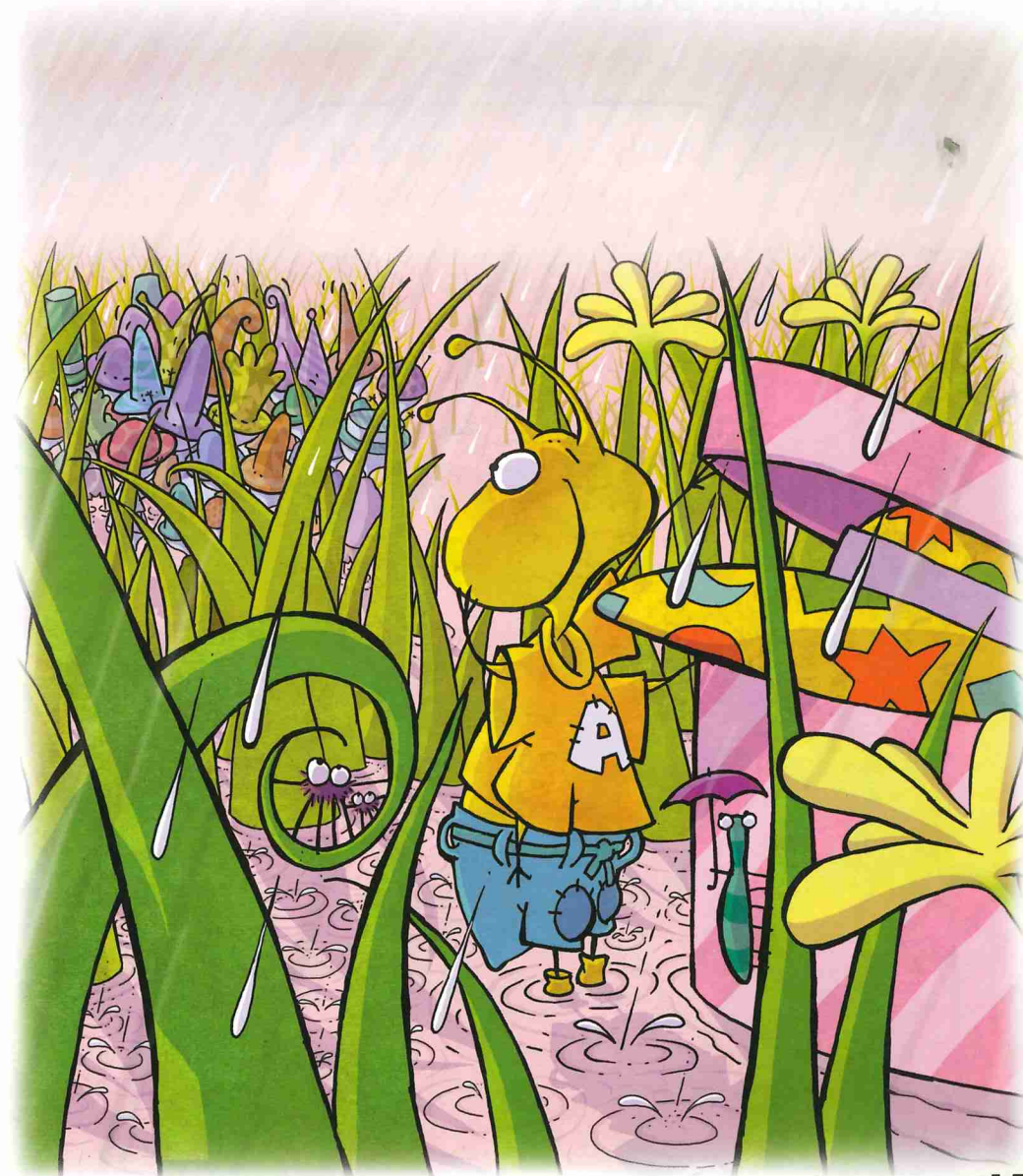
Listen! It's the King Ant.  
It's time for the hat competition.



It's raining.  
The ants are very sad.



Andy has got an idea!  
His very big hat is in the box.





Now all the ants are under Andy's hat.  
Everybody's very happy.  
It's a great party!

