

Read Write Inc.

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# Jade's party

Blue Storybook 7



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## Jade's party

My name is Jade.

It was my birthday on Sunday,  
and I had a party.

But the party almost didn't happen!

I'll tell you why.



Dad made a shopping list.



twenty bread rolls  
three packets of ham  
ten bags of crisps  
ten milk shakes  
ten cans of lemonade  
a packet of napkins and a packet of plates  
a packet of balloons  
a tape of party music  
a big chocolate cake



Dave's my teenage brother.  
Dad asked him to take me to  
Gateway on the bus  
to get all the stuff for the party.

We got a trolley, and Dave looked  
at the list.

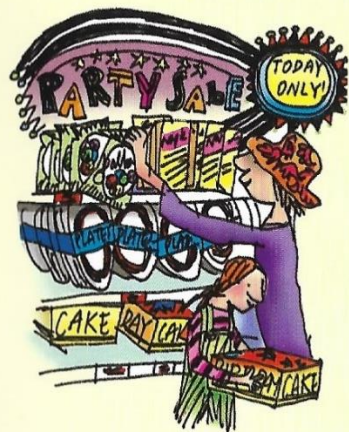
First we went to the place where they bake bread.  
Dave picked up twenty rolls and put them in the trolley.  
(I picked up a currant bun, and hid it under the rolls.)

Then I found the ham.  
(Dave found the currant bun,  
and told me to behave.)

Crisps ...  
milk shakes ...  
lemonade ...

The trolley was filling up.





Party napkins, plates and a big packet of balloons.  
Dave said he'd blow them up.

A tape - we got a good one by Steps.

And then the most important thing:  
a chocolate cake (the biggest, with 'Happy Birthday' on top),

We went to the checkout to pay. A girl put all the  
stuff in plastic bags and gave them to Dave.

Then we raced along the pavement to the bus stop.  
We made up party games on the way.



Dad started to unpack the shopping.

Out came ... a packet of stale fishcakes  
(past the sell-by date) ...

shampoo ... a cabbage ...

a can of hair spray ... a bunch of grapes ...

a jar of marmalade ... and a jumbo pack of nappies!

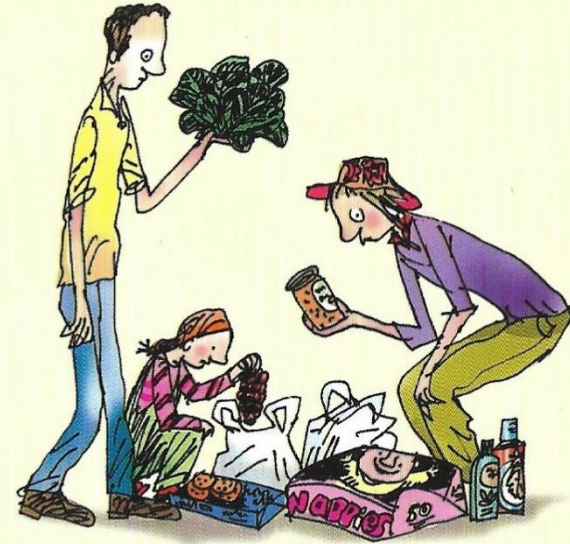
Dad's face went pale.

"For goodness' sake, Dave!" he said. "What have you got to say?"

Dave said, "We must have picked up the wrong shopping by mistake.

Plastic bags all look the same to me. I'll take the blame, Dad.

And I'll take it all back to Gateway on Monday."



Well, it was a bit of a shame.

I hate grapes, and we didn't need hair spray - or nappies!

But it was okay in the end.



We had the party at Pizza Hut instead.

We had pizza, and chips, and pop.

And then, out came a man with a  
birthday cake!

A chocolate one, with seven sparklers  
on it. For me!

## Questions to talk about

Re-read the page. Read the question to the children. Tell them whether it is a **FIND IT** question or **PROVE IT** question.

### FIND IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find the answer

### PROVE IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find your evidence
- ✓ Explain why

Page 9:	FIND IT	When was Jade's birthday?
Page 10:	FIND IT	What things on the shopping list can you eat?
Page 11:	PROVE IT	Where did Jade hide the currant bun? Why?
Page 12:	FIND IT	What do you think Dave said to Jade when he found the bun? What did he feel?
Page 13:	PROVE IT	How did Jade feel as the trolley was filling up? What sort of mood were they both in as they raced to the bus stop?
Page 14:	PROVE IT	Back at home Dad unpacked the shopping. Dad's face went pale. What was he feeling?
Page 15:	PROVE IT	How did they change their plans?

## Questions to read and answer

*(Children complete without your help.)*

1. How many packets of ham did dad ask them to get?
2. Why did Jade put the currant bun under the rolls?
3. Why did Jade and Dave race along the pavement to the bus stop?
4. Why was dad cross?
5. Why was it OK at the end?