



## Fun in the Sun

Read the story about Kelly and Jo and then discuss as a class.

It was going to be an exciting weekend. Kelly and Jo were really looking forward to it. They were best friends who lived next door to each other.

'My mum says we can play at the park all Saturday afternoon,' said Kelly as the two girls walked home from school with Jo's nana.

'I know,' said Jo. 'I'm allowed on the big swings and maybe even the zip wire.'

'I love the park,' said Kelly.

'But then we've got Vijay's party to go to on Sunday as well,' said Jo. 'He always has a massive bouncy castle and games and loads of my favourite food.'

Kelly licked her lips. 'Oooh, I can't wait for that as well.'

The girls were very excited.

When Saturday afternoon arrived the sky was blue and the sun was shining down. Kelly's mum drove the two girls to the big park across town.

'Wow, it's going to be a really hot day,' said Kelly's mum.

'That's why I'm in my shorts and T-shirt,' said Jo.

'I've got freckly skin,' said Kelly, 'So I'm keeping my jeans on and a hat.'

When they arrived, the two girls started running to the big slide but Kelly's mum called Kelly back to put some sun cream on her arms and face and neck.

'Do you want some of this sun cream, Jo?' she said.

Jo shook her head. 'No thanks, I don't like that stuff.'

'Oh, right,' said Kelly's mum. 'What about a hat - you should really be wearing one in this hot sunshine, Jo.'

But Jo was heading over to the slide. She called back, 'I never wear a hat. I'll be OK!'

The two girls had a wonderful time in the park. They whizzed round on the spinning disc, flew down the zip wire,





climbed to the top of the wooden jungle tower and then giggled for ages as they tried to stay together on the swings.

When they skipped back to Kelly's mum for a drink they were tired out.

'Are you alright, Jo?' said Kelly's mum. 'You're very red.'

'I'm just a bit hot,' said Jo, flopping down on the bench.

Kelly's mum looked at Jo. 'Hmmm, I think you've been out in the sun a bit too much. We'd better take you home.'

Jo nodded. She was really tired and dizzy.

The next morning it was Vijay's party. Kelly and her mum went next door to pick up Jo so they could all walk round to Vijay's house.

Jo's nana opened the door.

'Is Jo ready for the party?' Kelly asked.

Jo's nana shook her head. 'I'm really sorry, Kelly, but Jo can't come to Vijay's party. She isn't feeling well today. She

says her arms and face are sore and she has sunburn on her legs.

'Oh dear,' said Kelly. 'Poor Jo.'

Kelly and her mum said goodbye and walked to Vijay's party. The big bouncy castle was there and they even had a water slide in the garden. The food was fantastic, as always, but Kelly didn't enjoy it so much without her friend.

'It's just not the same without Jo,' said Kelly. 'But I know what we should get her when it's her birthday.'

'What's that?' said her mum.

'A new hat to protect her from the sun.'

