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前 言

阅读是英语学习中极其重要的一个部分。国家教育部颁布的《英语课程标准》很重视学生的阅读训练，对阅读技能的九级要求做了详细的目标描述，并对第三至八级的课外阅读量提出了明确要求。为了较好地实施课程标准，满足中小学习英语阅读的需求，我们对原《牛津英语故事乐园》进行了重新修订。

新版《牛津故事乐园 英语阅读系列》针对中小学生的认知特点，在编写中力求达到以下目标：

一、激发学生的学习兴趣。本套英语读物共十六册，每册含二至四个故事。根据学生不同年龄段的心理特点进行编排，1A至3B以对话为主，4A至8B以叙述为主。所选故事生动有趣，与学生的日常生活息息相关。故事的情节化和内容的生活化，加上精美的插图和真实的照片，能充分激发学生的学习兴趣，培养学生良好的学习情绪，让他们深切感受到学习英语的乐趣。

二、提高学生的阅读能力。本套英语读物题材、体裁、内容广泛，英语信息量大，集知识性、趣味性、科学性和时代感于一体。为了能有效地帮助学生提高阅读能力，每个故事后均设置了对篇章内容的训练和测试，以及对故事中出现的词汇、句型的注释等。学生通过阅读，能分析和理解语言材料，并能捕获和处理文中的信息，从而锻炼其英语的思维、联想、判断和推测的能力。

三、提高学生的文化素质。本套英语读物在使学生获得英语知识的同时，最大限度地开拓学生的文化视野，让学生自然而然地接受丰富的文化熏陶，在一定程度上加深对异国习俗、文化的了解，使其逐渐形成跨文化意识，这对学生今后的英语学习是至关重要的。

本套英语读物各册自成一体，其难度逐册循序渐进，既可配合《牛津小学英语》使用，也可用于课外补充阅读或课堂阅读学习。

敬请广大师生对本套英语读物的不足之处提出宝贵意见，以便我们今后进一步的修订和完善。

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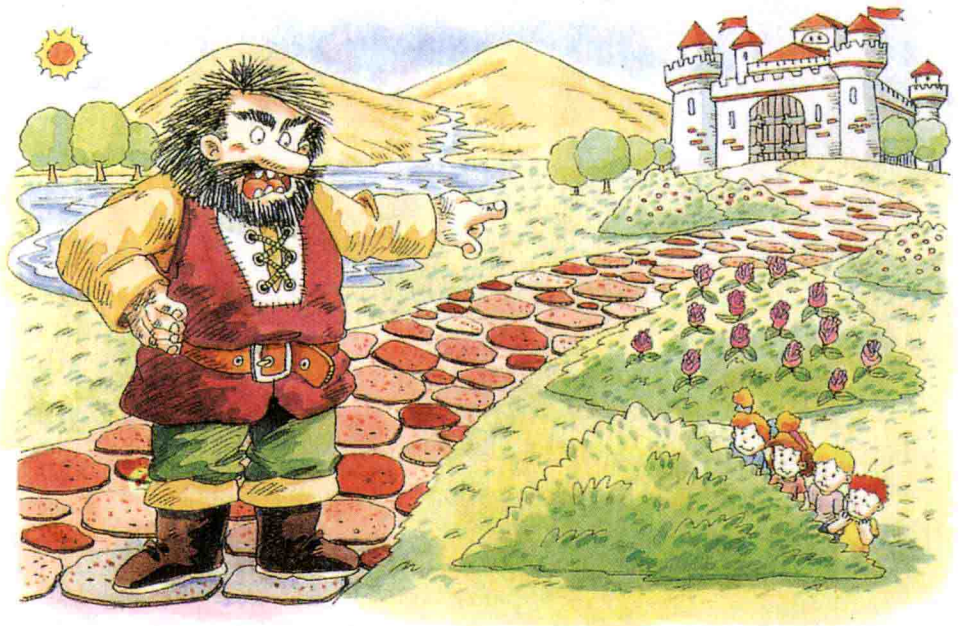
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The Giant's Garden

A long time ago, a giant lived in a castle. The castle had a big garden. There were lots of beautiful trees and flowers in the garden.

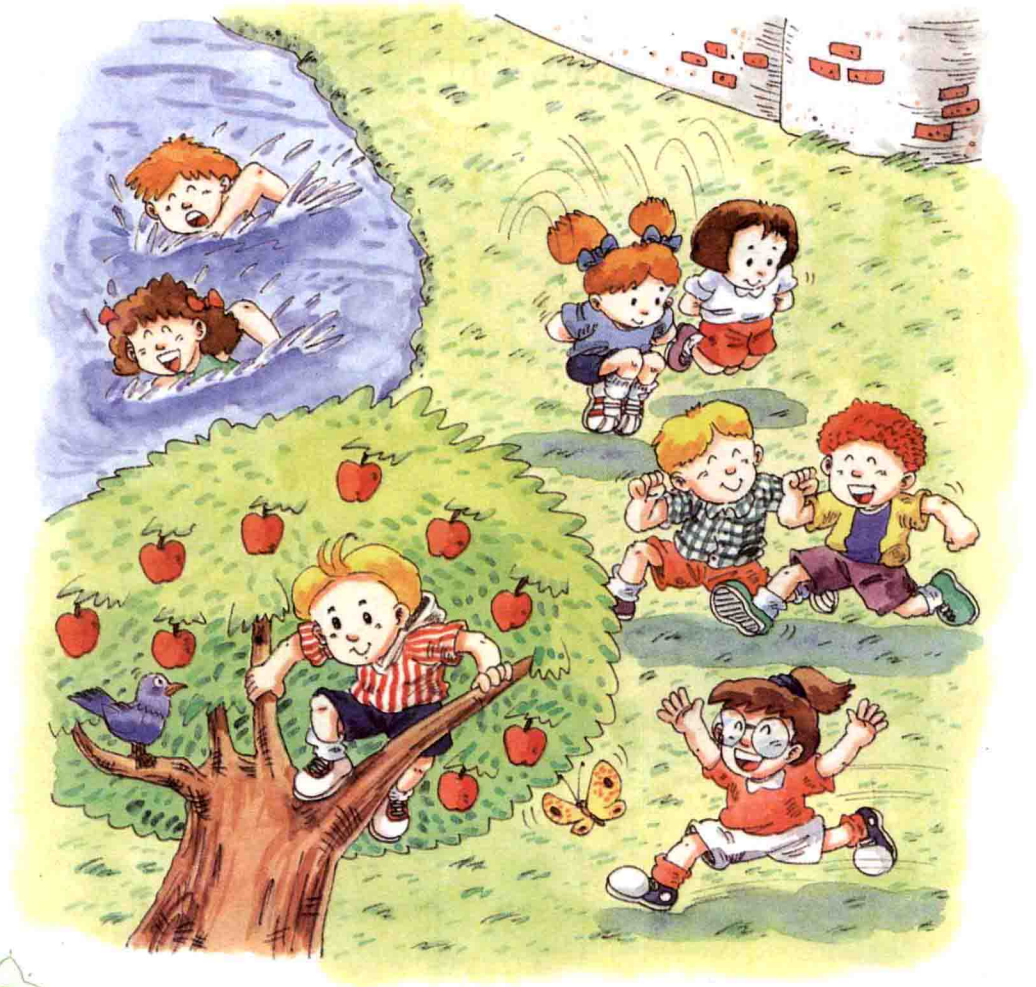
Some children lived near the castle. They liked the Giant's garden, but the Giant did not like people. 'You can't play here! It's my garden!' he shouted. The Giant was selfish.



selfish

One day, the Giant went to visit his brother. 'The Giant's going to be away for a long time,' said the children. 'Now we can play in his garden.' They were very happy.

Every day they went to the beautiful garden and played. They climbed the trees. They swam in the river. They ran on the grass. They chased butterflies.



The children liked the garden in all the seasons of the year.

In the spring the flowers and leaves grew.

In the summer the children rolled on the green grass.

In the autumn the leaves were orange and red. They fell from the trees and the children played with them.

In the winter the children played in the snow. They made snowmen.

Different children came to the garden every year.



snow



snowmen



Puzzles

1 What are the seasons? Write the right words.

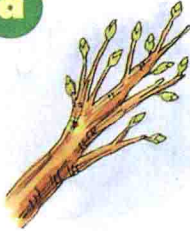
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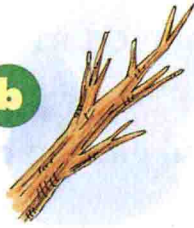
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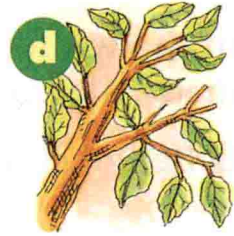
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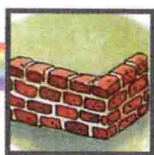
2 Put these sentences in the right order. Write the letters in the boxes.

- a) One day, the Giant went to visit his brother.
- b) Different children came to the garden every year.
- c) Children liked the garden, but the Giant did not like them.
- d) A long time ago, a giant lived in a castle with a big garden.
- e) Now the children played in the garden every day.

After seven years, the Giant came back to his castle. He saw children in his garden. He was very angry. 'Get out of here! It's my garden!' he shouted. 'You can't play here. This garden is MINE!'

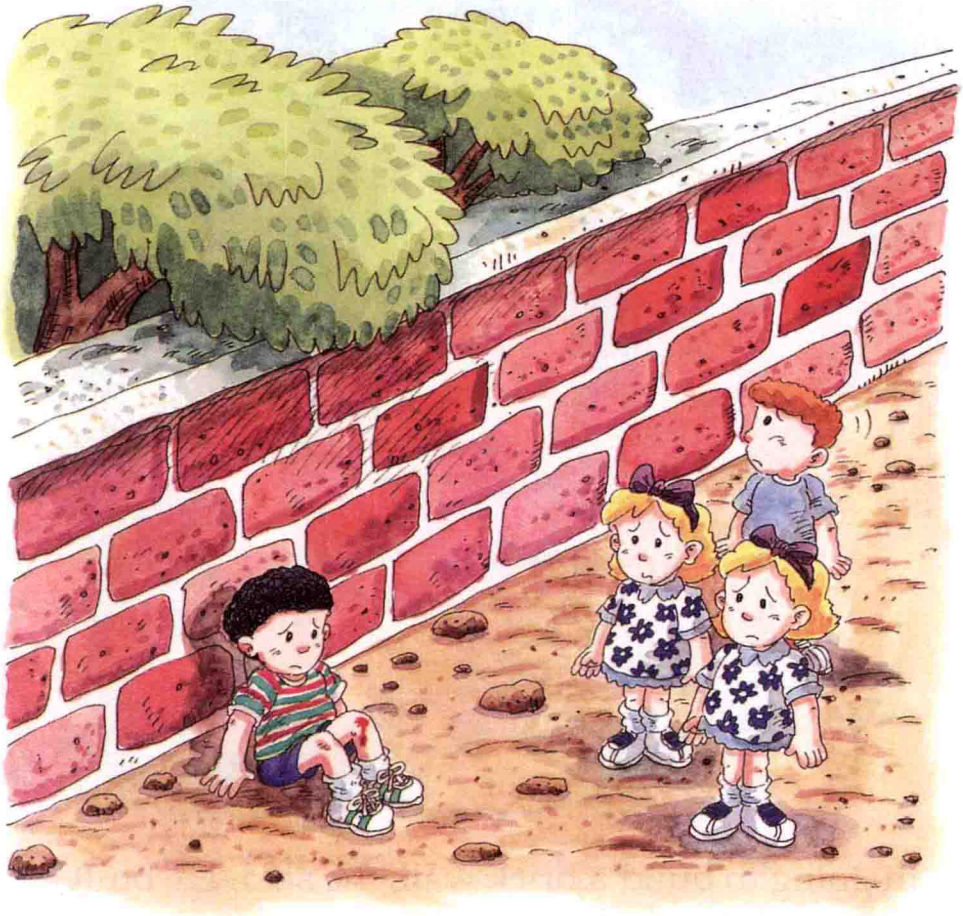


'I'm going to build a brick wall,' he said. He built a wall round the garden.



a brick wall

The children were very sad. 'Where can we play?' they said. Sometimes they played in the street, but it was hard and rough. 'The Giant's garden was better than the street,' they said.



The Giant sat in his castle. 'It's nice and quiet now,' he thought. 'It's winter, but soon the spring will come. It will be warm and sunny. The flowers will grow. My garden will be beautiful again.'

But the Spring did not want to come. The Spring said, 'The Giant's too selfish. I like children. I'm not going to go to a sad, empty garden.'

So the Snow, the Wind and the Rain played in the garden. The sun did not shine. Sometimes it was very windy. Sometimes it snowed. Sometimes it rained. It was always cold and grey.










Puzzles

1 Write the right words.

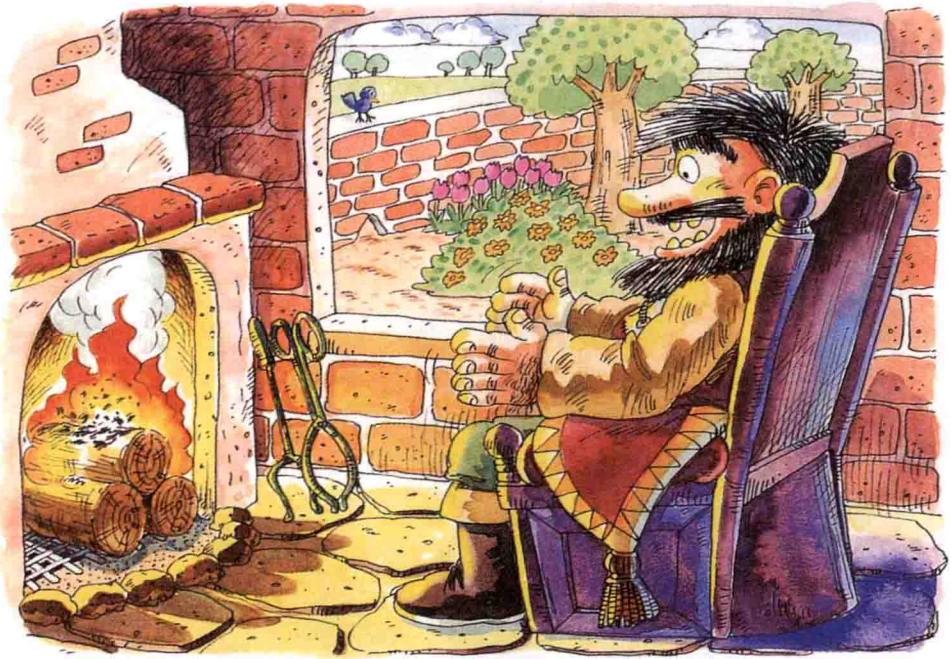
- The Giant _____ (see) children in his garden.
- The Giant _____ (build) a big brick wall.
- The children _____ (be) very sad.
- The Giant _____ (sit) in his castle.
- The Spring did not come and the garden _____ (be) always cold and grey.

2 What will the weather be? Join the pictures to the right sentences.

-  • It will rain.
-  • It will snow.
-  • It will be sunny.
-  • It will be cloudy.
-  • It will be windy.

'Is the spring never going to come?' asked the sad, cold Giant.

Then one day he saw a little bird. 'The bird is singing in my garden!' he said. 'Hooray! The trees and flowers are growing!' He clapped his hands happily.



He looked again. 'The children have made a hole in the wall,' the Giant said. 'They've come back to my garden, and the sun has come with them!'

The Giant was not angry. He was delighted.



delighted

The Giant ran into the garden. He wanted to hug the children, but the children were afraid. They ran away and it became cold again.



‘Don’t run away,’ said the Giant. ‘I’m sorry. I was selfish. Please come and play in my garden.’

Only one little boy did not run away. He wanted to climb a tree, but he was too small.

'Don't cry, little boy. I'll help you,' said the Giant. He put the little boy on a branch in the tree. The boy smiled.

'Thank you,' the little boy said.

'You're welcome,' said the Giant.

The boy kissed the Giant's cheek. Spring came into the garden again.



kissed



a cheek