## The Stormy Day

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It was a warm summer evening, and Joshua, Rosie, and Abigail were upstairs getting ready for bed.



Everyone was excited because tomorrow they were going on a trip to the seaside.



Dad was trying to tuck a wriggly Joshua into his bed.

"I can't wait to go to the beach!" Joshua said happily.

"Me too!" said Dad. "We're going to build the biggest





Very early the next day, the children were wide awake and bounced into Mum and Dad's room.

"Is it time to go to the beach yet?" Rosie asked excitedly.





The sky was dark grey, and suddenly there was a bright flash and a rumble of thunder.

"I'm sorry everyone but I'm not sure we'll be able to go."

Joshua sat down on the bed with his head in his hands.

Abigail began to cry.



"But the weather forecast didn't mention thunderstorms!" Dad said crossly.

"Oh dear," said Mum,
putting on her dressing gown.
"We'd better go downstairs
and have breakfast anyway."



