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ncle Jack sat in an armchair with May and Daisy and looked at a book about Emperor Penguins. 'Every year the penguins walk many kilometres to the place where they lay their eggs,' read Uncle Jack. The book was by Uncle Peter. Uncle Peter was Uncle Jack's brother and he loved penguins! The phone started to ring. Jim went to pick it up.



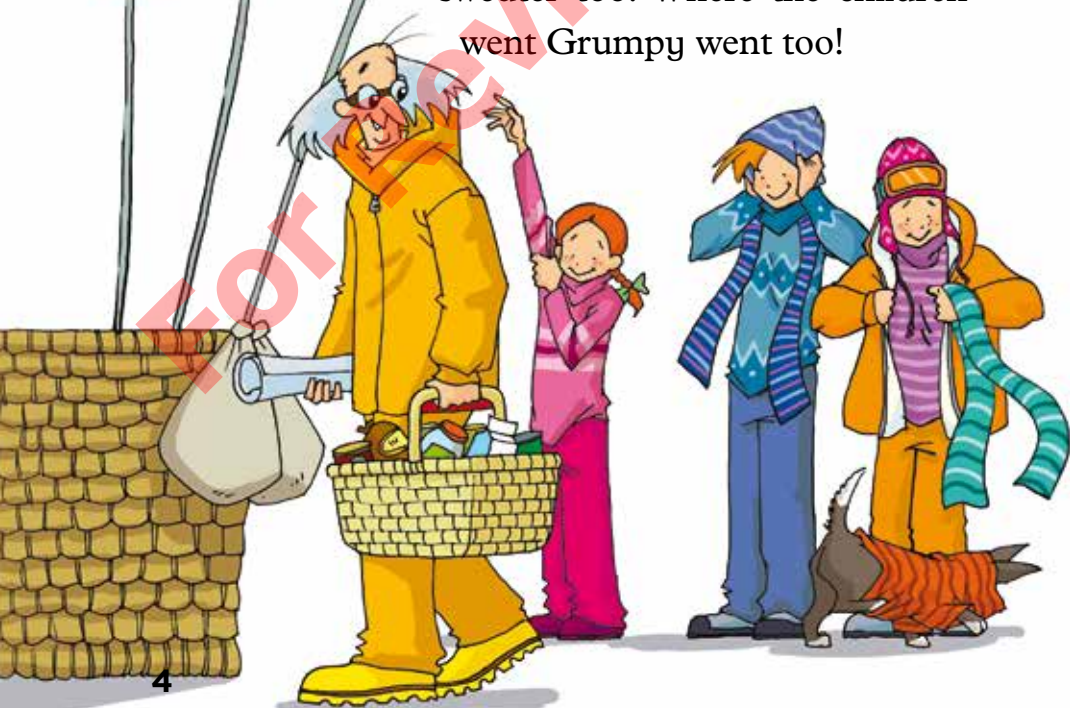
‘Hello. Who is it?’ he asked. It was Uncle Peter! He was at the Antarctic so it wasn’t easy to understand him!

‘COME AT ONCE,’ shouted Uncle Peter, ‘THERE’S A PROBLEM! BRING THE SNOW MAKING MACHINE!’



‘We want to come too,’ said May and Daisy and Jim. ‘O.K.’ said Uncle Jack, ‘but put on your warmest clothes. It’s very cold in the Antarctic!’

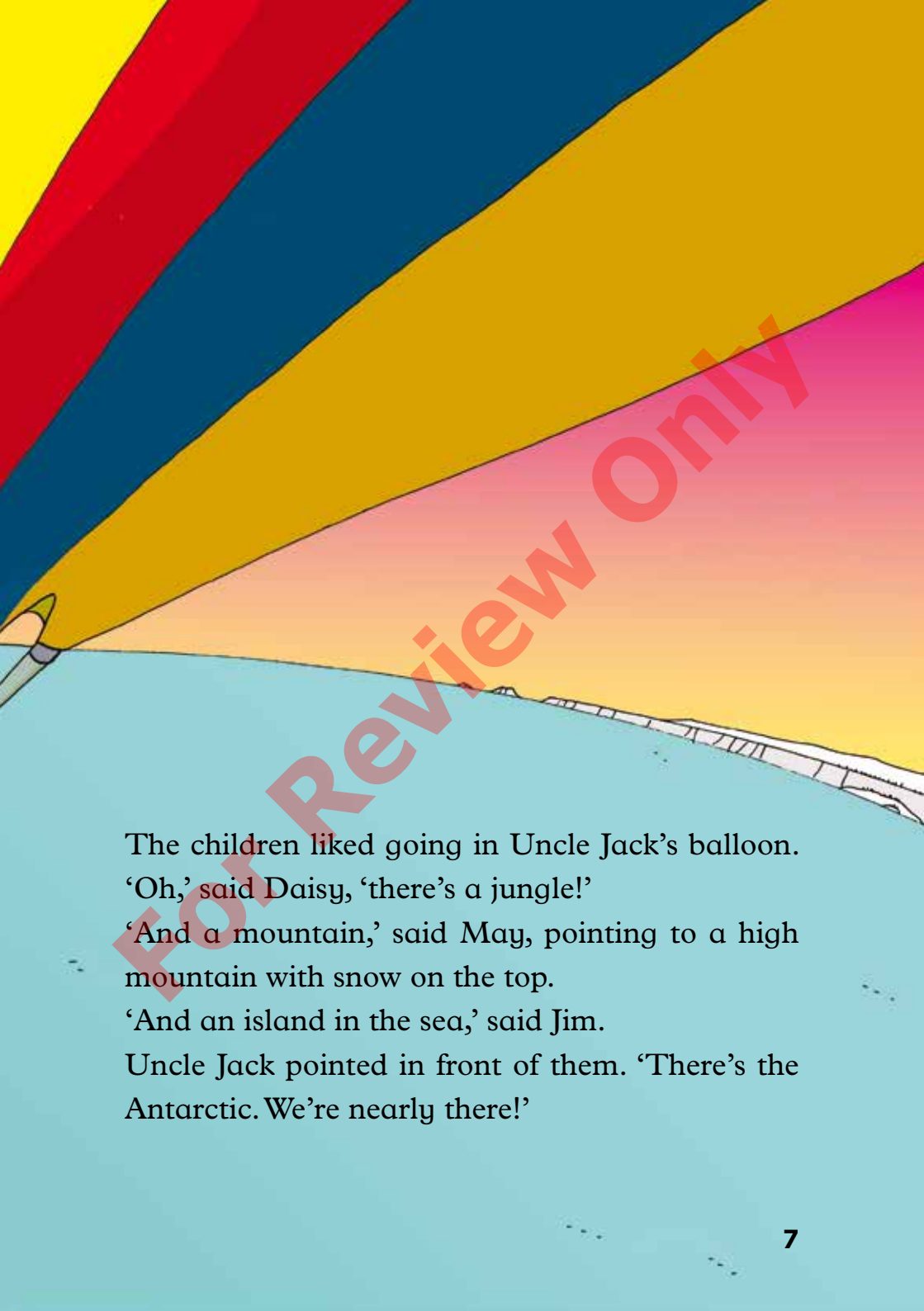
The children quickly put on their warmest sweaters and coats and scarves and hats. Of course Grumpy the dog put on his sweater too! Where the children went Grumpy went too!



Uncle Jack gave the snow making machine to Jim and Jim put it into the balloon.
'What a funny machine!' said May, laughing. 'Is it a fan?'
'No,' said Uncle Jack, 'it's a snow making machine.'







The children liked going in Uncle Jack's balloon.

'Oh,' said Daisy, 'there's a jungle!'

'And a mountain,' said May, pointing to a high mountain with snow on the top.

'And an island in the sea,' said Jim.

Uncle Jack pointed in front of them. 'There's the Antarctic. We're nearly there!'



Activity Pages



1 Finish the words. Number the sentences in the order of the story.

☼ Uncle Ja__ and the childr__ went to Antarctica.

☼ They said goodb__.

☼ Mr Mazzara__ landed in a pla__.

1 J i m pick e d up the pho n e .

☼ The sn__ maki__ machine made sn__ to cover the grou__.

☼ The plan__ took the pengui__ to the place whe__ they lay their eg__.

☼ They met Unc__ Pet__.

☼ Grumpy r__ out of the hou__ and bark__ at some m__.