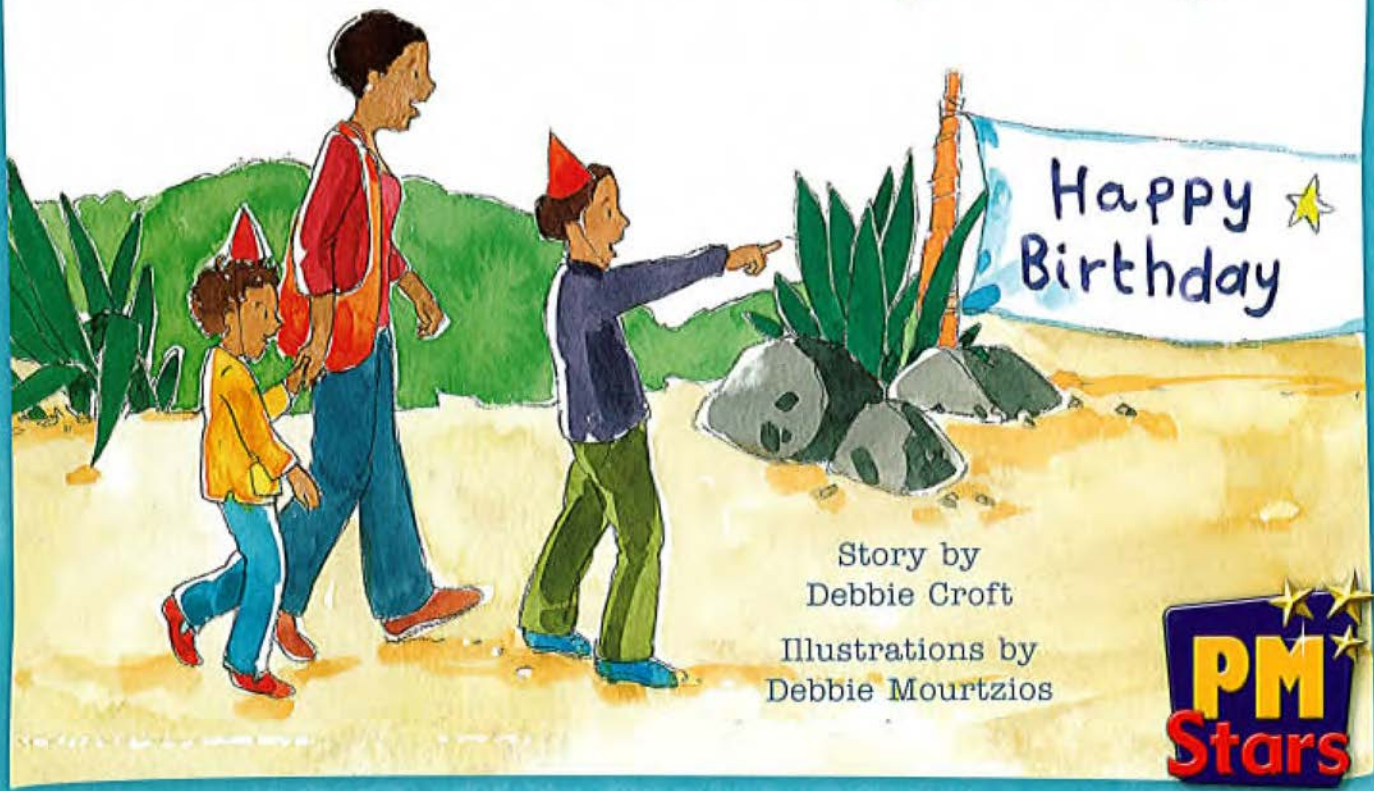
The Birthday Boy



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PM Stars

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Level 12 Running Words **213**

Key High-frequency Words

before, buy, don't, smile, time, want

Key Teaching Points

- Discuss the appropriateness of the birthday 'boy's' present.
- Talk about why specific foods are fed to animals in a zoo.

Key Questions

- Why didn't Tess want to go to the party? ***(Inferential)***
- Why did Danny put their present in a big box, at the gate? ***(Inferential)***

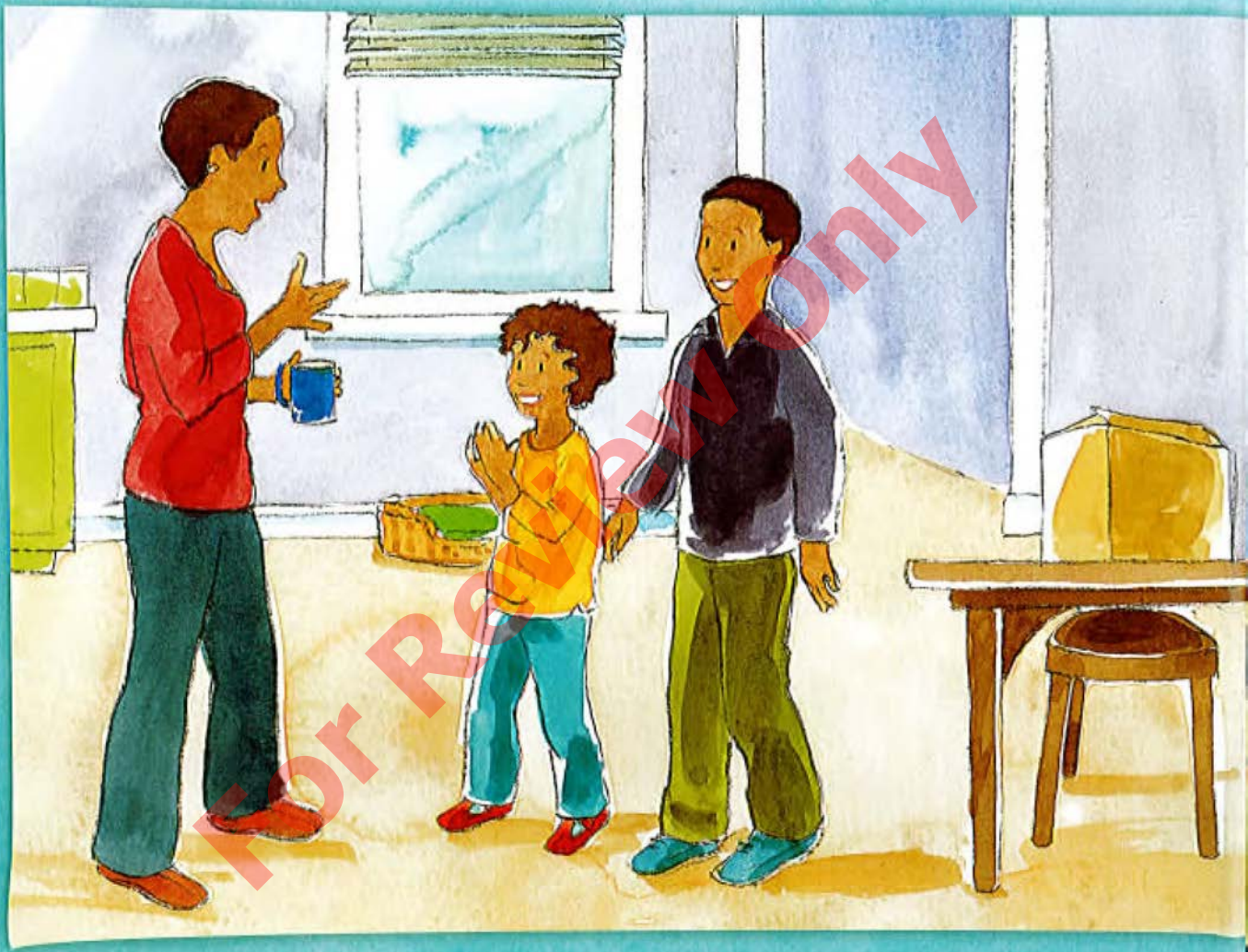
Word Study

- Discuss the long medial vowel sound in these words: *time, smile, like, gate.*
- Find words in the story beginning with these blends: *sm, sl* and *pr.* Make a list of other words beginning with the same blends.

Links with Other PM Books

PM Stars Narratives	*Pokey and the Slipper*	Level 10
PM Gems	*Brad's Birthday Cake*	Level 13

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On Saturday morning,

Mum said to Tess and Danny,

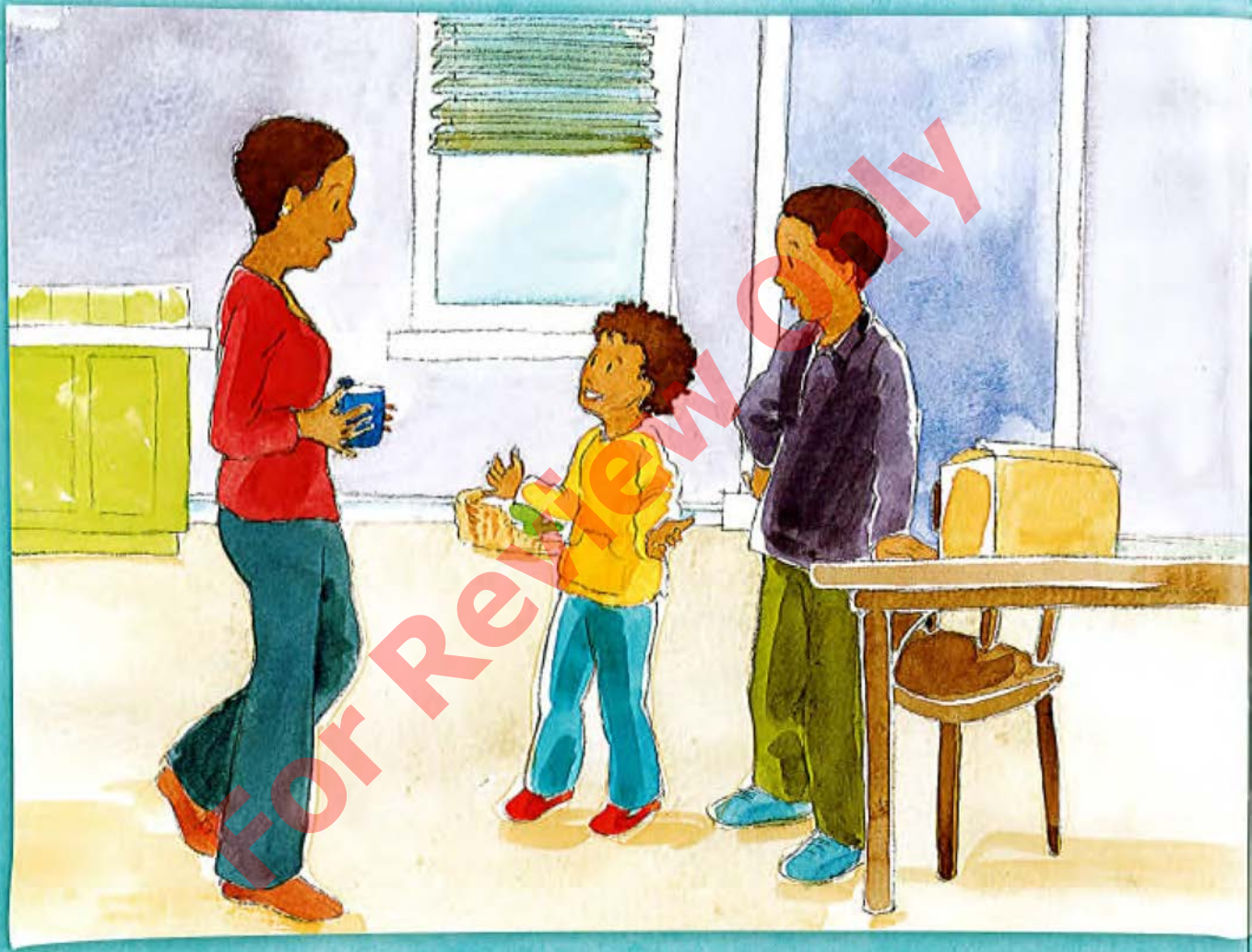
"We are all going

to a birthday party."

"Oh, good!" said Tess.

"I love birthday parties!"

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"Who is the party for?" said Danny.

"It's for a little boy
who is one today," said Mum.

"We will have to buy him a present
before we go," said Tess.

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"Look!" said Mum with a smile.
"His present is in this box."

"Bananas and apples!" said Tess.
"That's not a good present!"

"Let's get him a car," said Danny.
"Little boys like playing with cars!"

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