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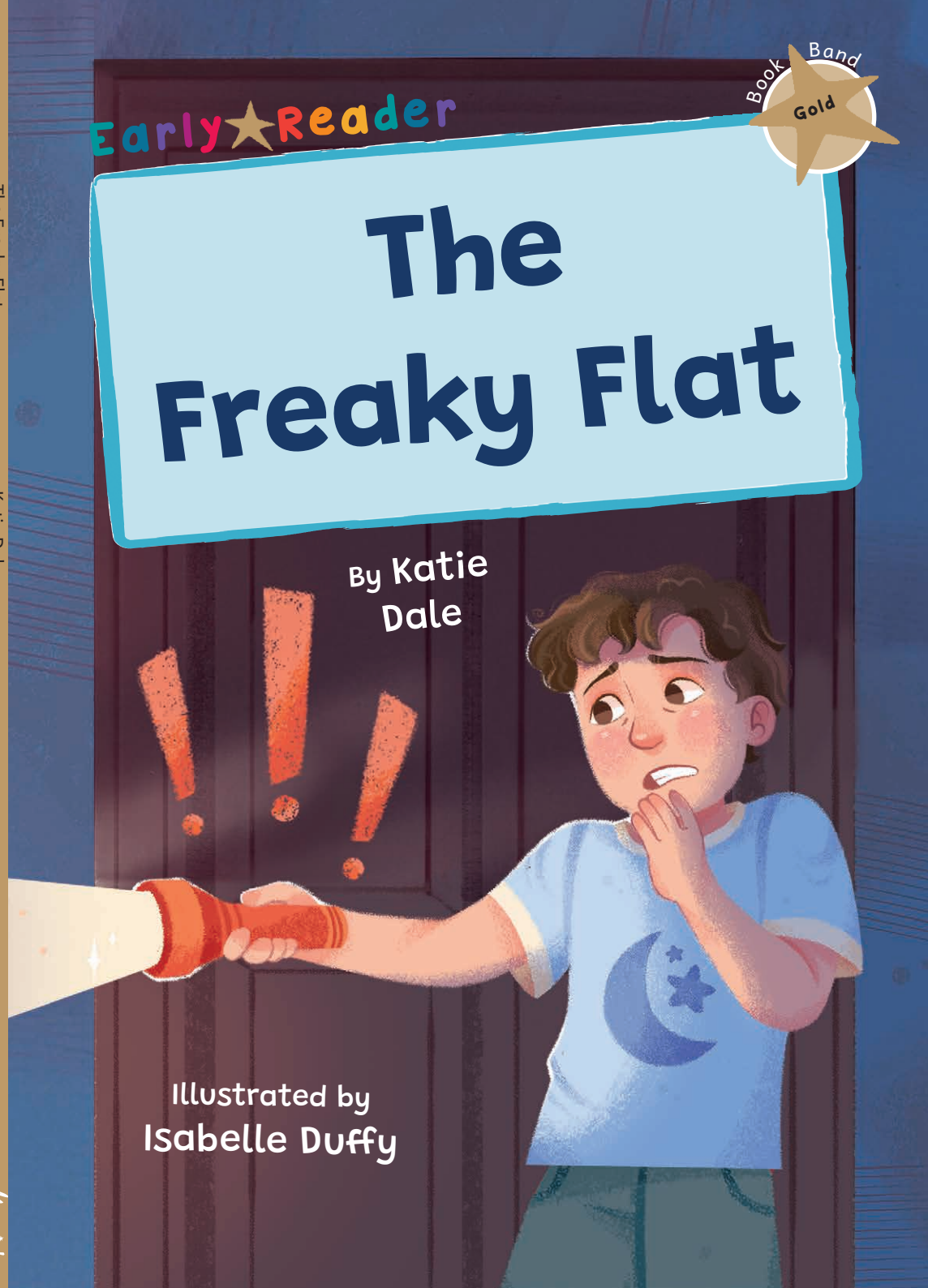
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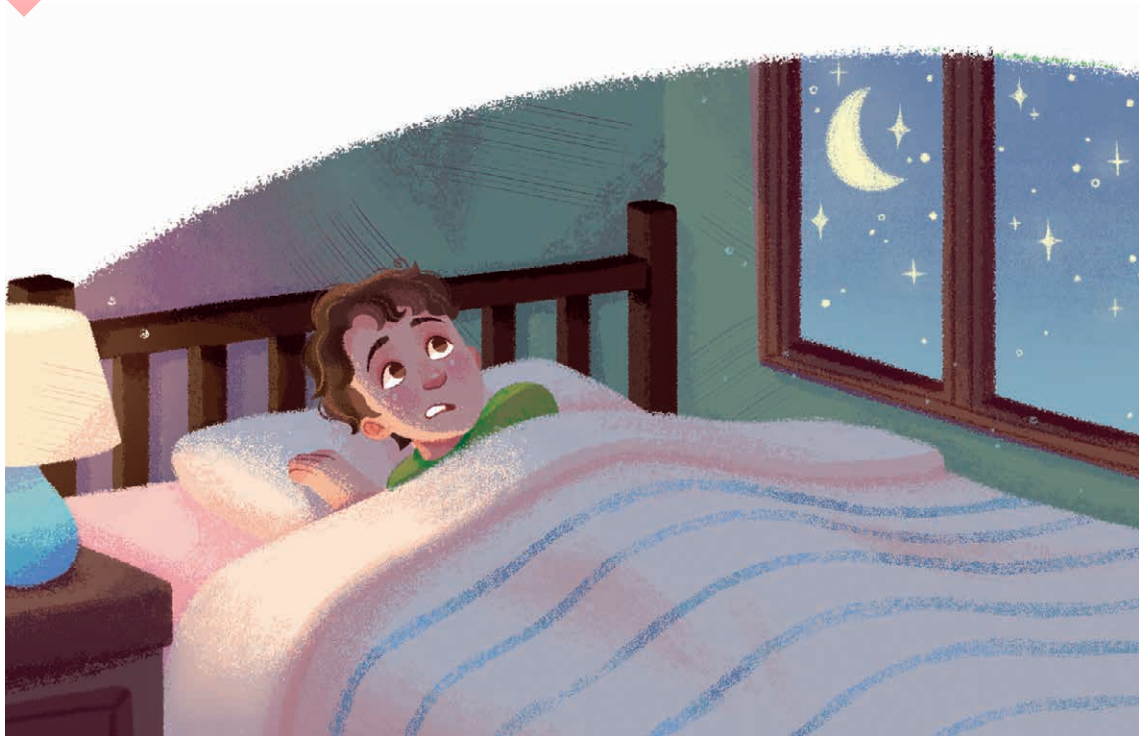
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Chapter 1

Freddy loved dogs. He begged for a pet dog on every birthday, but each year his dad said the same thing:

"You can have a dog when you're eight—then you'll be old enough to look after it properly."

Freddy had been counting down the days to his eighth birthday, and only had a month to go!

But then he got the terrible news...

"I'm really sorry, Freddy," Dad said. "We're going to have to move into a flat. We can't afford this house anymore."



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“Oh no!” Freddy cried. “But I’ll miss all my old friends!”

“Don’t worry,” Dad said. “We’re only moving round the corner, and you’ll actually be closer to your friends.”

“Phew!” Freddy grinned, relieved. Moving didn’t sound so bad after all!

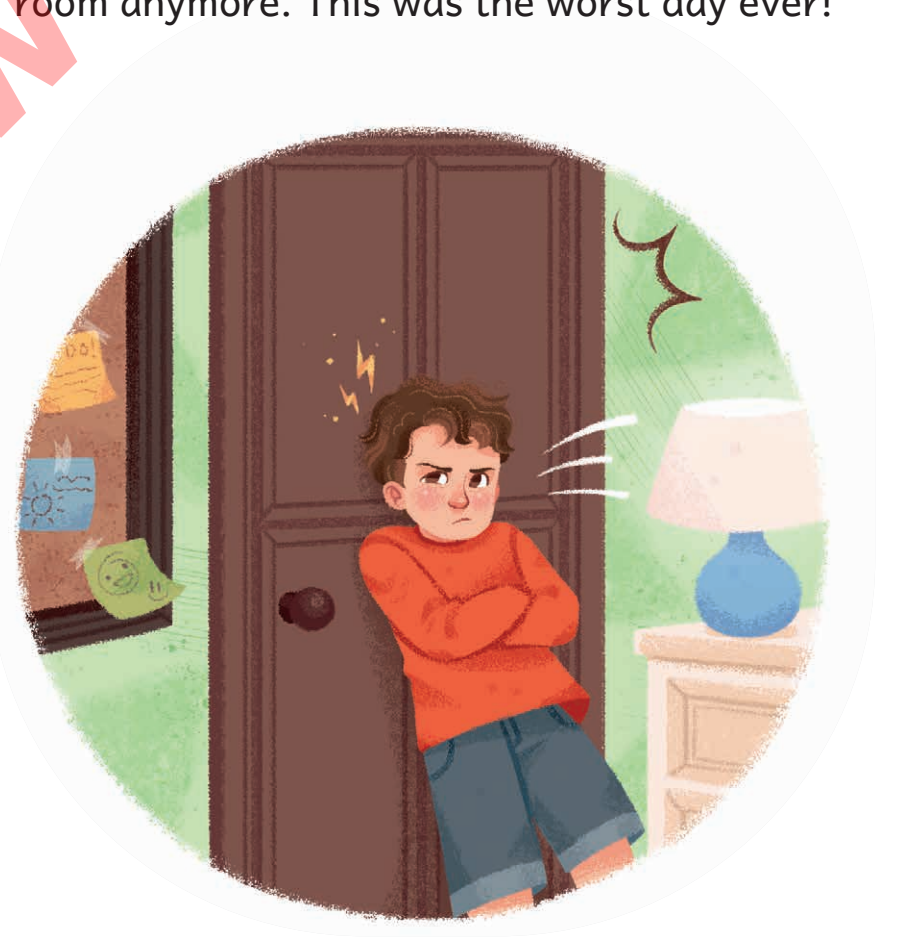
“The only problem is,” Dad said, looking anxious, “they don’t allow dogs in the flat.”

“WHAT?!” Freddy cried. “But I’ve waited my whole life for a dog!”

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“I’m so sorry, buddy,” Dad said, hugging him. “If there was any other way…”

“This is so unfair!” Freddy yelled, rushing to his room. His room that soon wouldn’t be his room anymore. This was the worst day ever!





Chapter 2

Freddy was still feeling glum on moving-in day.

As he unpacked all his toys, Dad walked into Freddy's new room carrying a box.

"I bought you an early birthday present to cheer you up," Dad said, smiling. "Would you like it now?"

Freddy shrugged.

But then the box rustled!

Freddy's heart lifted. Could it be a puppy after all?!

He eagerly took the lid off, to find a fluffy brown...

...hamster.

Freddy's heart plummeted.

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