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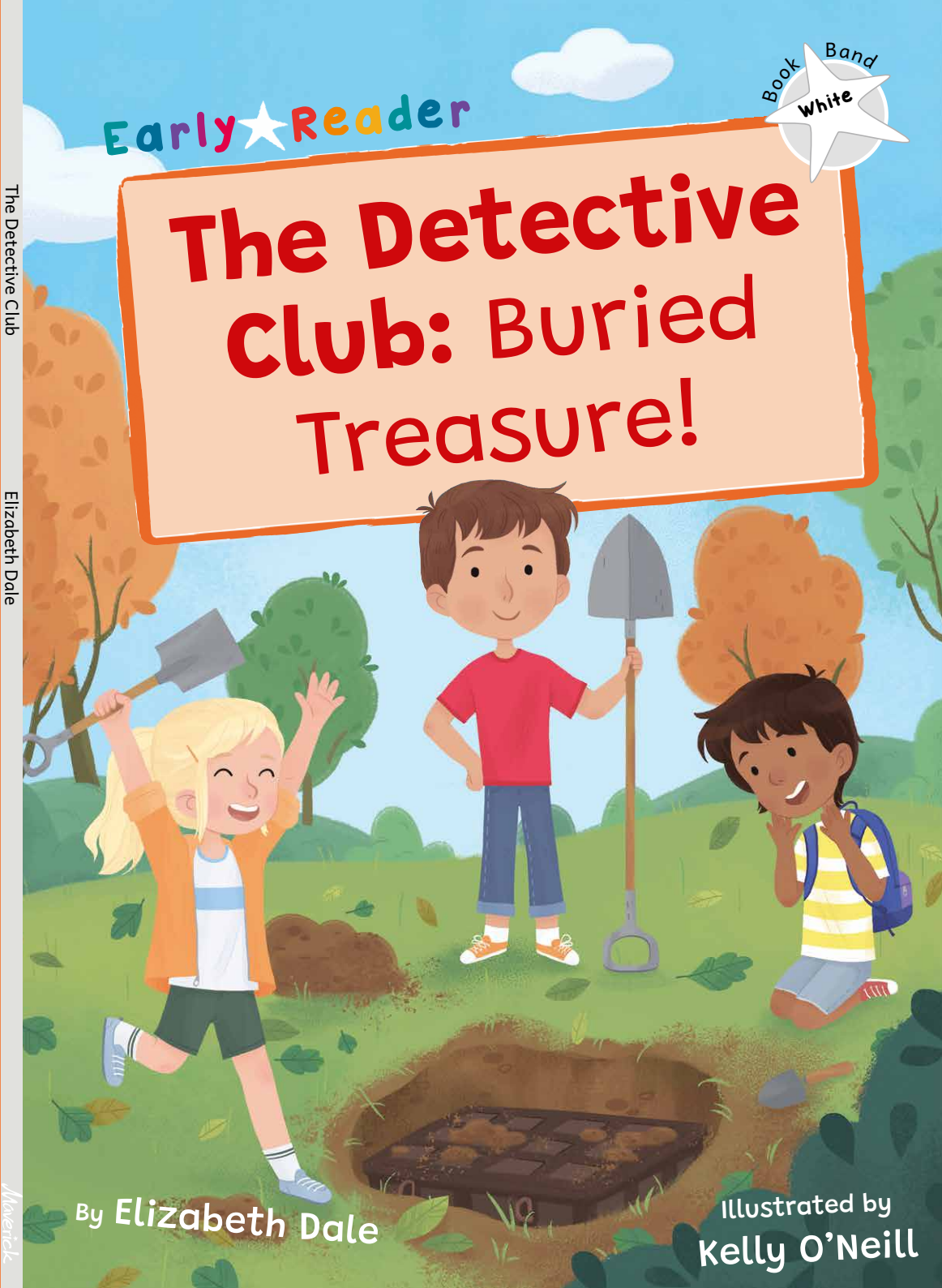
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Chapter 1

“No way!”

Fiz, Amir and Leo gasped as they stared into the hole they’d just dug. For there, at the bottom, was a big chest.

“I told you!” Fiz cried, holding her spade high and twirling around in glee.

Leo and Amir laughed. Fiz’s real name was Fiona, but everyone called her Fiz. She was

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always fizzing with excitement, like a shaken bottle of lemonade!

"But that's just an old chest, Fiz – it's nothing like what we're looking for!" said Leo.

A local bank had recently been burgled, and the three friends had decided to hunt for the stolen gold bars.

"The gold is probably inside the chest!" Fiz cried. "Didn't I say someone's been digging here? You thought it was badgers – but look what we found! Woo-hoo! The Detective Club solves its first crime! Come on, help me open it!"

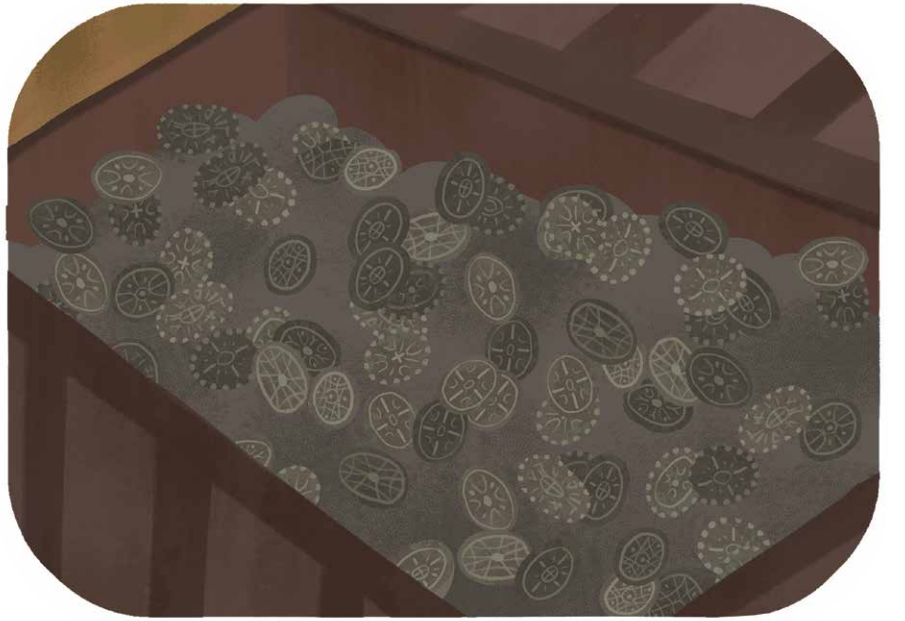
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They tugged and tugged, and finally managed to lift the lid.

"Oh!" cried everyone.

"That's not gold bars from the robbery," said Amir.

It wasn't. All they could see were small, dark discs.



"They look old," said Fiz, pulling some out.

"Very old!" sighed Amir. "I think this chest has been here a long time. Shame!"

"Not necessarily!" cried Leo, his eyes shining. "I reckon we've found Roman treasure!"





Chapter 2

The friends grabbed a handful of discs each. Then they covered the hole with leaves and soil, and hurried round to the local museum.

"These are very interesting coins," said Mr Jones, the curator, peering at them.

"Are they Roman?" asked Leo eagerly.

"No," he said, and everyone groaned. "But I think they're Saxon – and very valuable!

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