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One day the Wind and the Sun argued as to who was the stronger.

'I am certainly mightier than you, Sun. I can push out my cheeks, puff myself up, and B-L-O-W!'

Straight away leaves fell off trees
and scattered everywhere.

People's hats came off owners
chasing after them.

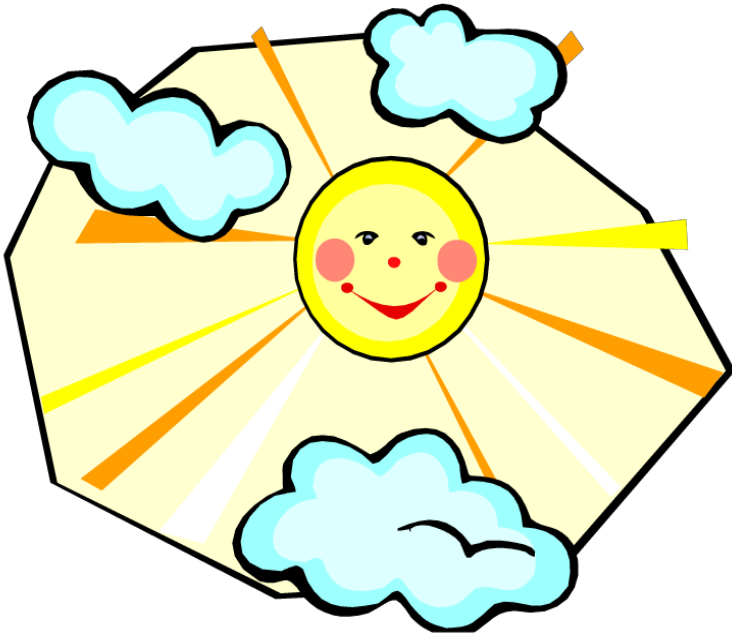
Boats at sea began rocking from
side to side.

Birds stopped singing and looked
for a place to shelter.

**'There you are, Sun. How's that
for strength and power?'**

And Wind looked proudly at the
clouds as they raced and scudded
across the sky.

'You may think that all I do is quietly shine all day while you push and blow and shake.'



'My sunlight is also powerful. It helps small seeds grow into crops and forests.'

Ways to read this story

This story is suitable for school and home. Some 'how to read' ideas are below.

- With a partner or small group, take it in turns to read the rows.
- Don't rush! This helps you to say each word clearly.
- Think of yourselves as actors by adding lots of facial and vocal expression. Small gaps of silence also create dramatic energy. These techniques will bring the story to life.
- If you meet a new word, give it a go and then move on.
- Don't be scared of unusual words. They will become your new best friends. (New words strengthen your general knowledge and enable you to become vocabulary-rich in your day-to-day life.)

Have fun!