Staying safe with Sam



How to use this book

Read the story with your child a few times so they become familiar with it. You can talk to your child about the safe places you keep your cleaning and laundry things at home. If you move them to a high cupboard out of reach, talk to your child about why you are doing it.

Here are some questions for you and your child to talk about as you read or at the end of the story.

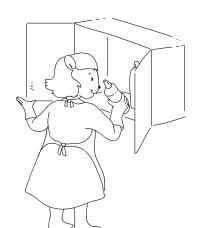
Why is Sam looking in the cupboard?



What should Sam do if he wants a drink?



Why is it dangerous to drink things without asking a grown-up?



Where is a safe place to keep cleaning things?

Using the song

When you get to the end of the story, read out the questions in the song and get your child to shout out the answer each time.

Remember: give plenty of praise if your child is unsure and asks you about laundry or cleaning things. That's just what Sam should do!

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This is a story about a friendly little lion called Sam. Sam is four years old. His little sister is called Lily.



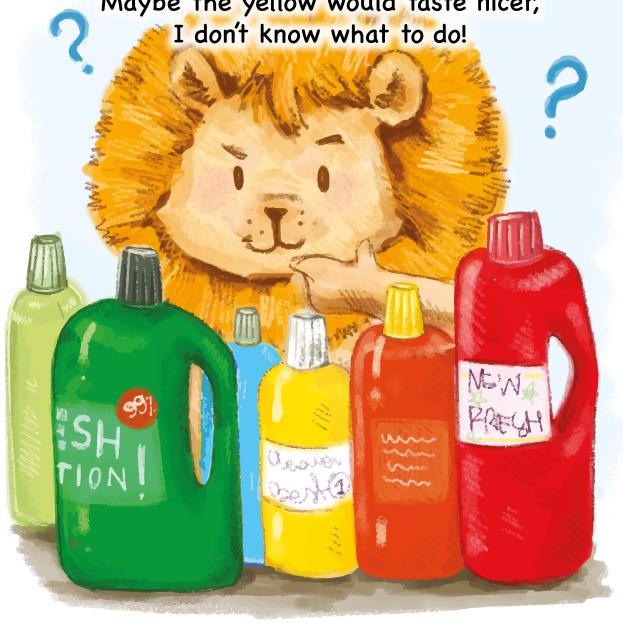
Sam is going to tell his story about looking for a drink and being unsure what to do. We will learn along with Sam how to stay safe from cleaning things. It's a hot day, and I'm thirsty,
I'm looking for something to drink,
I can't reach the high cupboards,
So I'm going to look under the sink.



There are lots of bottles there,
Their lids all screwed on tight,
I can't read though, so I'm not sure...
One of them must be right?

Mummy's upstairs, I could ask her,
But wouldn't she be proud,
If I got myself a drink - and Lily too,
I wonder if I'm allowed?

Should I choose the red bottle?
Should I choose the blue?
Maybe the yellow would taste nicer,



"Mummy!" I shout, "I'm thirsty!
"But I don't know what to drink."
"Which of these bottles is the juice?"
"I'm looking under the sink."

"No, Sam!" Mummy shouts,
As she rushes downstairs to me,
"None of those are good to drink,"
"These are cleaning things, you see!"



"Most could make you very ill,"
"You, and Lily too."
"If you're thirsty, ask a grown up,"
"To get a drink for you."

"You did just the right thing!"
"Do you remember our song?
"It's always best to ask a grown up,
"If you're not sure or something is wrong."

Can I eat this? ASK A GROWN UP!

Can I drink that?
ASK A GROWN UP!

Can I touch that?
ASK A GROWN UP!

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