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# **Dogger**

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Once there was a soft brown toy called Dogger. One of his ears pointed upwards and the other flopped over. His fur was worn in places because he was quite old. He belonged to Dave.





Dave was *very* fond of Dogger. He took him everywhere.



Sometimes he gave him rides in a trolley.



Sometimes he pulled him along on a lead made of string like a real dog.



When it was cold he wrapped him up in a bit of blanket.





Now and again Dave's Mum said that Dogger was getting much too dirty. She showed Dave how to wash him in a bowl of soapy water. Then they hung him up by his tail on the washing-line to dry.





Dave's baby brother, Joe, liked hard toys. He liked putting them in his mouth and biting on them, because he was getting teeth.