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They were having such a great time, no one saw the big black clouds coming. No one ... apart from the swallows, who stopped catching midges and flew away to find shelter.

Stef and the twins ran as fast as they could back to Grandma's house.

Stef was worried that the rain would catch them. "What about the animals?" asked Marion. "Where do they go when it rains?"



On the way to the pond, they went past a farm. All the animals knew Stef. The goose was curious and came to say hello. The sheep lay asleep in the shade. They didn't like the heat. The farmer brought out some lettuce leaves to feed the chickens. 'Here you are,' she said. 'Give these carrots to the donkey. They're her favourite!'

Two sparrows were having a dust bath in the hot sand. They flapped their wings and the sand went everywhere. They looked so funny, the children laughed.



