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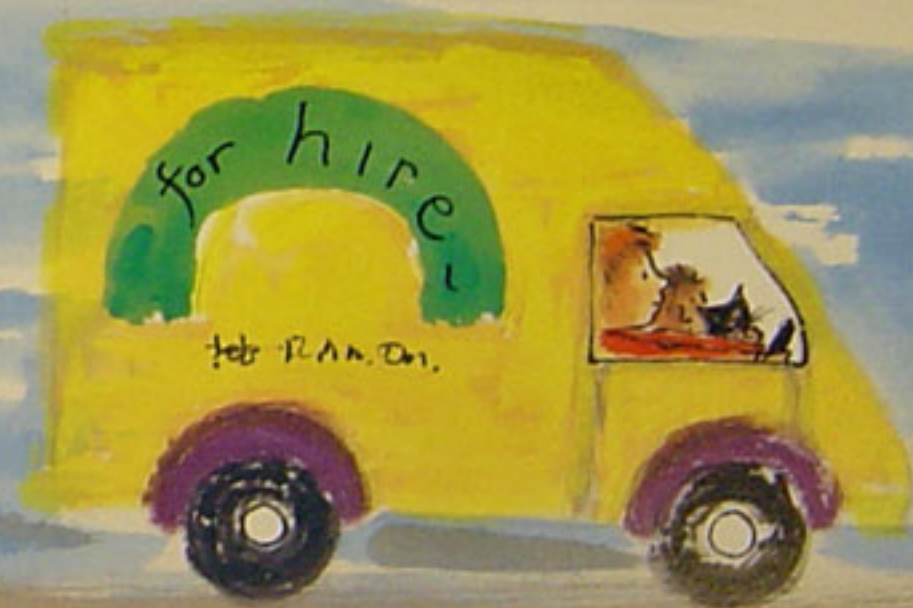
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William walked into his room in the new house and pulled a face.

"But I like my old room," he said. His old room had pictures on the walls and shelves crammed with toys. His old room had a soft red carpet and bright yellow curtains. This room was bare apart from his bed and a pile of boxes.

"Just wait and see," said Mum. "When we've finished in here you'll love it."





William looked out of the window. From his old room he could see his climbing frame. From his old room he could see the place where Dad let him dig. All he could see from this room was a tangle of weeds and a big old tree. A boy waved at him from next door. William ducked down below the window sill.