

After they ate, Jane said,  
"It was fun to make cookies.  
It was fun to eat them, too."  
"Yes, it was fun," said Dick.  
"Now we will have fun in the rain.  
Now we will take our umbrella  
and play we are ducks in the rain."

The two children went out, and  
then they looked up in surprise.  
"Here is our umbrella," Dick said.  
"But where is the rain?"



### A Busy Day

Bang, bang! Bang, bang, bang!  
S-s-s! S-s-s! S-s-s!  
All the children in Dick's room  
were very busy.  
They worked and worked.  
The girls made a little house.  
The boys made boats.



Then the girls painted the house.

"This is fun," said Patty.

"It is fun to paint things."

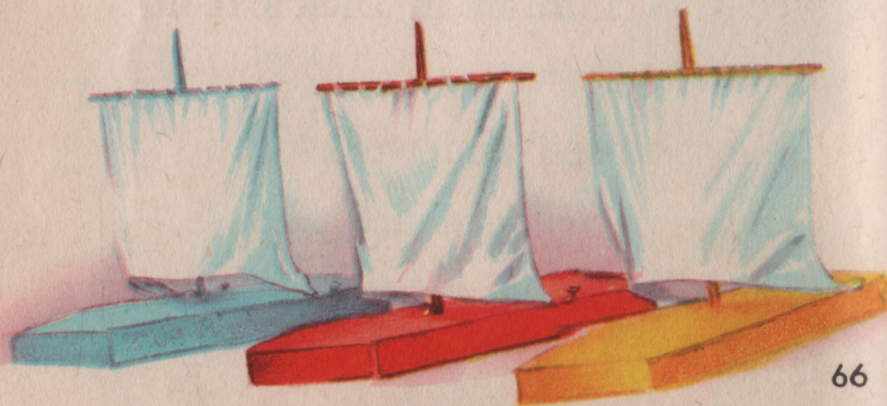
"Yes," said Billy.

"We can paint our boats.

We can paint them red and  
blue and yellow.

Then we can name them Red Bird,  
Blue Bird, and Yellow Bird."

The boys worked fast, and soon  
all three boats were painted.



After school was out, the boys  
went to play with the boats.

"Go, Red Bird!" said Dick.

"Go, Yellow Bird!" said Jack.

"Go, Blue Bird, go!" said Billy.

And away went the three boats.

They went very fast.

"See them go!" said Billy.

"Which one will get there first?"





The boys ran to get the boats.  
 "Here is Blue Bird," said Billy.  
 "My boat went very fast.  
 Dick's boat will come in next.  
 But where is Jack's boat?  
 His boat is very, very slow."

"Maybe Yellow Bird is lost,"  
 said Jack.



At last Yellow Bird came in, and  
 with it came a little animal.

"What a funny animal!" said Jack.

"It can walk, but it is so slow.

I will name it So-Slow and  
 take it to school.

We can make a house for So-Slow."

"There is a house on his back,"  
 said Billy.

"See his head and feet go into it.  
 All you can see is his tail.  
 What a funny animal So-Slow is!  
 His house is on his back."

