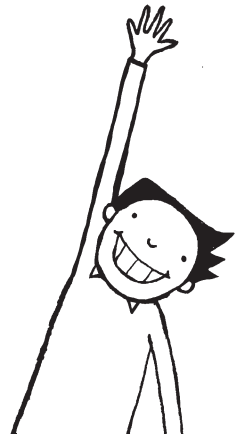




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Delia stops outside a shop which has ALL kinds of household STUFF hanging up on the walls around the front of the building. There are brooms, pots of paint, plates, bags , umbrellas , funny figures you put in the garden - so many ODD things.



I pull a face at the ODD shop as it doesn't look like a good shop for a present for Leroy ...



... until we go inside!

Reluctantly, I put the snake back (for now).

Walking round the shop, I study everything on the shelves carefully. WHY didn't I know about this place before?



There's something for EVERY occasion.

Fake ICE CUBES with spiders in.



(Good choice!)


Or a stick-on EYE for your forehead;



even several sets of wind-up false teeth

that walk around.



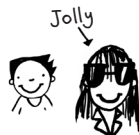
After a LOT of careful thinking, I choose two very realistic trick fried eggs  and a pack of MAGIC cards. Leroy will love them!

AMAZINGLY, Delia pays for everything and also buys some paints for herself.

We're both happy with our stuff and in a good mood.

"Let's go," Delia tells me.

But I SPOT something that makes my EYES



open even **wider.**





"Look, Delia! LOOK at that

ART BOX.

Isn't it **AMAZING?**"

I tell her.



She doesn't seem that interested. I open it up to have a closer look: this **ART BOX** has got

