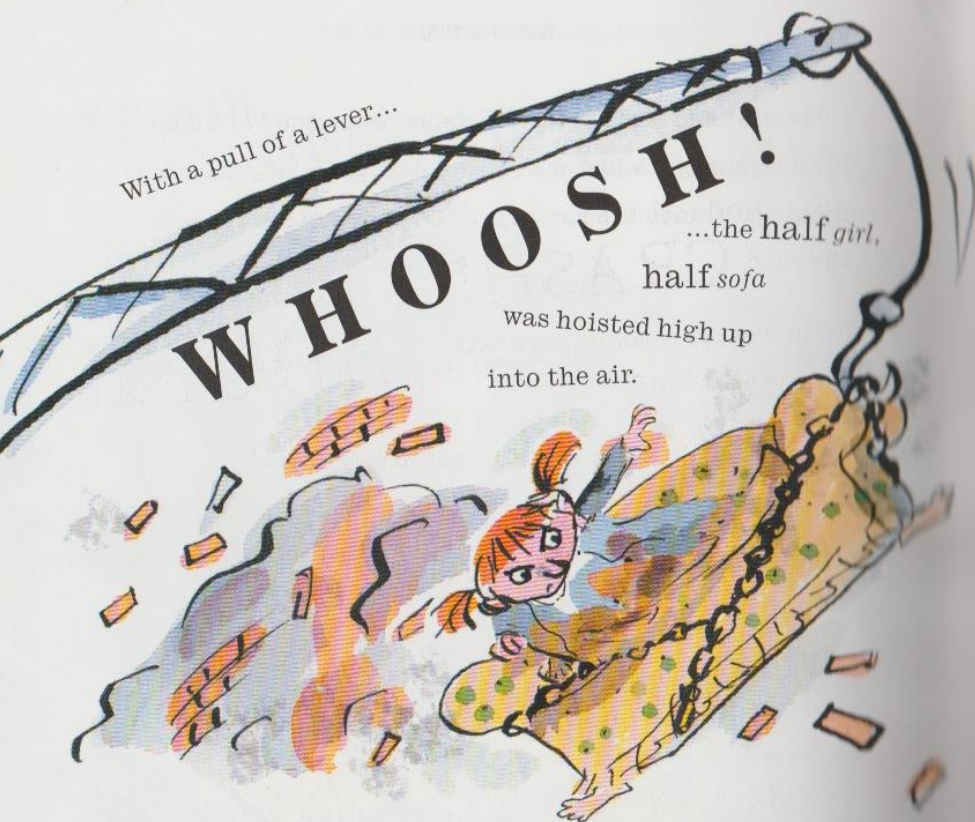


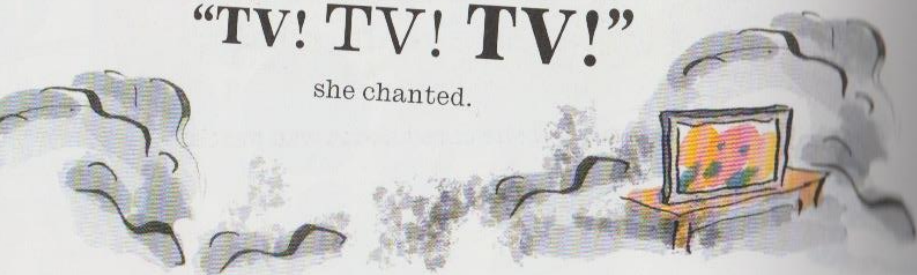
Let's see what
happens in the
story of Sofia
Sofa.



When Sofia could no longer see her beloved television, she started making an awful racket.

"TV! TV! TV!"

she chanted.



SOFIA SOFA

The crane operator panicked and pulled the **WRONG** lever, sending his load swinging through the air. It **smashed** into the row of houses on the other side of the road. **CRASH!**

The houses came tumbling down in an explosion of dust and debris. **BOOM!**

There wasn't much of the terraced street left.



Not that Sofia cared; all she cared about was watching television.

When the noise of falling brickwork and the screams of innocent bystanders had subsided, all that could be heard was the girl chanting loudly,

"TV! TV! TV! TV! TV! TV!"

As quickly as she could, the ambulance driver opened the back doors of her vehicle. The crane driver attempted to swing the *half girl, half sofa* inside. After around five hundred tries it became clear it was **not** going to fit. So the ambulance driver had an idea. Using a rope she secured the *half girl, half sofa* to the rear of her ambulance so she could pull **Sofia Sofa** all the way to the hospital.

"TV! TV! TV! TV! TV! TV! TV! TV!"

came the chant.

By now the driver was so desperate to stop this ear-torturing noise, she was willing to try anything. So she plugged the television into the back of the ambulance.



It flickered to life once more in front of Sofia. That was the longest she had gone without watching television since she could remember. The TV had been off for a whole **minute**, and she was relieved it was back on again.



The ambulance driver drove off as slowly and gently as possible. The girl's parents sat upfront in the cab as their daughter and the television trailed behind.

The *half girl, half sofa* seemed happy enough as she trundled along in the direction of the hospital. After all she could watch **TV** for the entire journey.

And all went well until...

The ambulance took a sharp corner...

SCREECH!

...and both the rope and the
electricity cable on the TV snapped.

THWACK!



The ambulance driver sped on unaware, but the television
and half *girl*, half *sofa* flew across the road untethered.

ZOOM!



As the television was now unplugged, the screen went
black.

Sofia began chanting wildly.

“TV! TV! TV! TV! TV! TV!”

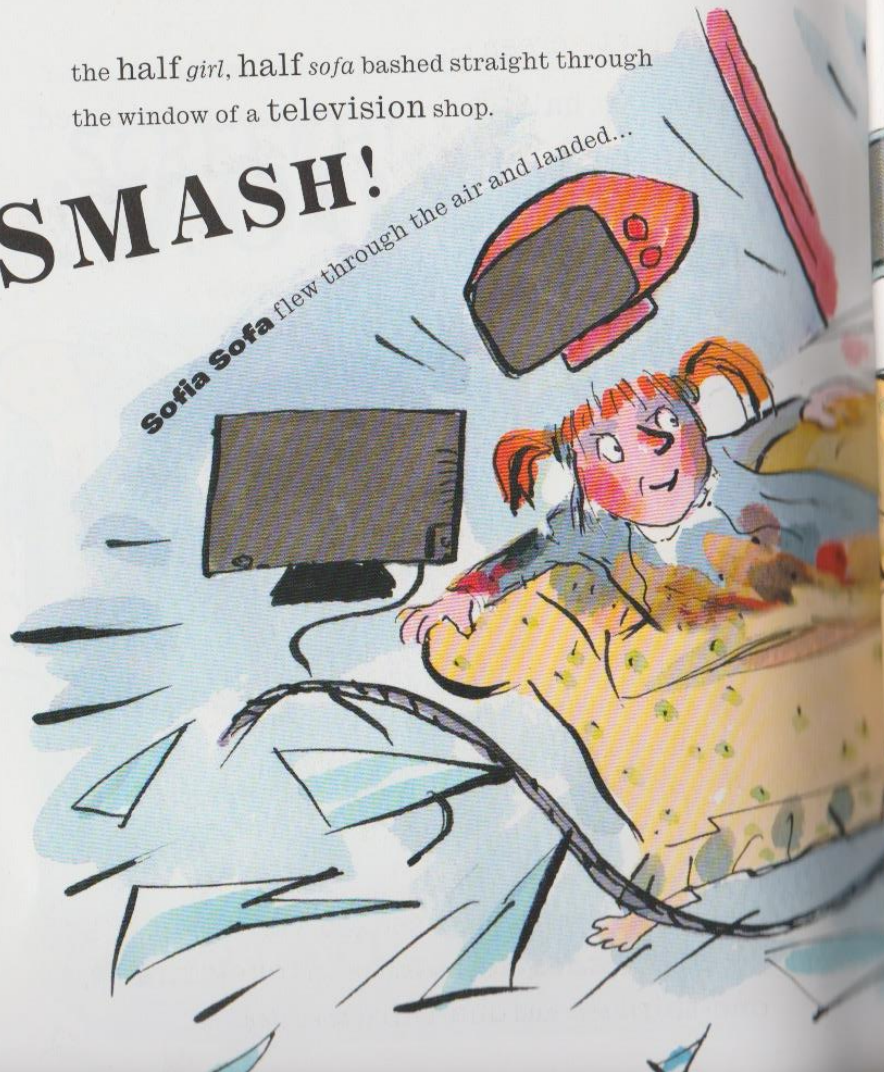
But, as luck would have it, at that very moment...

THE WORLD'S WORST CHILDREN

the half *girl*, half *sofa* bashed straight through
the window of a television shop.

SMASH!

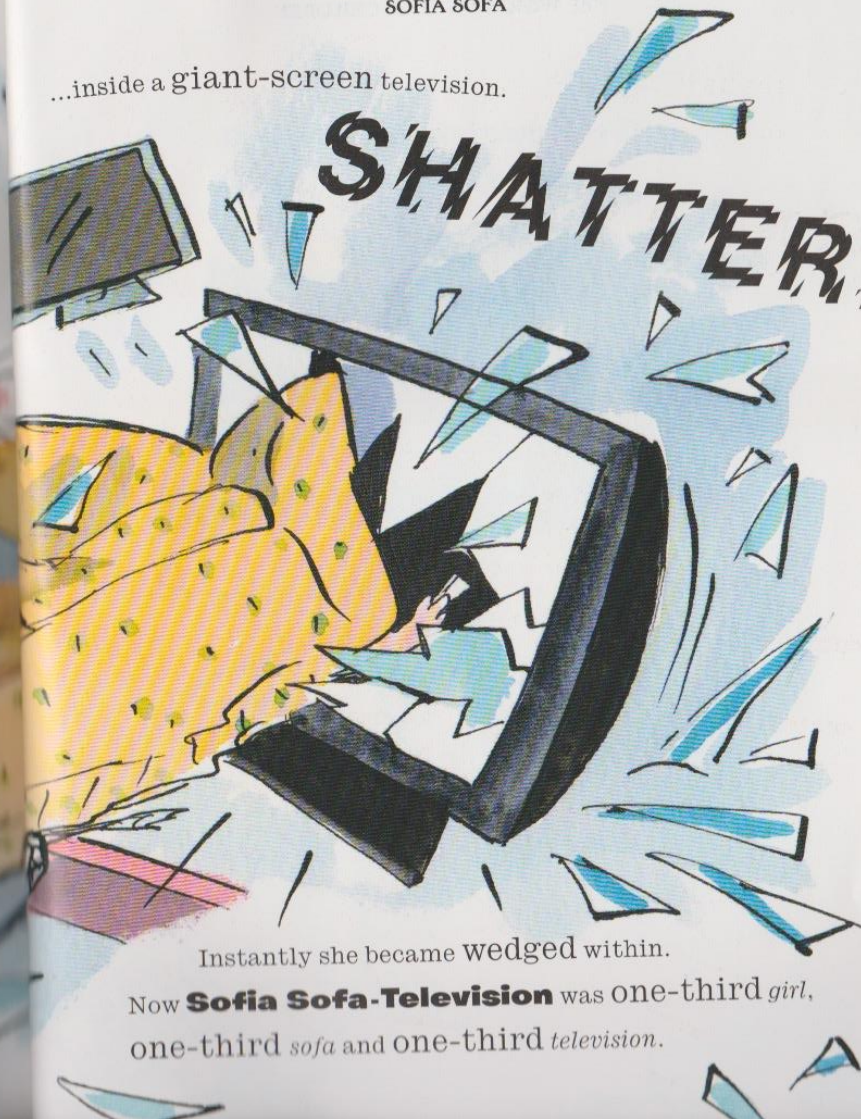
Sofia Sofa flew through the air and landed...



SOFIA SOFA

...inside a giant-screen television.

SHATTER!



Instantly she became wedged within.

Now **Sofia Sofa-Television** was one-third *girl*,
one-third *sofa* and one-third *television*.

THE WORLD'S WORST CHILDREN

Which is exactly what can happen
if you watch too much TV.



Reading Vipers

Vocabulary

Infer

Predict

Explain

Retrieve

Summarise



V What does 'subsided' mean?

I What do you think the ambulance driver thought of Sofia? Why?

P What do you think finally happens to Sofia Sofa?

E Explain what 'flew across the road untethered' means.

R Where did Sofia Sofa end up?

S Summarise the whole story in 3 sentences.

VOCABULARY LABORATORY

Explain meaning / Definition:

Use in a sentence (add picture too):

Modifications:

Modify to past tense, present, plural
singular, add prefix or suffix etc.
How many forms can you think of?

plug

Word Class:

Word Class:

Synonyms

Antonyms

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'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'



The word I
want you to
investigate is

plug