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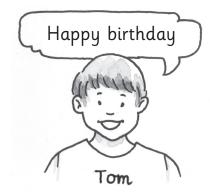
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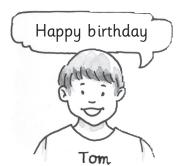
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"Happy birthday!" said Tom. "Are you six or seven?" asked Jess.

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