

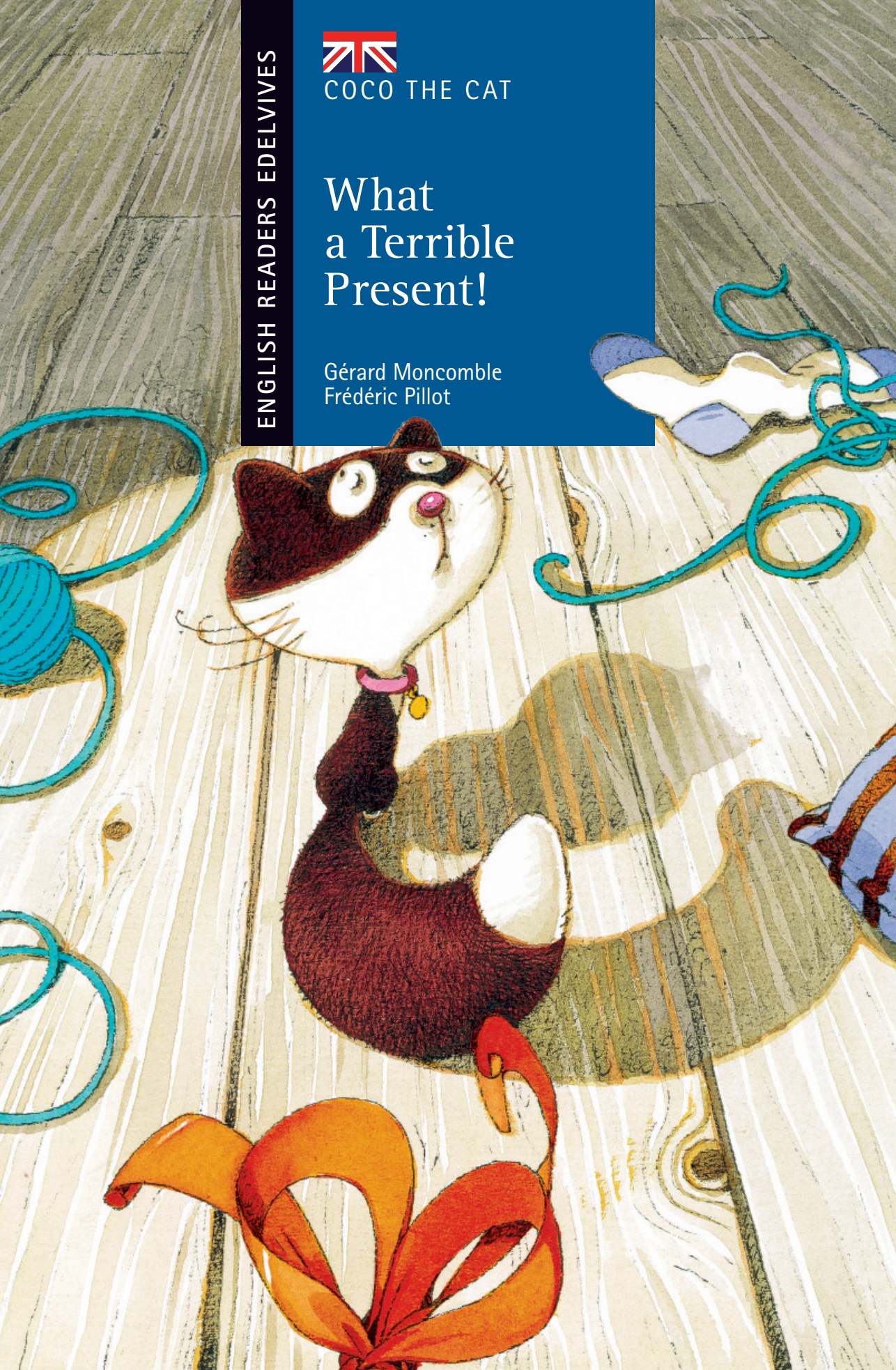
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before reading

- 1** **Look** at the cover of the book and at the picture on page 7.
Answer the questions.

What do you think the terrible present is?

Who do you think the present is for?

Why do you think Coco, Mum and Dad are looking through a blue door?

- 2** **Put** these words into the columns.

morning shout present toy rabbit cat flap
hole mouse push swing door
window war basket biscuit cat litter
carpet curtain tatters

Words I know	Words I'm not sure of	Words I don't know

during reading

- 3 **Look** at the picture. Imagine what Coco is thinking and fill in the blanks. **Draw** a picture of Coco in the middle.

hate hole give
waking present

Thanks for
_____ me up!

I hope they
_____ me a
nice present!



I _____ it
when people
shout!

Is this
my _____?

There's a _____
in the front
door.

during reading

- 1** Tick the correct answer and **complete** the sentences.

What did Mum, Dad and Susan give Coco for her birthday?

A toy rabbit

A cat flap

A mouse

Mum, Dad and Susan gave Coco _____

Why doesn't Coco like the present?

Because she likes to use the door like everybody else.

Because she is afraid of the cat flap.

Because it's blue.

Coco doesn't like the present _____

Why is Dad furious?

Because Coco ate all the cat biscuits.

Because Coco wants to go out.

Because Coco doesn't want to use the cat flap.

Dad is furious _____

Why does Susan put Coco's biscuits outside?

So that Coco uses the cat flap.

So that Coco doesn't get fat.

So that Coco stays outside.

Susan puts Coco's biscuits outside _____

2 Coco's *purrfect* plan! **Write** True (T) or False (F).

Coco invites Jack Sardine, Tommy the Flea and Benny the Bin inside the house.

Dad loves dirty, smelly alley cats.

Bob the dog, jumps over the garden wall and chases Coco.

Coco breaks the cat flap.

3 **Put** the words in order to **make** sentences.

in / cat flap / The / pieces. / is

“Can / fix / you / asks / Dad” / it / asks / Susan.

outside / goes / Coco / meows. / and

like / door, / Coco / the / uses / real / real / a / cat.

3 Have you ever received a perfect present? **Describe** what it looked like. If you have never received a perfect present, **imagine** what it would look like.

after reading

- 4 Is it *like* or *likes*? **Circle** the correct word.

I *like* / *likes* it when people shout.

Coco *like* / *likes* cat biscuits.

We *like* / *likes* birthday presents.

Dad *like* / *likes* the cat flap.

Jack, Tommy and Benny *like* / *likes* the cat flap.

Dad *like* / *likes* dirty alley cats.

- 5 What do these expressions mean? **Match** the words and the meanings.

Whiskers!

Like before, in the past.

Invention

Odd, unusual.

Not cool

What a surprise!

No way!

A creation.

Strange

I certainly won't do it.

Like old times

I don't like that.

- 6 **Use** the expressions in the previous activity to **complete** the sentences.

The best _____ is the internet!

It's not _____ for cats to jump out of windows.

_____ I'm not going to the cemetery at night.

It is _____ to steal things.

Susan opens the door and it is just _____.

7

Write the missing letters and then **find** the words in the puzzle.

H _ P P Y B I _ T _ D A _

P R E _ E _ T

_ L E A S

S _ I N G

B R I _ L _ A N _

C _ P B O _ R D S

S _ O U T

N E _ G _ B O U R

D _ G

C _ R P E T

P L _ N

M _ O W

H	P	A	M	E	O	W	A	F	W	I	L	T
A	T	O	N	B	P	S	U	L	H	X	S	G
P	O	M	E	B	R	I	L	L	I	A	N	T
P	S	H	S	D	E	C	H	E	J	E	S	H
Y	F	H	G	L	S	U	S	W	I	N	G	O
B	R	P	O	M	E	P	A	N	U	E	T	C
I	O	X	L	U	N	B	H	F	T	I	S	U
R	A	S	L	A	T	O	Y	E	N	G	E	A
T	E	M	T	P	L	A	N	B	U	H	D	F
H	A	X	S	C	A	R	P	E	T	B	S	L
D	O	G	N	C	P	D	T	P	R	O	A	E
A	D	F	L	E	A	S	X	E	N	U	O	S
Y	U	L	B	E	F	M	I	T	A	R	T	H

after reading

- 1 Each letter has a number. **Find** the letters that match the numbers. **Complete** the sentence with the missing letters.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
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6 12 5 13 13 9 13 15 11 19 10 8 11 13 6 3 13

- 2 Use the number code from the previous exercise to **write** a sentence. **Give** it to a friend to solve.