

At tea-time Dave was rather quiet.

In the bath he was even quieter.

At bed-time he said:

"I want Dogger."

But Dogger was nowhere to be found.





Mum looked under the bed.



She looked behind the cupboard.

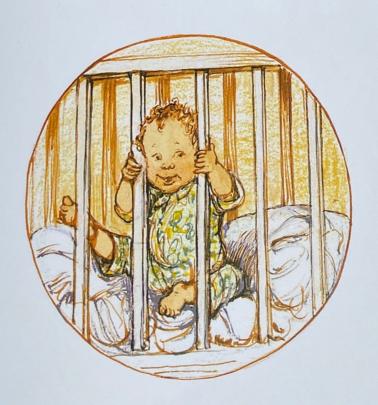


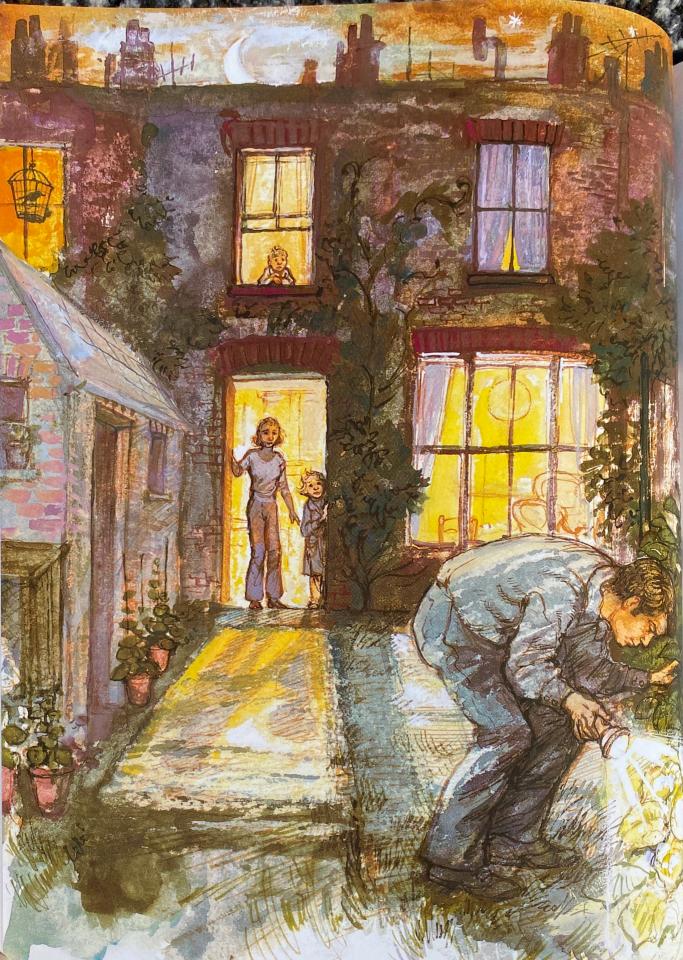
She searched in the kitchen—



—and underneath the stairs.

Dave watched anxiously through the banisters. Joe watched through the bars of his cot.







Bella joined in to look for Dogger. She turned out her own toy-box in case he was in there, but he wasn't.

When Dad came home he looked for Dogger too. He searched in the shed and down the garden path with a torch.

But Dogger was quite lost.

Dave was very sad when he went to bed. Bella kindly lent him one of her teddies to go to sleep with but it was not the same thing as Dogger. Dave kept waking up in the night and missing him.



