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Tess's Bike Race

First Steps Collection
Extended Code Unit 11 /ie/

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‘Rise and shine, bike champ!’ said Mum, as she opened Tess’s blinds. ‘Today is your first race, remember?’



Tess hopped out of bed and peeked out of the window.

‘There’s not a cloud in the sky! It’s the perfect day for a race. Dry and bright, but not too hot,’ she told Mum.



On the drive over to the racetrack, Tess's throat felt dry with nerves, and butterflies pounded in her tummy.



As the coach blew the whistle, Tess set her mind on the race ahead. Tess pedalled so fast she felt she might fly.



The race was five miles long and the track climbed up a high hill. Tess panted as she reached the peak and turned right with the finish line in sight.



Tess gripped her brakes nice and tight and skidded to a stop. She came third in the race!



‘Nice one, Tess! You must be proud. You made great time,’ said her coach, as he gave her a medal and a high five.



Back home, Tess hung the prize in her room with pride.
'It will remind me that I can do anything if I really try!' said Tess.

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Students may need help with the following words: nerves, butterflies, whistle, climbed, remind.



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