A story about nature and technology. Both can be amazing and both can connect us to those we love.

When Jack meets his new next-door neighbour Enzo the two boys become friends straight away. Like the swallows that they love to watch with each other, Enzo has come from South Africa.

But like the swallows, Enzo must go back when autumn comes. Will the close bond that holds Jack and Enzo together be just as strong when they are far apart?





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First published in the UK 2022 by Owlet Press www.owletpress.com I met Enzo's football before I met Enzo. It got stuck in a bush at the back of our house.



'Come on, Jack, let's take it back,' said Sophie. (She's my big sister.) 'That way we can say hello to our new neighbours.'



So Sophie and me took the ball and knocked at number thirty-eight. And that's how I met Enzo.





Enzo came here from South Africa because of his dad's job.



And we both have annoying big sisters!



Every night Enzo's dad let us watch Fred Arrow and Ruby on the webcam. 'I set it up so we don't have to disturb them in the shed,' he said. It wasn't long before the chicks arrived. A lot of them!

Dad said our tub of worms was good for some garden birds but not swallows.

> (They were very good for scaring away annoying big sisters though!)

By the end of the summer me and Enzo were swallow experts. And that meant we knew that soon they would fly south . . .

