



We Learn at School!

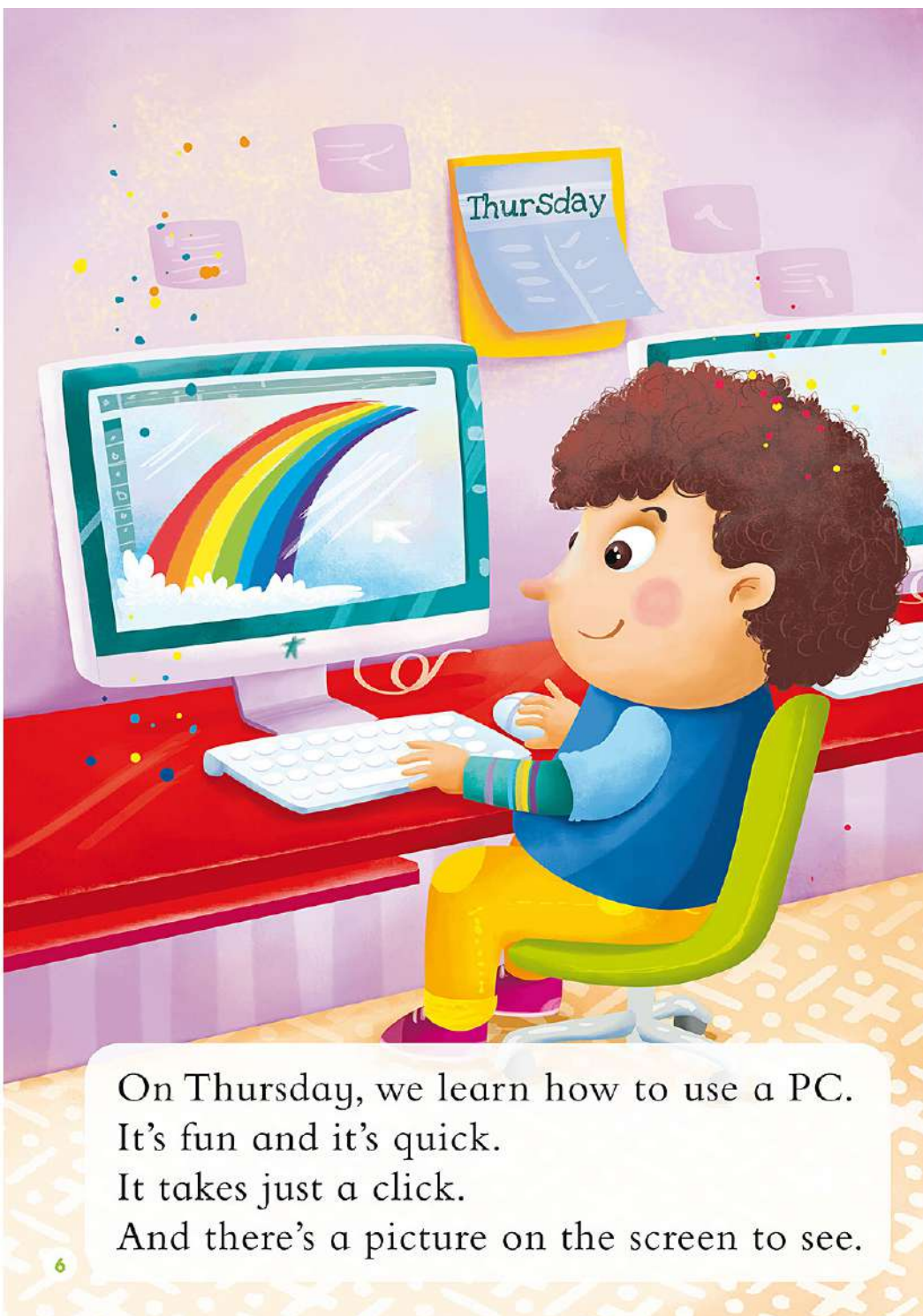


On Monday, we learn
to be tidy and neat.
I hang up my hat.
I put my coat next to that.
And I take my shoes with
mud off my feet.

On Tuesday and Wednesday,
we learn how to color things.



I use green for the trees.
I use yellow and black for the bees.
And I use blue for the beautiful
butterfly wings.



On Thursday, we learn how to use a PC.
It's fun and it's quick.
It takes just a click.
And there's a picture on the screen to see.

On Friday, we learn how to have fun
with our friends. We play and we share.
We show that we care.



We say, "See you next week!"
when the school day ends.



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Maddy Goes to a Party

Maddy has a birthday party today. She bakes a cake for her friend.

Maddy and Dad are in the car ready to go. But the car won't start. Maddy is sad. Dad is worried. "Uncle Albert can help. He's good with cars," says Dad.

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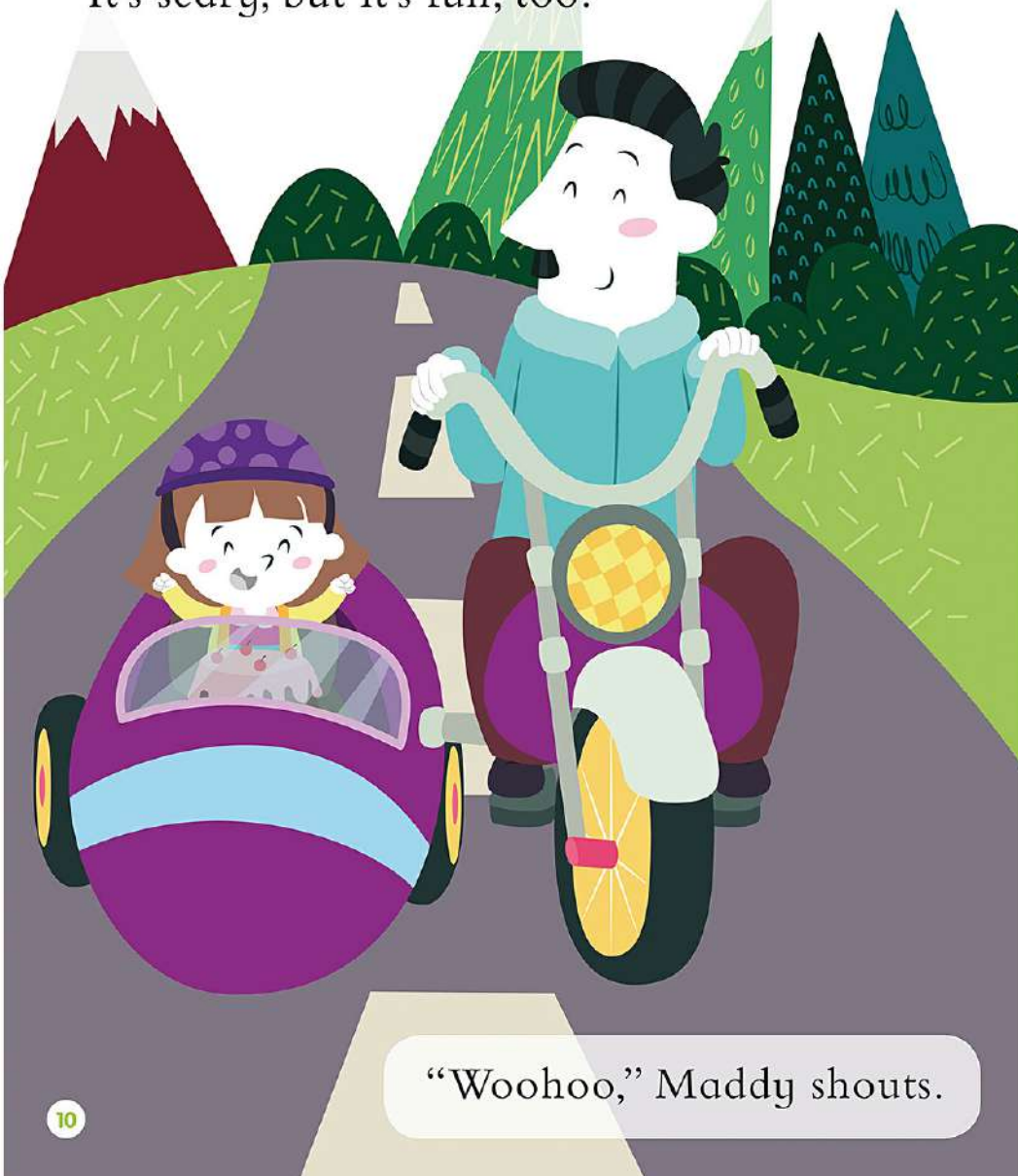
Maddy waits in the car. Now she is sad *and* bored. Uncle Albert arrives, but he can't fix the car.

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"Why are you so sad Maddy?" Uncle Albert asks. "It's my best friend's birthday party today," Maddy says. "I have an idea," says Uncle Albert.

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At first, Maddy is scared. But she
really wants to go to the party.
Then, she is excited.
It's scary, but it's fun, too!



“Woohoo,” Maddy shouts.

Maddy arrives at the party.
“Happy birthday, Sophie! I made
this cake for you!” says Maddy.
Sophie is surprised.
“Let’s eat cake!” says Sophie.
Everybody is happy.



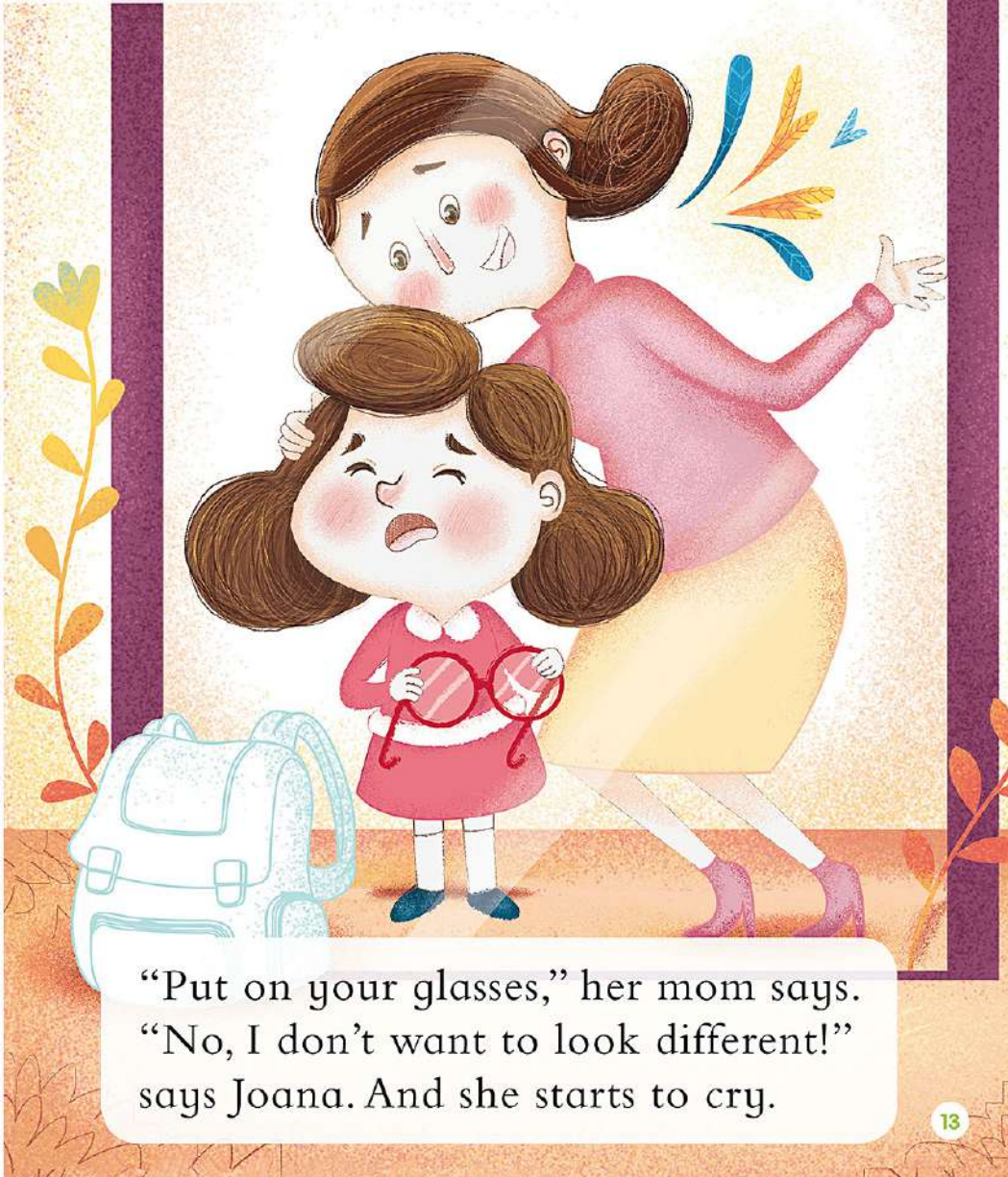
15 The Kindergarten Photograph

Joana's at the eye doctor. She's getting glasses. Wow! She can see all the pictures on the board! "What's this?" the doctor asks. "A tie!" says Joana.



"That's right!" says the doctor. "It IS a tie."

It's Tuesday. Today is the kindergarten photograph. Joana's wearing a new dress, but not her glasses.



"Put on your glasses," her mom says. "No, I don't want to look different!" says Joana. And she starts to cry.

Joana's mom hugs her.
"All children are different," she says.



"Look. He has a broken leg! She has a hearing aid! Everyone looks different.



Put on your glasses! You look like you.
And that is great."

The children line up for the photograph. There are tall children, short children, curly-haired children, and straight-haired children.

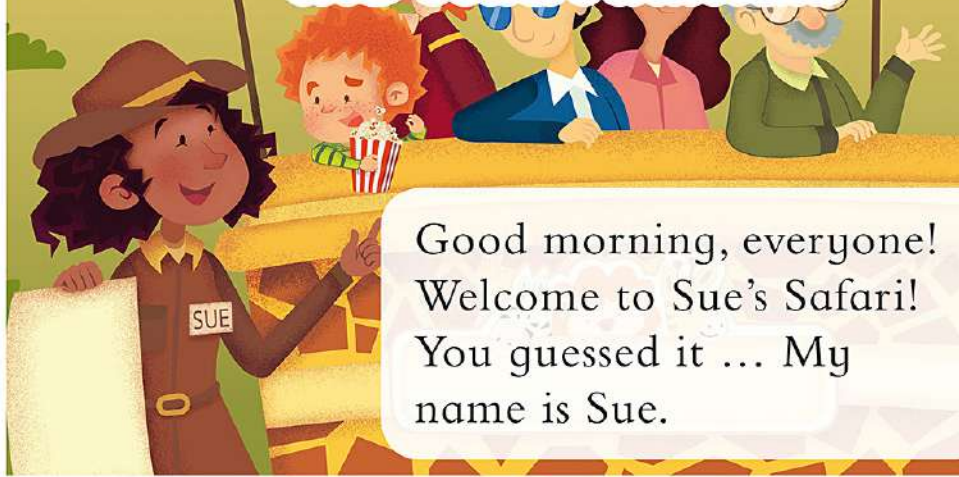


Joana is in the front row wearing her glasses.
All of the children look different, but guess what?



They look like themselves.
And that is great!

Don't Feed the Wild Animals



Good morning, everyone!
Welcome to Sue's Safari!
You guessed it ... My
name is Sue.

Remember two important rules:
Keep your hands inside the bus
and don't feed the wild animals.



Now, let's visit some wild animals! These
are the rhinos. Rhinos have two horns.

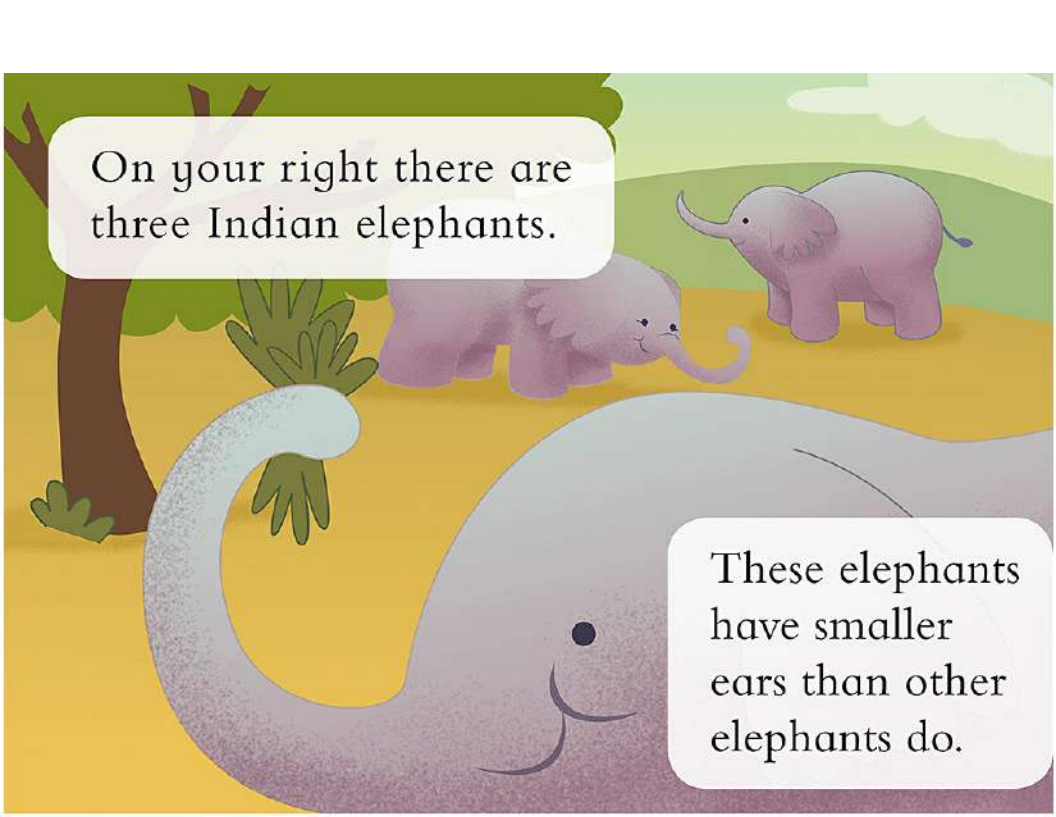


On your left are the tigers.
Tigers look like large cats. They have stripes.
Look! There's a cub. Isn't it cute?

You can take pictures,
but remember the rule:



Don't feed the
wild animals!



On your right there are three Indian elephants.

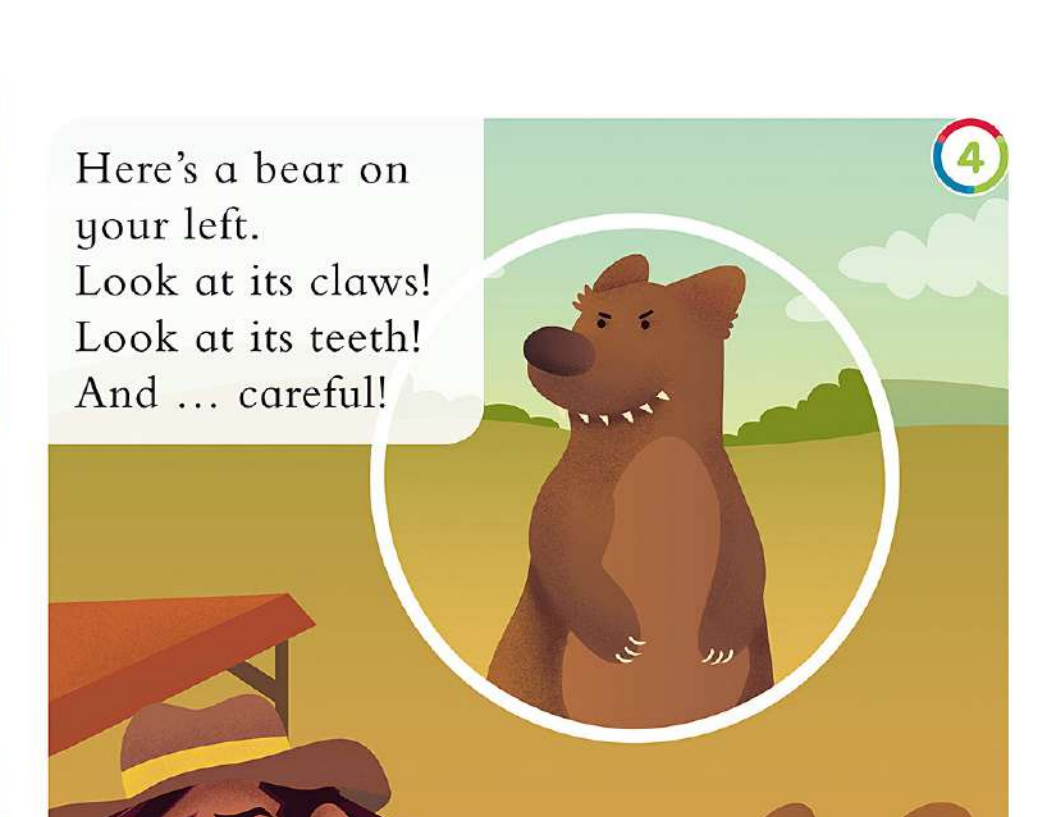


These elephants have smaller ears than other elephants do.



They spend almost twenty hours a day eating! Now, let's say good-bye to the elephants, and remember the rule:

Don't feed the wild animals!



Here's a bear on your left.
Look at its claws!
Look at its teeth!
And ... careful!



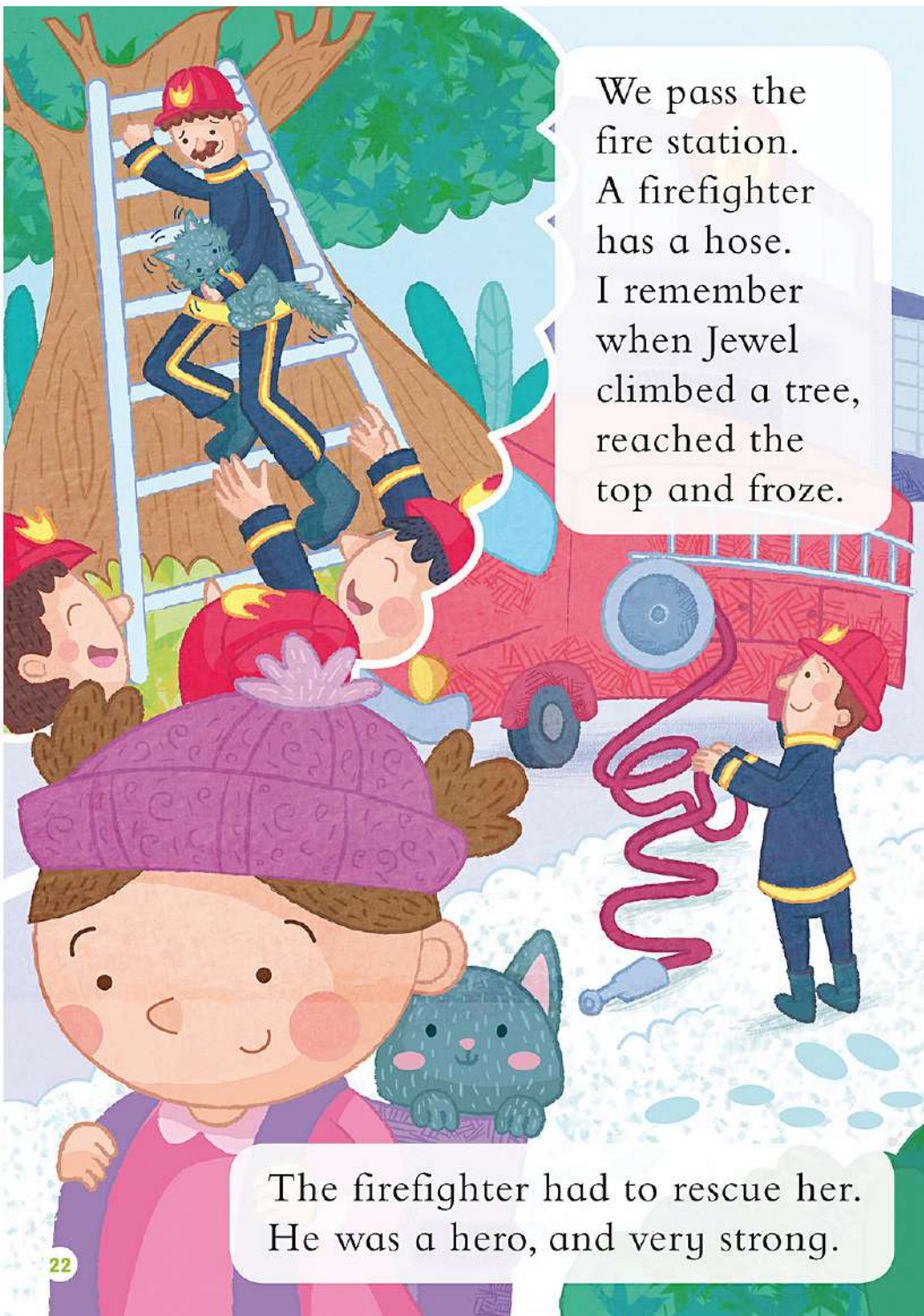
Jewel Goes to School

This is my little kitty-cat. It's furry, and it's cool. It has a toy diamond around its neck.

That's why we call her Jewel.
She has nothing much to do today,
so I think I'll take her to school.

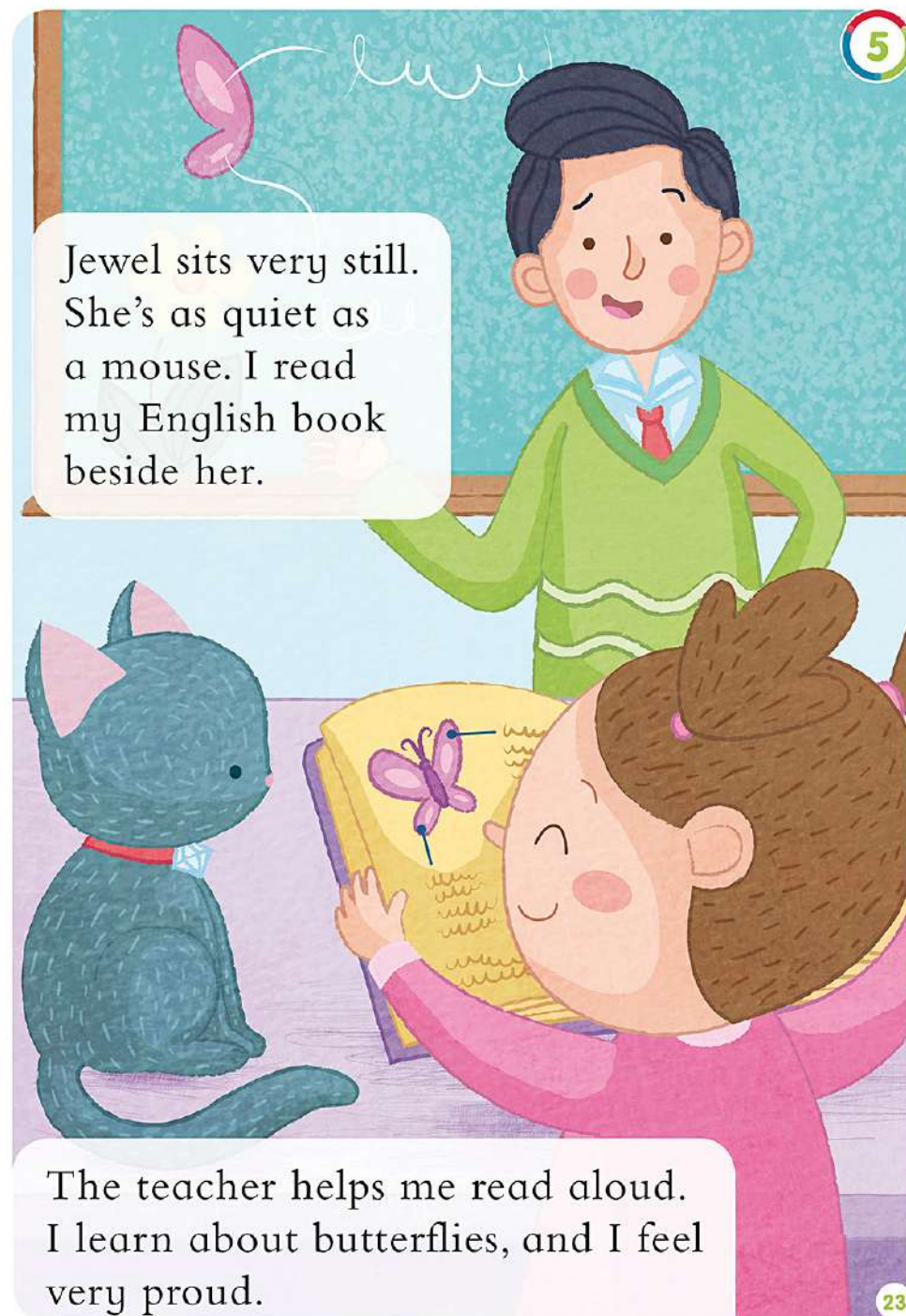


We pass the mail carrier. She works in rain and snow. The weather has only stopped her once, but that was long ago. Look! She has a package for our house, and it's tied up with a bow!



We pass the fire station. A firefighter has a hose. I remember when Jewel climbed a tree, reached the top and froze.

The firefighter had to rescue her. He was a hero, and very strong.



Jewel sits very still. She's as quiet as a mouse. I read my English book beside her.

The teacher helps me read aloud. I learn about butterflies, and I feel very proud.

Uncle Piero's Special Restaurant

Liam and Luca are watching TV.

"Time to go," says Mom.

"We are going to meet Uncle Piero at a restaurant." "But we don't have money," says Luca. "Don't worry. This is a special restaurant."

There are lots of cars outside the restaurant. But the boys and Mom do not go into the restaurant. They go into the kitchen.

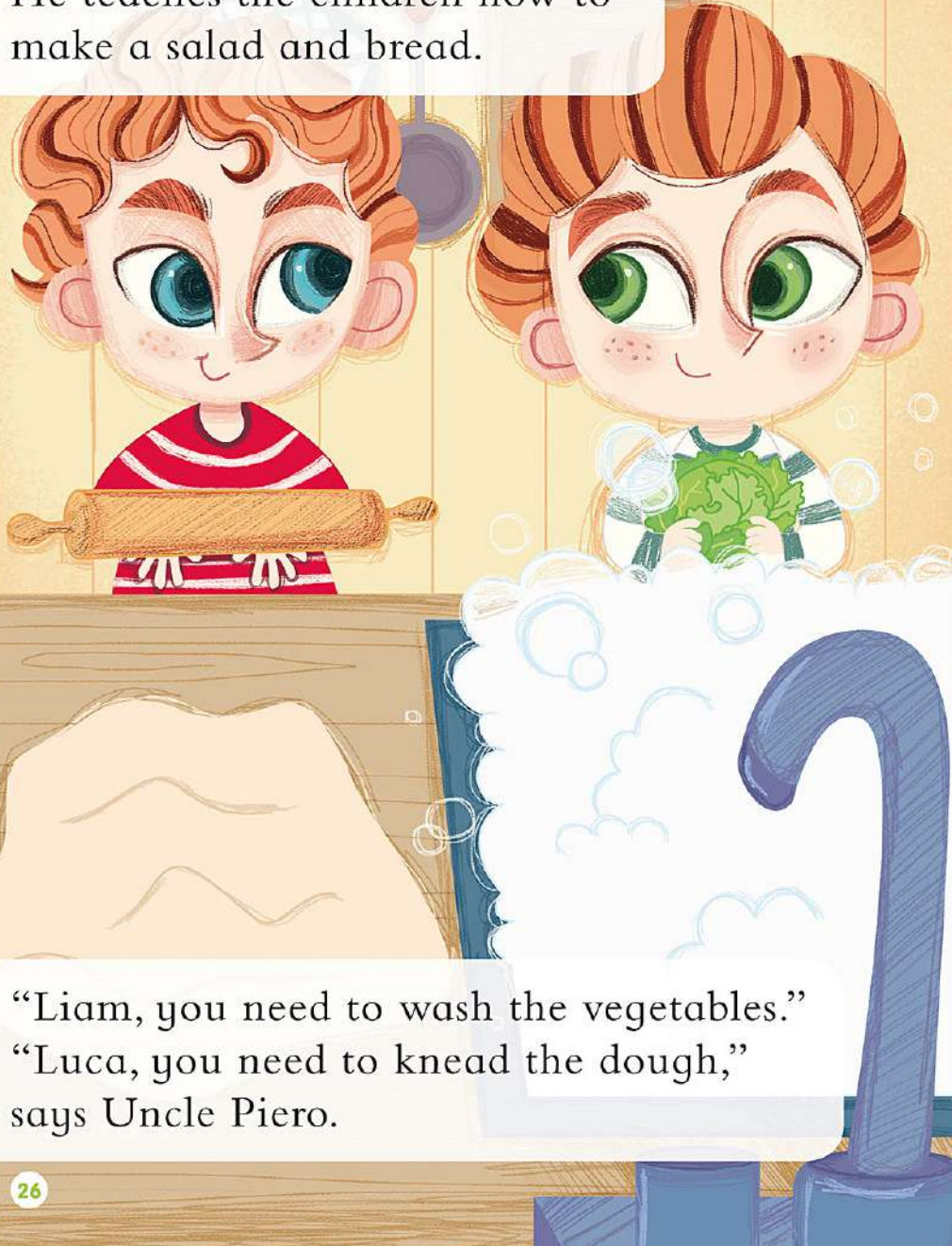
"Where are we going?"

"Welcome to my restaurant."

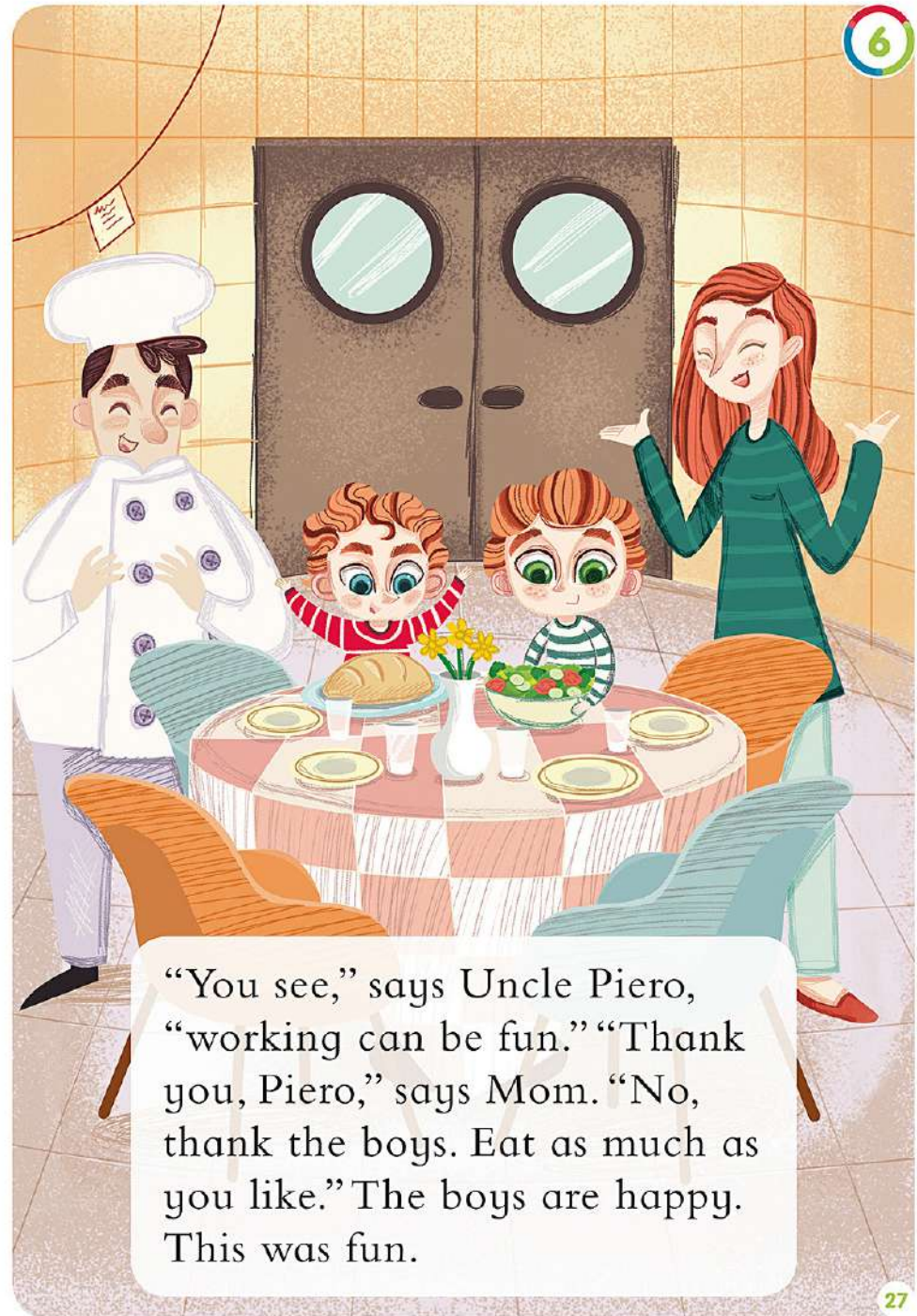
It is Uncle Piero's.

"Today I am going to teach you to cook."

Uncle Piero is a very good chef.
He teaches the children how to
make a salad and bread.



“Liam, you need to wash the vegetables.”
“Luca, you need to knead the dough,”
says Uncle Piero.



“You see,” says Uncle Piero,
“working can be fun.” “Thank
you, Piero,” says Mom. “No,
thank the boys. Eat as much as
you like.” The boys are happy.
This was fun.

The Hare and the Tortoise

I'm Hare, and I'm a champion runner.
I can run. I am very fast.
I get up at eight o'clock every morning.
Then I stretch my legs and I run, run, run!



I eat breakfast. Then I take a shower and put on clean clothes. And I take a long nap.



I'm Tortoise and I'm a champion walker. I am slow. But I can walk very far. I get up at 6 o'clock every morning. I stretch out my legs and I walk, walk, walk! I don't have to get dressed – I have a shell! I eat breakfast. Then, I walk some more.



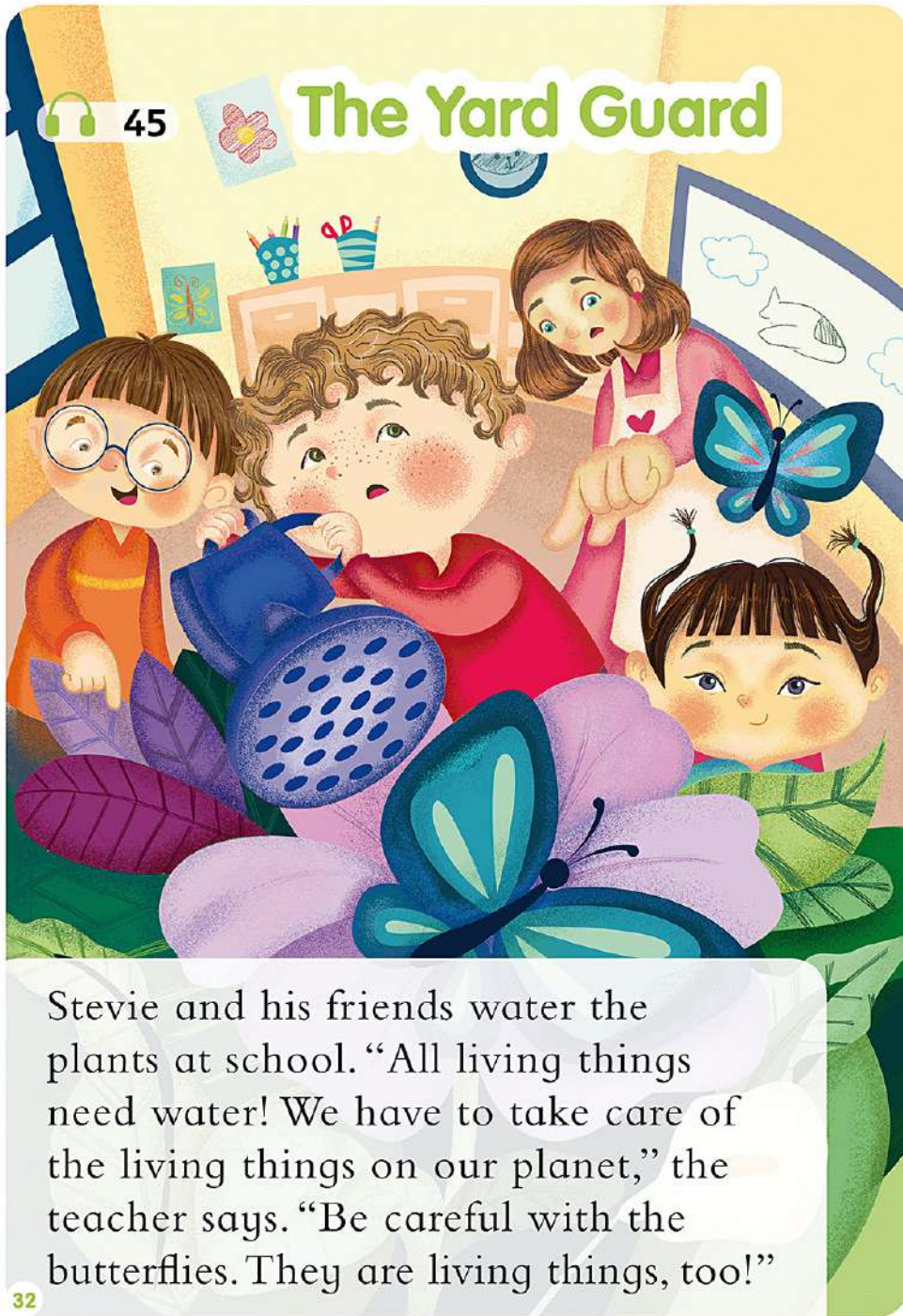
“Tortoise, let’s have a race!” says Hare. “To the big oak tree. Ready, set, go!” “Tortoise can’t beat me. I’m fast and he’s slow,” Hare thinks to himself. “I’m going to take a nap.”

Tortoise walks by Hare sleeping on the path. He smiles, and keeps walking. Tortoise sits under the oak tree and waits for Hare. When Hare finally arrives, he begins to cry.



“Don’t cry, my friend. I may be slow, but I never stop!” says Tortoise.

The Yard Guard



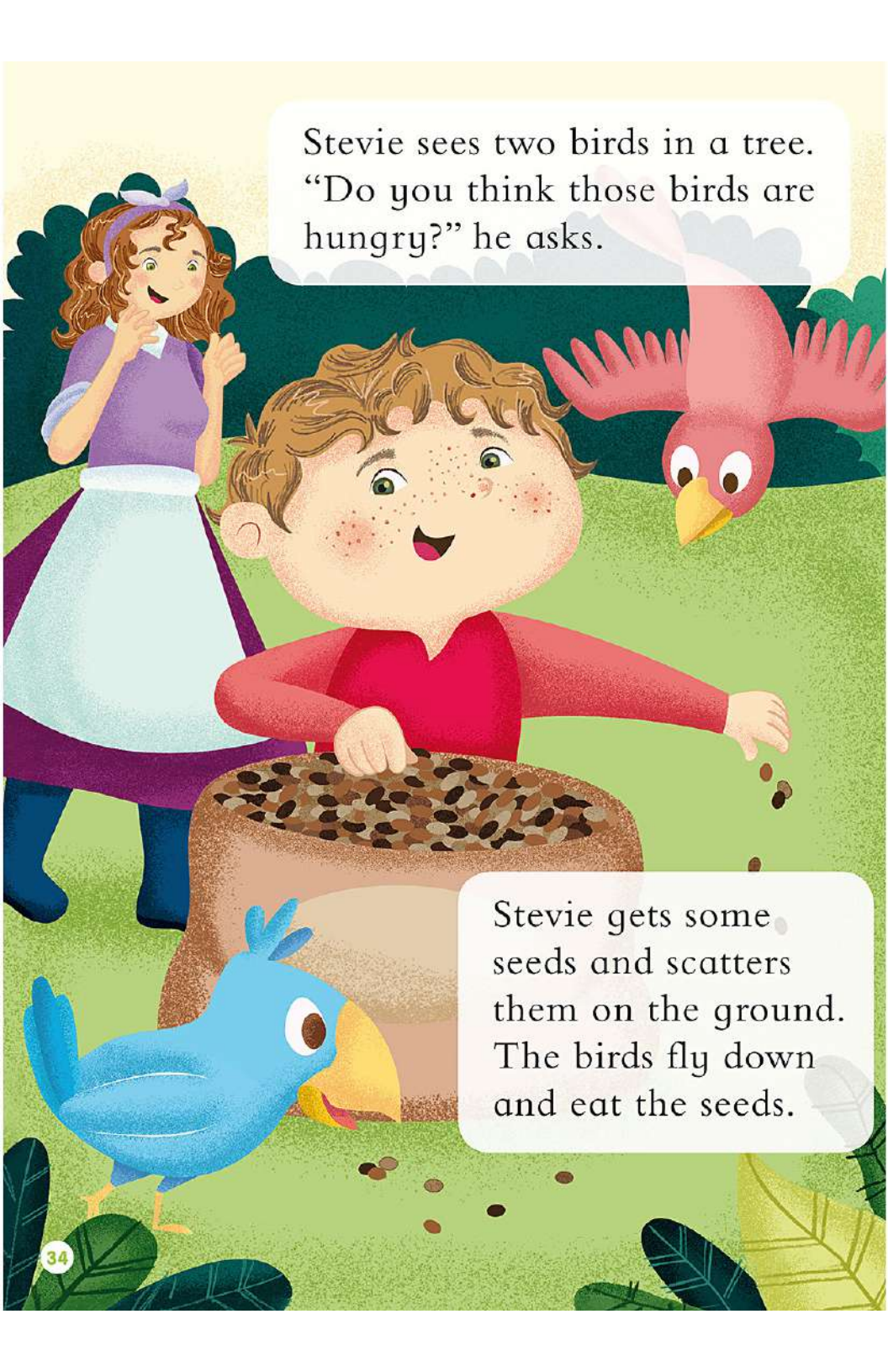
Stevie and his friends water the plants at school. "All living things need water! We have to take care of the living things on our planet," the teacher says. "Be careful with the butterflies. They are living things, too!"

Stevie is at home.

"I'm going to water the flowers," he says. Mom is surprised.

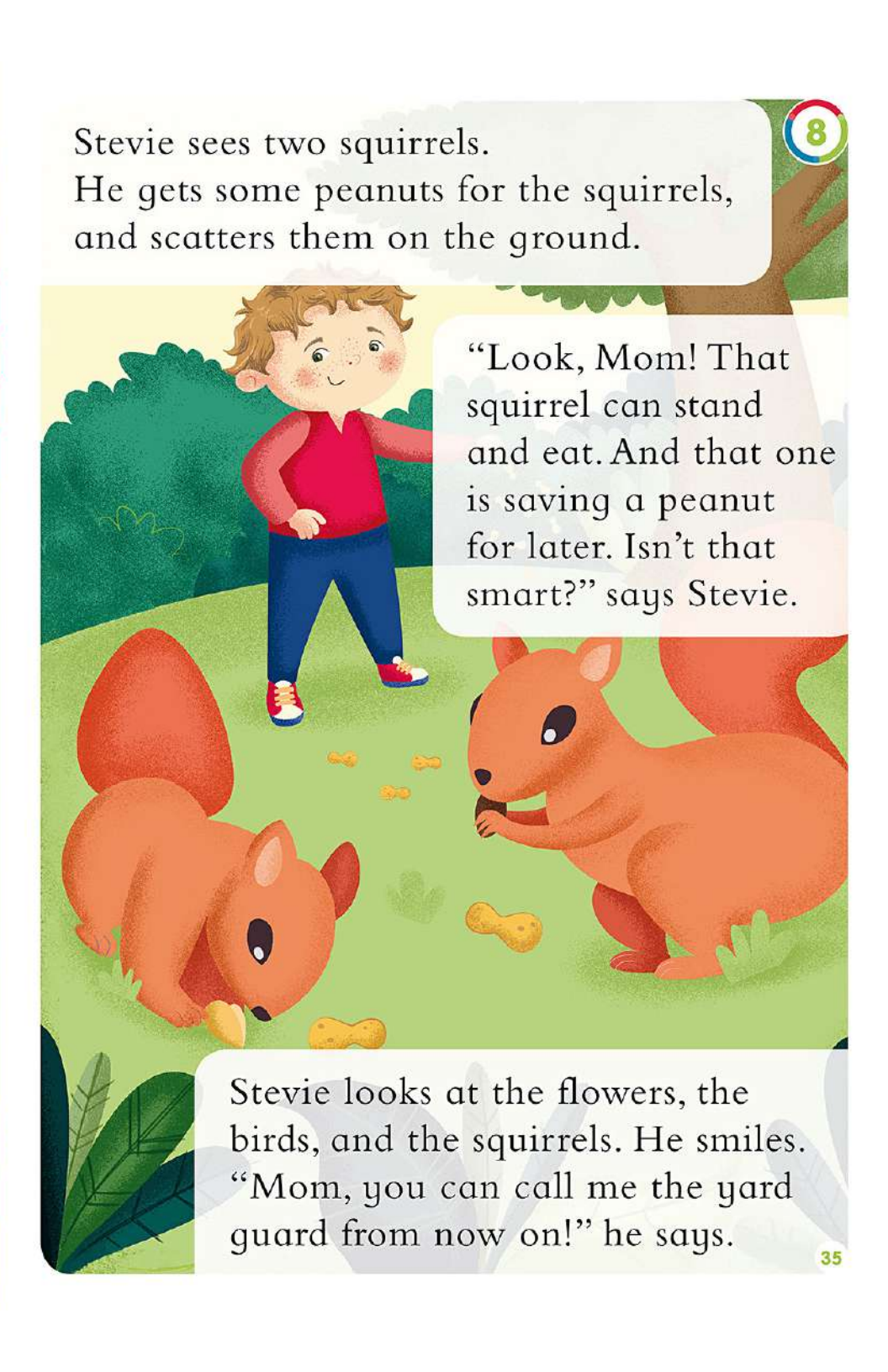


"All living things need water. We learned that at school!" Stevie says. He gets the watering can. "Be careful with the worm," says Stevie. "Worms are living things, too!"



Stevie sees two birds in a tree.
“Do you think those birds are hungry?” he asks.

Stevie gets some seeds and scatters them on the ground. The birds fly down and eat the seeds.

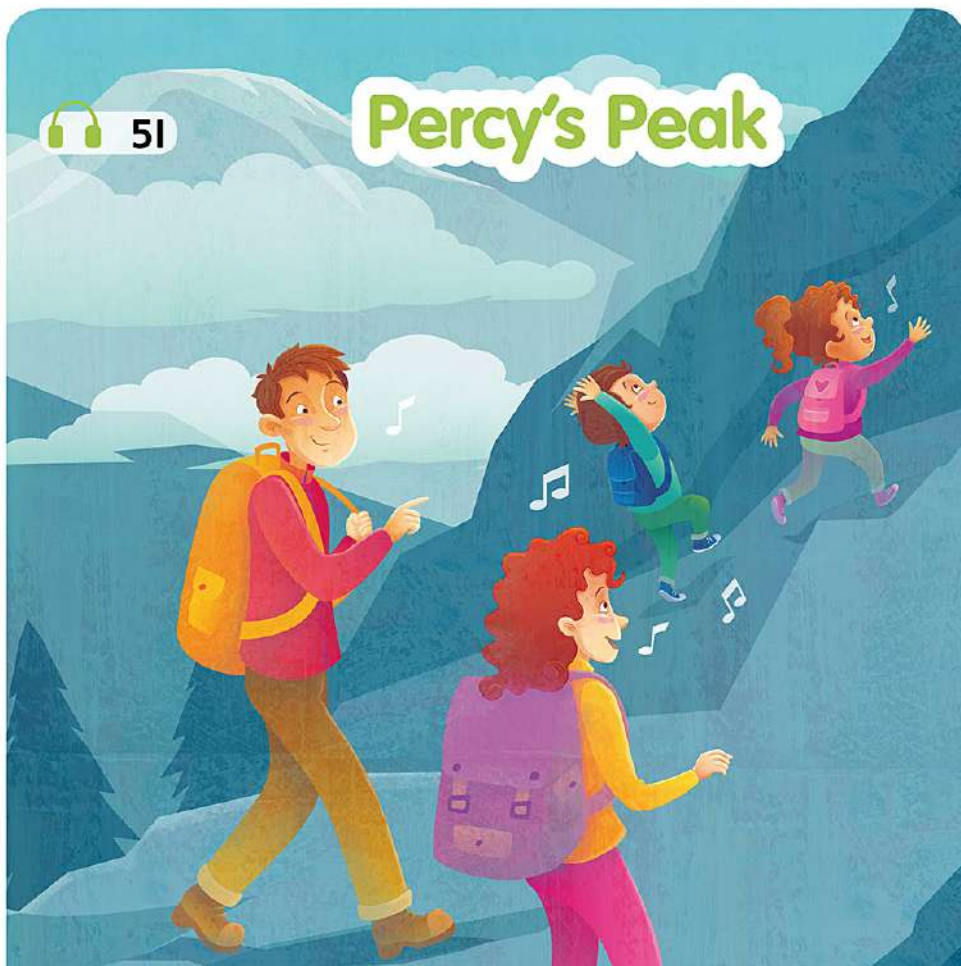


Stevie sees two squirrels.
He gets some peanuts for the squirrels, and scatters them on the ground.

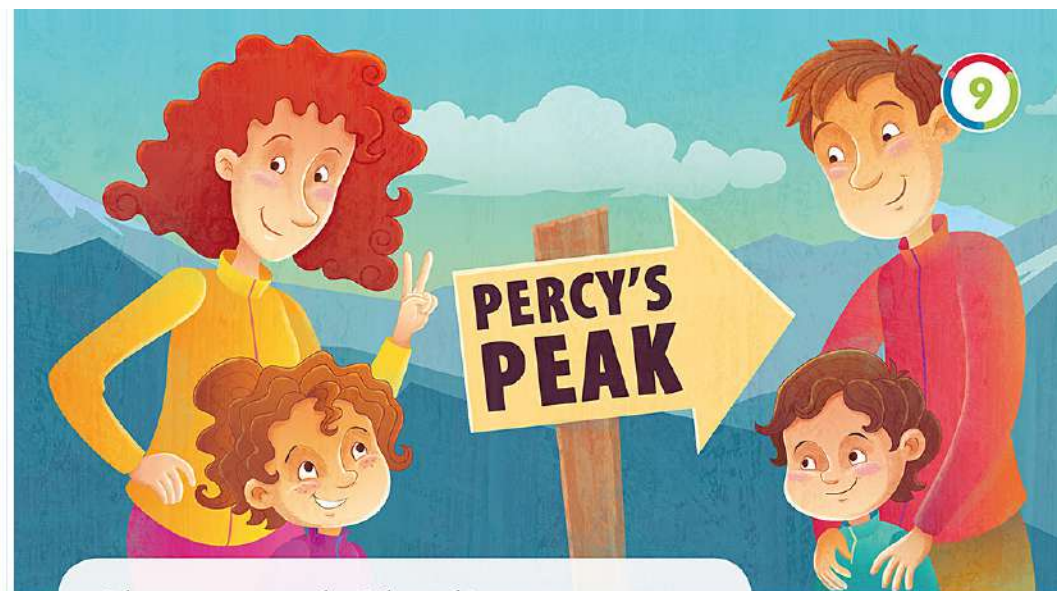
“Look, Mom! That squirrel can stand and eat. And that one is saving a peanut for later. Isn’t that smart?” says Stevie.

Stevie looks at the flowers, the birds, and the squirrels. He smiles.
“Mom, you can call me the yard guard from now on!” he says.

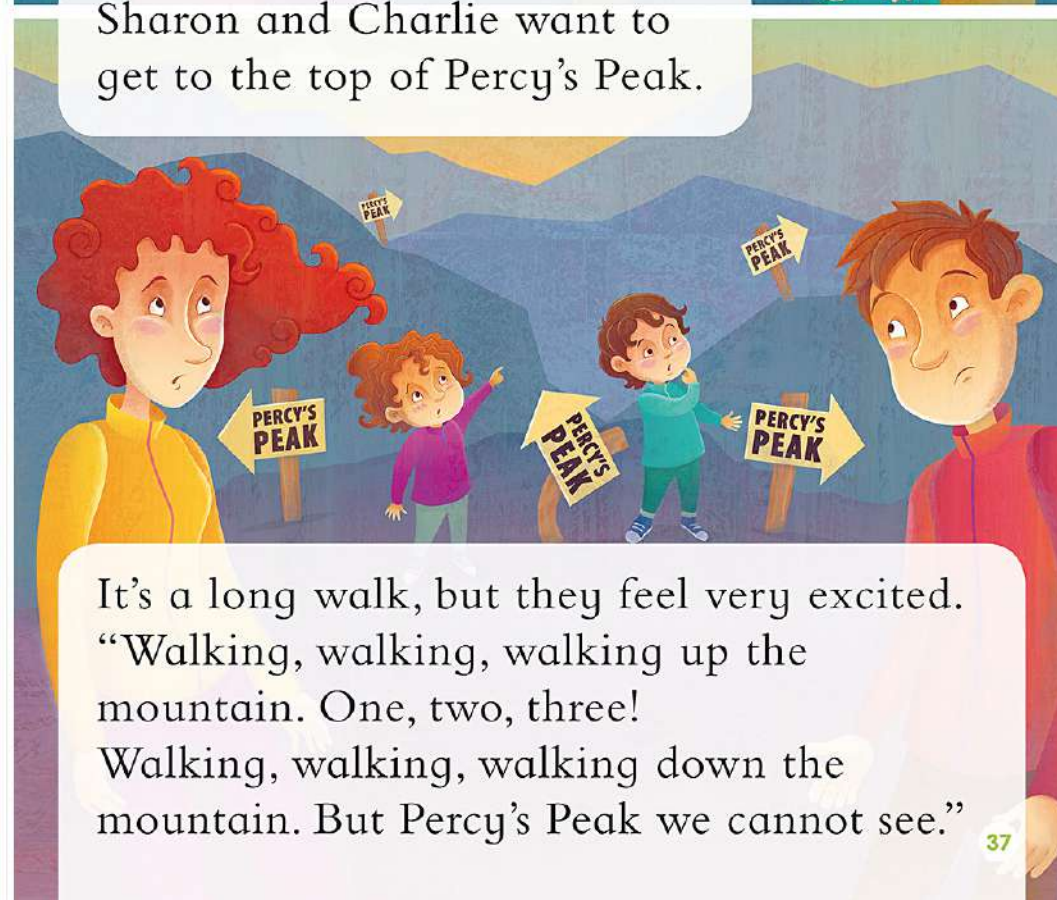
Percy's Peak



This is Sharon and this is Charlie. They love going to the mountains on vacation. "Walking, walking, walking up the mountain. One, two, three! Walking, walking, walking down the mountain. Come on, follow me!" the family sings.

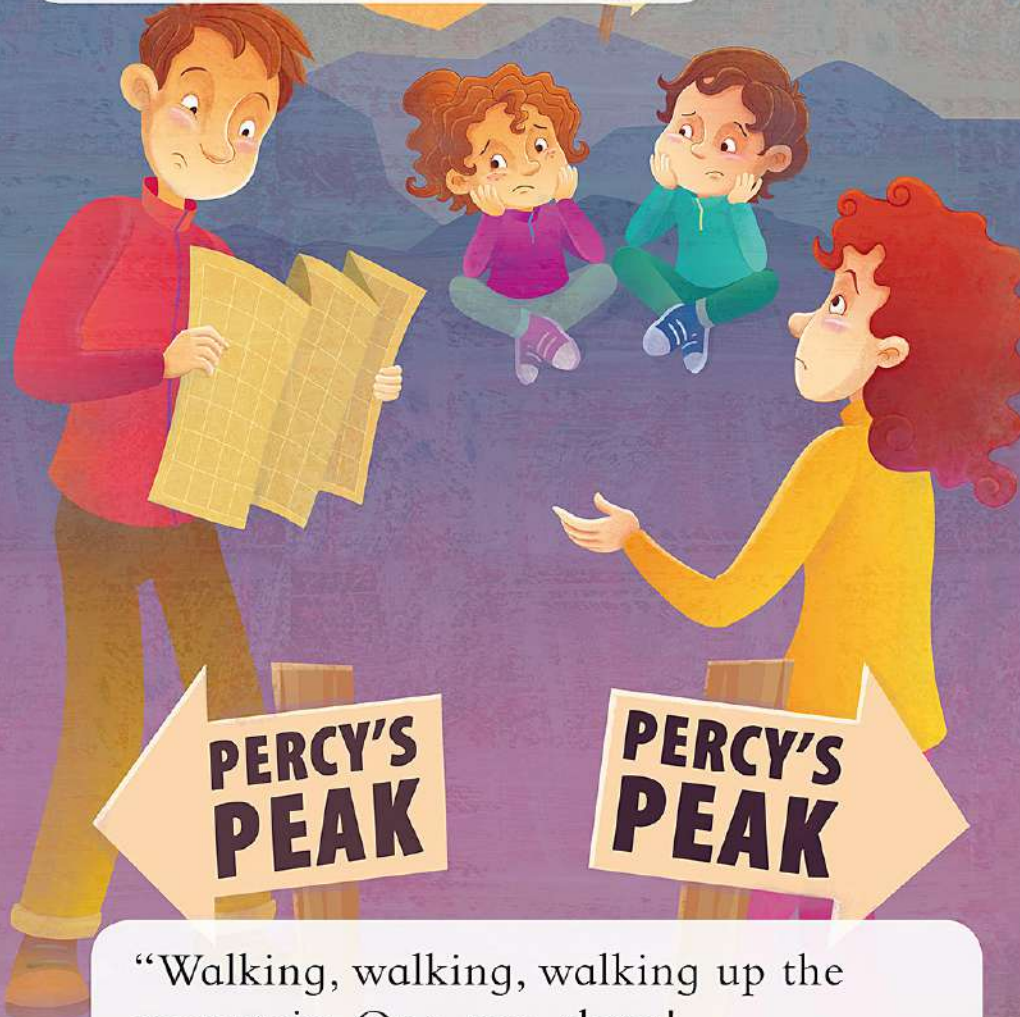


Sharon and Charlie want to get to the top of Percy's Peak.



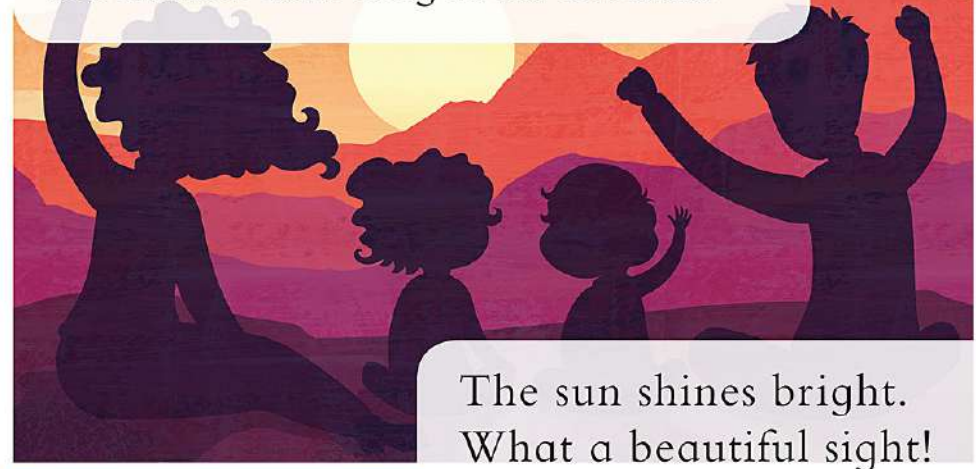
It's a long walk, but they feel very excited. "Walking, walking, walking up the mountain. One, two, three! Walking, walking, walking down the mountain. But Percy's Peak we cannot see."

Sharon and Charlie can't find Percy's Peak. They sit down to rest. They feel sad and tired.



"Walking, walking, walking up the mountain. One, two, three!
Walking, walking, walking down the mountain. Where can Percy's Peak be?"

The children stand at the top of the mountain and they look around.



The sun shines bright.
What a beautiful sight!



"Walking, walking, walking up the mountain. One, two, three!
Walking, walking, walking down the mountain. We found Percy's Peak, finally."