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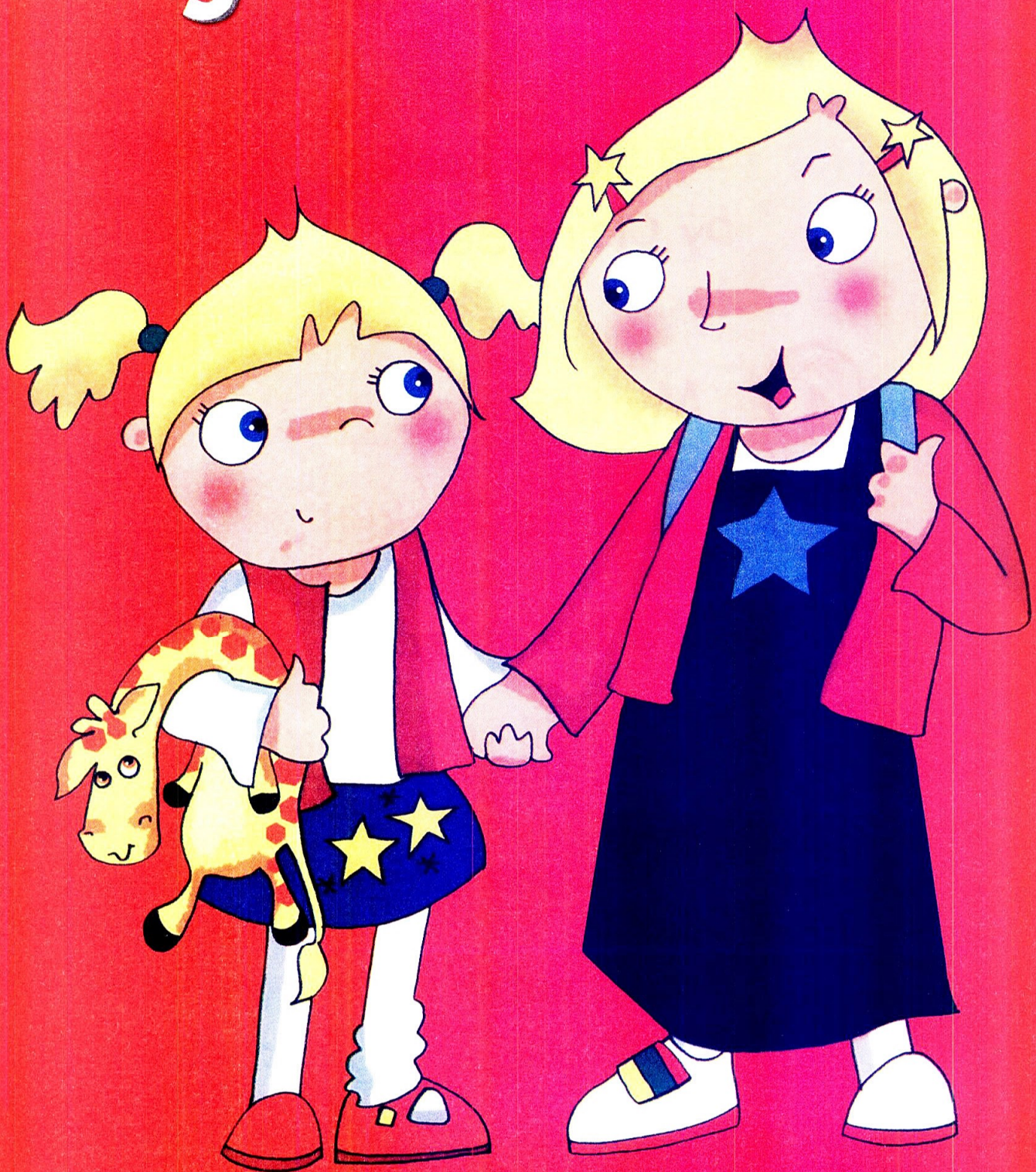
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# My first day

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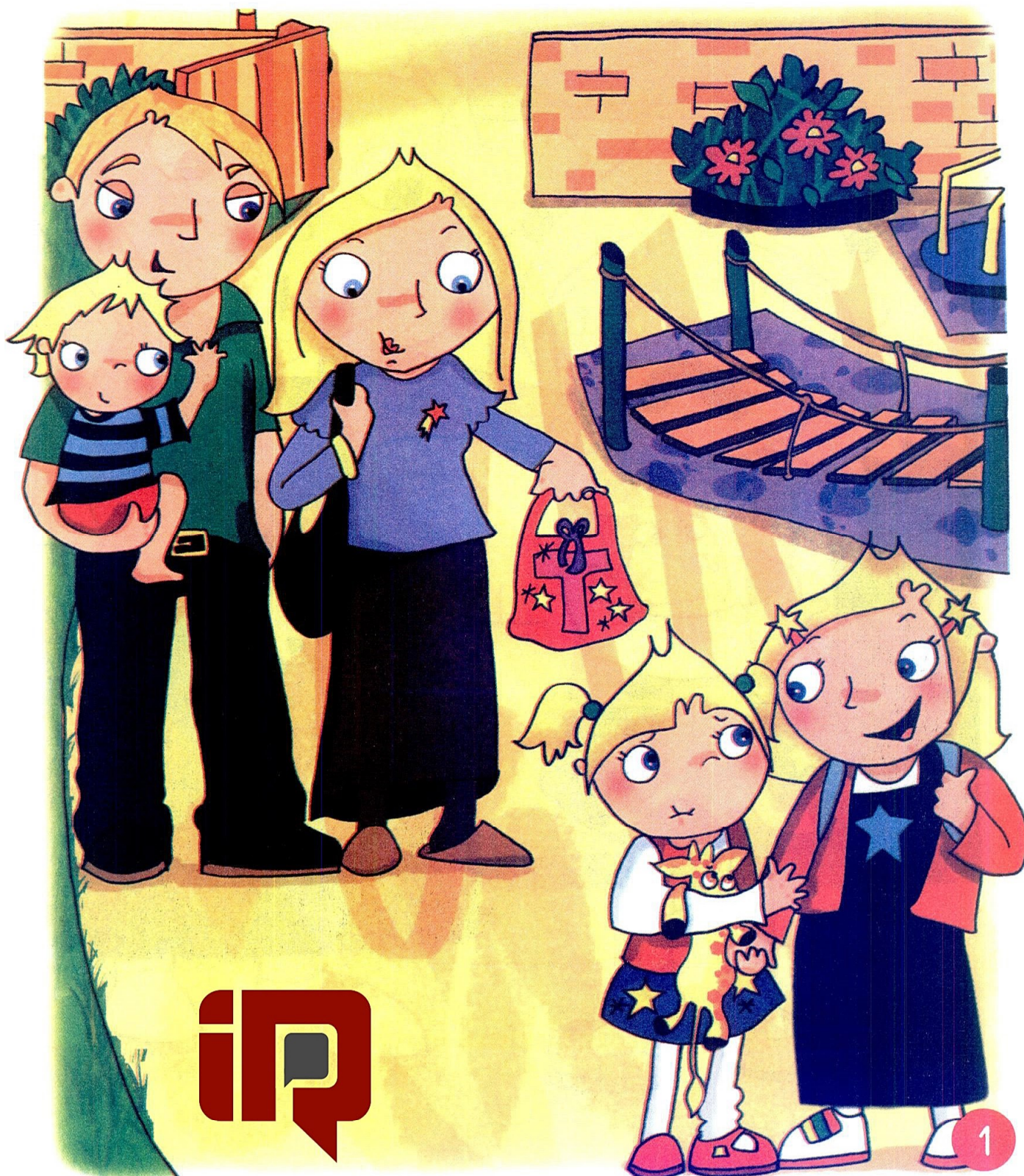
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Star is going to playschool today.  
She's with her mummy, her daddy, her brother  
and her little sister, Twinkle.  
'Come on, Twinkle!' says Star.



But oh dear! Twinkle isn't happy.  
'Boo hoo!' she says.  
'I don't want to go to playschool!'



Star hugs Twinkle.  
'Don't cry, Twinkle,' she says.  
'Playschool's fun! You'll see.'



Then Star's friends arrive.

'Who's this?' asks Twig.

'This is my little sister, Twinkle,' says Star.

'It's her first day at playschool.'



'This is my little brother, Flint,' says Twig.  
'It's his first day at playschool too!'  
'Hello,' says Flint.  
'Hello,' says Twinkle.



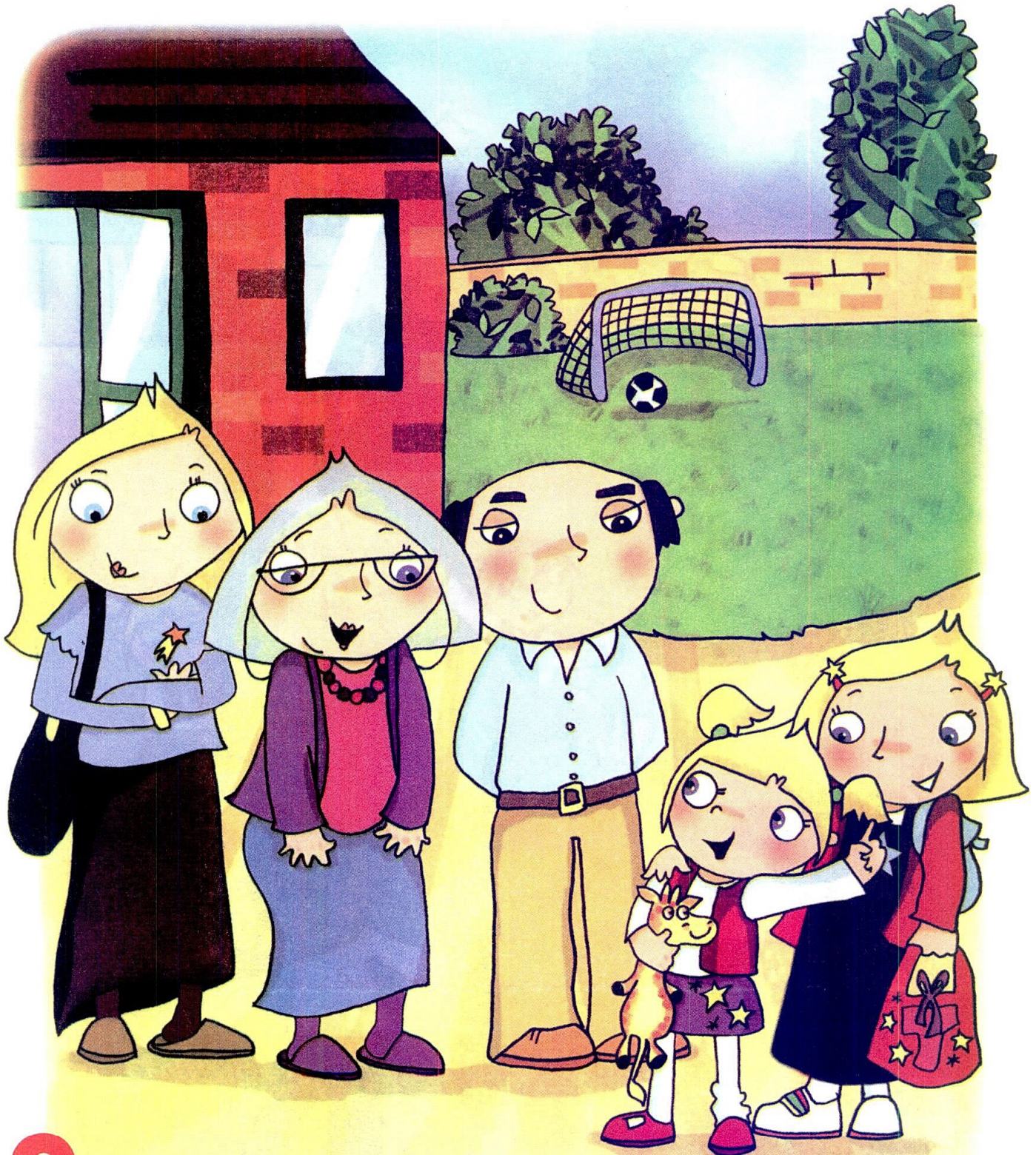
Twinkle and Flint paint together.  
They paint pictures of Star and Twig.  
'I like playschool now!' says Twinkle.  
'Me too!' says Flint.



At playtime, Rocket, Star, Twig and Melody  
all play football together.  
Twinkle and Flint play football too.  
'Goal!' calls Flint.



Star's Mummy, Granny and Grandad arrive.  
'Do you like playschool?' asks Granny.  
'Oh yes, playschool's great!' says Twinkle.  
'And my sister's great too!'



# Look out, Rocket!

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It's playtime. Rocket is playing with Monkey.  
Monkey swings round and round and round.  
'Look out, Rocket!' calls Star.  
But it's too late.



Oh no! Monkey's tail hits the robot.  
It falls off the shelf and crashes down.  
Crash crash! Bang bang!  
'Beep! Beoop! Beeooooooooop!' it says.



Oh dear, the robot's broken.

'Oh no! I'm sorry!' says Rocket.

'Don't worry, we can help you,' says Star.

'The head and the body are OK!' says Twig.



Twig puts on the robot's legs.

'Click click!'

And Star puts on the robot's arms.

'Click click!'



Melody puts on the robot's hands.

'Click click!'

And Rocket puts on the robot's feet.

'Click click!'



‘Hmm,’ says Rocket. ‘The robot looks funny!’  
‘Hee hee!’ laughs Twig. ‘I know. The robot’s  
hands and feet are mixed up!’



'I can fix it,' says Star. 'Look!  
Click! Click! Click! Click!'

'Thank you,' says Rocket. 'But does it work?'

'Let's see,' says Twig.



Rocket presses the red button on the robot.  
'Beep! Beep! Beep!' says the robot.  
'Hurray! It works,' say the children.  
'Beep! Beep! Beep!'



# It's too noisy!

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'Hello everyone,' says the teacher.  
'This is Mrs Pen, our head teacher.  
Let's play a song for her!'  
'Yippee!' say the children.



So they all try to play a song together.  
Ting! Bang! Toot toot! Plinkety plonk!  
But oh dear! It's too noisy!



'Stop! Stop! Stop!' says Melody.  
'It's too noisy. Let's try again.'  
'Yes, good idea Melody,' says the teacher.



'Twig, the trumpet's too noisy.  
Try a shaker,' says Melody.  
Shake! Shake! Shake!  
'OK,' says Twig. 'I'll try.'



'Rocket, the drum's too noisy.  
Play it like this,' says Melody.  
Bang! Bang! Bang!  
'OK,' says Rocket. 'I'll try.'



'Star, the triangle's too noisy.  
Play it like this,' says Melody.  
Ting! Ting! Ting!  
'OK,' says Star. 'I'll try.'



Melody plays the piano. Plinkety plonk!  
And the teacher plays the guitar. Twang!  
'Ready? Let's play!' says the teacher.



'That's much better!' says Melody.  
Mrs Pen claps and says, 'Great!'  
The teacher says, 'Well done, everybody!'  
And the children say, 'Thank you, Melody!'



# Beep beep

# Choo choo!

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It's playtime.

Rocket and Monkey are playing with the train.

'Choo choo!' says Rocket. 'I like trains.'



Twig is playing with the teddy.  
'Can the teddy ride in the train?' he asks.  
'Great idea, climb in!' says Rocket.  
'Choo choo!'



Star is playing with the car.  
Melody is playing with the doll.  
'Can the doll ride in the car?' asks Melody.  
'Climb in!' says Star. 'Beep beep!'



'Beep beep!' says Star.

'Choo choo!' says Rocket.

'Watch out!' calls Twig.

'Watch out!' calls Melody.



But the train crashes into the table.  
'Oh no! A wheel's broken,' says Rocket.  
'What can we do?' he asks.  
'Let's look for a new wheel,' says Star.



So the children look for a new wheel.  
Twig finds a blue ball.  
'What about this ball?' he asks.  
'No, it's too big,' says Star.



'I know,' says Star. 'What about my yo-yo?'  
'But is it too small?' asks Rocket.  
'Let's see,' says Star.



‘Great! It fits! Thank you, Star,’ says Rocket.

‘Now let’s play again!’ says Star.

And off they go again.

‘Beep beep! Choo choo!’

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# Is it a monster?

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Today, the children are at the zoo.  
'Where are the monkeys?' asks Rocket.  
'I don't know,' says Star.  
'Let's look!' says Rocket.

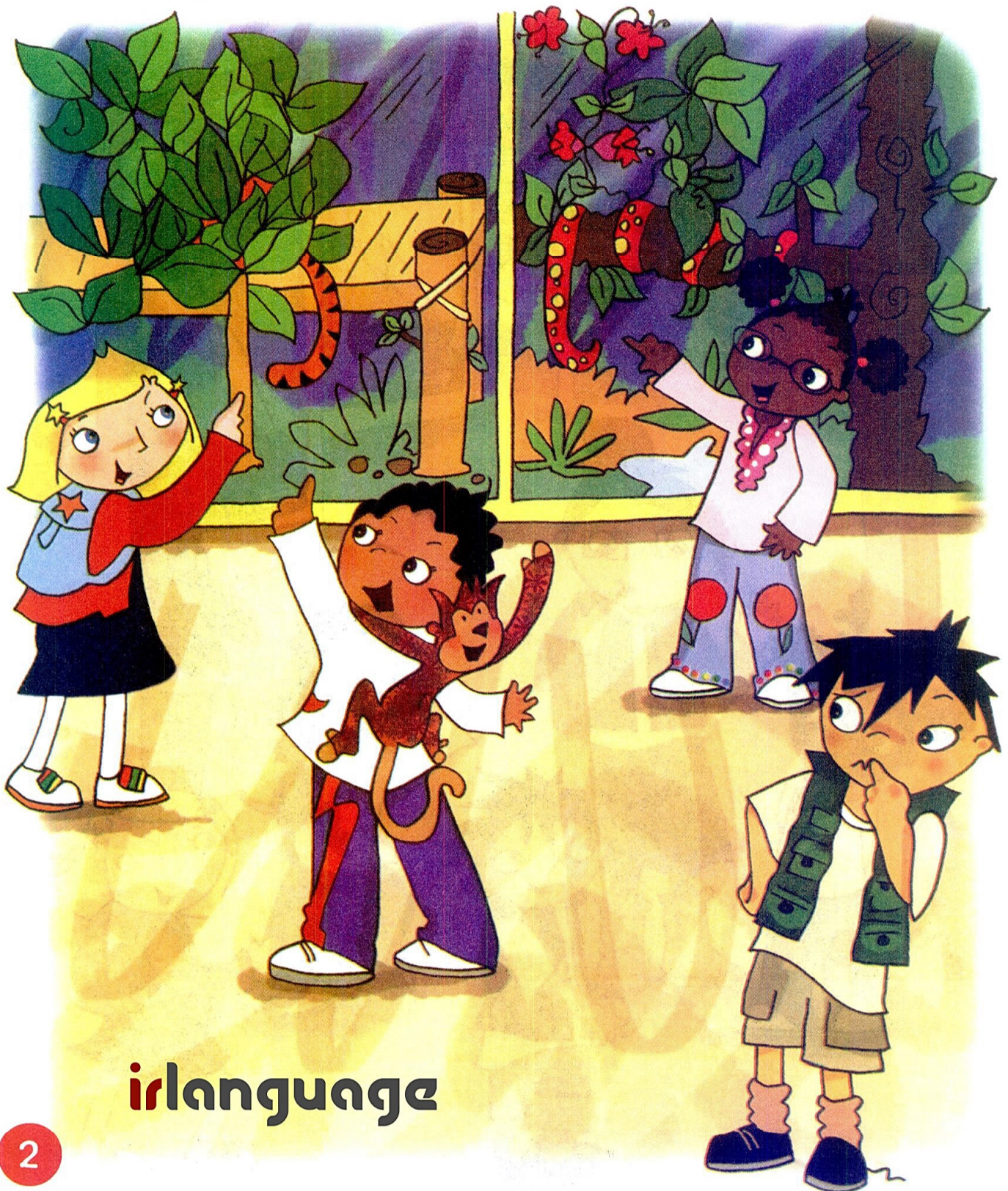


‘Ooh! What’s that?’ asks Rocket.

‘I can see a tail,’ says Star.

‘I can see a tail there too!’ says Melody.

‘Are they monkeys?’ asks Rocket.



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'No!' says Star. 'That's a tiger!'  
'Eek! And that's a snake!' says Twig.  
'Grrr!' says the tiger. 'Sss!' says the snake.  
'Oh,' says Rocket. 'They're not monkeys.'



‘Ooh! What’s that?’ asks Rocket.

‘I can see some eyes,’ says Melody.

‘I can see some eyes there too!’ says Twig.

‘Are they monkeys?’ asks Rocket.



'No! Hee hee!' says Melody. 'That's a giraffe!'  
'And that's a zebra!' says Star.  
'Oh yes!' says Twig. 'Hee hee!'  
'Oh,' says Rocket. 'They're not monkeys.'



‘Ooh! What’s that?’ asks Twig.

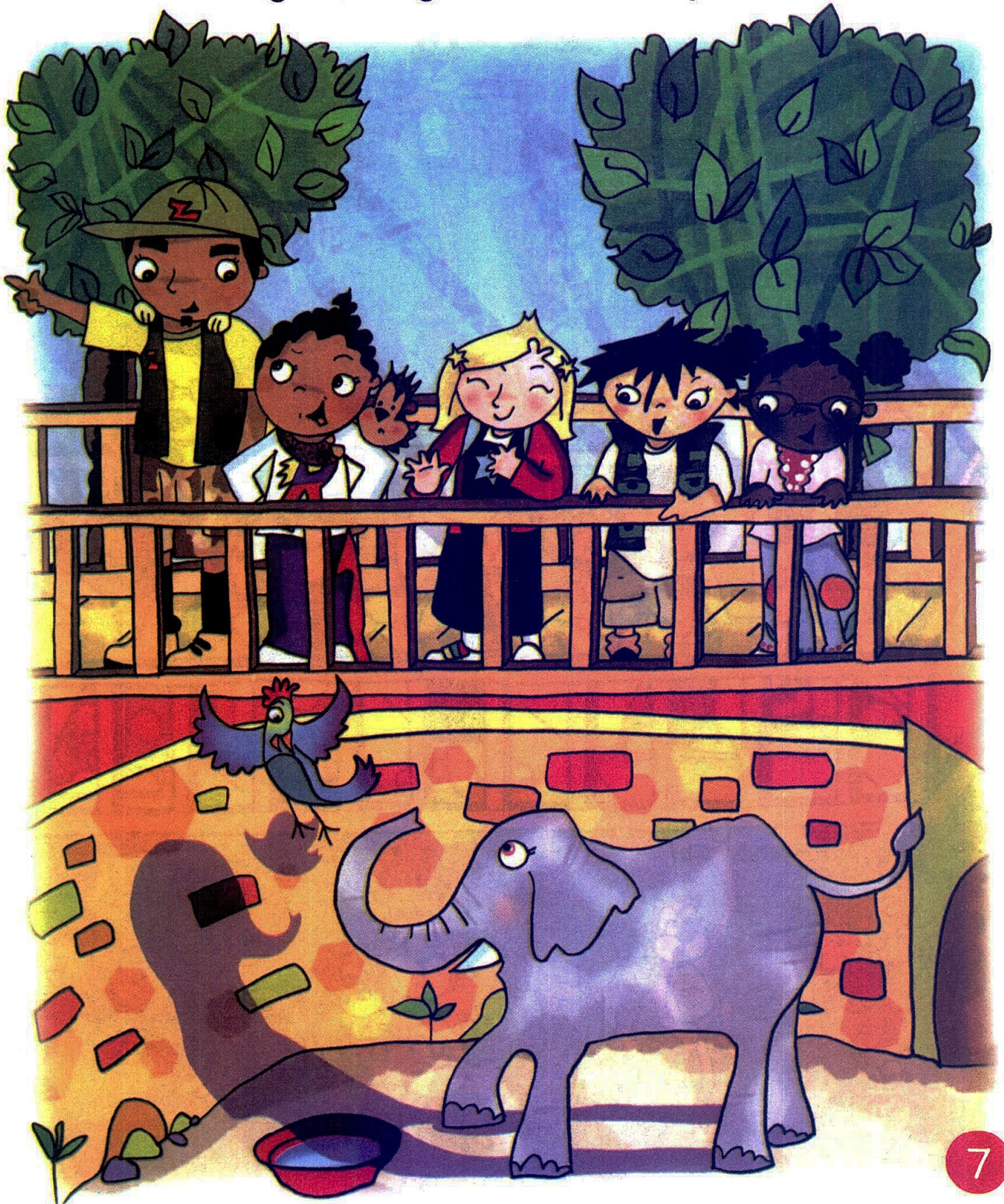
‘Well, it’s not a monkey,’ says Rocket.

‘It’s too big!’

‘Oh no! Is it a monster?’ asks Melody.



'Hee hee! It's not a monster!' says Star.  
'It's an elephant and a bird.'  
'But where are the monkeys?' asks Rocket.  
'I can show you,' says the zookeeper.

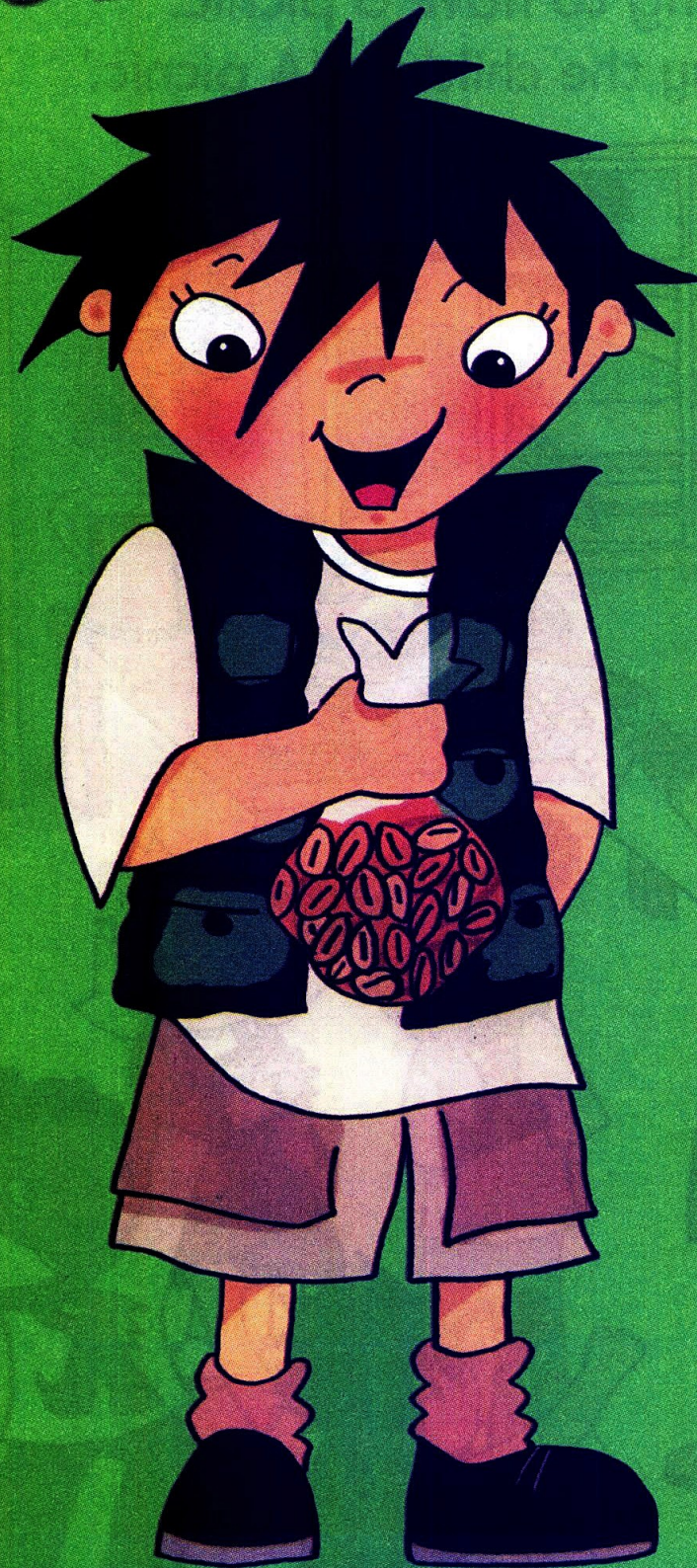


'Here are the monkeys!' says the zookeeper.  
'And here's my monkey, her name is Cuddles.'  
'Wow!' says Rocket.  
'You've got a monkey too!'



# I love nuts!

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It's the last day of term at playschool.  
'Today's a special day,' says the teacher.  
'We're going to have a picnic.'  
'Great!' say the children. 'A picnic.'



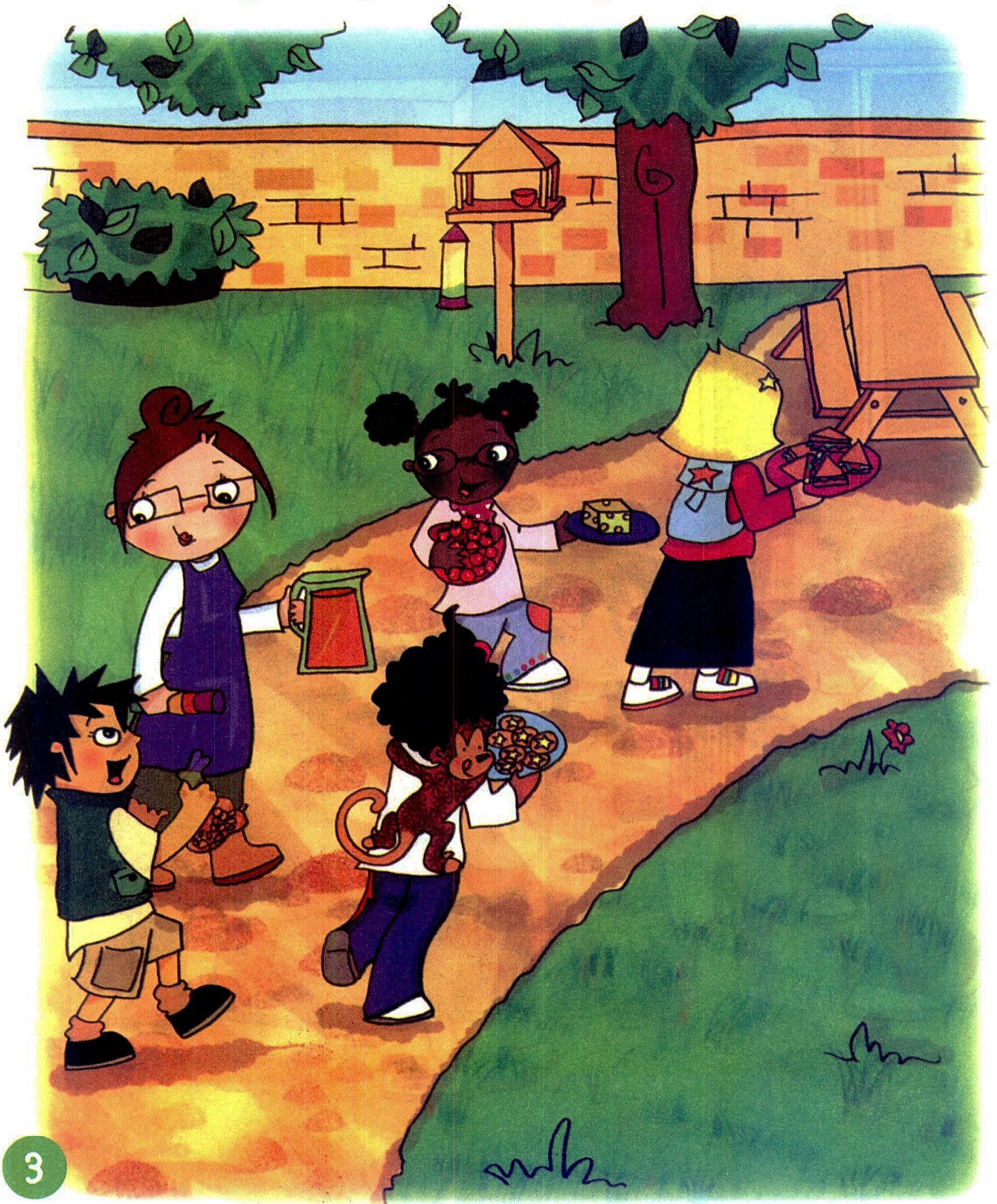
‘Can you help me take the food to the picnic table?’ asks the teacher.

‘OK,’ says Star. So Star takes the sandwiches.

‘Yum yum,’ says Twig. ‘I’m hungry!’



Melody takes the cheese and tomatoes.  
Rocket takes the biscuits.  
The teacher takes the juice.  
'Great,' says Twig. 'I'm thirsty!'



'What have you got, Twig?' asks Rocket.

'I've got a bag of nuts,' says Twig.

'I love nuts!'

'Me too,' says Rocket.

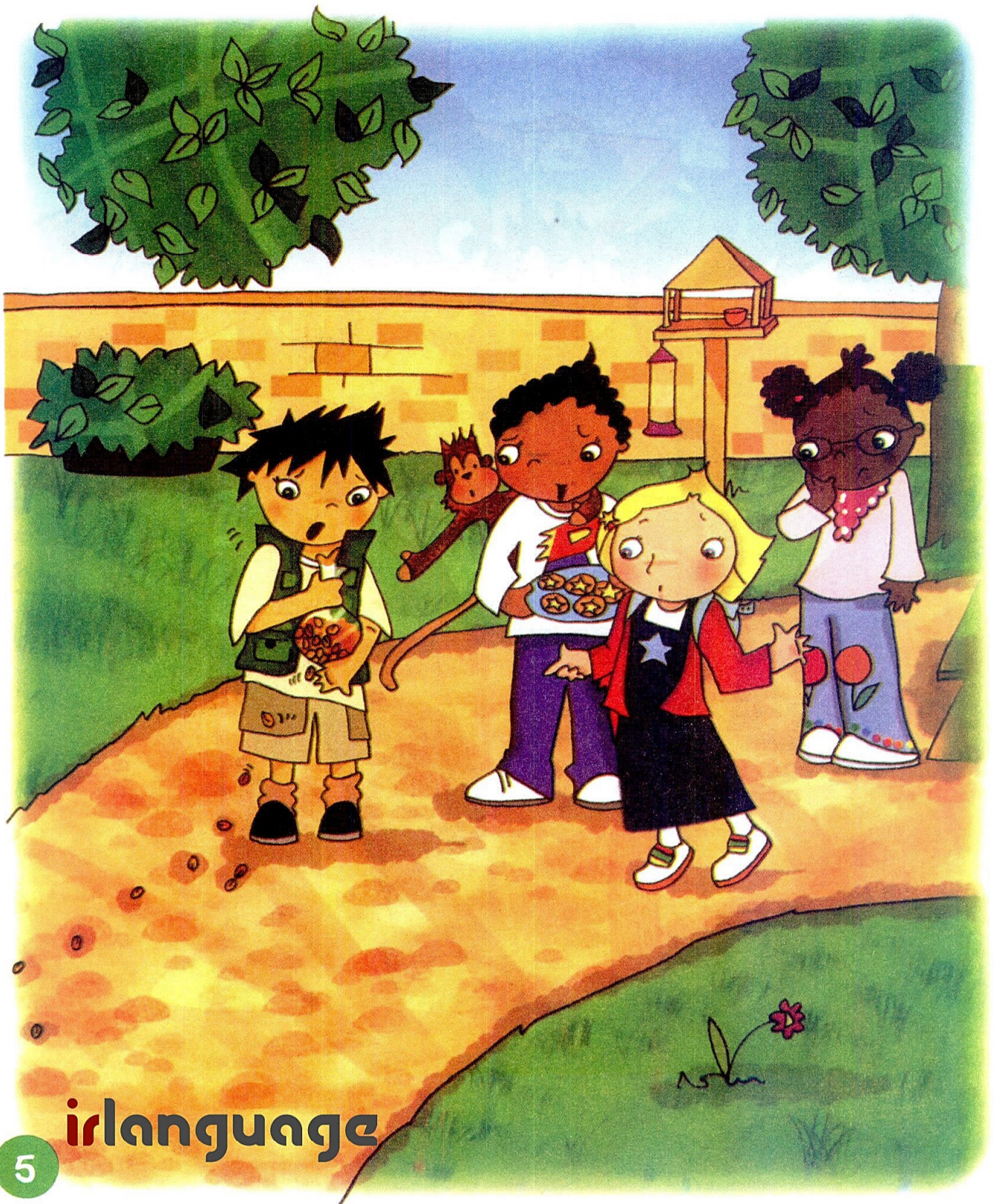


But oh dear! There's a hole in the bag.

'Watch out!' calls Star.

'The nuts are falling on the ground.'

'Oh no,' says Twig. 'And I'm so hungry!'



The birds are eating the nuts.  
'Look,' says Melody. 'The birds are hungry too.'  
'Oh yes,' says Twig.  
'And they like nuts! Hee hee!'



'I know, the birds can have a picnic too.

Here you are!' says Twig.

'The birds are happy now, but I'm still hungry!

Is our picnic ready yet?' asks Twig.



'Yes, come to the picnic table children.  
Our picnic is ready,' calls the teacher.  
'A picnic for everyone!' says Twig.  
'I love picnics. Yum yum!'



# Playtime

*Playtime* is a story-based course, in which the story is the pivotal point of the unit. The stories are presented in a Big Story Book and also as cartoons on the DVD. These two media are integrated in the unit to vary the story-telling.

*Playtime B Big Story Book* contains the six stories from the third level of *Playtime*.

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