



Playtime

Big Story Book

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Where's Monkey? ①



Melody's balloon ②



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Let's play! ③



Let's dress up! ④



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Where's Monkey?

Story

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Rocket, Star, Twig and Melody are at
playschool.

'Hello children!' says the teacher. 'Let's play
a game!'



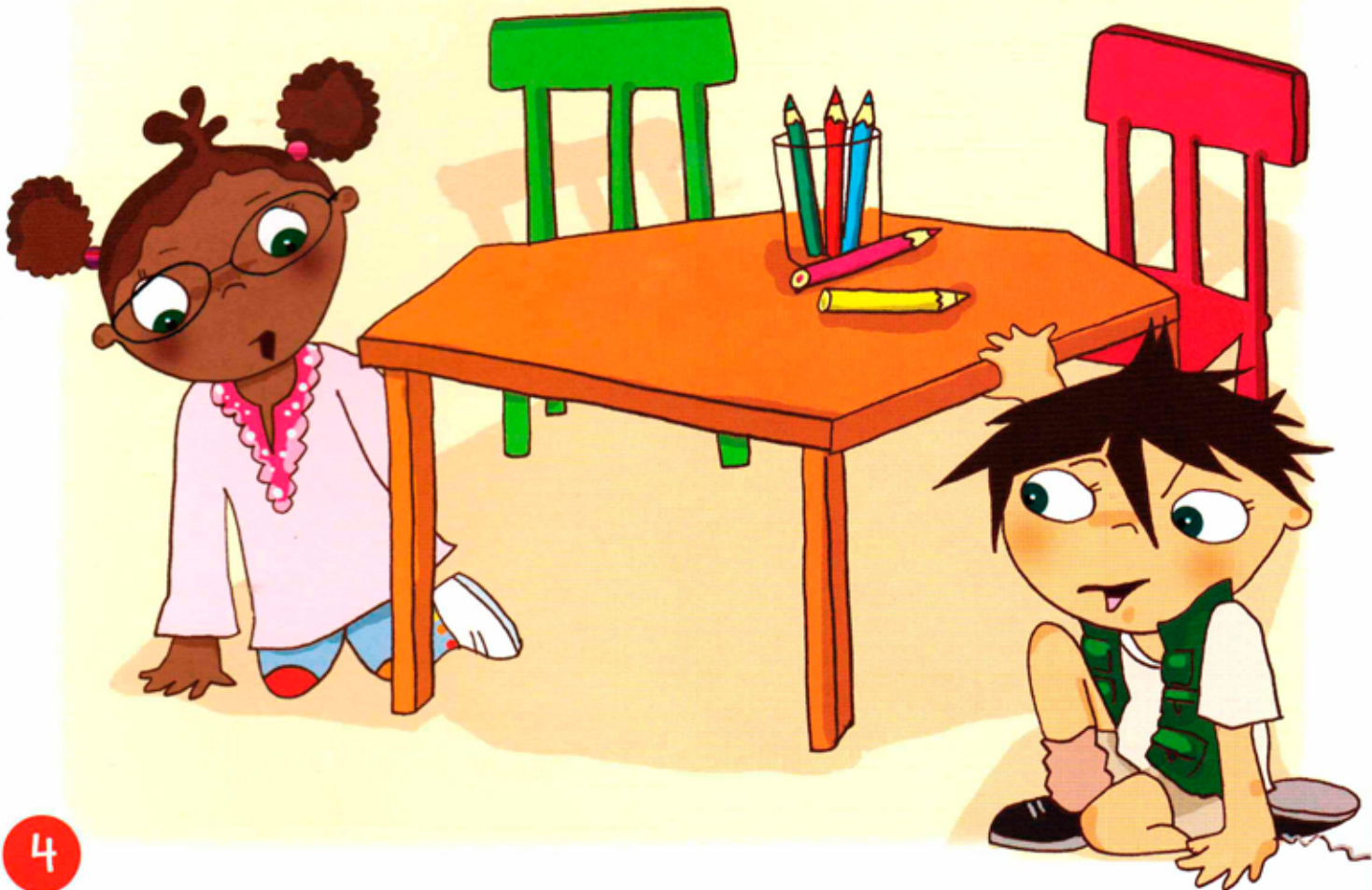
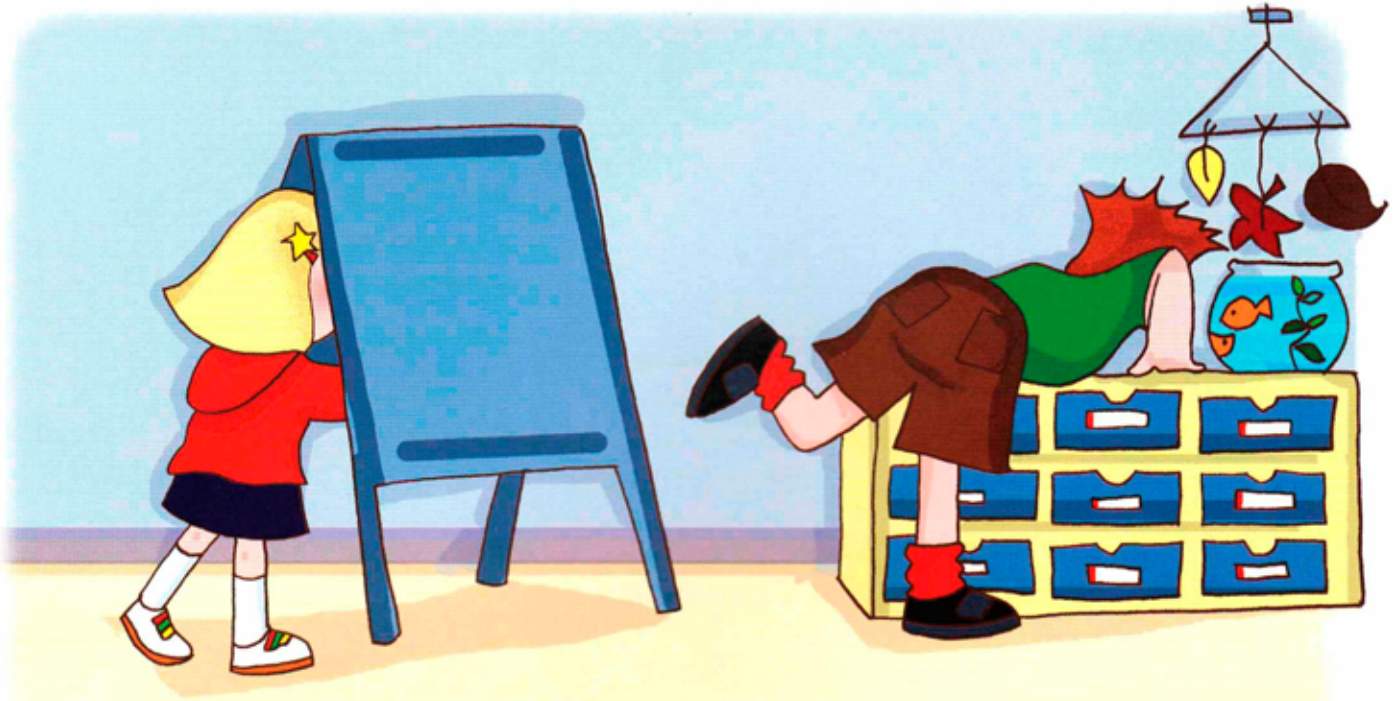
Star, Twig and Melody close their eyes and
count to five, '1, 2, 3, 4, 5!'
Rocket runs into the playhouse.



The children open their eyes.
'Where's Rocket?' asks the teacher.
'Can you find him?'
'Let's look!' says Star.



Melody and Twig look under the table.
'Ooh Ooh Rocket!' calls Melody.
'Where are you?'
'Rocket isn't here,' says Twig.



So Star looks in the playhouse.
'Aha! Here's Rocket!' she says.
'Yes, here I am!' says Rocket.
'Well done, Star!' says the teacher.



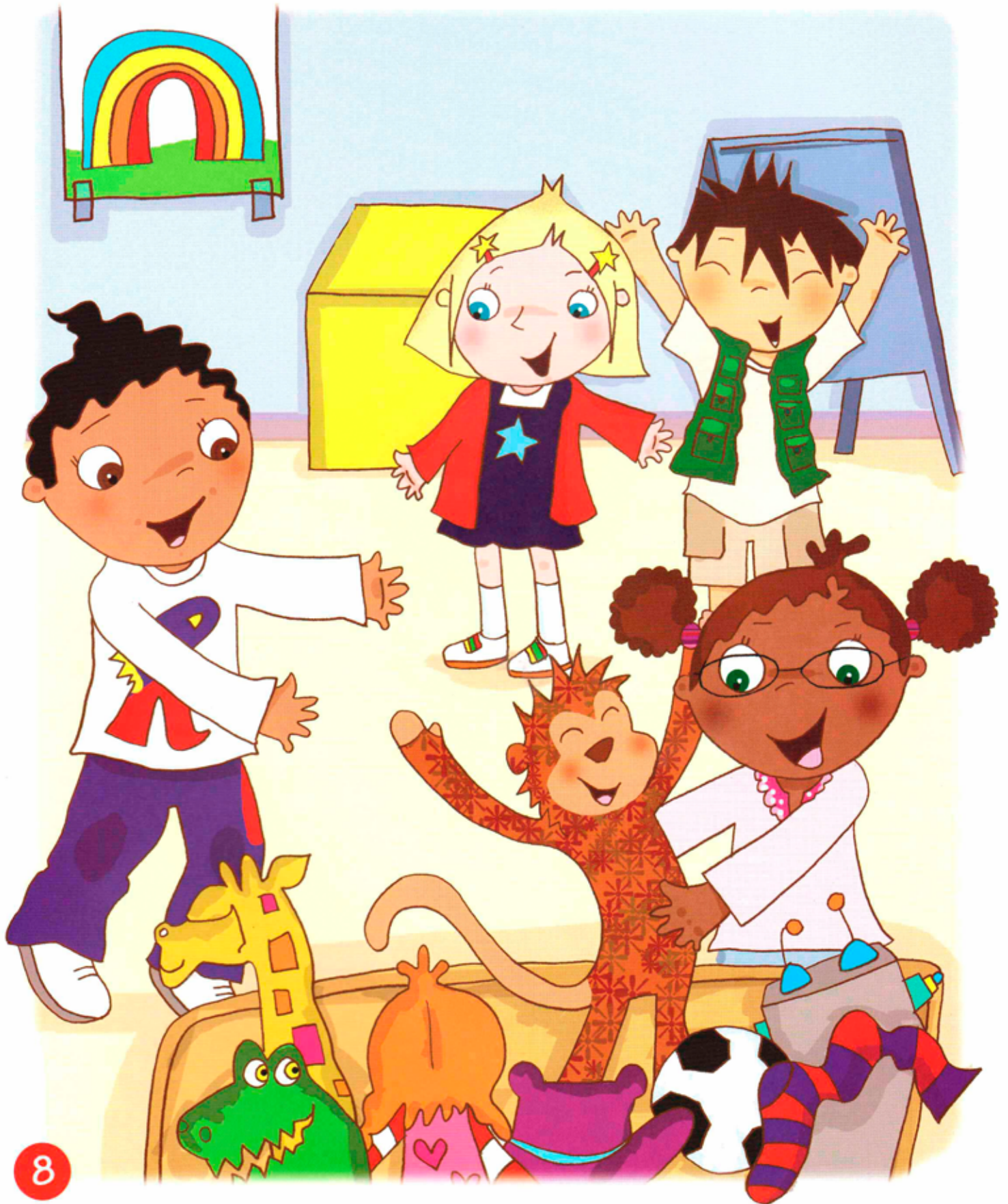
Rocket's here, but oh dear, where's Monkey?
'Ooh Ooh Monkey! Where are you?' calls Rocket.
'Let's look!' says Star. 'Ooh Ooh!'



So where's Monkey? Melody looks in the toy box.
'I can see two ears and two eyes,' she says.
'Yes!' says Twig. 'And I can see a nose and
a mouth.'



'It's Monkey!' say Melody and Twig.
'Oh Monkey!' says Rocket. 'Thank you, everyone!'
And all the children say, 'Hurray!'



Melody's balloon

Story

2



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Today Melody's painting. She's painting a big balloon. First she paints it red and yellow.



'Hello Melody,' says Star. 'Can I help you?'
'Yes,' says Melody.
They paint the balloon orange and green.



'Hello Melody,' say Rocket and Twig.
'Can we help you?'
'Yes,' says Melody.
They paint the balloon purple and blue.



'There!' says Melody. 'Look at my balloon!
But now I'm sleepy!
And Melody falls asleep.'



Suddenly Melody looks up. She sees a balloon.
'It's my balloon!' says Melody. 'And Rocket,
Star and Twig are all inside!'
'Come on, Melody!' calls Rocket.



Melody runs to the balloon.

'Come on!' says Rocket. 'The balloon can fly!'



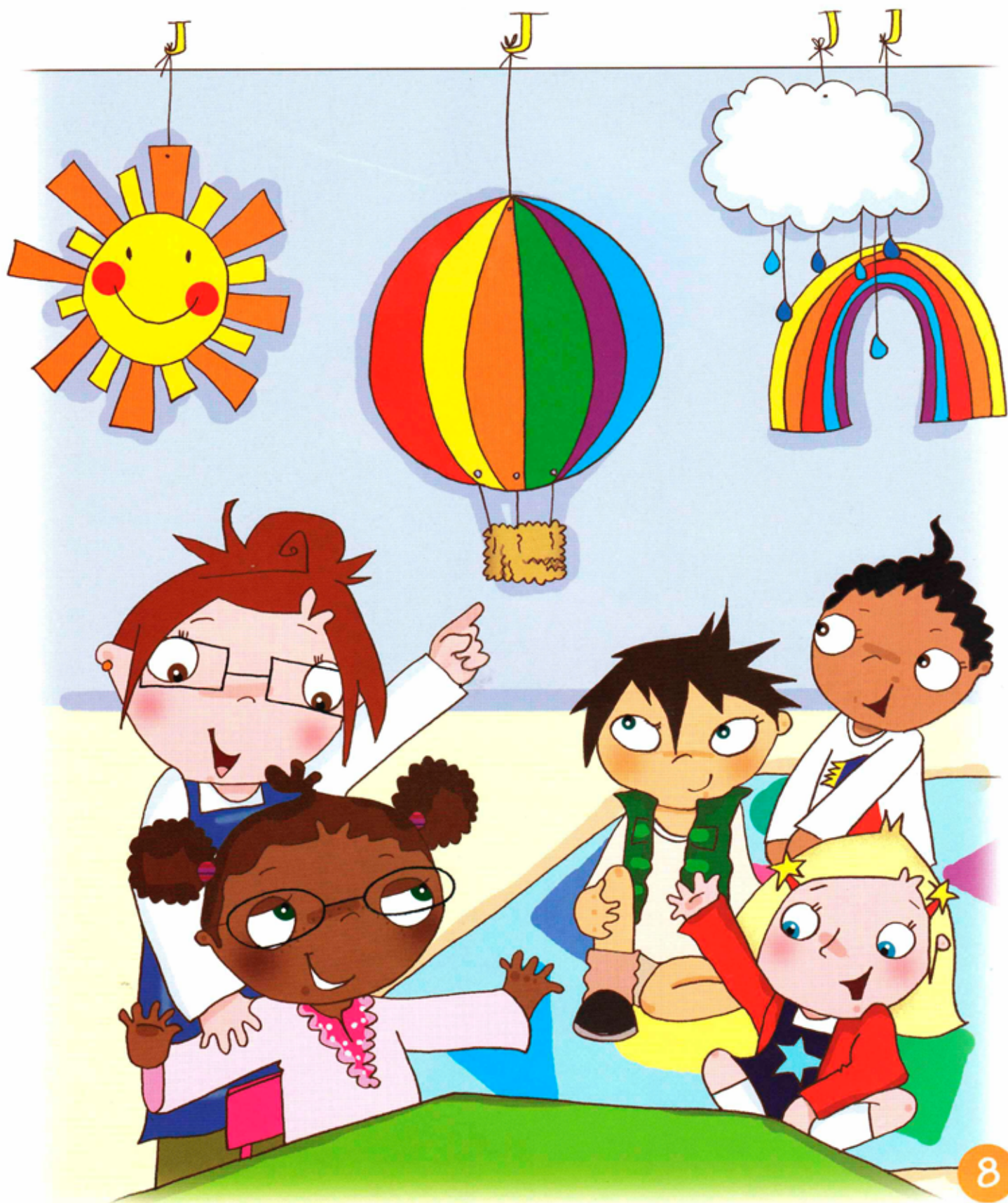
Up, up, up goes the balloon.

'Look at the playschool!' say Rocket, Star and Twig.

'Wow!' says Melody.



'Wake up, Melody!' says the teacher.
'Look! Your balloon can fly!'
'Yes! My balloon can fly,' says Melody.
'Up, up, up!'



Let's play!

Story

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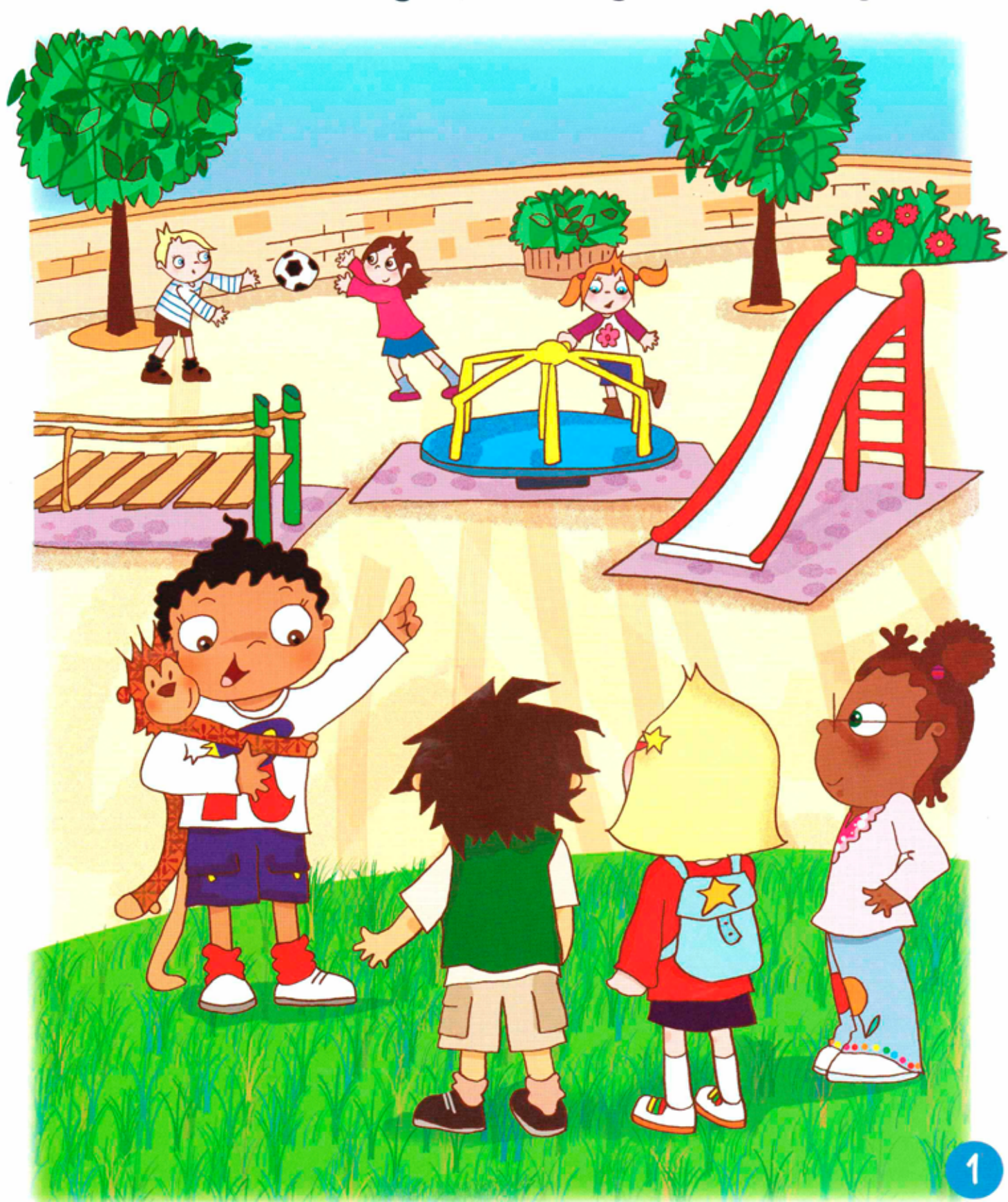
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Rocket, Star, Twig and Melody are in the playground.

'Let's play!' says Rocket.

'Yes! Yes! Yes!' say Star, Twig and Melody.



First Rocket sees the slide.

'Let's climb up!' says Rocket. 'Oof! Oof! Oof!'

'Oof! Oof! Oof!' say Star, Twig and Melody.



Then Rocket wants to slide down.
'Let's slide down!' says Rocket. 'Wheeeee!'
'Wheeeee!' say Star, Twig and Melody.



Then Rocket wants to go on the roundabout.
'Let's go round and round!' says Rocket.
'OhOOOoooooh!'
'OhOOOoooooh!' say Star, Twig and Melody.



Next Rocket wants to cross the bridge.
'Let's run!' says Rocket. 'Whooooaaa!'
'Whooooaaa!' say Star, Twig and Melody.



Now Rocket wants to jump down.
'Let's jump down!' says Rocket.
'No, Rocket, no!' say Star, Twig and Melody.
But Rocket jumps! 'Oh! Oh! Aaaaah!'



Oh dear! Look at Rocket! He's fallen down.
'Ow! Ow! Ow!' says Rocket.
'Poor Rocket!' say Twig and Melody.
'I can help!' says Star.



Star puts a plaster on Rocket's knee.

'That's better!' says Rocket. 'Thank you, Star!'

Now let's play again!

'Hurray!' say the children. 'Let's play!'



Let's dress up!

Story

4



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It's carnival time! The teacher's got a big box of clothes. 'Let's dress up!' she says. Rocket puts on a hat. 'Look at me!' he says. 'I'm a pirate! Ha Harrr!'



Then Twig puts on a green mask and a green T-shirt.
'Look at me!' he says. 'I'm a crocodile!
Snap! Snap! Snap!'

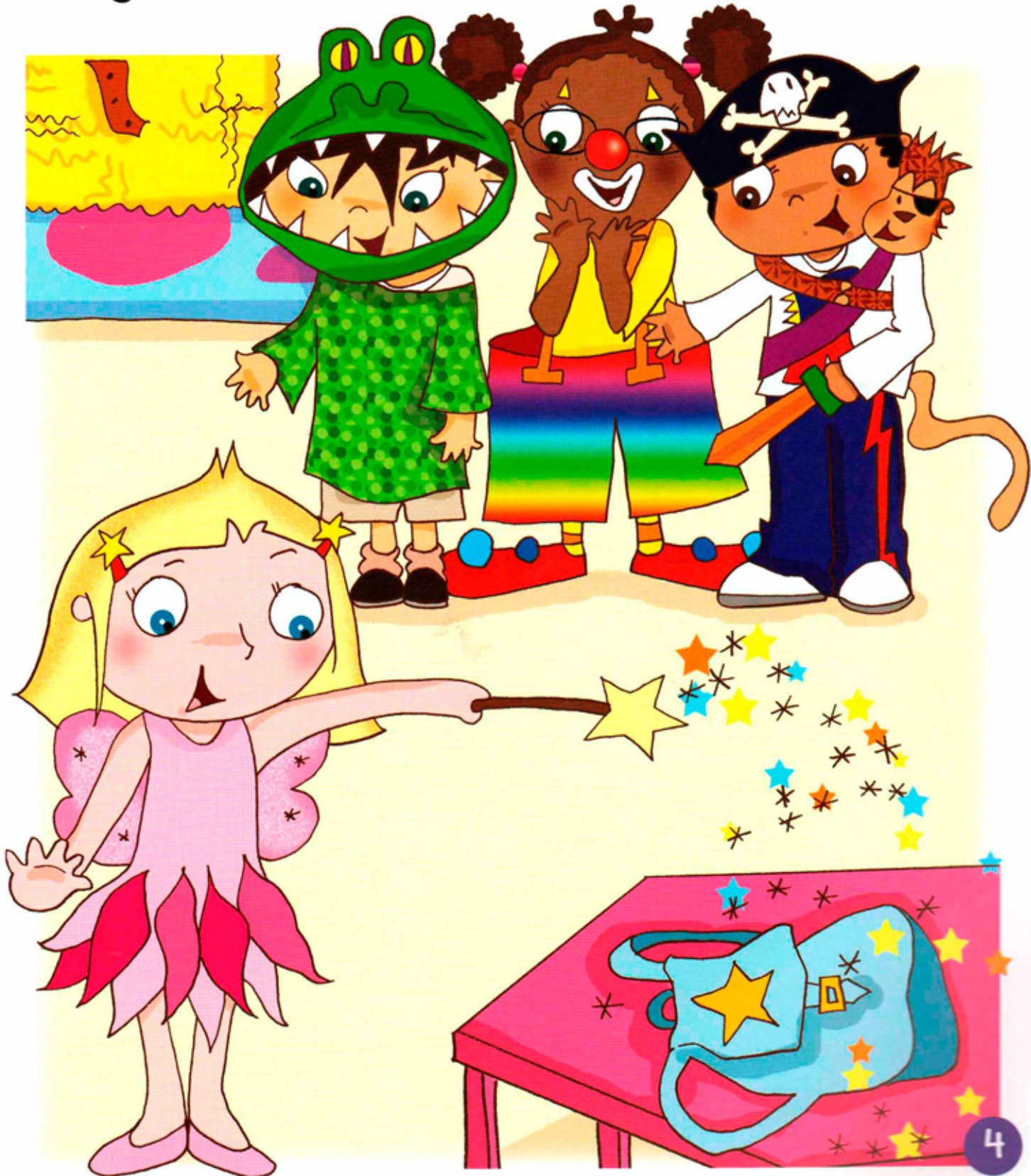


Then Melody puts on a red nose, trousers, socks and shoes.

'Look at me!' she says. 'I'm a clown! Toot! Toot! Toot!' Melody looks so funny!



Now Star puts on a pretty dress.
She's got a magic wand.
'Look at me!' she says. 'I'm a fairy!
Tap! Tap! Tap! Magic backpack,
bring us treats! Carnival sweets!'



But what's this? Rocket jumps up!
He wants the sweets!
'Ha Harrr!' he calls. 'I'm a pirate!
All the sweets are for me!'



Then 'Snap! Snap! Snap!' says Twig.
'I'm a crocodile! All the sweets are for me!'
And 'Toot! Toot! Toot!' says Melody.
'I'm a clown! All the sweets are for me!'



But Star isn't happy.

'Stop! Stop! Stop!' she says. 'I'm a fairy and I've got a magic wand! Tap! Tap! Tap! WHOOSH!'



'Look!' says Star. 'The sweets are for everyone! There's one for Twig, one for Rocket, one for Melody and one for me!'

'Hurray!' say the children. 'Well done, Star!'



Cherries

Story

5



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Twig is in the garden with Mr Pip, the gardener.
'Can I help you, Mr Pip?' asks Twig.
'Thank you, Twig,' says the gardener.
'You can help me water the flowers.'



So Twig helps Mr Pip water the flowers.
'Look at me!' says Twig. 'I'm helping!'
'That's good, Twig!' says Mr Pip.



Mr Pip is very busy.

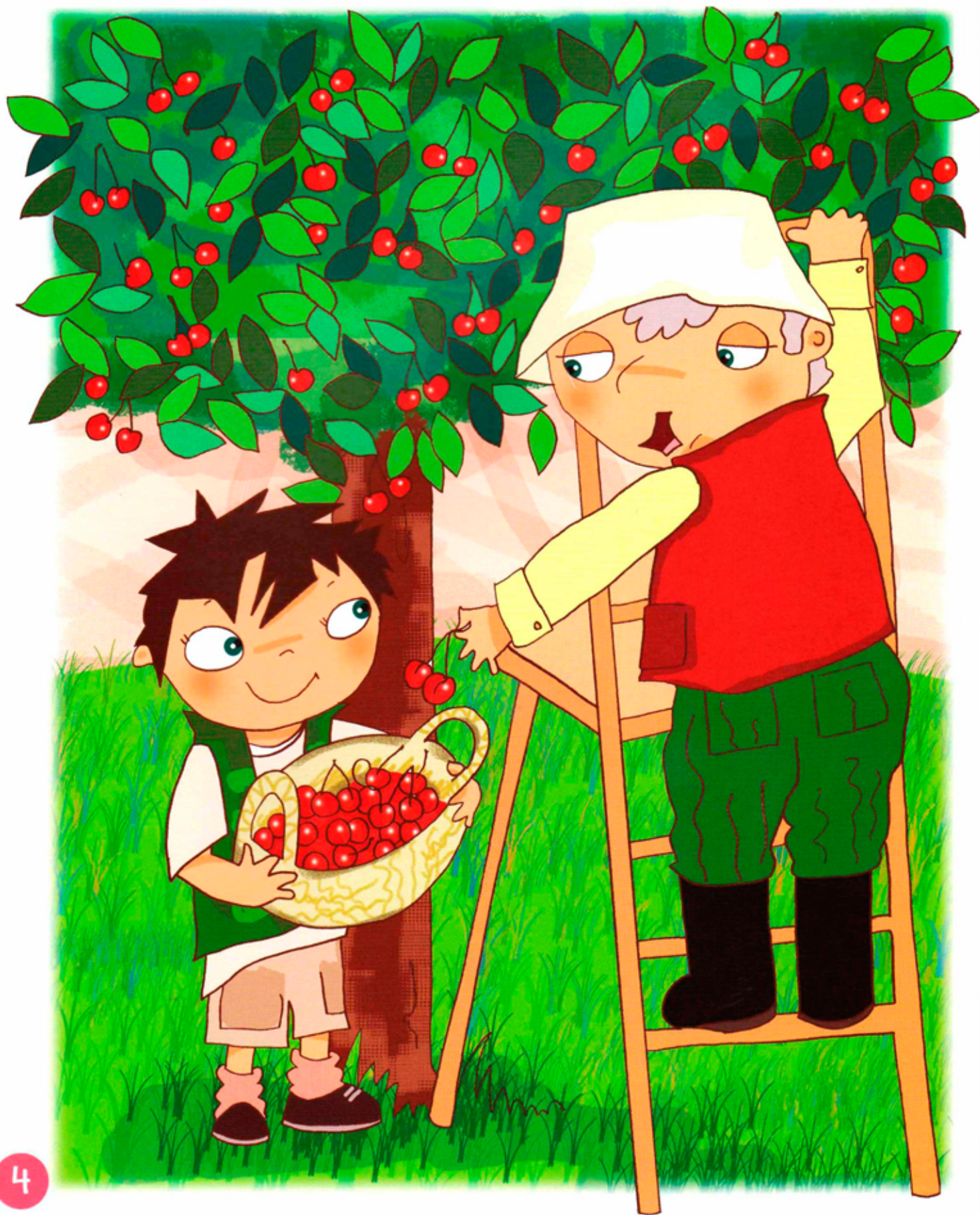
‘Can I help you, Mr Pip?’ asks Twig.

‘Thank you, Twig,’ says the gardener.

‘You can help me pick the cherries.’



So Twig helps Mr Pip pick the cherries.
'Look at me!' says Twig. 'I'm helping!'
'That's good, Twig!' says Mr Pip.



Then Star calls Twig, 'Twig! It's lunchtime!'
'Bye bye, Mr Pip!' says Twig.
'Bye bye, Twig!' says Mr Pip. 'And thank you!'



Rocket and Melody open their lunchboxes.
'I've got a banana. Yum yum!' says Rocket.
'I've got a plum and a pear,' says Melody.



Then Star opens her lunchbox. 'I've got an apple and an orange,' she says.

Twig opens his lunchbox, but there's no fruit.

'Oh no!' he says. 'No fruit!'



But who's this? It's Mr Pip!

'Thank you for your help, Twig,' he says.

'Now you can help me eat the cherries!'

'Oh thank you!' says Twig. 'Cherries! Mmm!'



Shut the gate!

Story

6



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Today the children are at the farm.
'Hello children!' says Mr Till, the farmer.
'Do you want to see the animals?'
'Yes, please!' say the children.



First the children go to see the sheep.

'I like sheep!' says Melody.

'Me too,' says Star.

But Twig says, 'Ooh! Look over there! Let's go!'



Melody and Star follow Twig.
'Wait for me!' calls Rocket.
'Shut the gate, Rocket!' says Star.
But oh dear! Rocket doesn't shut the gate.



Then the children go to see the hens and ducks.
'I like hens!' says Melody.
'I like ducks,' says Star.
But Twig says, 'Ooh! Look over there! Let's go!'



Melody and Star follow Twig.
'Wait for me!' calls Rocket.
'Shut the gate, Rocket!' says Star.
But oh dear! Rocket doesn't shut the gate.



Then the children go to see the cows.
'I like cows!' says Melody.
'Me too,' says Star.
But Twig hears something. 'What's that noise?'



Now the sheep, hens and ducks are here too!
'Oh Rocket!' say the children.
'Uh oh! Sorry!' says Rocket.
But Star has an idea.



'Let's put the animals back!' says Star.
'One, two, three, four sheep,' says Melody.
'One, two, three, four, five hens,' says Rocket.
'And one, two cows,' says Twig. 'Phew!'



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 A Big Story Book contains the six stories from the second level of *Playtime*.

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