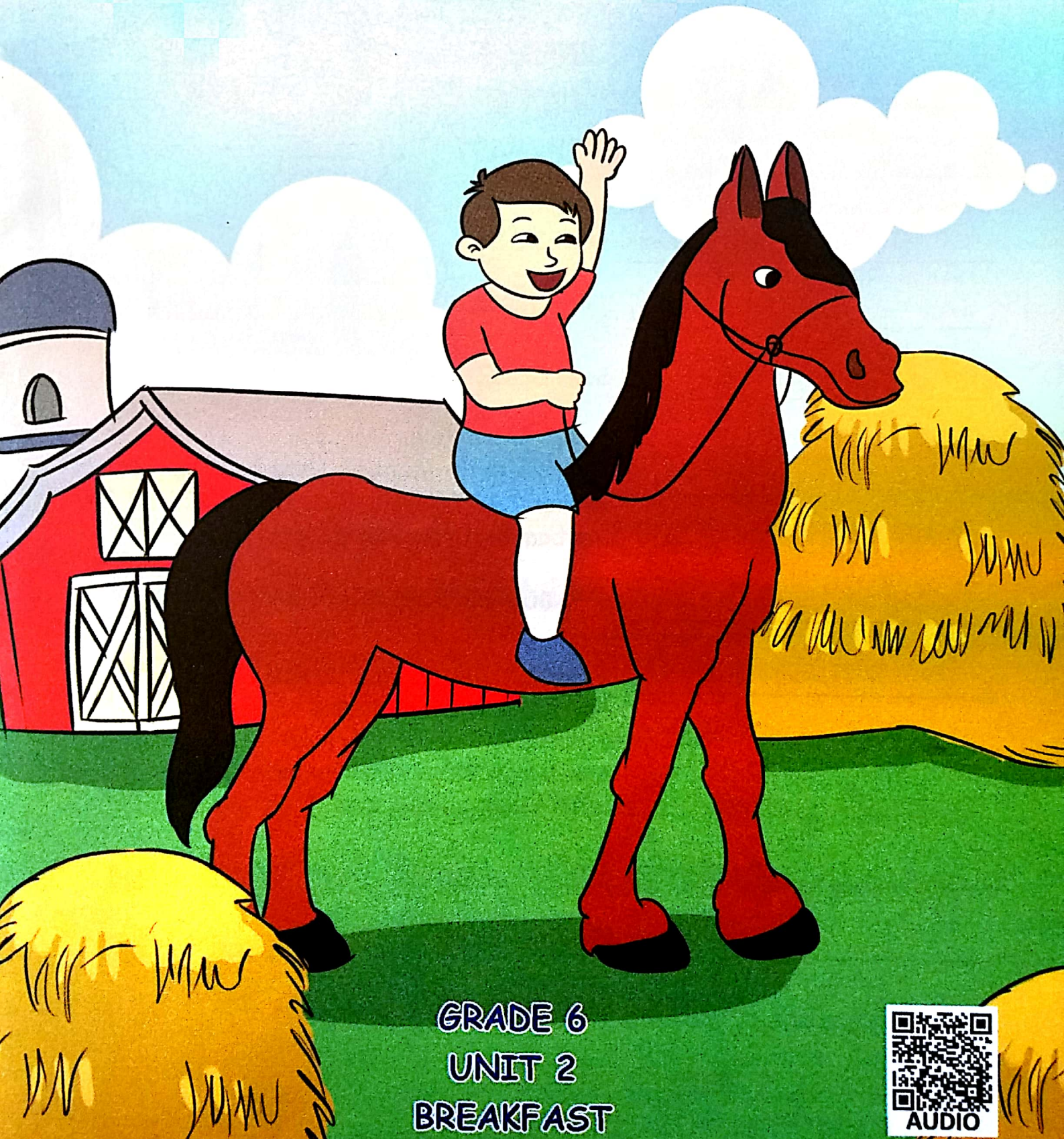
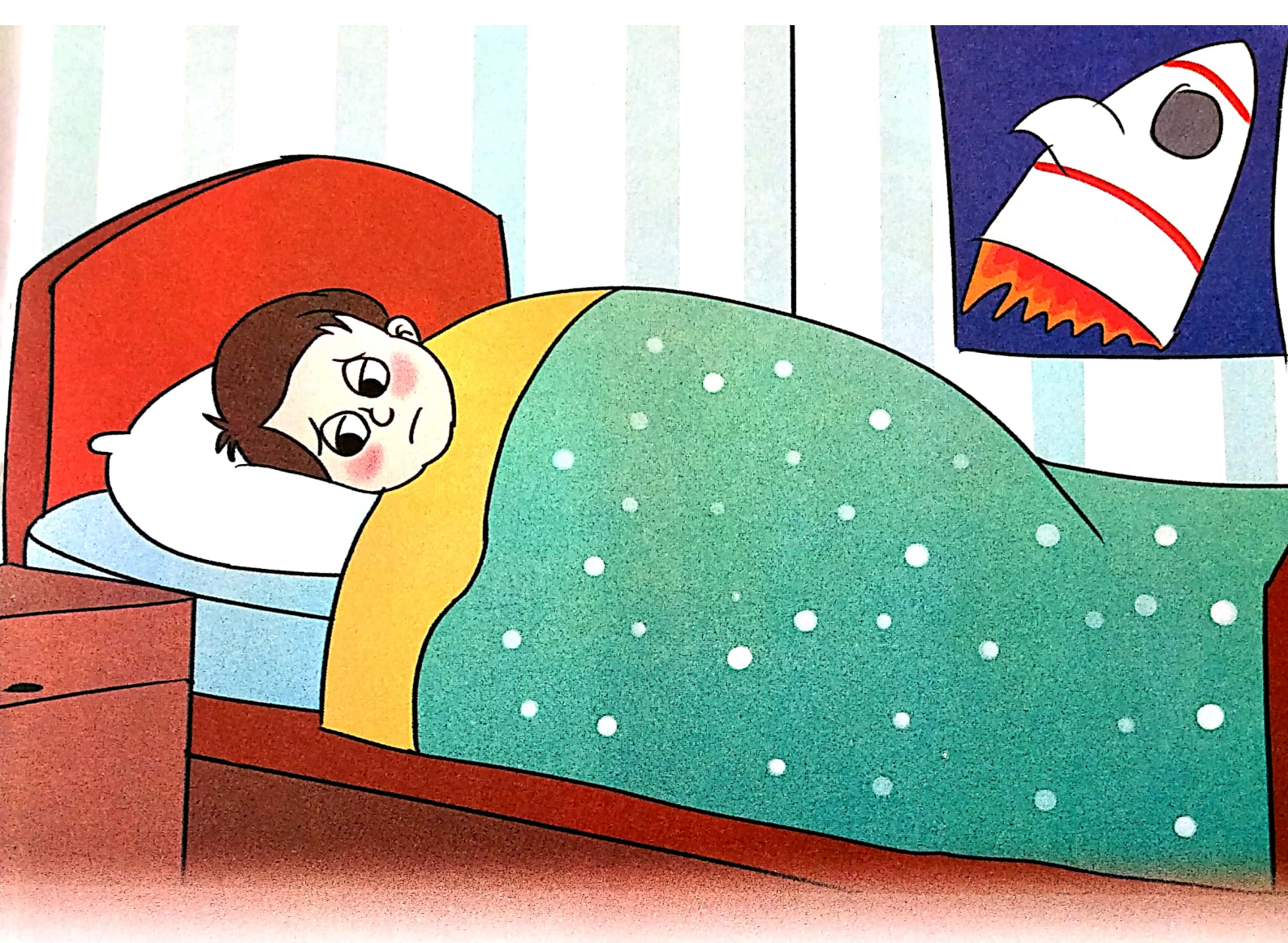


# WIND



GRADE 6  
UNIT 2  
BREAKFAST





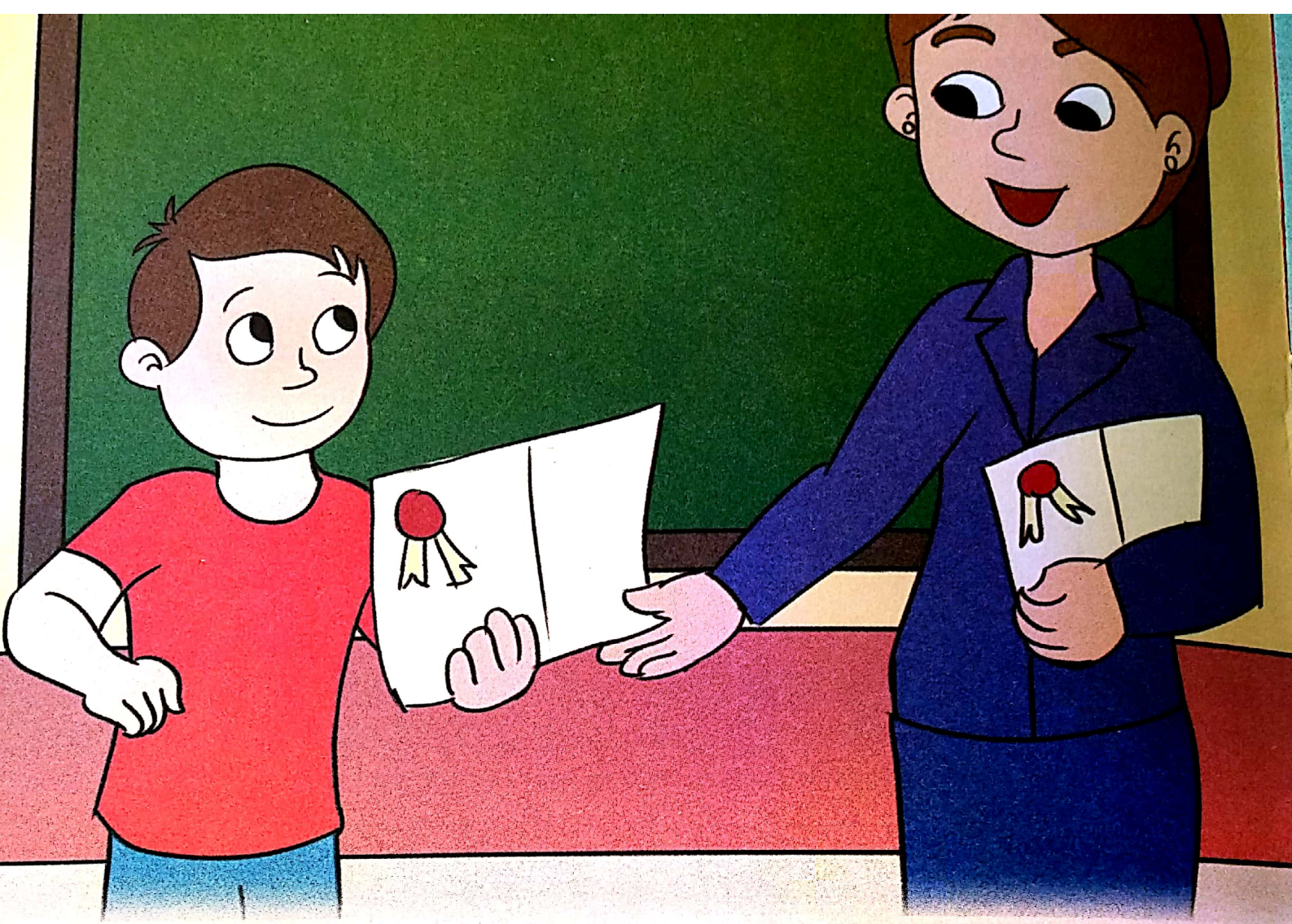
Breakfast<sup>1</sup> is ready. Mrs Parker opens the door and sees that her son Alex is still in bed. He doesn't want to leave his bed this morning. He says he is feeling cold and that he has a fever<sup>2</sup>. His mother thinks that it's an excuse<sup>3</sup> not to go to school because Alex did something like this before. She says, "Come on Alex, you are doing the same trick<sup>4</sup> again."



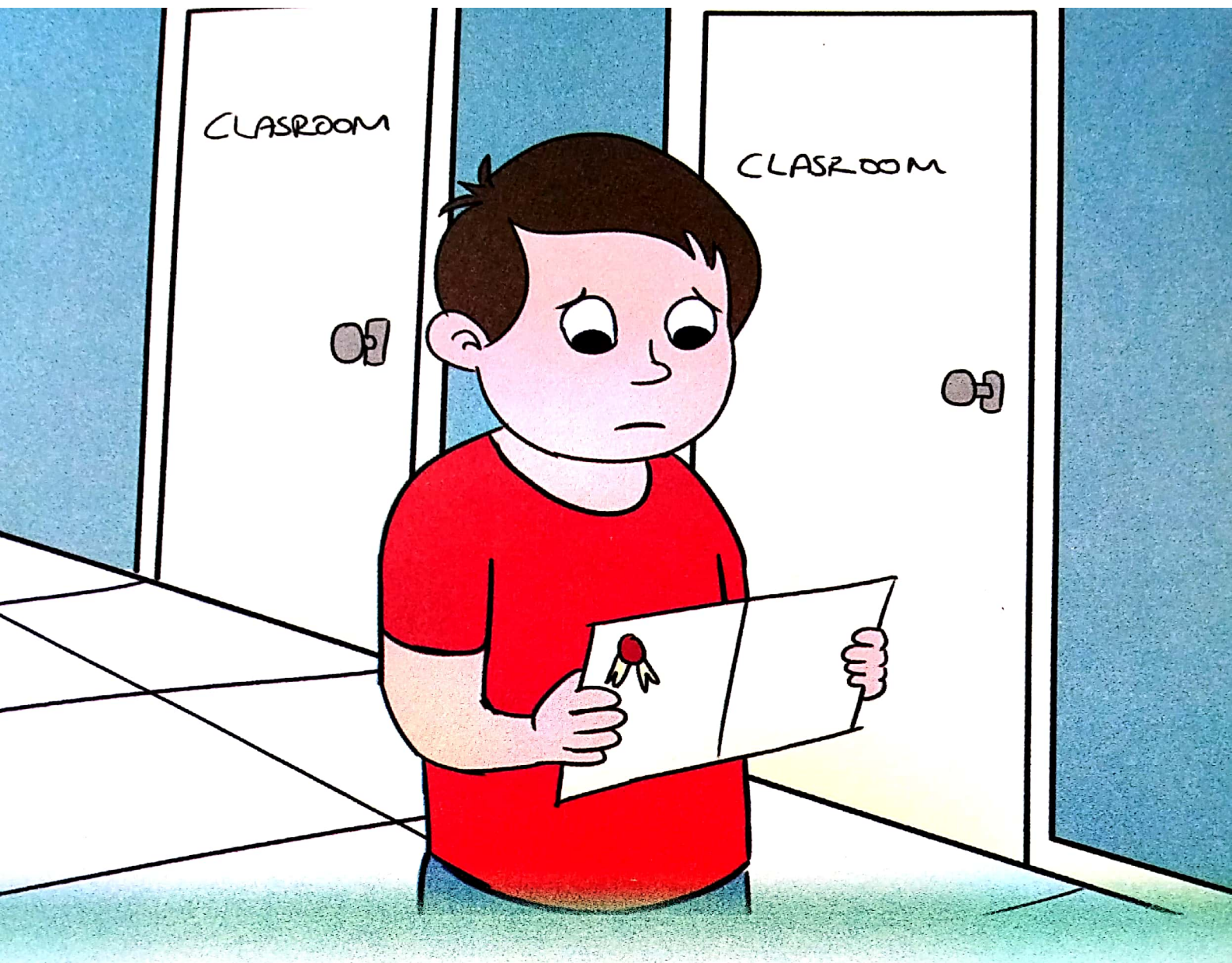
But Mrs. Parker feels Alex's forehead<sup>5</sup>, and he really does have a fever. This time, Alex is telling the truth<sup>6</sup>. He doesn't leave his bed all day. His mother brings his breakfast to his bed. She has made a great breakfast for him. There is a lot of healthy<sup>7</sup> food on the tray<sup>8</sup>. There are tomatoes<sup>9</sup>, cucumbers<sup>10</sup>, eggs<sup>11</sup>, cheese<sup>12</sup>, olives<sup>13</sup>, jam<sup>14</sup> and fresh orange juice<sup>15</sup>.



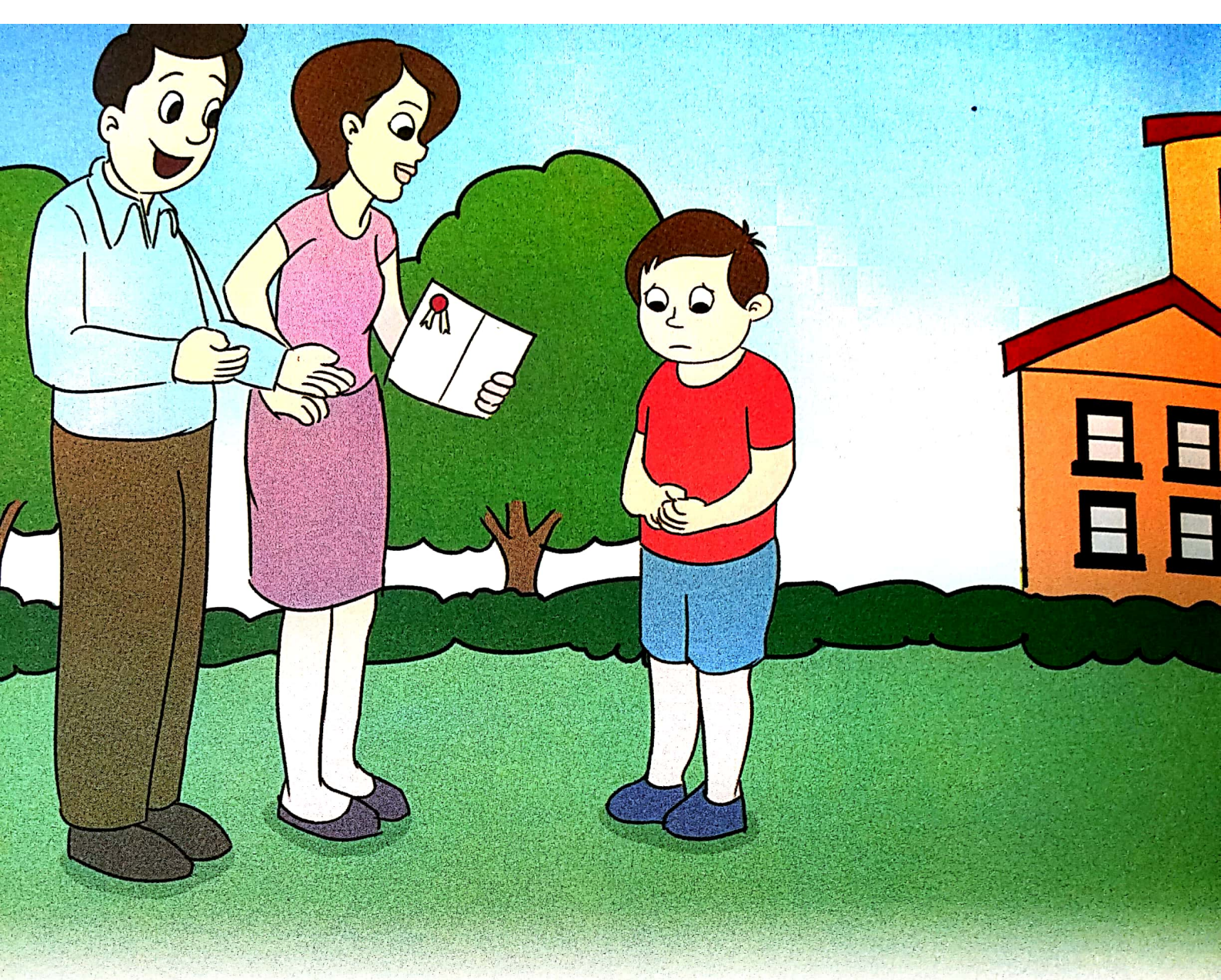
Alex doesn't want to eat anything. He can eat very little. He can't taste<sup>16</sup> the food he is eating. His mother says it's because he is sick, but she tastes the food. Food tastes different these days<sup>17</sup>. It's almost<sup>18</sup> impossible<sup>19</sup> to find healthy organic food.



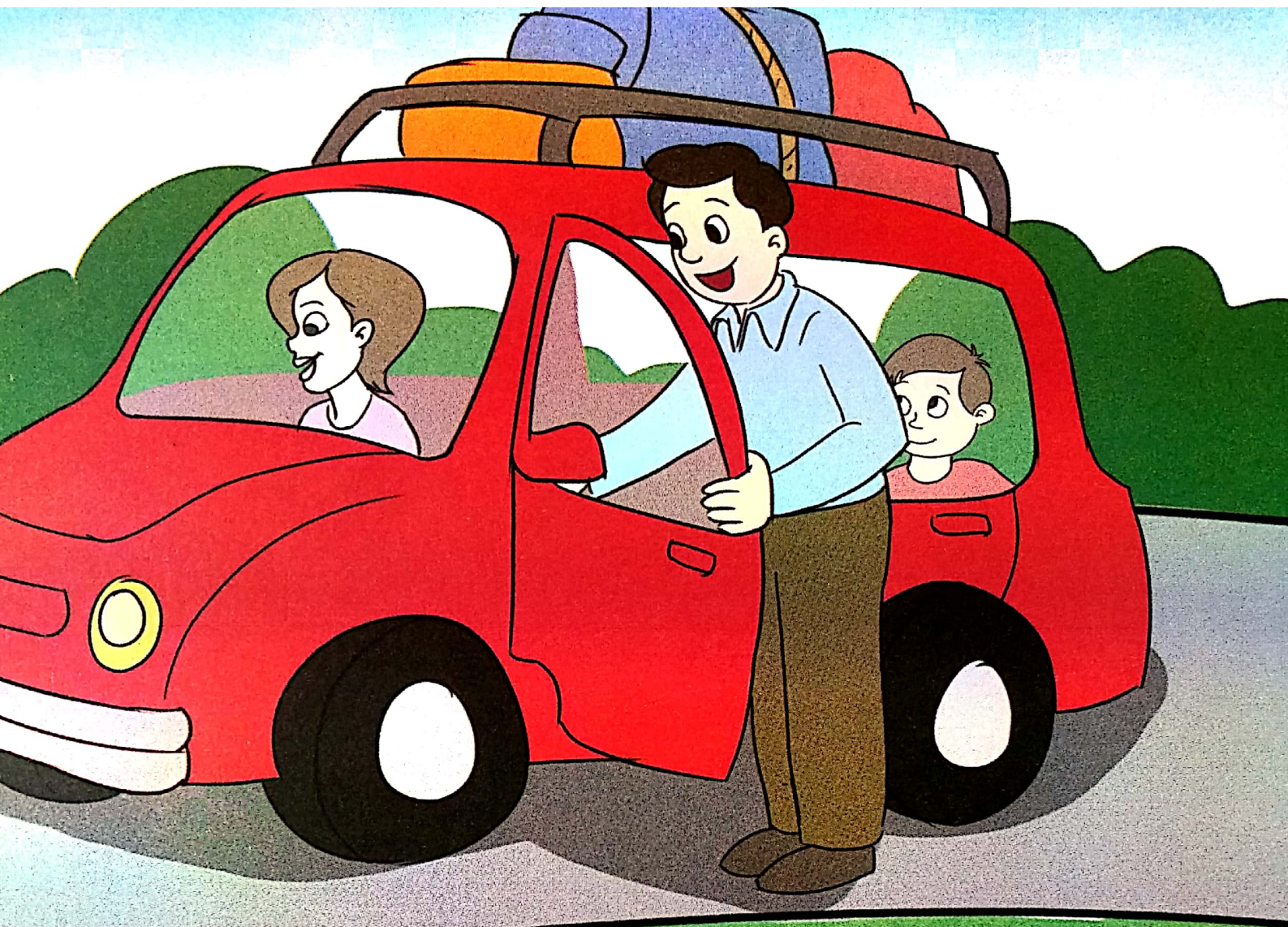
Alex gets better in a few days. It's almost semester break, and Alex is finishing 5<sup>th</sup> grade this year. His parents are planning to get him a present if his grades<sup>20</sup> are good. It's time to get the report cards<sup>21</sup>, and the teacher is giving them out to everybody. When it's Alex's turn, the teacher gives him the report card and says, "You've been a little lazy<sup>22</sup> this year but you are moving to 6th grade. Congratulations!"<sup>23</sup>



The school is out. All the students have holiday<sup>24</sup> plans. Alex and his family didn't go on holiday last year because of his father's work. This year, they want to have a great holiday. Alex doesn't want to show his report card to his parents because he has some low<sup>25</sup> grades. His parents are waiting in the school yard<sup>26</sup>.

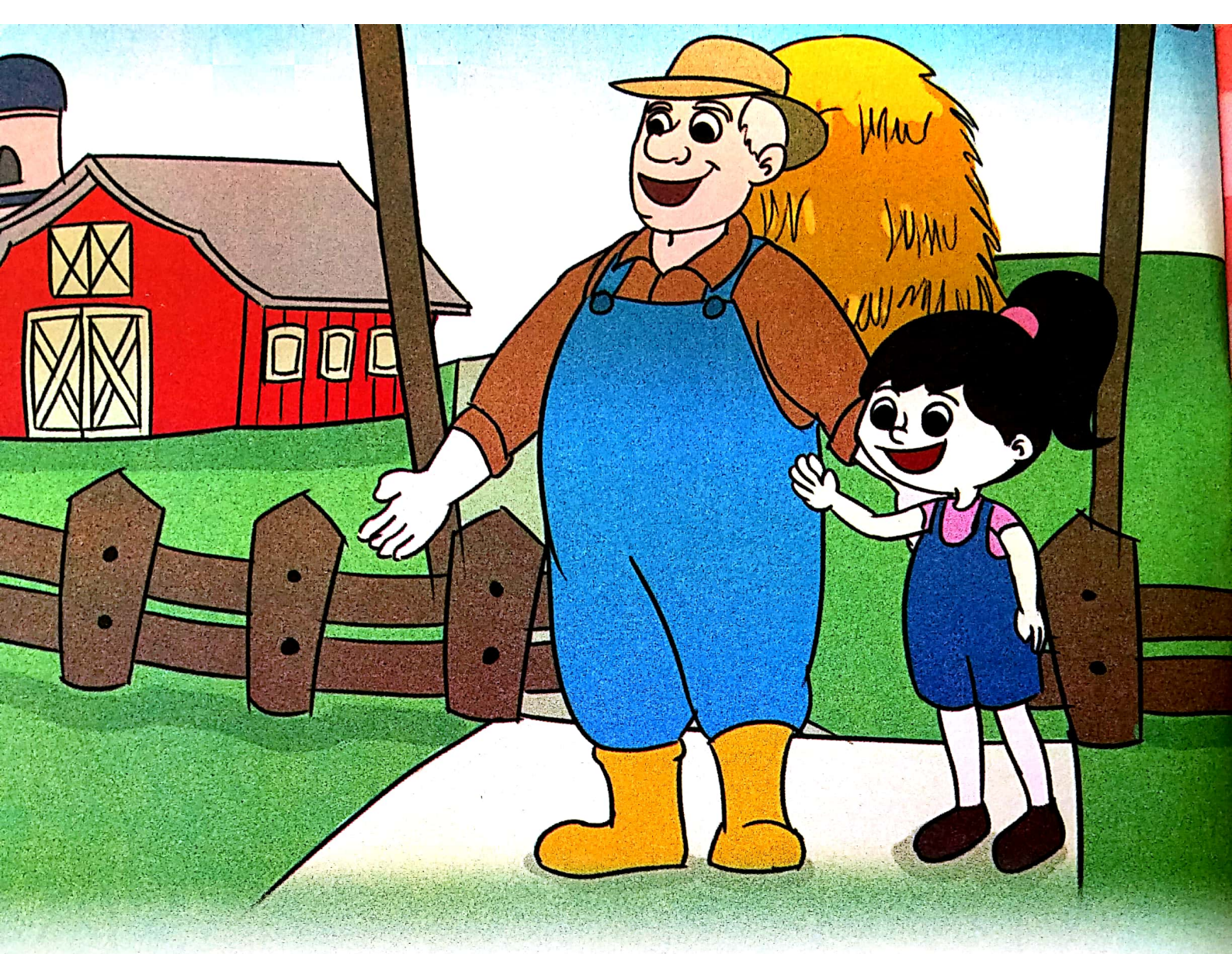


His mother waves at Alex, and calls, "We are here!" Alex doesn't look happy. His parents know what's going on and they decide not to give him a hard time<sup>27</sup> about it. Alex unwillingly<sup>28</sup> gives them his report card. His father says, "Congratulations Alex, you've passed. And I believe you can be a lot more successful<sup>29</sup> if you study harder." He hugs and kisses Alex.

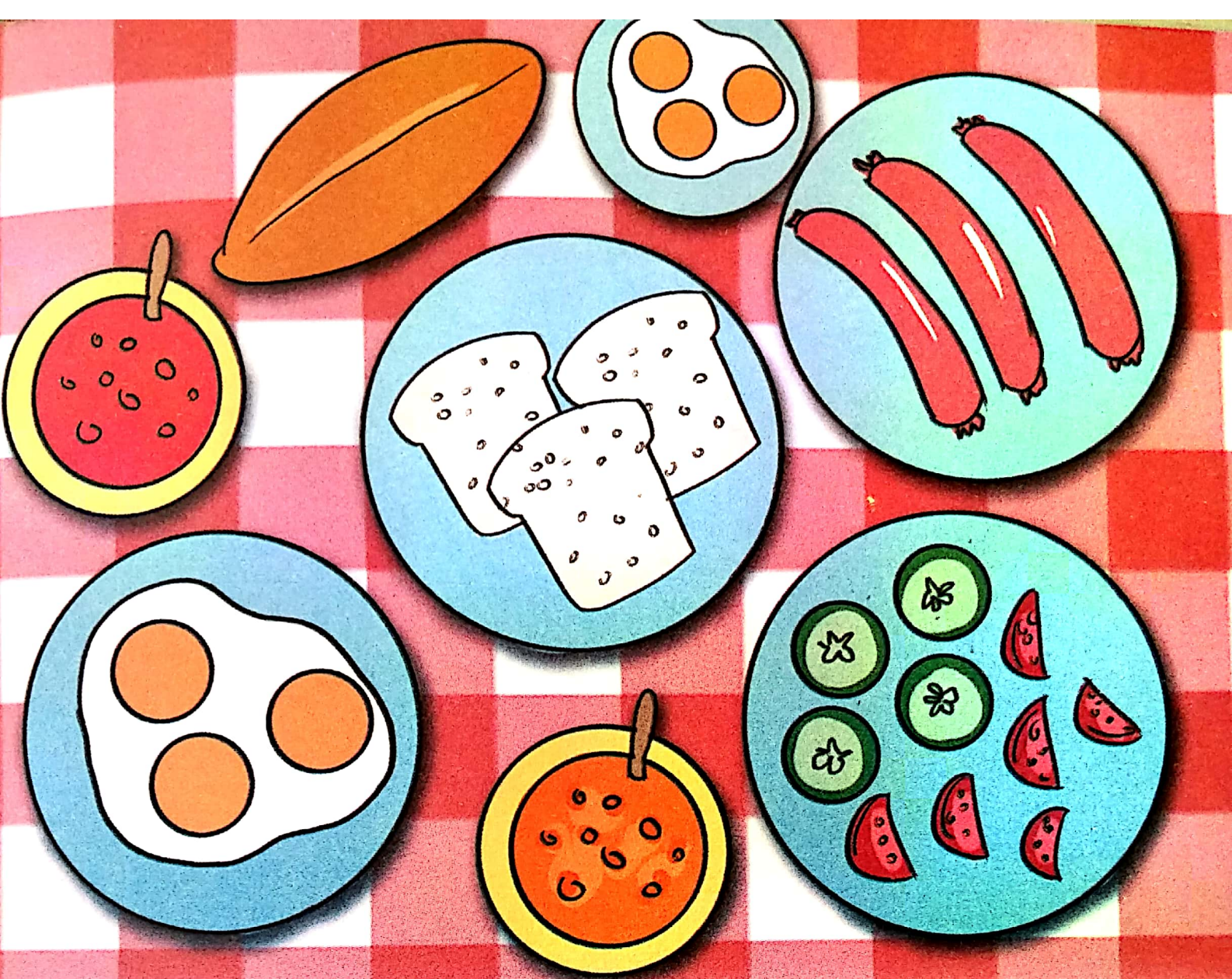


Alex is a little bit relieved<sup>30</sup> by their attitude<sup>31</sup>. They drive home, and his father says, "Guess<sup>32</sup> where I'm taking you on holiday this year!" Alex and Mrs Parker smile at each other and say that they don't know. So Mr Parker says, "You will see when we get there then." They go home to pick up their luggage<sup>33</sup> and they leave.

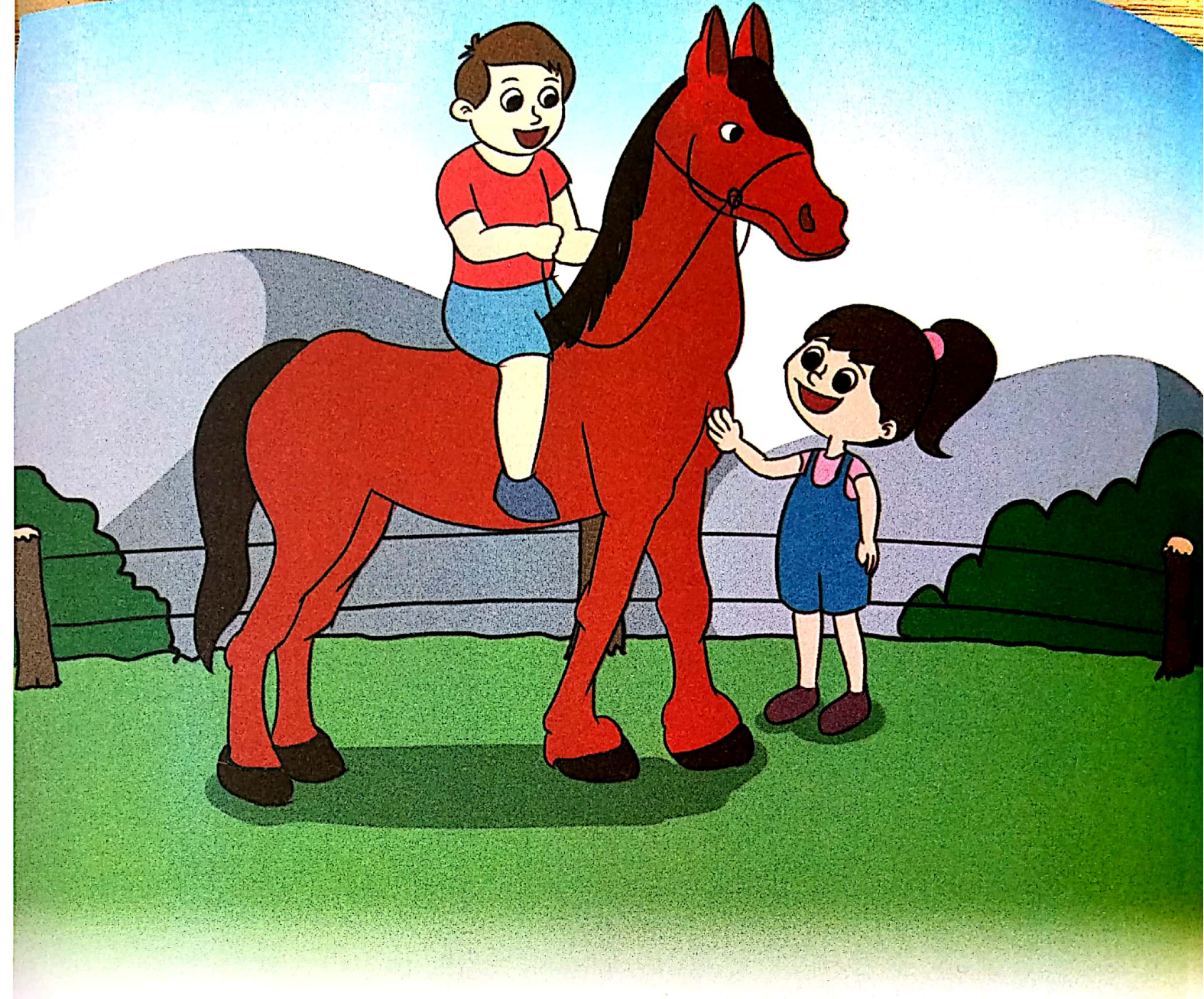




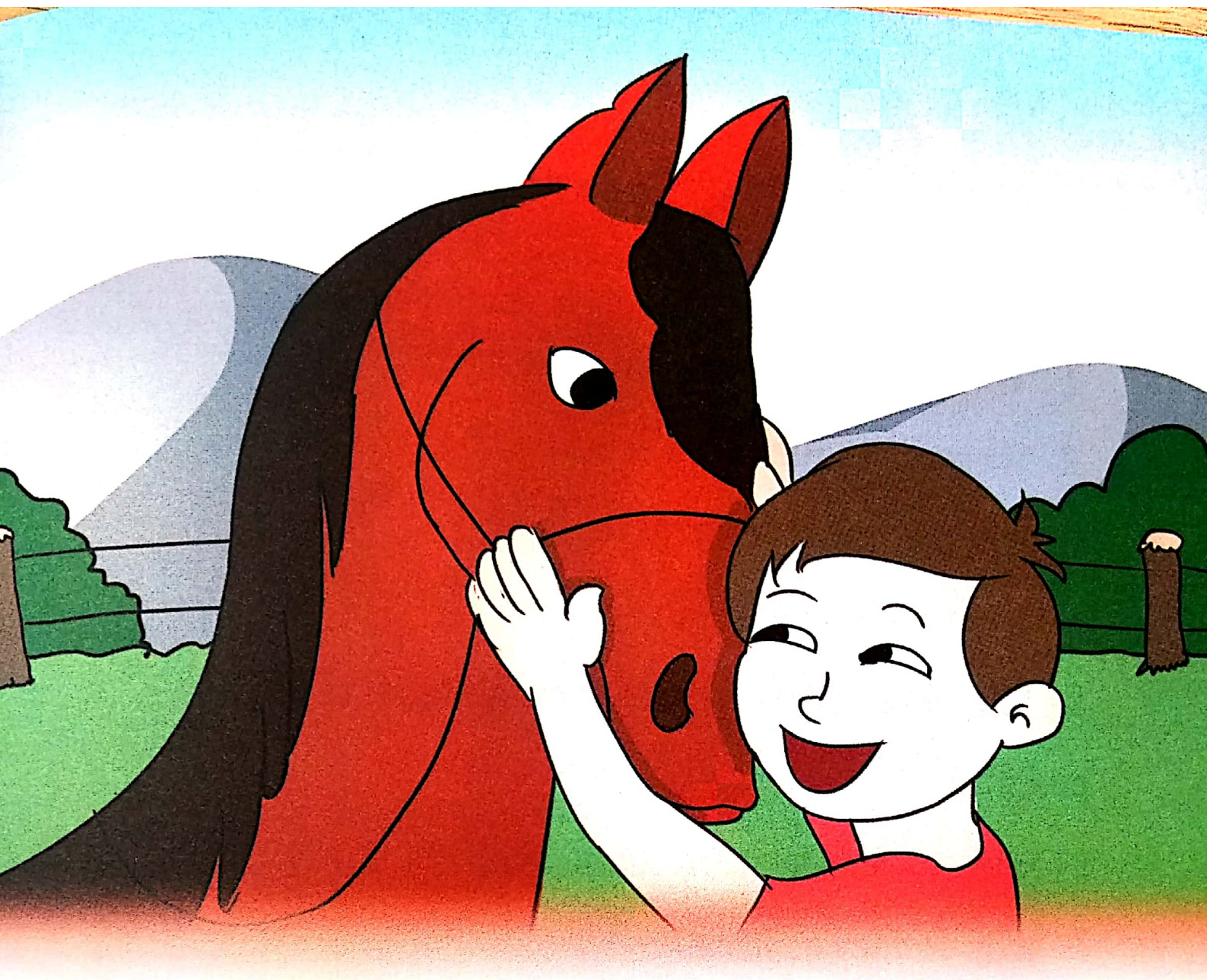
Alex's father Richard is a food engineer<sup>34</sup>. He takes his family to a farm<sup>35</sup>. He wants to do some research<sup>36</sup> for work and have a holiday. This place is great. The owner of the farm, Mr Flanders, and his granddaughter<sup>37</sup> Becky welcome them. They prepare a wonderful breakfast for Alex and his parents. They all have breakfast together. The food looks and smells delicious.



They have a fun breakfast together. Mr. Flanders says everything on the table is organic. Everything tastes really good. Alex and his parents can't remember having such a good breakfast in a long time. They thank the farmer<sup>35</sup> for everything. Alex loves the omelette.



The farmer says that Becky is a really good horse rider<sup>38</sup>. Alex is excited to hear about horses. "Horses?" he asks. "Do you have horses in the farm?" Mr. Flanders replies, "Oh yes, of course! Becky can show them if you want." Alex and Becky go to look at the horses. Becky also teaches Alex how to ride them. Alex asks her how she learned how to ride. Becky says; "I've been coming to the farm every year since I was a little girl, my grandfather taught me."



They are chatting in the evening, and Alex's father asks, "Do you like your horse Alex? I hear she's very fast." Alex is confused<sup>39</sup>. "My horse?" he says. His parents got him a horse as a surprise gift! Alex is very happy and thanks his parents. They name the horse "Wind". Wind is Alex's horse now.