

# FLAT!

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Bosco, the cow dog, was **SOOOOOO**  
upset! He just kept barking  
at the front door!

Mr. Arthur went to the door to  
see why Bosco was barking so  
loudly. As he opened the door,  
Bosco tugged at his leg. He  
quickly yelled to Mrs. Arthur,

**“Something is wrong  
with the twins,  
hurry, quick!”**





**BARK!!!**  
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**Mr. and Mrs. Arthur both followed  
Bosco to the big, red barn.**

**They quickly found Aggie and Annie, twins,  
lying on the ground, **FLAT** as pancakes!**

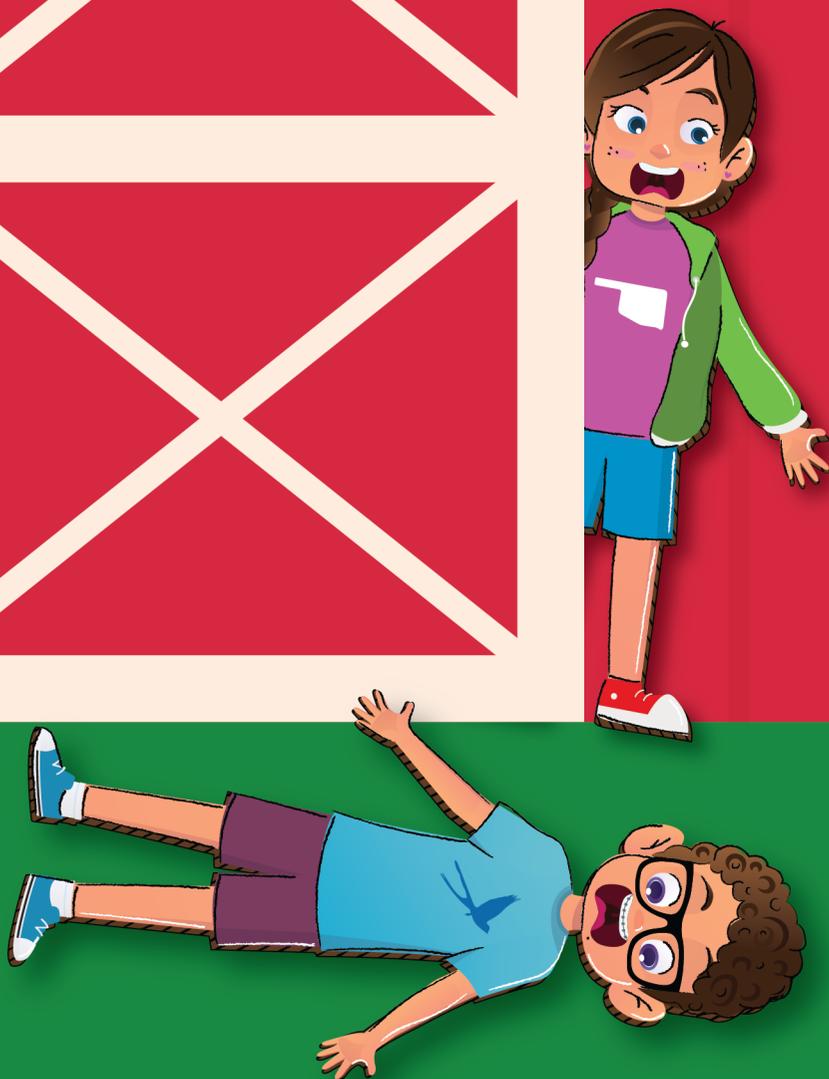
**“Oh, my goodness!” cried  
Mrs. Arthur.**

**“Gosh!” said Mr. Arthur.**



**Slowly, Aggie and Annie started to stand up.**

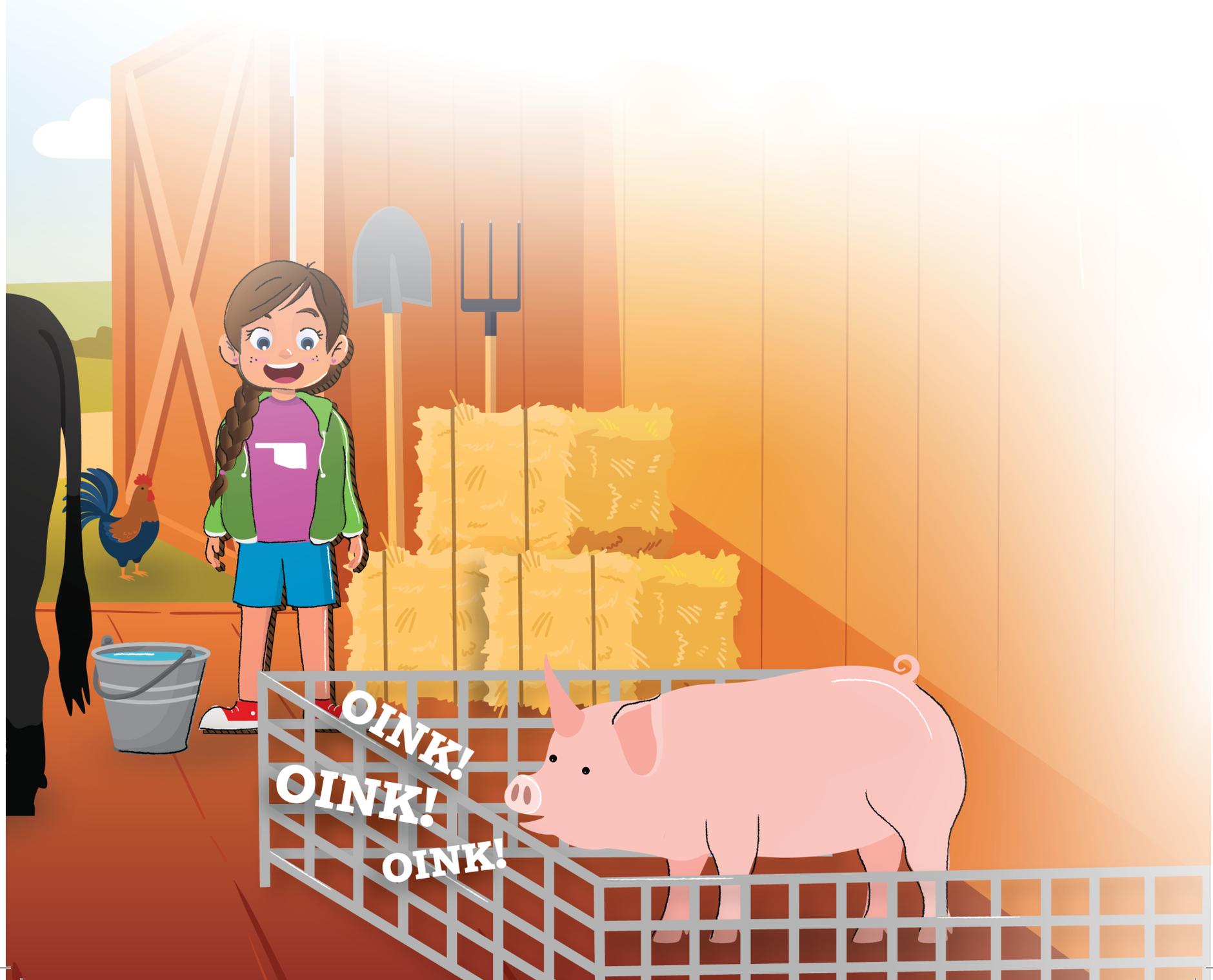
**Annie shouted, “The barn door flew past me and **slammed** Aggie behind the door! When I went to check on him, a cold, hard wind whipped the door again and smashed me on the side of the barn!”**



**The twin's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur, couldn't believe their eyes. They decided to ask Dr. Gore, the veterinarian, to look at the children before she checked on Molly, the black cow.**



Molly's belly was so **HUGE** they thought she might be having twins. While waiting for Dr. G, Aggie and Annie started the chores in the barn. Annie started running clean water for all the animals. Aggie gathered fresh hay and nutritious feed for Molly. Across the barn, Pearl, the pig, oinked, snorted, and squealed. She didn't want anyone to forget her. She was **LOUD** ... every morning! This morning she was super excited because she knew Aggie and Annie looked so different. She knew they were flat!



**“Good morning, Arthur family!” greeted Dr. G.**

**“What in the world happened to you kids?” Dr. G asked.**

**“Well, Dr. G, we were checking on Molly this morning, and the door smashed me! Then, the door smashed Annie, and now we are both flat!” explained Aggie.**



**Mrs. Arthur asked Dr. G if she would mind checking Aggie and Annie out before she looked at Molly.**

**“Sure,”** Dr. G agreed,

**“but I've never seen anything like this before.”**



**Dr. G pulled out her measuring tape. Aggie and Annie were both about 4 feet tall and 1 inch wide...**

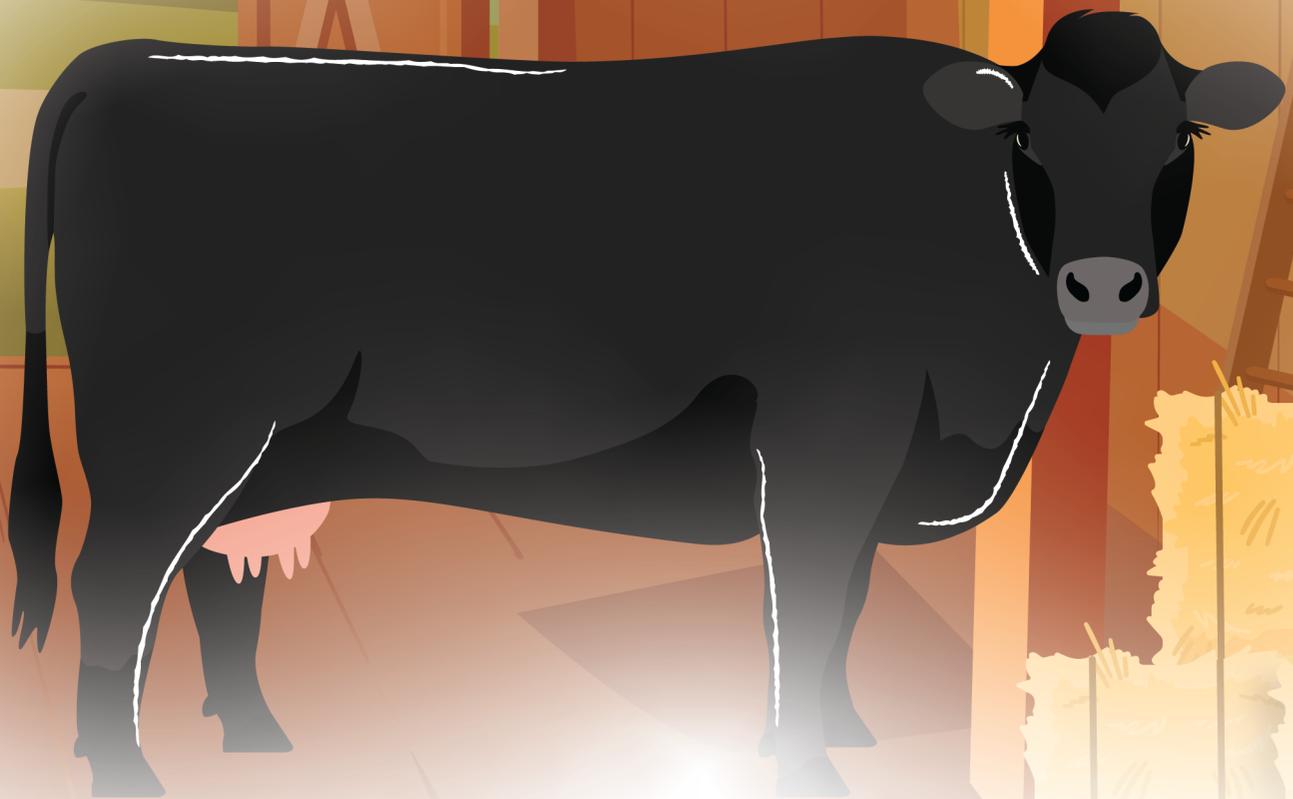
**She listened to both their hearts. She looked in Aggie's ears, nose, and throat, and she checked his reflexes on his legs and arms.**



Finally, Dr. G reported both Aggie and Annie  
seemed fine. They were just **FLAT!**

Dr. G started toward Molly to check on her. After  
examining Molly, Dr. G confirmed,

**“Molly will have twins!”**



**Once the twins arrived at school, their teacher, Mrs. Wheatley, was shocked at how flat they were. Everyone at school was very concerned!**

**Being flat didn't slow them down!**



**In fact, it made school even more fun!  
When the key to the locked greenhouse  
door went missing, Aggie slid through  
the door frame and unlocked the door!  
Everyone cheered,**



**Flat Aggie!  
Flat Aggie!**

**“Flat Aggie saved the day!”**

**Next, the twins wanted to travel to Aunt Abby's house in Wyoming for their cousin Jake's birthday party. Since they were so flat, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur decided to mail them!**

**Mrs. Arthur filled a large envelope with two crackers, two small, crisp pieces of bacon, two square pieces of yellow cheese, and two beef sticks. Next, Aggie and Annie both slid into the envelope. Mrs. Arthur sealed the envelope and carefully dropped it in the mailbox.**





Life is  
better  
on the  
farm



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The next day the phone rang.

**“Hey Mom,  
we made it!”**

Aggie shouted from  
the other end.



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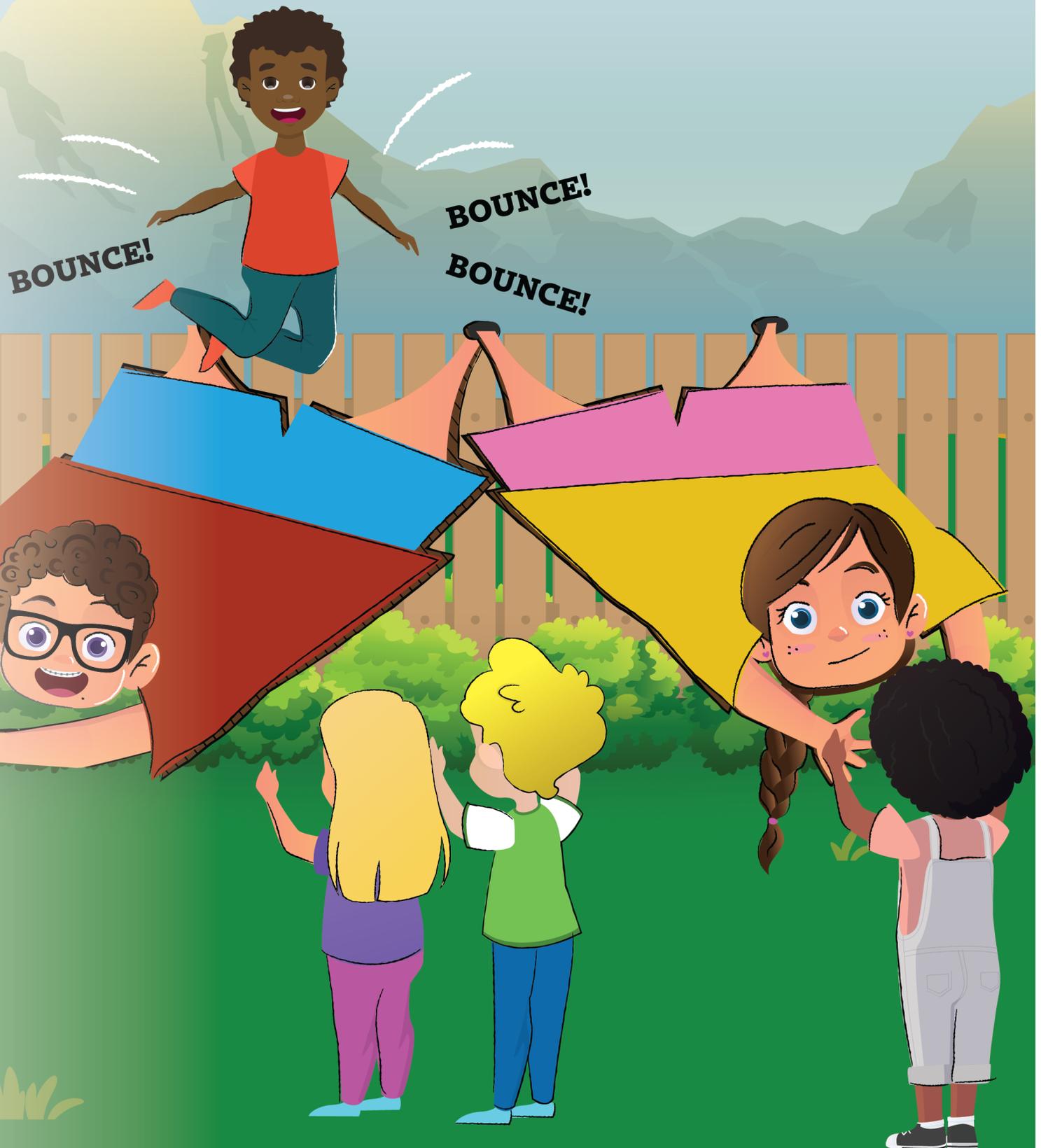
**“Hi Mom,”**

Annie said.

**“It was so cool!  
We can travel  
anywhere now!”**

Annie exclaimed.

**Aggie and Annie had a blast at Jake's party. When one kid wished Jake had a trampoline to play on, Aggie and Annie both climbed on top of the fence and stretched out. Aggie and Annie instantly became trampolines!**



**That evening, Aunt Abby's neighbor, Mr. Smith, called to report someone stole cattle from him the night before.**

**He said, "The rustlers didn't get all the cows. They might try to steal the rest of them tonight. I just don't know how to catch the rustlers."**



**Luckily, Aggie and Annie had an idea.**



**“All we need is glue, two cameras,  
two flashlights, and a drone! We  
can find out where all your cows  
are going and catch the bad guys,”  
said Aggie.**



**That night, Mr. Smith put the cameras on two headbands for the twins to wear. Then he glued one of Aggie's shoes to the back of his favorite cow, Jessie.**



**Annie jumped on the drone and flew herself to the top of the electric pole to wait for the rustlers to come back to steal cattle. Then, Mr. Smith made sure they were both safe.**



**Aggie and Annie waited patiently. Around 11:30 p.m., headlights came down the dirt road. Sure enough, it was a big truck and trailer. They were coming to load the rest of the cows. Annie waited quietly from the top of the electric pole while Aggie was stuck to Jessie. The rustlers didn't even notice the twins! As soon as the rustlers stopped to unload the stolen cattle, the sheriff and his deputies were there to meet them and take them to jail. Aunt Abby and Jake looked on as Mr. Smith and Sheriff McKey shook hands with Aggie and Annie.**

**“Thank you for helping catch those rustlers,” said Mr. Smith.**

**“Yes,” said Sheriff McKey, “we would still be looking for those cattle if you hadn’t helped!”**





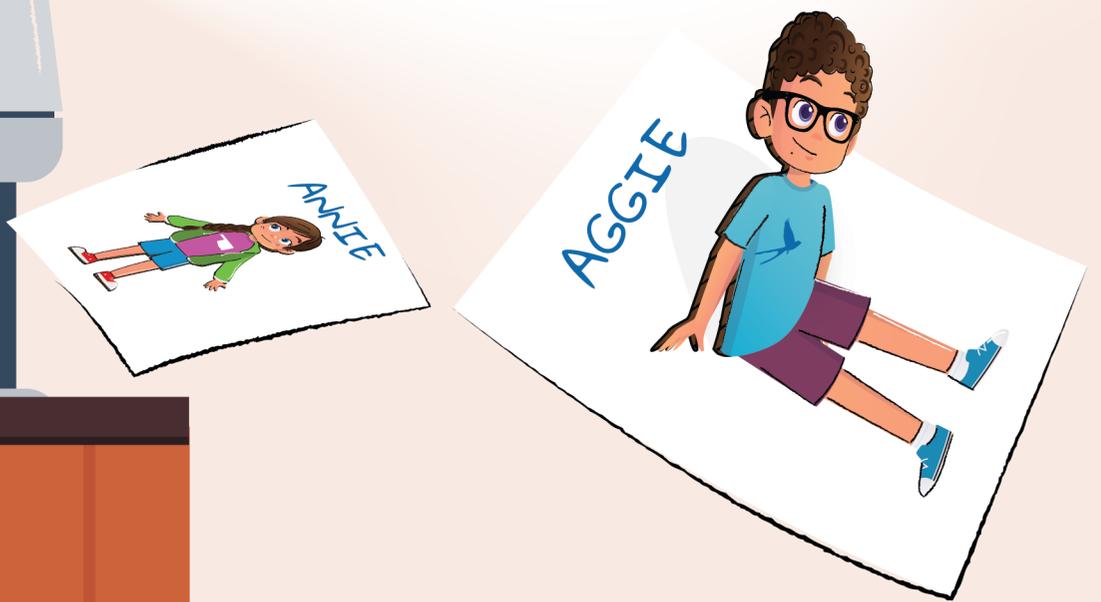
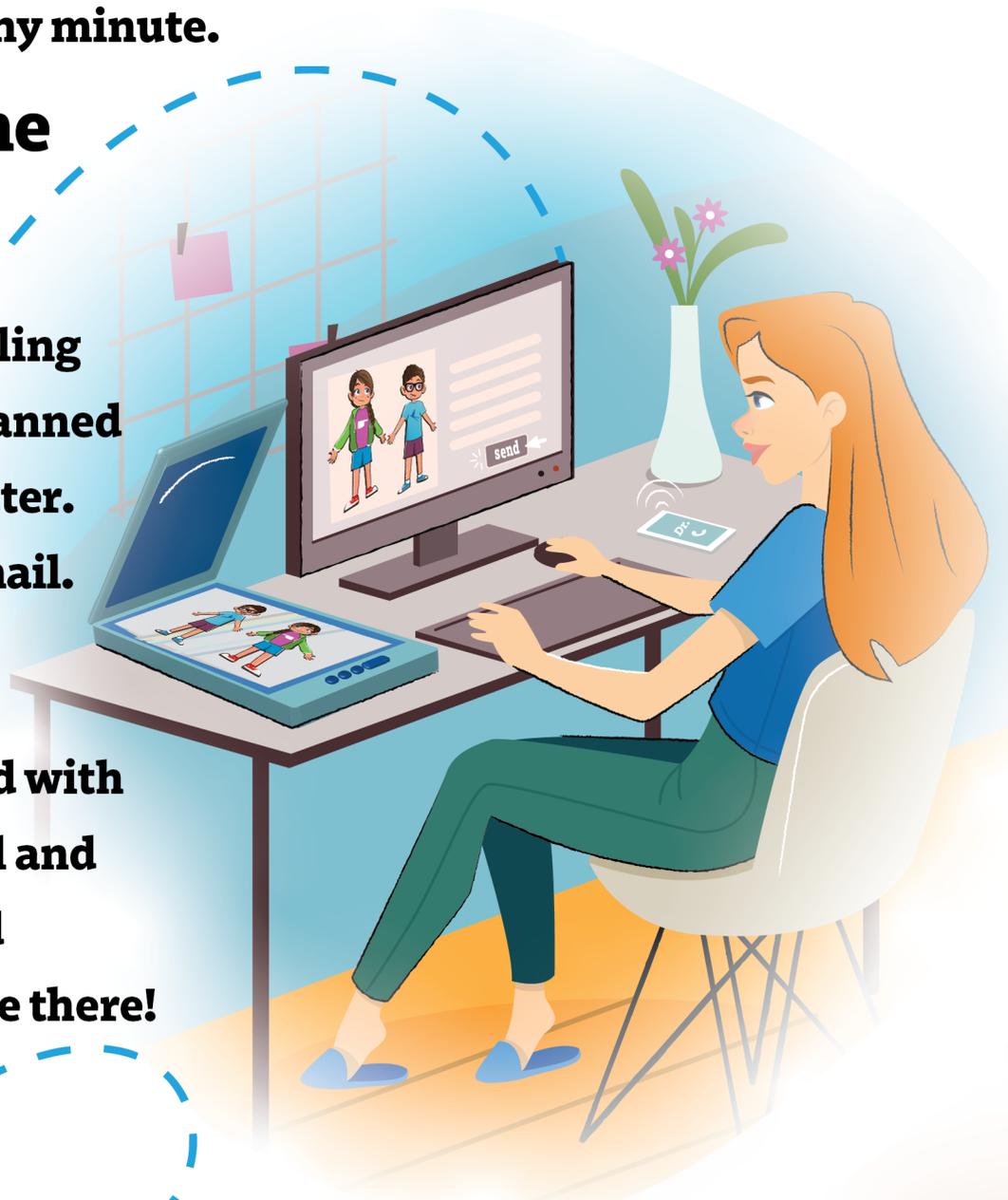
**Mrs. Arthur called to tell the twins that Molly would have her babies any minute.**

**They had to get home and FAST!**

**Aunt Abby had an idea of emailing Aggie and Annie home. She scanned Aggie and Annie on the computer. Next, Aunt Abby drafted an email.**

**Mrs. Arthur's computer dinged with an email. She opened the email and clicked on the attachment, and instantly Aggie and Annie were there!**

**She clicked print.**



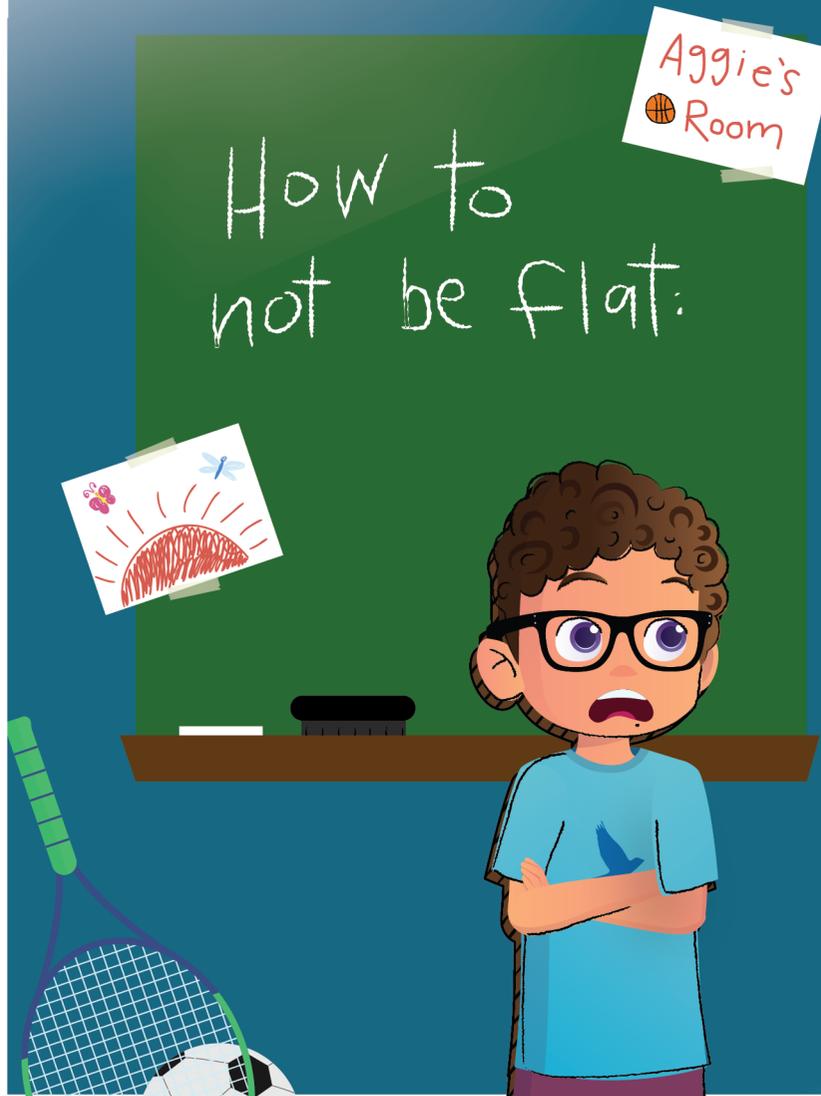
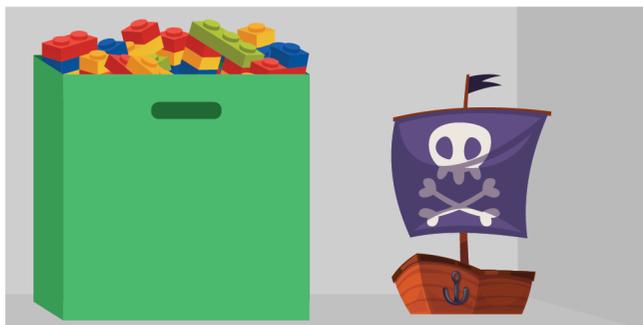
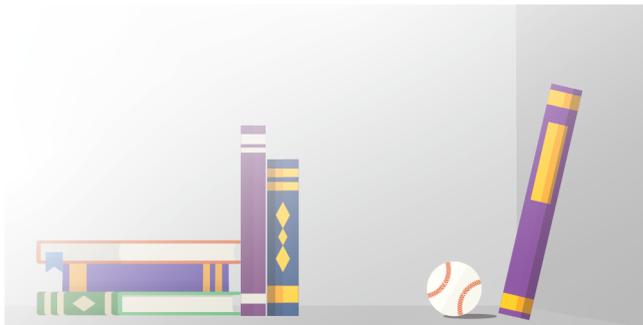
**Aggie and Annie both printed from the printer and stepped off the paper. Aunt Abby's idea worked!**

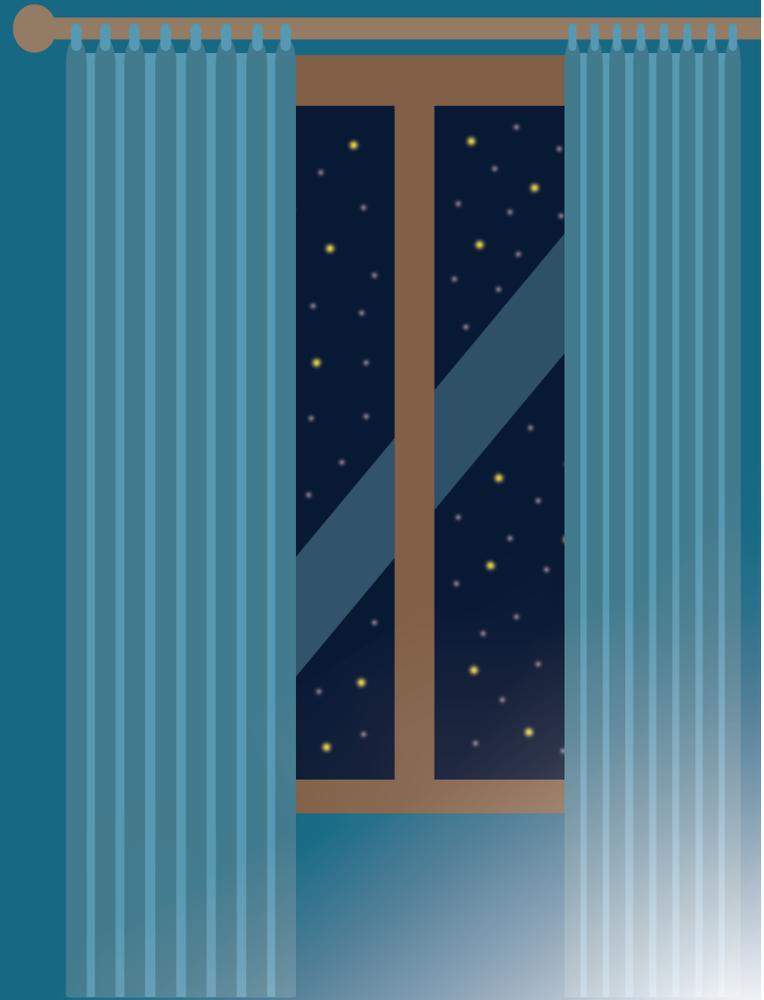
**They were home in a flash!**



**They both ran quickly out to the barn to check on Molly. She had just given birth to the twin calves and was cleaning them up. Aggie and Annie were so excited!**

**Aggie and Annie's FLAT adventures had been so much fun, but they were missing how things used to be.**





**Aggie shared,**

**“I just really want to be a kid again. I am feeling sad. I want to play on the playground at school with my friends. It's been really neat to be flat, but I just want to play with my friends again.”**

**Aggie and Annie tried to think of a way to become a normal size again and not flat!**



**“Maybe the hair dryer will work,” suggested Aggie.**

**Annie thought for a minute. “No, that won’t work, we need a different idea,” said Annie.**

**Annie went to the barn to get the air tank by the flat tractor tire to see if that would work. She put her lips around the hose and turned on the air. When that happened, Annie flew across the barn, and the hose went crazy like a snake. That idea didn't work.**

*The air was way too fast.*





Aggie grabbed the leaf blower and directed, “Let's try this, Annie.” Aggie stretched his flat lips around the leaf blower, and Annie turned it on. Aggie's leg slowly started to inflate.

His leg was **HUGE**, but the rest of his body was still flat.

Annie told Aggie to shake his leg to see if the air would move. Aggie shook his leg like a dog, and the other leg inflated. Aggie put his mouth on the leaf blower again!

**He inflated the rest of the way!**



**“Annie, it's your turn,” coaxed Aggie. Annie carefully put her mouth on the leaf blower. In just a minute, Annie was inflated just like a balloon.**

**Aggie and Annie were so excited to be back like regular kids again!**

**The next morning, Aggie and Annie both went to check on the animals in the barn. The wind was cold and blowing again. Annie opened the barn door quickly, and it flew open. Aggie was behind the door...**

