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TWO GOOD FRIENDS

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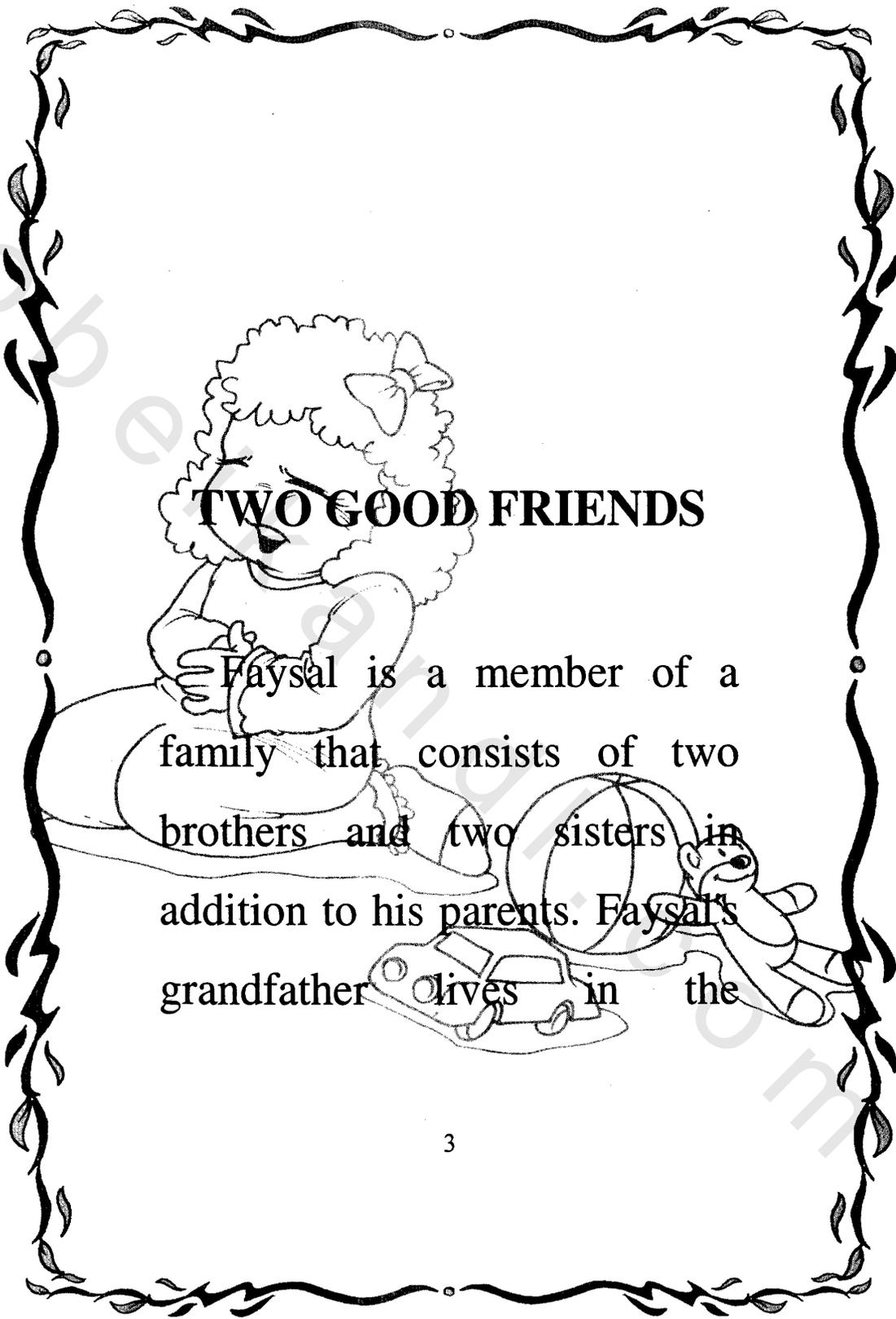
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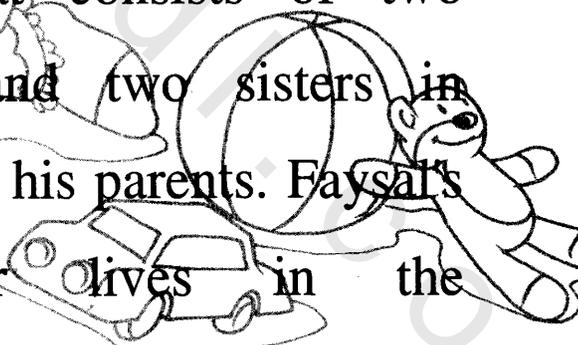
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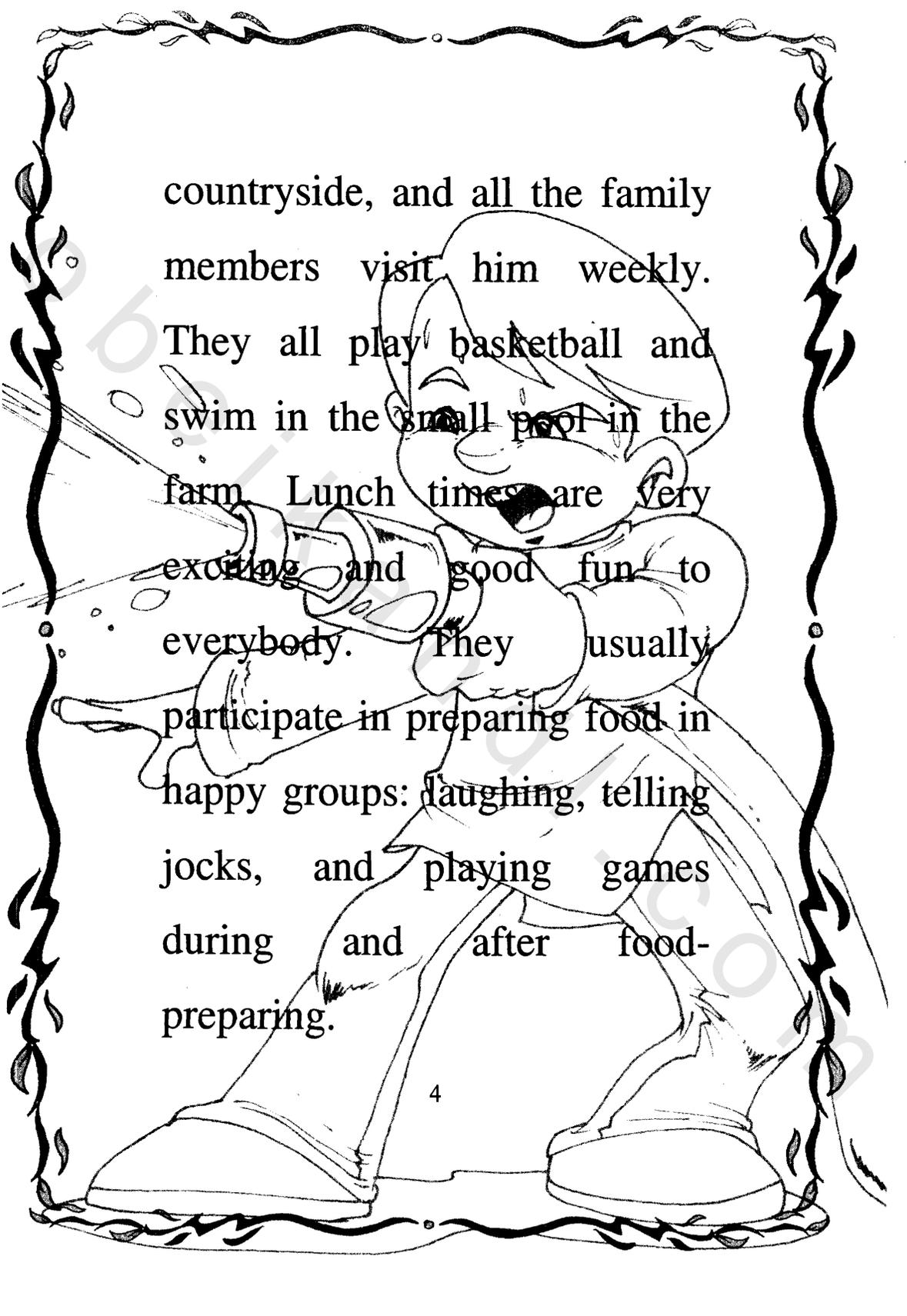
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Faysal is a member of a family that consists of two brothers and two sisters in addition to his parents. Faysal's grandfather lives in the





countryside, and all the family members visit him weekly.

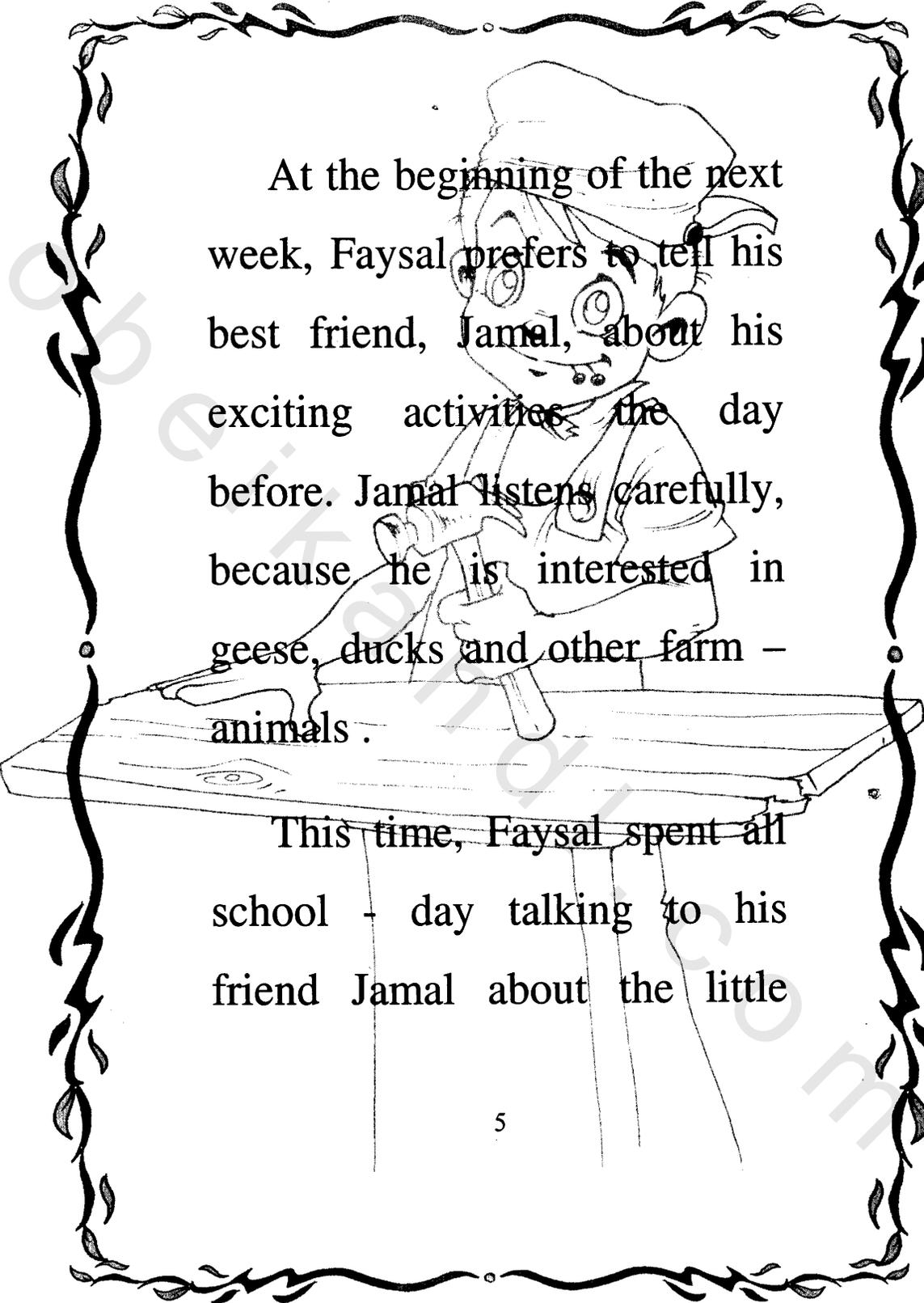
They all play basketball and swim in the small pool in the farm.

Lunch times are very exciting and good fun to everybody.

They usually participate in preparing food in

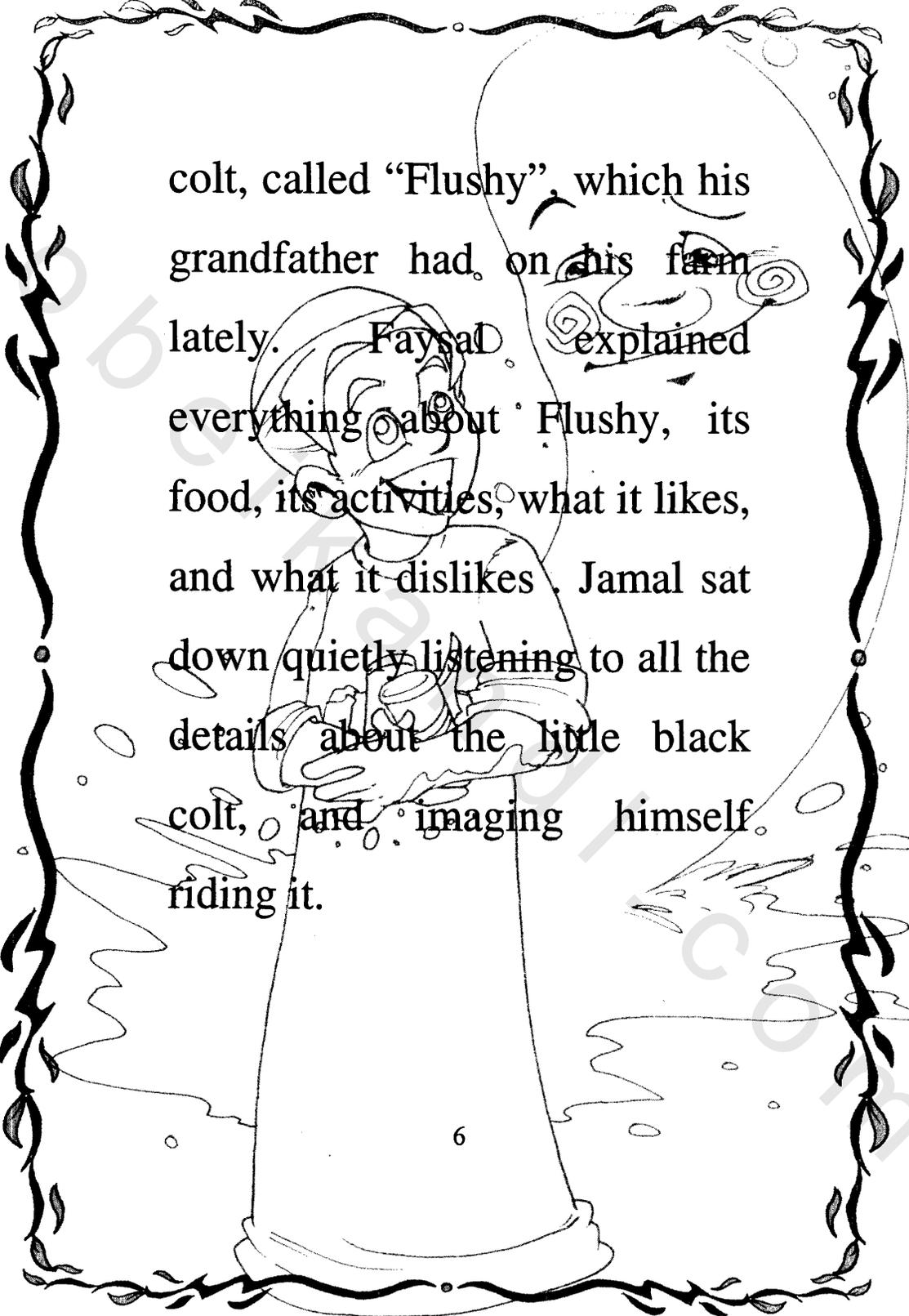
happy groups: laughing, telling jokes, and playing games

during and after food-preparing.

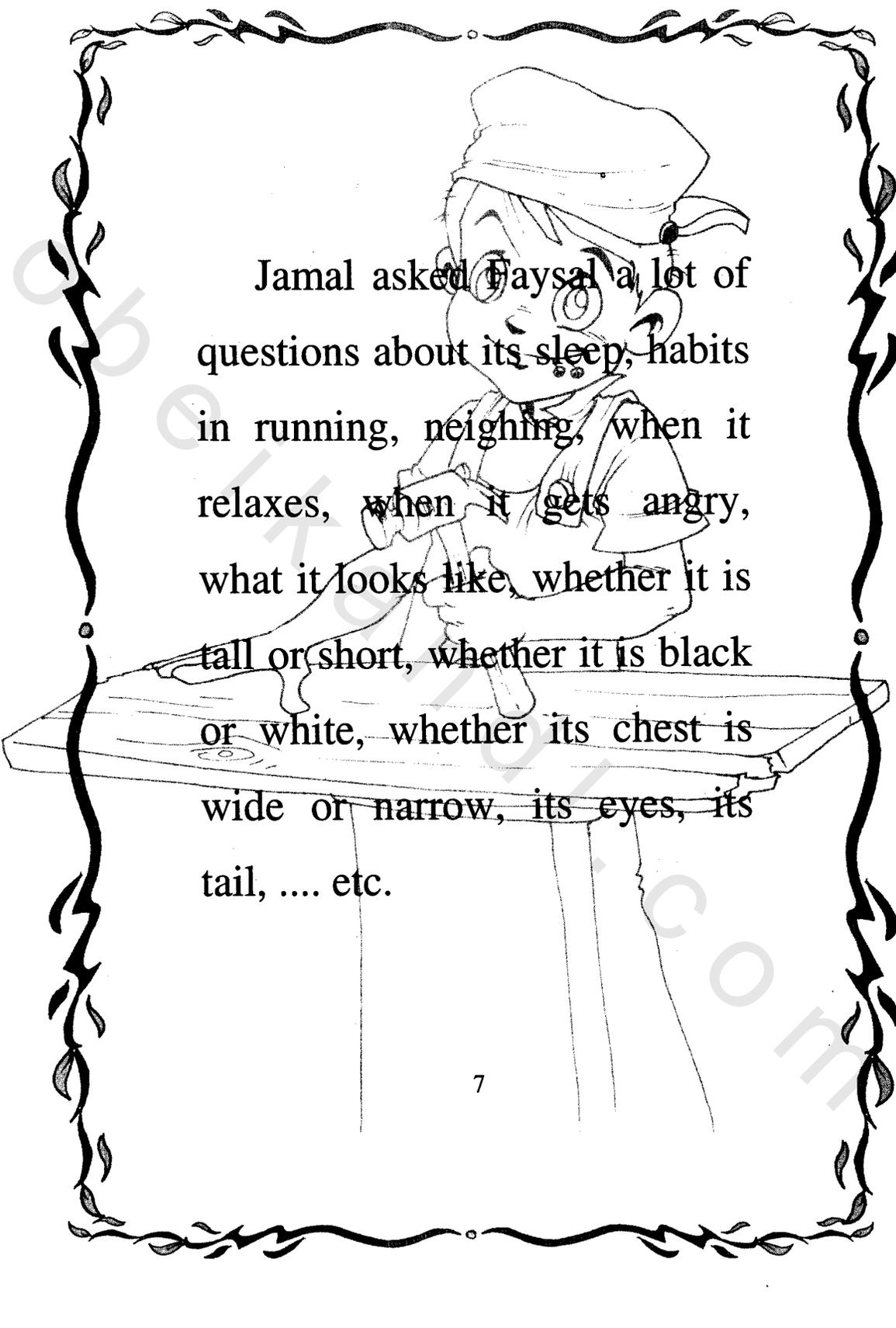


At the beginning of the next week, Faysal prefers to tell his best friend, Jamal, about his exciting activities the day before. Jamal listens carefully, because he is interested in geese, ducks and other farm - animals .

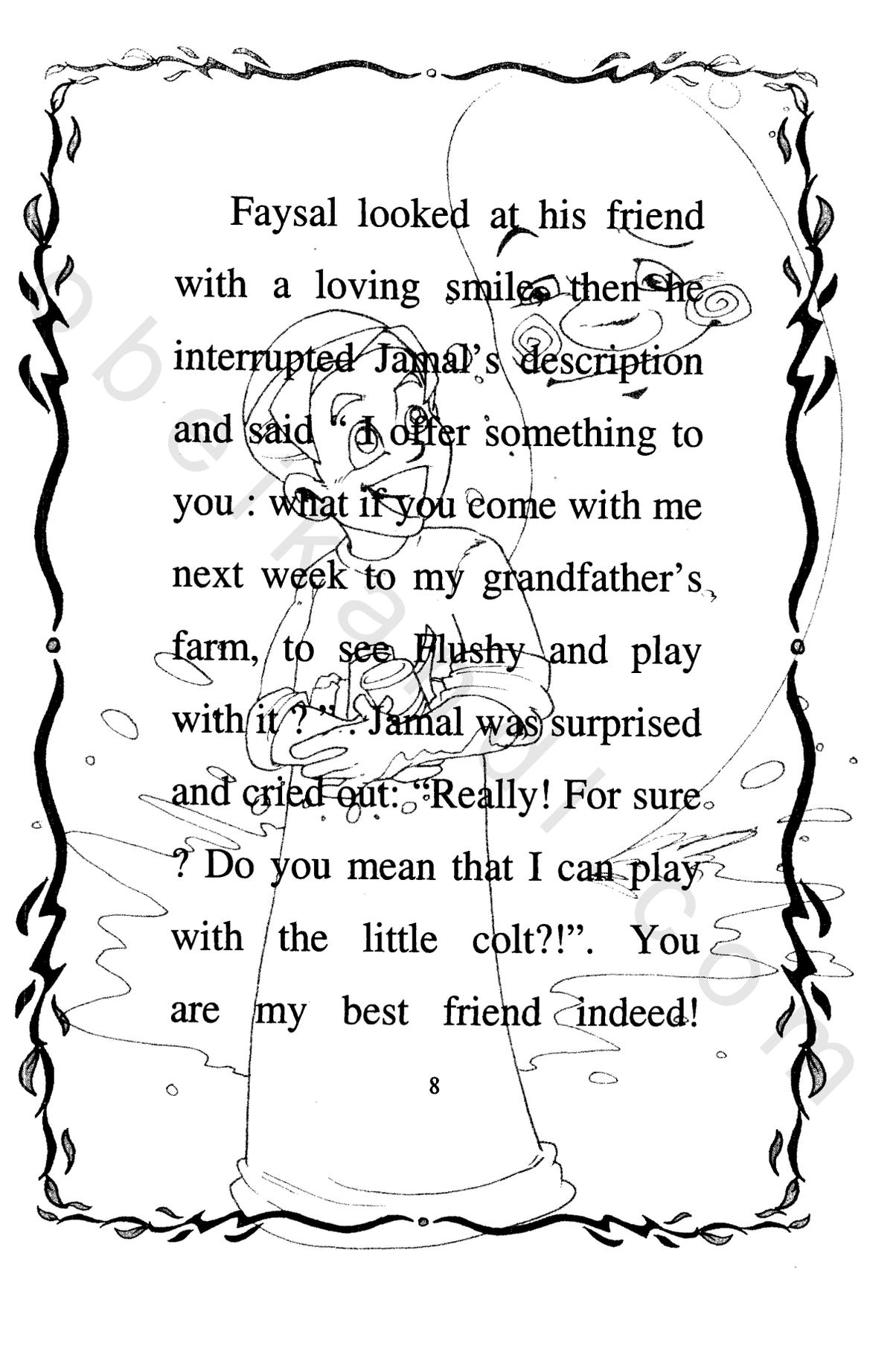
This time, Faysal spent all school - day talking to his friend Jamal about the little



colt, called “Flushy”, which his grandfather had on his farm lately. Faysal explained everything about Flushy, its food, its activities, what it likes, and what it dislikes. Jamal sat down quietly listening to all the details about the little black colt, and imagining himself riding it.



Jamal asked Faysal a lot of questions about its sleep, habits in running, neighing, when it relaxes, when it gets angry, what it looks like, whether it is tall or short, whether it is black or white, whether its chest is wide or narrow, its eyes, its tail, etc.



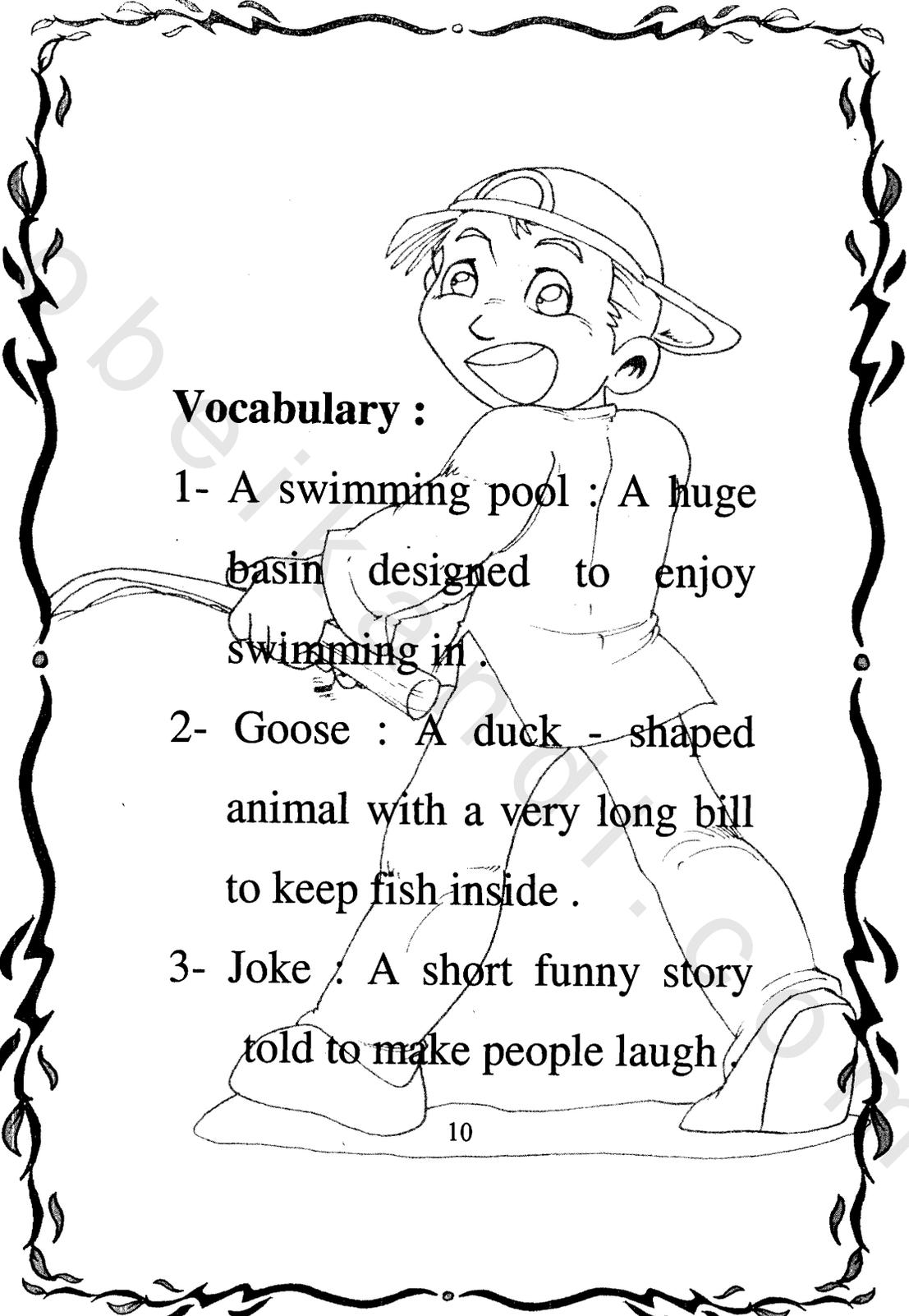
Faysal looked at his friend with a loving smile, then he interrupted Jamal's description and said "I offer something to you : what if you come with me next week to my grandfather's farm, to see Flushy and play with it ?". Jamal was surprised and cried out: "Really! For sure. ? Do you mean that I can play with the little colt?!". You are my best friend indeed!

Thank you very much!"

"You are welcome!" Faysal

replied.





Vocabulary :

1- A swimming pool : A huge basin designed to enjoy swimming in .

2- Goose : A duck - shaped animal with a very long bill to keep fish inside .

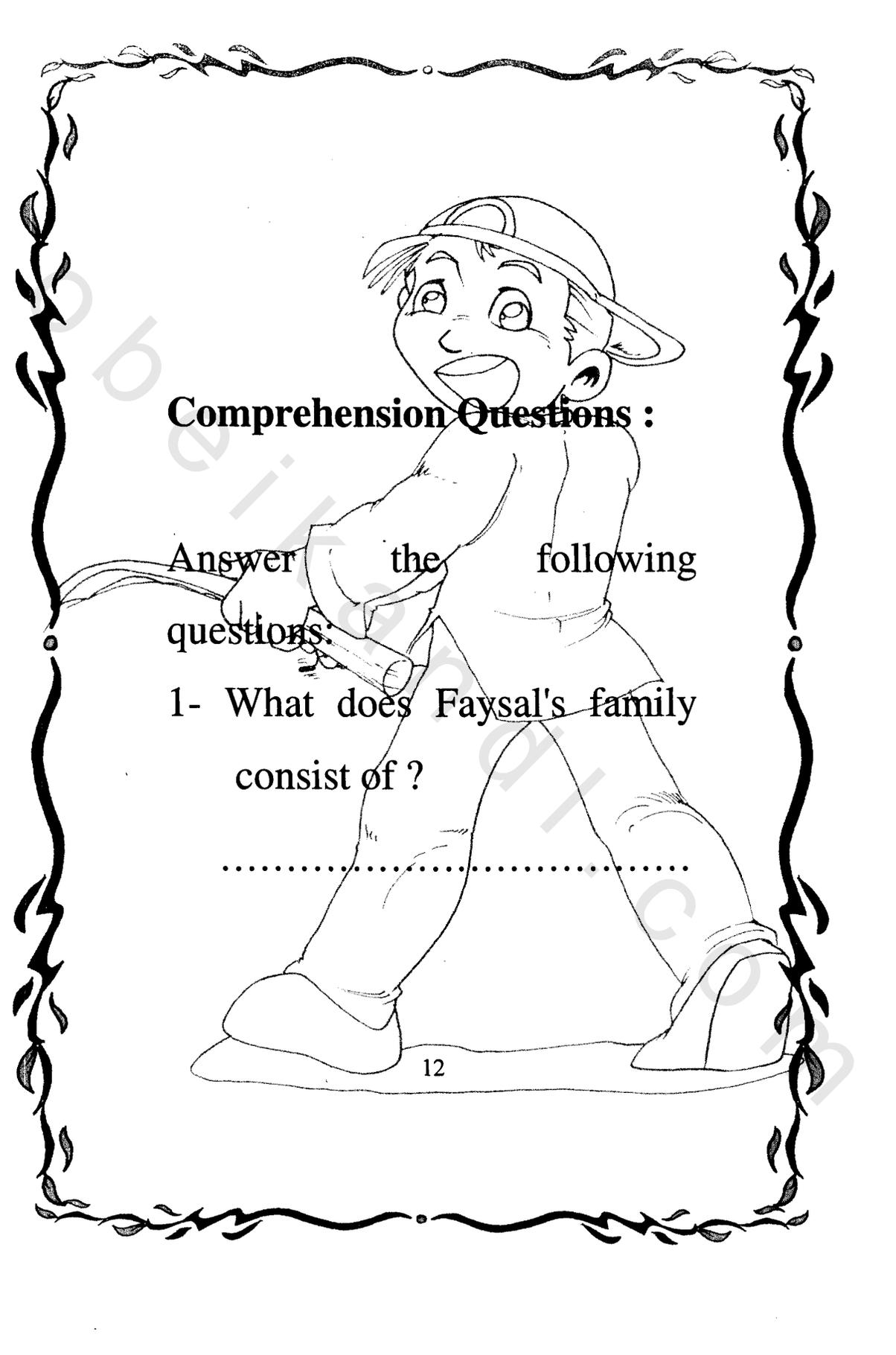
3- Joke : A short funny story told to make people laugh .

4- Grandfather : The father's father .

5- Colt : A little horse .

6- Neigh : The horse's sound .





Comprehension Questions :

Answer the following questions:

1- What does Faysal's family consist of ?

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2- What games did the children use to play at their grandfather's farm ?

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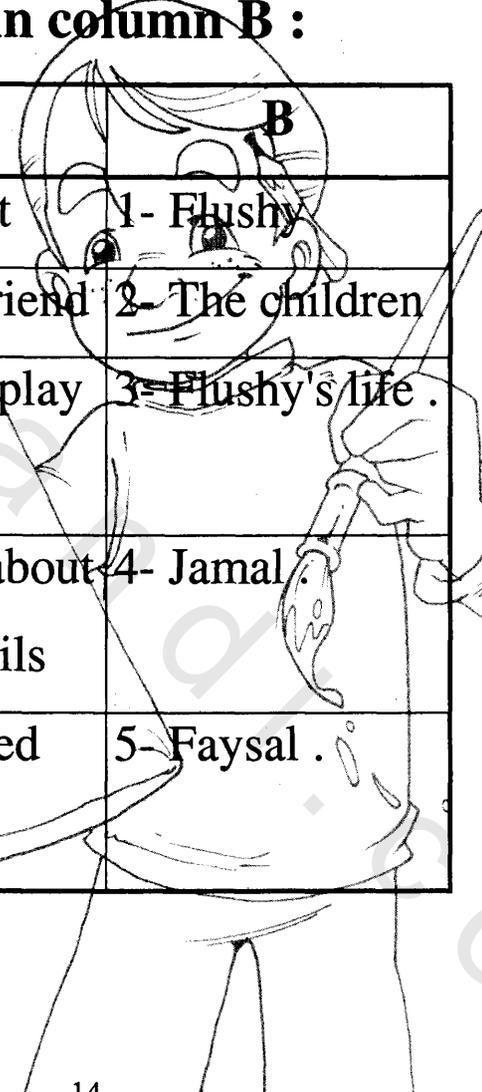
3- What did the grandfather get lately ?

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4- Why does Jamal listen carefully to his friend's story ?

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**Match the words in column A
with those in column B :**



A	B
a) A little colt	1- Flushy
b) The best friend	2- The children
c) Swim and play basketball	3- Flushy's life .
d) He asked about lots of details	4- Jamal .
e) He promised him	5- Faysal .

Writing an assignment :

You may have looked after a little cat any time before . Try to describe that cat in a small paragraph. The following questions may help you :

- 1- What does the cat look like?
- 2- What does it eat ?

3- Did you bathe it occasionally? Describe this experience

4- What happened to that cat ?
Why did you miss it ?