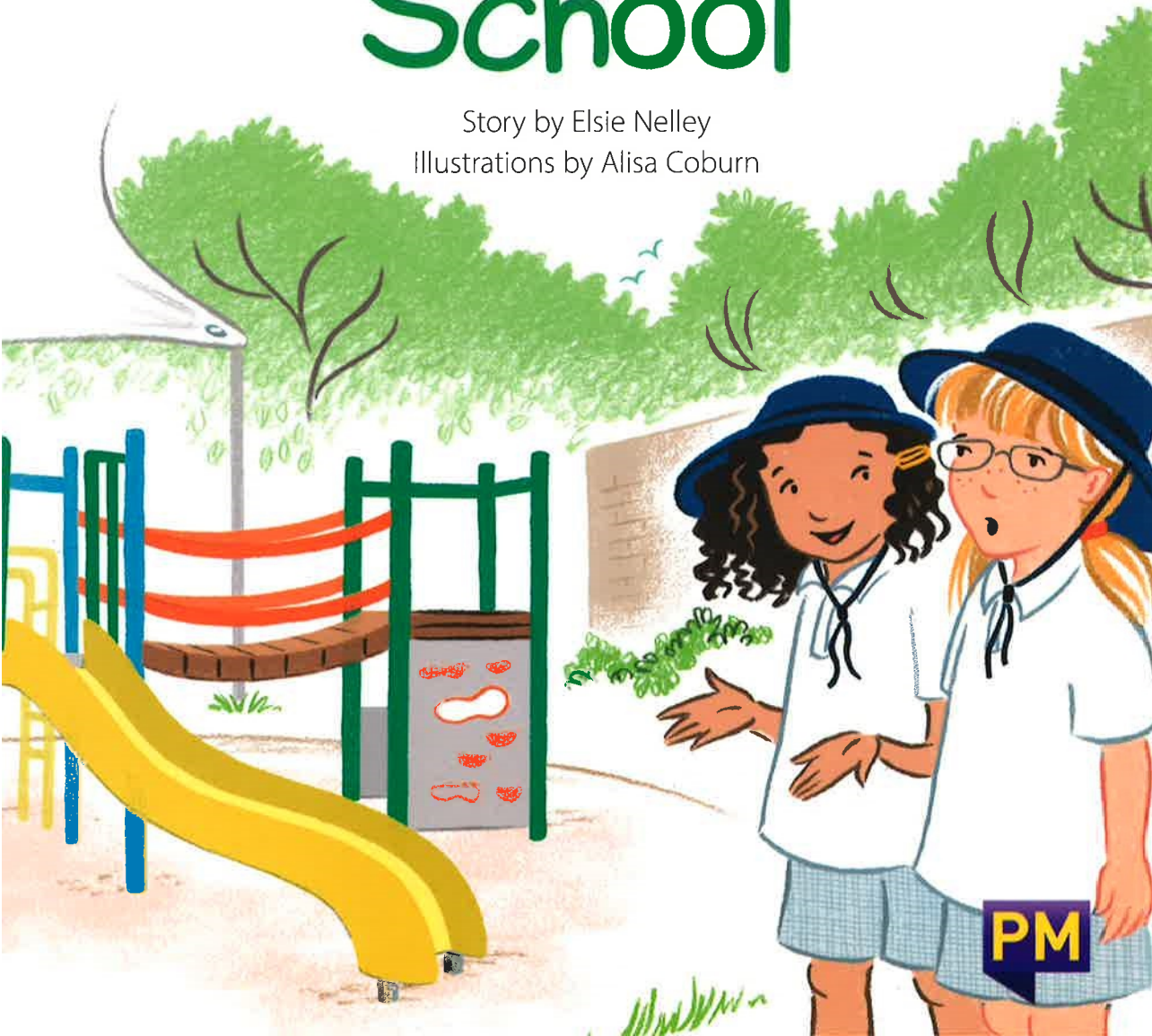
The Country School

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Level 15

Running Words 302 **Text Type** Narrative (Imaginative)

Curriculum Areas Literacy; Humanities

Retelling to encourage critical thinking about the content

Ask each student to retell the story in his or her own words.

Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to reinforce meaning and stimulate discussion

Literal

When did Ella's family move to the country?

Why can't Ella live with her grandma?

Where did Zoë take Ella when they walked around the school?

What is Pet Day?

Inferential

Why did Ms Day ask Zoë to take Ella for a walk around the school?

Why did Ella have a bigger hall at her old school?

Why is Ella going to like this school?

Links with other PM Guided Reading Books and Cards

Level 15	Card	Description	*The New Tractor*
Level 15	Book	Narrative	*The Creek at the Farm*
Level 16	Book	Narrative	*Sleeping at School!*
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On Saturday, Ella and her family moved to the country.

Ella was not happy.



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"All my friends live in the city,"
she said to Dad.

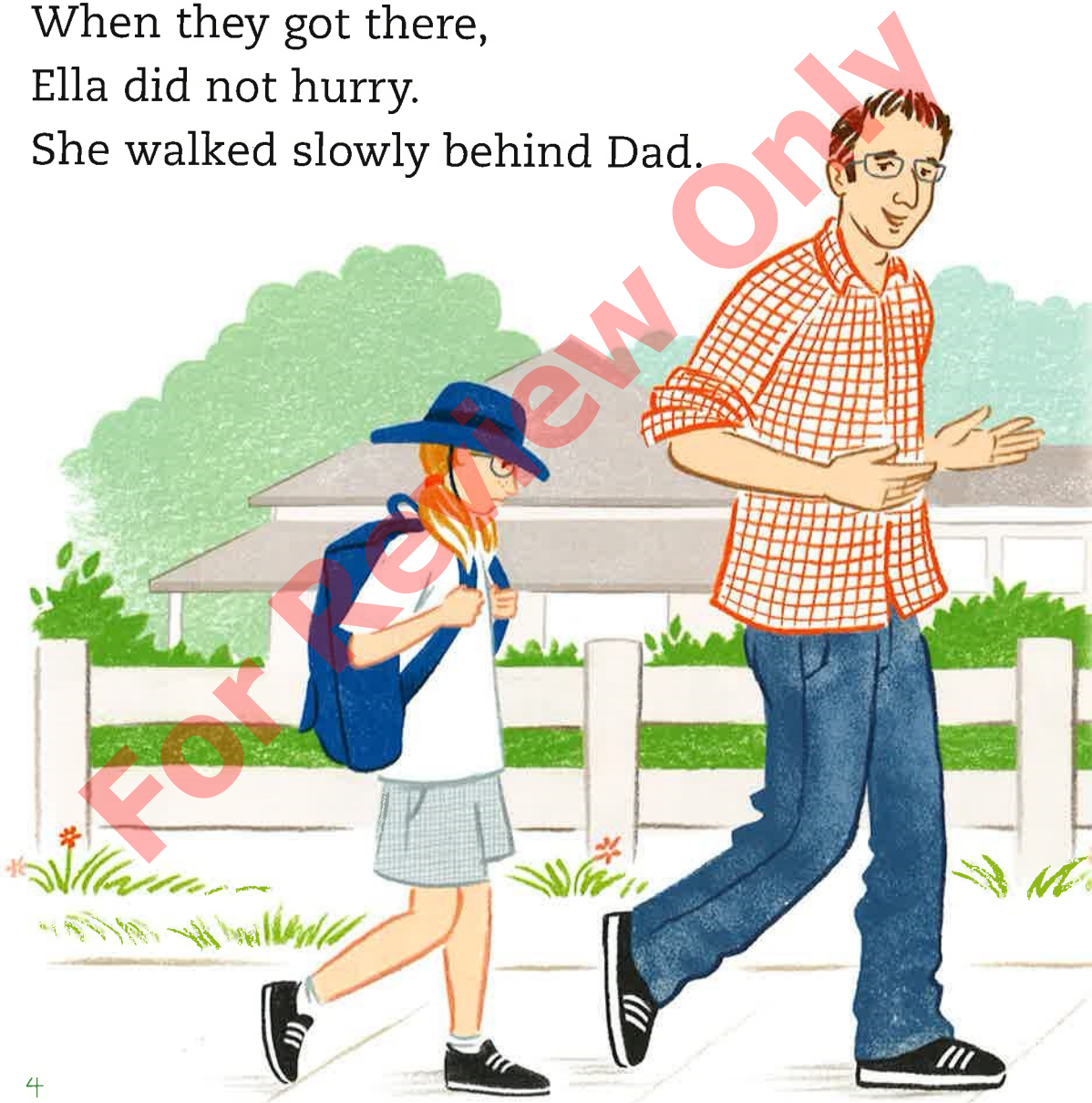
"I won't have any friends to play with here."



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On Monday morning,
Dad took Ella to school in the car.

When they got there,
Ella did not hurry.
She walked slowly behind Dad.



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"I could go and live in the city
with Grandma," she said.

"Oh no, Ella!" said Dad.
"We would miss you too much.
Come on.
Come and meet your teacher."



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"This is Ella," Ms Day told the children. "She is going to be in our class."

Then, Ms Day asked Zoë to take Ella for a walk around the school.

"Take Ella to see the playground and the school hall," said Ms Day. "Show her the library, too."



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