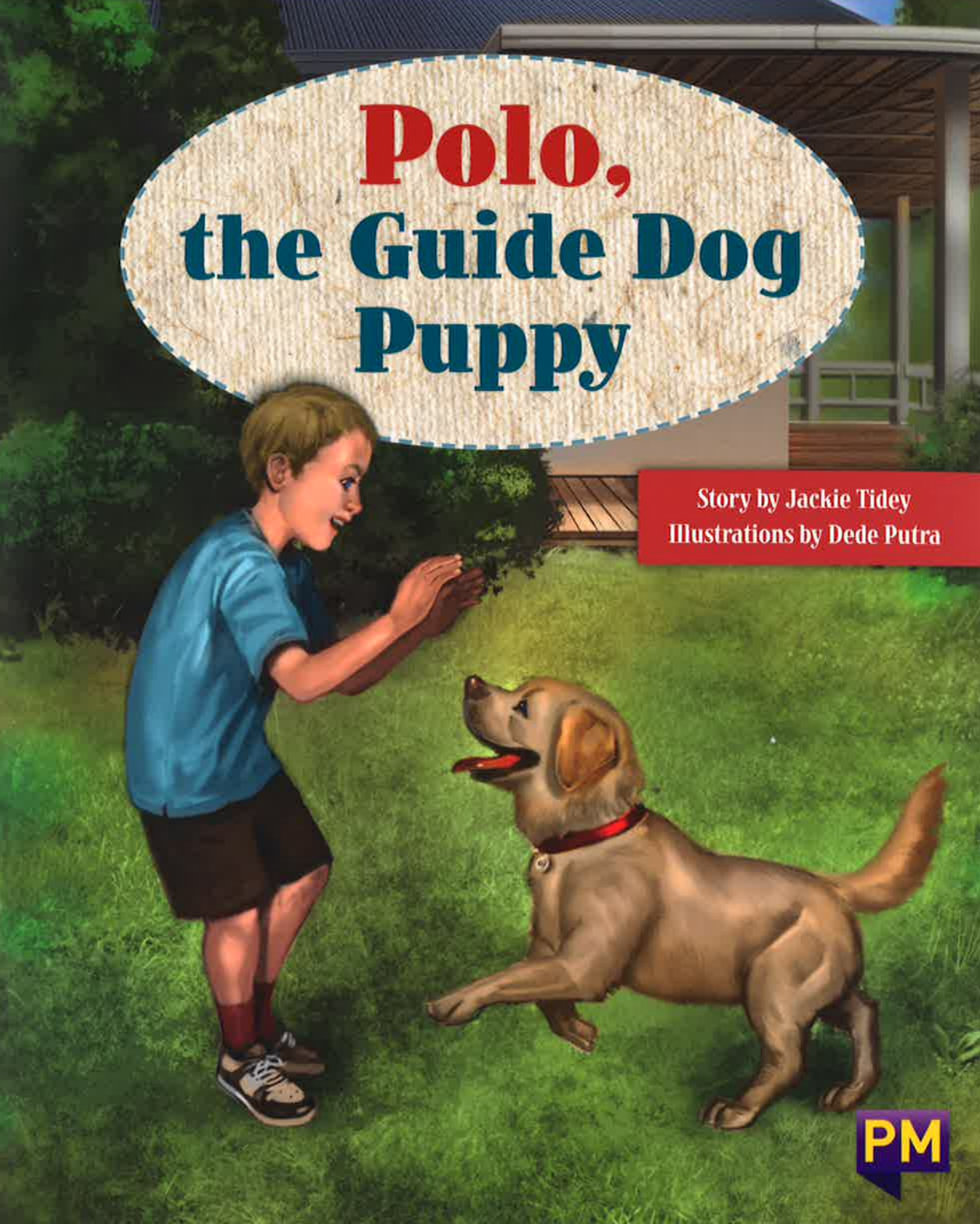

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Running Words 327 **Text Type** Narrative (Imaginative)
Curriculum Areas Literacy; Humanities

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

Why did Archie say that Polo would be a good guide dog?
Why was Archie sad?
What was going to happen to Polo at the Guide Dog School?
What did Mum have in the basket in the back of the car?

Inferential

Why did Archie give Polo a hug?
Where did Mum take Polo?
Why did Dad wash and paint Polo's dog house?

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Chapter 1

Playing with Polo

Archie played with Polo
every day after school.

"Polo always does what I tell him,"
Archie said to Dad.
"He will be a good guide dog one day."

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"Archie," said Dad.
"I had a phone call today
from the Guide Dog School.
On Friday, Polo is going to leave us.
He is ready to be trained as a guide dog."

"Oh, Dad," said Archie.
"I don't want Polo to go away from here."

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"Polo has a big job to do," said Dad.
"At the Guide Dog School
he will do more training.
Then he will be ready
to live with someone who cannot see.
Polo will be a big help every day."

"Polo will be very good at that,"
said Archie.

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