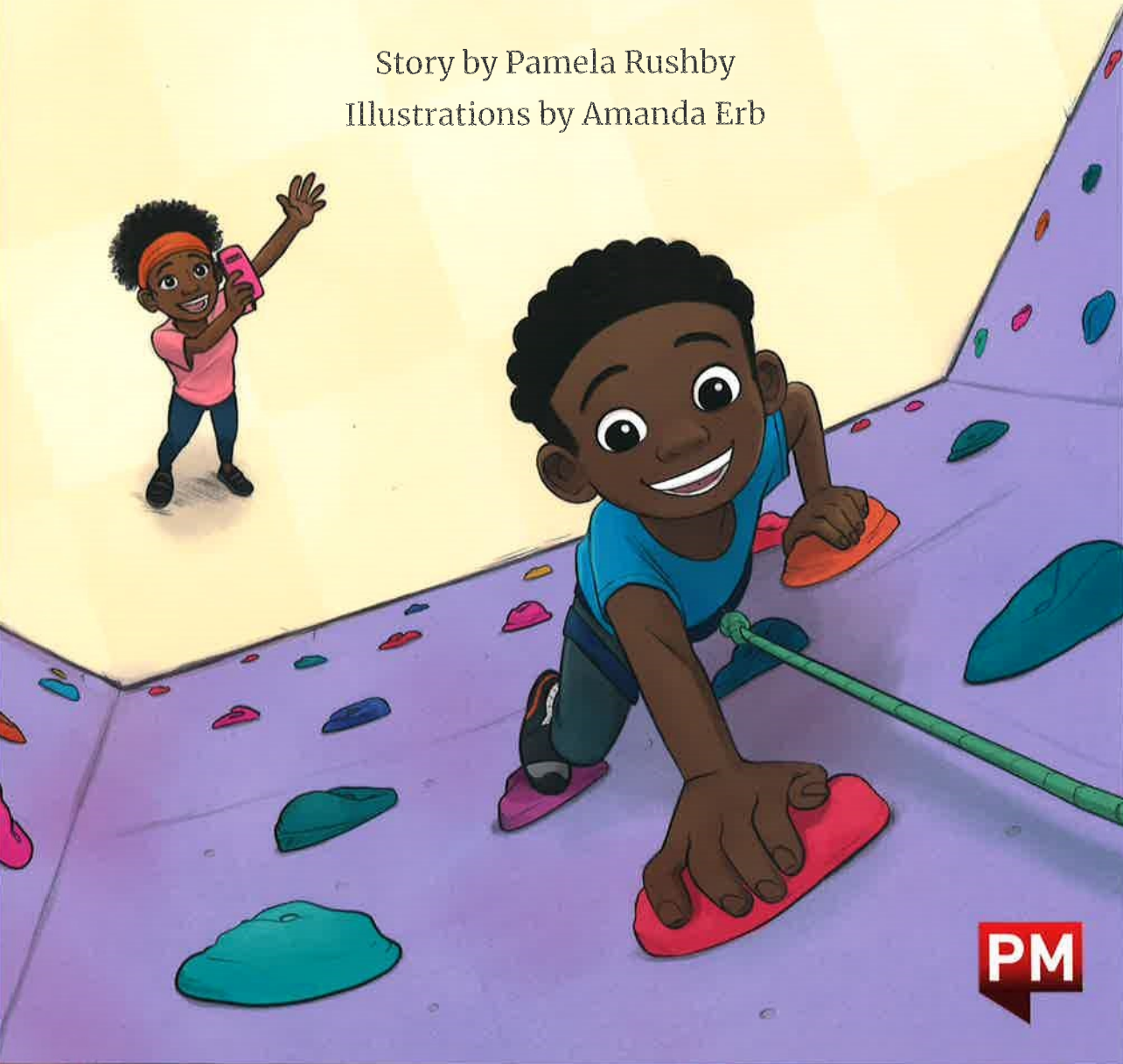


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Level 19

Running Words 527 **Text Type** Narrative

Curriculum Areas English (Literacy, Literature, Language); Health and Physical Education; Humanities (Civics and Citizenship)

Retelling to Encourage Critical Thinking About the Content

Ask each student to retell the story in their own words.

Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to Reinforce Meaning and Stimulate Discussion

Literal

- 1 What is indoor rock climbing?
- 2 Why did Dad say Oscar could ask just three friends to an indoor rock-climbing party?
- 3 How many friends did Oscar have at his party?

Inferential

- 4 Are there real rocks on the walls at an indoor rock-climbing place?
- 5 Why didn't Oscar want to choose just three friends?
- 6 Who helped Oscar to solve the problem in this story? How?
- 7 What are some examples of 'party food'?
- 8 Why wasn't Oscar scared to climb to the top of the wall?

Applied Knowledge

- 9 Why might it cost a lot of money to have an indoor rock-climbing party?
- 10 Why do you think Oscar had so many friends?

Links with Other PM Guided Reading Books

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Chapter 1

Indoor Rock Climbing

Oscar's big sister, Georgia, was very excited.

"I'm going indoor rock climbing today!" she said.

"What is indoor rock climbing?" asked Oscar.

"It's a sport that is done inside a big building," said Georgia.

"There are some high climbing walls.

On the walls, there are places to put your hands and feet. You climb up and try to reach the top."

"Won't you be scared?" asked Oscar.

"I don't know," said Georgia.

"I'll tell you all about it when I get home."



As soon as Georgia arrived home,
Oscar asked her about indoor rock climbing.

“It was so much fun!” Georgia said.
“I climbed to the top of the wall!”

She showed Oscar some photos on her phone.



“I’d like to do that!” said Oscar.

“But the wall looks very high.”

“There are some smaller walls for younger children,” said Georgia.

“And people even have birthday parties there!”

“Really?” said Oscar. “That sounds like fun.”



Chapter 2

Just Three Friends

Oscar's birthday was in two weeks.

He had an idea.

"Mum, Dad," he said. "Could I please have an indoor rock-climbing party for my birthday?"

"Let's find out more about it," said Mum.

Dad looked at the rock-climbing web page on his laptop.

"It costs quite a lot of money to go rock climbing," he said.

"So, I think you could ask just three friends."

