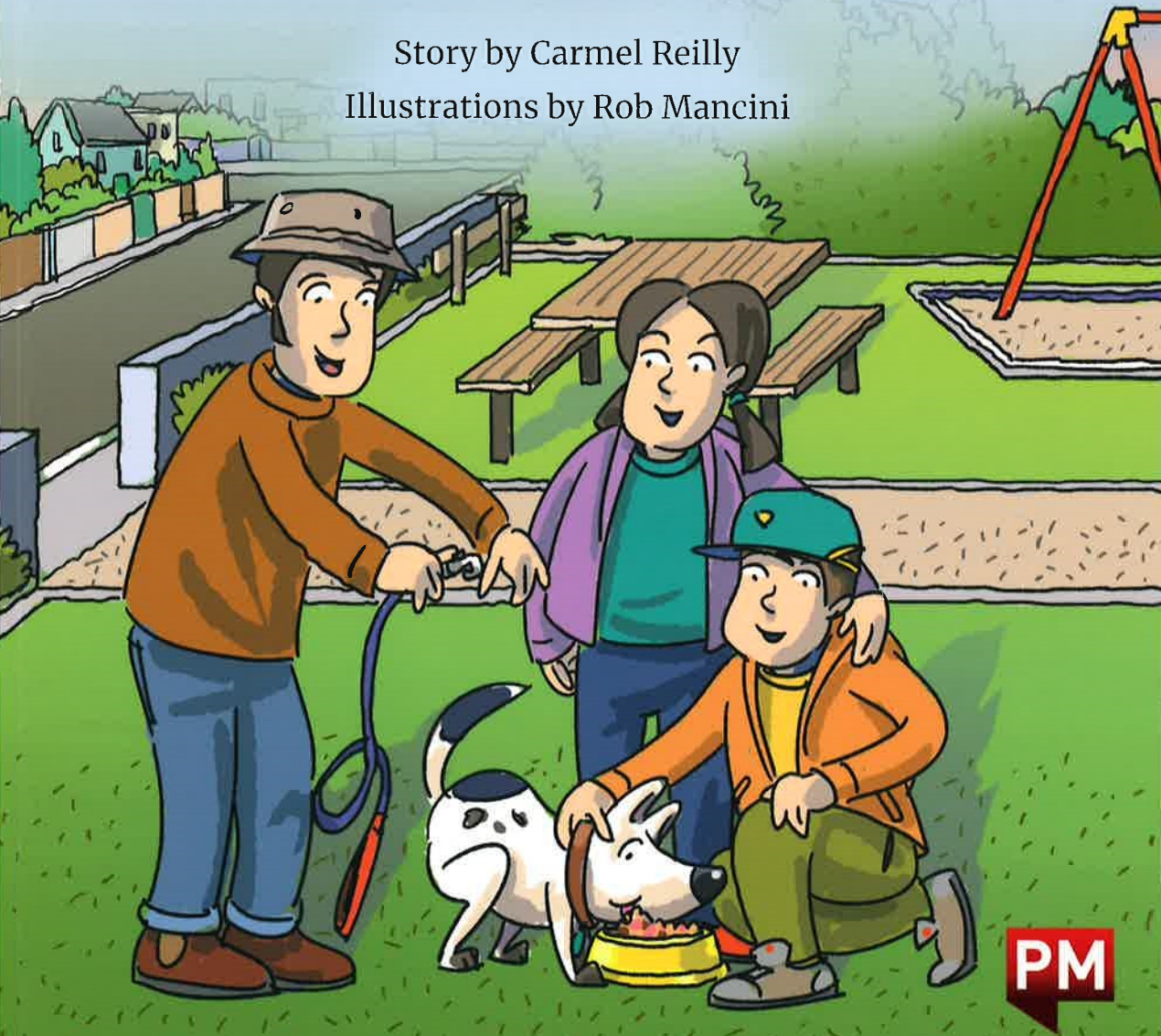


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Running Words 544 Text Type Narrative

Curriculum Areas English (Literacy, Literature, Language); Humanities (Civics and Citizenship); Science (Biological Sciences)

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 Where was Ruff when Kayla, Joe and Dad went to Emma's house?
- 2 Where in the park did Ruff go so the children couldn't catch him?
- 3 What did Kayla do to catch Ruff?

Inferential

- 4 Why was Ruff so excited when the family went into Emma's house?
- 5 How would spreading out help the family to catch Ruff?
- 6 Why did Kayla knock on the side of Ruff's bowl with her hand?
- 7 Why did Joe grip Ruff's collar before Dad put on Ruff's lead?
- 8 Why did Ruff go straight to sleep when he got back to Emma's house?

Applied Knowledge

- 9 What else could the family have done to catch Ruff?
- 10 What does this story tell you about caring for a pet dog?

Links with Other PM Guided Reading Books

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Level 19	Narrative	<i>A Dog Called Bear</i>
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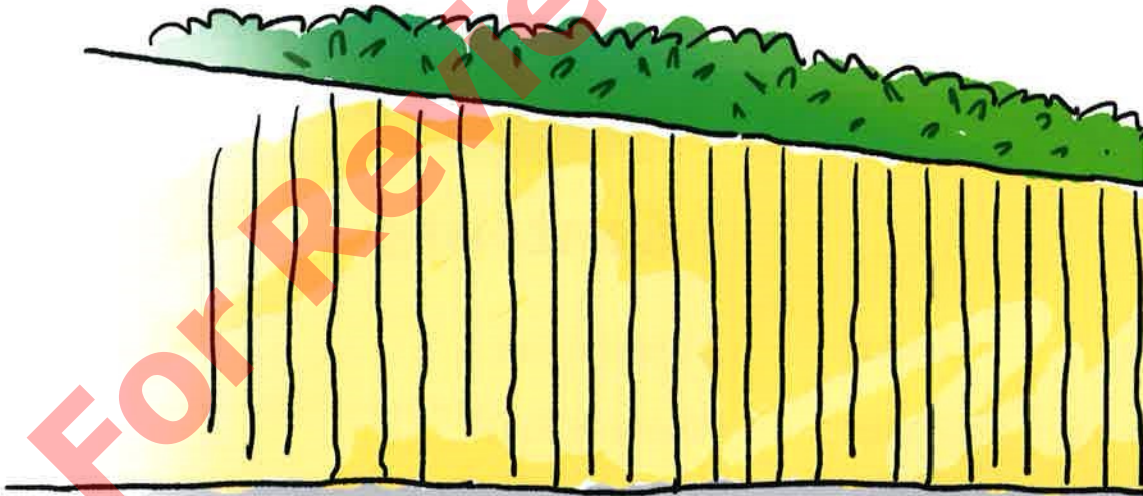
A Special Job

Kayla and Joe were feeling excited.

Today, they had a special job to do.

Emma from next door had to go away for the night.

She had asked Kayla and Joe to go to her house and feed her little dog, Ruff.

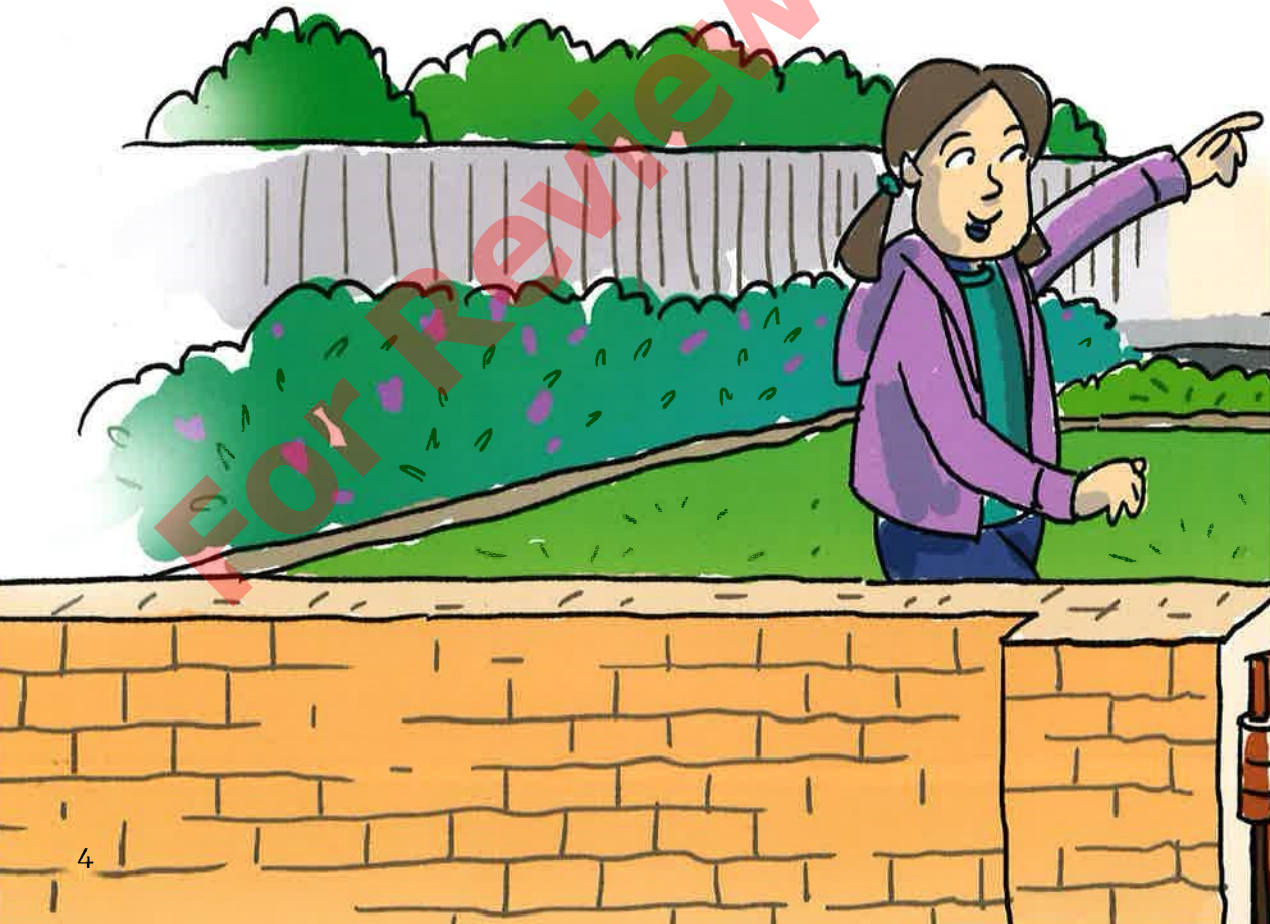




Just before dinner time,
Kayla, Joe and Dad went next door.
As they came through the front gate,
they saw Ruff's face appear in the window.
He started to bark.

“Look at Ruff!” said Kayla.

“He is really excited to see us!” said Joe.





“It’s time for your dinner,” said Kayla to Ruff,
as they went inside.

She bent down to give the dog a pat,
but he was too excited to sit still.

He barked and ran around Kayla and Joe.

Then, he ran past Dad and sped straight out the front door!



