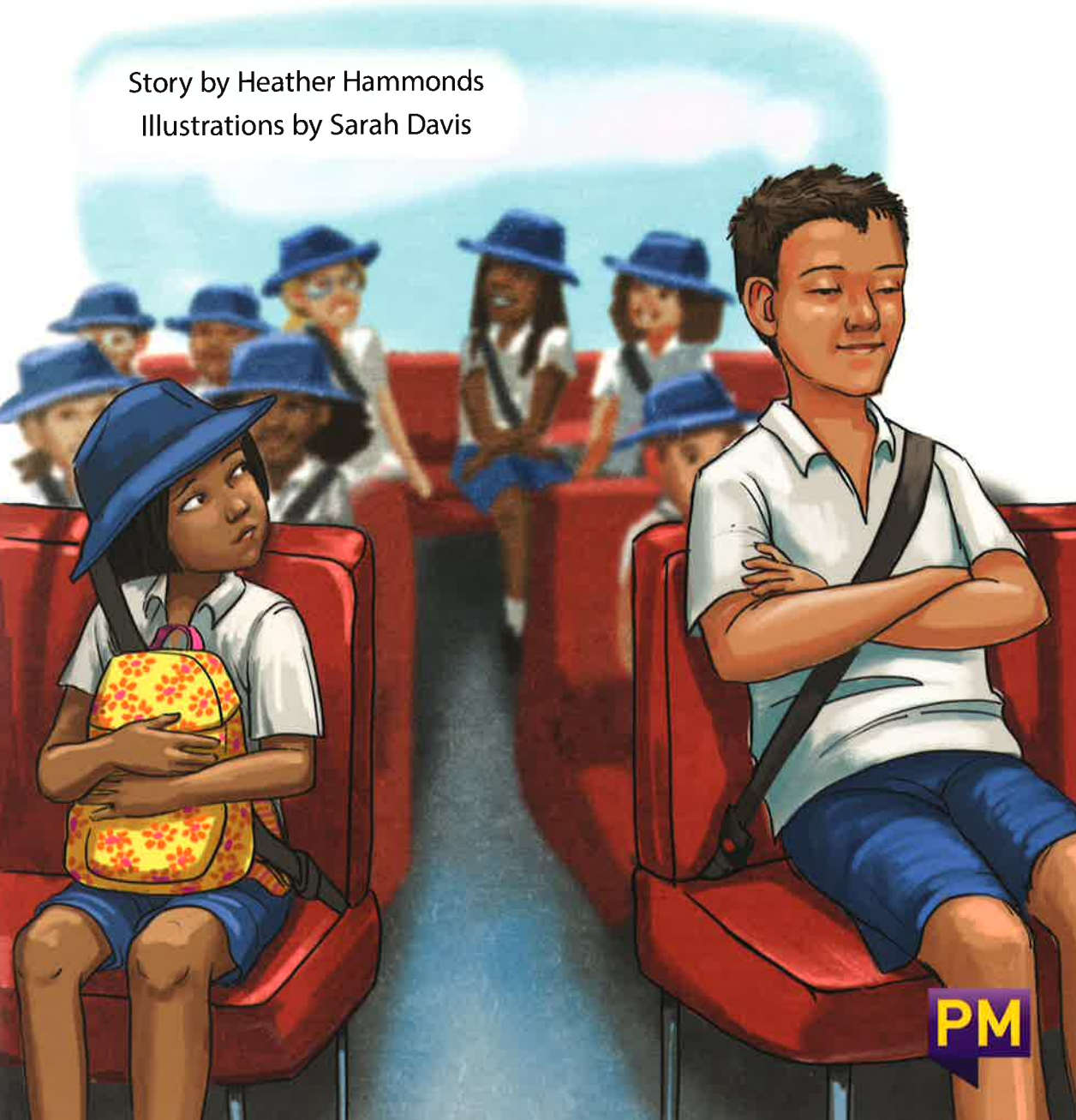
# Mai's Bus Ride

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**Level** 17

**Running Words** 366 **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

How did Rose know Mai?

Why did Rose sit at the back of the bus?

Why did Rose tell Mai to sit in the empty seat?

Why did Mai hope they were on the right bus?

Inferential

Why was Mai scared when she saw the big boy at the bus stop?

Why were Mai's hands shaking when she took the book from her bag?

Why did the big boy ask Mai if she was all right?

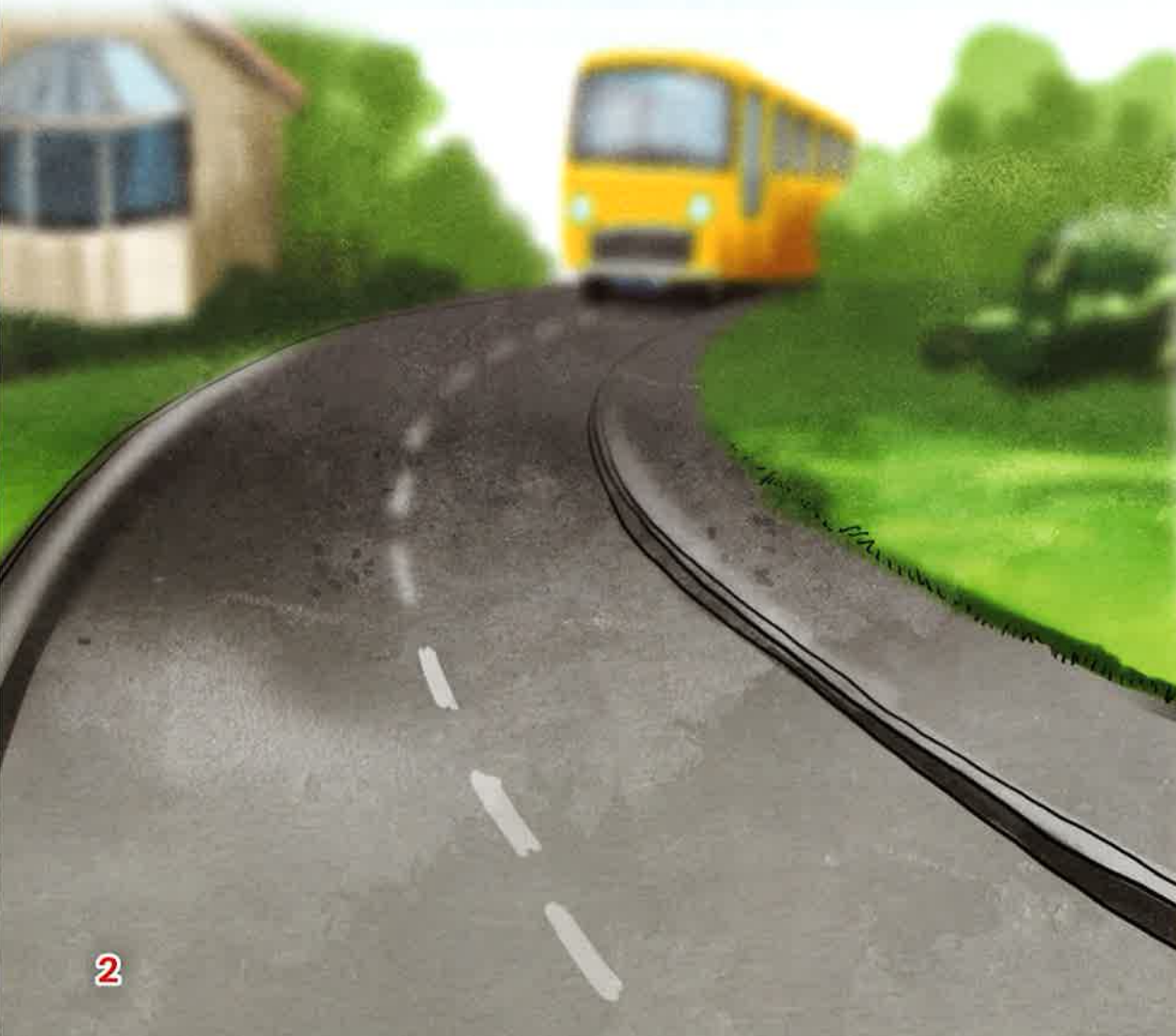
How did Rose feel when Thomas told her that Mai was scared? Why?

### Links with other PM Guided Reading Books and Cards

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| Level 17 | Card | Information Report | *Buses* |
| Level 17 | Book | Narrative | *What a Day!* |
| Level 18 | Book | Narrative | *Miss Higgs Starts School* |
| Level 18 | Card | Recount | *A Big Morning* |
| Level 18 | Book | Narrative | *The Class Slide Show* |

Mai and Rose were at the bus stop.
They were waiting for the school bus.

"I wish my mum could take me to school," said Mai.



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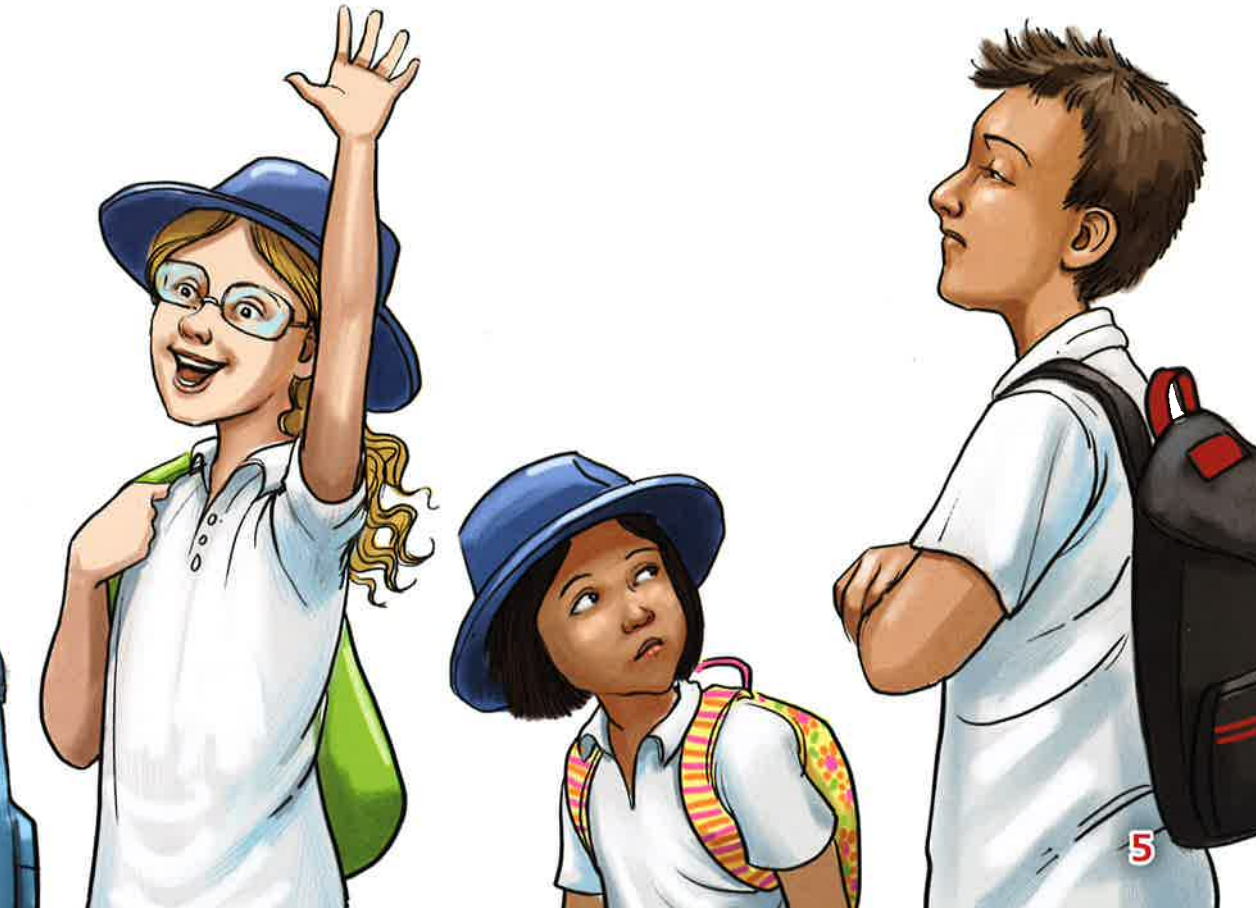
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Mai didn't want to go on the bus.
She felt scared.
When the bus stopped at the bus stop,
Rose and Mai and some other children got on.

A big boy got on, too.
Mai had never seen him before.





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Rose saw her friends at the back of the bus.
"You can sit here in this empty seat,"
Rose said to Mai.
"I will go and sit with my friends.
You can't sit with us
because you are too young.
Only the big children
can sit at the back of the bus."

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Then, the big boy sat down in a seat across from Mai.

