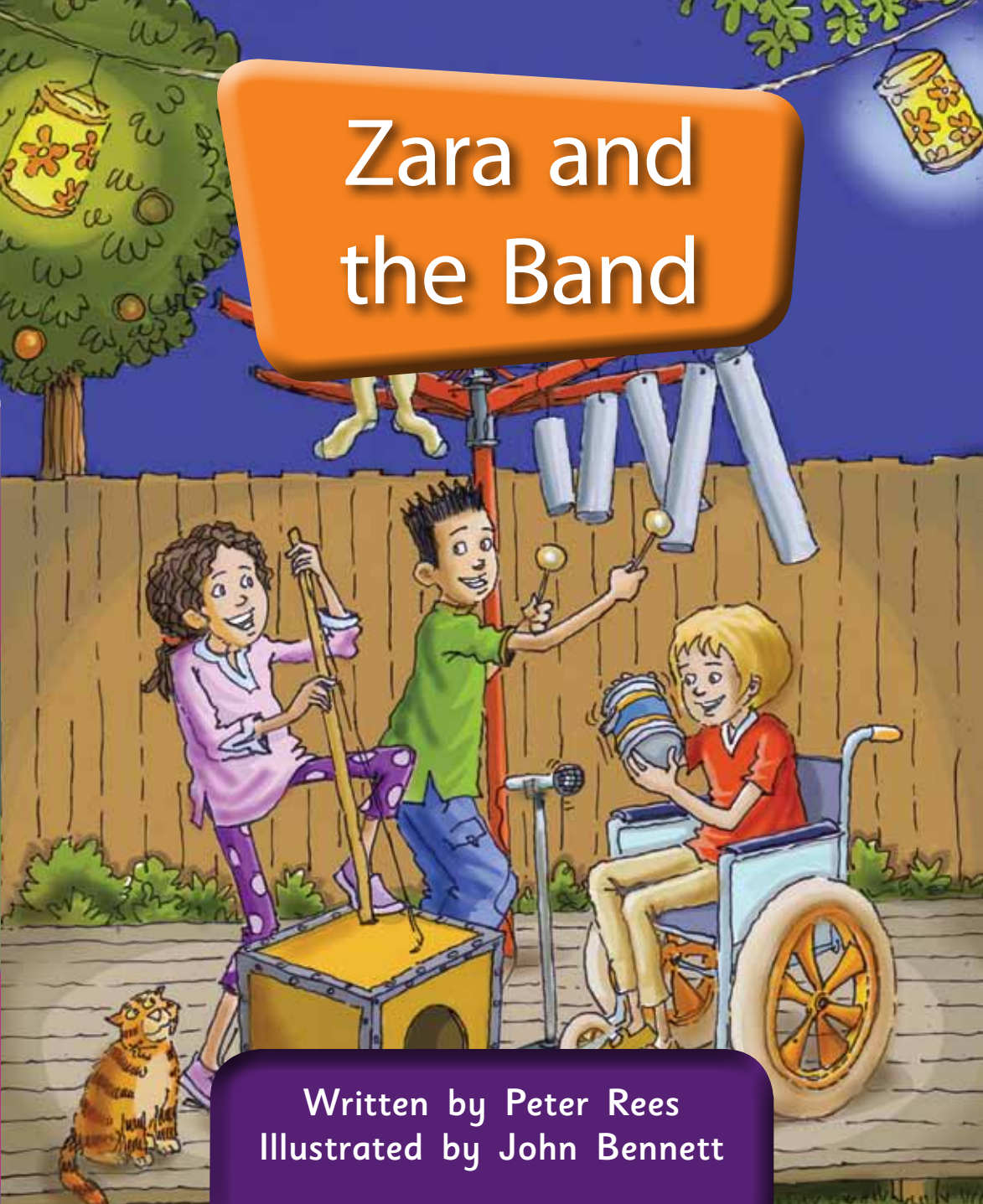

Zara and the Band
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Zara came home from school
with the best news ever.
She and her friends thought
they would start a band.
They wanted to put on a show
for their family and friends.
Zara was happy,
but then she thought
of something.
They had no instruments!



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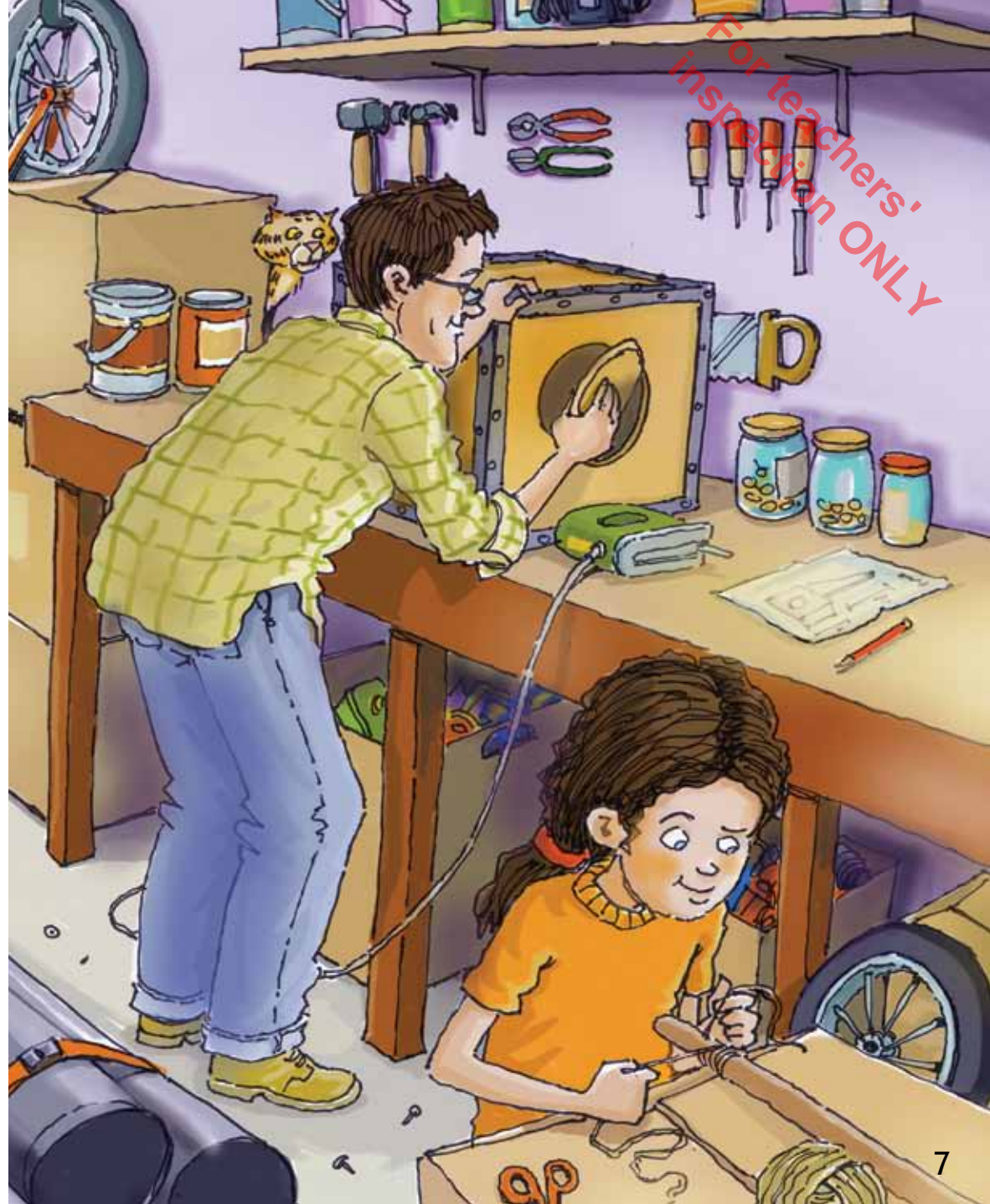
Later, Zara and her dad
looked in the garage.
It was full of junk.
Zara thought there was nothing
there she could ever use
to make music.
Then, she banged a metal pipe.
The pipe made a loud sound.
It made her happy.
Dad told Zara that hollow things
make the best instruments ever.



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Then, Dad thought of something.
"I have the best idea ever!"
he said.

Dad found a big box,
a broom handle,
and some string.
He cut the broom handle
and cut a hole in the box.
Then, Zara tied one end
of the string
to the broom handle
and the other end to the box.



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