

Basketball

Level
3

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Hi, everyone! I'm Joey the Kangaroo, and this is my friend Patty. Think you can beat us at basketball?



“What are you going to do today?”
asks Joey.

“I’m going to play basketball,”
says Patty.

“Great! I’m going to play with you!”
says Joey.



SPEAK

Do you think Patty
likes to play sports?
How do you know?

“But the basket is very high, and you’re too short,” says Patty.
“I can jump high,” says Joey.





“Sorry, Joey,” says Patty.

“Basketball isn’t an easy game.”

“It’s OK,” says Joey. “Have a great time.”

“Thanks,” says Patty. “I’m going. Bye!”



LOOK

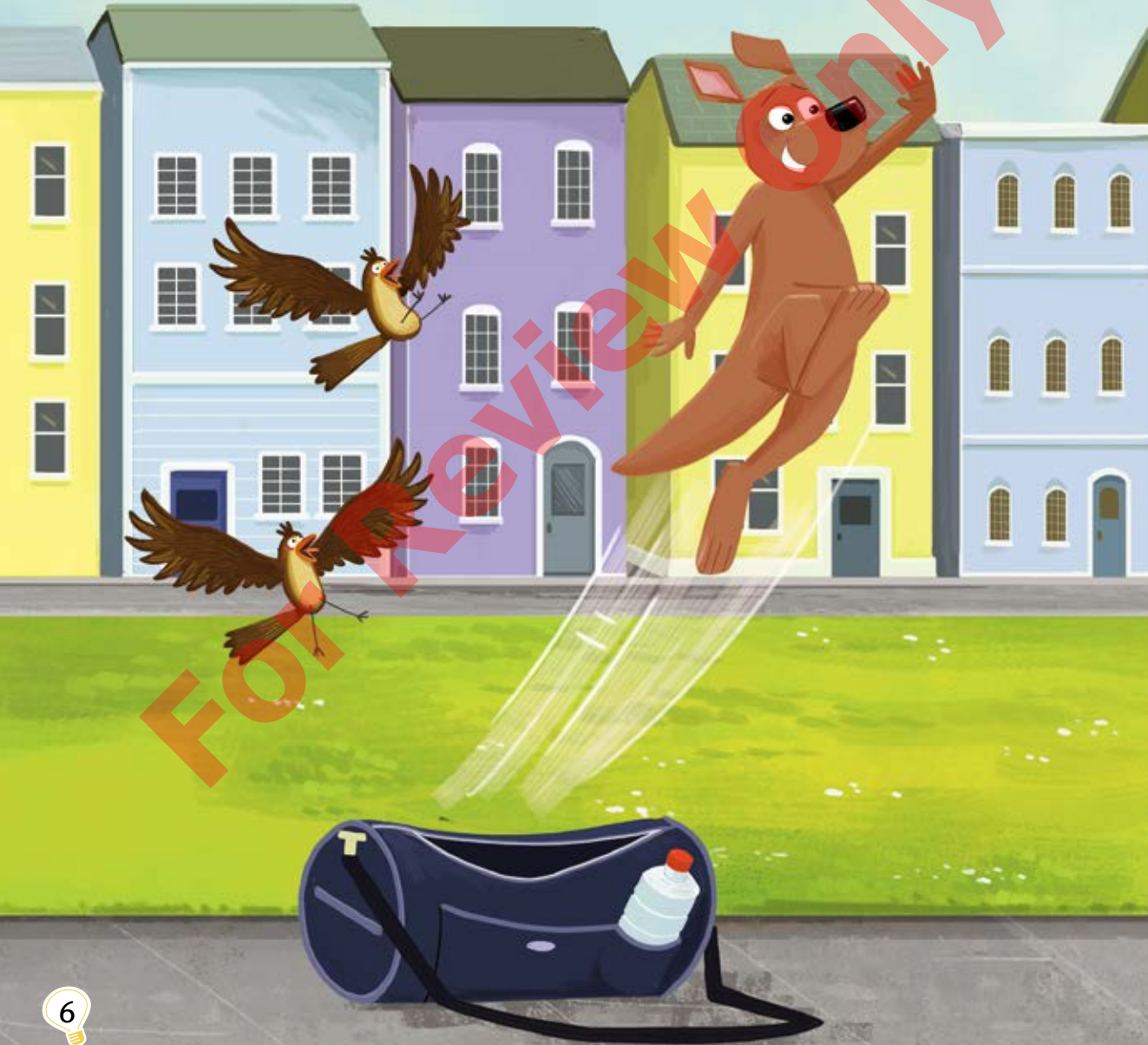
What is Joey doing?
Why is he doing this?

“Don’t forget your basketball,” says Joey.
Patty turns around and picks up her
basketball.





“Wow!” says Patty. “My bag is so heavy. Let me put it down for a bit.”
“Surprise! It’s me!” shouts Joey.
“I’m going to play basketball, too!”



“Do you think your bag is heavy now?” asks Joey.

“No, I think it’s light again,” laughs Patty.



THINK

Does Patty look angry because Joey was hiding in her bag? How do you know?



Basketballs!

A North American PE teacher invented the game of basketball in 1891.

Back then, people just used a soccer ball to play. The first basketballs were made from leather 3 years later.





Today, official NBA balls weigh 624 grams and bounce 124~137 centimeters high when dropped from 1.83 meters. At one basketball factory in Jalandhar, India, they make a new basketball every 3 seconds!

1. Circle the differences between Picture A and B, and then practice speaking with a friend.

A



In picture A, they are playing basketball.

DIY Mini Basketball Hoop

You will need:



a piece of cardboard



a red marker



**waste paper
rolled into balls**



a fruit foam net



a paper bowl



insulation tape

1. Cut the cardboard into a rectangle (the one in the picture is about 26 x 17 cm). Use the red marker to draw a rectangle in the center of the board.

