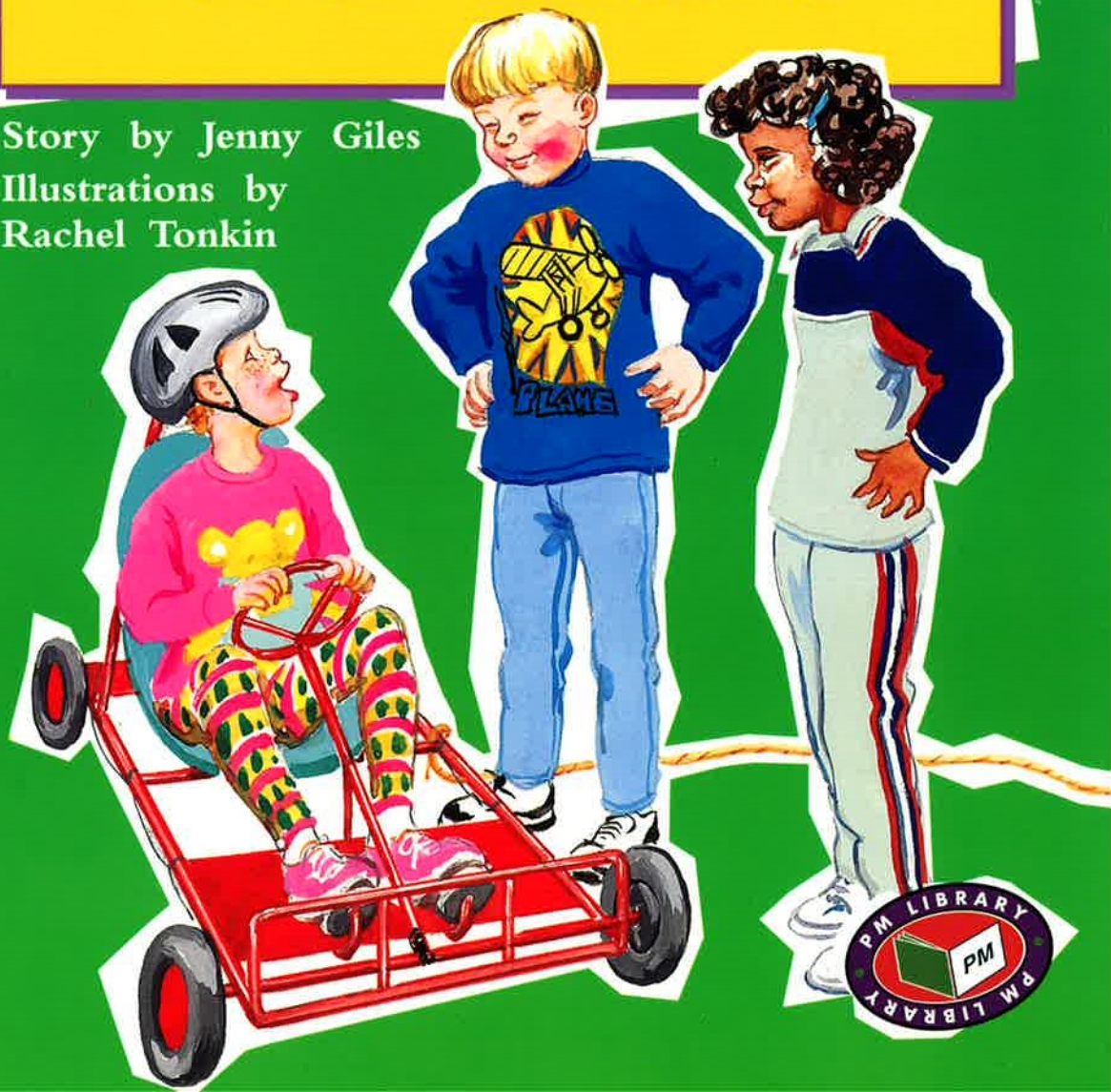
Luke's Go-Kart

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Luke and Andrew listened carefully as Miss Bell talked to the class about motors and engines.

"Most of the machines that we use around our homes have a motor which makes them work," she said, "and we're going to list some of them."

Kylie put her hand up.
"Our washing machine has a motor," she said.

"And so has our fridge," said Zoë.

"We've got a motor mower," said Megan.

Luke smiled.
"We've got a new motor mower," he said, "and my dad has made our old one into a go-kart for me."

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Everyone turned to look at Luke.

"Have you really got your own go-kart?" asked Megan. "With a **motor** in it?"

"Can you drive it, Luke?" asked Kylie.

"Yes," said Luke. "It doesn't go very fast, but I can drive it around the backyard. My dad holds onto it with a long rope."



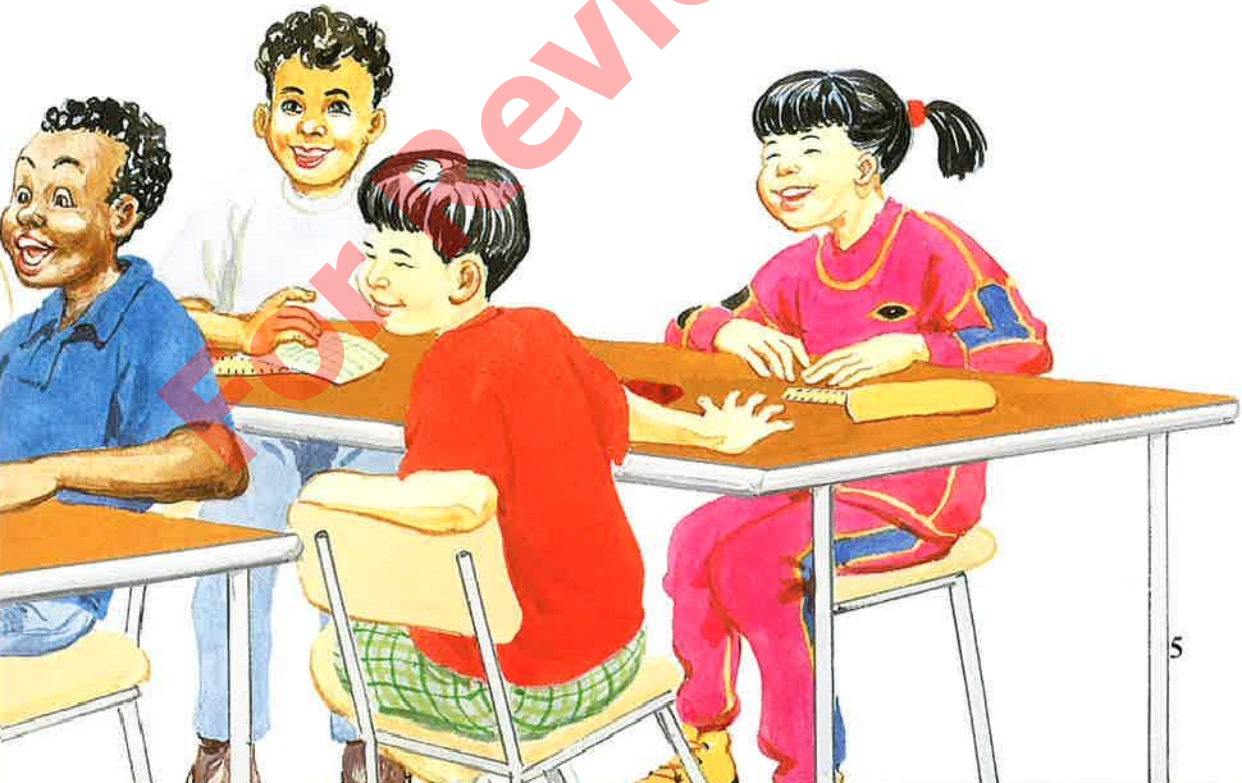
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"It's a great go-kart," said Andrew.
"His dad pulls a cord to make the motor start. I've had a ride in it."

"Oh, I'd love to have a ride!" said Megan.

"So would I!" said Zoë and Kylie together.

"Yes, Luke," said the children.
"Can we see your go-kart?"



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"I have an idea," said Miss Bell.
"As you know, our School Fair
is being held this Saturday.
Luke, do you think your father
would bring the go-kart to the fair?
Then we could see how the motor works,
and some of the children
might be able to have a ride."

"I'll ask my dad tonight," said Luke.



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When Luke and Andrew arrived at school
the next morning, they ran to see Miss Bell.
"Dad says he'll bring my go-kart
to the School Fair," said Luke.
"He'll bring a helmet and a rope, too,
so that everyone can have a ride."

"Hurray!" shouted the children.

"That's good," said Miss Bell.
"I'll talk to your mum and dad about it later."

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