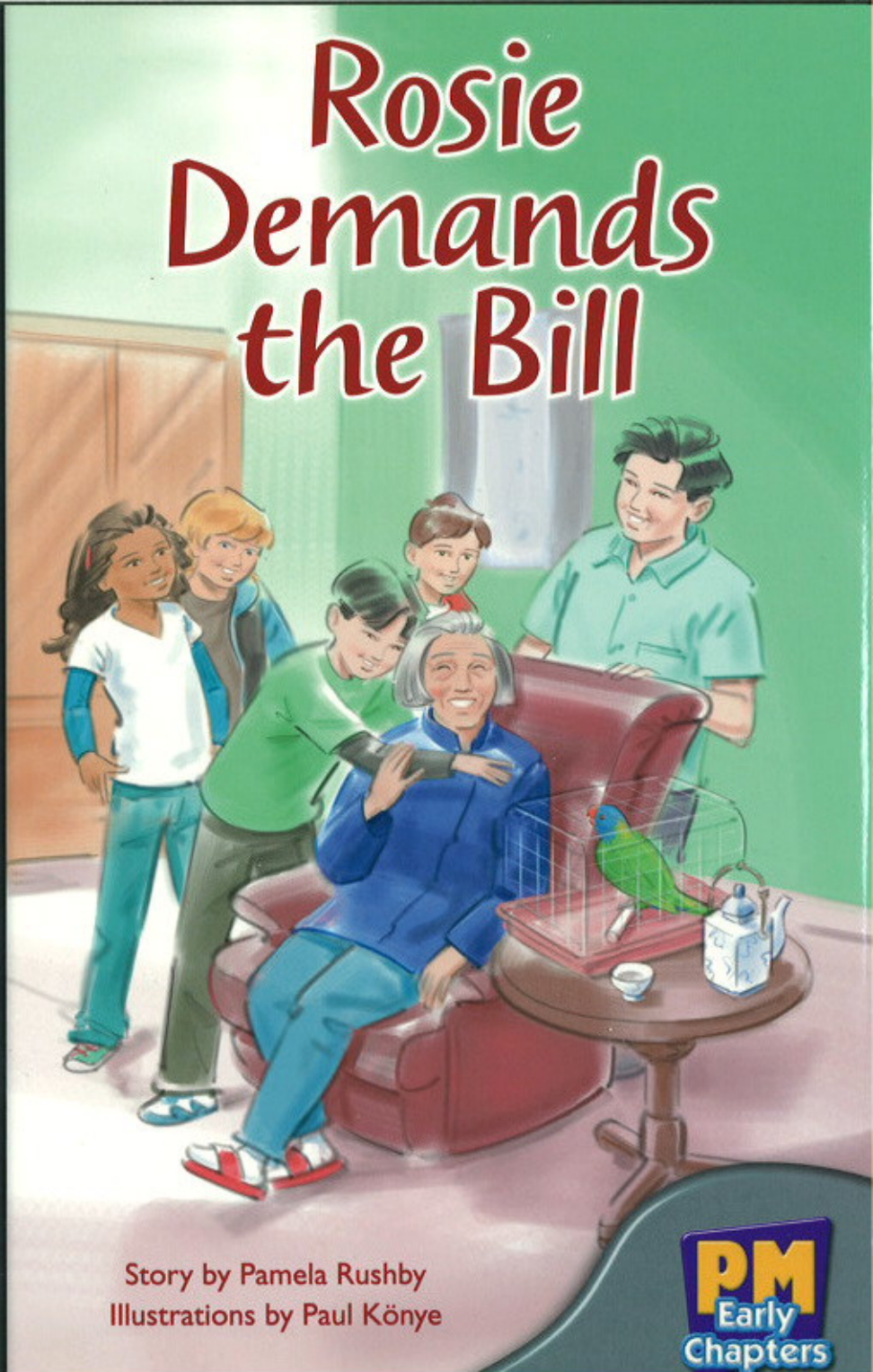
Rosie Demands the Bill



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Level 23

Running Words	Complete text	835
Reading Record	Pages 6–12 (to end of line 7)	259

Key Teaching Points

- Orientate the students by reading the previous two books about Rosie.
- Discuss how Rosie helped Mrs Chen overcome her loneliness.
- Notice the impact conveyed by the short sentence on page 21.

Key Questions

- Why was Mr Chen concerned about having Rosie in the apartment? *(Literal)*
- Why do you think Mrs Chen hardly ever left the apartment? *(Inferential)*
- Why do you think Mrs Chen was happy about Rosie? *(Inferential)*
- Why do you think Mr Grimm didn't recognise Rosie's noise? *(Inferential)*
- Explain why some people have problems when they come to a new country. *(Applied knowledge)*

Vocabulary Enrichment

- Use dictionaries to find the meanings of these words: *apartment, restaurant, nuisance.*
- List specialist vocabulary: *China, Chinese.*
- Expand the difficult contractions: *he'd, we'd, they'd.*

Links with other PM Books

PM Early Chapters	Level 21	Rosie Moves In
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Chapter 1

Lee's Turn



"When do you want us to bring Rosie to your apartment?" Grace asked Lee. "It's your turn to look after her, now."

"I'm not sure," said Lee.

"We'd better wait until Mr Grimm goes out," Ahmed said, "because you live across the hall from him."

"We sure don't want Mr Grimm to see Rosie!" Jack said. "You know what he'd say – no pets!"

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"We can borrow my sister's pram again," Ahmed said. "Then Mr Grimm won't see Rosie."

Lee didn't say anything.

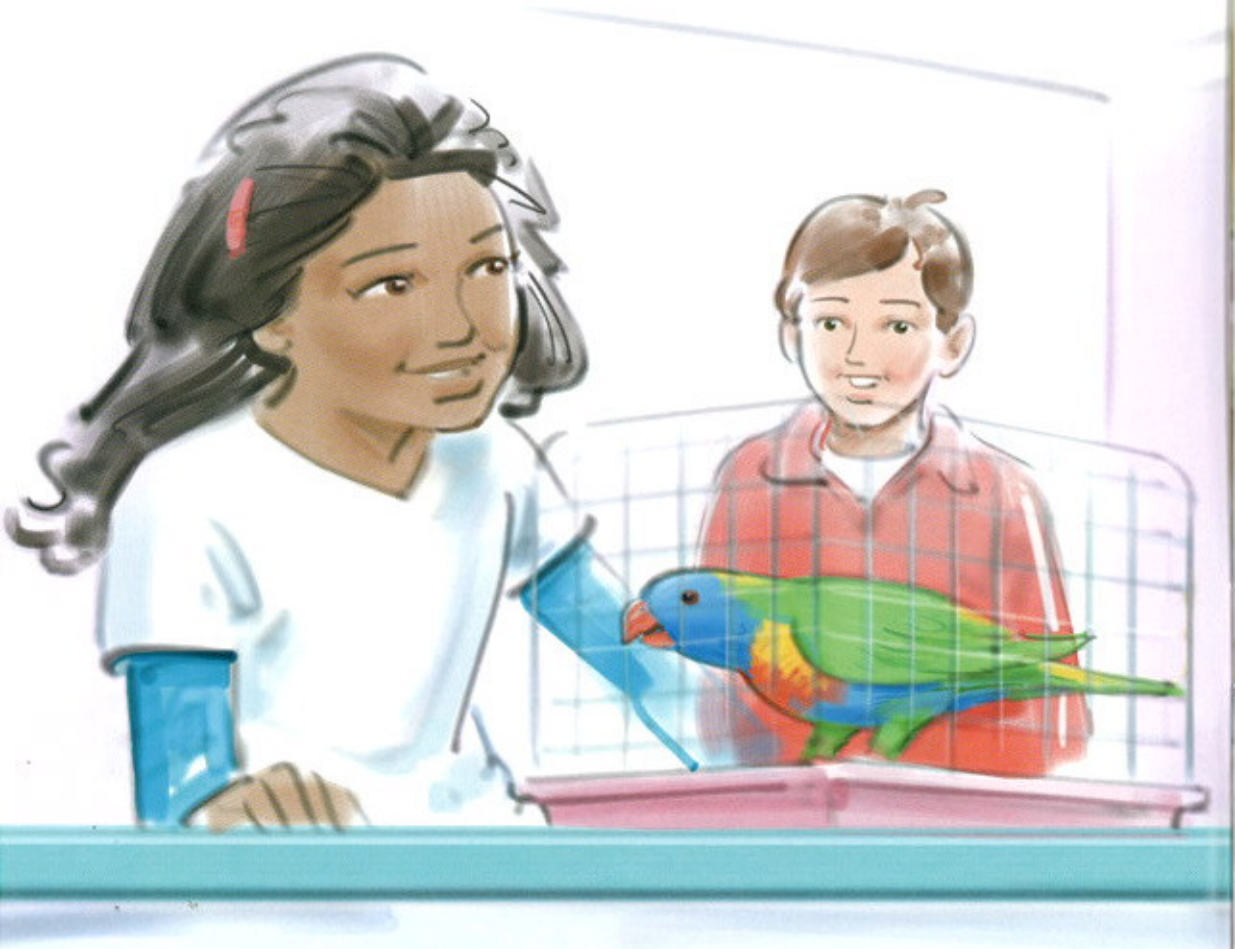


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"So, are you ready to look after Rosie?" Jack asked Lee.

"Mmm. . . ," said Lee.

Grace looked at Lee. "What's wrong? Rosie's wing is a lot better. She doesn't need much looking after."



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"It's not that," said Lee.

"Well, what is it?" said Jack.

"It's my dad," Lee said. "He says my gran might be afraid of parrots."



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Chapter 2

Lee's Grandmother



The children looked at each other. They'd all met Mrs Chen, Lee's grandmother. She'd come from China to live with Lee's family just a few months ago. Lee's gran had never left China before. She didn't speak very much English. She hardly ever left the Chens' apartment. She sat in her room and read books and watched videos most of the day.