

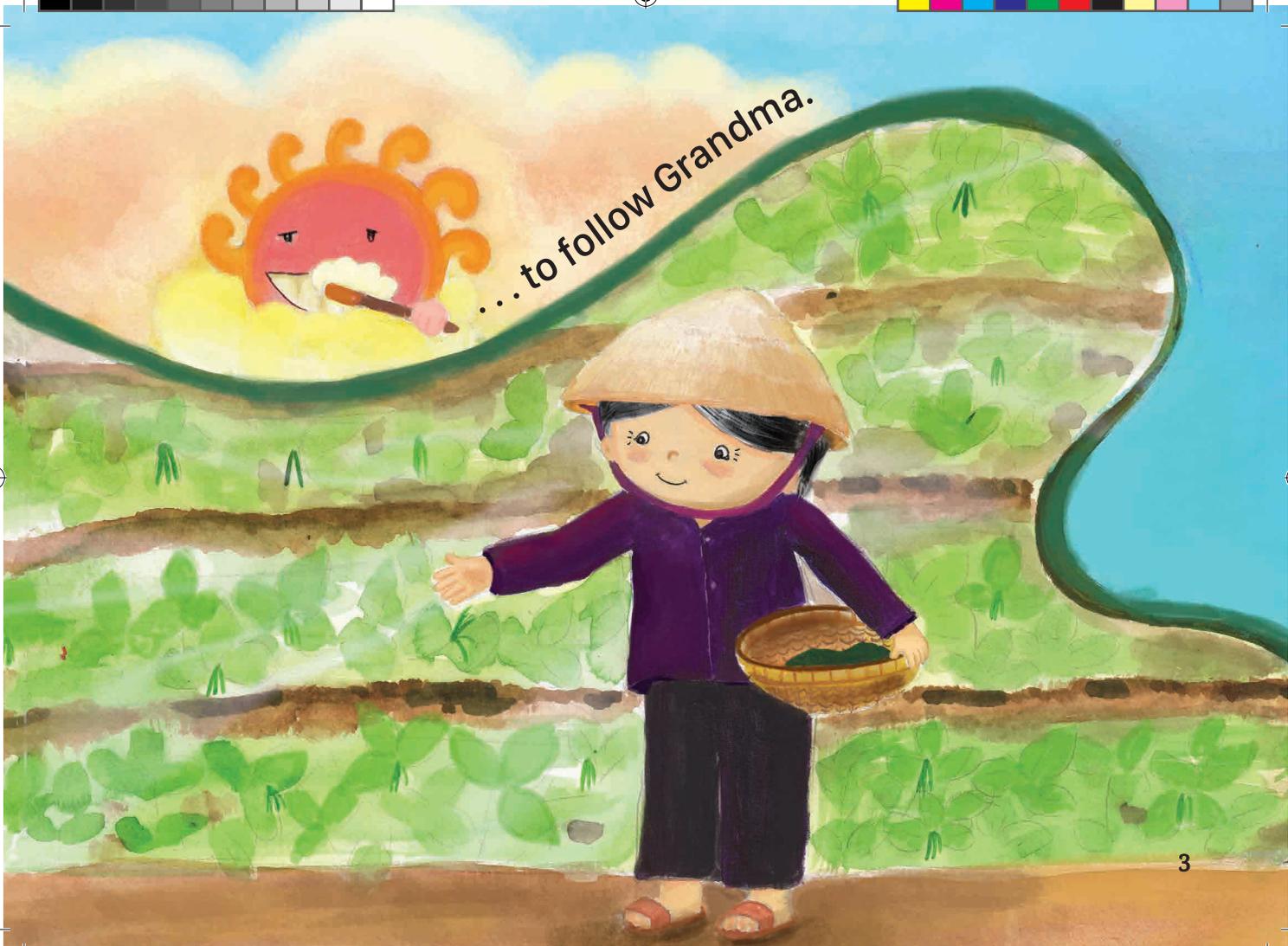


**This summer, Mom
sends Mushroom to
Grandma's house.**



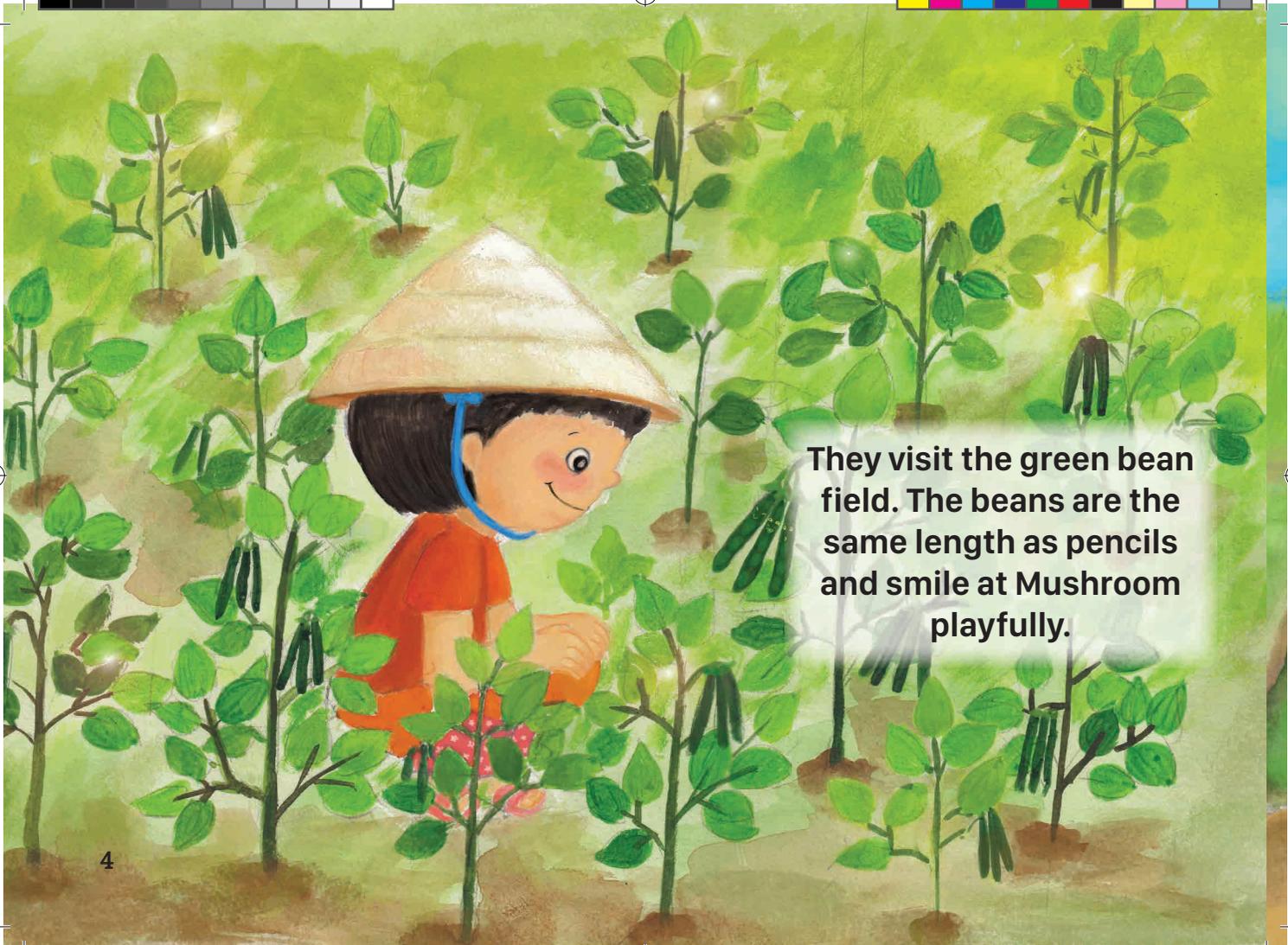
In the morning, Mushroom wakes up early...





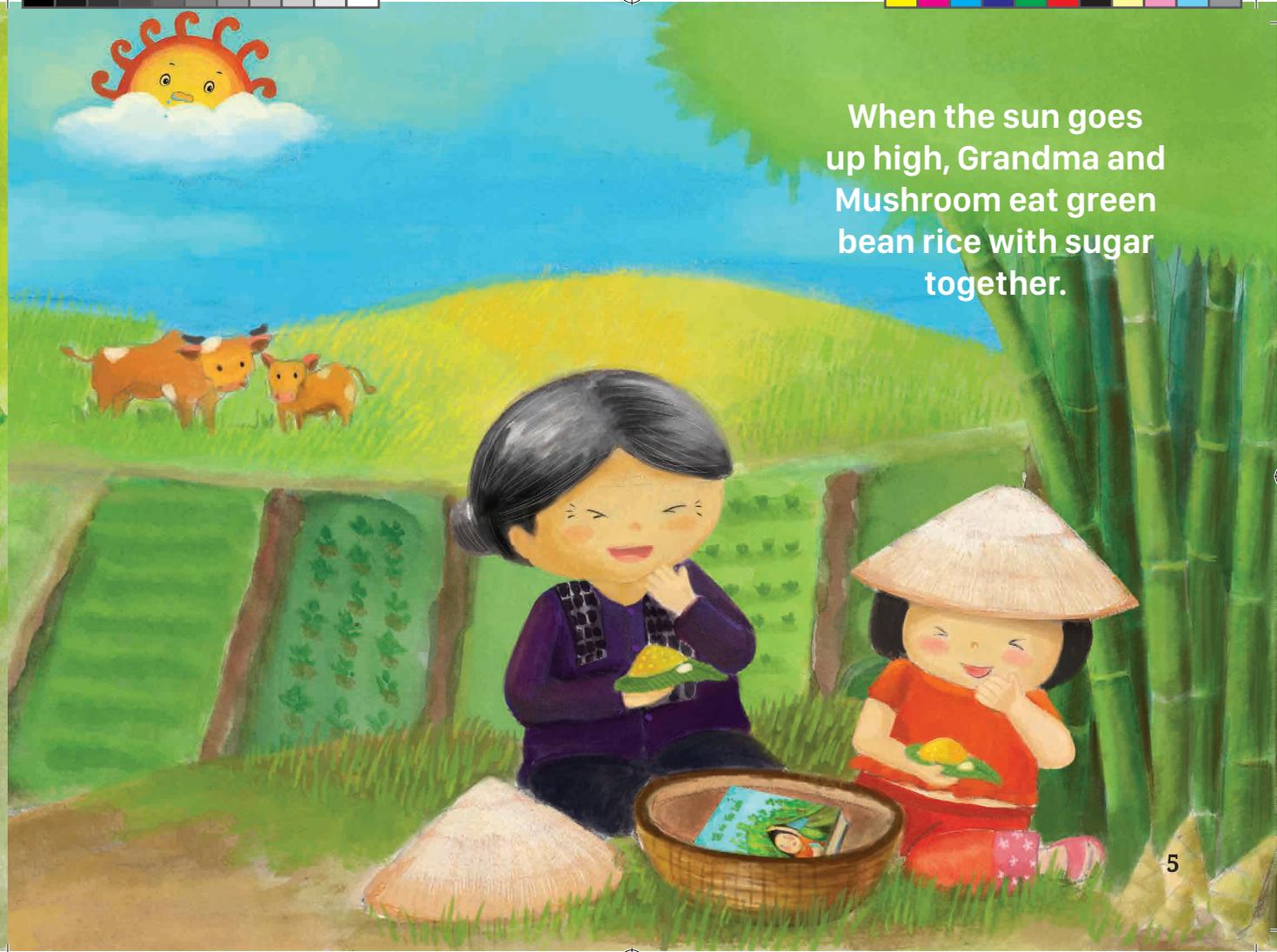
... to follow Grandma.





They visit the green bean field. The beans are the same length as pencils and smile at Mushroom playfully.





When the sun goes up high, Grandma and Mushroom eat green bean rice with sugar together.





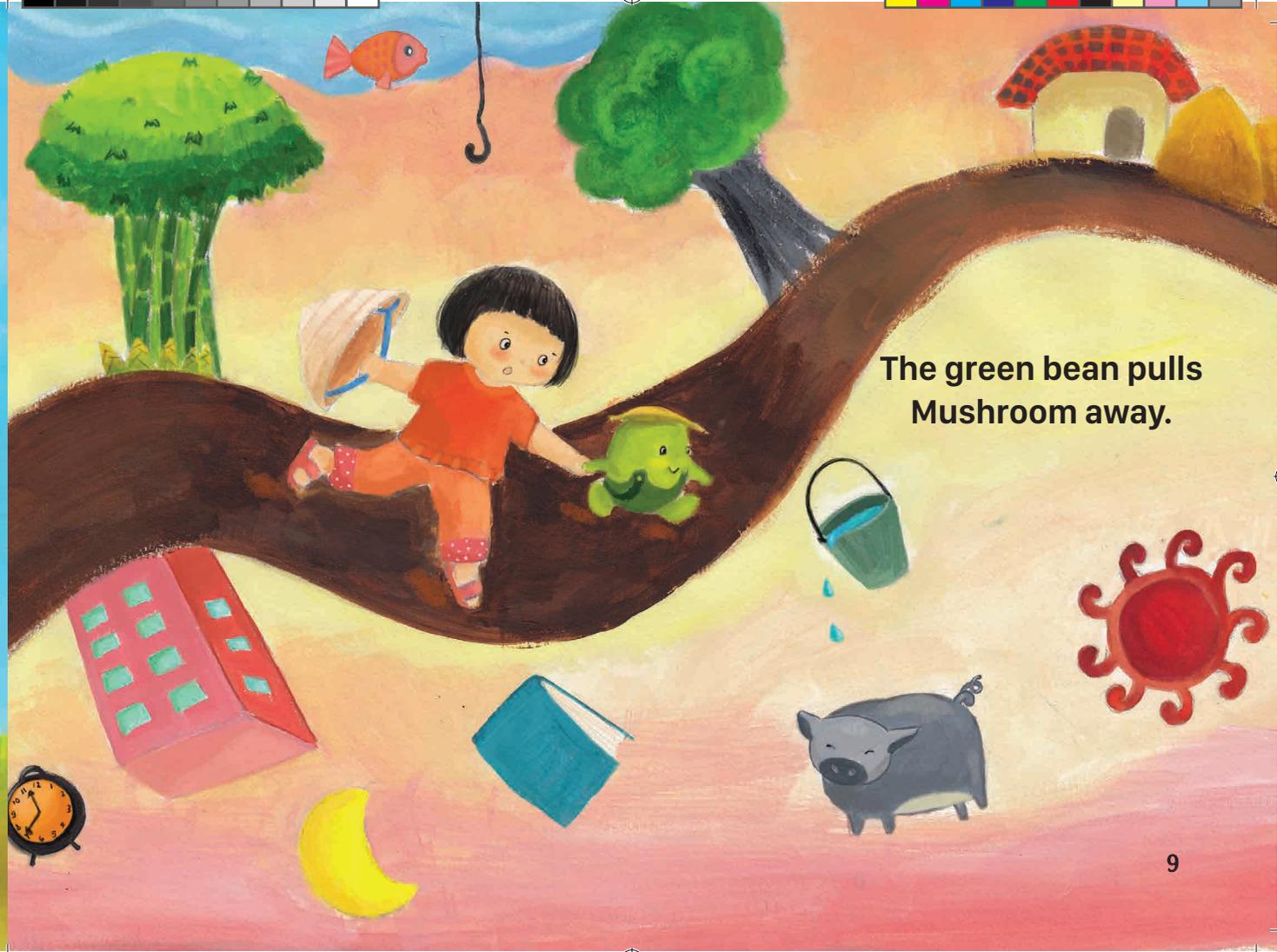


**It's so cool in the field. And the sound of leaves
is so soothing.**





"Hello, green bean seed!"
"Wake up, Mushroom!"



The green bean pulls
Mushroom away.



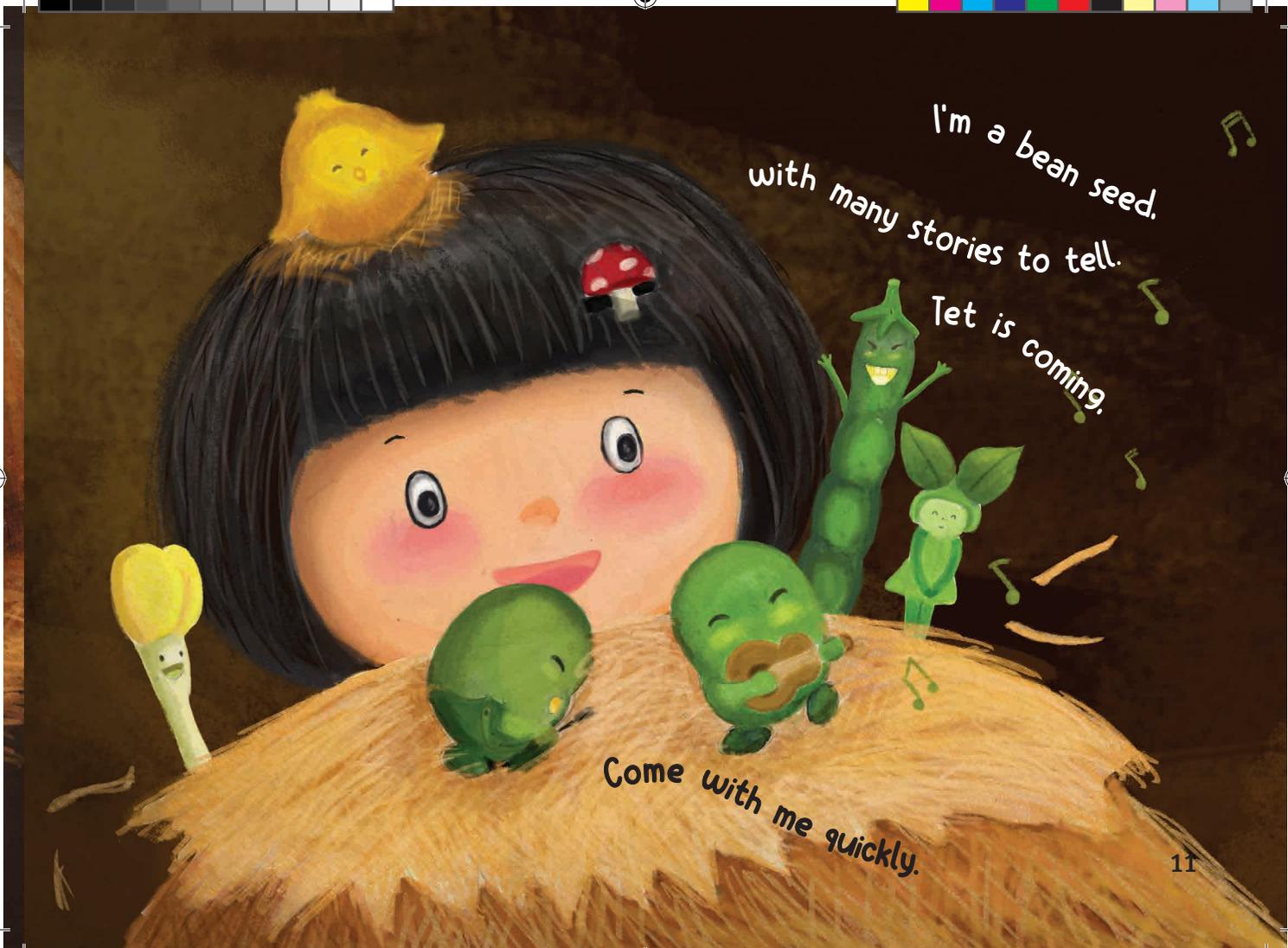
I'm green pea.

I'm bean sprout.

I'm a fake.

I'm bean seed.





I'm a bean seed,
with many stories to tell.

Tet is coming.

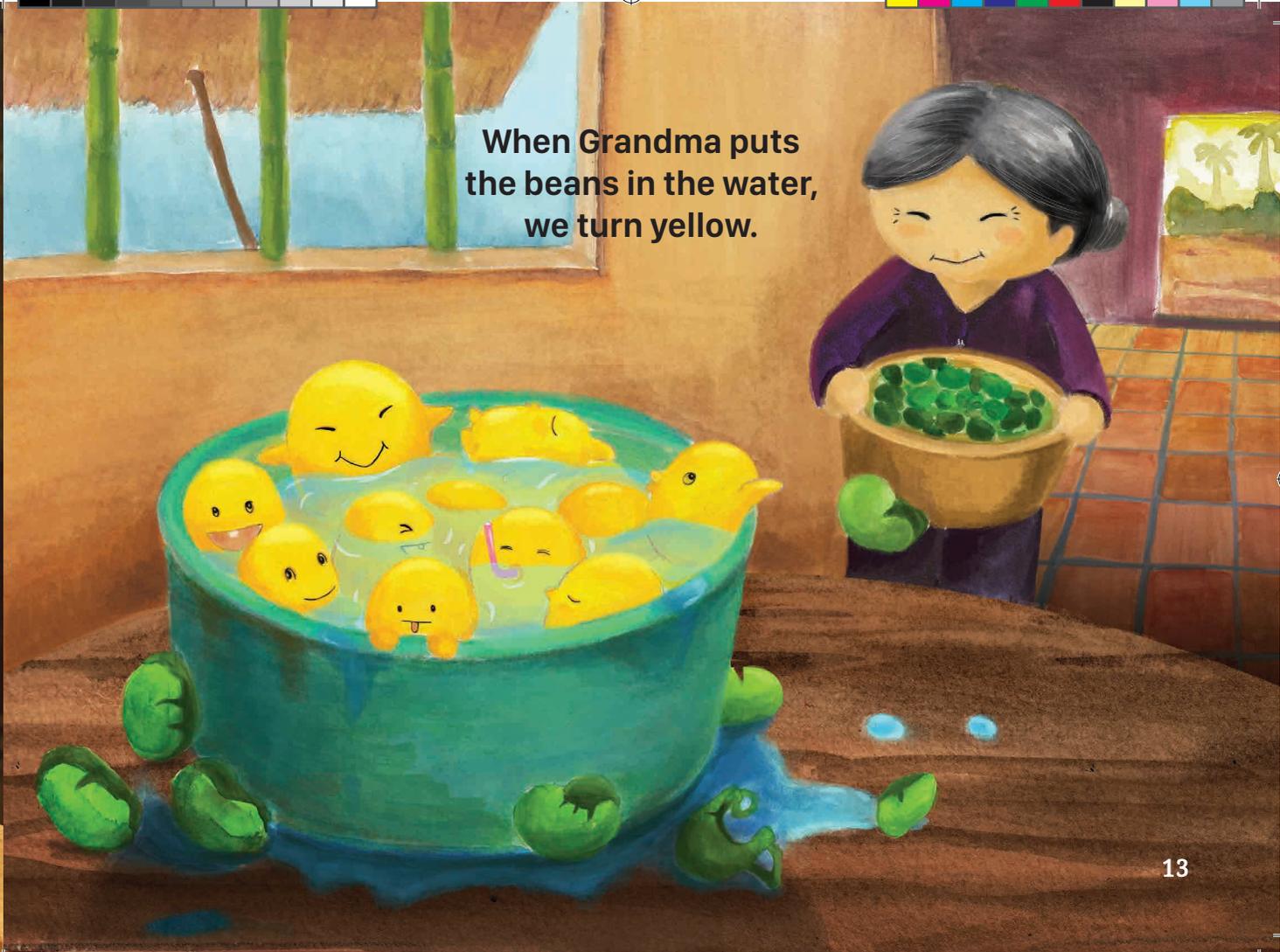
Come with me quickly.





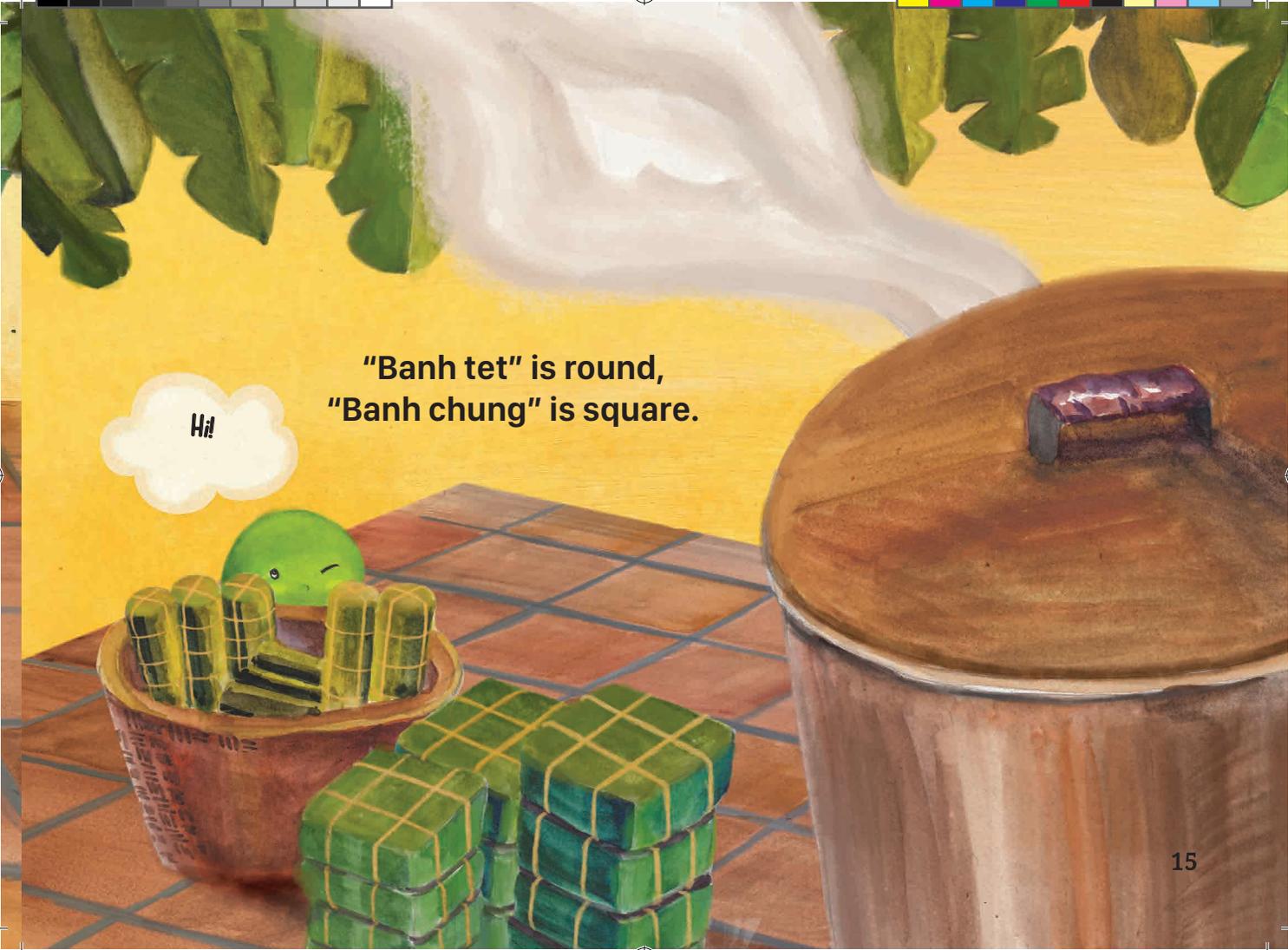


When Grandma puts
the beans in the water,
we turn yellow.





**Grandma makes
banana leaf with
pork and sticky rice.**



Hi!

**"Banh tet" is round,
"Banh chung" is square.**

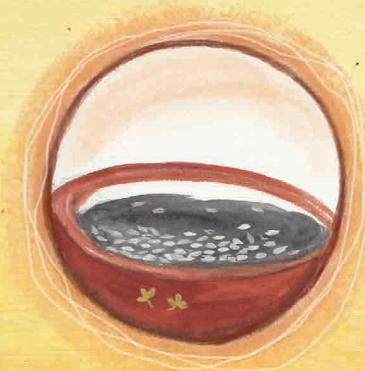


Pickled bean sprouts are added
to make the meal tasty.



Hey. I'm a
cockroach!



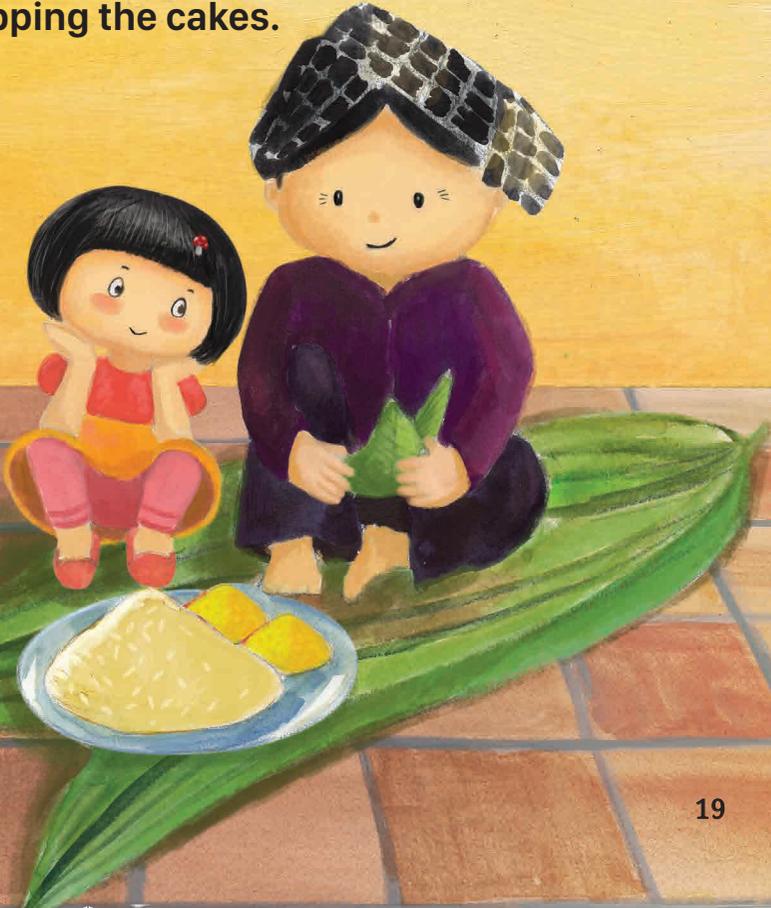


**Small pieces of beans
are added to sticky rice in water.**



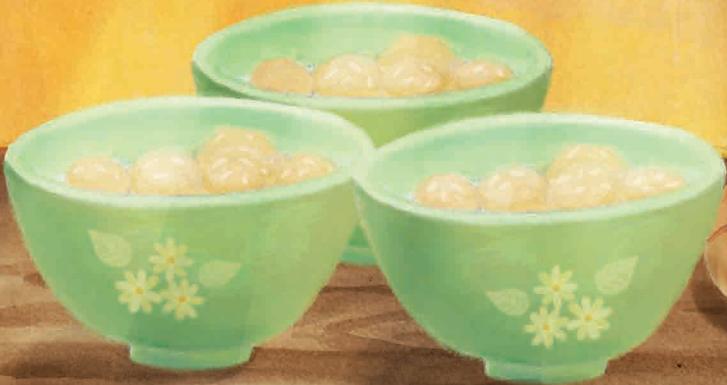


Grandma is skillful in wrapping the cakes.





**Next to the fermented sticky rice,
are four-cornered rice dumplings
for the New Year!**





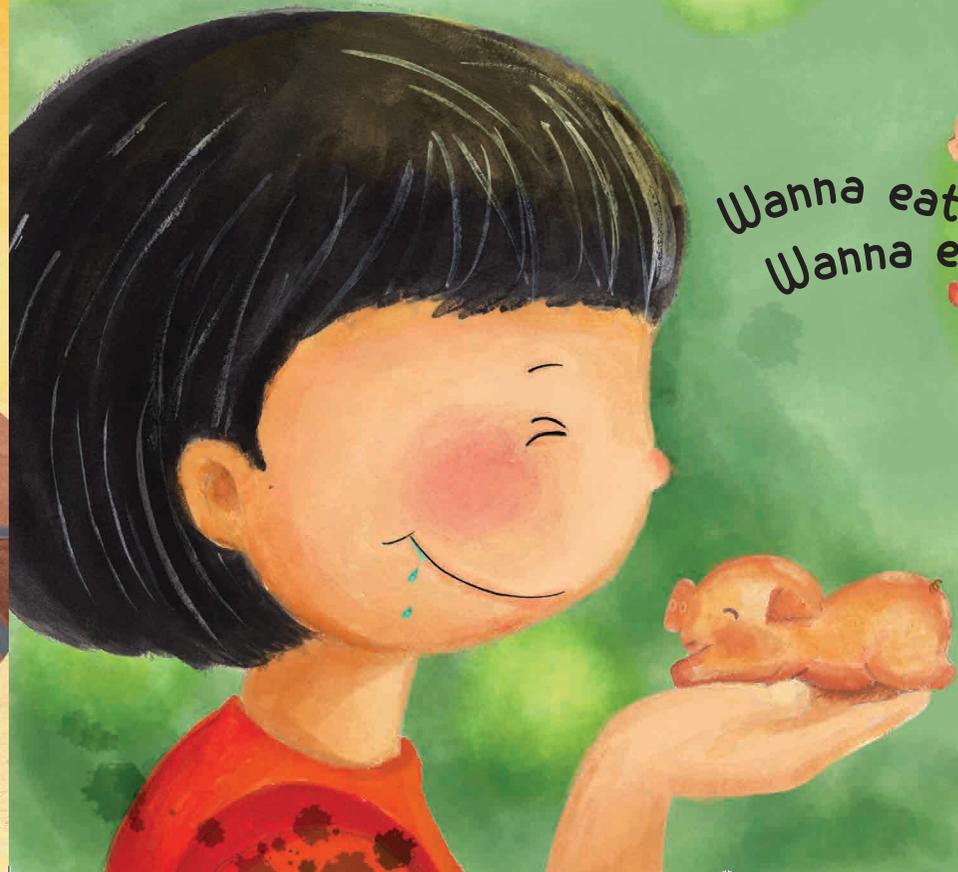
Mid-
Autumn
Festival





I'm
in here!

**Grandma arranges the table
with sticky cakes and baked cakes.**



Wanna eat?
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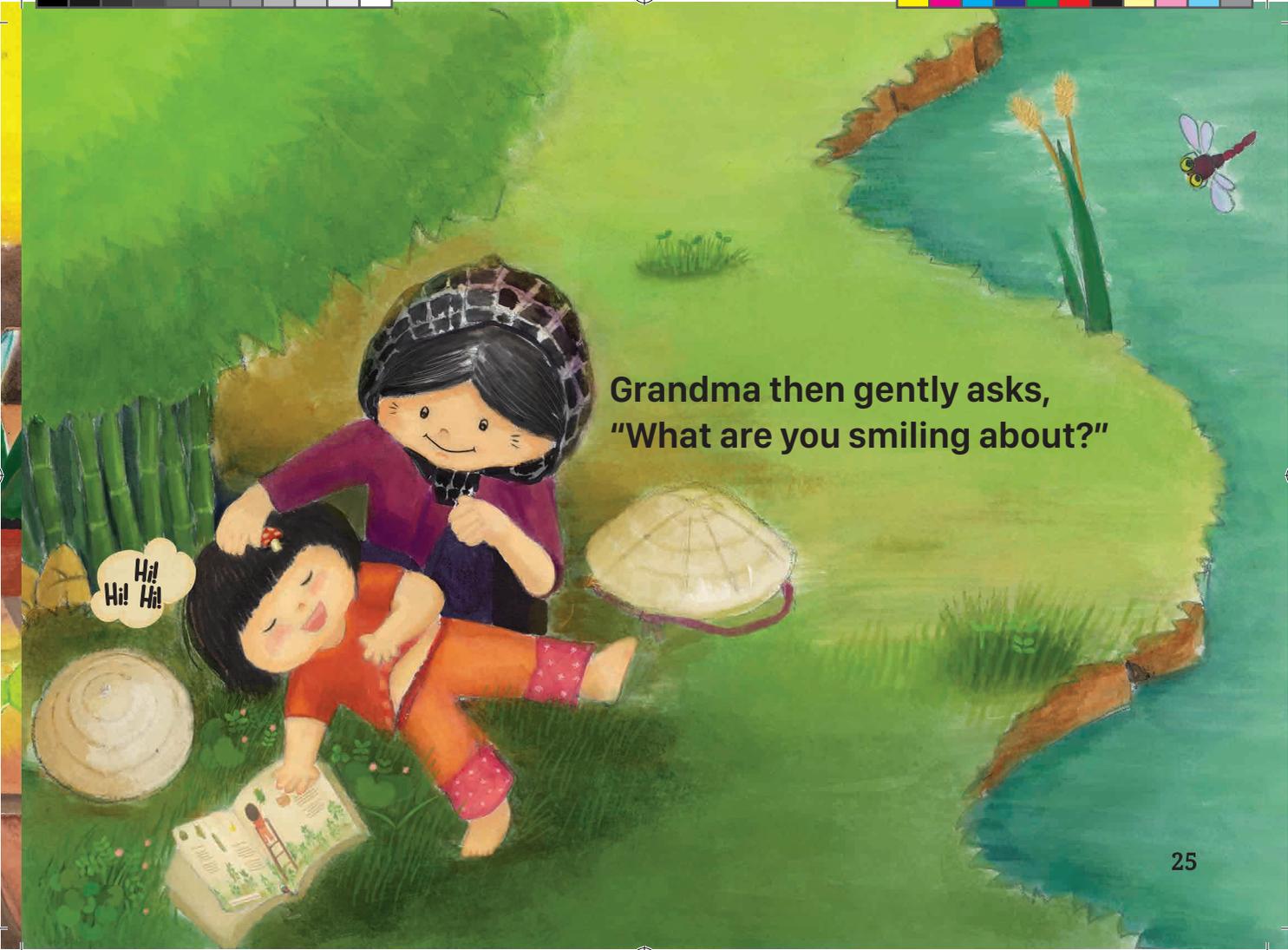


**Mommy piggy
and little piggies
for dessert!**





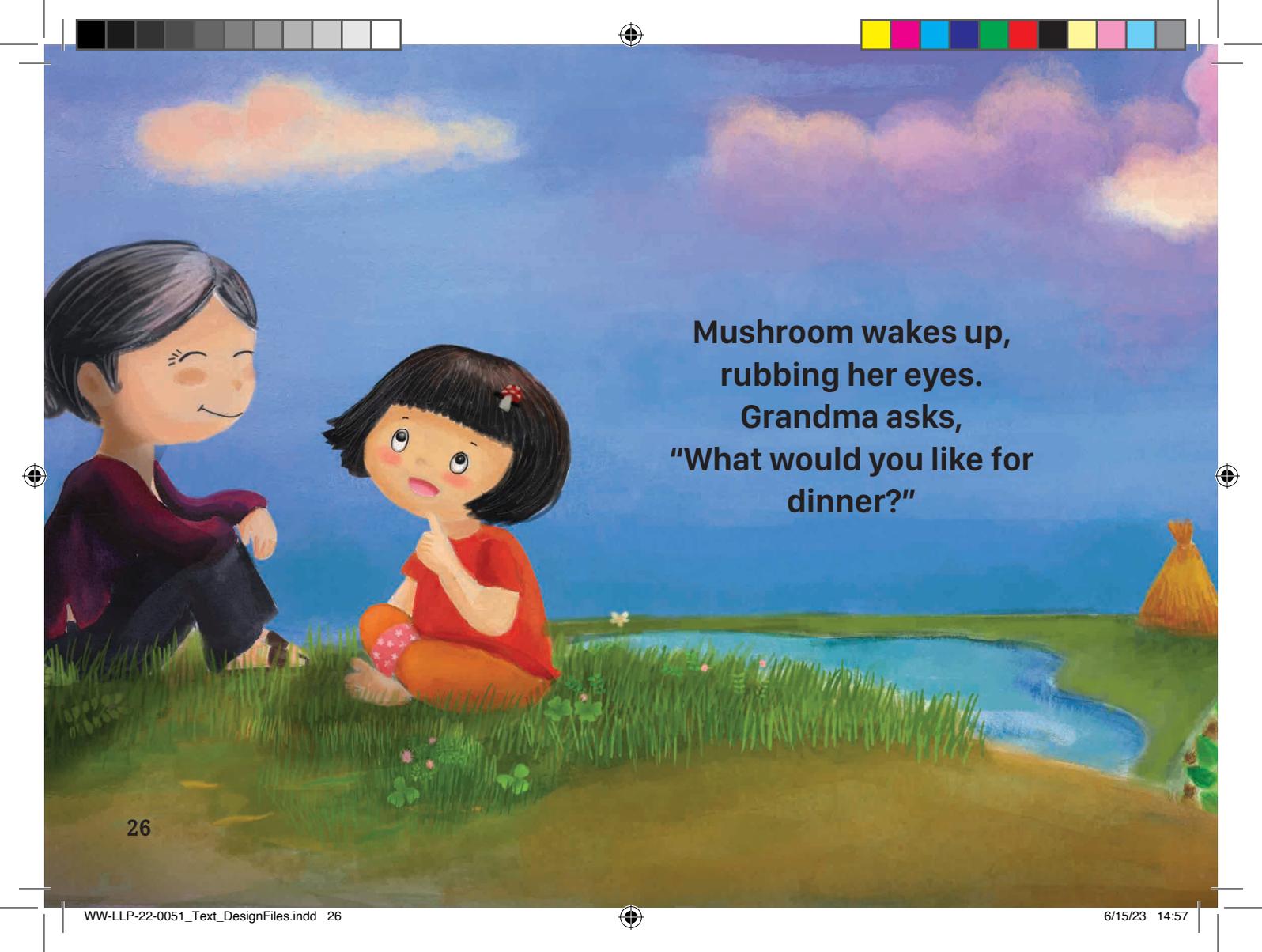
Mushroom adds a **star lamp**,
and smiles joyfully.



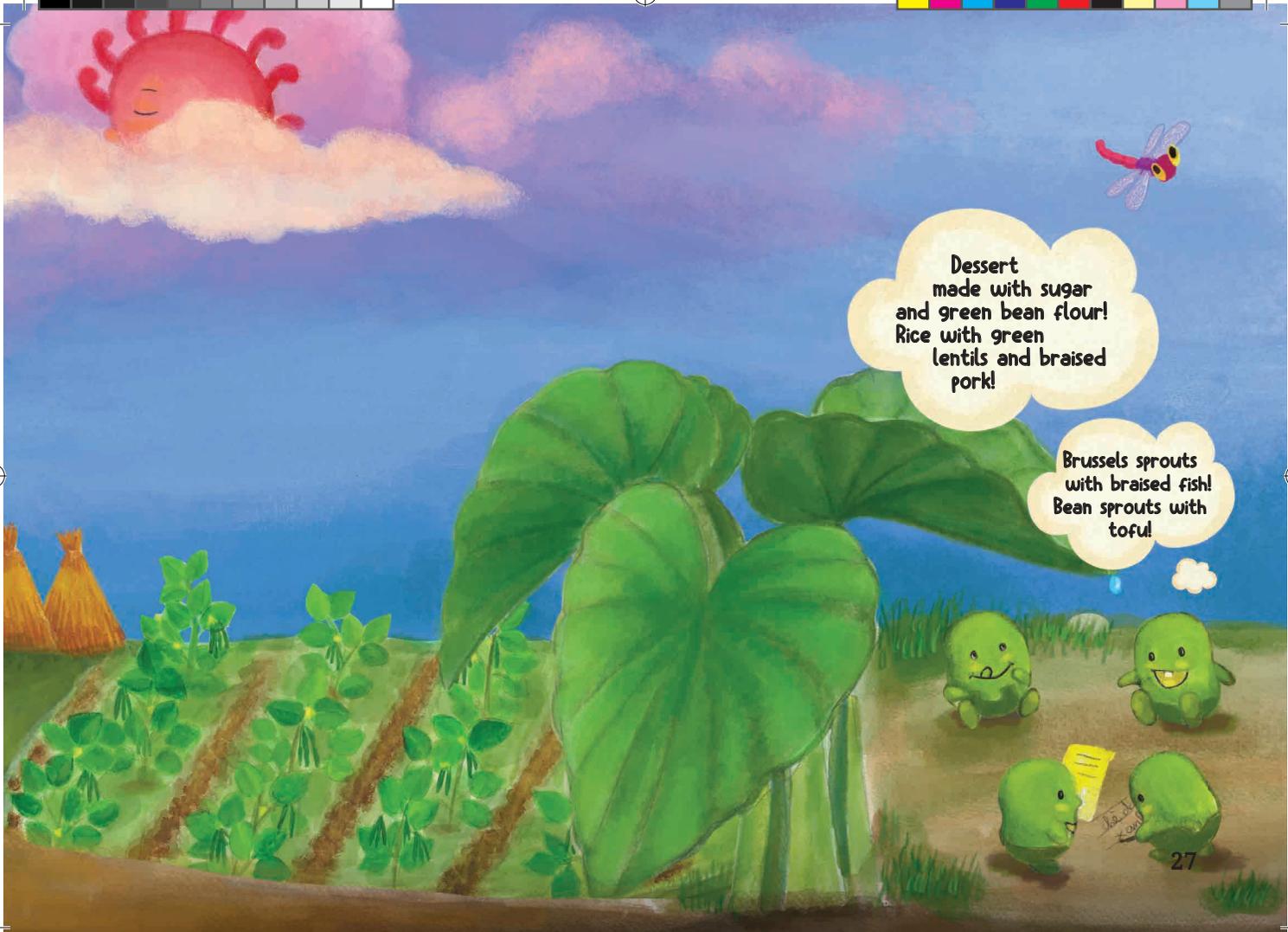
Grandma then gently asks,
"What are you smiling about?"

Hi!
Hi!
Hi!





**Mushroom wakes up,
rubbing her eyes.
Grandma asks,
"What would you like for
dinner?"**



Dessert
made with sugar
and green bean flour!
Rice with green
lentils and braised
pork!

Brussels sprouts
with braised fish!
Bean sprouts with
tofu!





Mushroom smiles
and thinks she will
tell Grandma
the story tonight.

The best of the best...





The story is named "The Green Bean Festival".





Mushroom poetry for those
who have read the book:

A poem for Banh chung (square-rice dumpling) and Banh tet (round-rice dumpling)

Wrapped inside the leaves are
sticky rice and green bean,
Then the Pork in the center
Again, rice and bean around

Square cake, long round cake
Together with onions,
Besides the green apricot blossom
New Year's Eve is coming.



A poem for pyramid rice cake

Sticky rice is soaked in ash
water. Green bean paste is
delicious. Cake without filling
is more crispy. Dipping with
sugar is delicious.

Inside the cone, behind the leaf
Like a golden season
Calling for summer





A poem for moon cakes

Round brim like a mother's hat
Fluffy white cake with flowers
Fragrant malted cake
Waiting for your hand to come.

Mixed with salted egg
Filled with green beans and lotus
seeds, eat cool, sweet in your
moon seasons.





Notes:

Dong leaves: The leaves of the dong tree grown in the forest are used to wrap cakes

Ash water: People burn wood to ashes, then use the ash to soak in water. When the ash settles, the water is clear, and the water is then used to soak sticky rice. The sticky rice becomes crispy in the ash water.

Banh ú ash: A type of cake made with sticky rice soaked in ash water

Tray: A round plate in which delicious dishes are displayed for a special occasion

Spectrum: Dried seaweed/seaweed

Green bean sprouts: Young green beans

Green: Has the same color as young leaves

Malt: A type of gummy sugar that is dark yellow, fragrant, and sweet

Mixed salted egg filling: The filling of mooncakes includes a variety of nuts and yolks of duck eggs that have been salted

