



The Green Apple





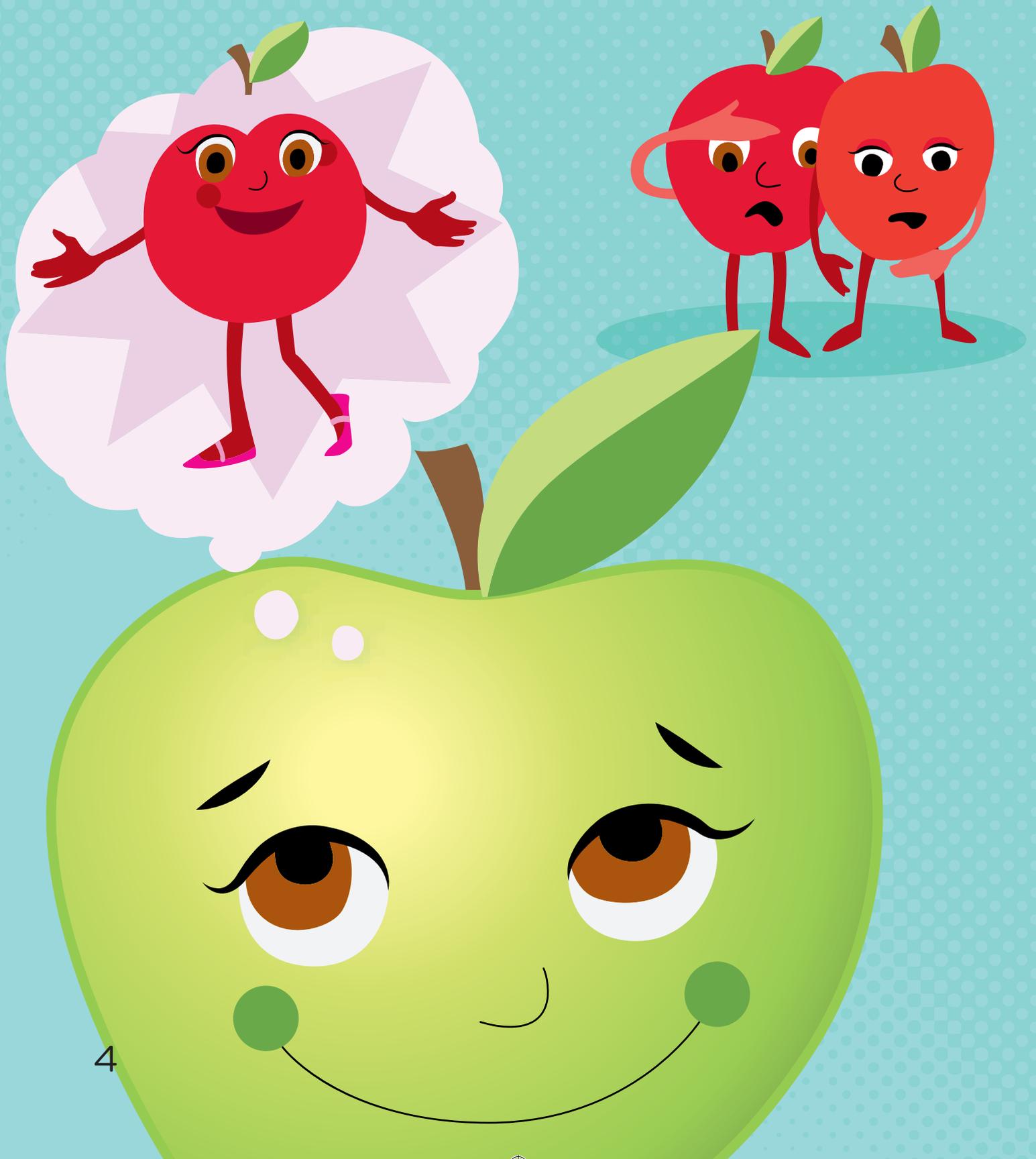
Green Apple felt left out. All the other fruit at the market were a beautiful red.







Green Apple wants to be red, too.

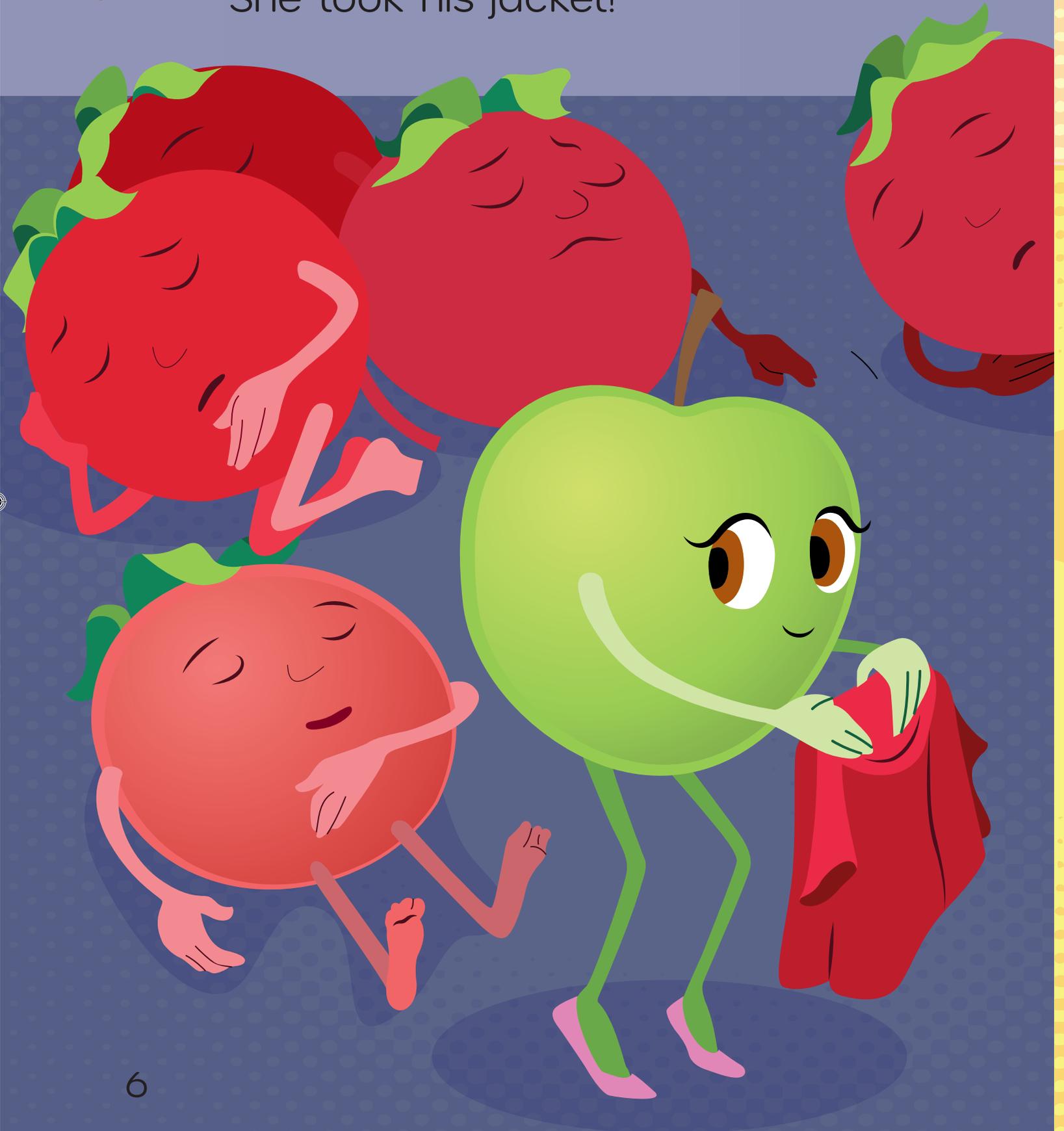




That night, Green Apple
couldn't sleep. She tried to
think of a plan.



She tiptoed up to Red Tomato.
She took his jacket!



The next morning, Red Tomato was furious when he realized that his jacket was gone.





Green Apple was putting on the jacket. "Take it off!" shouted Red Tomato.

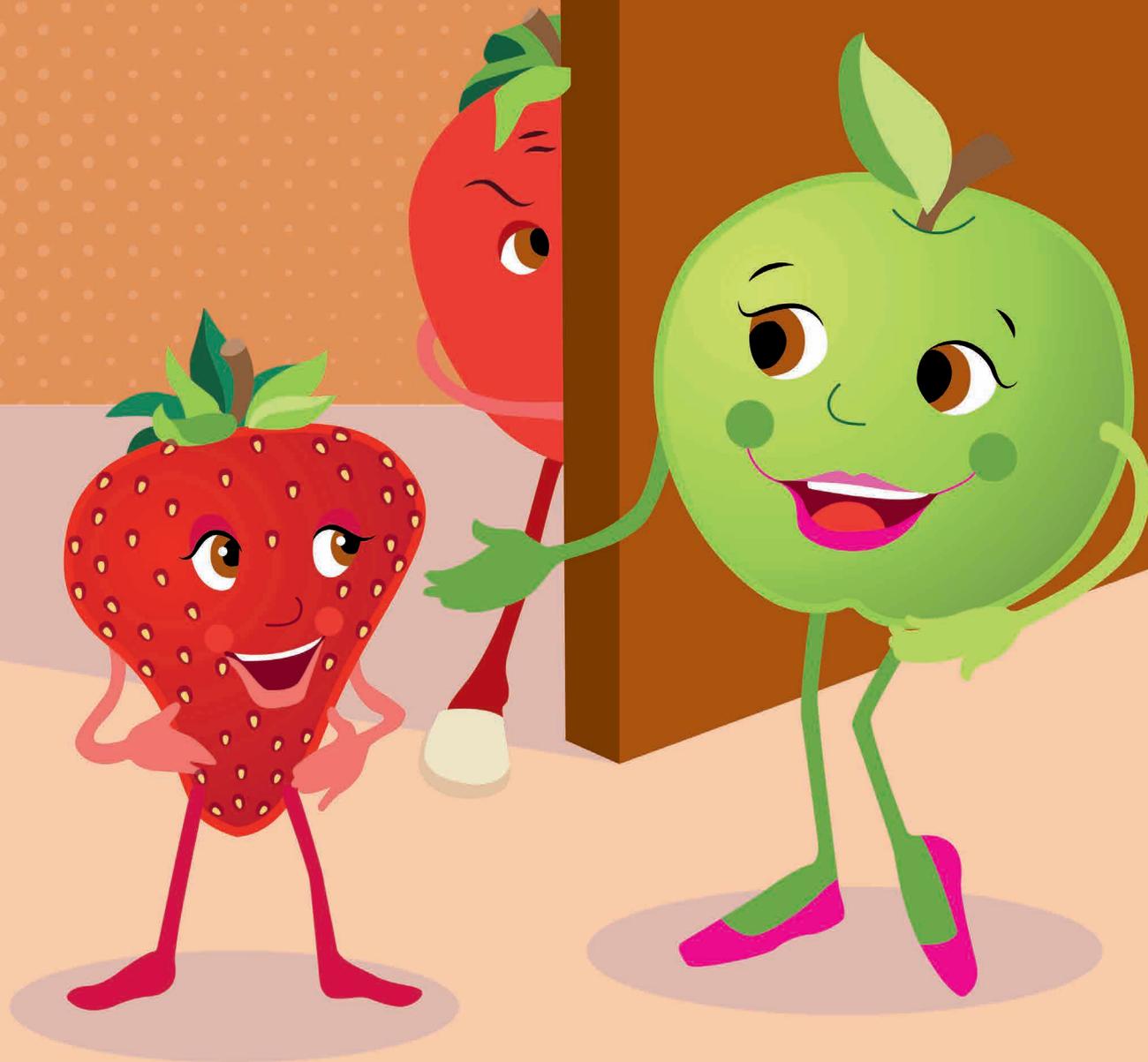




Green Apple took
off the jacket.

She gave it back.





But Green Apple did not give up!
She befriended Strawberry.

That night, Green Apple sneaked up to Strawberry. Strawberry opened one eye and asked, "What are you up to?"





Green Apple began to run. The tomatoes, strawberries and red peppers all chased her away!





Green Apple soon reached the forest. She got another idea.



She came across
Chameleon. "Sir
Chameleon, I know
you can change
colours," Green Apple
said. "Can you please
make me red?"



Chameleon told her, "Go to the mountain, and collect long leaves."



Green Apple went to the mountain. But it was so high!





She collected leaves
from the bottom of
the mountain instead.
She took them back to
Chameleon.



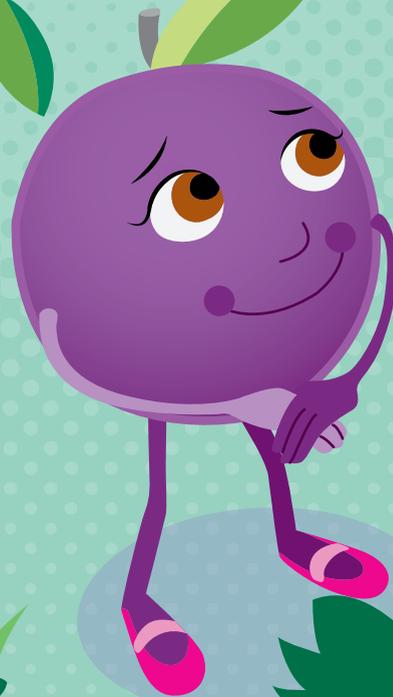
Chameleon ate up the leaves.
He touched Green Apple with
the tip of his tail.



Green Apple
turned purple!



"You gave me
the wrong
leaves,"
Chameleon
sighed.





"I am sorry," said
Green Apple.

"Oh, shame," said
Chameleon.

"Who has heard
of a purple
apple?"

Green Apple looked
at her hands. I liked
it better when I was
green, she thought.





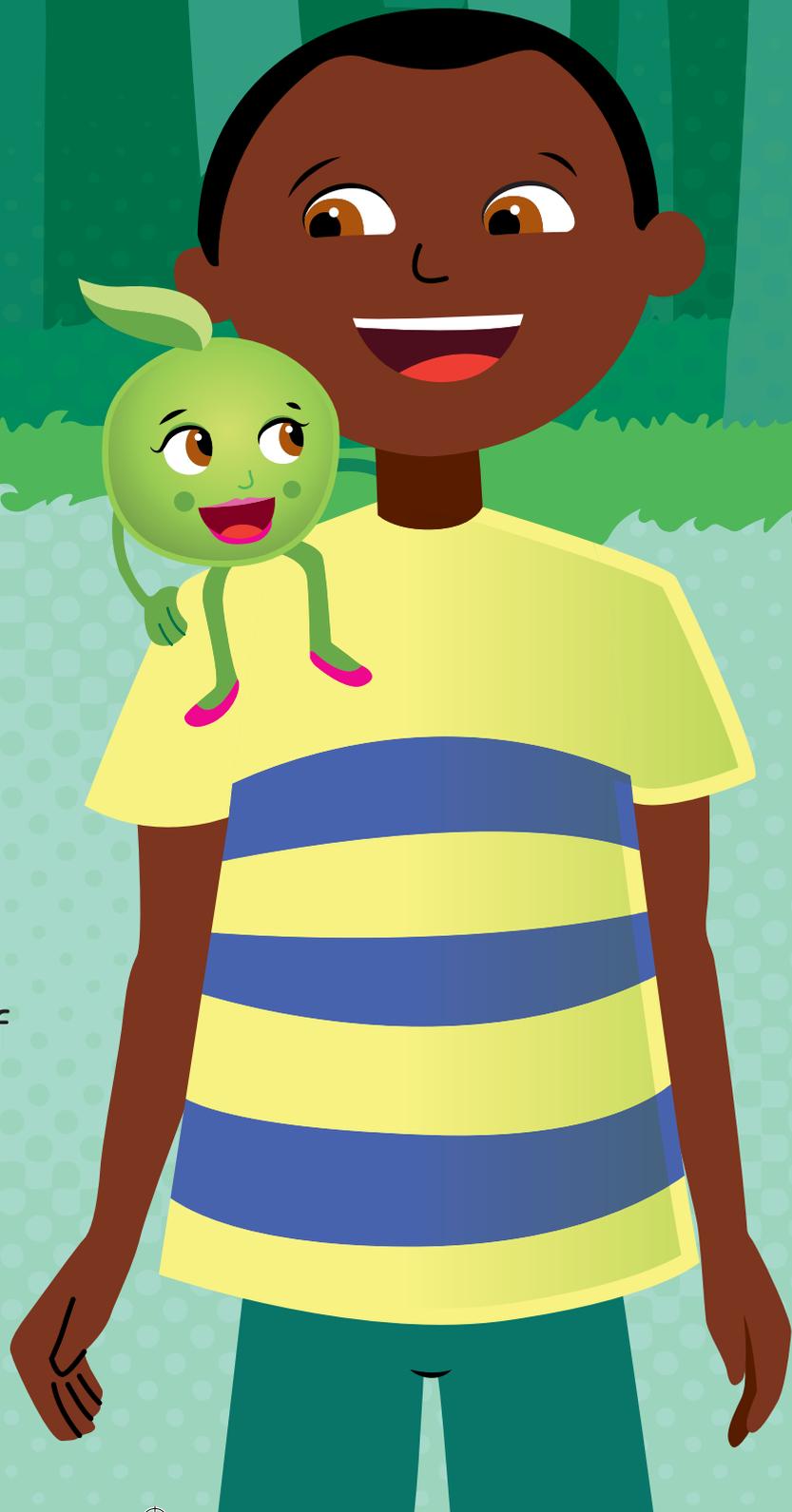


"All right," Chameleon said.
"Now run away from the
forest, and do not look
back."



Green Apple met
a boy. "Apple,
apple, please be
my friend, he said.
"I love your green
colour."

Green Apple
looked at herself.
She was green!



Green Apple was happy to have found a friend. She was happy to feel like herself again.

