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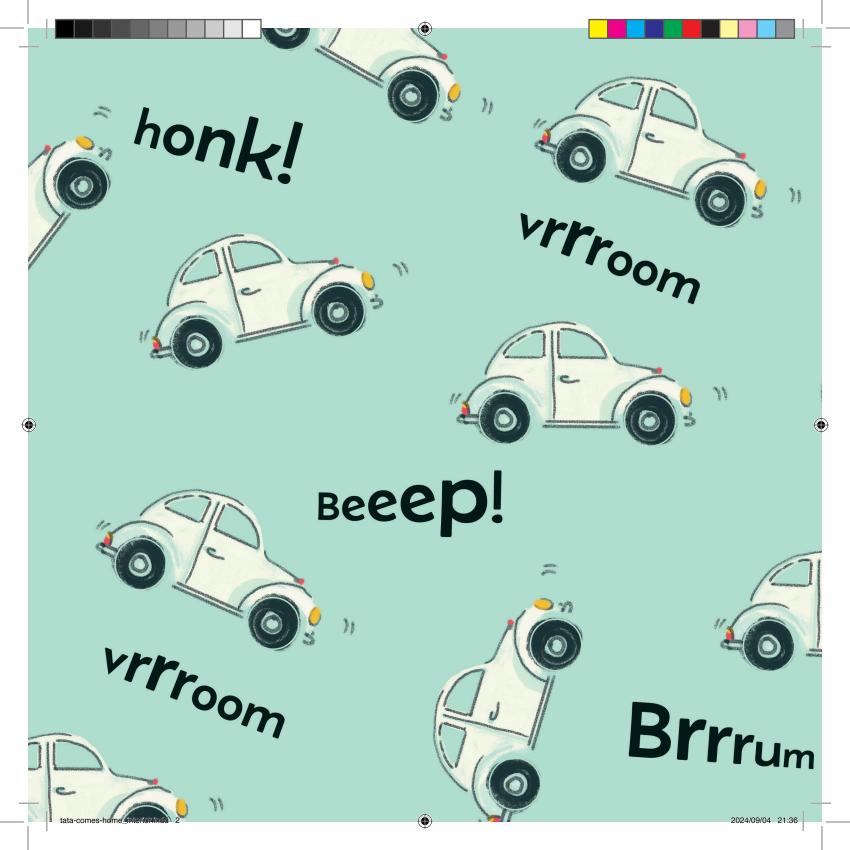
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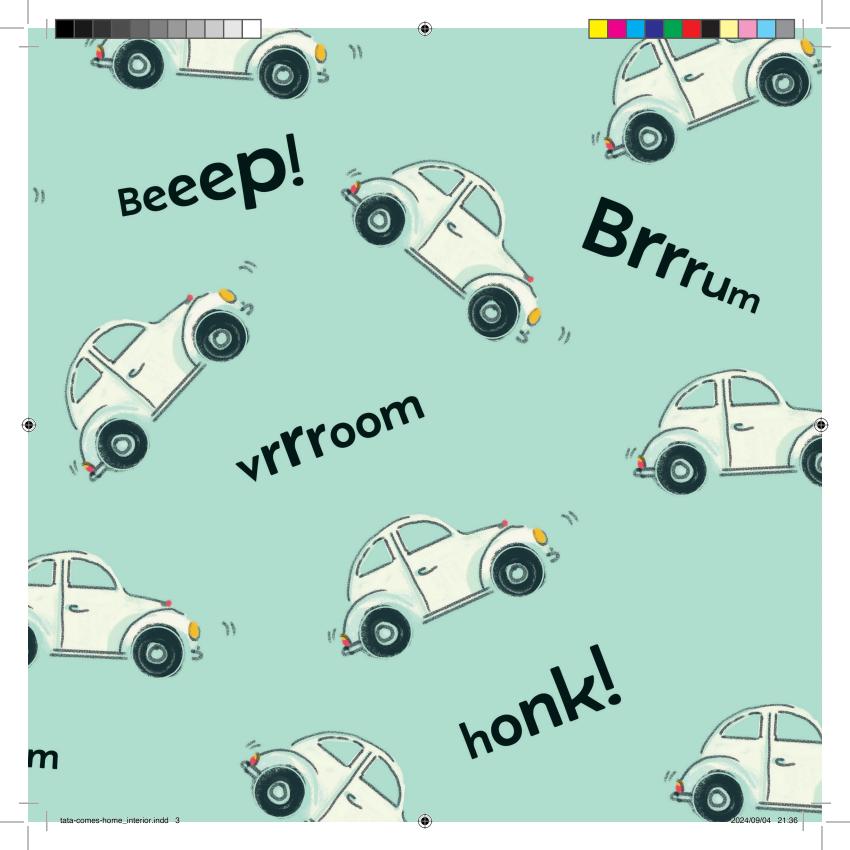


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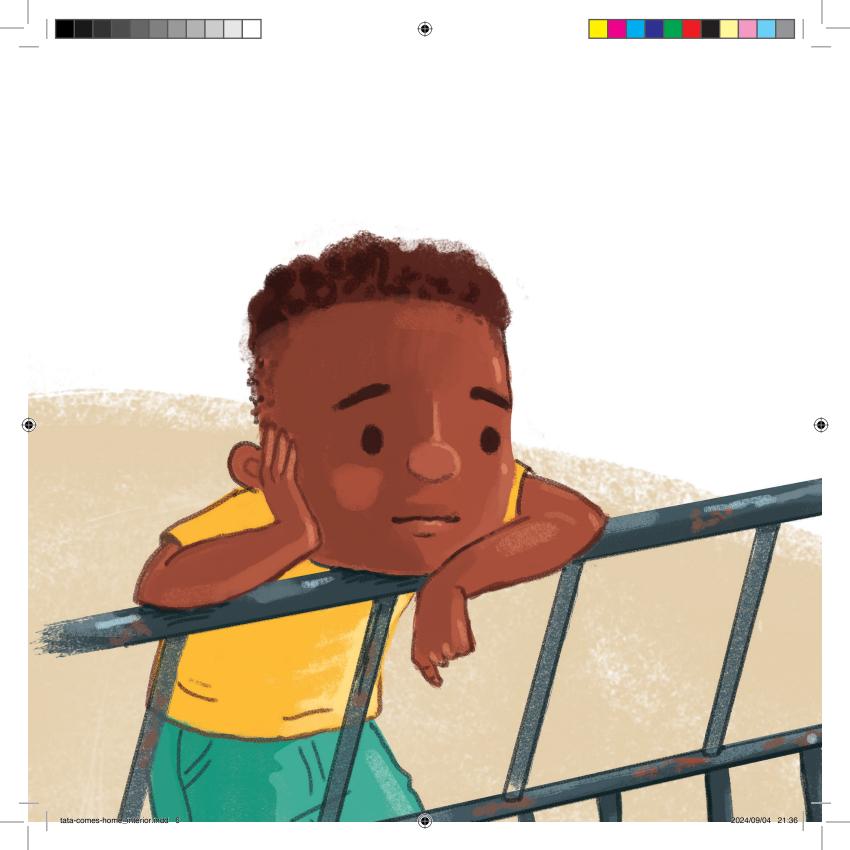
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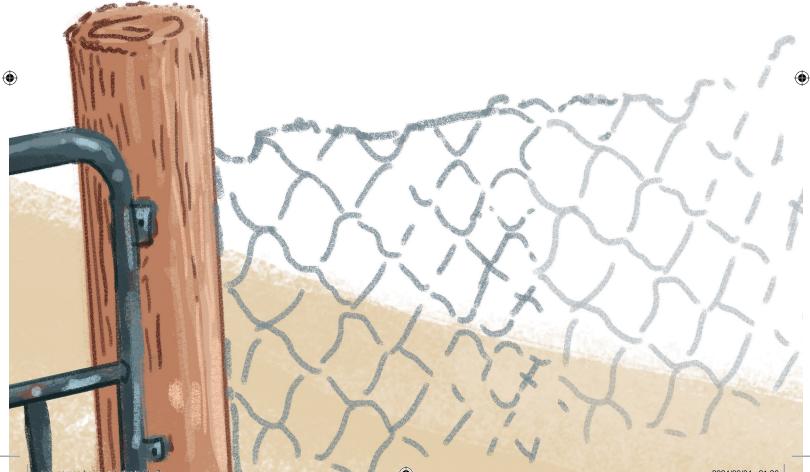
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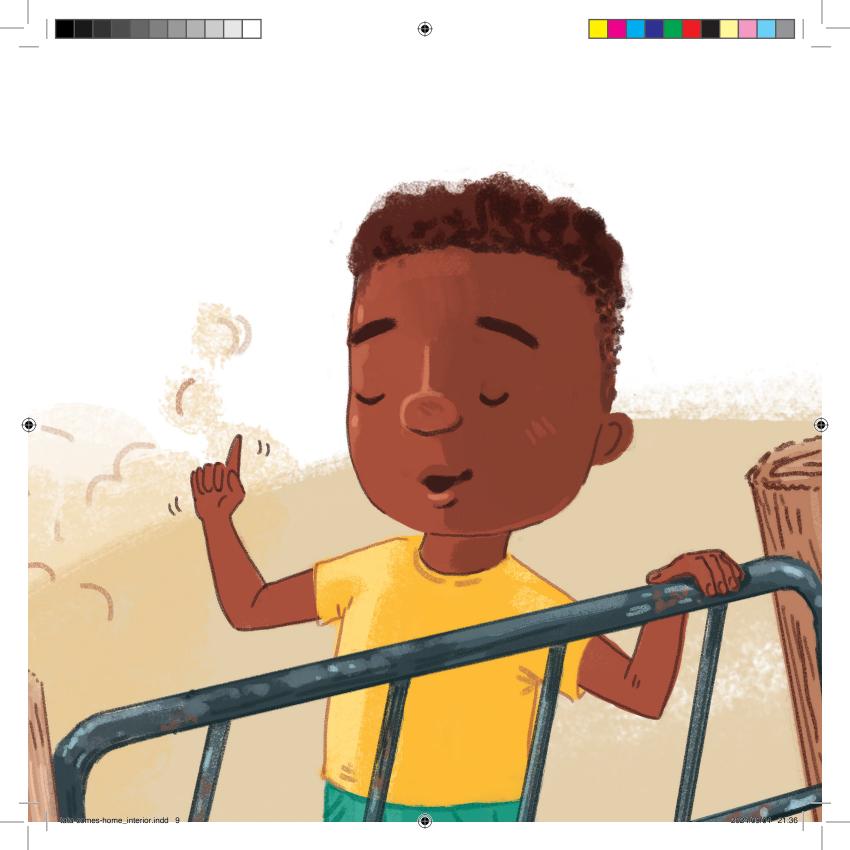
Every Friday after school, Daluxolo stands with his arms leaning over the front gate, waiting...

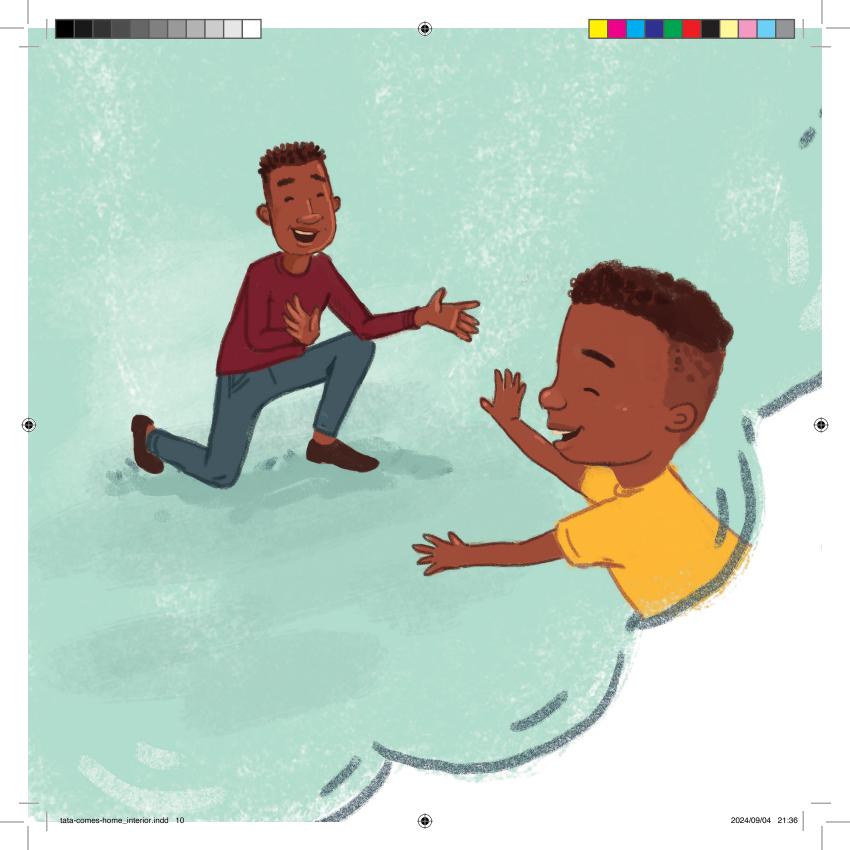


His friends keep calling him to play ball with them at the dusty soccer field down the road but he keeps saying no.

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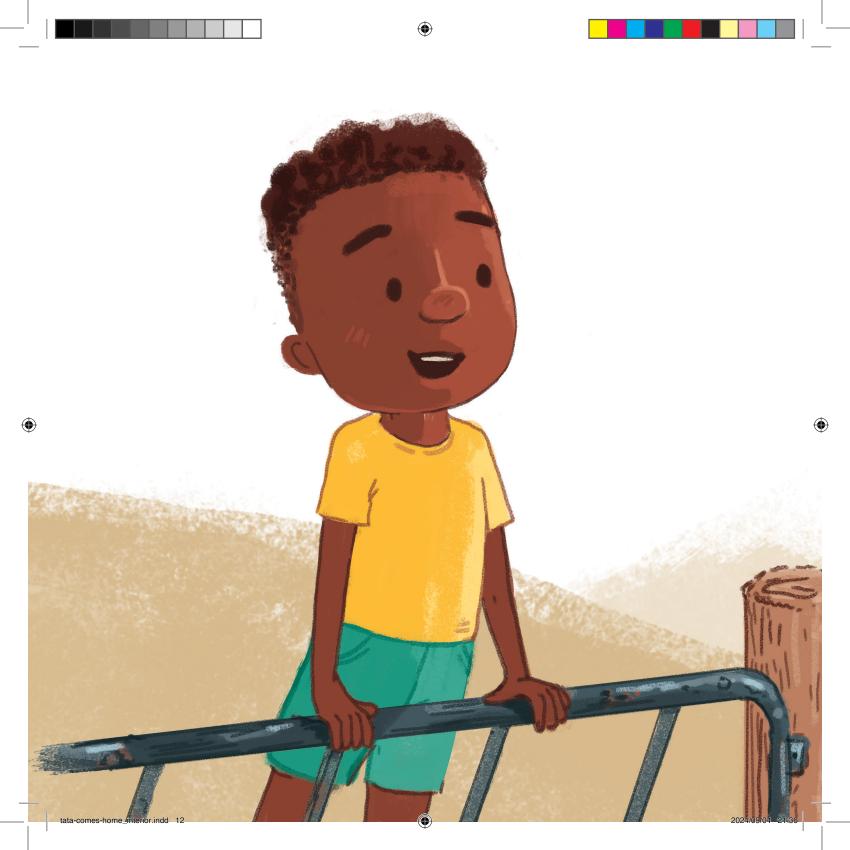






That's because someone special is coming ... every weekend

Tata comes home.



He cranes his neck towards the main road, eagerly waiting to see the moment when Tata's white VW Beetle turns into his street.

As soon as it turns the corner, Dali runs to the car so he can drive the rest of the way home in Tata's car.



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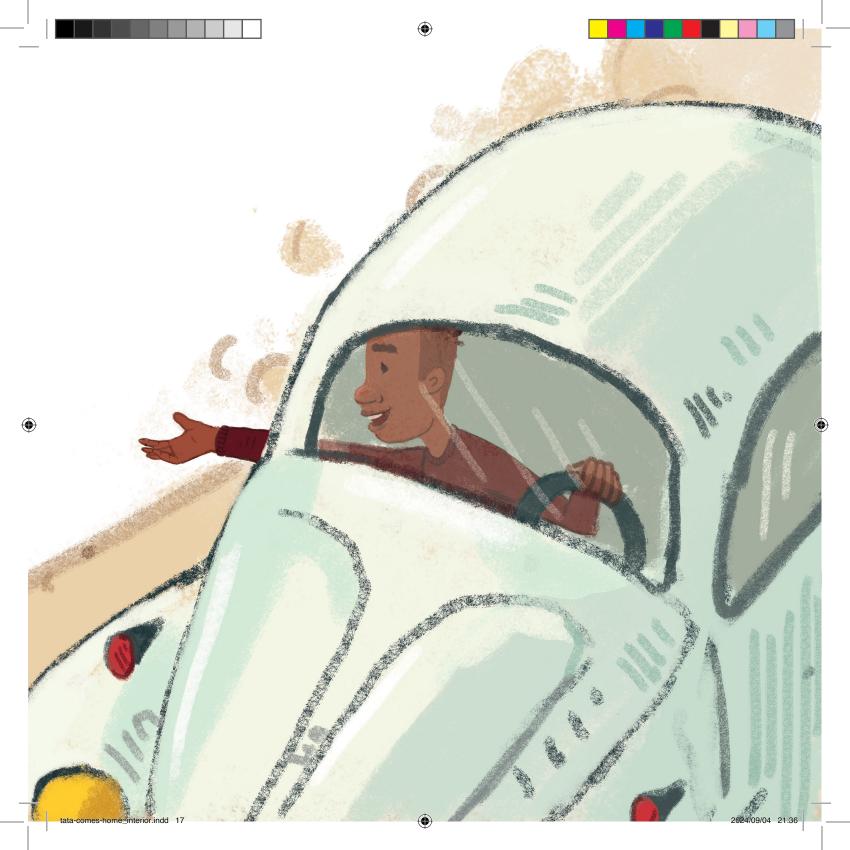
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"Hello Dali my boy,"

Tata yells with excitement, as he opens the door.

"Hop in!"

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When Tata is home, he and Dali always have so much fun together,

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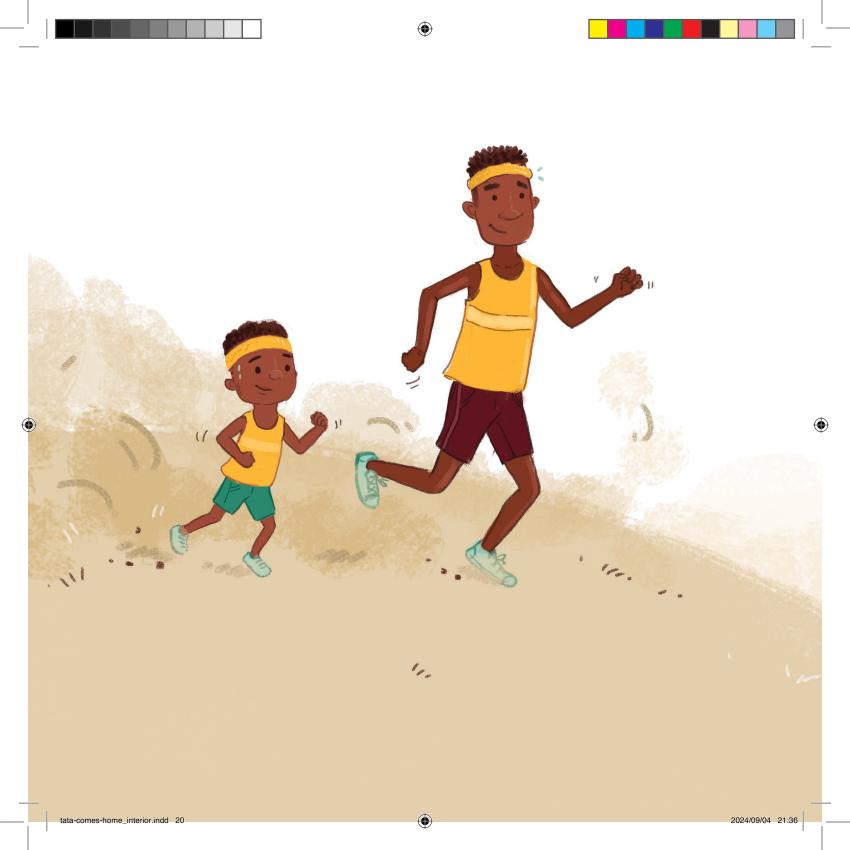
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cooked by Mama pap, wors and gravy.

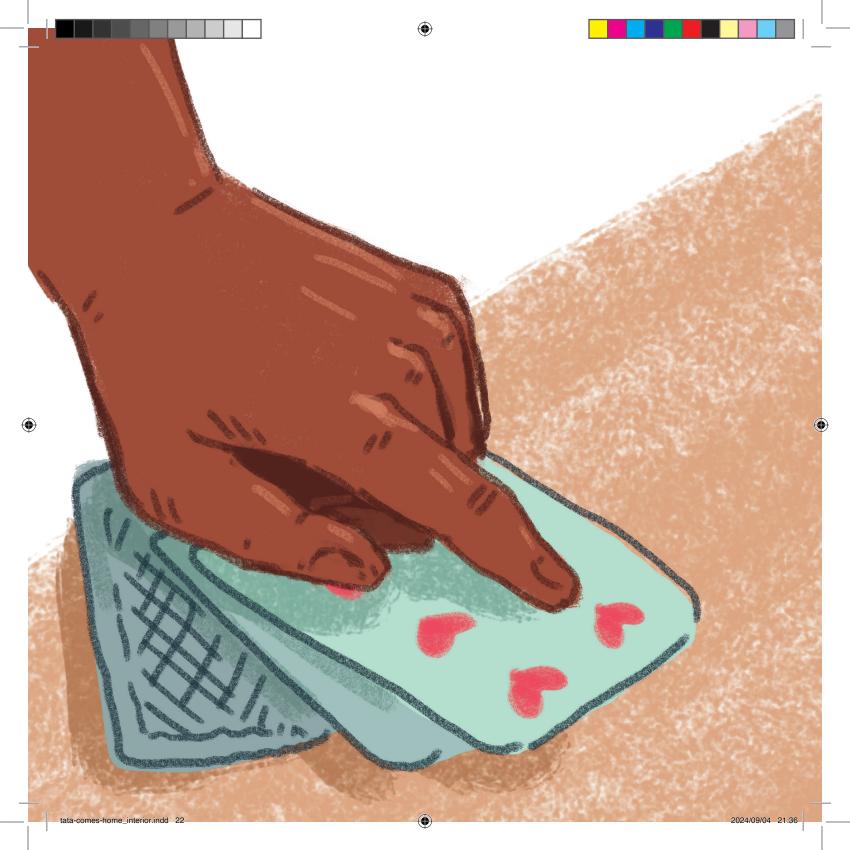
starting with their

favourite meal

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On Saturday morning, they start their day with a short jog around the neighbourhood.

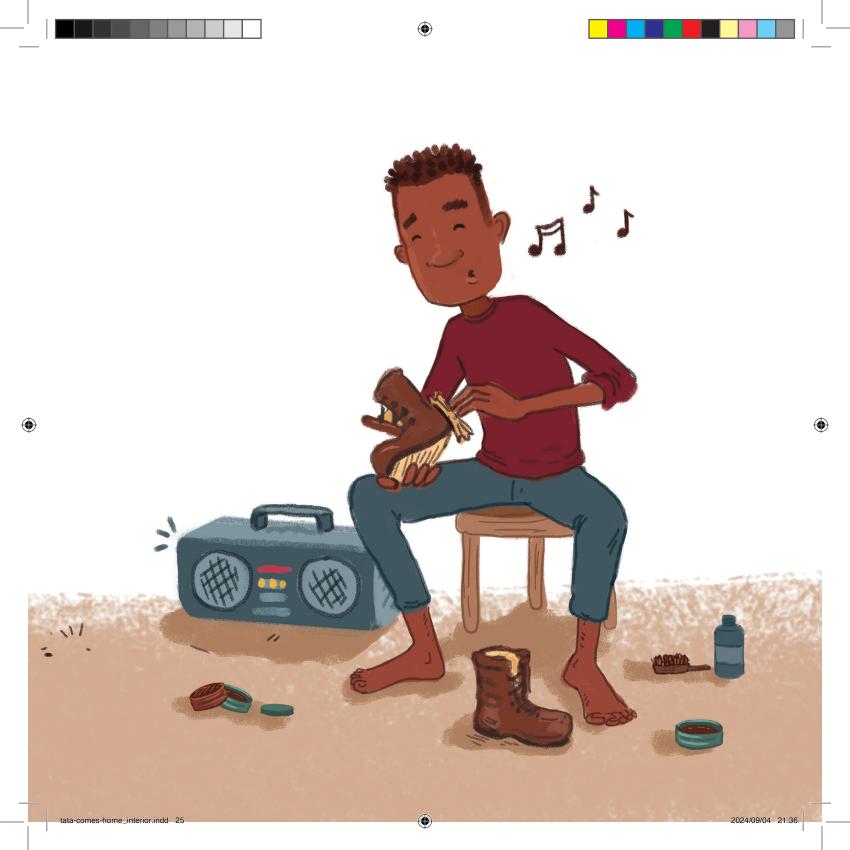


Then after lunch, Tata teaches Dali how to play card games.

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In the afternoon, Dali loves watching Tata polish his shoes while whistling to his favourite songs on the radio.





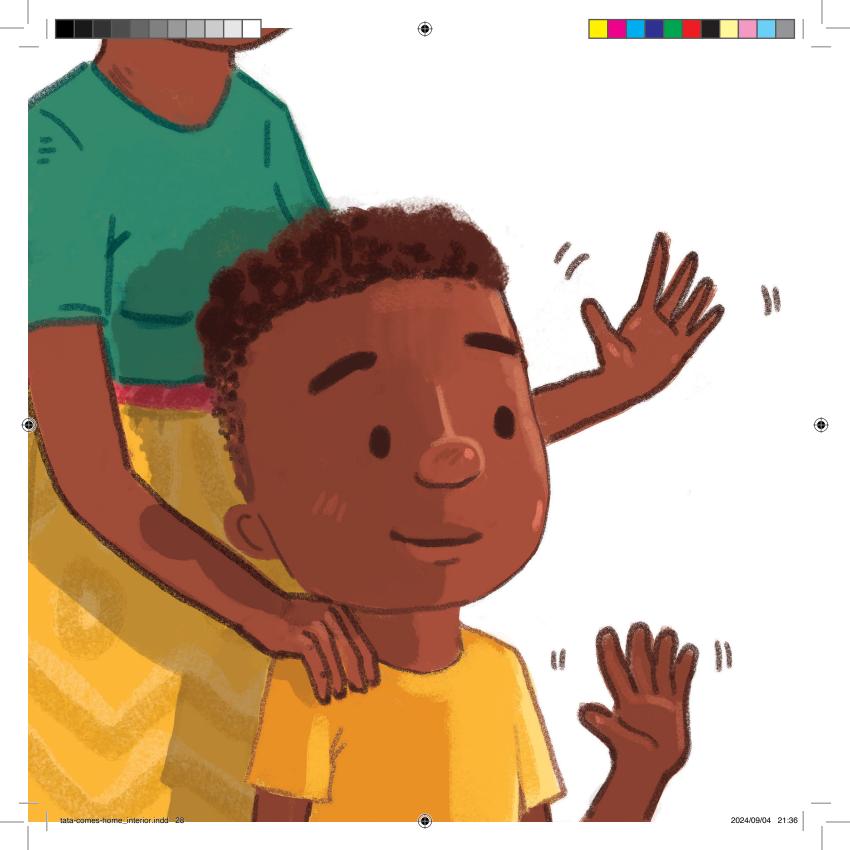


Sunday is the saddest day when they have to say goodbye because Tata must go back to work.

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But Dali does not stay sad for long because he knows that on Friday,

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Tata comes home.

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