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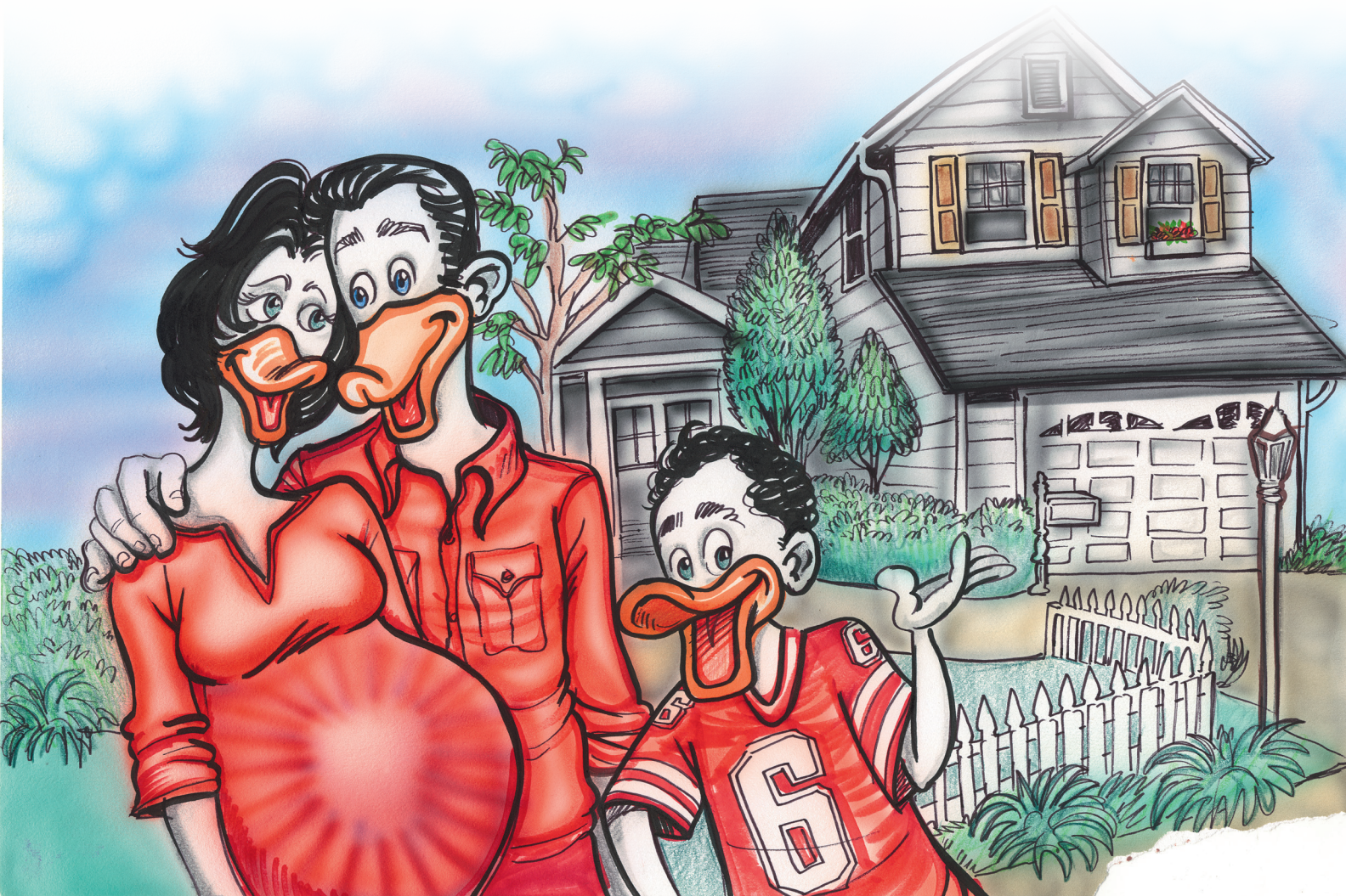
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BOOK I FAMILY TIME



BREAKFAST

Kyle is sitting at the breakfast table with his parents. He is ready to eat his delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, oatmeal, and juice. He begins to eat, but his mom stops him.

“Wait, Kyle. Before we eat, you know we must always give thanks to God for our food.”

Kyle replies, “Yes, Ma’am.” Everyone closes their eyes and bows their heads. Kyle says the grace.

“God, thank you for waking us up and blessing us with this meal. We thank you for all you do for us. In Jesus’ Name, amen.”



Kyle eats his pancakes and asks for more.

"Son, you have quite the appetite," Mr. Redduck says. He places more pancakes on Kyle's plate.

"Thanks, Dad. These pancakes are so good, Mom!"

"Thank you. I'm glad you are enjoying your breakfast."

After breakfast, Kyle prepares to leave for school. He grabs his pencils, stuffs them into his bookbag, and runs out the door. His mom calls him back.

“Kyle, it’s chilly. Take this jacket with you. Also, didn’t you forget something else?”

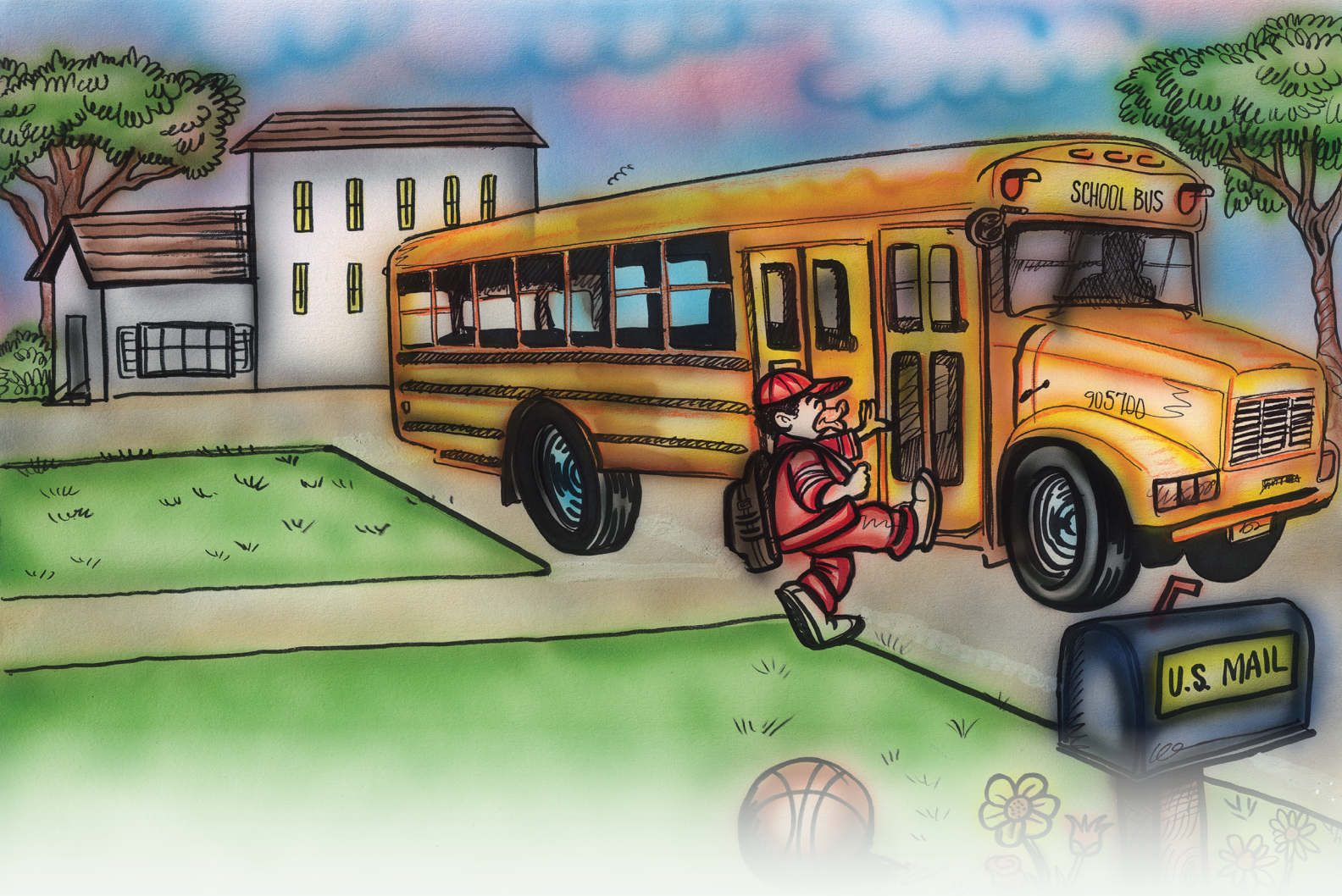
“Oh yes, Mom. I need a dollar for some snacks.”

“I wasn’t talking about that, Kyle. You didn’t give me my hug and kiss before leaving for school.”

Kyle walks over to his mom and gives her a hug and a kiss. He also rubs and kisses her stomach. Mrs. Redduck is expecting her baby girl to be born in three months.

“Now that’s my boy. You have a wonderful day at school. Be nice to your friends. Bye-bye!”

“Bye, Mom.”



The school bus arrives and puts out its emergency stop flashers.
Kyle steps up and gets on the bus.



STORY TIME MOM, DAD AND KYLE REDDUCK

Later that evening, Kyle is in his parents' room sitting on the bed. He has his favorite book in his hands.

"Mom, is it all right if I read a story to my sister? I want to read the Three Little Pigs to her."

"Sure, Honey. Reading makes babies grow up smart," his mom says. "I always read stories and played music for you when I was carrying you inside me. That is why you are so smart."

Kyle was surprised! "You read to me when I was in your tummy, Mom?"

“That’s right. I read to you every night until the day you were born.”

“But I don’t remember you reading to me when I was in your tummy, Mom. What did I do when you read to me? Was I scared? Was I smiling? Tell me!”

“Kyle, sometimes you moved around in my stomach and kicked me. Sometimes you slept. When I played music, you would move around like you were dancing.”

“Wow! My sister must be kicking, too, because your stomach keeps pushing out when I put my hand there!”

Kyle turned to his dad. He asked, “Daddy, did you see me kick when I was in Mom’s tummy?”

“Yes, Son. You sure did kick,” says his dad. “You also made your mama crave ice cream, pickles, chocolate, and chips throughout the night. Because of you, Mom had me going to the store for her almost every night.”

“I guess that’s why I like pickles so much,” Kyle says. “Mom gave them to me before I was born.”

His parents chuckle.

“I wish I could see what my sister looks like, and I wish I knew if she could see me.”

Kyle’s dad said, “You can see her when we go to the doctor’s office for Mom’s next appointment. They have machines that show pictures of babies and how they grow inside of their moms.”

“Wow! That’s cool! I cannot wait to see her!”

Kyle continues to read to his sister until he falls asleep. Mr. Redduck picks him up and takes him into his room. He pulls back the comforter and tucks Kyle into his bed. Then he turns off the light and closes the door.

Mrs. Redduck goes downstairs into the kitchen. She opens the freezer, takes out the ice cream, and gets chocolate syrup from the refrigerator. She grabs two bowls from the cabinet and then gets cookies from the pantry. After she scoops the buttered pecan ice cream into bowls and adds the cookies, she walks back upstairs with one bowl.

Mr. Redduck is sitting on the bed in their bedroom. She turns on the television and then sits down with her ice cream and cookies.

“There you go... craving sweets, again,” he says. “You are going to turn into a big bowl of ice cream. Hey, where is mine?”

“I didn’t forget about you. I made a bowl for you too. It’s in the kitchen on the table.”

“But I want to taste some of your ice cream. That looks good.”

Mrs. Redduck shares a spoonful of her ice cream with him. He eats it and asks for more.

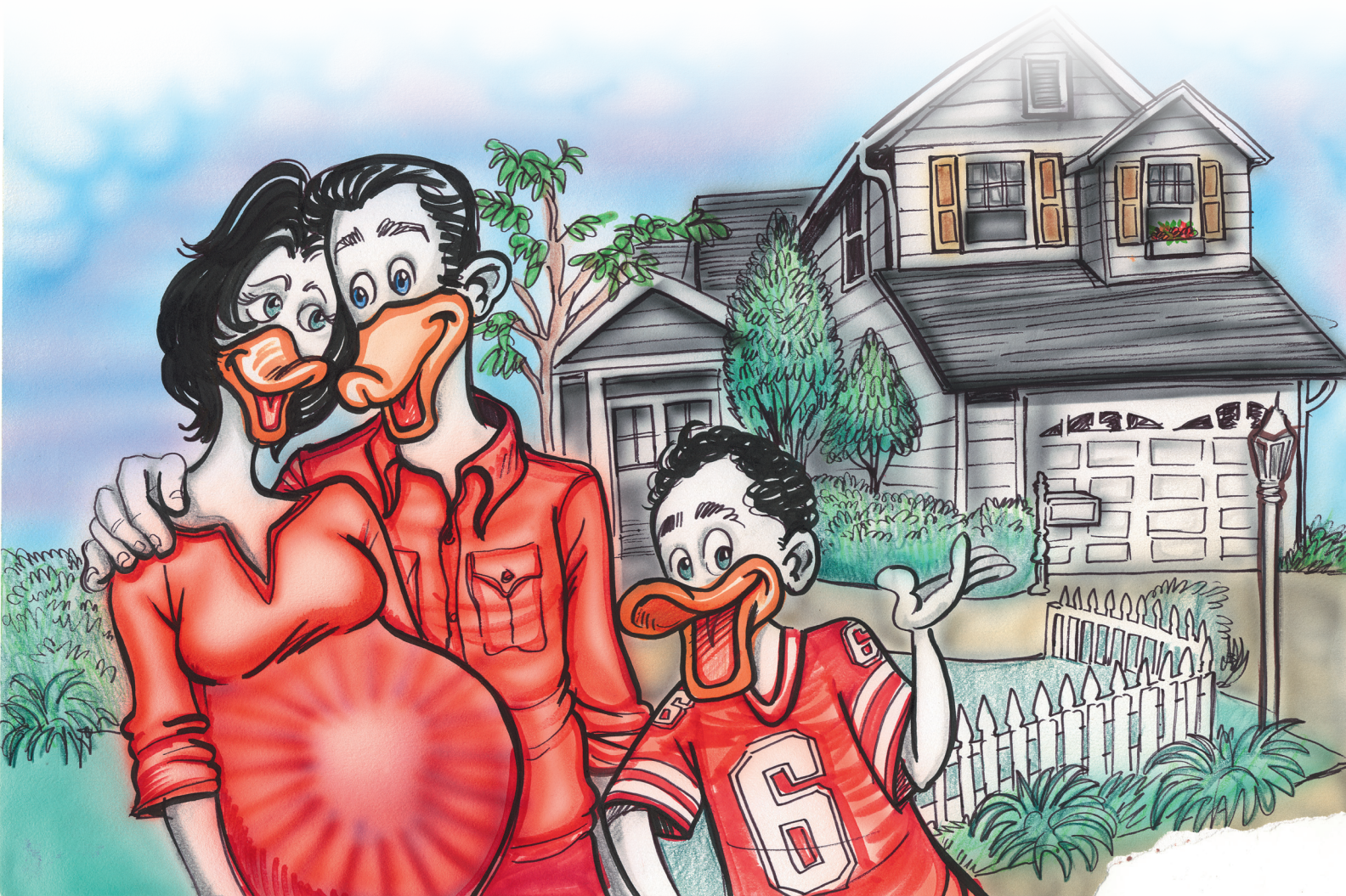
“You need to go downstairs and get your own ice cream. No more for you.”

Mr. Redduck laughs at his wife. He leaves the room and heads downstairs to get his ice cream.

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BOOK II KYLE'S NEW EXPERIENCES





CHILLIN' AT THE PARK

One day, Kyle's friend Mitchell invites him to go to the park with his Aunt Sara, along with some of his other friends. It is a nice day to play and be outside. Kyle is so happy his parents said he can go.

Kyle, Mitchell, Bobby, Regina, Sallie, and Jessica are having fun playing kickball. Mrs. Sara rolls the ball to Kyle, and he kicks it. He runs around the bases and makes a home run. Jessica raises her hand and gives him a high five!

It is now Sallie's turn to kick the ball. When the ball is rolled to her, she kicks it and runs to first base. Bobby gets the ball, tags her with it, and... she is out!

Kyle gets upset and yells at Sallie.

“You always get out! We never win with you on our team. I hope when my sister is born, she is a better kicker than you.”

Sallie starts to cry. Mrs. Sara places her arms around Sallie and hugs her. Then she speaks to Kyle about his remarks to Sallie.

“Kyle, it’s not nice to talk to your friend like that. Sallie may need a little more practice. This is a game of fun. She is your teammate. You should support her in the game. Give her tips to help her.”

“That’s right. I do not say terrible things to you when you need help with your math,” Sallie says.

Kyle apologizes to Sallie. “I’m sorry for yelling at you, Sallie. I just wanted to win the game.”

Sallie says, “It’s okay. I’ll try harder and run faster next time.”

“Great,” says Mrs. Sara. “Friends should always be kind to each other. Let’s finish the game.”



The ice cream truck passes through the park. Mrs. Sara buys ice cream for all the children and herself. They all sit on the bench, eating their ice cream cones.

Mitchell says, "Look! I have a snow cone with three different flavors. Cherry, blueberry, and lime."

Bobby says, "I have Superman ice cream. The wrapper says, 'You win a free ice cream cone!' Wow! I can use this next time."

"I've got chocolate banana ice cream," Kyle says.

Sallie, Regina, and Jessica all have Barbie ice cream cones.

Kyle asks, "What kind did you get, Mrs. Sara?"

She replies, "I have a Nutty Buddy cone."

Everyone is chatting and enjoying their ice cream. Bobby begins talking about his baby brother.

He asks, "Kyle, when is your mom going to have the baby?"

Kyle replies, "Soon, I hope. Sometimes I get tired of rubbing my mom's tummy while she reads to the baby. I'm ready to see her in person."

"I remember when my brother was born because everything changed," says Bobby. "I had to give him all my little toys. He cried all night. My mom didn't want me to touch him much, and I was too small to hold him. Everybody picked him up, but me," Bobby says.

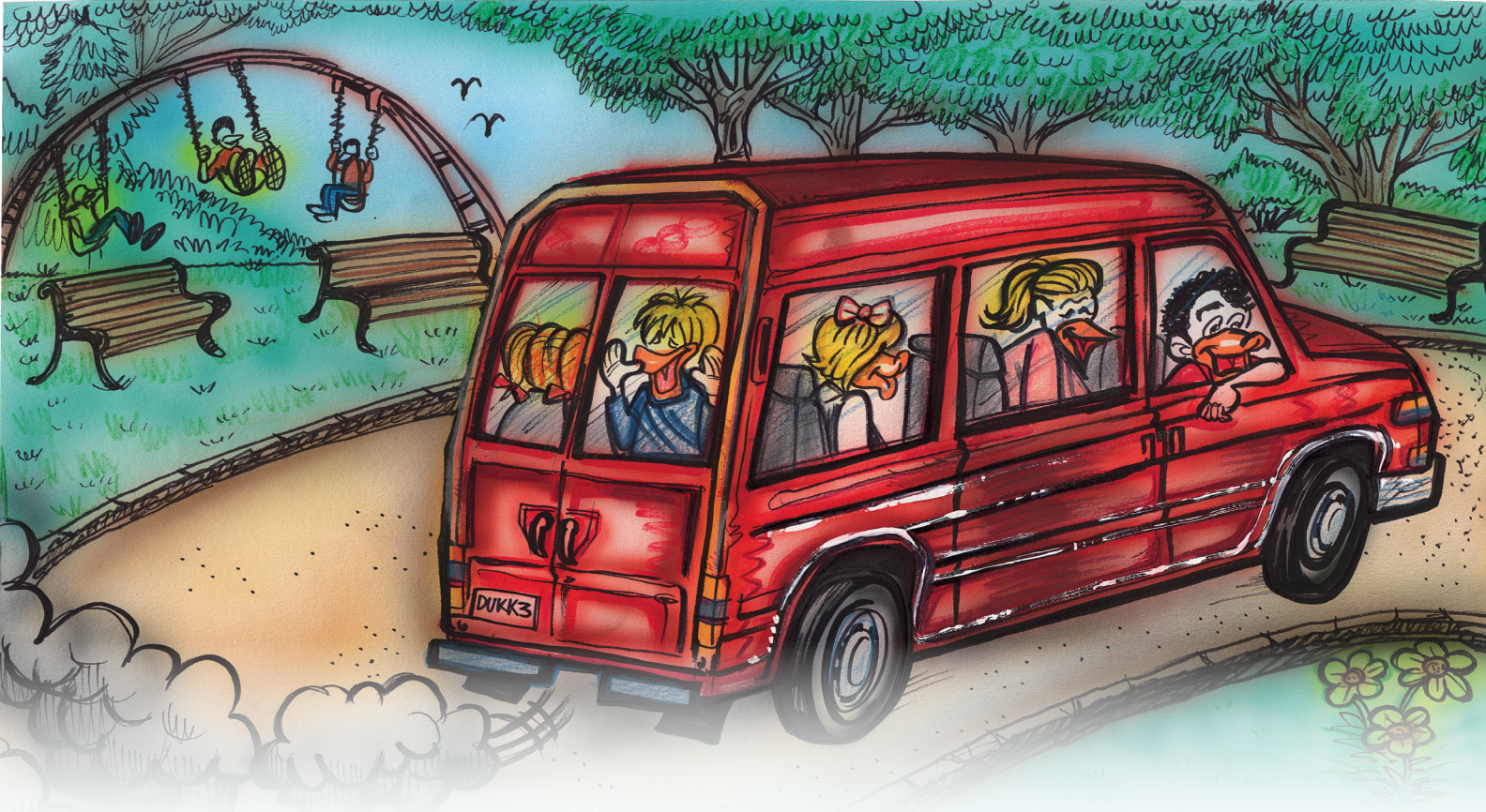
"Really?" Kyle asks.

"Yeah. I used to get lots of gifts for Christmas. But now, he receives more gifts than me! I hope that doesn't happen to you, Kyle."

Jessica joins the conversation. She says, "Bobby is right! When my sister was born, she got all the attention. It was like I went away. Grandma used to give me big hugs and kisses and hold me in her lap. She always brought me a toy and cookies when she came over. But now that my baby sister is here, Grandma tells me to sit down, and we just watch television while she holds the baby."

Regina says, "None of that happened to me. My mom still gave me toys. She let me hold and feed my sister. Mom told me I was the big sister and should take care of my baby sister. She let me help her out with the baby."

"I don't have a baby sister," Sallie says. "But I have an adopted sister who is older than me. She's twelve. We argue sometimes, but we always make up. We play board games together and eat snacks. She stays up later than me, which is unfair. She's allowed to pick out family movies, and she always sits in the front seat of the car." Then she added, "But she takes me with her to her friend's house sometimes!"



“I have a baby brother,” says Mitchell. “My mom lets me hold him while he’s drinking his bottle. She lets me change his diaper too! I even give him a bath, but my mom helps me. One day, I had to change my clothes because he pee-peed on me when my mom changed his diaper. When Grandma comes over, she watches him so Mom and I can go to the park or watch a movie together.”

“I know it will be fun to have a baby sister around the house,” says Kyle. “I will be in charge because I’m older. She will need my help with things. I sure will be glad when she is born!”

After everyone finishes eating their ice cream, Mrs. Sara tells them to put their wrappers into the trash can. Everyone gets on the van and buckles their seatbelts before Mrs. Sara drives them back home.

KYLE VISITS THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE

Mom, Dad and Kyle are waiting in the doctor's office for a checkup for Mom and the baby. Nurse Kathy gives Mrs. Redduck some paperwork to complete. Afterward, she says, "Mrs. Redduck, we are ready for you. I am going to take you to a room so you can undress. The doctor will come in shortly to examine you and the baby."

Mr. Redduck asks, "May my son and I go in with my wife to see the baby?"

Nurse Kathy replies, "Normally, we only have the mother and father in the room. But we can make an exception, as long as Kyle is a good boy."

Kyle stands up and shouts, "I'll be good! I promise!"

Mrs. Redduck has undressed. She lies down on the bed and waits for Dr. Smith.

When Dr. Smith enters the room, he greets everyone. "Hello, Mr. and Mrs. Redduck. How are you doing?"

"Good," they both reply.



"I'm excited," says Kyle.

"Hello there," Dr. Smith says, "You must be the big brother."

"Yes, my name is Kyle."

"Well, congratulations, Kyle. It's nice to meet you."

Dr. Smith starts his examination. First, he puts gloves on. Next, he places gel on Mrs. Redduck's stomach and spreads it around. Finally, he holds a special computer controller and moves it over her stomach to check out how the baby is doing inside.

Kyle asks, "What's that stuff you put on Mom's tummy?"

Dr. Smith responds, "It's gel, Kyle. We place it on her stomach, so we can feel the baby's movements and see inside. It helps us take better pictures."

Kyle replied, "Oh! We had gel at home, but it was for my mom's hair."

"Oh Kyle," says his mom. She giggles.

Kyle and Mr. Redduck watch as Dr. Smith studies the images of the baby on the monitor. Dr. Smith shows the family all the baby's body parts on the screen. He also lets them listen to the baby's heartbeat!

Mr. Redduck smiles as he sees his unborn daughter's movements on the screen.

"It's so amazing! I can see life before she is here. I'm going to have my little girl soon."

Kyle yells out, "Wow! This is so cool!" He can hardly believe what he sees on the screen—his baby sister, still inside his mom's tummy!

Mr. Redduck pats his son on the head and says, "Kyle, you will be a fine big brother to your sister. You must protect her."

“I know, Daddy. She is so small. I will have to help her in school and take care of her.”

“That’s right, Son. Always take care of your sister.”

“Dad! Look at her eyes! I can see her mouth and hands. She looks like she wants to eat or drink something. She’s got her hand in her mouth!”

Dr. Smith replies, “That’s right, Kyle. This is called an ultrasound exam, and it shows us what we need to know about how the baby is doing inside. She really does look like she is hungry!”

Kyle grins.

“Mr. and Mrs. Redduck, your baby girl looks healthy. She has a strong heartbeat. She has all ten fingers and toes. Her organs are well-developed. You should be delivering a healthy baby within eight weeks.”

Kyle’s parents smile when they hear the good news from Dr. Smith.

“I am going to print out a copy of the ultrasound image for you. Do you have any questions for me about your baby?”

Mrs. Redduck says, "No, Sir. Thank you, Dr. Smith."

"Since there are no questions. I am going to schedule your last appointment for next month. The nurse will give you a date. You may go ahead and get dressed now."

"Okay, Dr. Smith. Thanks again," Mr. Redduck says.

Dr. Smith, Kyle, and Mr. Redduck walk out of the exam room so Mrs. Redduck can get dressed.

A few minutes later, Mrs. Redduck walks to the nurse's area.

Nurse Kathy says, "Mrs. Redduck, is June 26th okay for your final appointment?"

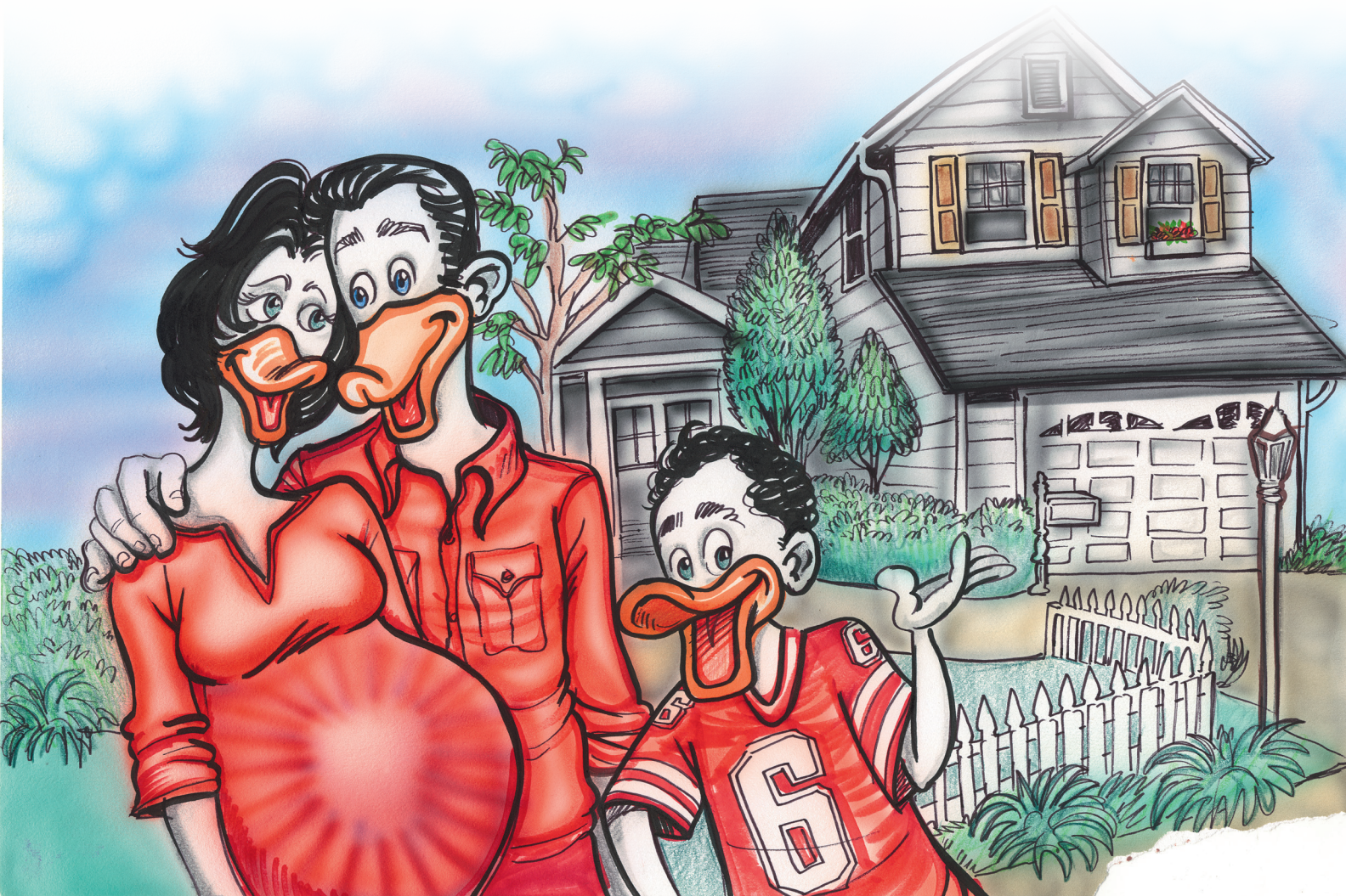
"Yes. That is fine. Thank you."

Nurse Kathy gives Mrs. Redduck a card with her next appointment date, along with the ultrasound picture of her baby. Then, the family leaves the doctor's office.

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BOOK III THE BIRTH OF BABY DANIELLE





THE TALK

Kyle and his father are sitting on the back porch playing a game of Go Fish. He asks his father about where babies come from.

“Dad, where did I come from? How did I get here?”

Dad pauses and places his hand over his forehead. Then he says, “Son, you came from God. He made you and gave you to me and your mom.”

“Why did he give me to you and Mom?”

“Because He is good, and He knew we wanted a baby.”

“Did you see me on that machine, like we saw my sister inside Mom’s tummy?”

“We sure did,” Dad says.

“How did I look?”

“You looked like your sister looked today. But you were much bigger, Kyle.”

“Did Mom get a picture of me, too?”

“Yes, I think she has it, along with your baby pictures. She will let you see it one day,” Dad says.

“Cool. Are you and Mom going to ask God for some more babies?”

“I do not know.”

“Does God ever run out of giving babies to moms?”

“No, Kyle. He never runs out of anything.”

“Wow!” That sounds amazing to Kyle.

“That’s right. He owns everything in the world.”

“Everything? Where does God live?”

“Son, He lives in the heavens.”

“I heard about Heaven in bible school, Dad. Ms. Wilson told us that Heaven is way up in the sky. She said it is beautiful, and you never get sick or have to worry about anything. I hope I go there one day.”

“We all will go there someday, Kyle.”

Mrs. Redduck walks outside and brings lunch to Kyle and his dad. “I brought you some sandwiches, chips, and lemonade.”

Both Kyle and his dad say, “Thank you.”

She sits down next to her husband and takes a sip of her lemonade.

“Mom, this lemonade is good,” Kyle says.

“Thank you, Sweetheart. I’m glad you like it.”

“Mom, when my sister comes, will you love her more than me?”

“Of course not. I will love you both the same,” Mom says.

“Will I have to share my toys with her?”

“Not unless you want to. But remember, sharing is a good thing to do, Kyle.”

Suddenly, Mrs. Redduck feels a sharp pain in her stomach. The baby is moving. She takes a few breaths to relax herself. Then the pain comes back again. She moans aloud because the pain is stronger this time.

Mr. Redduck rubs his wife's shoulders and helps her with breathing exercises.

"The contractions are becoming stronger and more painful," Mrs. Redduck says.

Mr. Redduck says, "Son, go into the house and bring me the phone."

Kyle runs into the house wondering what contractions are, and why they are hurting his mom. He brings the phone to his dad.

His dad calls Dr. Smith's office and says, "Hello, Dr. Smith. My wife is in pain. We think it may be time for her to deliver the baby. She is having contractions."

Kyle watches as his dad listens to Dr. Smith. When he hangs up, he says, "Okay, it's time. Dr. Smith said to grab your things and meet him at the hospital."

Mr. Redduck helps his wife into the car and buckles her in. He runs back to grab her overnight bag and tells Kyle to get in the car.

Off they go! Mr. Redduck drives his family to the hospital.

BABY DANIELLE IS BORN

Kyle and his parents arrive at the hospital. The nurse places Mrs. Redduck in a wheelchair and escorts her to her room. She is breathing hard and is still having contractions. Mr. Redduck is coaching her with her breathing while holding her hand. Kyle must go to the children's waiting room with a staff member of the hospital. Mr. Redduck calls his parents and tells them to meet him at the hospital because it's time for the baby to be born.

When Dr. Smith arrives at the hospital, he examines Mrs. Redduck and tells the nurse to prepare for her to deliver the baby. Mrs. Redduck is glad to see him.

Soon, Dr. Smith says, "Alright, Mrs. Redduck. It's time for your daughter to be born. You will need to push hard when I tell you to, so we can deliver your baby."

She nods her head and says, "Okay."

"Ready?" he asks. "One. Two. Three. Now push! Push, push, push!"

Mrs. Redduck is breathing hard and crying.

"We almost have her here now. We just need a few more pushes, and you'll soon be holding your daughter. Push again, and do not stop until I tell you so. Alright, Mrs. Redduck, are you ready?"

“Yes, I’m ready,” she says again.

“Once more on the count of three, try your best to give a big push. One. Two. Three! Push!

Mrs. Redduck squeezes her eyes closed and pushes. She pushes as hard as she can.

Dr. Smith shouts, “Okay, you can stop!”

Mrs. Redduck takes a deep breath and relaxes when she hears Dr. Smith say, “We have her. She is here! Welcome, Baby Danielle.”

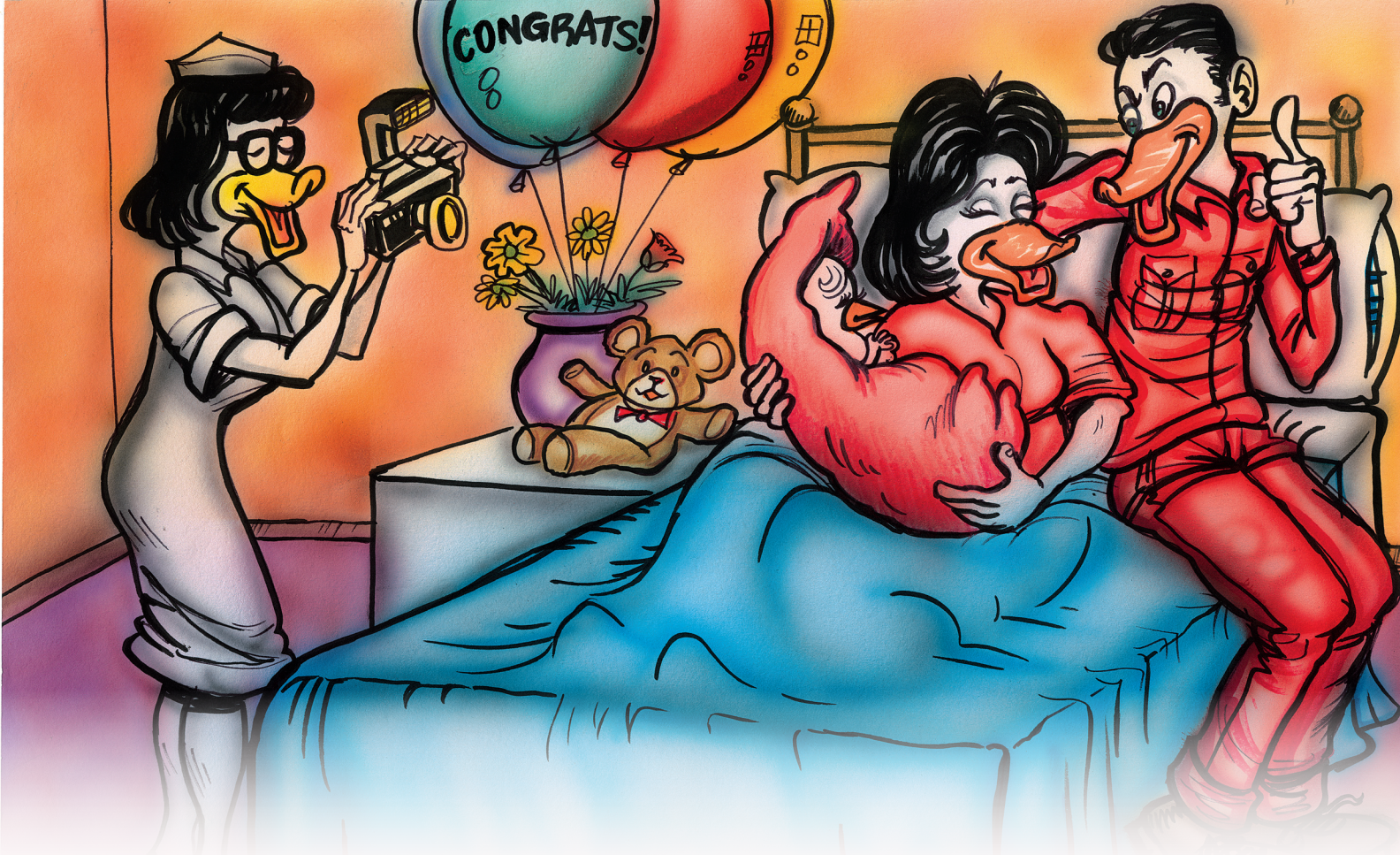
Baby Danielle is born!

She is crying as Dr. Smith picks her up and cuts the umbilical cord. Then the nurse cleans her up and places her in her mother’s arms. She holds their newborn baby as the nurse takes a picture of them.

“Congratulations! She is a beautiful little girl, and she is healthy. You did a great job, Mrs. Redduck. I will be back to check on you later.”

“Thank you. Dr. Smith,” Mrs. Redduck says.

Dr. Smith walks out of the room, and the nurse takes the baby to the nursery. She later comes back and escorts Mrs. Redduck to the recovery area to rest. The hospital bed has wheels, and Mr. Redduck follows behind.



While they are in the recovery area, Mr. Redduck's parents arrive. The happy grandparents ask the nurse to bring the baby from the nursery so they can see their newborn granddaughter. They are excited to see Danielle. Grandma holds her in her arms and speaks softly to her. "My baby. My sweet little angel. You look like your mama. You are so beautiful."

Grandpa says, "Look at your grandma. She is already spoiling her grandchild."

The nurse brings Kyle into the room to meet his sister. Kyle is excited and wants to hold her.

"Can I hold her, Dad?"



"No, Son. She is too small for you to hold right now. It isn't safe. When you are older, you can hold her."

Kyle sits down in a chair. He is sad because everyone has held his sister except him. The family is taking pictures of Baby Danielle. He feels like he is not receiving any attention. He has become jealous of his sister.

After a while, the nurse comes back into the room. She takes Danielle to the nursery to sleep. Grandpa and Grandma hug Kyle and his parents before leaving.

Later, Mr. Redduck and Kyle hug and kiss Mrs. Redduck, and say "goodbye." Kyle has summer camp the next day, and Mr. Redduck must go to work. They leave Mrs. Redduck at the hospital and go home.

BABY DANIELLE AT HOME

Mrs. Redduck is in the bathroom taking a shower while Kyle is watching cartoons in his room and drinking a soda. Baby Danielle is in her crib, and she starts to cry. Kyle hears her and walks into his parents' bedroom. He sees his sister crying in her crib and notices her empty bottle lying near her.

"I'll take care of you," he says to his baby sister.

Kyle picks Danielle up from the crib and sits with her on the floor. Danielle continues to cry, and she is louder now.

"It's okay, Danielle," Kyle says. He holds his plastic bottle of soda to his baby sister's mouth, and she stops crying. She is trying to suck the soda from the bottle.

"Now that's a good girl. You must be hungry. I'm supposed to take care of you. I'm your big brother."



Just then, Mrs. Redduck steps out of the shower. She gets dressed and walks into the bedroom. She sees Kyle sitting on the floor with Danielle, trying to feed her soda from his bottle.

“What are you doing with your sister? You cannot pick her up without an adult around. What are you feeding her? Give her to me!” his mom shouted. “Do not ever do that again. Go to your room, Kyle!”

She takes the baby from Kyle. Kyle stands up and starts to cry. He runs back to his room.

Mrs. Redduck goes downstairs and warms up a bottle for Danielle. After feeding her, she knocks on Kyle’s bedroom door and enters his room. She puts her hand on his shoulder.

"I'm sorry, Kyle. I did not mean to make you cry. When I saw you with the baby, I got upset. I just want to make sure nothing happens to Danielle. You are not big enough to pick her up safely and hold her. You could hurt her and yourself."

Kyle wipes his eyes and says, "She was crying. She didn't have any milk left in her bottle, so I gave her my soda. She stopped crying."

"I know you were trying to help me, but your sister cannot have soda yet. She can only drink milk for babies. She can only drink from a baby bottle. I know you meant well, and I did not mean to shout at you. You know I love you and Danielle very much." She holds her arms out to Kyle.

"Come here. Why don't you hold Danielle with me? And the next time she is hungry, you can help me feed her."

Kyle has a smile on his face. He hugs his mom and says, "You mean it? Can I really feed her with the baby bottle? Cool!"

A few hours later, Mr. Redduck arrives home. He joins Mrs. Redduck, Kyle, and Danielle and goes over to the big bed where they are relaxing together. He is so happy to see his family.



"Look at my beautiful family," he says.

"Hi Dad!"

"Hello, Dear," says Mrs. Redduck. "You are just in time."

Mr. Redduck asks, "I am?"

"Yes, you are. Someone is hungry. Are you ready, Kyle?"

Kyle nods his head and sits up in the bed. Mrs. Redduck places Baby Danielle between them and puts the bottle in her mouth.

Big Brother Kyle holds the bottle and proudly feeds his baby sister. "Thanks for letting me feed Danielle. I love you, Mom."

"I love you too, Kyle."

THE END