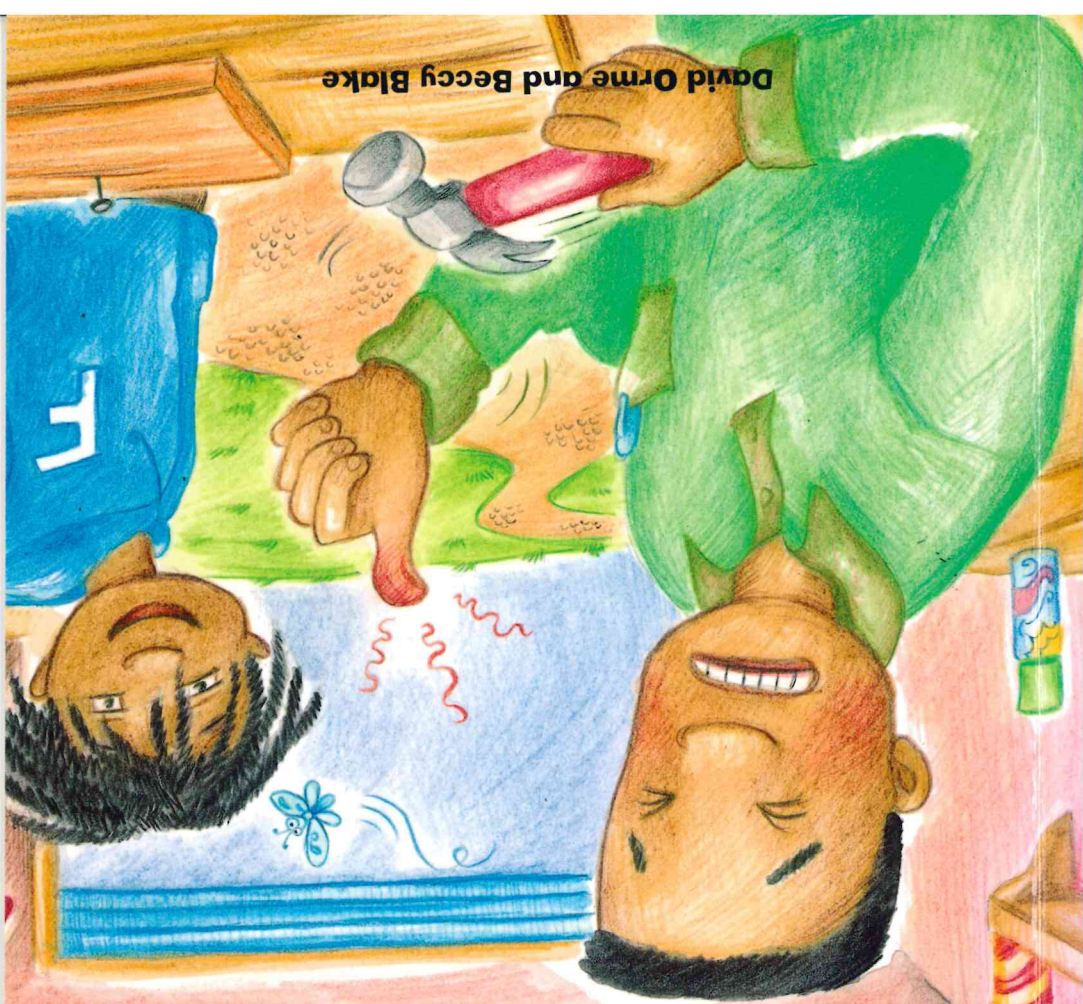


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Dad was hammering.

He hit his thumb with  
the hammer.



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"Ouchi That hurts!"





Mum put a bandage on Dad's thumb.

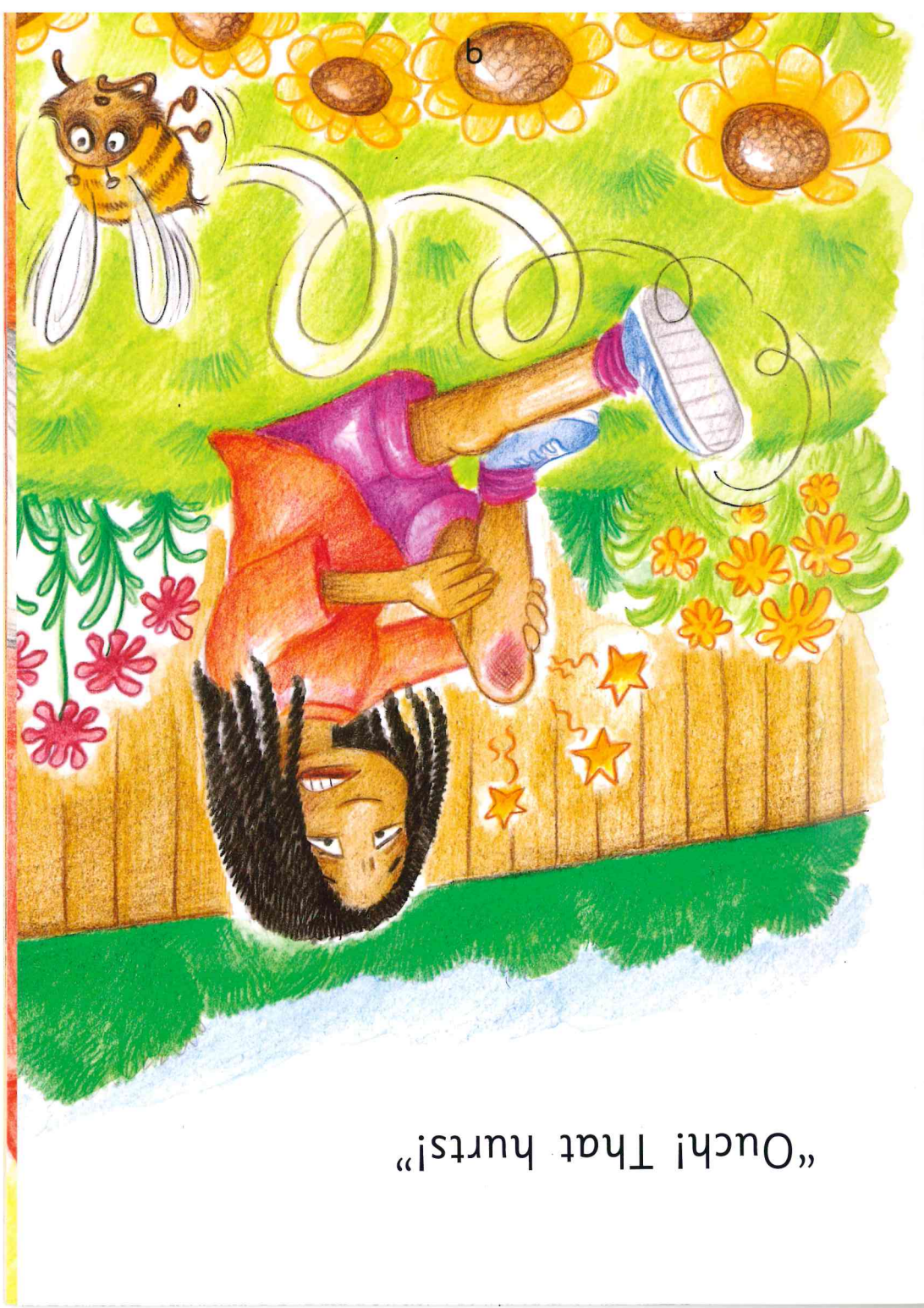
“You need to be brave like  
me!” said Freddy.



She was stung by a bee.

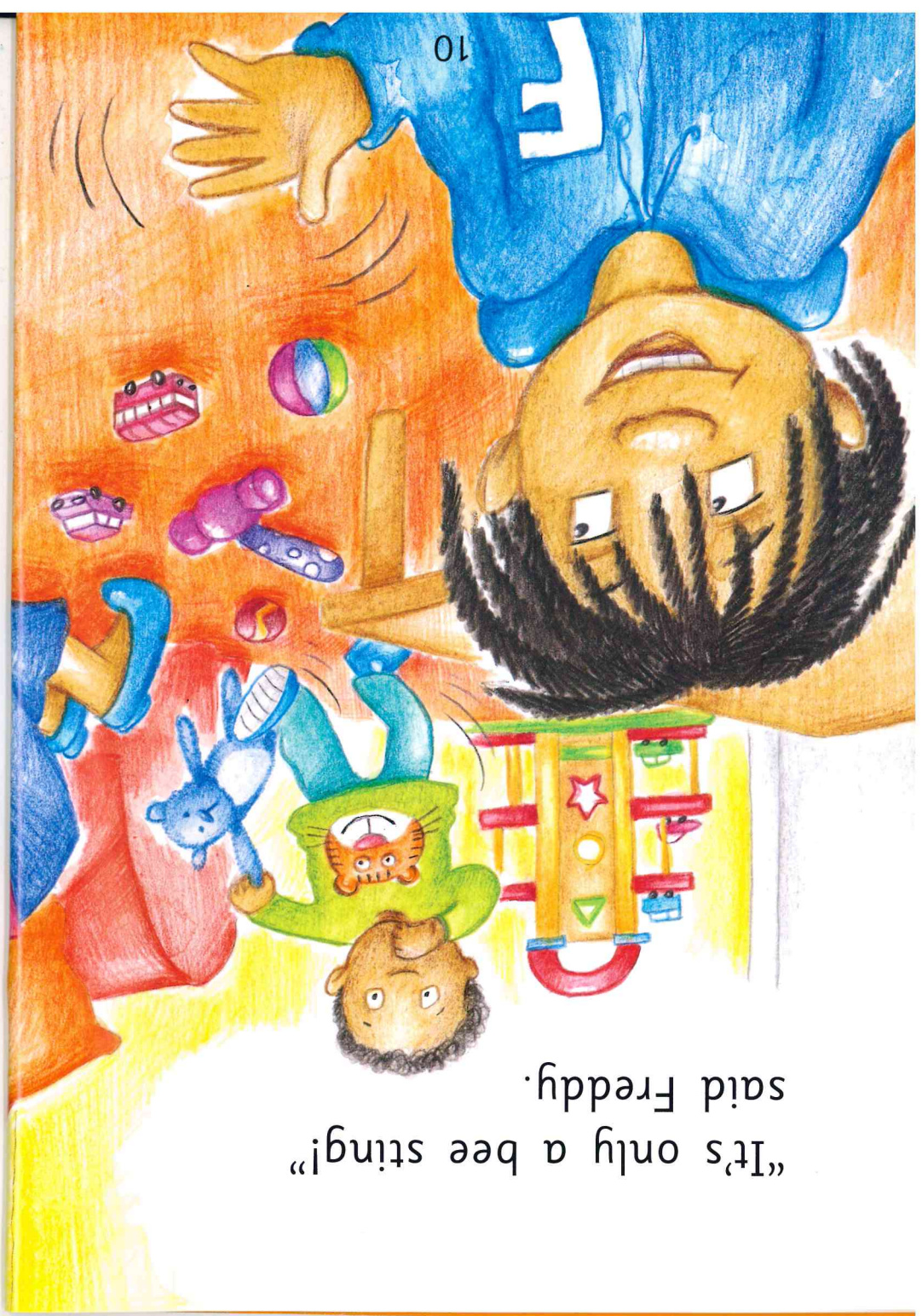


Jess was playing in the garden.



“Ouchi That hurts!”

"It's only a bee sting!"  
said Freddy.



Mum soon made her leg  
feel better.



Sam fell over and banged  
his head.



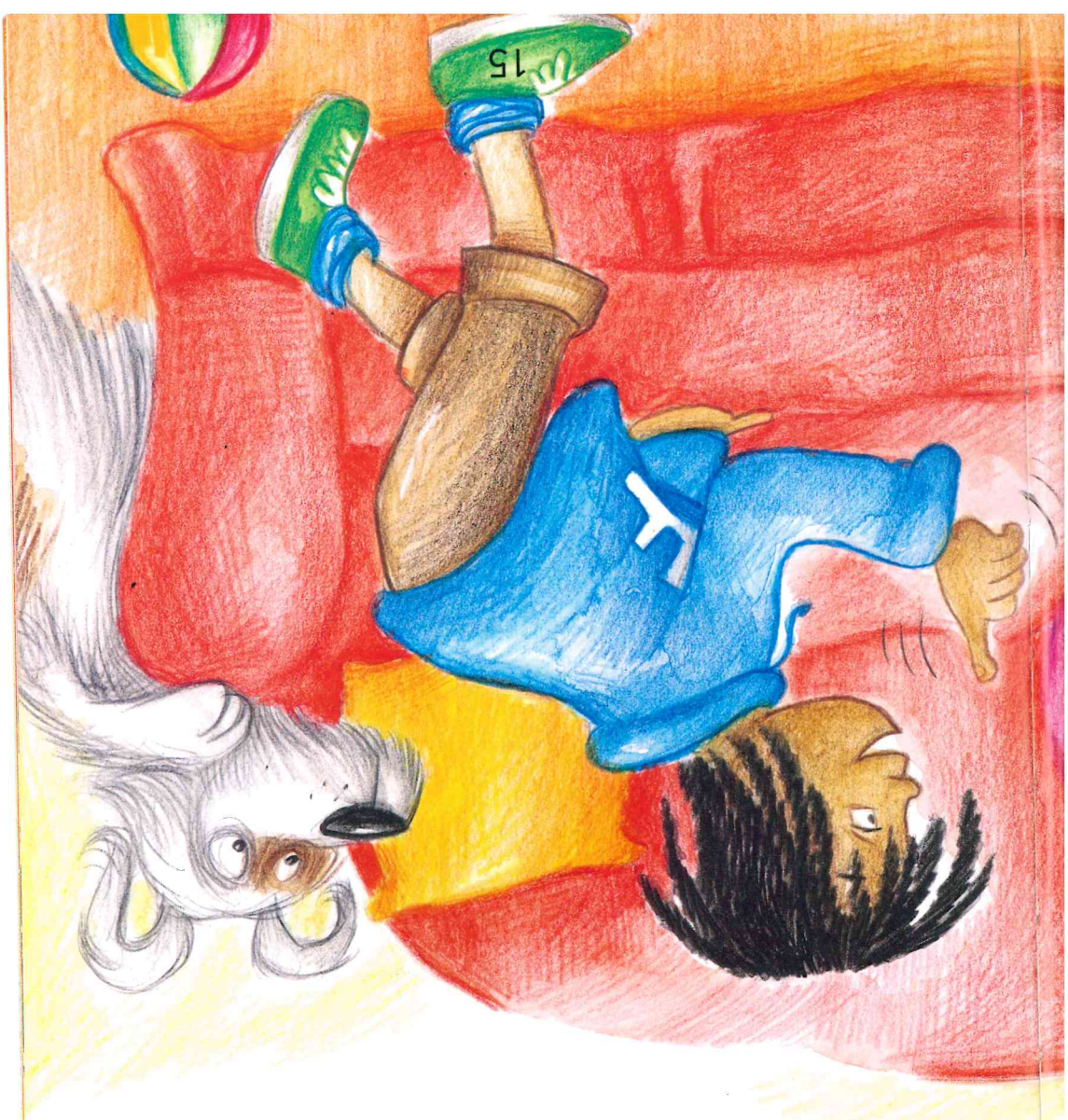


He began to cry. Mum gave him a hug.

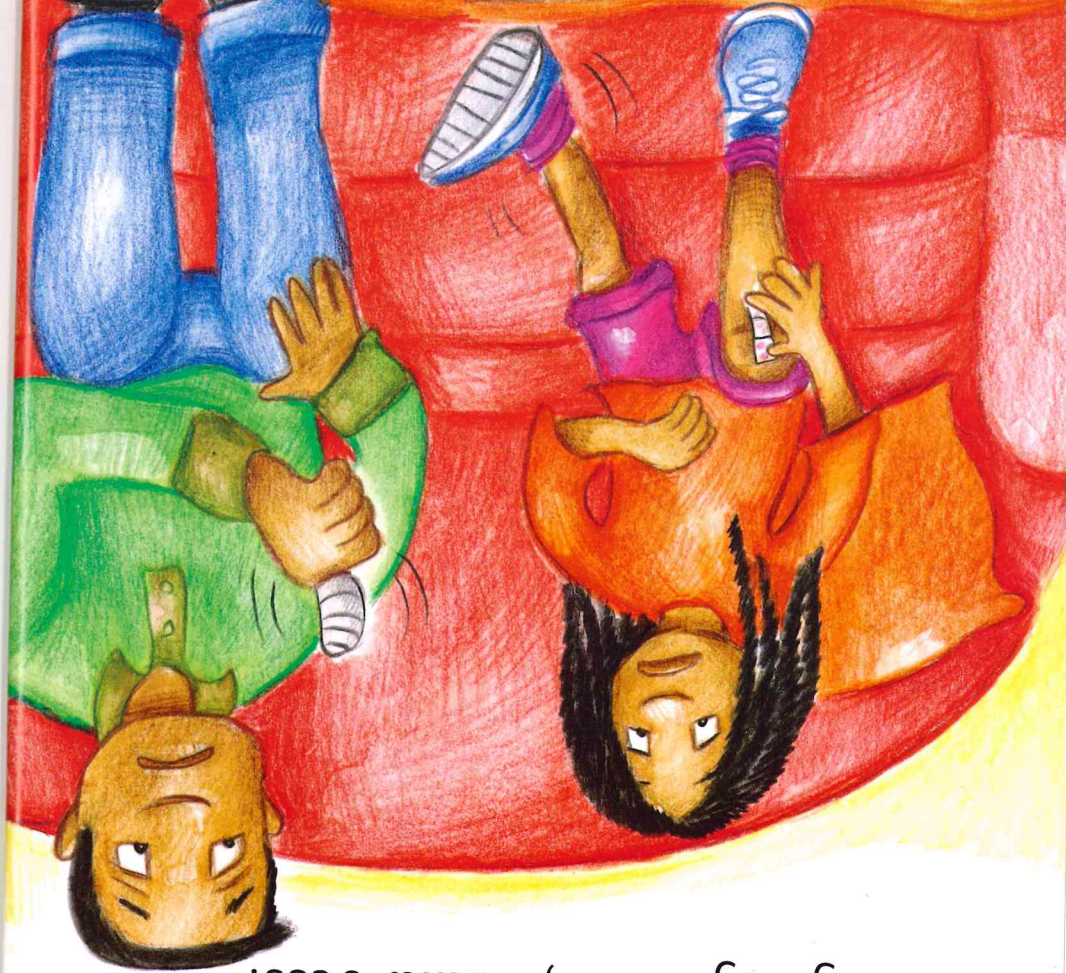
“Did that hurt?”  
said Freddy.



“You need to be brave  
like me,” he said.

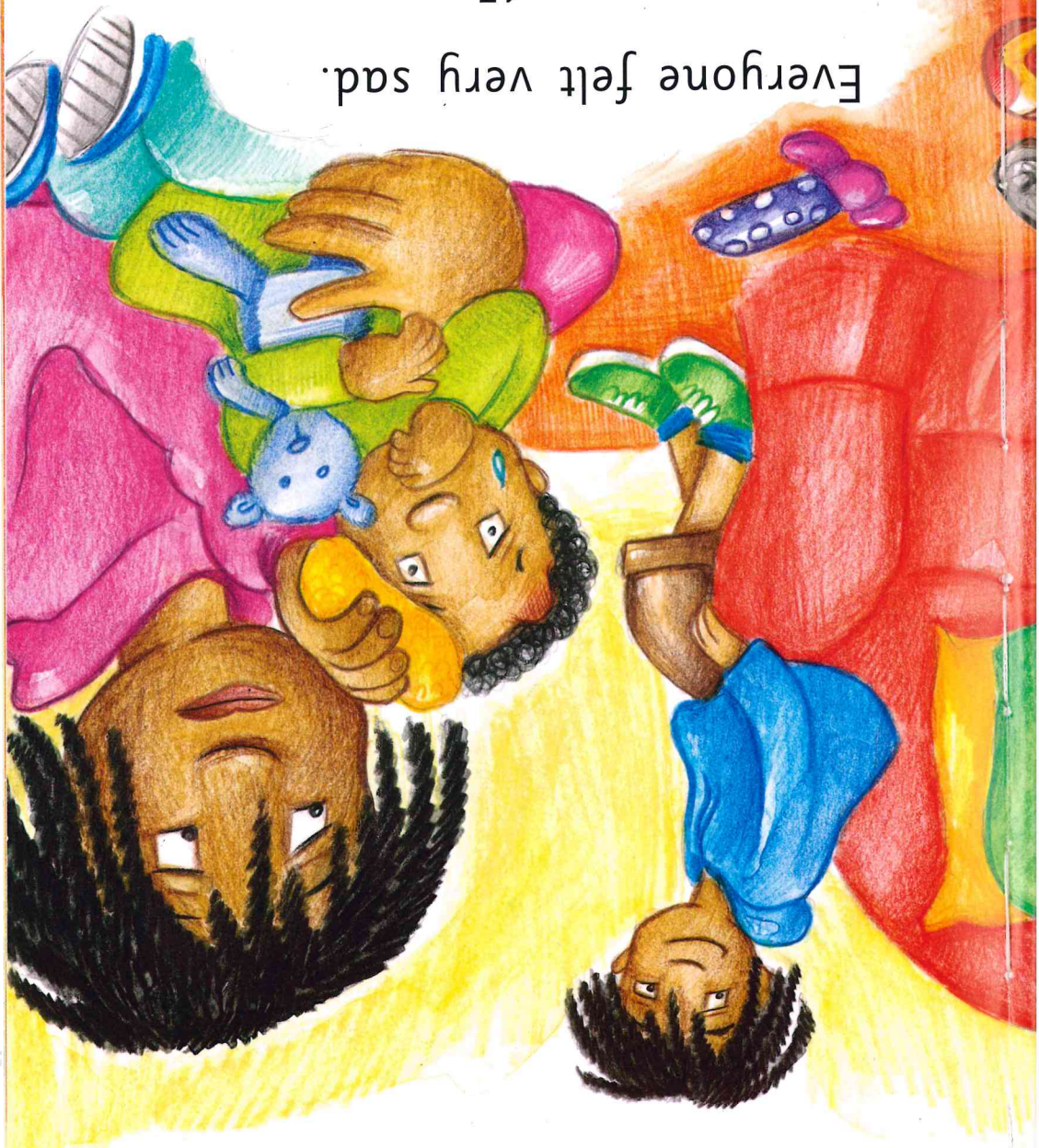


“My leg hurts,” said Jess.



“My thumb hurts,”  
said Dad.

Sam's head still hurt.



Everyone felt very sad.

Mum put Sam down to play  
with his toys.

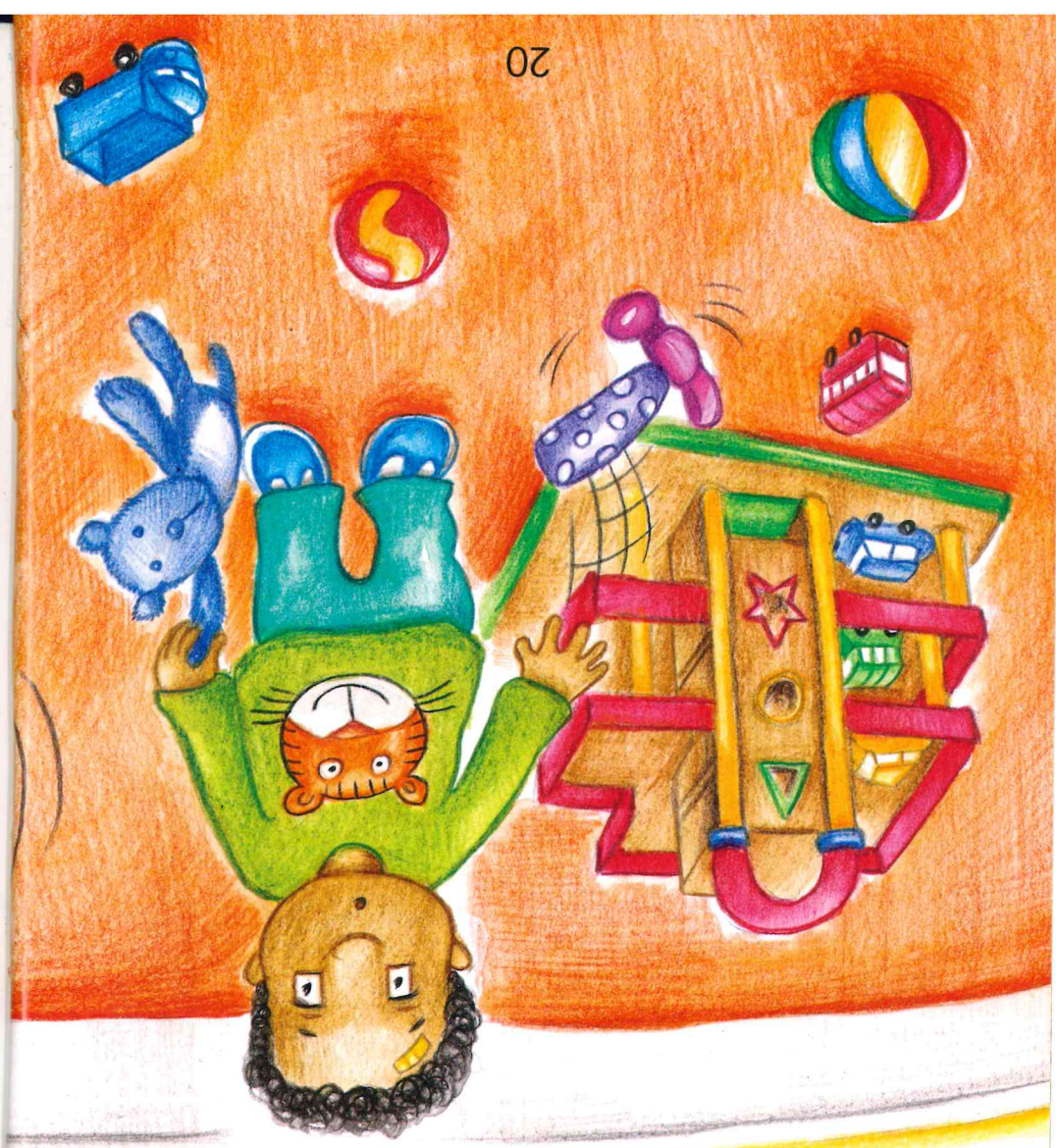


Freddy was playing, too.



Suddenly Sam hit Freddy with his hammer.

"Ouchi That hurts!"  
said Freddy.

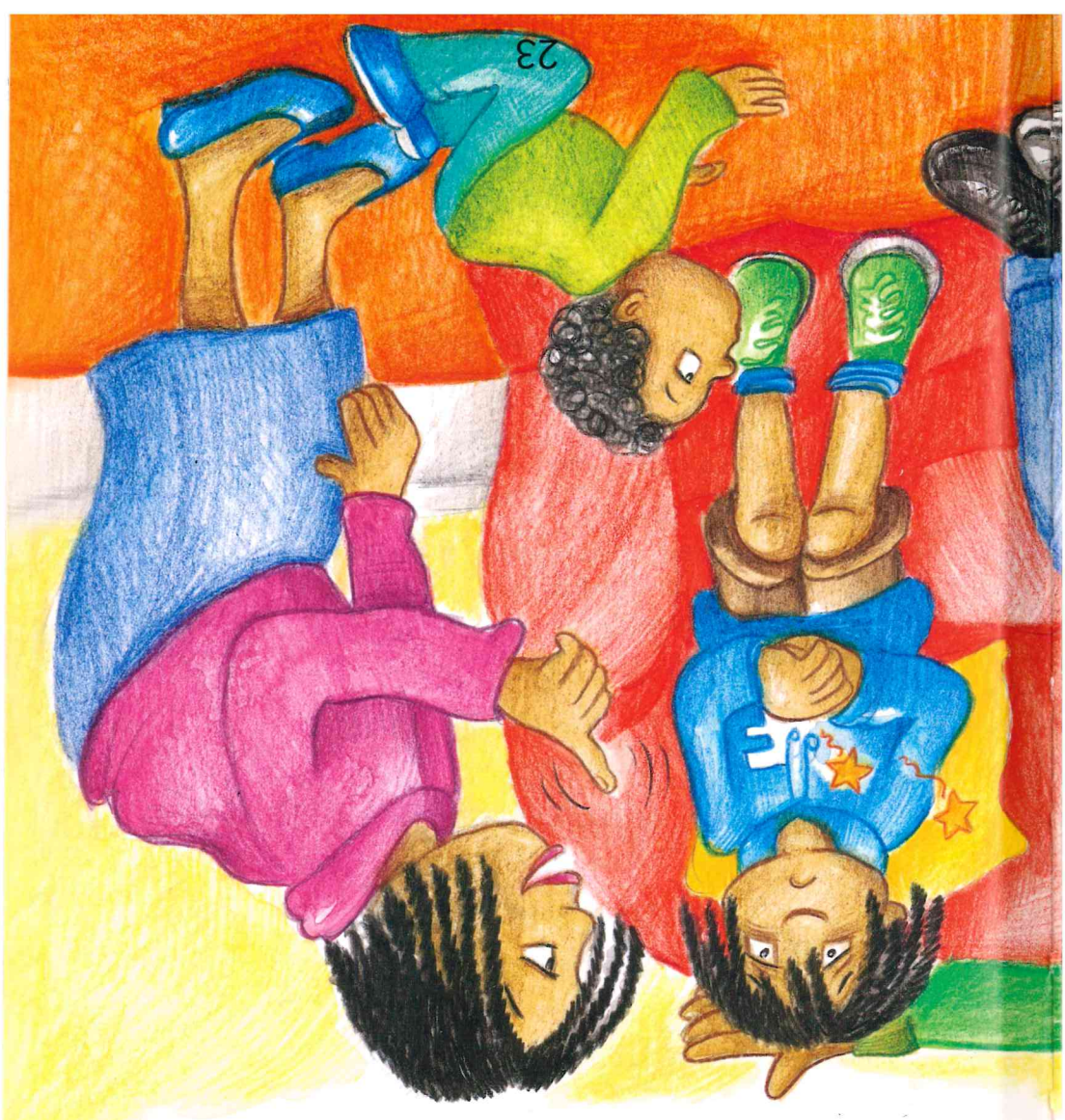




The family stopped  
feeling sad.  
They began  
to laugh.



“You need to be brave  
like us, Freddy!” they said.



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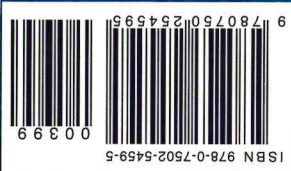
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**David Orme** lives in Hampshire, England. He taught for 18 years before becoming a full-time writer. Recent books are on subjects as varied as dragons and how to be a pop star!

**Becky Blake** started drawing family life when she was about Freddy's age, and has never really stopped since. Her Granny had a dog like the one in this story and Freddy is very much like her little brothers, getting up to all sorts of mischief.



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Dad hit his thumb with a hammer. Jess was stung by a bee. Then Sam banged his head. Ouch! Freddy told them all to be brave. But sometimes being brave isn't easy...

# Ouch!

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