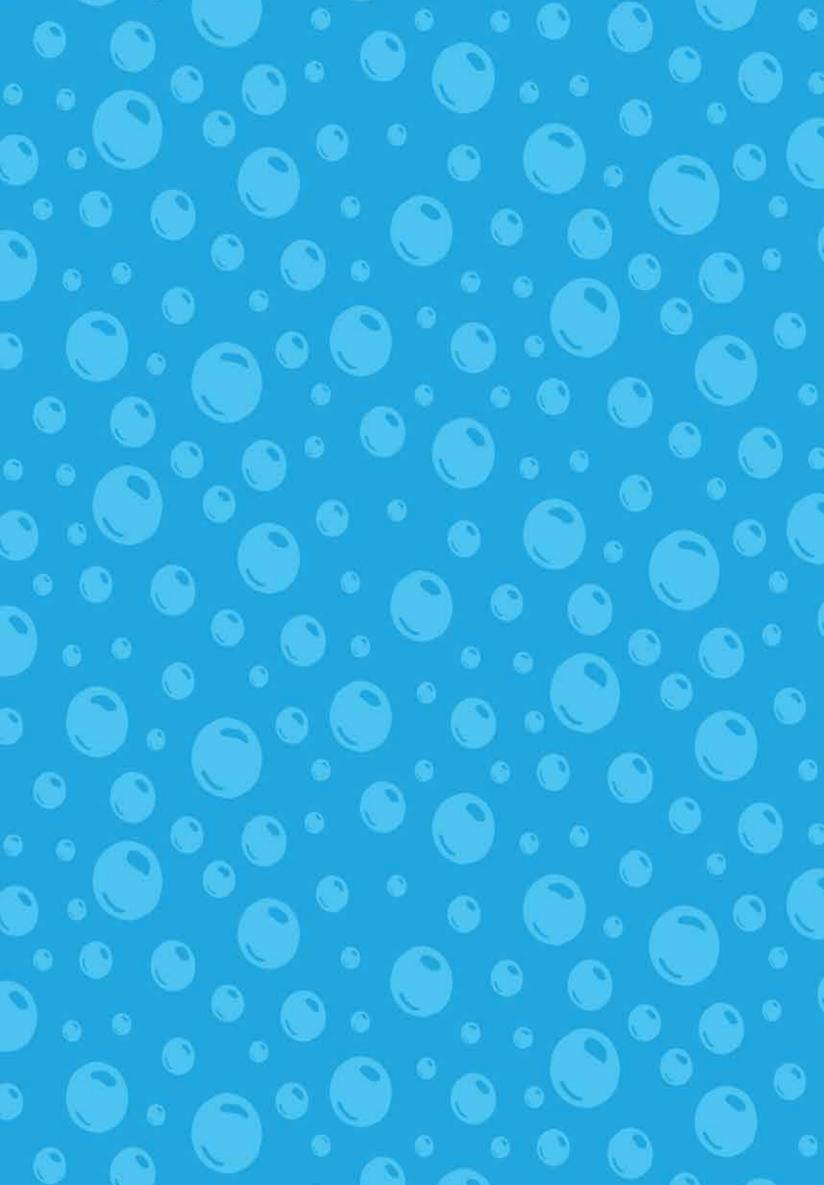
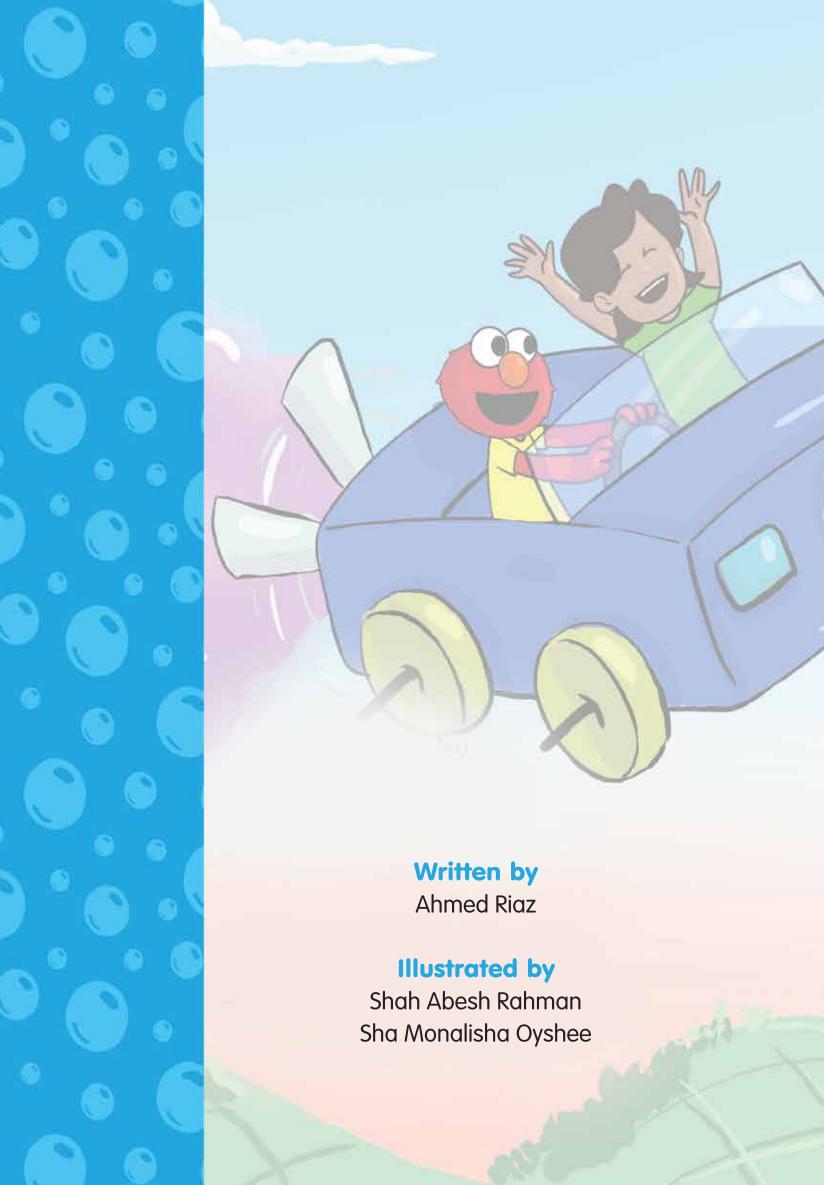


play to learn







Elmo and Tara were watching the car standing outside the house.

Elmo said, look Tara, how many cars!

I wish I had a car!

Tara said, if there was a toy car, we could play with a car, right Elmo?





Elmo said with zest, can't we make a toy car Tara, can we?

Tara said, we can. But adults need to help us! Elmo ran to his father. Dad, we want to build a car. Will you help us?

Elmo's father said, of course I will help!

Dad said, we need bottles, bottle caps, rubber bands, sticks and glue to make toy cars. I wonder if we had everything needed.

Elmo said, Elmo and Tara will find out.

Elmo and Tara found a few bottles, a rubber band, some sticks at home. Elmo's mother gave glue and got scissors.





Elmo's father cut a bottle. Then he drilled holes in the bottle to fit the wheels. At last, he made a windmill for the back of the car. Elmo and Tara put the wheels of the car with sticks and bottle caps.



Elmo and Tara are very excited!

Tara said, what a beautiful car!

I wonder how this car will run!

Elmo's father said, use this windmill to run this car.



Elmo and Tara twisted the windmill at the back. Then put the car on the floor. The car started moving. But what is this!



The car is running very slowly! Elmo said, let's push the car. Elmo pushed the car with his hands, but it is still moving lazily.



Elmo is not satisfied with the car. He went to his father again. He said, dad, the car is not running smoothly! What happened to it?

Elmo's father said, could you find the problem, Elmo! Elmo took the car in his hand. And looked upside down the car. But he did not see any problem.



Then he said,
Tara, do you know what's wrong with the car?
Tara said, I think the problem is with car wheels.
What do you think?





Now Elmo observed the wheels. And after a while he shouted with joy, I found the problem. One of the wheels is smaller than others.

Tara smiled and said, what can we do now, Elmo? What do you think?

Elmo said, now we will change the smaller wheel. We need to install a bigger wheel.

Tara said, I think so too. Let's find another wheel Elmo! Elmo started looking for a wheel. They are searching and searching...



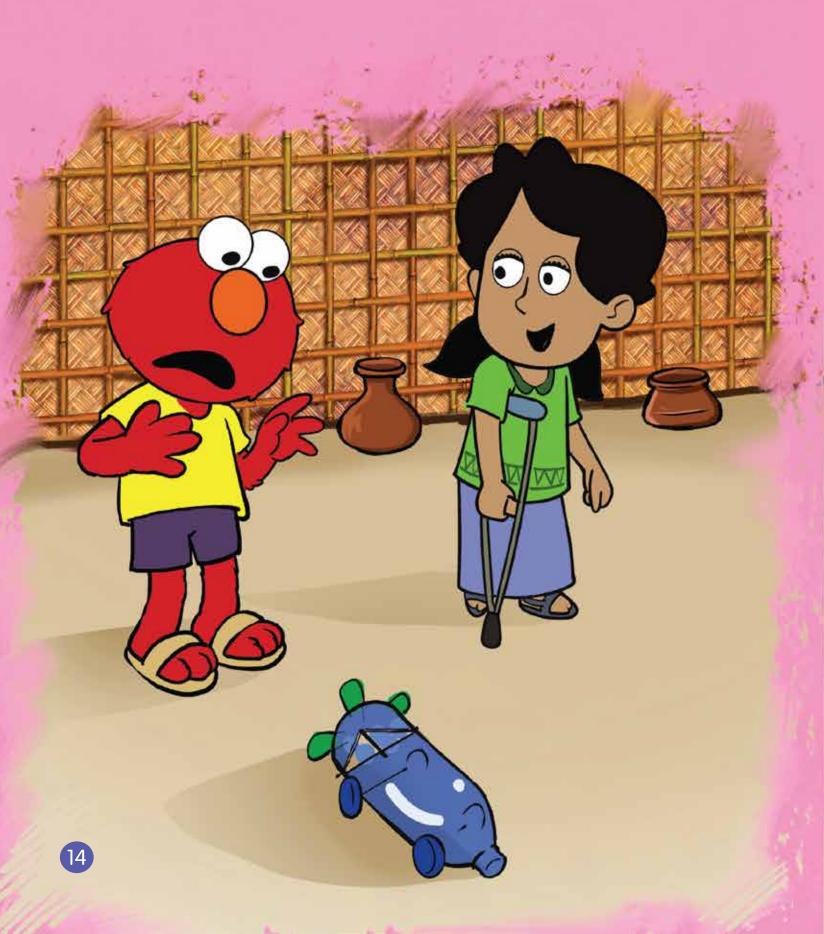


Elmo suddenly shouted. Got it! Got it! Got the wheel! Elmo brought a bottle cap. He replaced the wheel in the car. Then he turned the windmill. But what is this! Now Elmo is about to cry.

Tara said, what happened Elmo?

Elmo said, the car is still not running!

Tara said, why it is not running, Elmo?



Elmo looked at the new wheel. This time Elmo thought for a moment. Then he said, the new wheel looks too big than others.

Tara said, I also think so Elmo! All the wheels of a car must be equal. Let's try again.

They started looking for the right wheel now.

Searching and searching ...



He brought another bottle cap. The new wheel is exactly like the other wheels.

Elmo himself put the bottle cap in the car.

He turned on the windmill and put the car on the floor and...

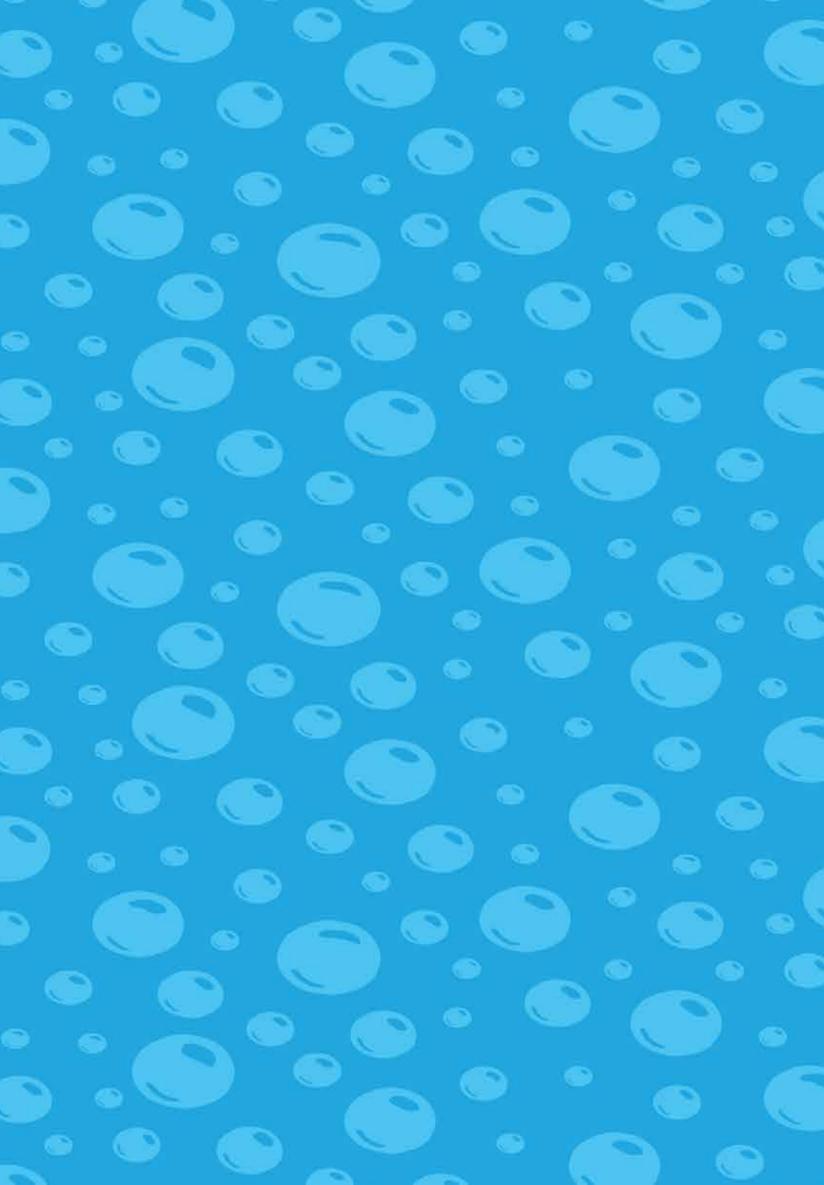


Vo-o-o-o
The car started running.

Tara and Elmo's father clapped. Father said, Wow! Both of you have solved the car's problem by yourselves. Great!









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