





# Real Heroes

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Turuu loves superheroes. He wants to be a superhero himself.



Turuu hears the doorbell ring. It is his friend Munkhuush.



“Munkhuush, let’s become real heroes and make people happy,” Turuu suggests. “That’s a great idea!” replies Munkhuush.



The two decide that heroes need to have their own costumes, so they asked Turuu's elder sister Uyanga for help.



“My costume will be blue,” says Munkhuush.“And mine will be red,” replies Turuu.



Uyanga takes their body measurements to make the costumes.



While Uyanga sews the costumes, the boys think about what else they can do to help make people happy.

“Bracelets always make people smile,” says Munkhuush.



Bead by bead, they start to make the bracelets by hand.



The costumes are perfect!



The next day, the boys go to school as superheroes. They bring the bracelets.



The boys greet their class with superhero voices, “Hello, we are the Real Heroes, and we came here to bring happiness.”



When the boys are nearly finished distributing the handmade bracelets to their classmates, the students ask to keep spare bracelets for their missing

classmates, Turuu and Munkhuush. The boys almost laugh out loud but manage to keep calm and leave two additional bracelets with their teacher.



Their classmates are over the moon with happiness and shout, “Thank you Real Heroes!”



The boys really enjoy making other people happy.



On the way home, the boys share their excitement with Uyanga.  
“Today was a great day. Our friends were very surprised. We want to

become heroes again and make more children happy,” they tell her.



The next day was the weekend. So for their next act as superheroes the boys decide to bake cakes.



Uyanga drives them to the children's hospital. Turuu is so excited, he jumps over the door board without any trouble.



The boys are thrilled to give their presents to the children.



They enter the first room, where Bold is recovering from surgery. They greet him, “Hello Bold, we are the

Real Heroes, and we brought a gift  
for you.”



Bold's eyes grow big with excitement  
as the boys hand him a cake.



“Thanks, Real Heroes. You’re the best. I love cake,” Bold says as he shakes Tuluu’s hand.



Munkhuush sees a small girl sitting quietly by herself in the hallway. "Hello there," he says, kneeling down to hand her the cake.

“We are the Real Heroes and we’re here to spread joy.”



The girl claps her hands with joy. “Thank you. I’ve never seen a real live hero before. I want to

become a hero and bring joy to people too.”



The boys go room to room, giving away their cakes while spreading smiles and laughter.



The boys noticed a few children playing in the playroom so they go there to give them gifts too.



One boy asks them, “What is your best skill?” Turuu maneuvers his wheelchair and says, “I can turn three-times on spot very fast.” The

boy is inspired and replies, “Wow  
that is wonderful!”



When it is Munkhuush's turn, he shows the new magic trick he had just learned.



Uyanga smiles with pride as she watched the two superheroes.



As the boys leave, they turn and say,  
“We will return soon. But in the  
meantime, remember, you can all be

superheroes too by bringing joy to others each day.”



The children wave back and tell them, “You are our heroes, we will wait for your return.”



Upon leaving the hospital, the boys are very happy. With huge smiles on their faces, they thank Uyanga for everything she helped them with.



Uyanga replies, “You are most welcome, my heroes! The children were so happy to see you. And I am

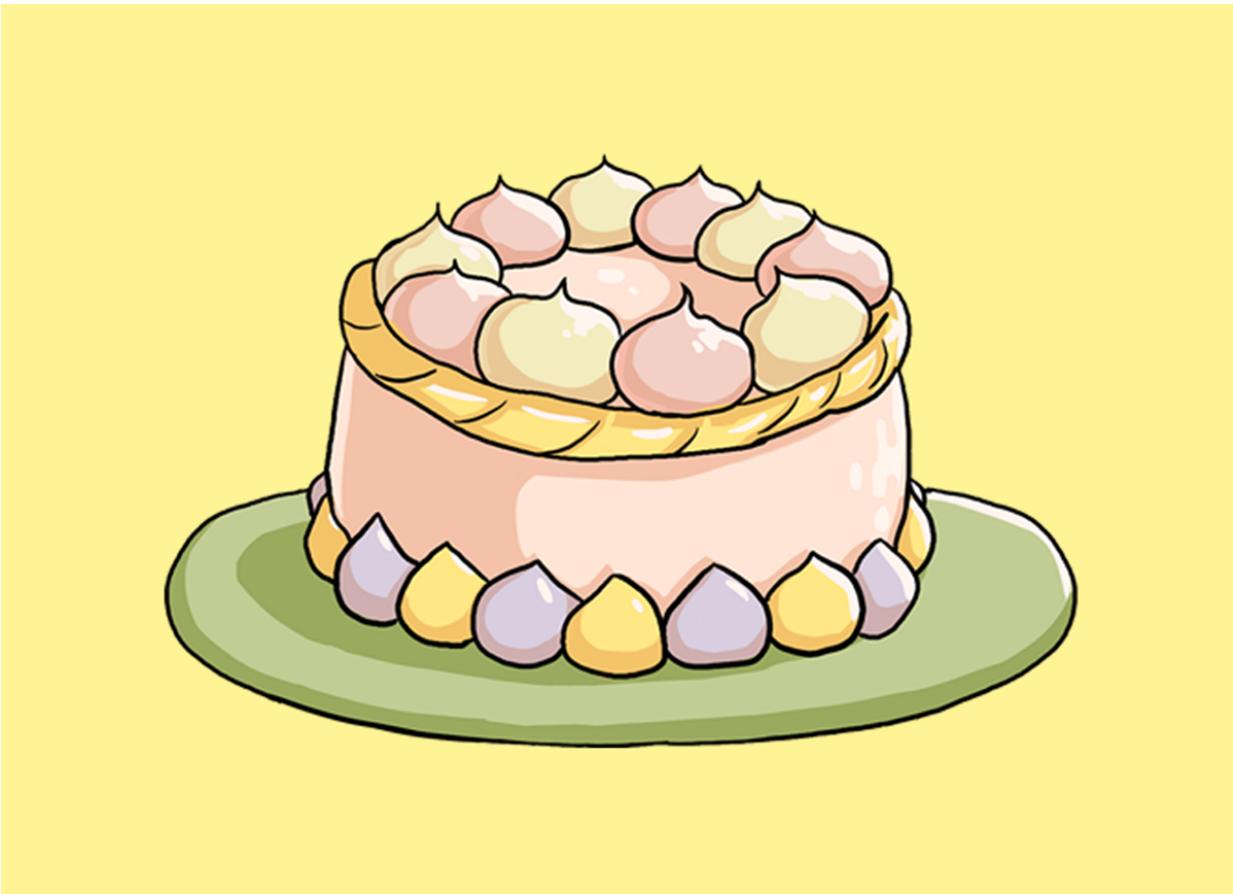
so proud of you both for bringing joy  
and hope to these children.”



“And what would our heroes like for dinner as a reward for their hard work?” Uyanga asks. “Pizza!” the boys exclaim.

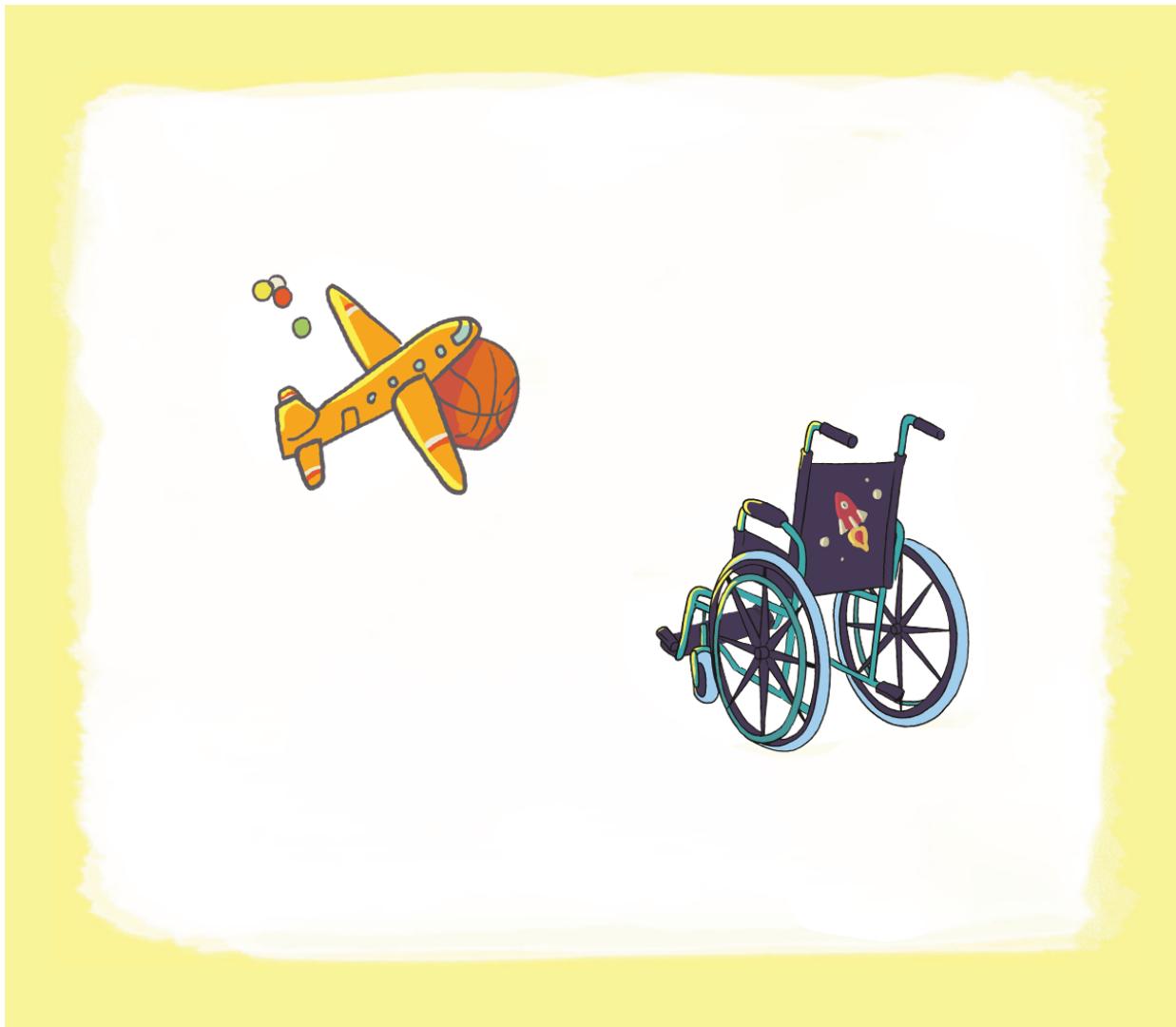


Together, they celebrate the day full of joy and giving with their favorite pizza.



Discussion Questions Who is your favorite hero, whether from comics or real life? Why do you think he/she is a hero? Please share which characters in this story are considered heroes. Do you believe that anyone can be a hero? What can you do to improve

your school? What will you do to encourage your friends?



This is the second book in a trilogy that was created under the “Angels with Wheelchairs” initiative. The trilogy includes stories about the everyday lives of people living with

disabilities. After sustaining injuries in a car accident, I began to use a wheelchair and experienced many unexpected challenges in my daily life. Through this experience, I observed the prevalence of discriminatory attitudes in society toward people with disabilities and saw a need to change this problematic mindset. The goal of this book is to promote a more accepting and inclusive society by sharing the message that every individual, regardless of their physical ability, has a fundamental right to access education, learn, and prosper in society from an early age.

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