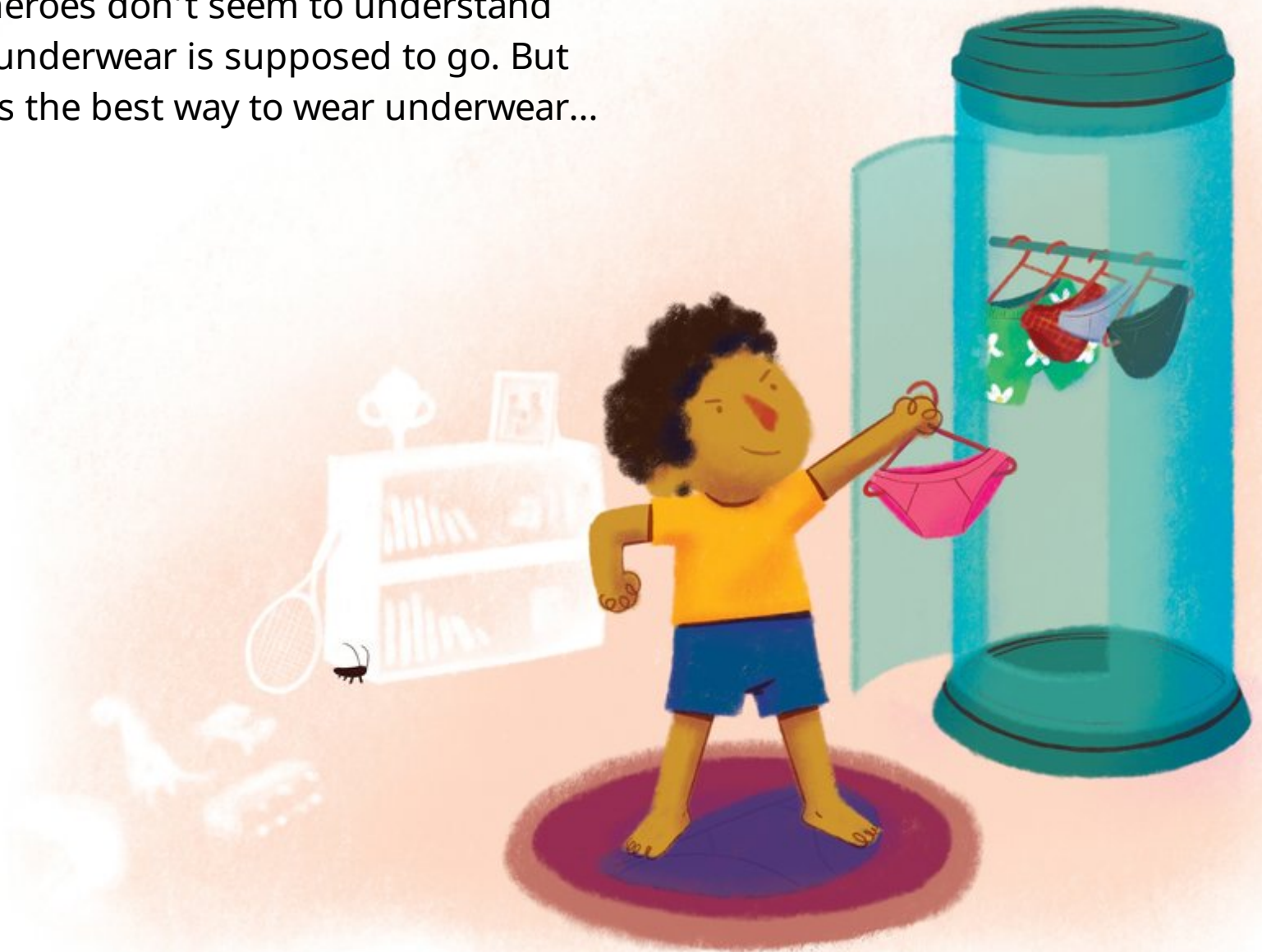# The Adventures of Chaddi Head

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Most children want to be a dozen different things when they grow up. But not Junaid. He already is the best superhero in the universe.
Most superheroes don't seem to understand where their underwear is supposed to go. But Junaid knows the best way to wear underwear...

is on the head.

It gives you:
1) a super-cool costume
2) a super-secret disguise
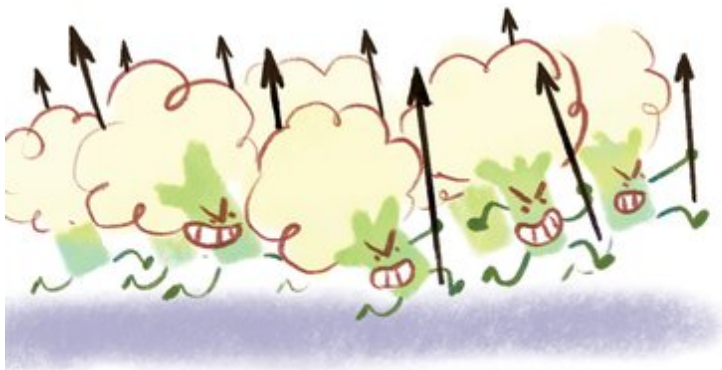3) a superhero name: Chaddi Head

With great chaddis come great possibilities.
Unlike his Ajji's favourite superheroes, Junaid doesn't wear the same chaddi all the time. He has the perfect chaddi for every adventure.

When everyone is asleep and Junaid wants to sneak into the kitchen, he knows which chaddi he needs. Black Chaddi Head is a ninja who eats chocolate laddus for a midnight feast.

Junaid hates vegetables. His grown-ups love vegetables. When Junaid goes to the market with Pappa, he must make a Very Important Choice.
Junaid has to eat at least one different vegetable every day. But Chaddi Head gets to pick which one.
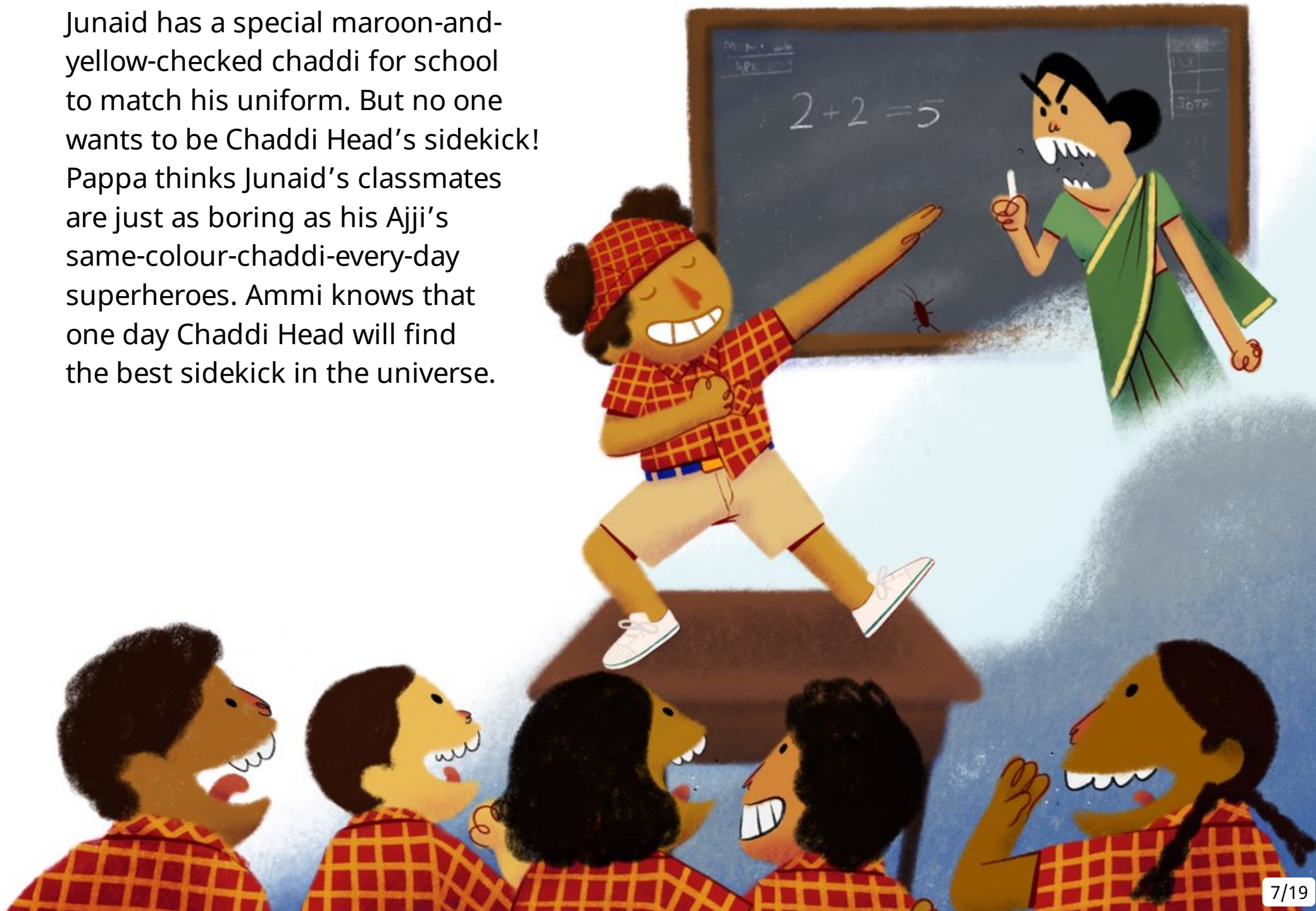
When Junaid feels like eating carrots, Red Chaddi Head goes to the market. Purple Chaddi Head only wants to eat brinjals.
Orange Chaddi Head is always in the mood for pumpkins.
But White Chaddi Head NEVER EVER goes to the market!
Because cauliflowers are just evil little trees used by Chaddi Head's enemies to destroy his powers.

Junaid has a special maroon-and-yellow-checked chaddi for school to match his uniform. But no one wants to be Chaddi Head's sidekick! Pappa thinks Junaid's classmates are just as boring as his Ajji's same-colour-chaddi-every-day superheroes. Ammi knows that one day Chaddi Head will find the best sidekick in the universe.

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Sometimes Junaid thinks an animal will make a good superhero sidekick. Grey Chaddi Head talks to his neighbour's cat hoping she will join his team.

But the cat has other ideas.

Travelling with Junaid's Ammi is even more dangerous. All the women in the train *love* pulling his cheeks. So Blue Chaddi Head sits next to the window and becomes invisible.

At the park, Junaid is an explorer in the wild, busy studying all the grown-ups. Colourful-and-covered-with-flowers Chaddi Head remains hidden by looking like a bush.
But today, the grown-ups are not the strangest things in the park.
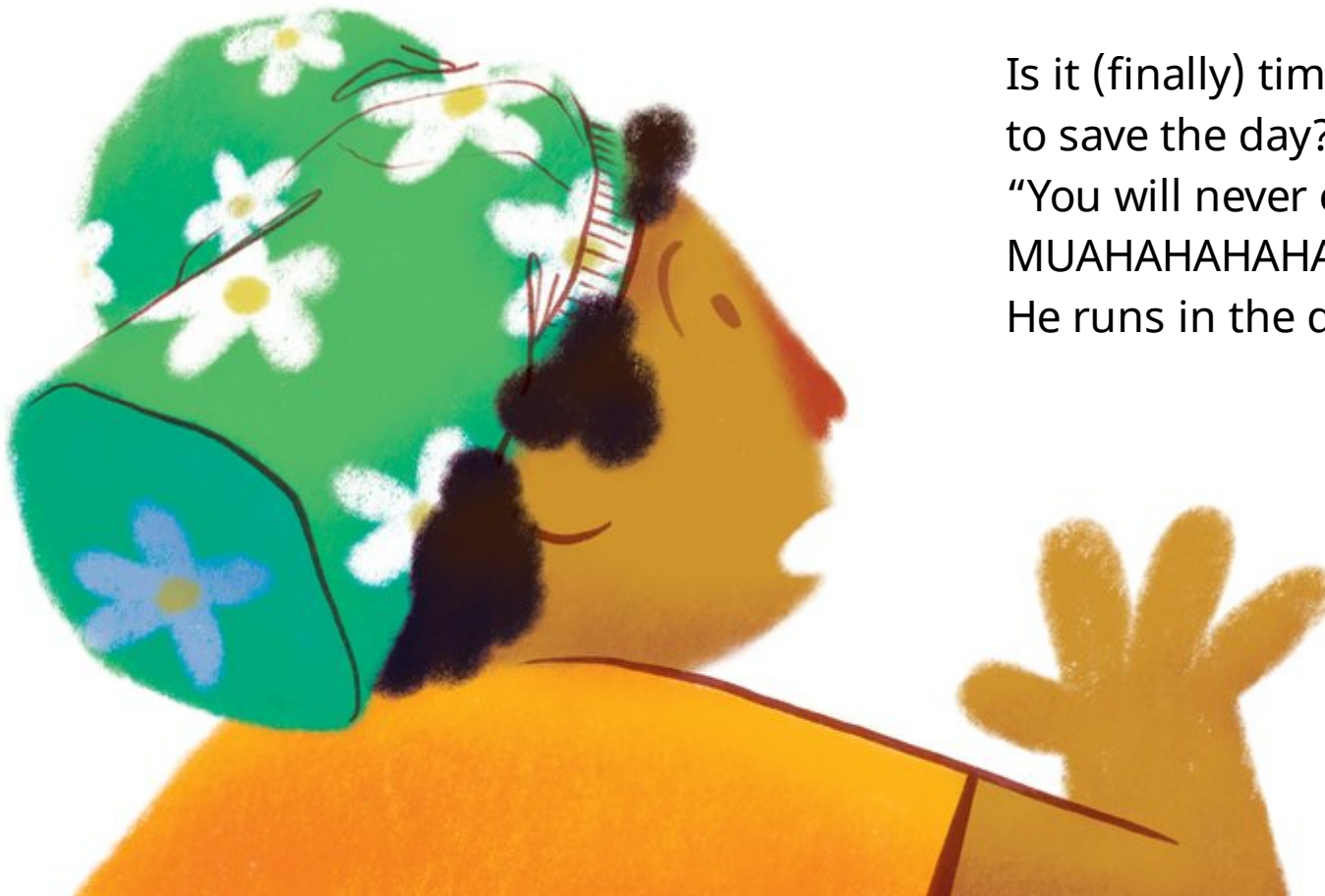
HELP!

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Is it (finally) time for Chaddi Head
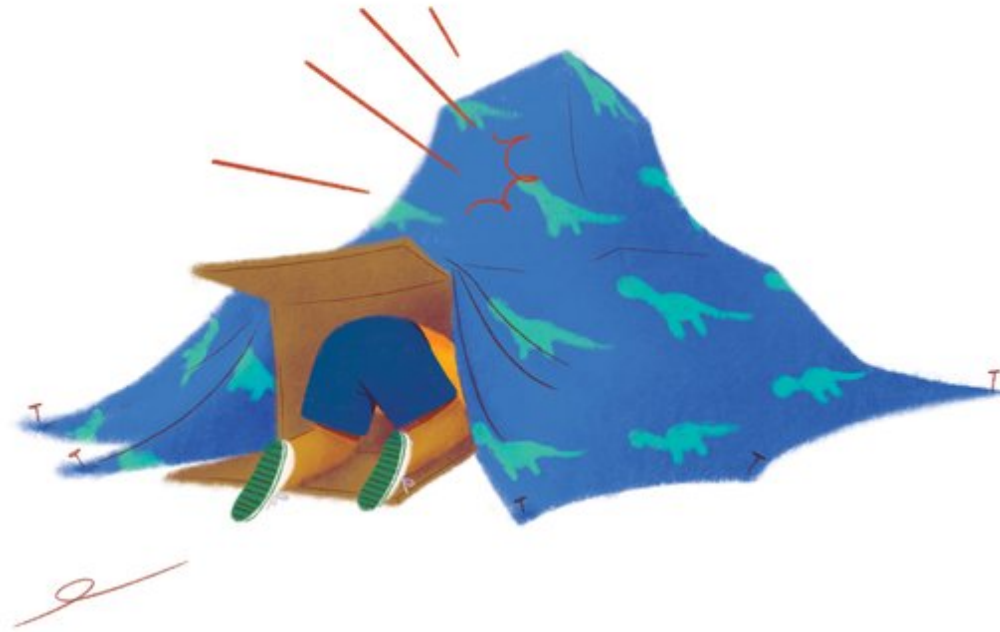to save the day?
"You will never escape me!
MUAHAHAHAHA!"
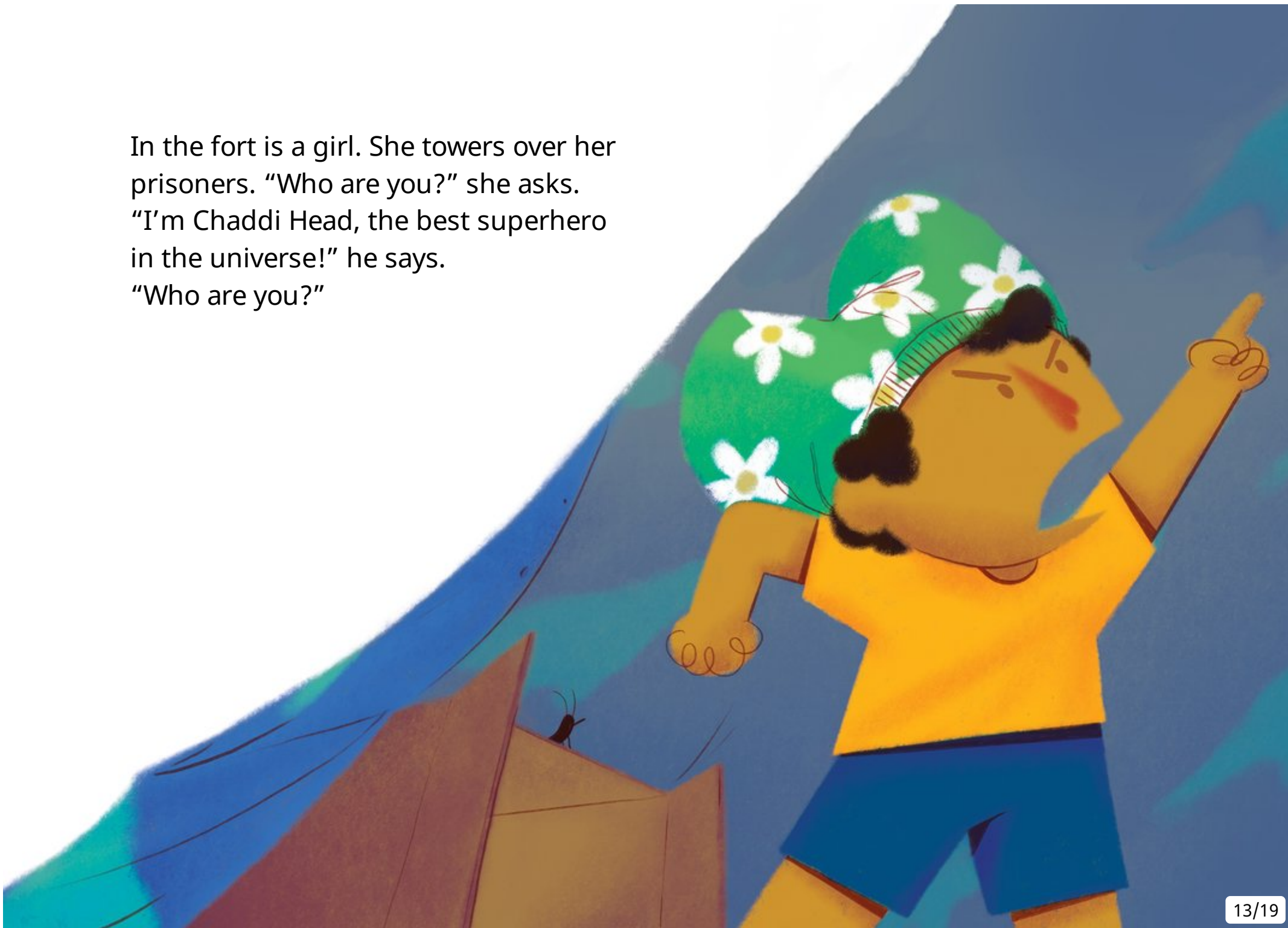He runs in the direction of the evil laugh.

It's coming from that cardboard bedsheet fort.
"Nobody is going to rescue you!"

Chaddi Head crawls through the door.
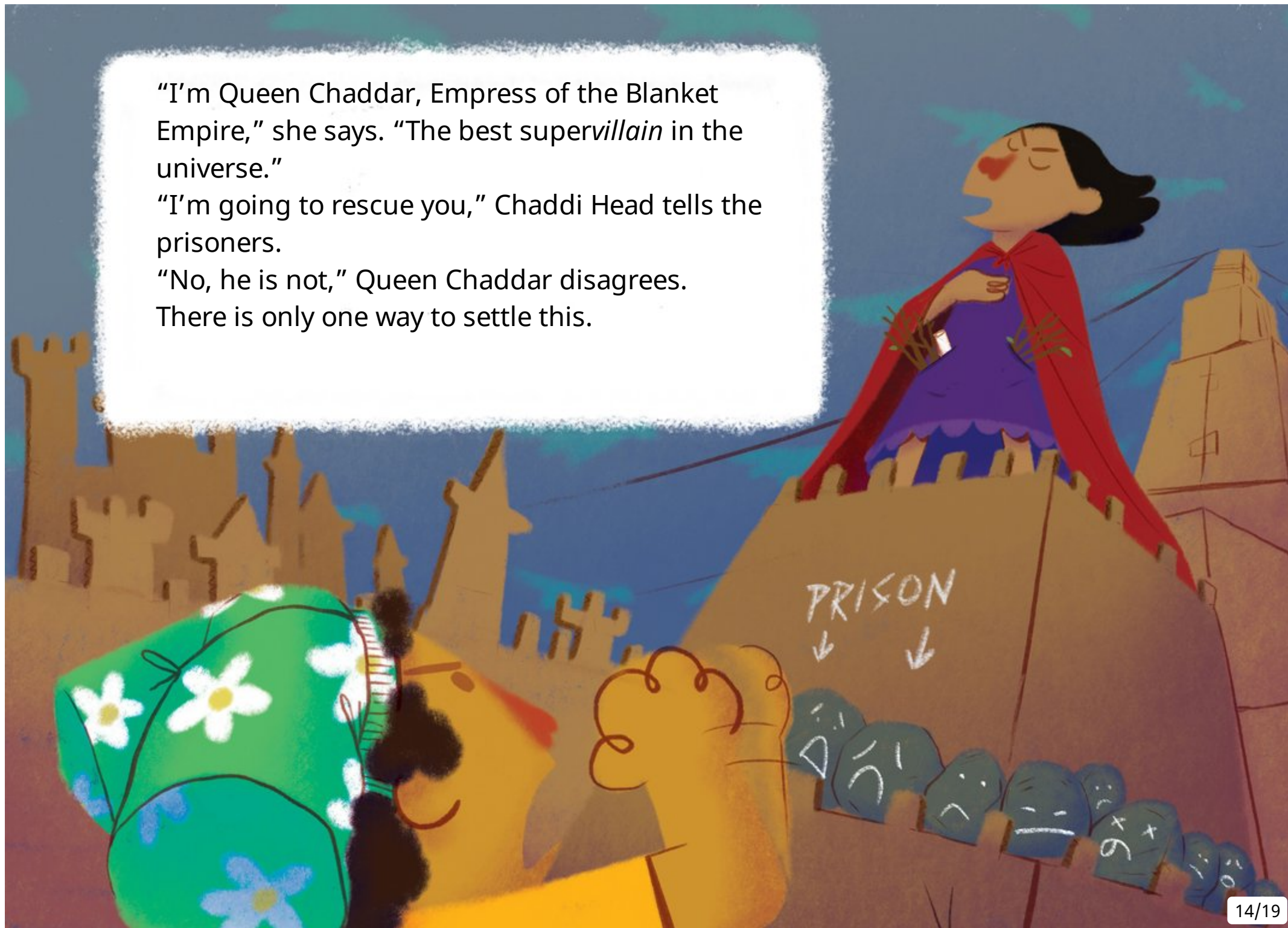"Let them go!" he says.

In the fort is a girl. She towers over her prisoners. "Who are you?" she asks.
"I'm Chaddi Head, the best superhero in the universe!" he says.
"Who are you?"

"I'm Queen Chaddar, Empress of the Blanket Empire," she says. "The best super*villain* in the universe."

"I'm going to rescue you," Chaddi Head tells the prisoners.

"No, he is not," Queen Chaddar disagrees.

There is only one way to settle this.

PRISON

Chaddi Head picks up a branch and runs towards Queen Chaddar with his tree-sword.
"AAAAAAAAAAA!"

She trips him with her Cape Of Lost Hope.
"MUAHAHAHAHA!"

Chaddi Head falls but is not defeated. He uses the only weapon he has left.

He throws a chaddi missile.
A mistake! Queen Chaddar wears it as
a crown to steal his powers.

She traps Chaddi Head in her Cape and sits on him. Now Chaddi Head is a prisoner too!
"Kavya! It's time to go home!" comes a voice from outside.

"You may have won this battle, Queen Chaddar," Chaddi Head says. "But I will win the war."

"I will have even more prisoners in my castle tomorrow," Queen Chaddar says.

"I will save them all!"

"I will defeat you again!"

"Let's find out who wins next time," says Chaddi Head.

"Same time, same place!" declares Queen Chaddar.

On the way back home, Junaid smiles. A superhero sidekick *would* be fun to have. But definitely not as fun as the best supervillain in the universe.

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