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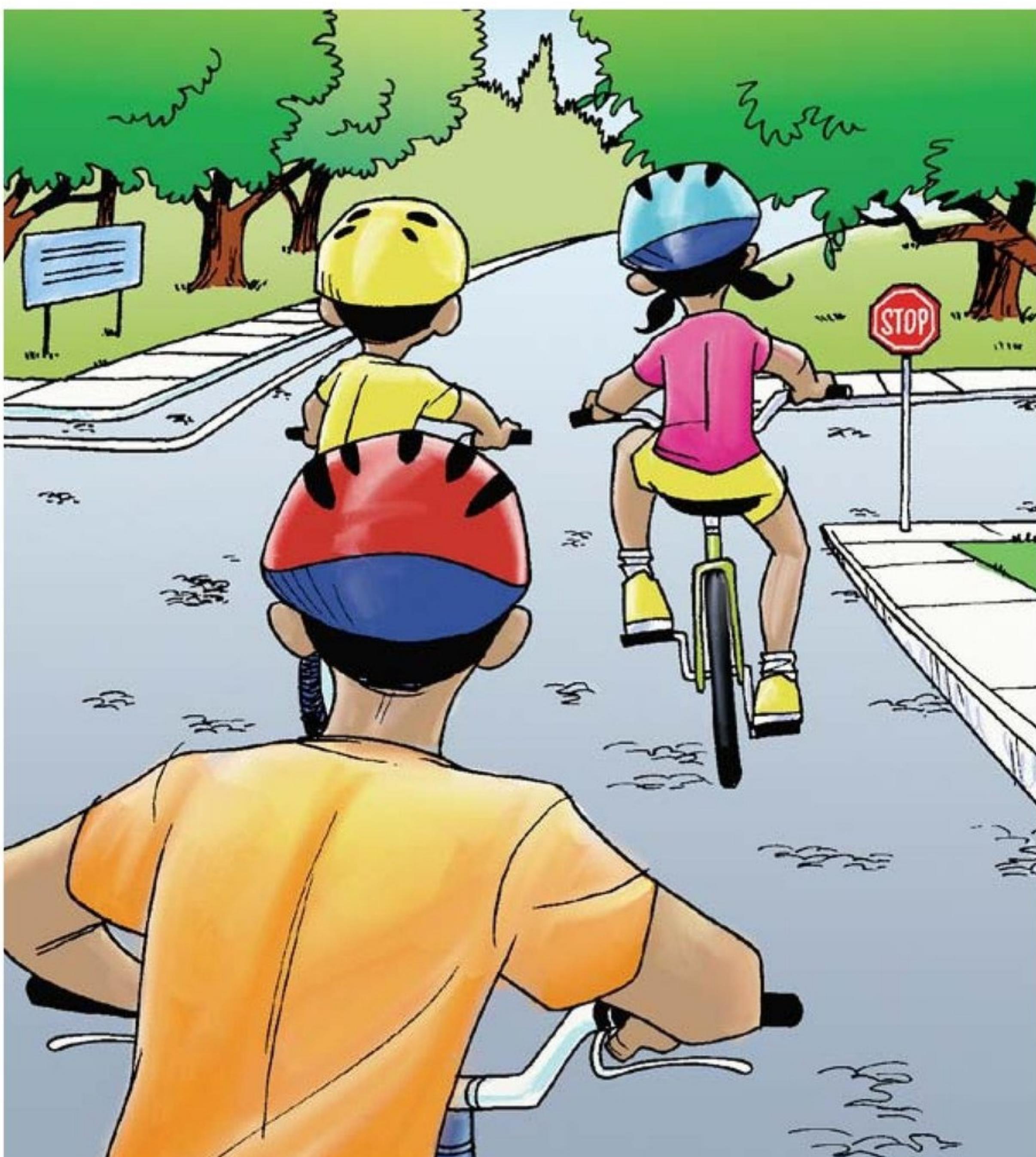
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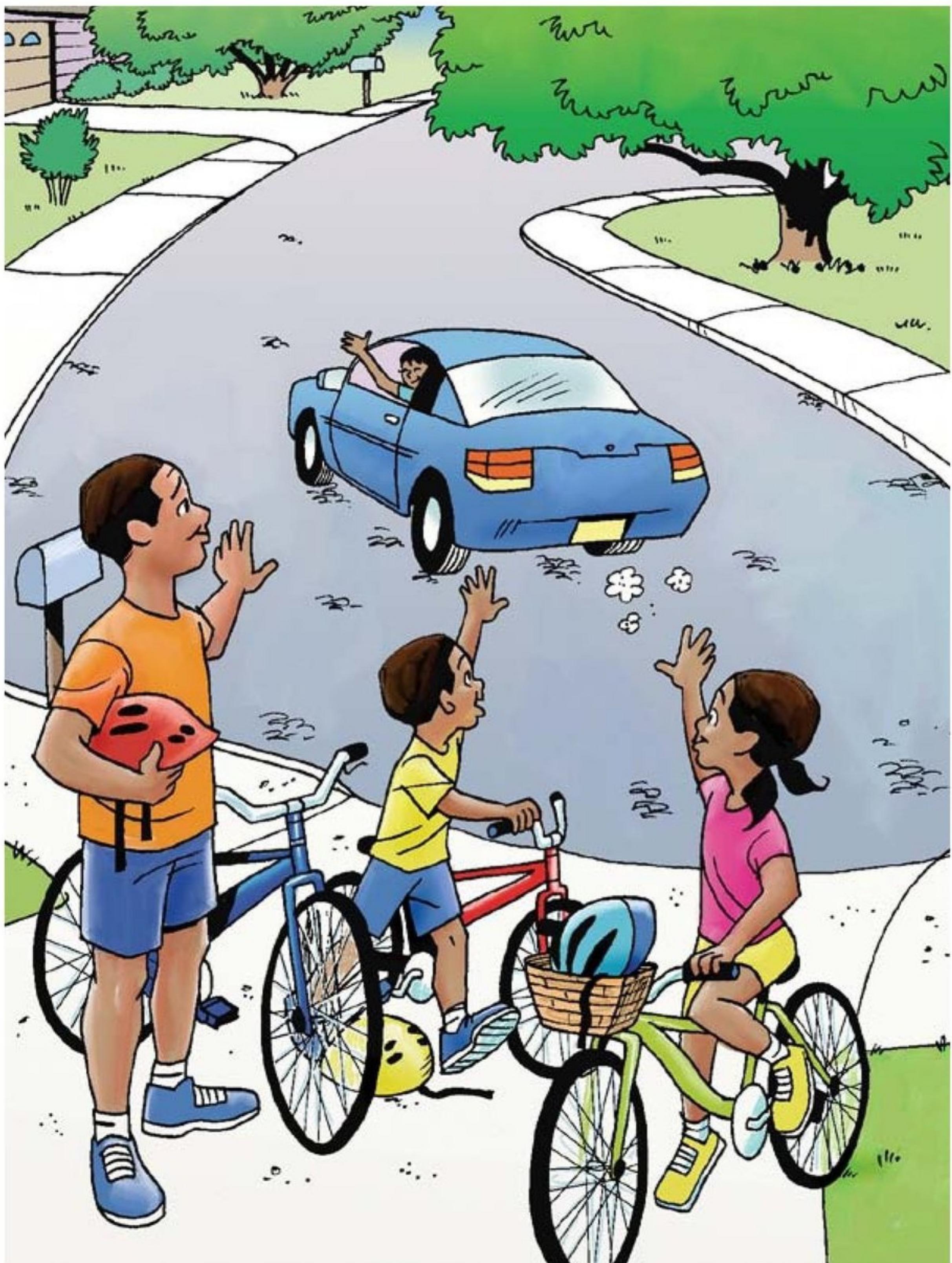


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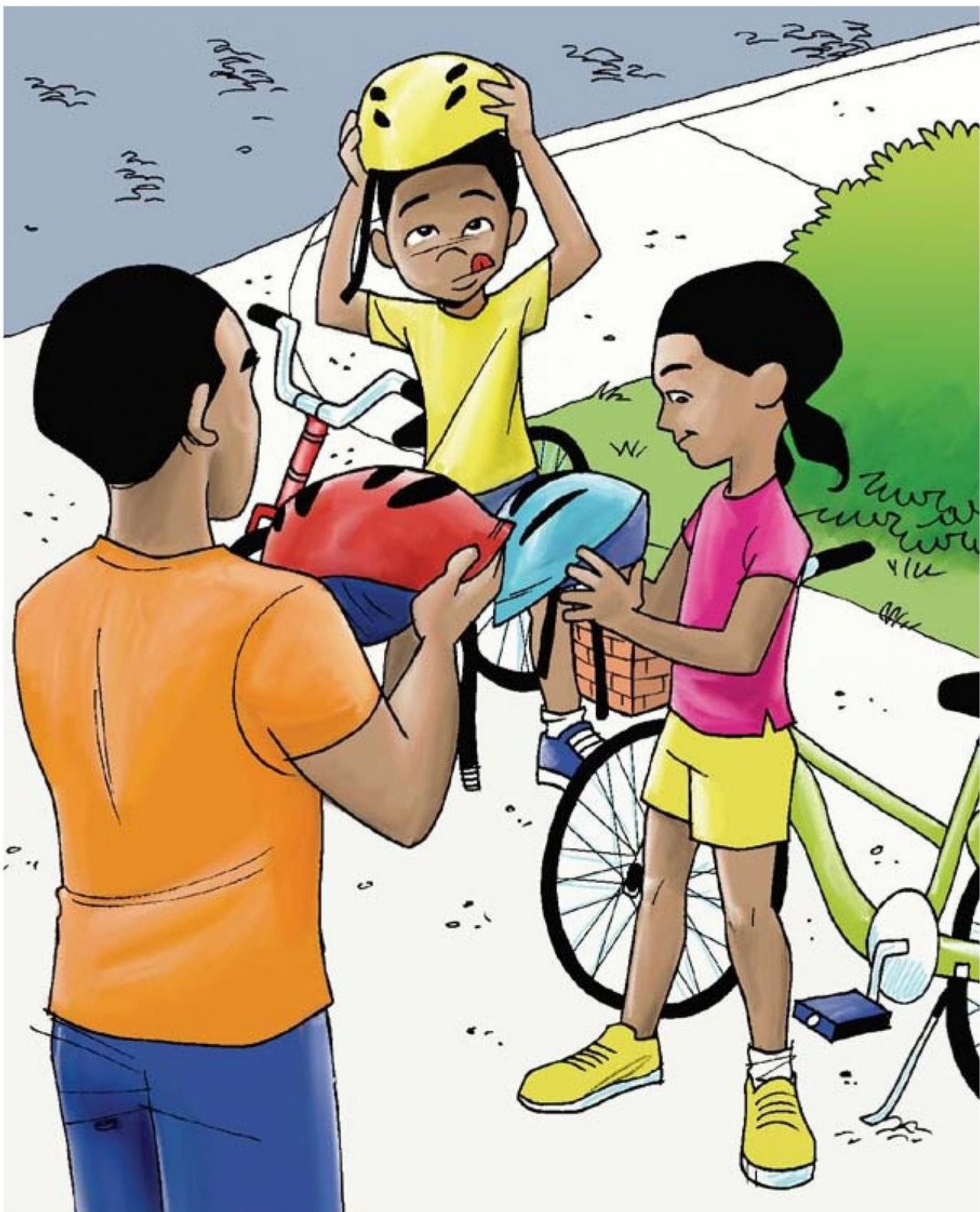
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Mom left to set up their picnic.

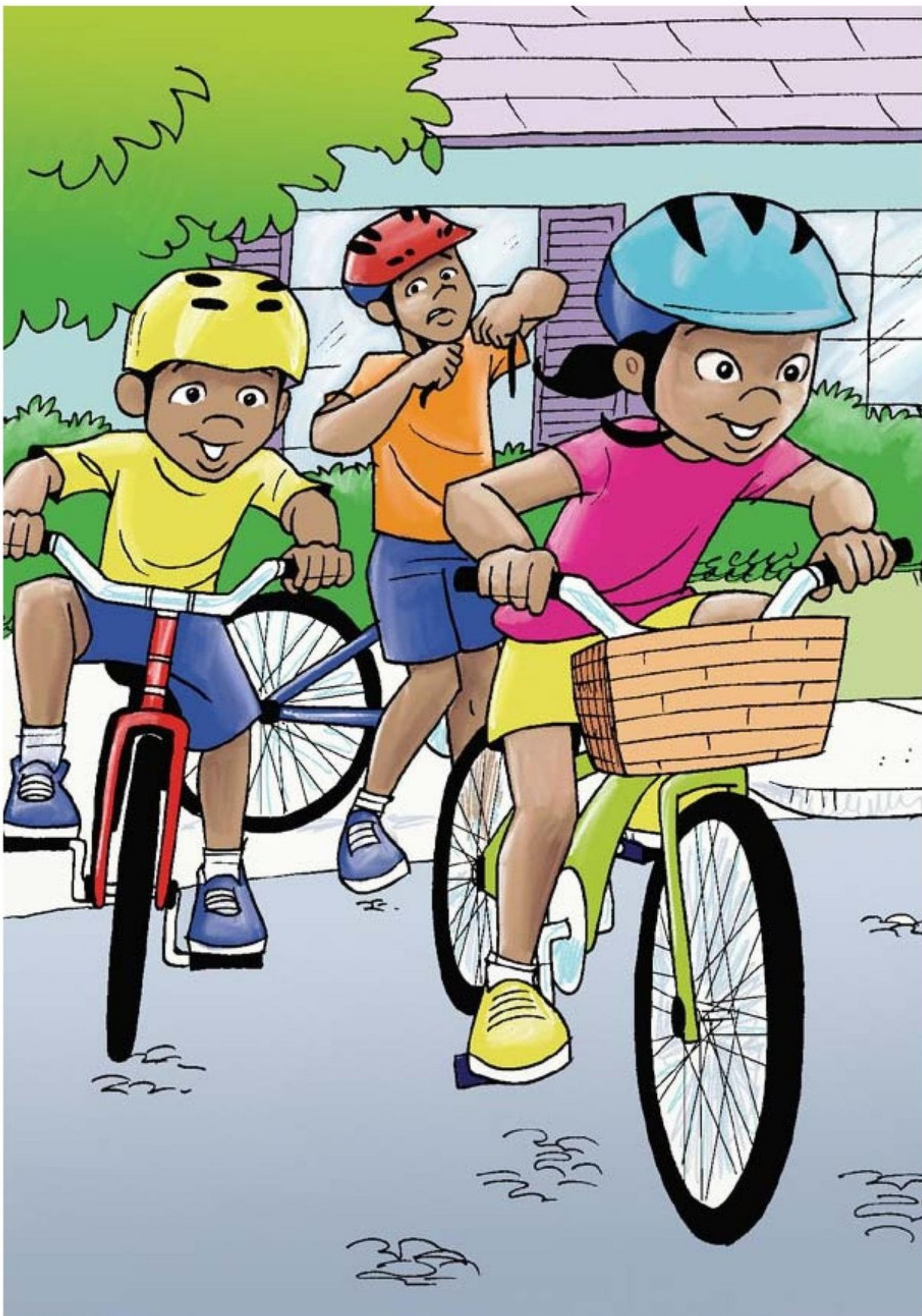
Jennie and Charlie were excited  
to ride their bikes to the park.

Dad was really nervous.

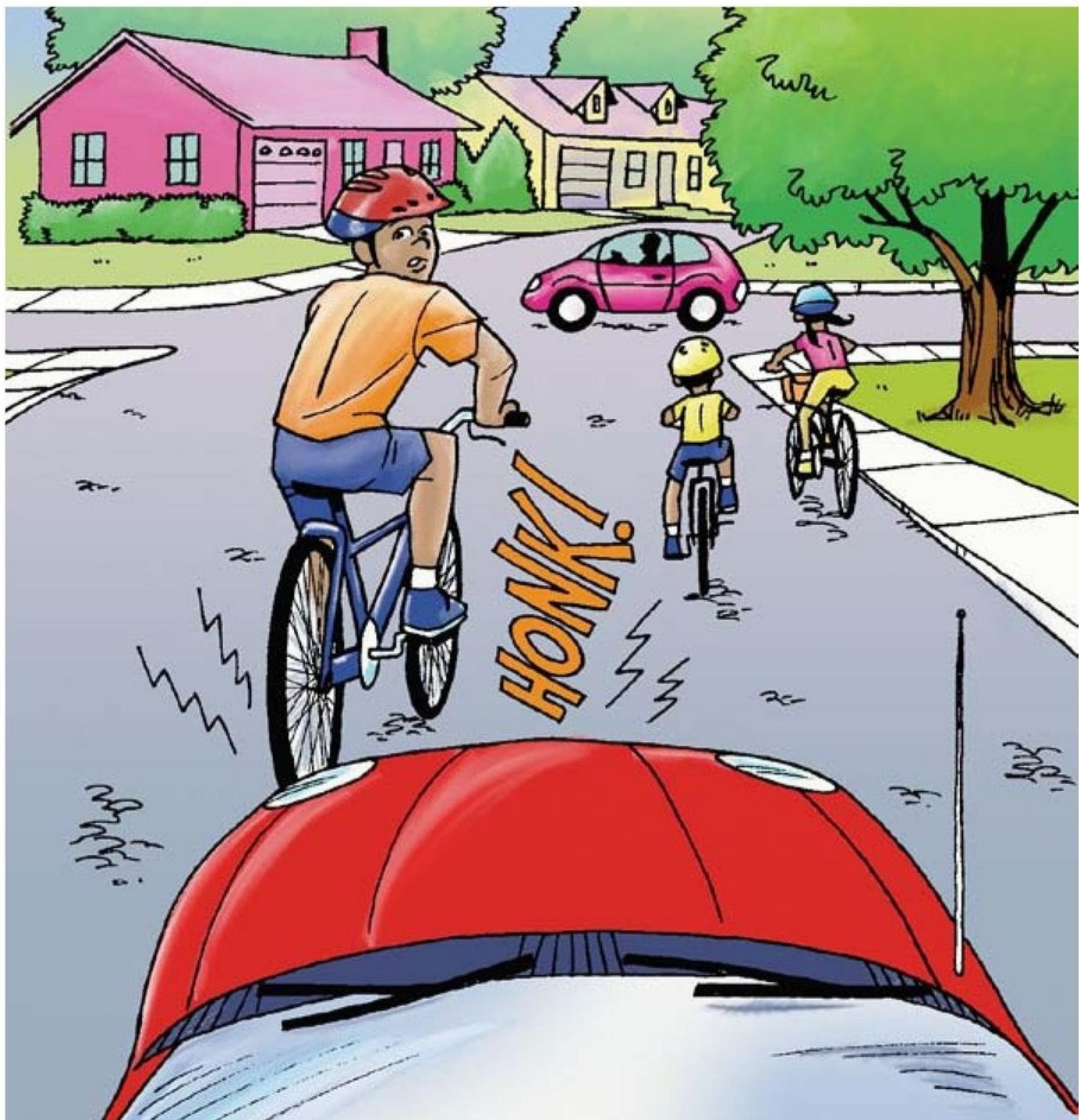


“What’s the first thing we do?” Dad asked.

“Put on our helmets to protect our heads if we crash,” Jennie and Charlie said.



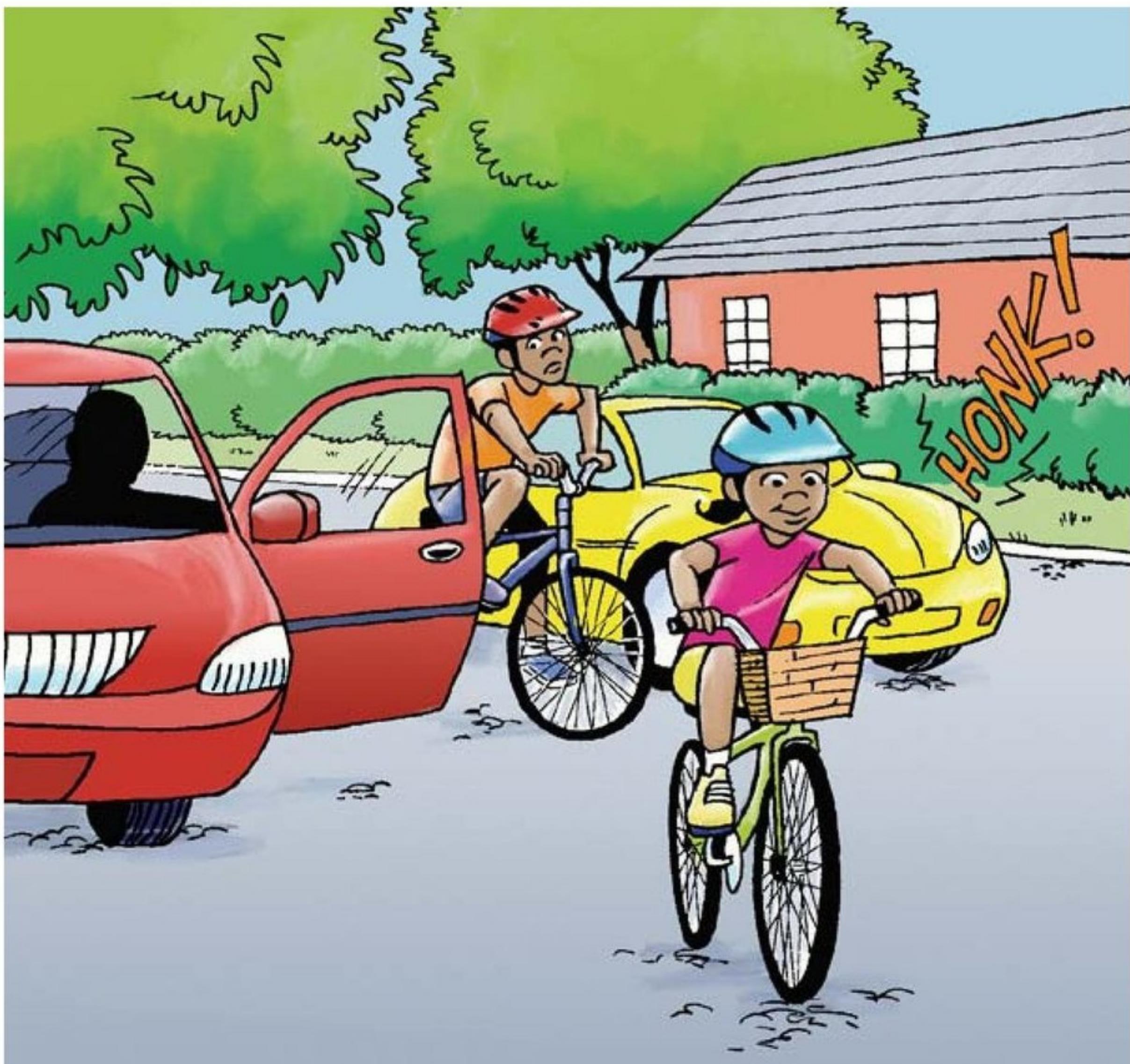
Dad felt a little better, but then  
Jennie and Charlie pedaled away.  
“Wait for me!” Dad called.



First, Charlie was riding in the middle of the road. Dad pedaled up to him.

“You should stay on the right side of the road,” said Dad.

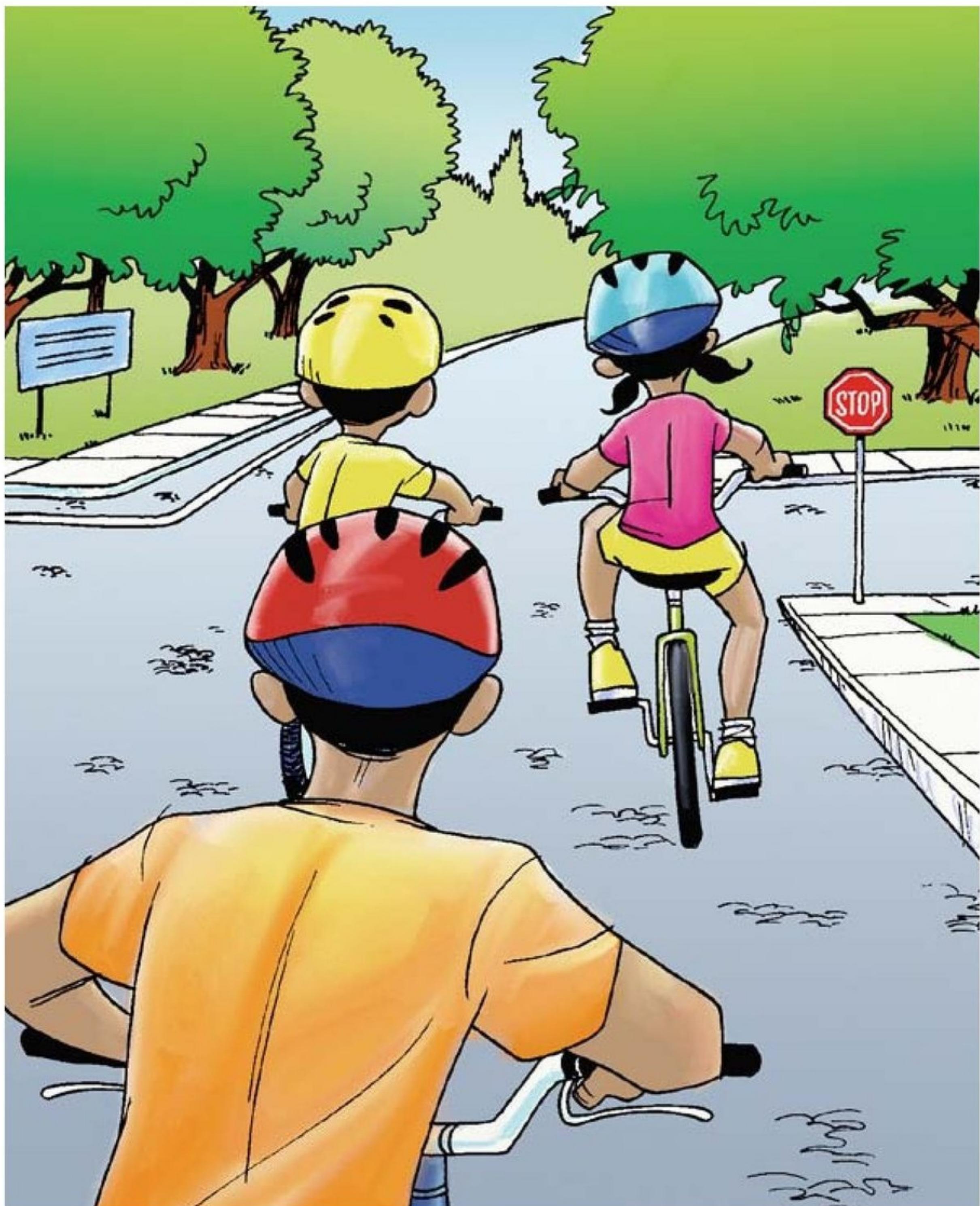
Charlie moved over just as a car honked behind Dad.



Next, Jennie was riding too close to the parked cars. Dad pedaled up to her.

“Be careful because you never know when a car door might open,” Dad said.

Jennie saw a car door opening. Dad had to swerve to miss it.



Then, Dad saw a stop sign ahead.  
“What do we do at a stop sign?”

Dad asked.

“We stop and look both ways for cars,” Charlie and Jennie said.



“What do we do if we need to make a left turn?” Dad asked.

“We give a signal,” Charlie and Jennie said.



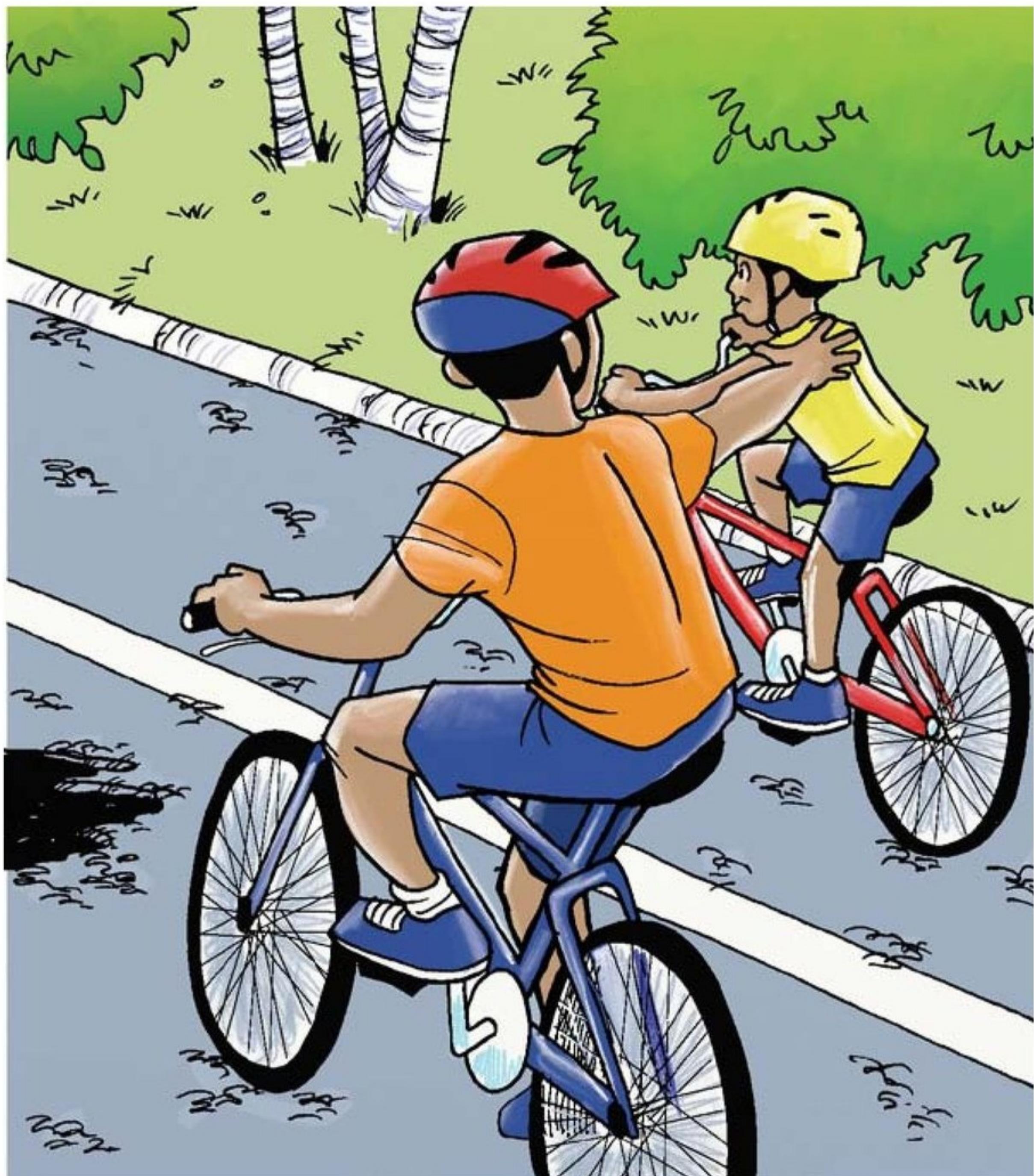
Dad watched them stop, look both ways, and signal a left turn before riding on.

Dad felt so proud that he rode after them without signaling or looking.

He didn't see the car until it honked its horn at him.



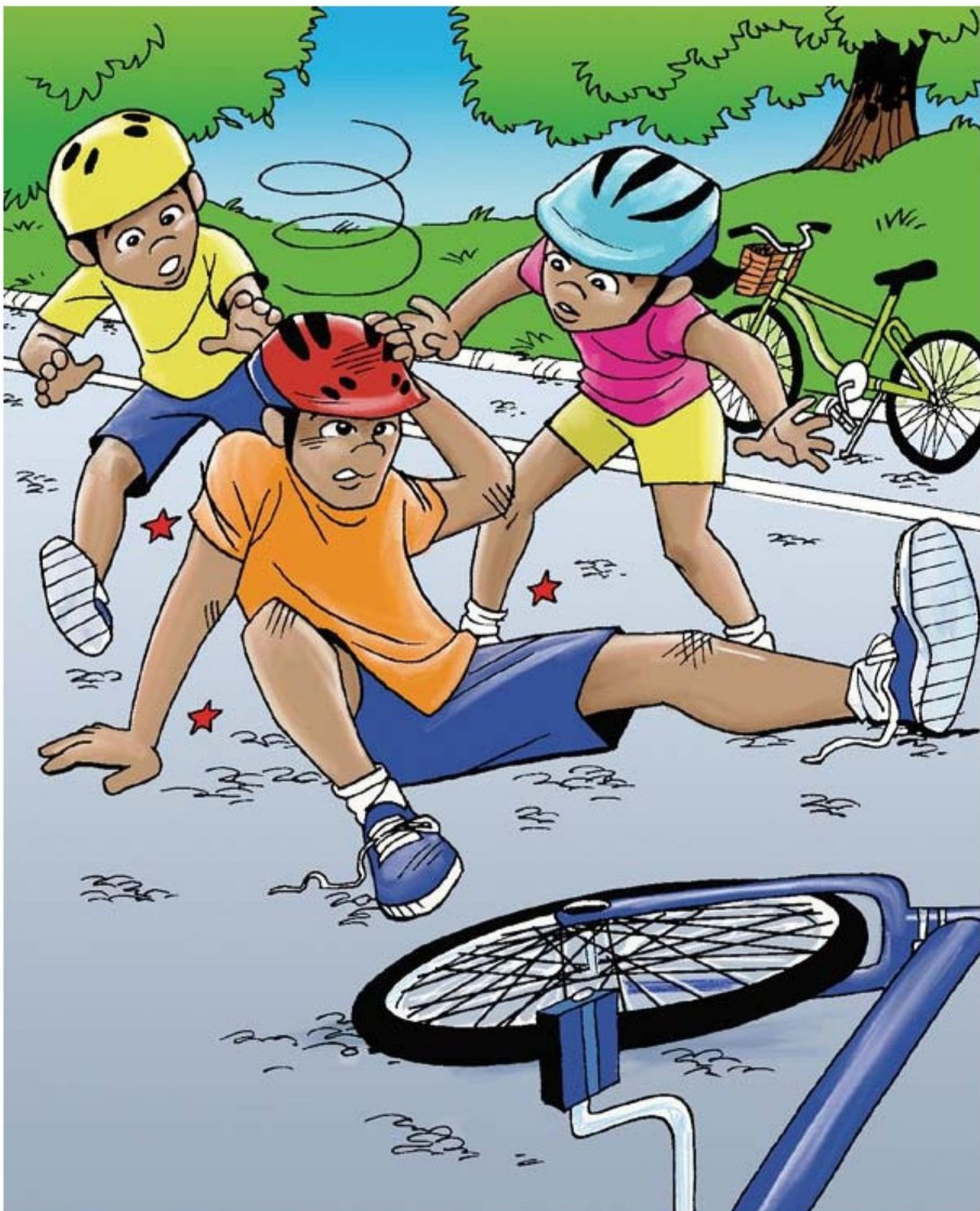
Next, Charlie was trying to ride without holding on to the handlebars. Dad pedaled up to him. “Hold on to your handlebars or you might crash!” Dad said.



Charlie put both of his hands  
on the handlebars.

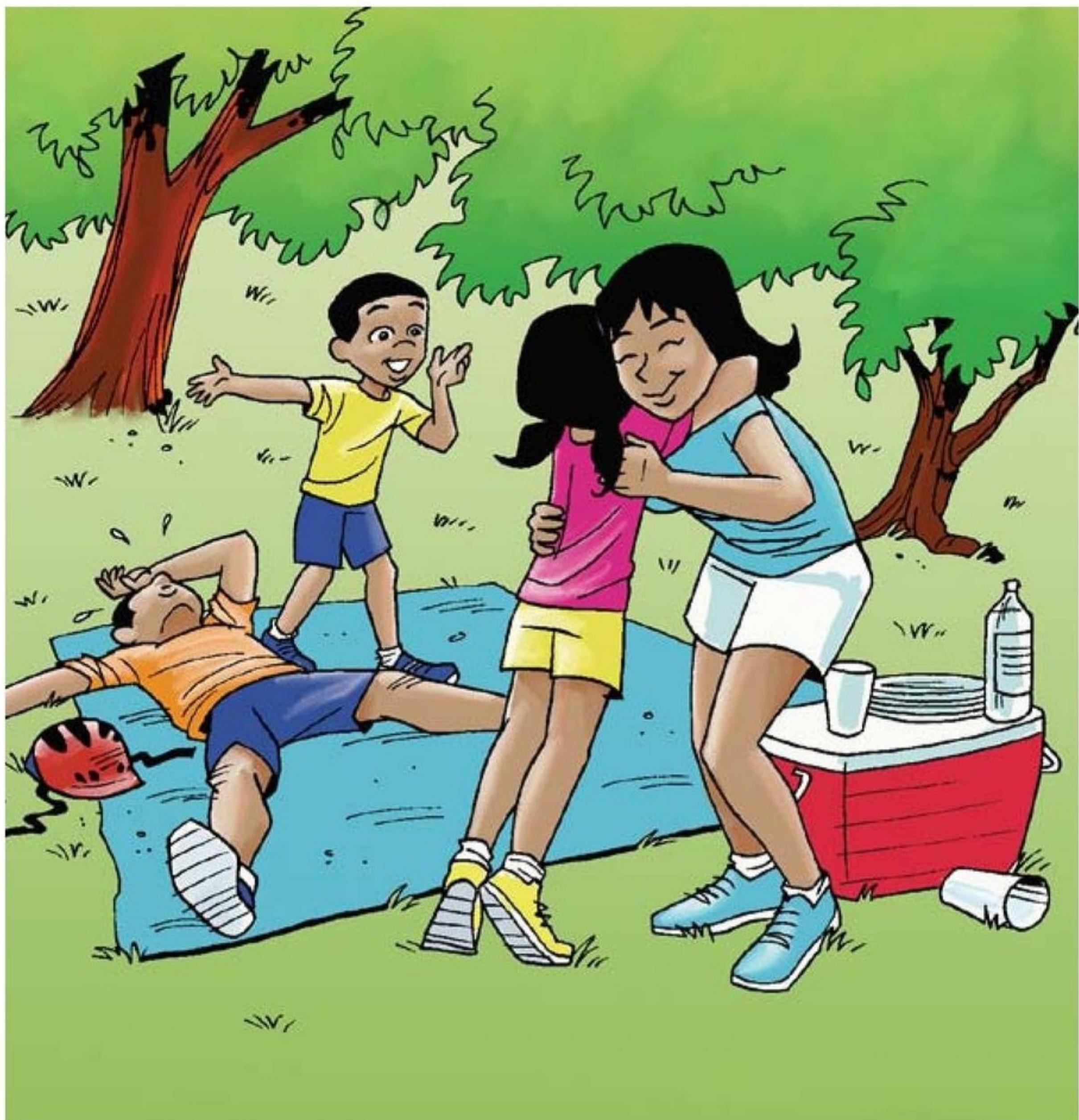
Dad lifted his hand to pat Charlie  
on the shoulder.

He didn't see the pothole until he hit  
it and crashed.



“Are you okay?” Jennie and Charlie asked.

Dad nodded. “That’s why you wear a helmet and never let go of the handlebars,” he said.



Finally, they made it to the park.  
Jennie and Charlie ran and hugged  
Mom.

“We rode our bikes all the way here,  
and we were safe!” they said.  
Dad walked up slowly and fell onto  
the picnic blanket.



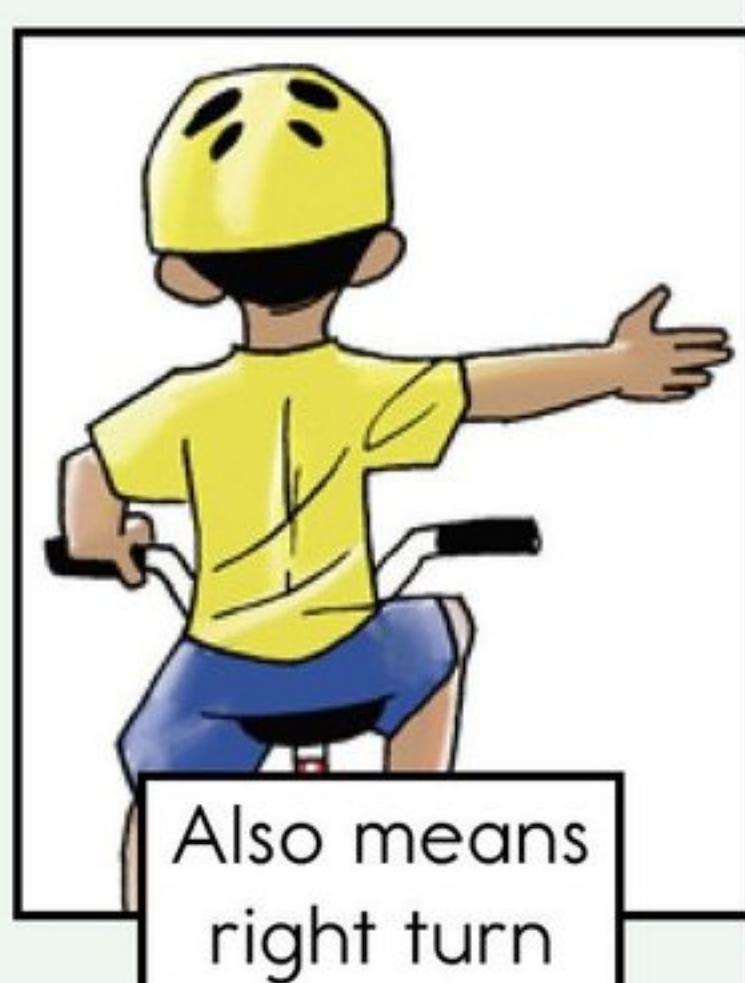
“Come play!” Jennie and Charlie said.

“Let him rest,” Mom said. “He needs his energy for the ride home!”

Dad looked nervous again.

## Bicycle Safety Tips! 🔈

- Wear a helmet that fits
- Wear bright clothes or reflectors
- Watch for cars, people, and other bikers
- Cross only at intersections and look both ways
- Walk your bike across busy intersections
- Always stay on the right side of the street
- Obey all traffic signs and lights
- Keep your hands on the handlebars
- Ride in single file



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