



# Rama Goes to Town

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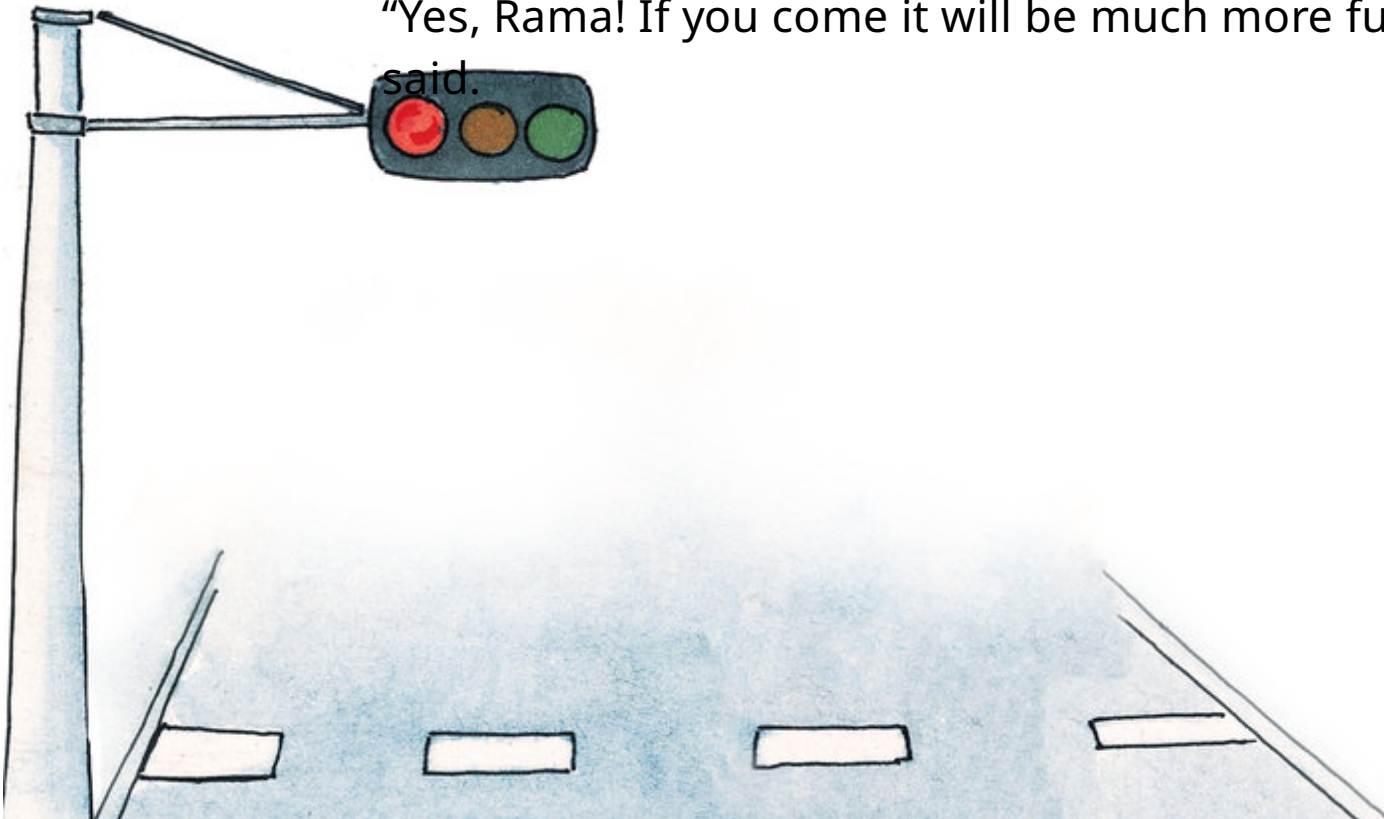




In a village there lived a little girl called Rama.

One day, her father had to go to a nearby town for work. She had never been outside their village before. She asked, "Papa, can I come with you?"

"Yes, Rama! If you come it will be much more fun," Rama's father said.





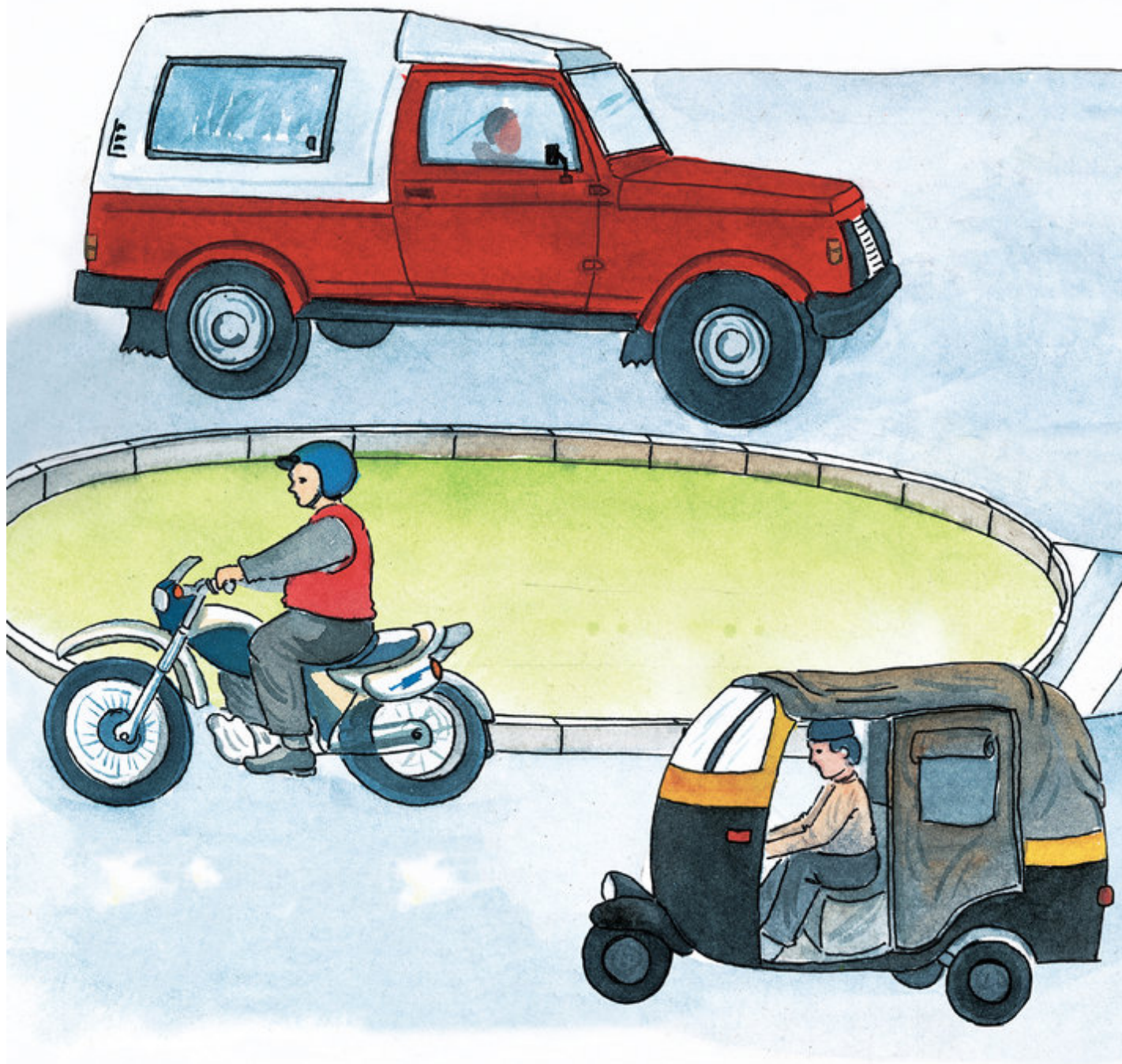
Rama and her father boarded a bus and arrived in the town a few hours later.





Rama loved watching the vehicles zoom by.  
Her father explained the meaning of each traffic light. "The red light means *stop*, the yellow light means *slow down* and the green light means *go*," he told Rama.





Rama saw

a four-wheeler jeep,

a two-wheeler motorcycle,

and a three-wheeler  
tempo.



She saw big trucks

and small bicycles.





She also saw

a red tractor,

a white minibus,

a green tempo,





a yellow school bus,



a blue police van



and a black car.



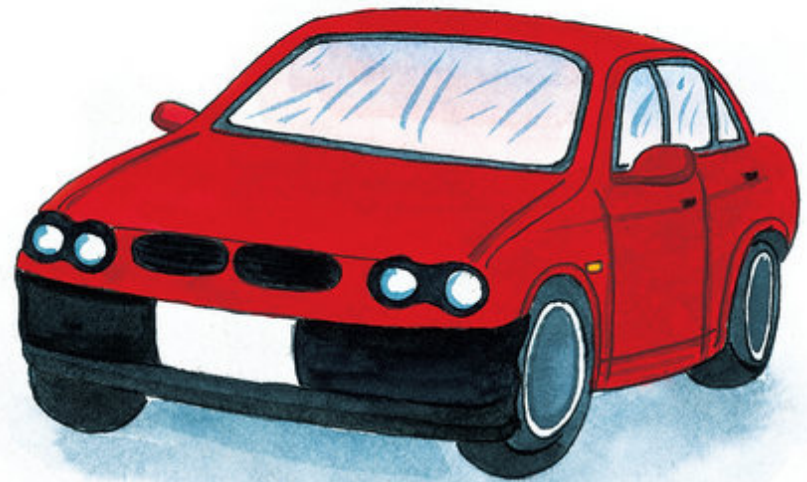
“Whose vehicles are these, Papa?” Rama asked.



"In Nepal," replied her father,  
"white numbers on red  
license plates are private vehicles,

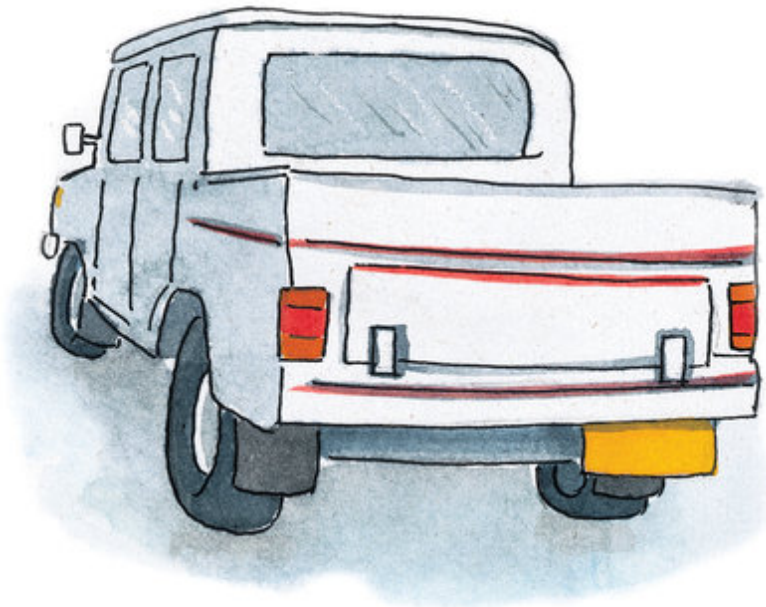


red numbers on white license  
plates are government vehicles,

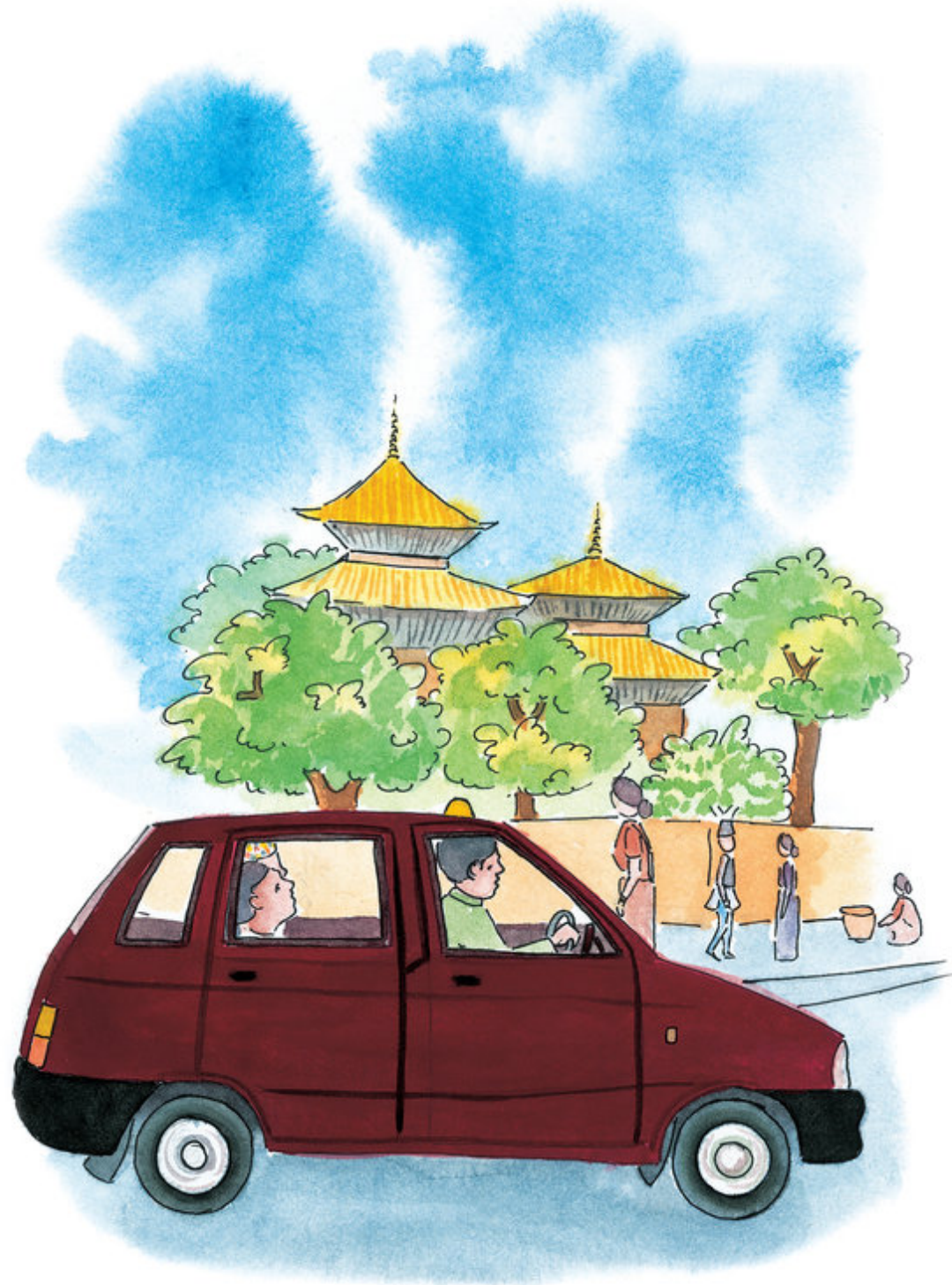




white numbers on black license plates are public vehicles,



and blue numbers on yellow license plates are vehicles owned by corporations or the town council.”



After they watched more cars and trucks and buses zoom by, Rama's father said, "Let's catch a taxi and tour the town, Rama!"





Just then a fire brigade came along, making a loud sound.  
Behind it was an ambulance.

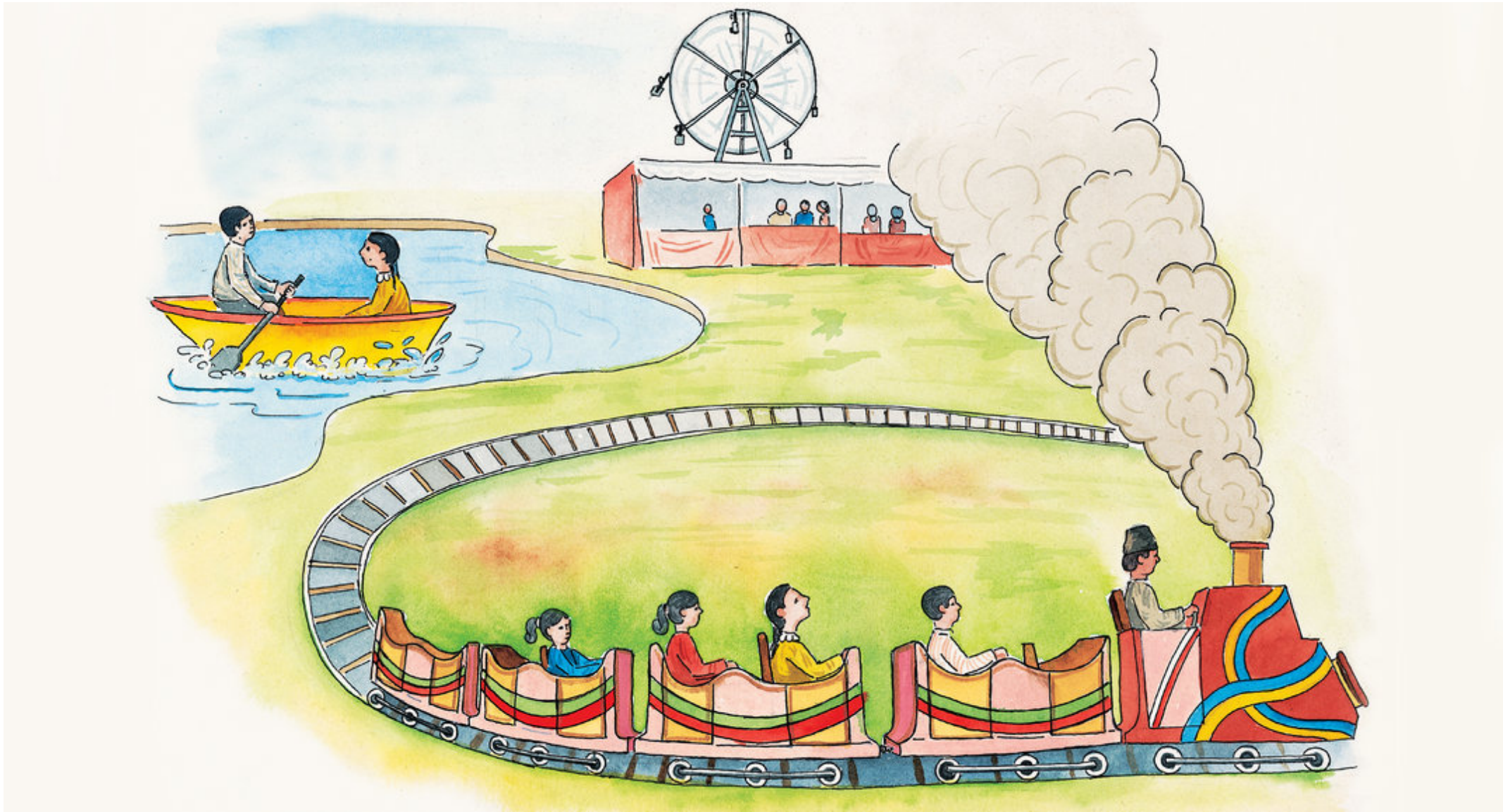




An ambulance carries sick or injured people to the hospital as fast as they can go. Other vehicles make way for it or stop so that the ambulance can pass by quickly.

"I hope they arrive safely," Rama's father said as the ambulance flew by.





The next day, Rama and her father went to a fair.  
Rama paddled in a row boat and rode a toy train.





Then, Rama's father took her to see an airfield.  
She saw airplanes and helicopters taking off!





On their way back, Rama saw bulldozers and cranes on the road. "Bulldozers help build roads. Cranes help build houses and bridges," Rama's father told her.





The next morning, Rama and her father boarded a rickshaw and left for the bus stop to return to their village. Rama enjoyed the rickshaw ride.



Rama thought, "Once I'm back  
in the village, I'll tell my friends  
about all the vehicles I saw."  
Rama was very happy.



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(English)

'Rama Goes to Town' tells the story of a young girl who leaves her village for the first time on a visit to the town with her father. She learns about all the different forms of transportation and motor vehicles.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



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