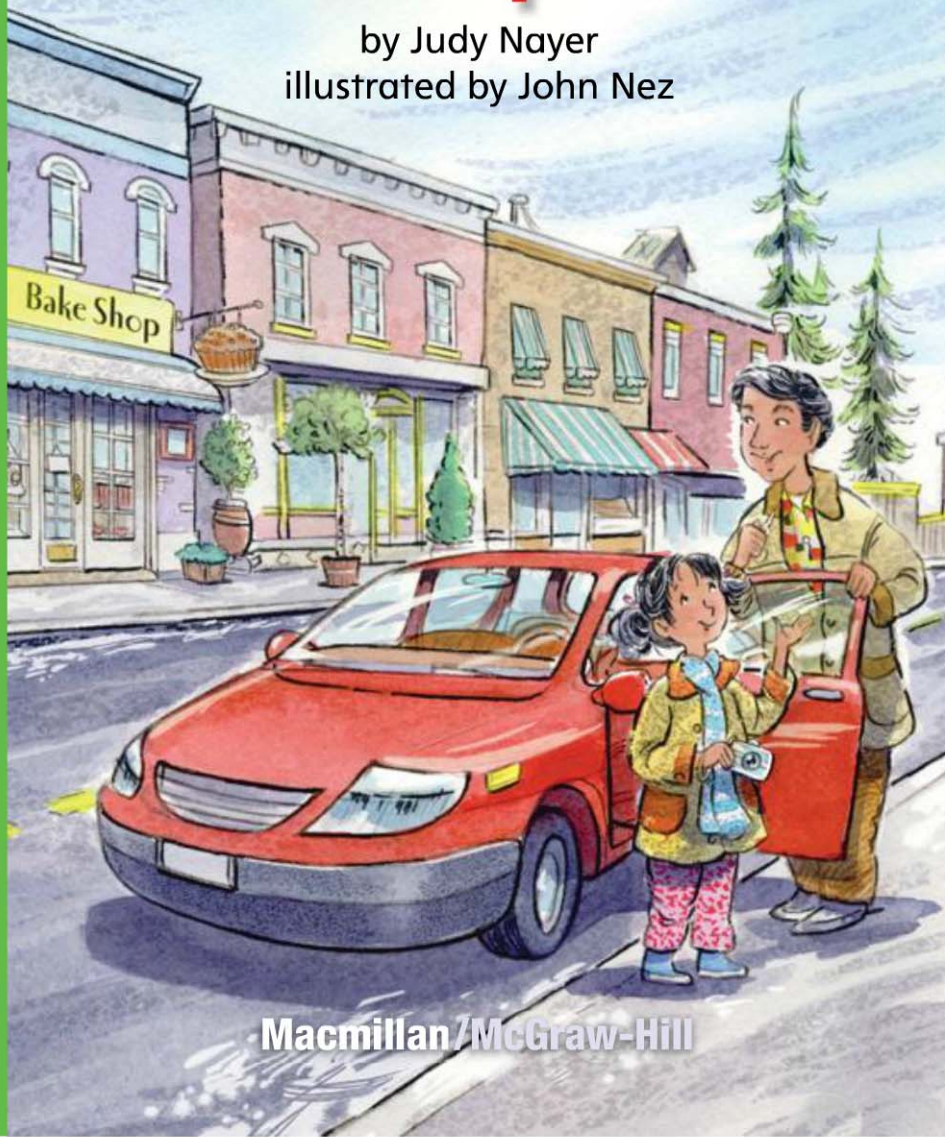


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## STRATEGIES & SKILLS AT A GLANCE

### Comprehension

- Strategy: Ask Questions
- Skill: Analyze Character and Setting

### High-Frequency Words

- about, give, says, were, pretty, write

### Phonics

- long e: *ee, ea*

Word count: 389

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## Chapter 1

# The Trip Begins

Dad calls into my room and says,  
"Are you up? It's time!"

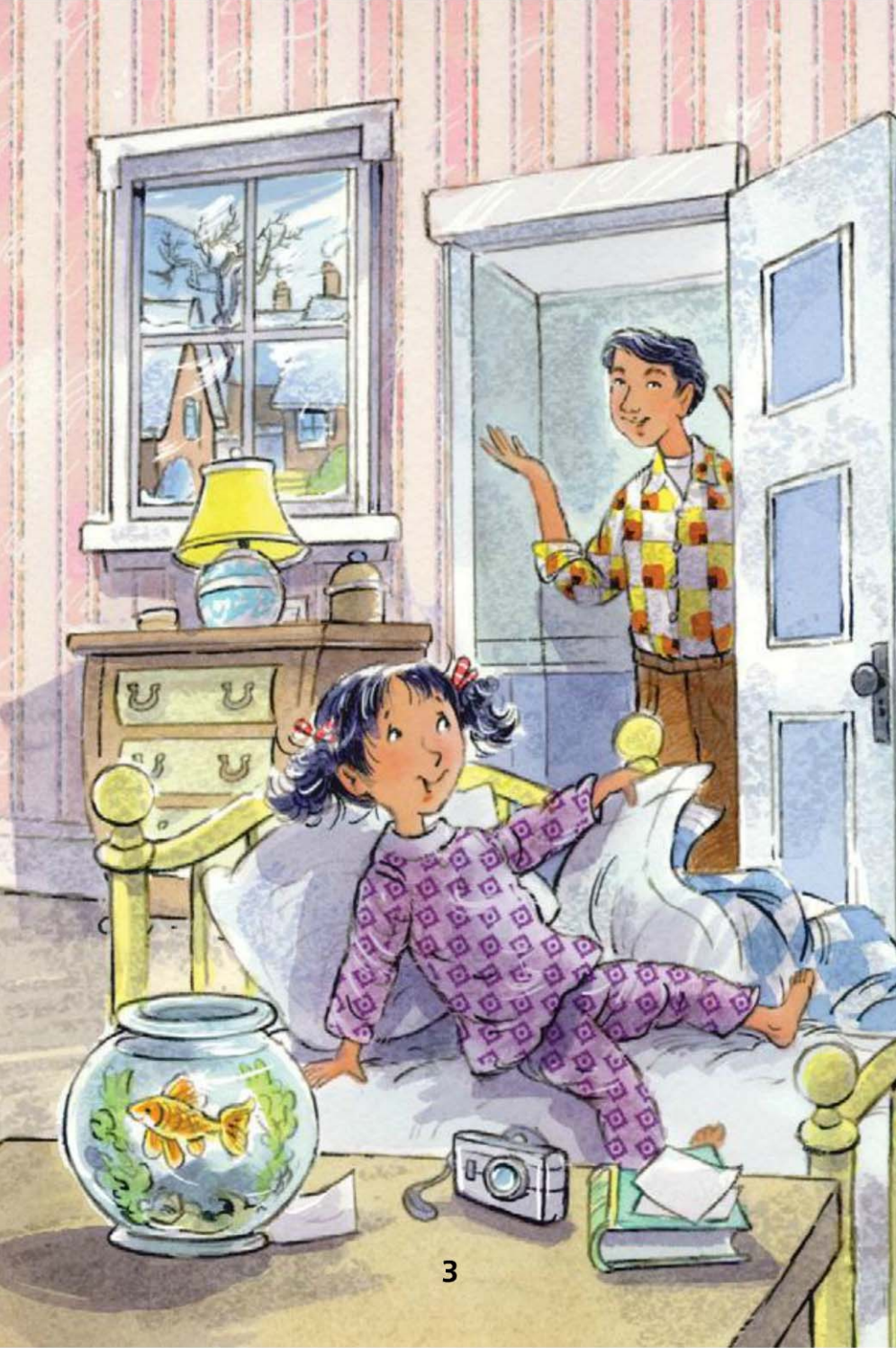
"I'm up!" I say. I race to get dressed.

Dad is taking me on a trip today!  
He's going to show me where he  
lived when he was little. It will be  
just the two of us together.

"Don't forget your camera,"  
Dad says.

"I didn't forget. I'm going to take  
lots of pictures. I'm going to need  
paper to write about our trip."



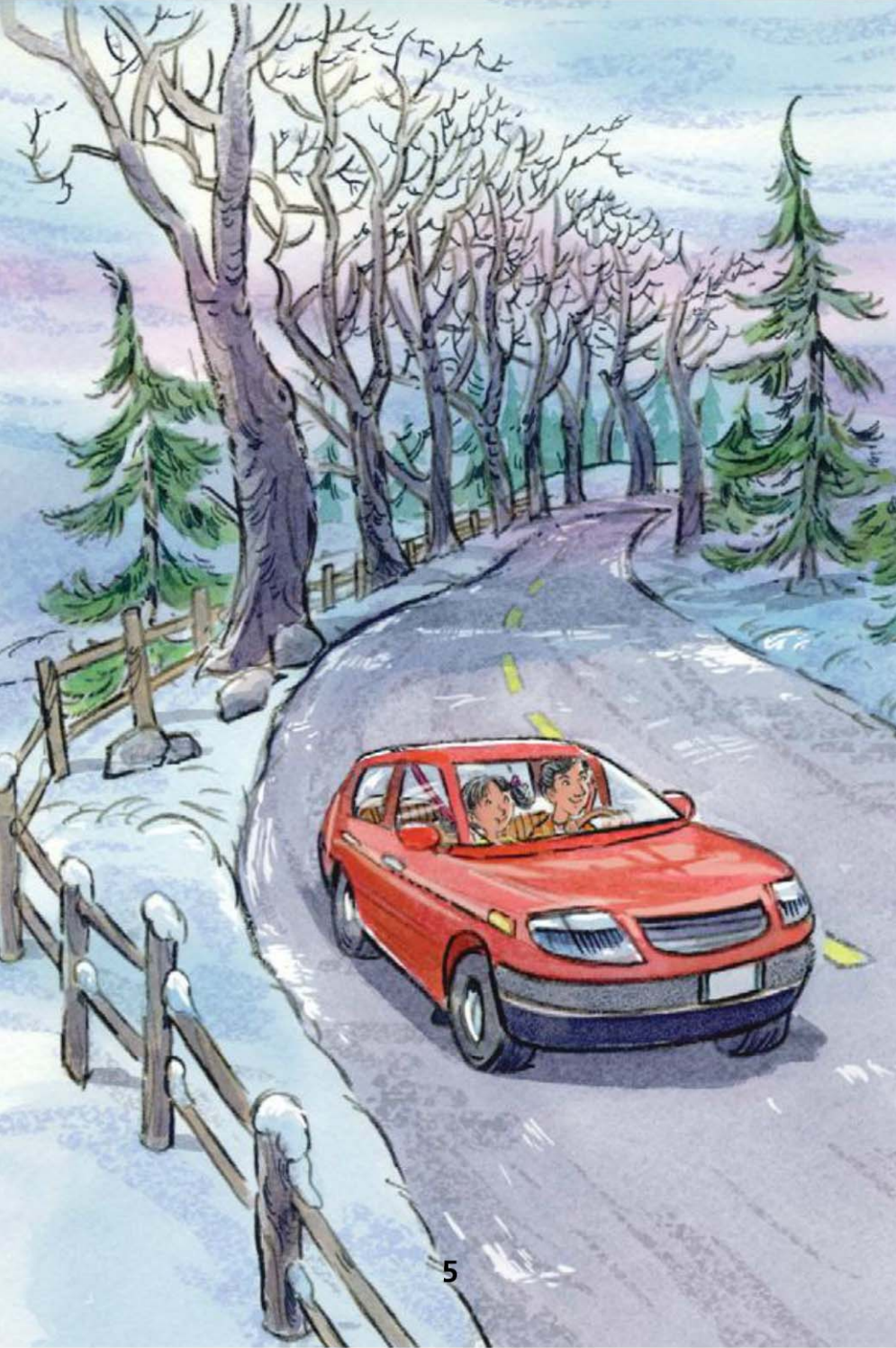


I can see snow on the ground. It's so cold, I can even see my breath.

Soon we are off. There are trees and snow on each side of the street.

In about an hour, I read a sign. It says, "Pine Lake."

Soon we are on Main Street.





## Chapter 2

# We See the Town

"Come on!" Dad says, after we park the car. "That's my favorite place!"







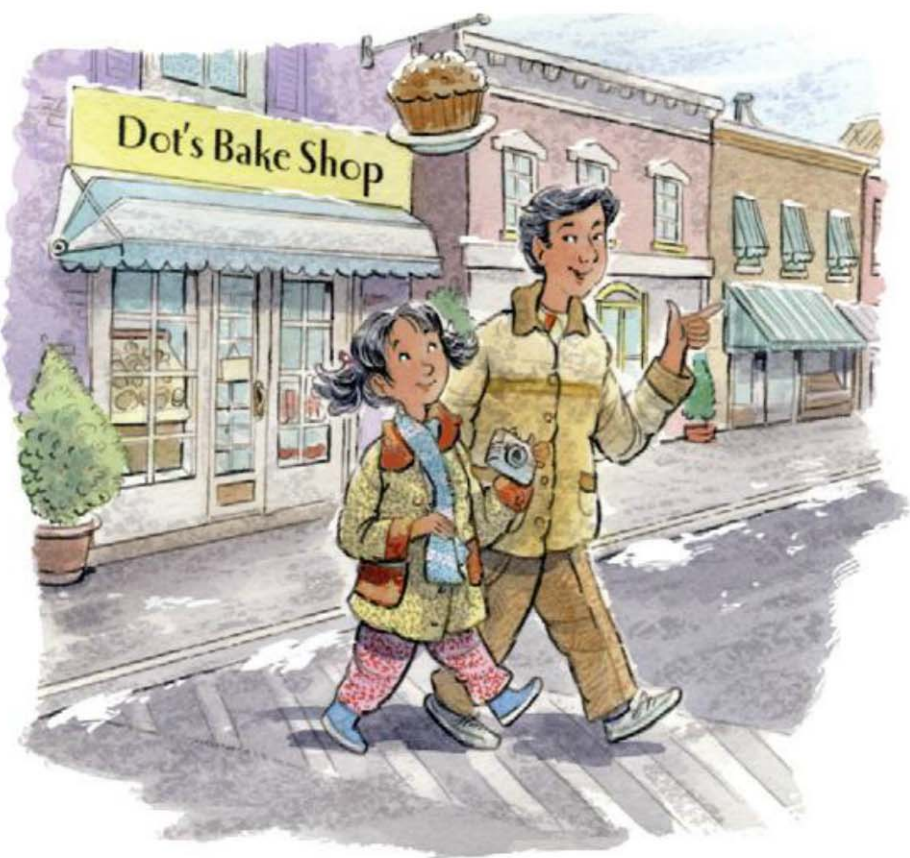
We go into Dot's Bake Shop.  
It smells good inside. I have a  
bun. It's a yummy treat!

"You were hungry," says Dad.

I take a picture of Dot's Bake Shop.

"What's next?" I ask.

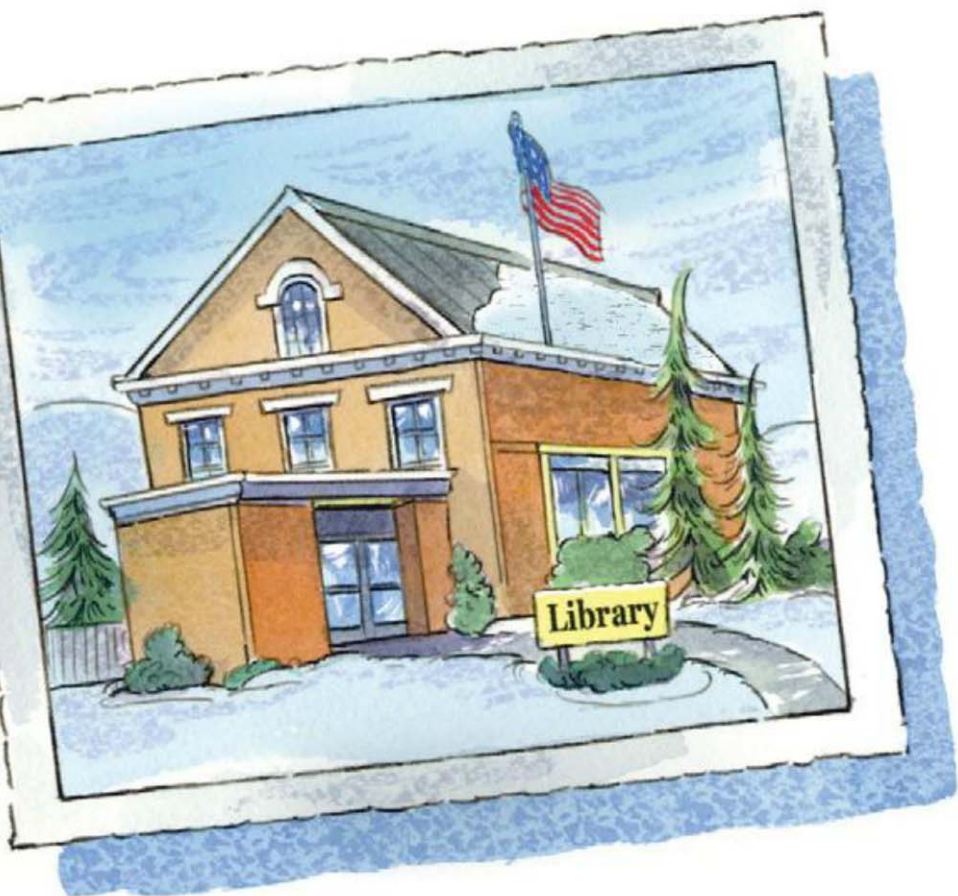
"Let's walk around town," says Dad.





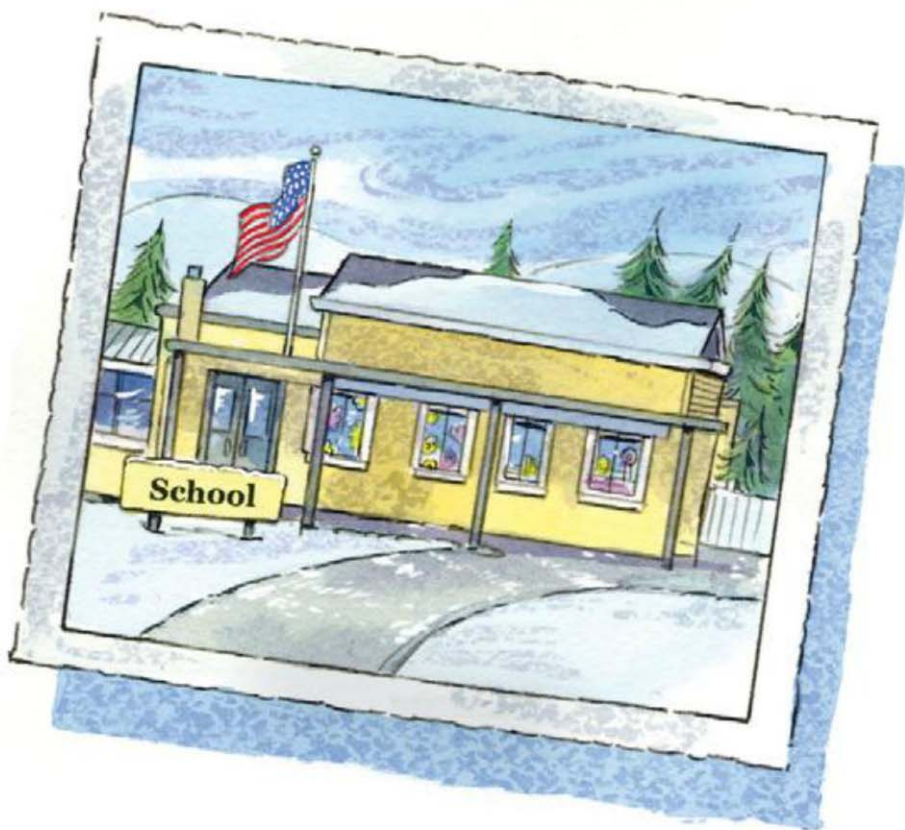
"This is my library," says Dad.  
"It's where I came to read every  
Saturday. There were so many  
good books to read."





I take a picture of the library.  
Then we walk on.

There's Dad's school! I take a picture. We can't go inside, but Dad tells me about it.



## Chapter 3

# I Get a Surprise

"Now I'll show you a special place," Dad says.

We get in the car and ride for about a mile. Then Dad parks the car.

"Wow! It's so pretty!" I shout when I see the lake. It's a big, wide circle of white ice.

I'm surprised when Dad takes our skates from his backpack.

"Give me your hand," he says when our skates are on.

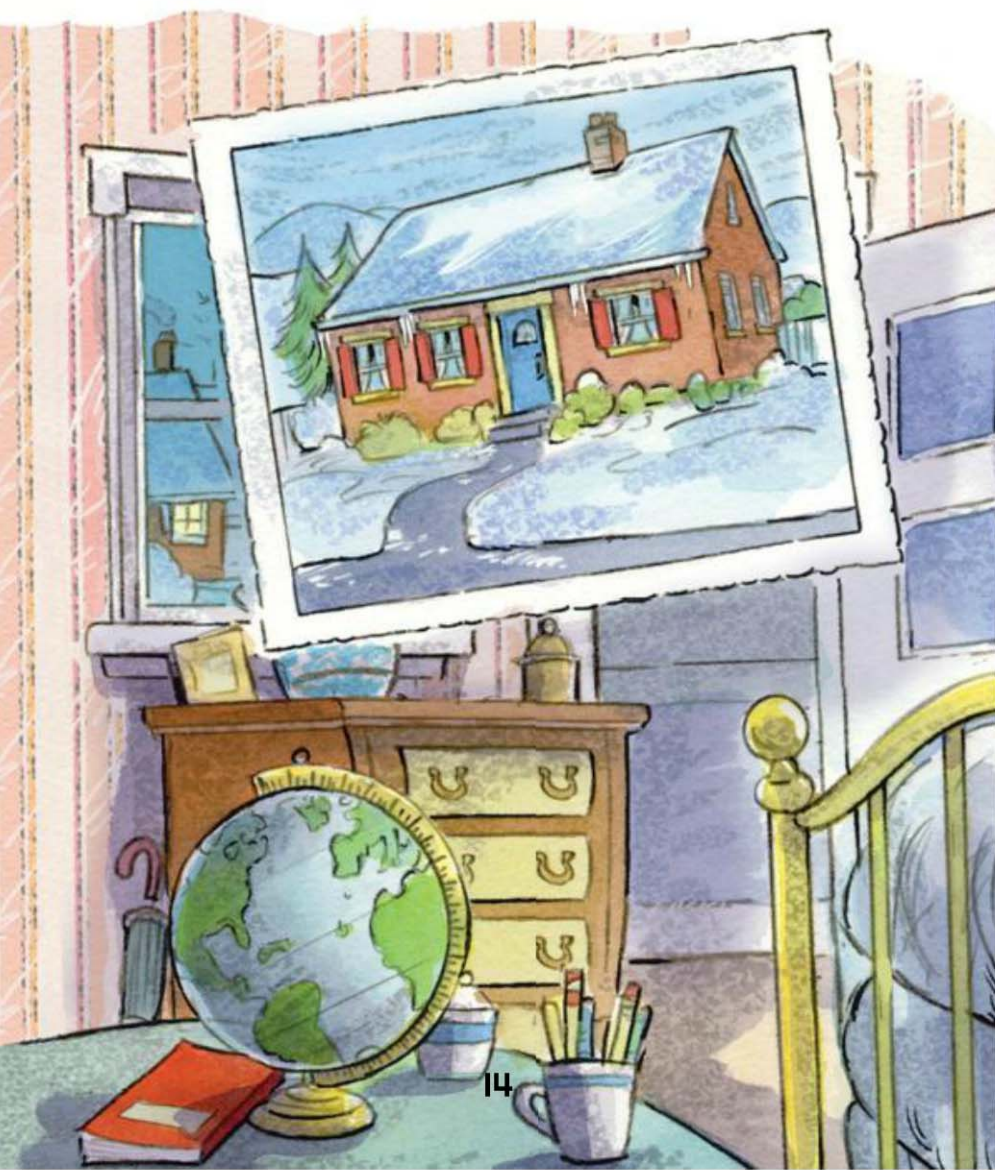


Dad and I start to skate. Soon we are skating on the ice, just like Dad did when he was little.

A man asks if we want him to take our picture. I say, "Yes!"



We ride by Dad's old house before we go home. I take a picture of that, too.



I'm glad I took so many pictures.  
It was fun to write about our trip.  
I can think of Dad when he was  
little like me.

And I can think about the special  
trip we took, just the two of us  
together.





# Comprehension Check

## Retell

Use a Character and Setting Chart to help you retell the story.

What the Characters Do	Where They Do It

## Think and Compare

1. What surprise place does Dad take his daughter to? Why?
2. What is your favorite place to go to with people in your family?
3. How might a town change over the years? What things might stay the same?

# Literacy Activities



## Where I Live

Draw a picture of a special place you like in your town. Write a sentence that tells why it is special.



## A Look into the Future

Draw a picture of how you will look in 20 years. Write your name and age below the picture.



I am Tim.  
I am 26.



1.4 Week 2

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