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Tim lives on a farm in the country. He is on his way to visit his cousin Anna in the city. Anna and her mother are waiting to meet him at the train station.

This is Tim's first visit to the big city. He is very excited.

Check ✓ true or false.

	True	False
❶ Tim lives in the country.	✓	
❷ Tim is going to visit his cousin.		
❸ Tim is going to the city.		
❹ Tim is on the train.		
❺ Anna is Tim's cousin.		
❻ Tim often goes to the city.		
❼ Tim's uncle is waiting for him.		
❽ Tim is very excited.		
❾ He can see an airplane through the train window.		
❿ He can see tall buildings.		

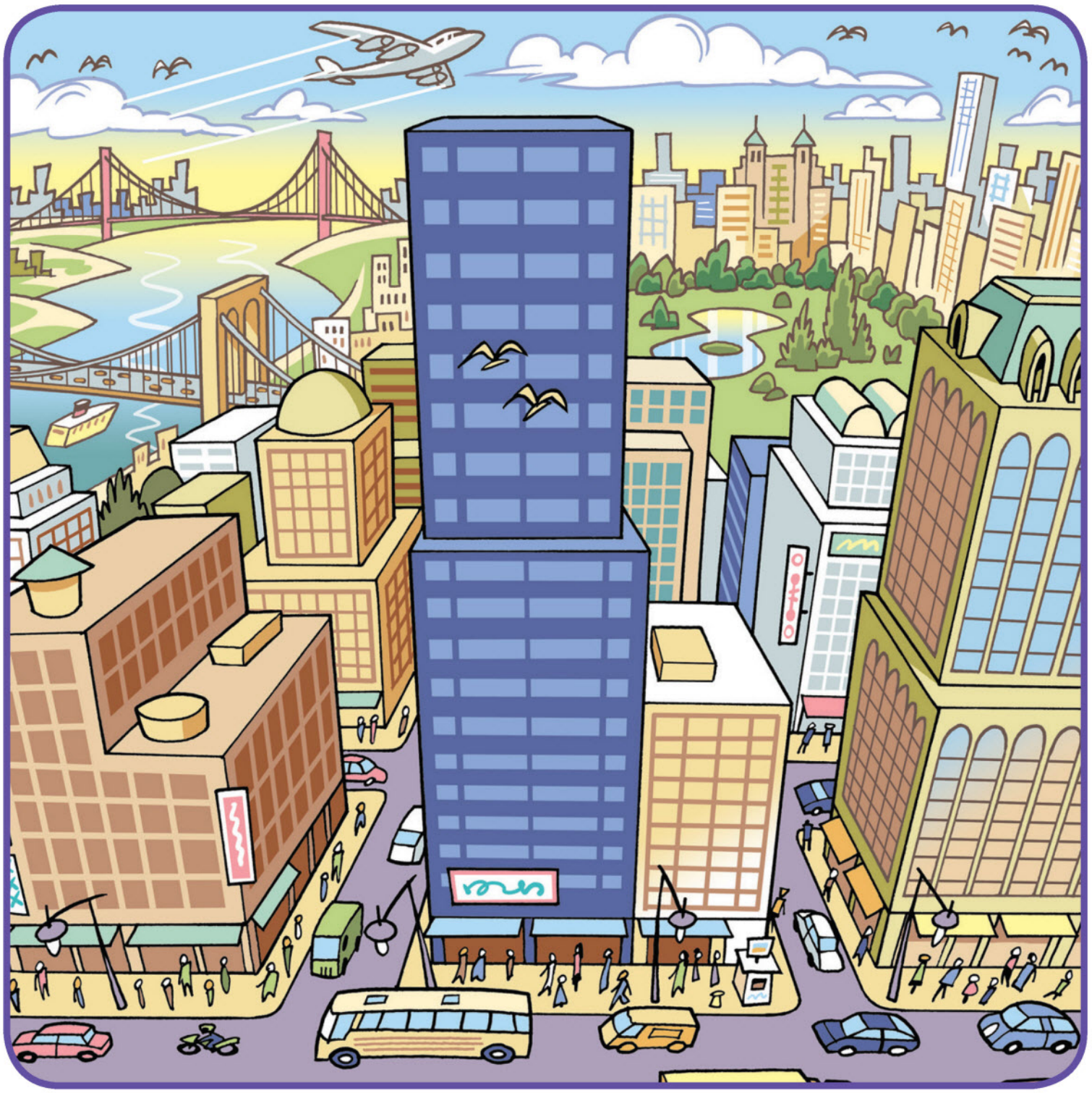
Tim is in Anna's apartment, at the top of a tall building.

"Wow! Look at all those buildings. Look at all those cars and buses. The people are so small. They look like ants from up here. You're really lucky, Anna."

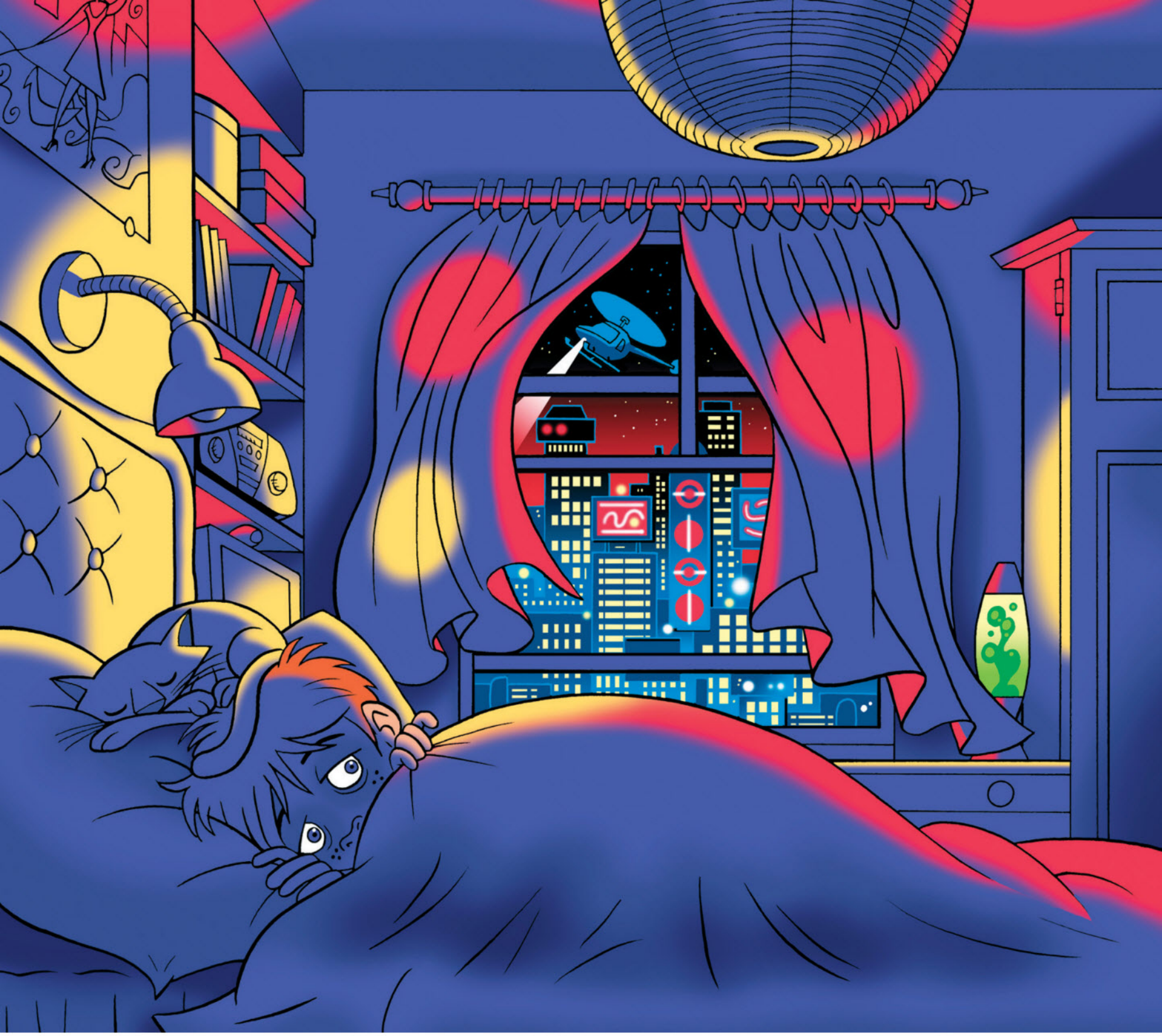
1 What does Tim see on page 4?

Tim sees buildings, _____, _____, and _____.

2 What other things do you see here?



I see _____, _____, _____, and _____.



It is midnight. Anna is asleep. Tim is in a big, comfortable bed, but he cannot sleep. There are a lot of lights. He can hear a fire engine, some police cars, a big motorcycle, and there is a helicopter flying overhead.

The city is really noisy at night.

Answer the questions.

1. What time is it?

   It is midnight.

2. Is Anna in bed?

3. Is Anna sleeping?

4. Is Tim in bed?

5. Is Tim sleeping?

6. Why can't he sleep?

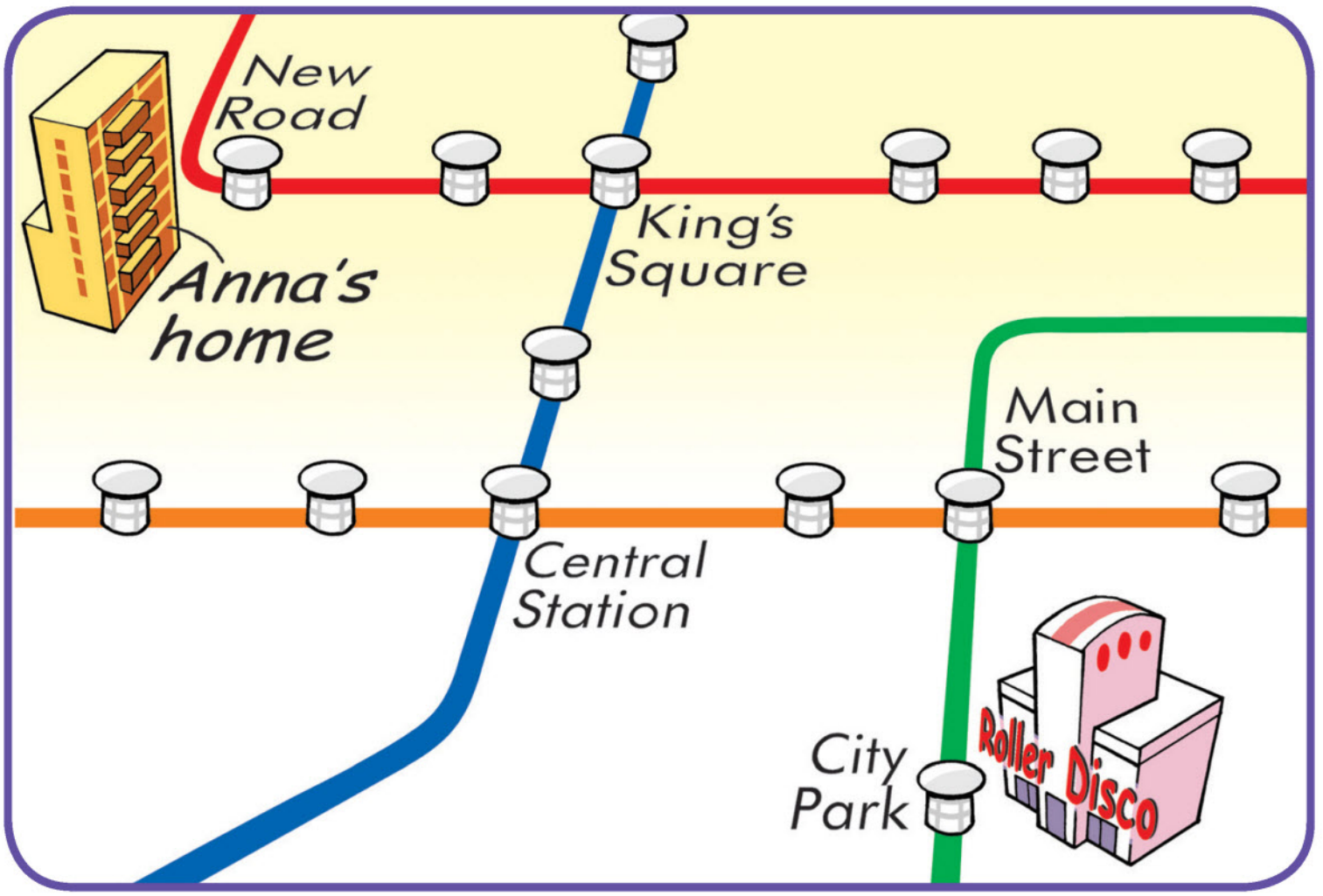
7. What can he hear?

8. Can you sleep well in the city?



The next morning, they are on the subway. Anna is taking Tim to a roller disco. There are so many people on the subway. It's dirty and crowded, and they cannot sit down. Tim is getting very tired.

How did they get to the roller disco? Complete.



They took the red line from New Road to _____ station. Then they changed to the _____ line and took the train to _____. Then they took the _____ line and changed at _____ station, and then they took the _____ line and got off at _____ station.



"Isn't it great?" says Anna. "I come here every week with my friends. Isn't the music wonderful?"

"The music is too loud!" says Tim.

"Put on your rollerblades and let's go!"

"But everyone is skating so fast! I can't skate that fast!"

Look at the pictures. Complete using the words in the box.



bed big cake city coffee cold hot
noisy soft sweater sweet weather

1. The weather is too cold.
2. The _____ is too _____.
3. The _____ is too _____.
4. The _____ is too _____.
5. The _____ is too _____.
6. The _____ is too _____.



"Did you enjoy the roller disco?" asks Anna.

"It was OK."

"I'm so thirsty. I really need this drink."

"What's it called?" asks Tim.

"It's a Timbuktu Twist."

"It looks great! How do you drink it?"



How do you make a Timbuktu Twist?

Check ✓ seven things.

- [x] You need a tall glass and a straw.
- [ ] Open your pencil case.
- [ ] Buy some pizza at the supermarket.
- [ ] Pour orange juice into the glass.
- [ ] Cut an apple into small squares.
- [ ] Take your dog for a walk.
- [ ] Put the apple squares in with the juice.
- [ ] Call your friend on the telephone.
- [ ] Add some ice cream.
- [ ] Add some nice green mint sauce.
- [ ] Cut up a lemon and put it on top.
- [ ] Sit down on a comfortable chair.



Tim and Anna are walking home. They have to cross a big road. The light changes, so they start to walk across the road. Suddenly, a big yellow taxi turns the corner. It is going too fast and it almost hits them.

Rearrange the words.

❶ Anna's Tim cousin is

Tim is Anna's cousin.

❷ the went they roller to together disco

❸ are Anna and Tim home walking

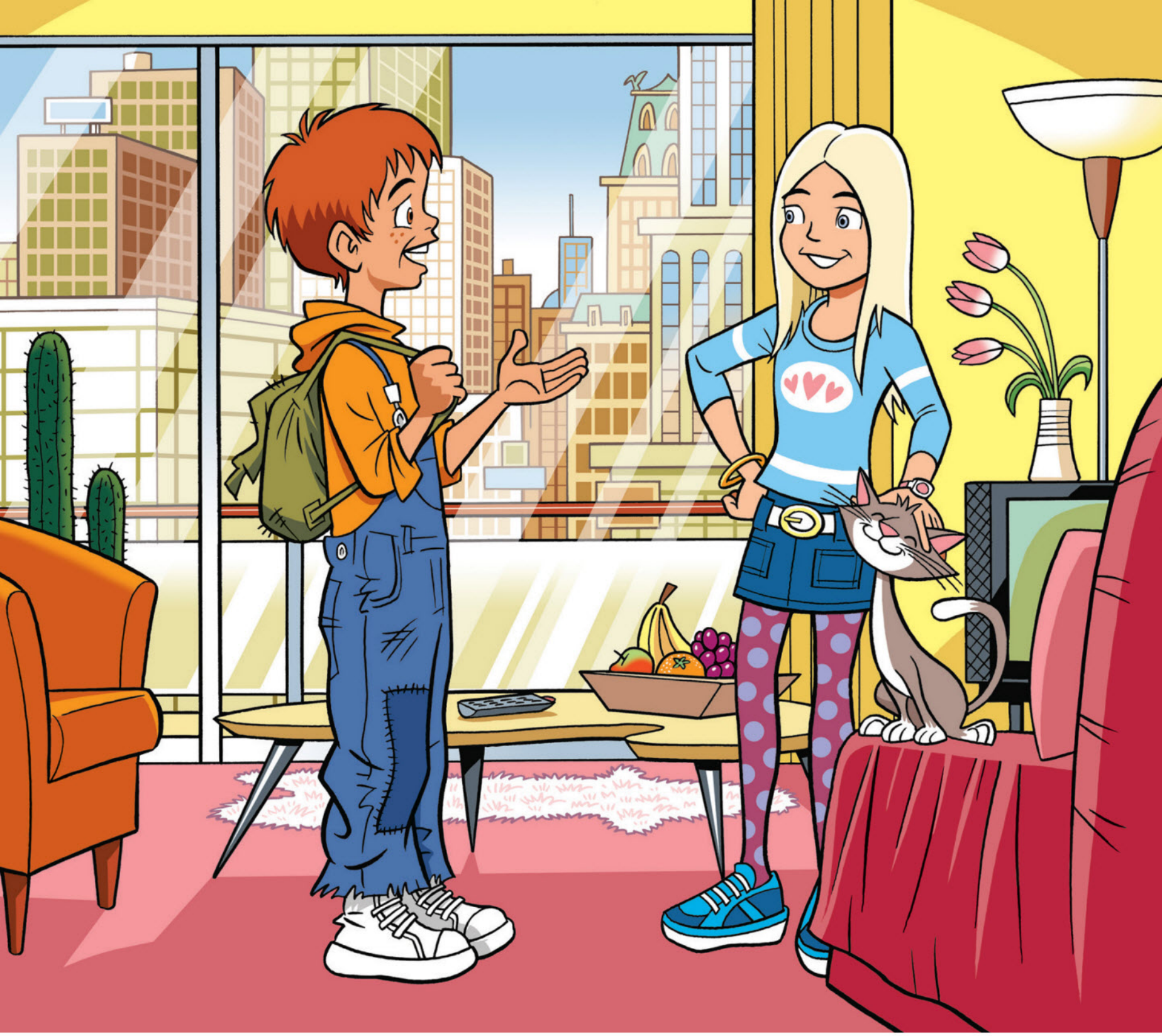
❹ the is green light

❺ fast taxi going too is the

❻ the and in Tim are road Anna

❼ children the hits almost taxi the

❽ afraid Anna Tim are and



"It's time for me to go back to the country," says Tim.

"I hope you had a good time," says Anna.

"It was OK, thank you. It's your turn to visit me in the country."

"OK. That sounds wonderful."

Put the sentences in order.
Number them 1–12.

- [ ] They took the subway.
- [ ] They went to Anna's apartment.
- [ ] They walked home.
- [ ] They went to the roller disco.
- [ ] Tim asked Anna to visit him on the farm.
- [1] Tim went to the city by train.
- [ ] They had a drink called a Timbuktu Twist.
- [ ] Tim saw a beautiful view of the city.
- [ ] A taxi almost hit them.
- [ ] Anna and her mother met him at the station.
- [ ] Tim went back to the country.
- [ ] Tim could not sleep.

Anna is visiting Tim in the country for the first time. Tim's father is driving them home from the train station. Anna is happy. She loves animals, so she wants to see the farm.

"Welcome to the country!" says Tim.

Rewrite the sentences correcting the underlined words.

1. Anna is visit Tim.

   Anna is visiting Tim.

2. Tim's father is drive the truck.

3. They are sit on the back of the truck.

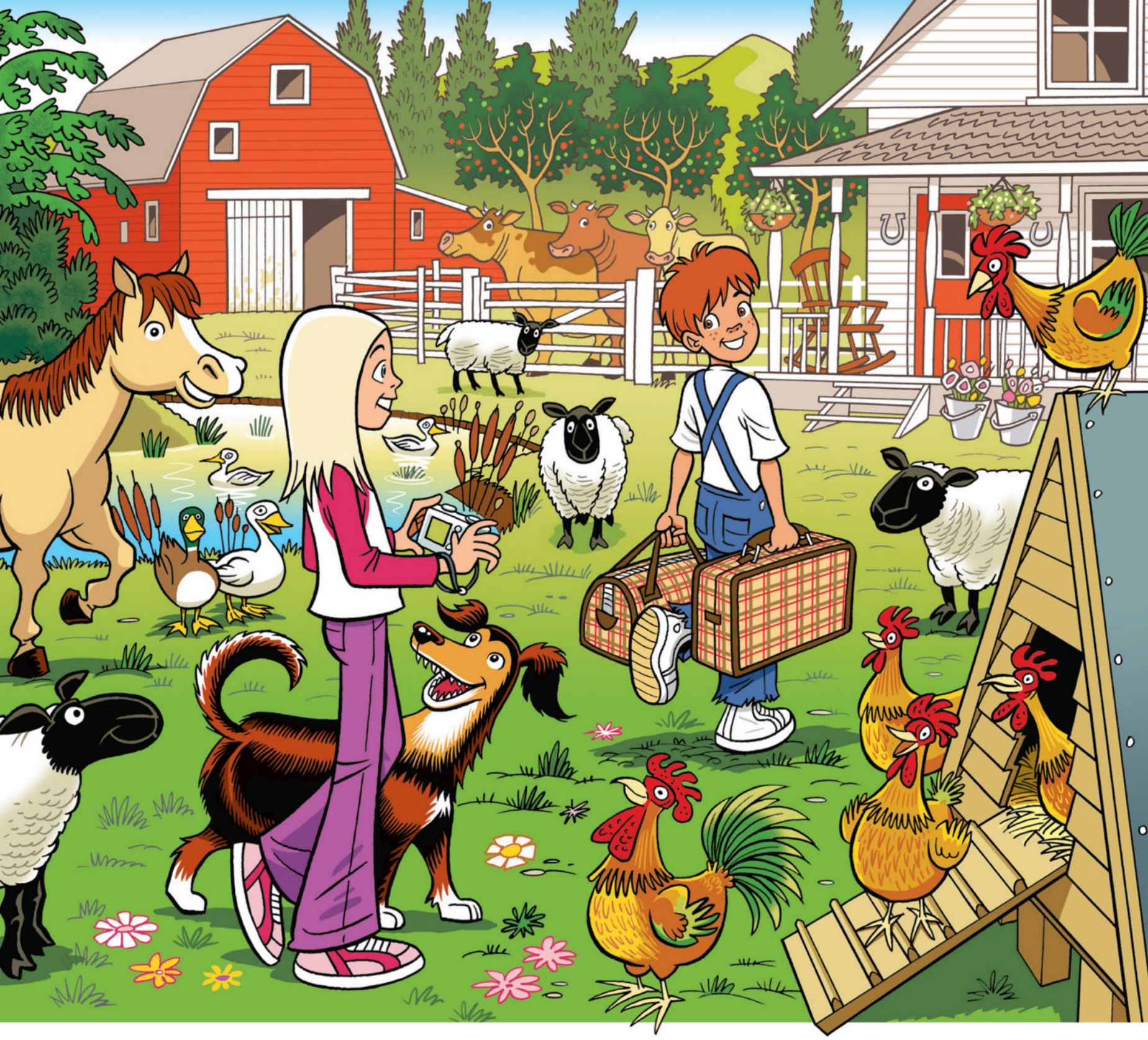
4. Anna are happy.

5. Tim live on a farm.

6. They are go to the farm.

7. Anna love animals.

8. Tim have many animals on the farm.



"It's so beautiful here!" says Anna. "Look at all the animals."

"Yes, we have cows, sheep, chickens, ducks, and a pony called Star."

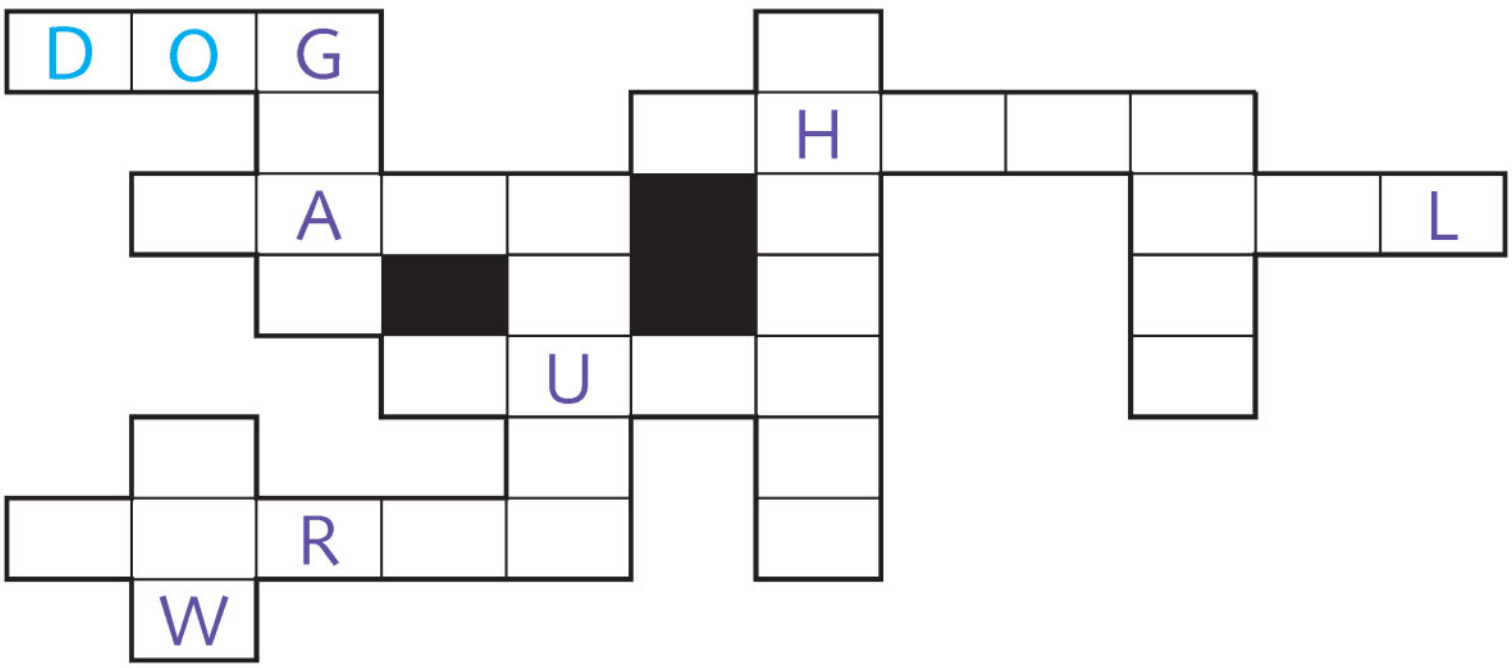
"You're so lucky, Tim!"

1 Connect.

chicken •
cow •
dog •
duck •
farm •
goat •
horse •
mouse •
owl •
pony •
sheep •



2 Use the words in Activity 1 to complete the crossword.





It is nine o'clock. Everyone except Anna is asleep. Her eyes are wide open but she can't see anything because it is so dark. She can hear the farm animals. There's an owl at the window. It makes a sound like a ghost. Anna is afraid.

Circle the words and make a sentence.

Anna	eats	off	the	big	town
Tim	comes	from	an	small	city

❶ Anna comes from the big city.

It	is	not	o'clock	to	night
They	am	nine	seventy	at	morning

❷ _____

Tim	is	afraid	of	a	dog
Anna	are	cold	to	an	owl

❸ _____

Anna	is	not	in	the	dark
It	cannot	see	on	a	house

❹ _____

The	owl	today	is	a	apple
A	cat	sounds	like	an	ghost

❺ _____



The next day, Tim and Anna are outside. It's a beautiful day. Tim shows Anna how to ride his pony. Tim rides very well. It looks easy. Now it's Anna's turn, but it's not that easy.

"Hold on tight, Anna," says Tim.

1 Rewrite and punctuate the story.

the next morning tim and anna are at school it's a rainy day tim shows anna how to use a computer tim types very quickly it looks easy now it's anna's turn but it's not that easy you are doing very well anna says tim

The next morning, Tim and Anna are at school.

2 Write another story about Tim and Anna.

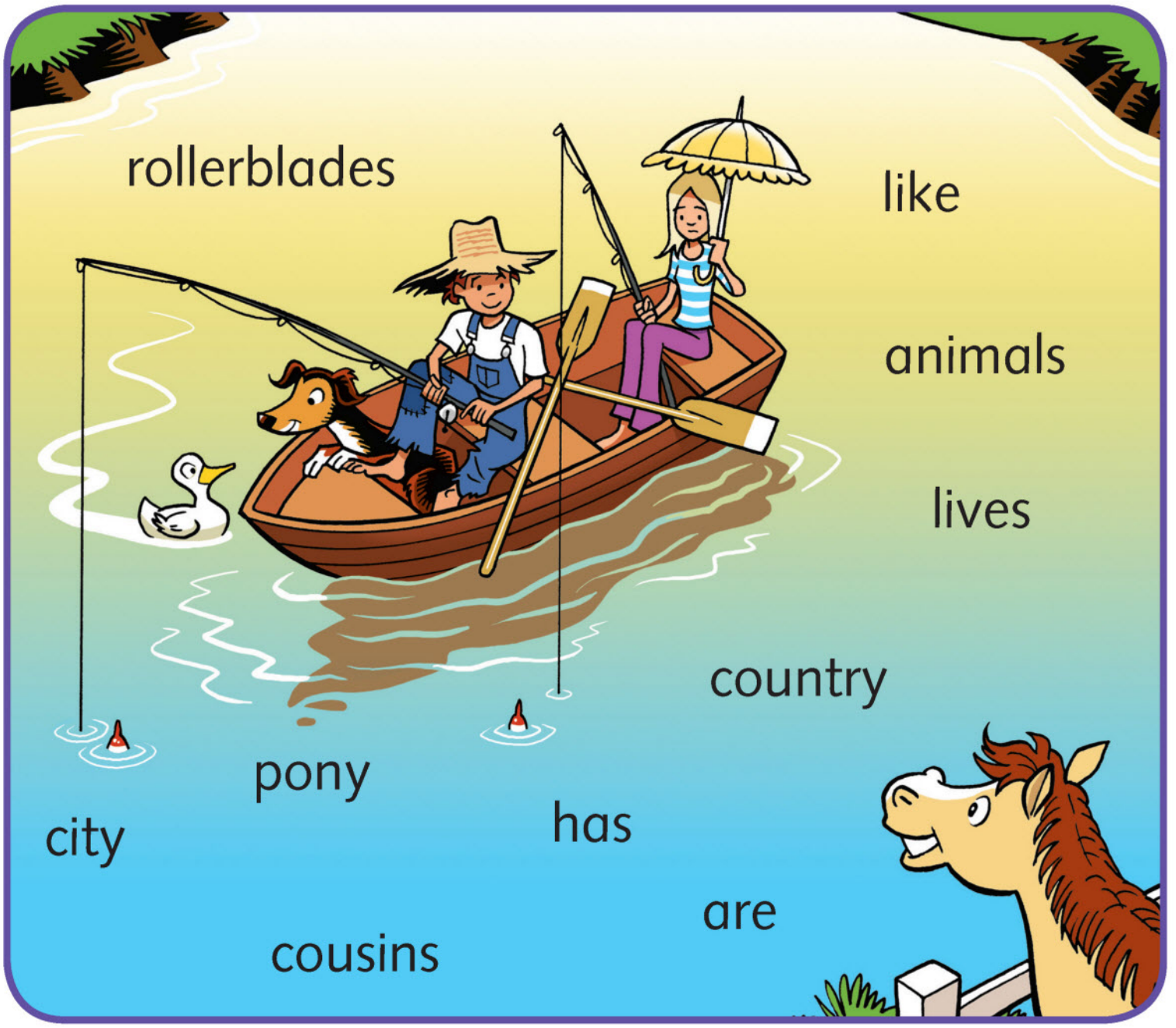


Later Tim takes Anna out in a boat. They are both fishing.

"Are you sure there are fish in this pond?" asks Anna. "I'm getting bored."

"Bored? Just wait a few more minutes."

Make sentences about Anna and Tim.
Use the words in the water.



Anna lives in the city.

Anna _____

Tim _____

Tim _____

Anna and Tim _____

Anna and Tim _____



"Wow, you caught a big one," says Tim.
But Anna falls into the water.

"Help!" she says. "I can't swim."

"It's OK! The water isn't deep," says Tim. "Just stand up."

Where did Tim and Anna go? Connect.

Tim took Anna to see the farm. They walked from the farmhouse to the chicken house, then down the road to the barn. They got on the pony and went through the forest to see the sheep. Then they walked over a bridge into a field with cows in it and they had a picnic under an apple tree. Then they crossed the river and went down to the pond. They took a boat to the island.



Back at home in the city, Anna calls Tim.

"Did you have a good time?" asks Tim.

"It was OK, but I prefer the city."

"You prefer the city and I prefer the country," says Tim.

"See you, Tim"

"OK. Goodbye."

Complete.



Tim _____ in the country.

He goes to visit his _____

Anna in the _____. Tim sees many

_____, people, and cars in _____

city. They go to the roller _____ and a

restaurant. Tim doesn't _____ the city

_____ much.



Anna _____ to visit Tim in

the _____. She sees many

_____ there. They _____ a pony

and they go _____ . Anna catches a

_____, and falls into the _____.

Anna _____ like the country very

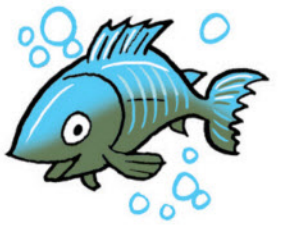
_____. She _____ the city.

Picture Dictionary

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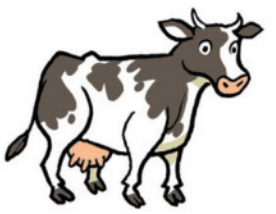
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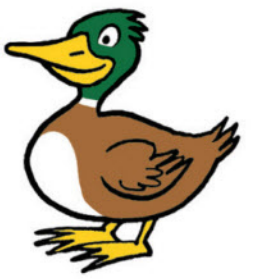
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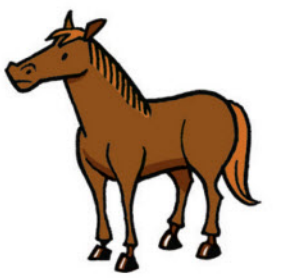
chicken 

goat 

cow 

helicopter 

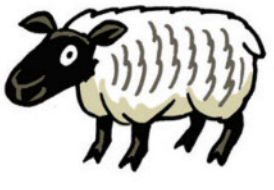
duck 

horse 

island 

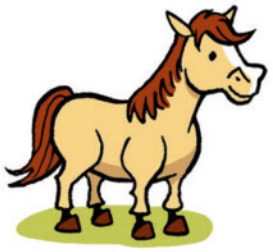
rollerblades 

light 

sheep 

owl 

subway 

pony 

swim 

road 

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