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To Ben Nelson —K.J.

**For Mum and Dad. Who were
generous enough to bring me up
Somewhere safe with someone
good. —H.W.**

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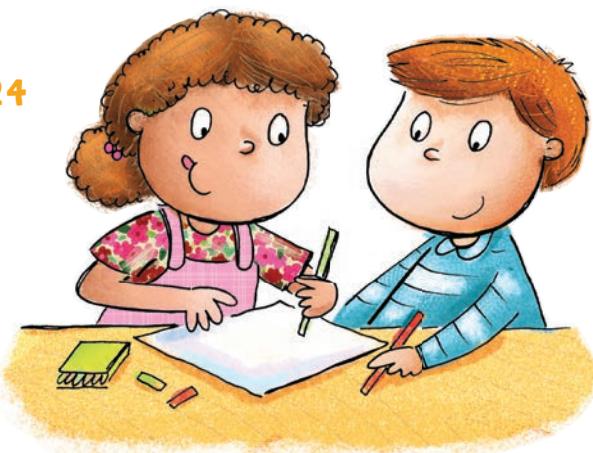
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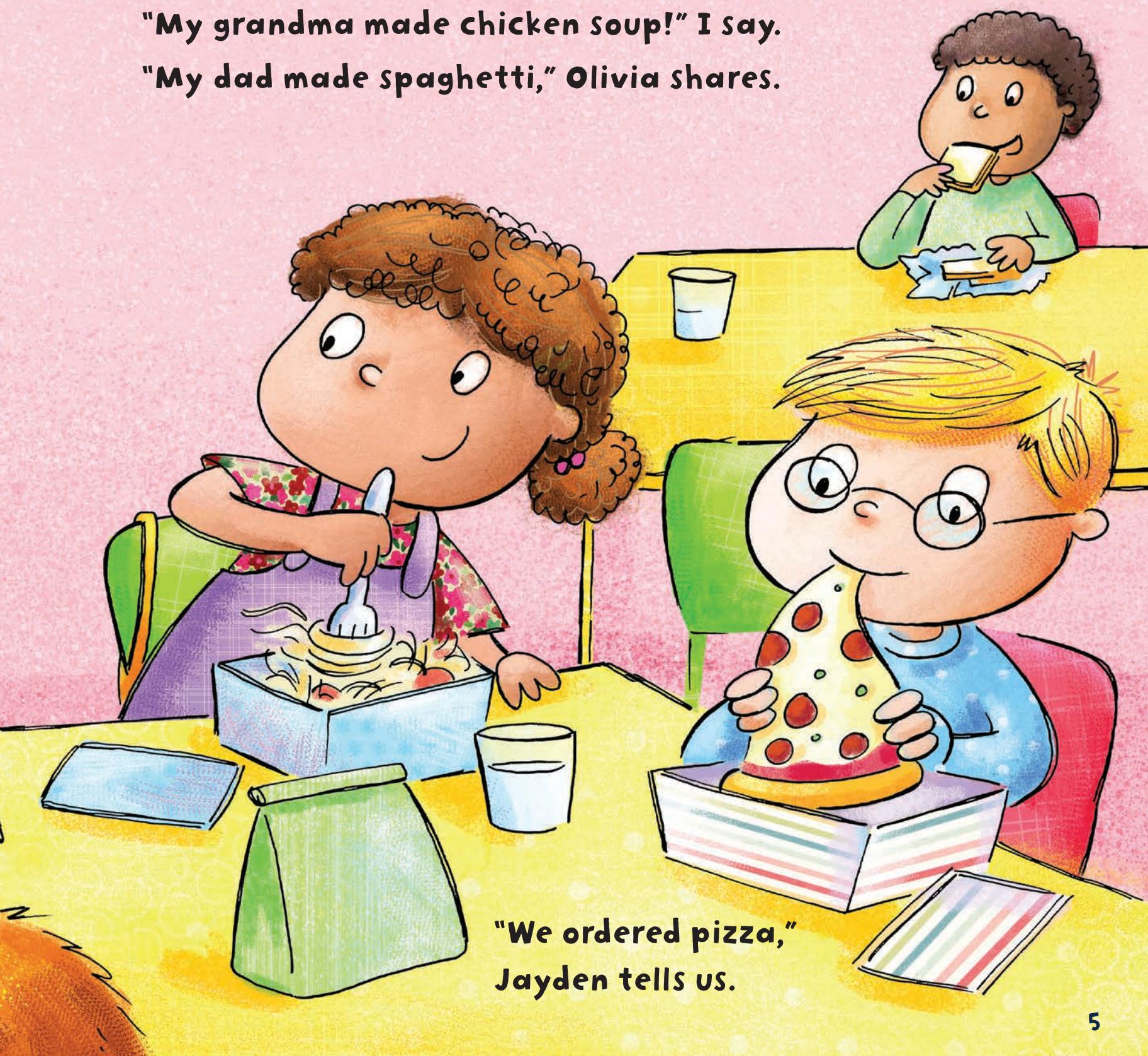
A Lunchroom Problem

Hi, I'm Kevin! Lunch is my favorite part of the day. Today we're talking about what we had for dinner last night.



"My grandma made chicken soup!" I say.

"My dad made spaghetti," Olivia shares.



"We ordered pizza,"
Jayden tells us.

Michael doesn't say anything. He looks down at the table.





What could be wrong?

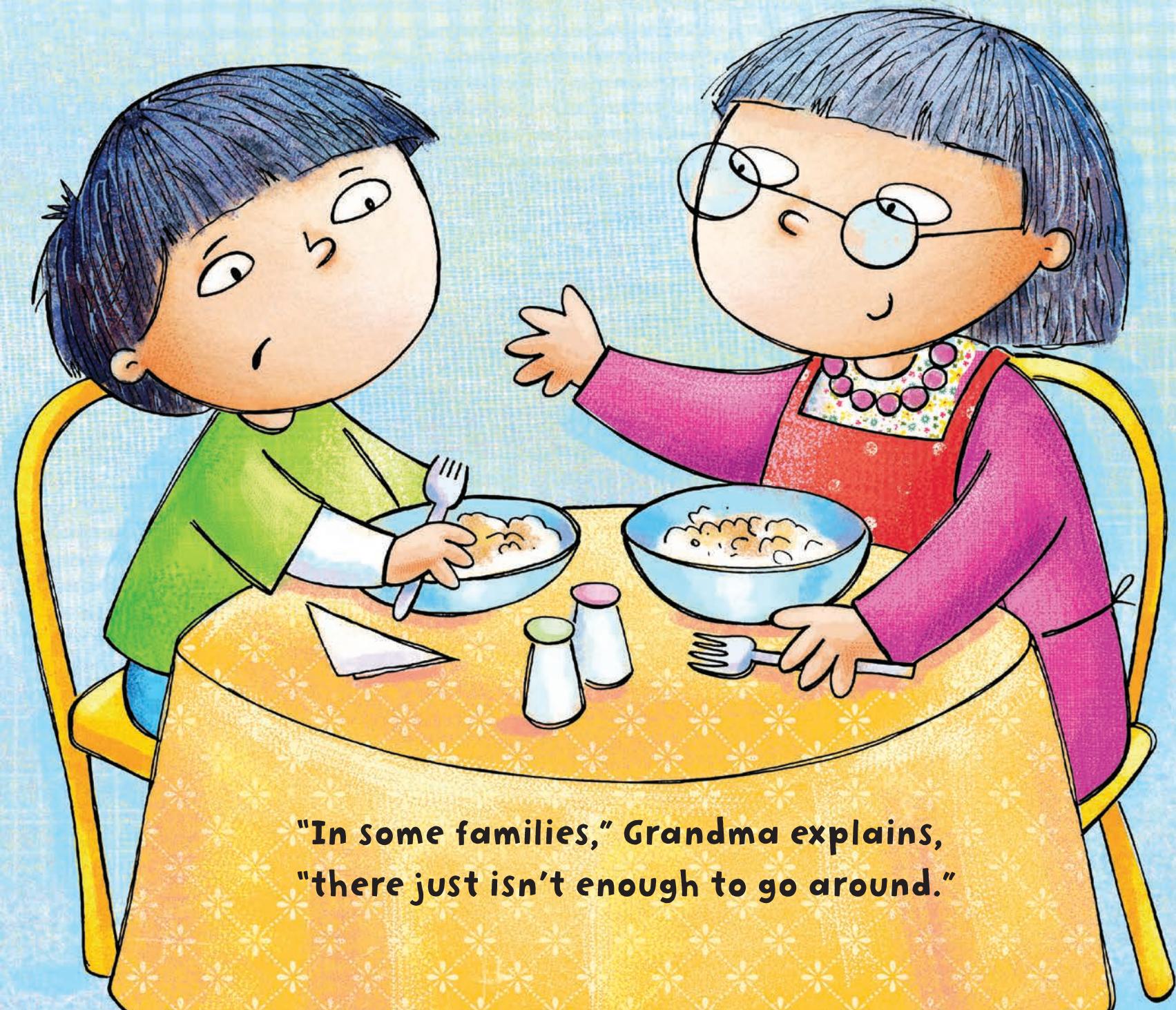
Chapter Two

An Even Bigger Problem

That night I tell my grandma what happened.



**"Maybe Michael didn't know what to say,"
Grandma says. "Not everyone has enough to eat."**



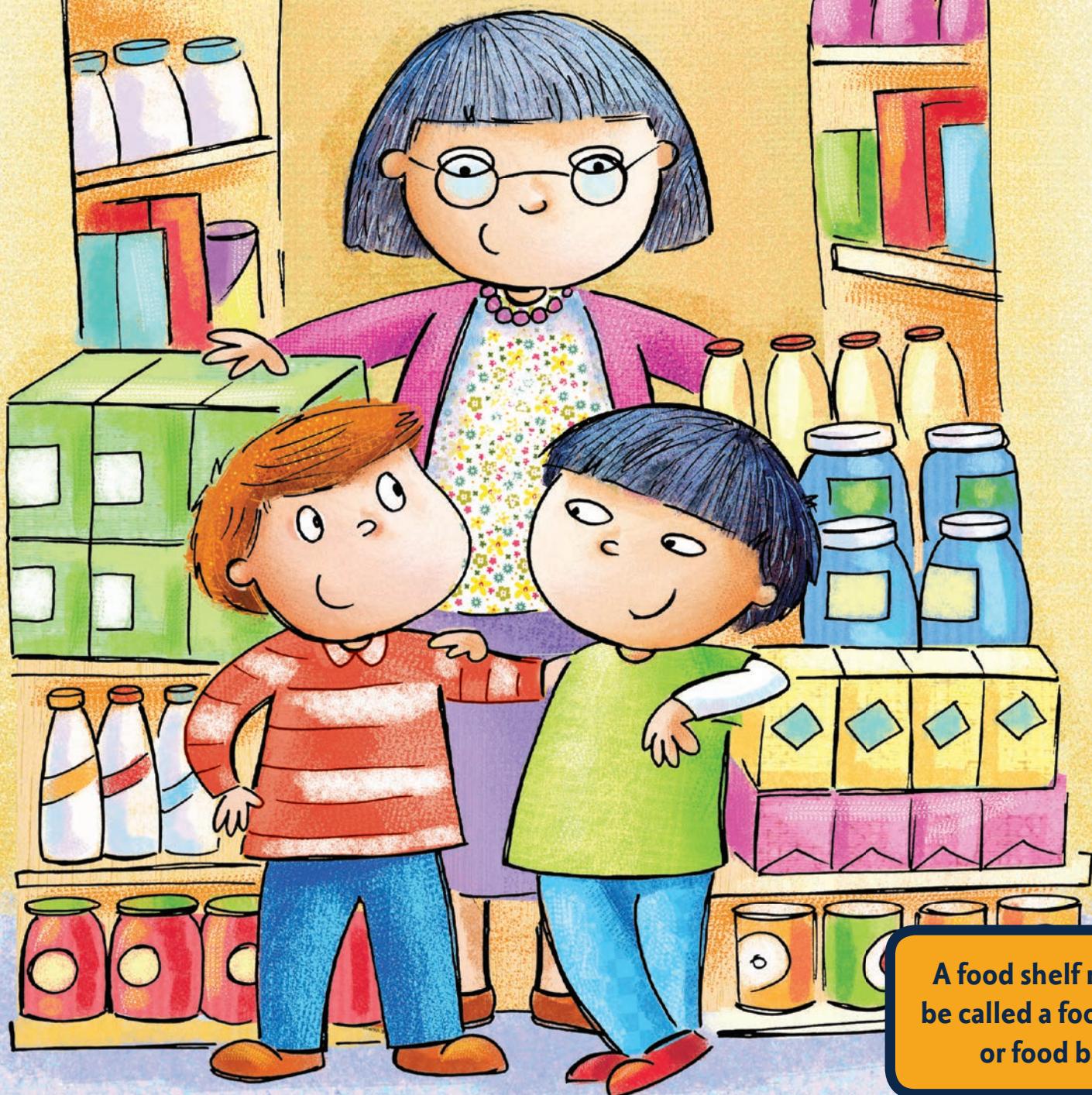
**"In Some families," Grandma explains,
"there just isn't enough to go around."**

Special Delivery



Michael and I help Grandma bring everything to the food shelf. **Michael is coming over to our house for dinner tonight!**

"That's a lot of food!" I say.



A food shelf may also be called a food pantry or food bank.

"Yes," Grandma says. "Today there is enough to go around."

Where Does Food Come From?

Brainstorm a list of all the places where food comes from. This could include grocery stores, farms, farmers' markets, restaurants, your kitchen, food shelves, and other places. Then draw a picture of a place where people get food in your community.



GLOSSARY

donate: to give something to a charity or special cause

enough: the right amount of something

food drive: a charity event in which people donate food and other items to people in need

food shelf: a place where people can get food and personal care items when they don't have money to buy them. A food shelf may also be called a food pantry or food bank.

generosity: an act of willingly giving to or sharing with others

volunteer: to offer to do something without getting paid

TO LEARN MORE

BOOKS

Johnson, Kristin. *In Your Shoes: A Story of Empathy*. Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2018. Read this story about a girl who learns the importance of considering other people's feelings.

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. *Farmer Will Allen and the Growing Table*. Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2013. Learn the story of Will Allen and his idea for sharing food within his community.

Shepherd, Jodie. *Kindness and Generosity: It Starts with Me*. New York: Children's Press, 2016. Read this book to see examples of kids showing kindness in real situations.

WEBSITES

Generation No Kid Hungry

<https://generationnokidhungry.org/>

Visit this website to learn more about the No Kid Hungry program, and read stories of other young people who are working to end hunger in America.

Kind Spring

<http://www.kindspring.org/ideas/>

Check out these lists of ideas for other ways to be generous through good deeds.

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Kevin is upset when he finds out his friend doesn't get enough to eat at home. When he learns that many families are in need, he decides he wants to help by organizing a food drive at school! Find out more about how Kevin shows generosity to others as he makes sure there's enough to go around.

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