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Kajal



Parrot



Madhav



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One day, Madhav was rinsing his mouth in the courtyard.



He saw a parrot perched on a stool.



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Madhav showed Kajal the parrot.

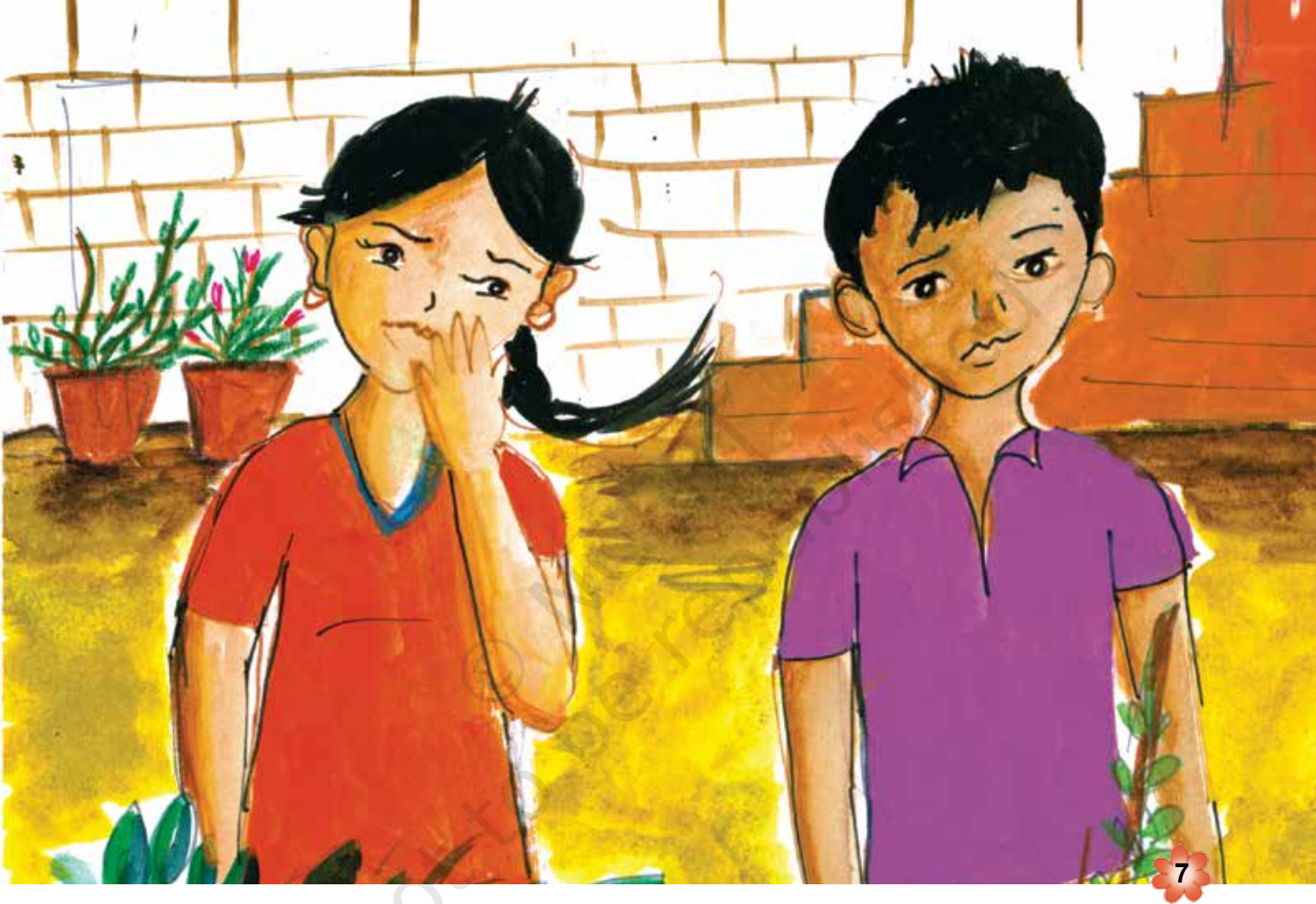


The parrot was walking very slowly.



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It could not fly.

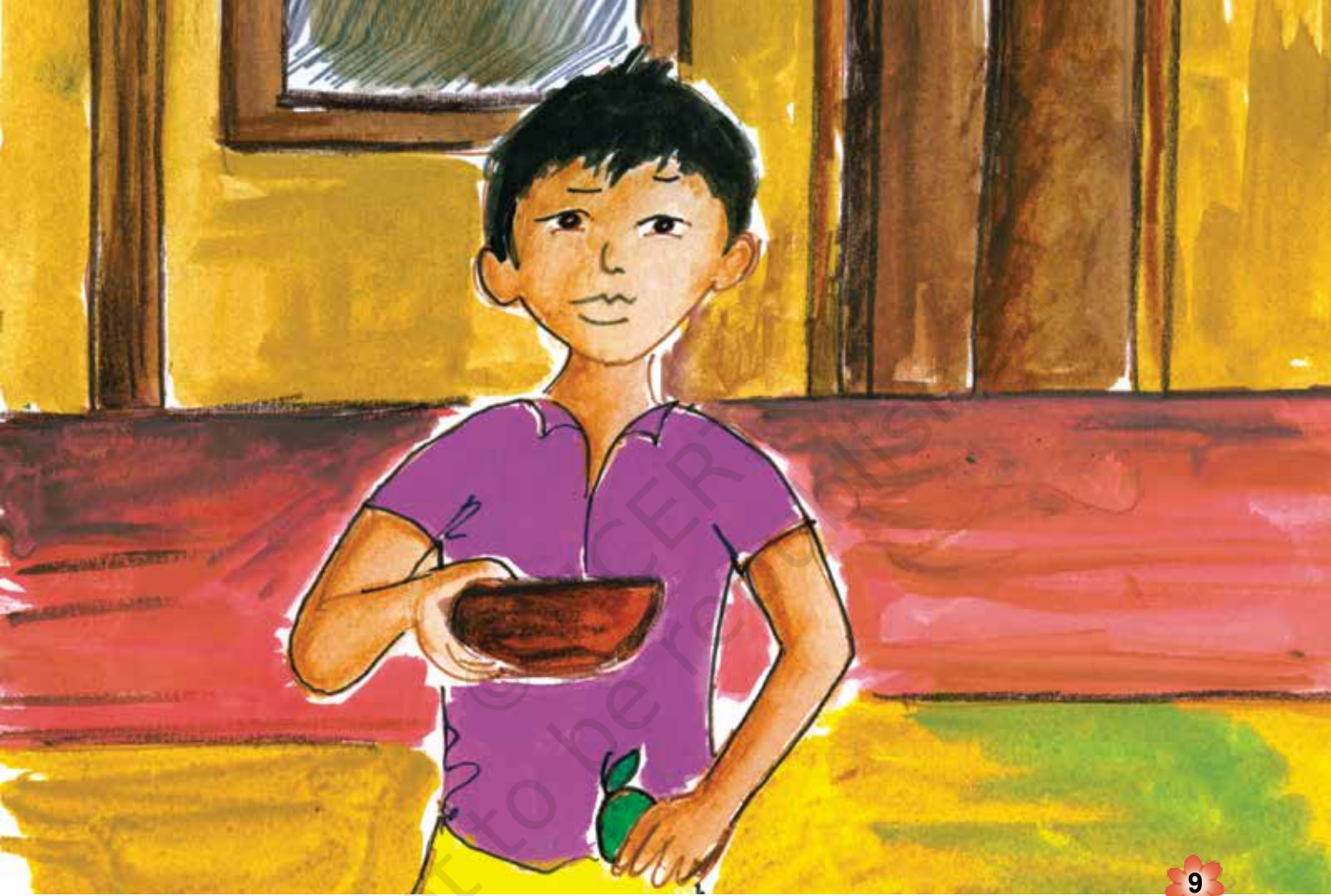


Madhav and Kajal looked at the parrot closely.



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The parrot was wounded.



Madhav brought water and a raw mango for the parrot.



It was so scared that it did not eat anything.



It limped slowly and hid behind the flower pots.



Kajal pushed the bowl of water and the raw mango near it.



The parrot still did not eat anything.



Kajal and Madhav hid behind the stairs.

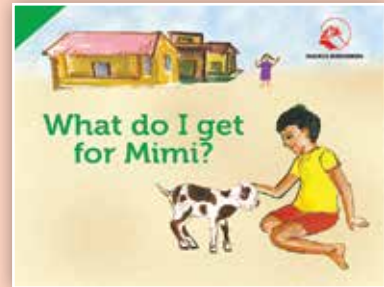
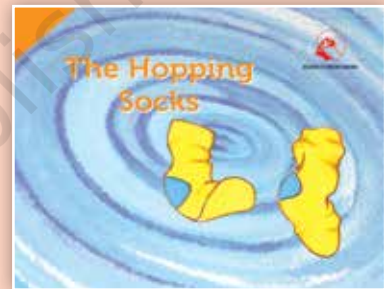
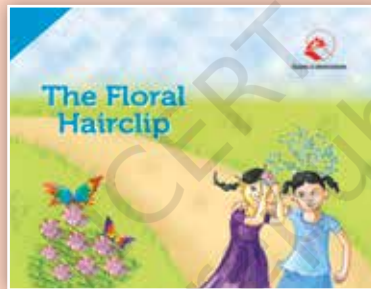
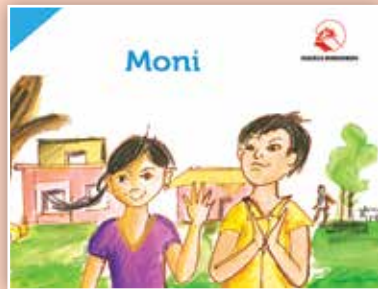


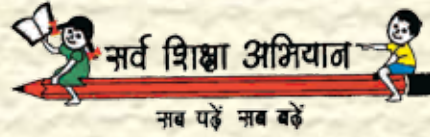
The Parrot pecked at the raw mango and drank water.



Seeing this, Kajal and Madhav were overjoyed.

Stories of Kajal and Madhav





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