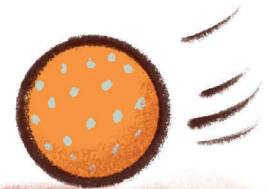




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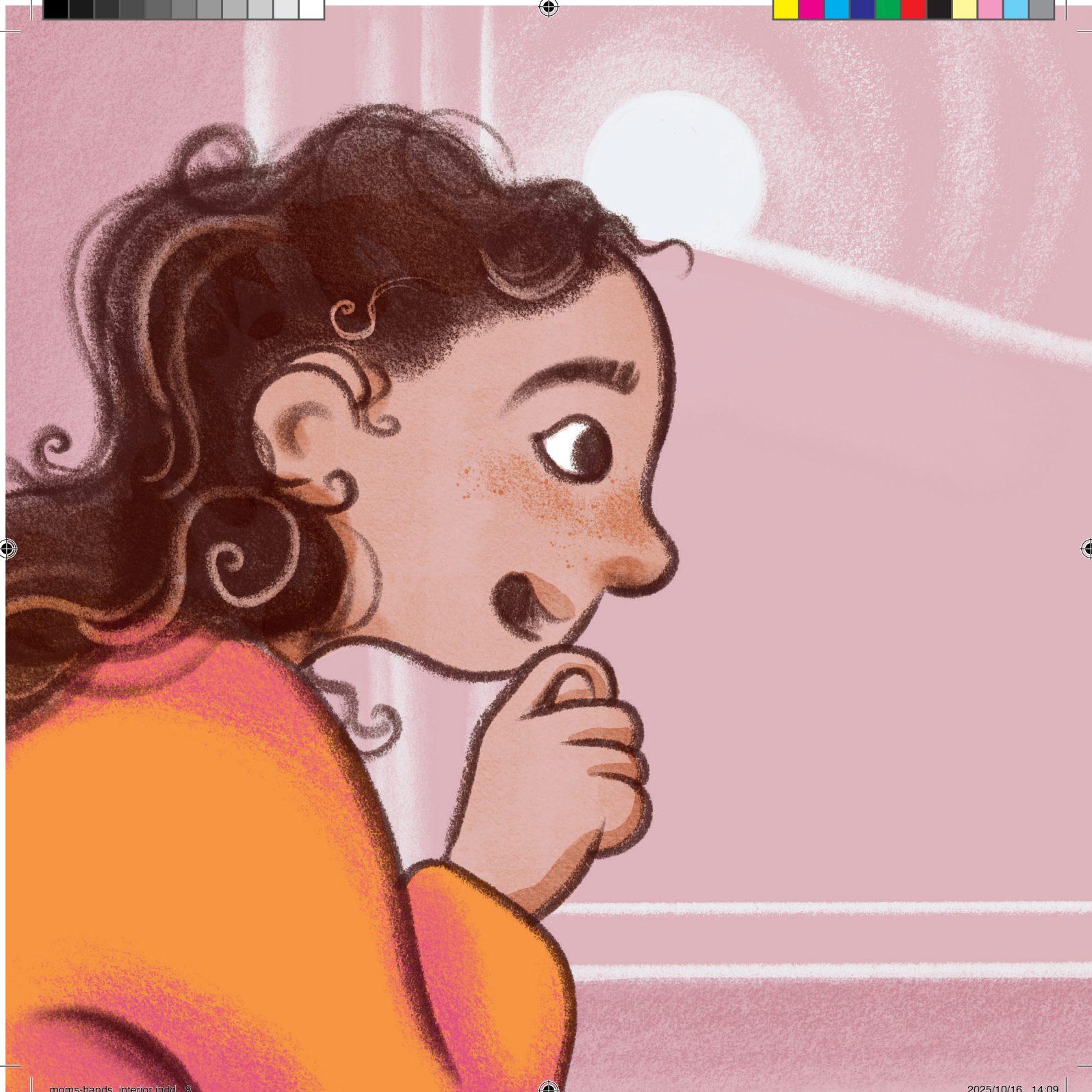
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Mom holds me close.
Her hands move.
I smile.



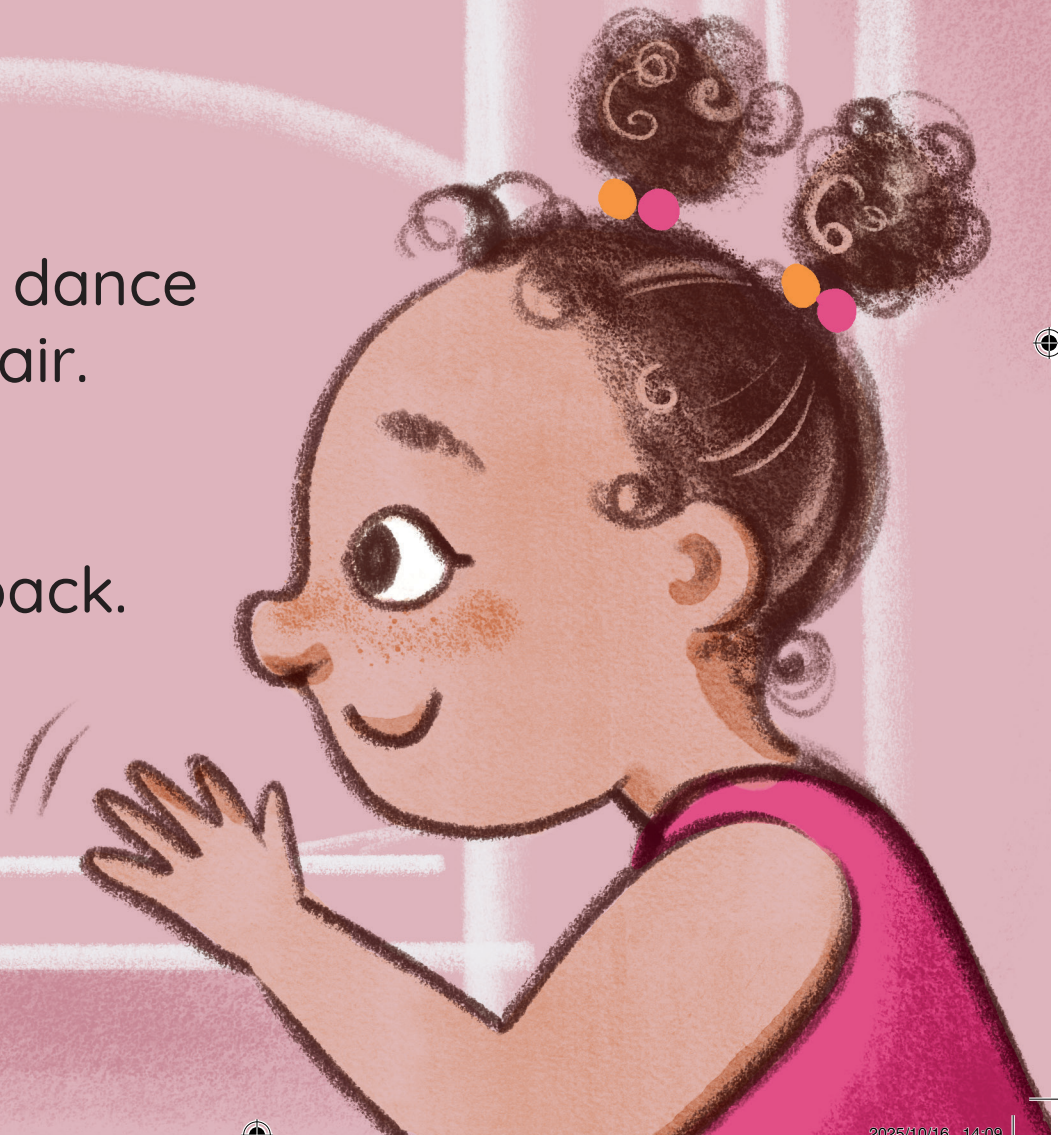


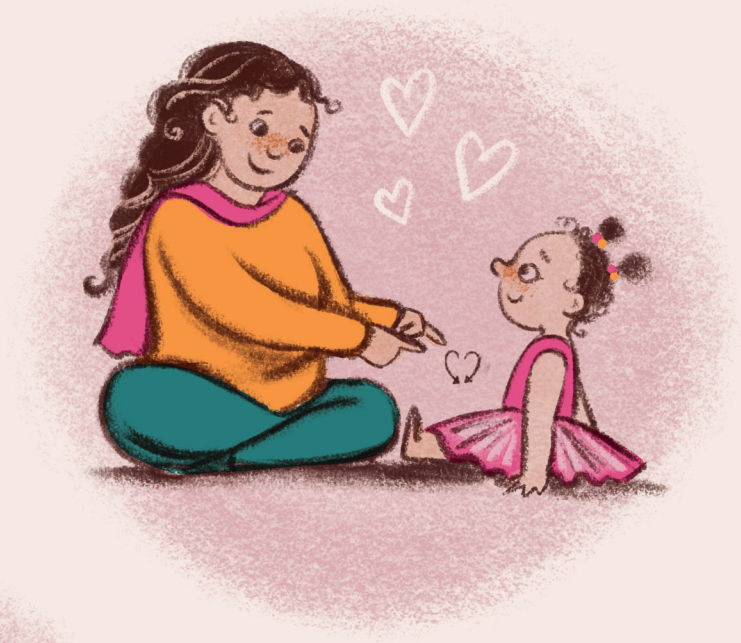


“Good morning,”
Mom signs.

Her hands dance
in the air.

I wave back.



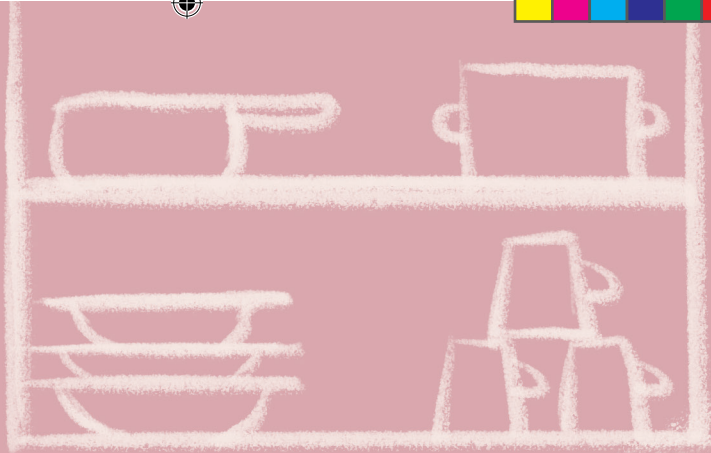




Mom shows me “love”.

She points to her heart.
Then to me.





At breakfast, we sign “eat”.

I tap my mouth with my hand.
Mom claps, “Yes!”





When we play,
Mom signs “ball”.

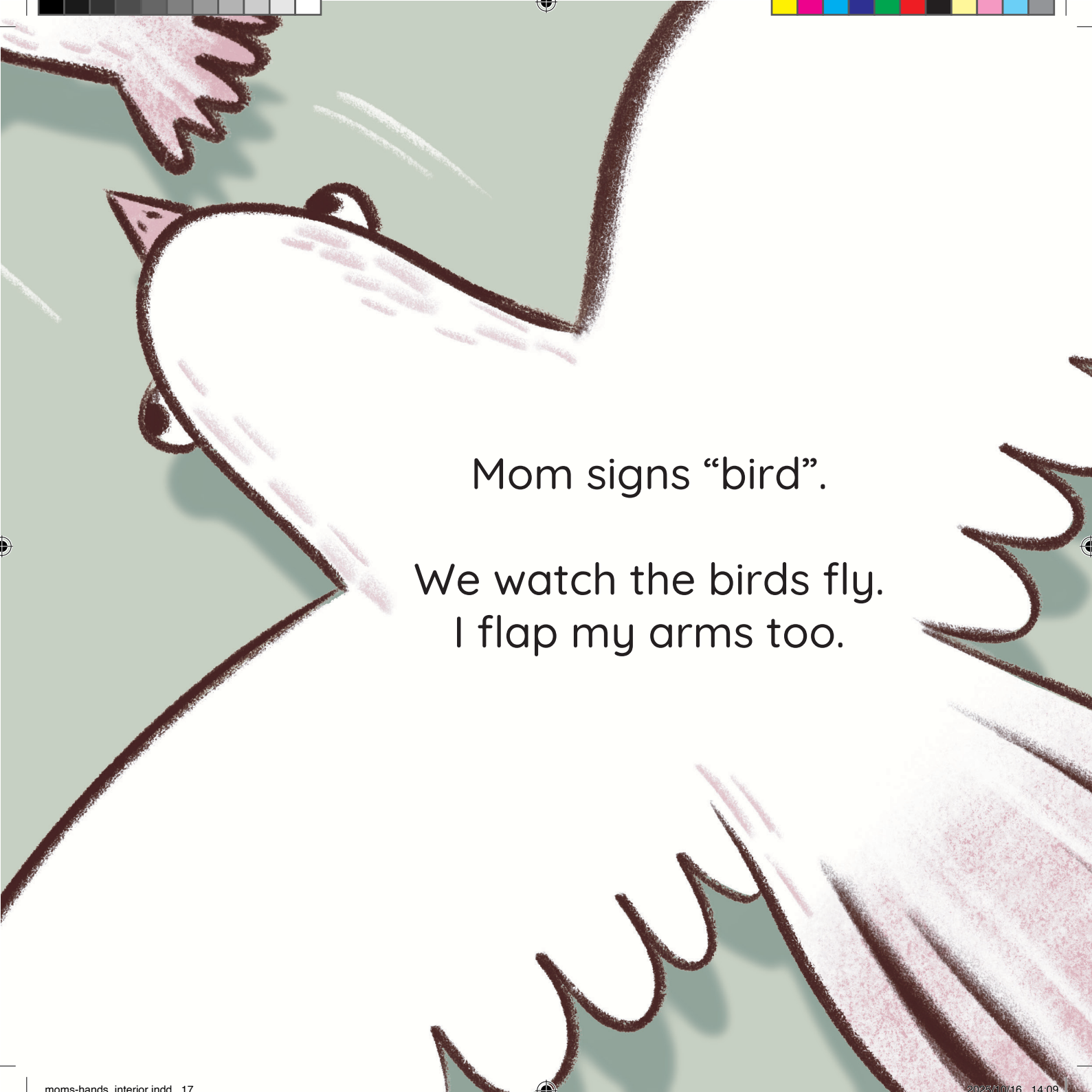




I roll it to her.
She laughs.

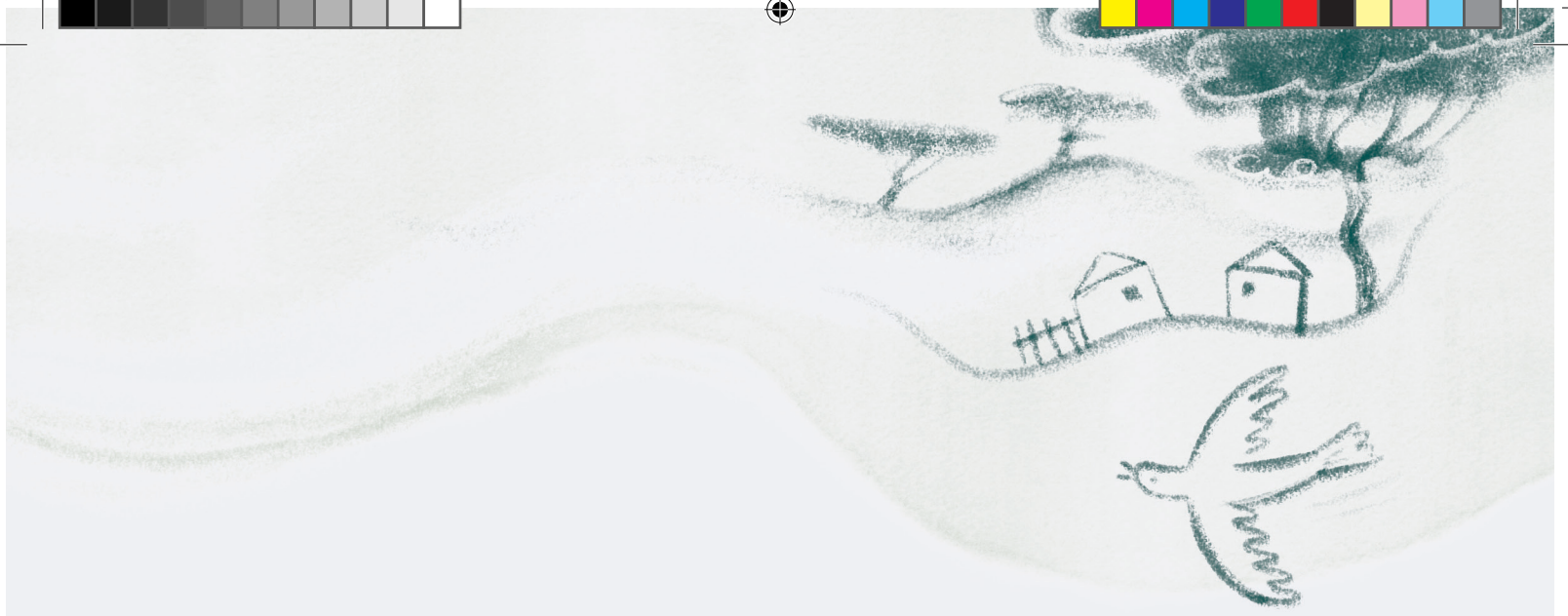






Mom signs “bird”.

We watch the birds fly.
I flap my arms too.



At story time, Mom signs each word.
Her hands paint pictures in the air.

I listen with my eyes.





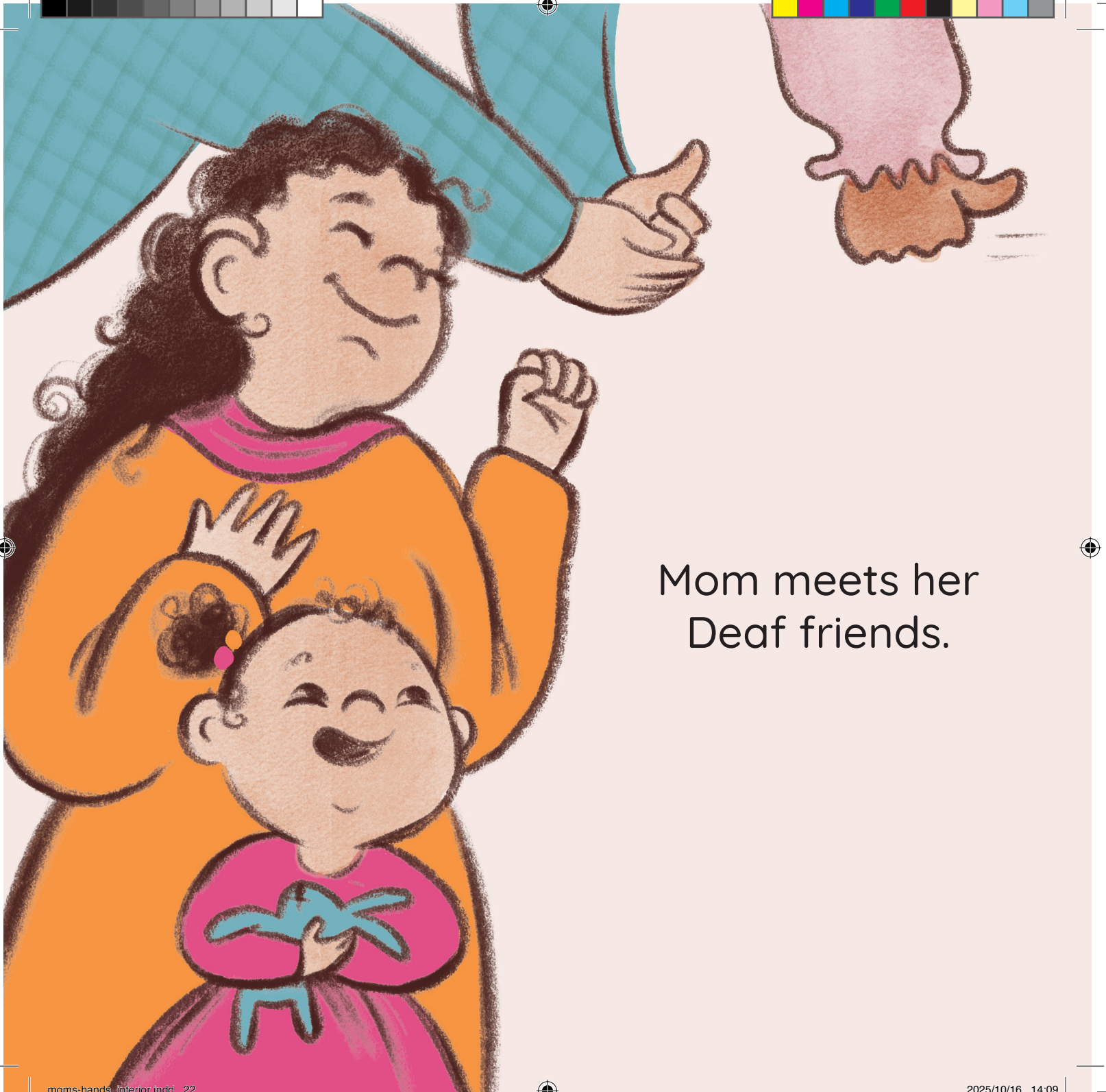


When I feel sad.
Mom signs “hug”.

She wraps me in her arms.



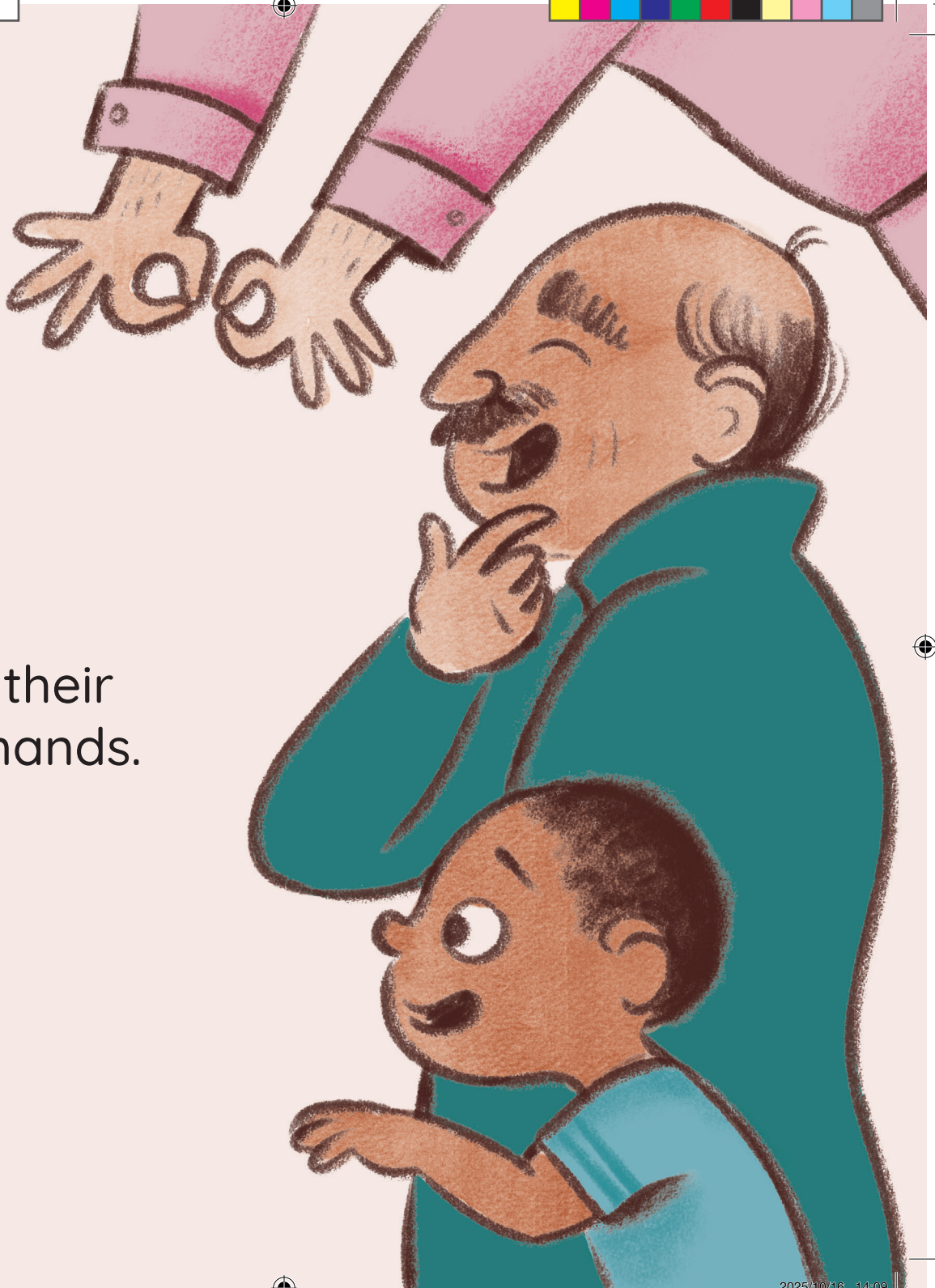


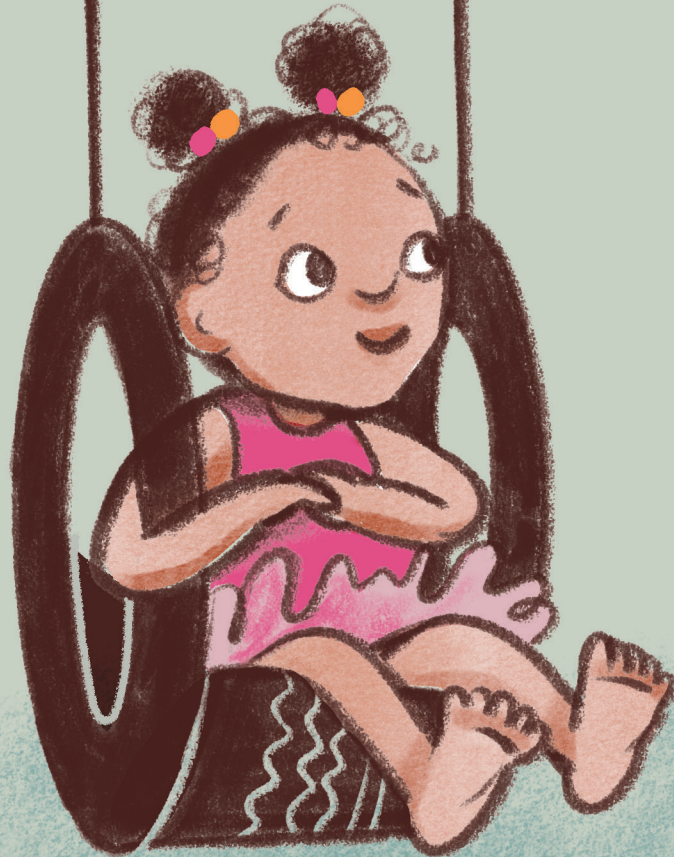


Mom meets her
Deaf friends.



I watch their
moving hands.





I learn to sign “friend”.
I hold my hands together.



Mom smiles
proudly.





Before bed, Mom signs “I love you”.

Her hands make a special shape. ✱
I copy her.







Mom talks with her hands.
I love Mom's hands.

Mom and me. Forever.





