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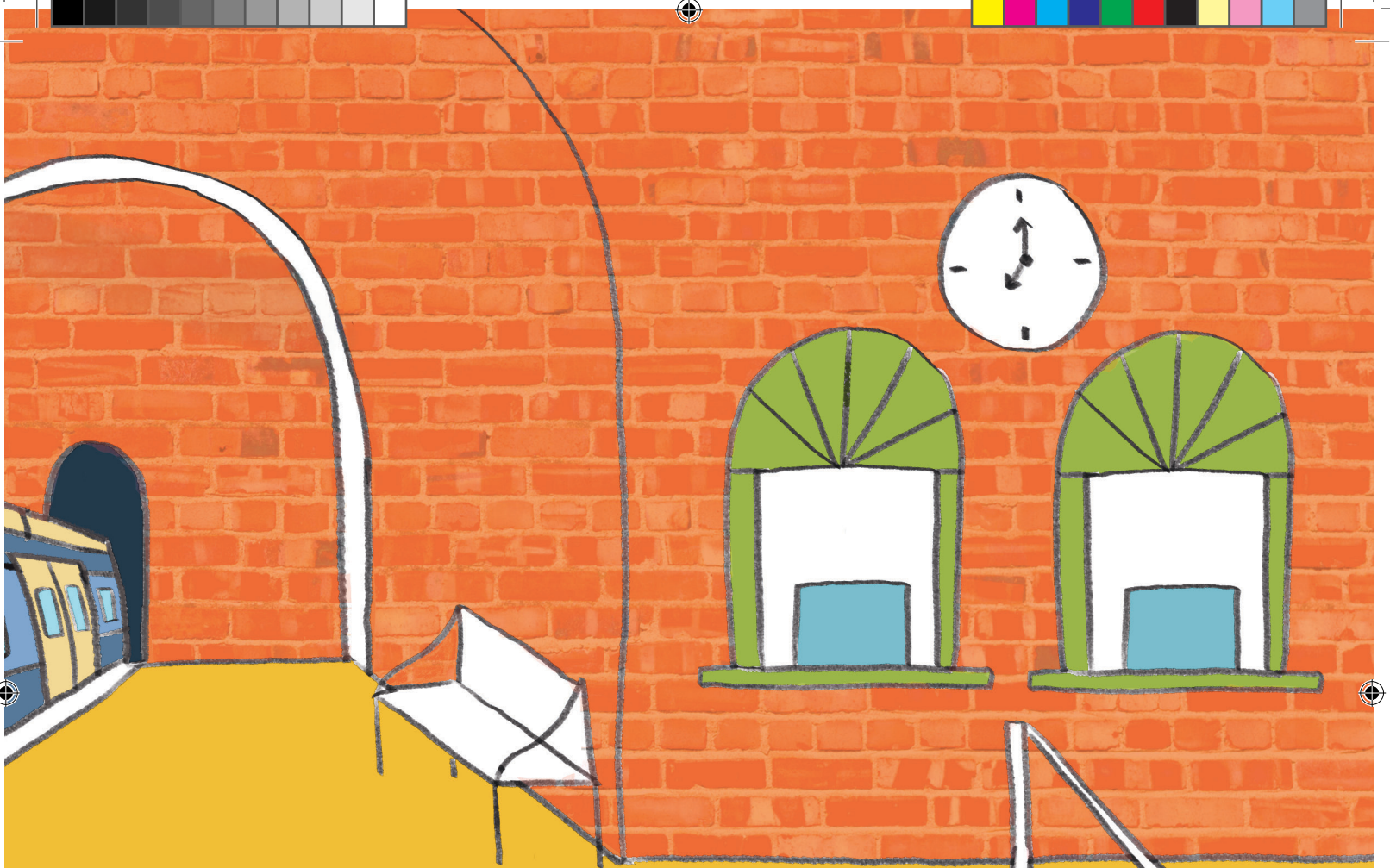


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Every December Gugu and Cici
travel with Mom to Joburg.

Their best bit? Riding the
long-distance train together.





“This year I’m taking the
window seat!” says Cici.

“Not fair! You had it last year,”
Gugu shouts.





“Race!” says Gugu.

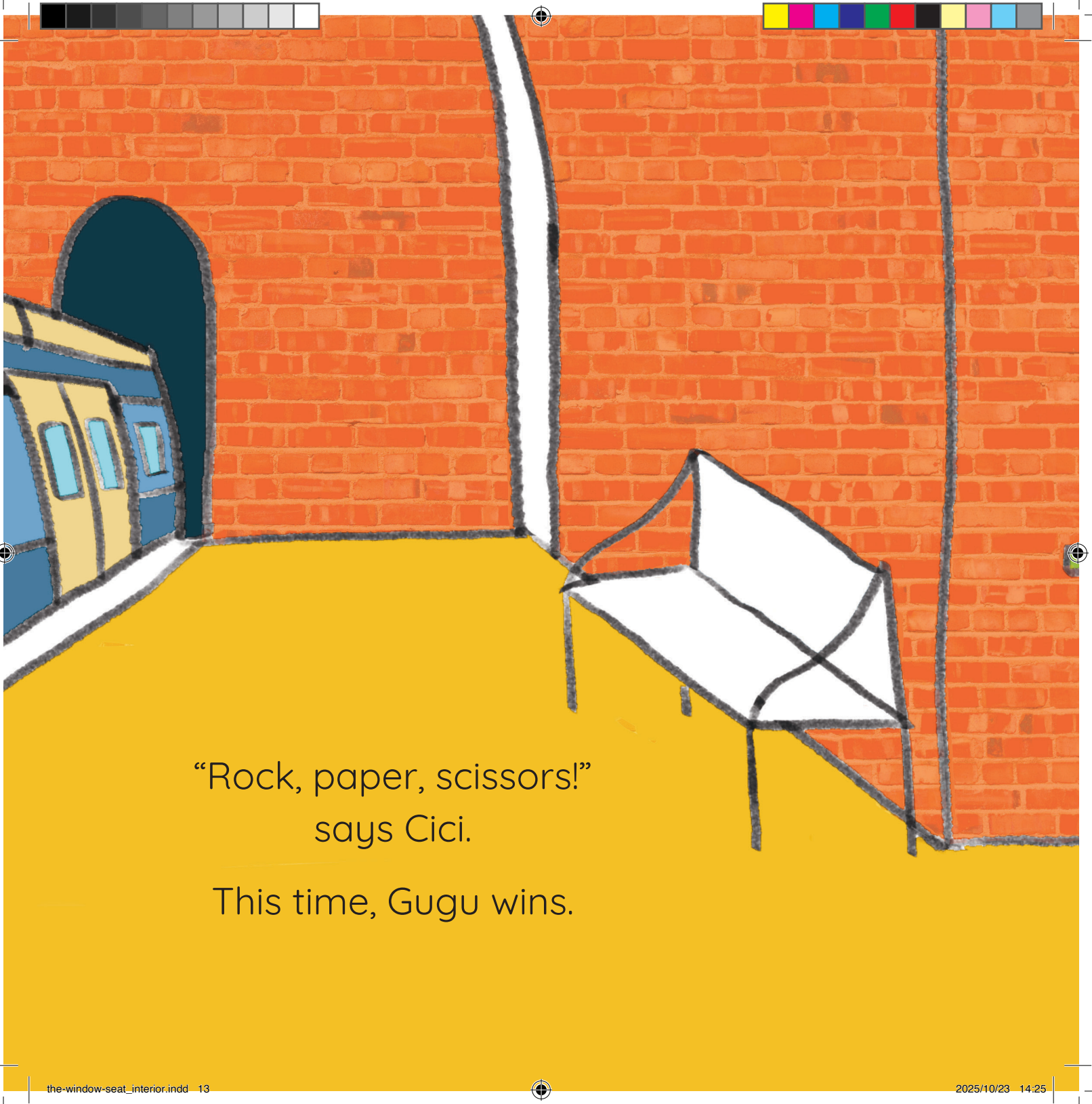
Off they go, running
down the platform.

Cici reaches it first.





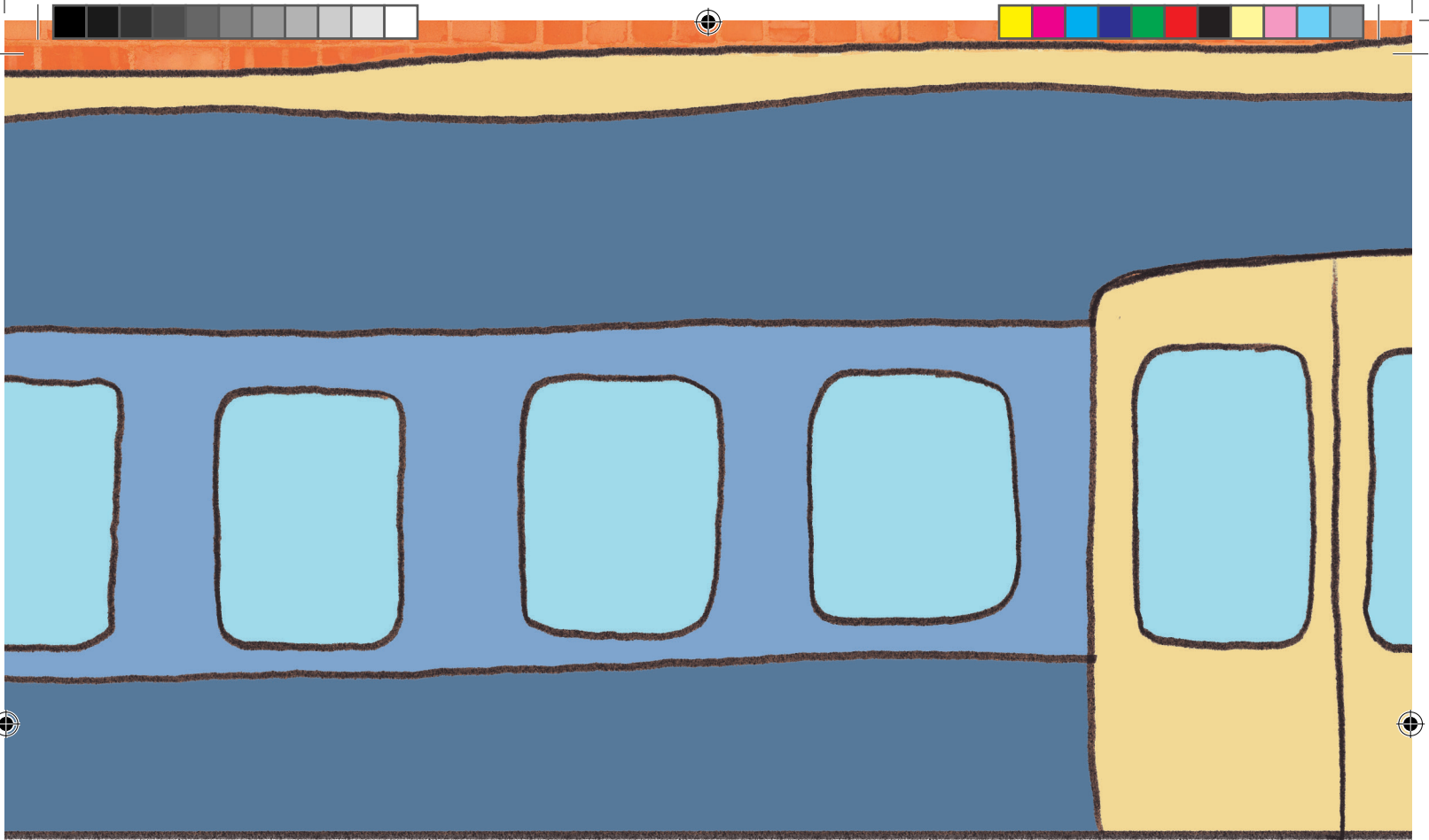




“Rock, paper, scissors!”
says Cici.

This time, Gugu wins.





Mom decides, “You’ll share the
window. Half the trip is for Gugu,
half for Cici.”





They get on the train.
No! Every window seat
is taken.





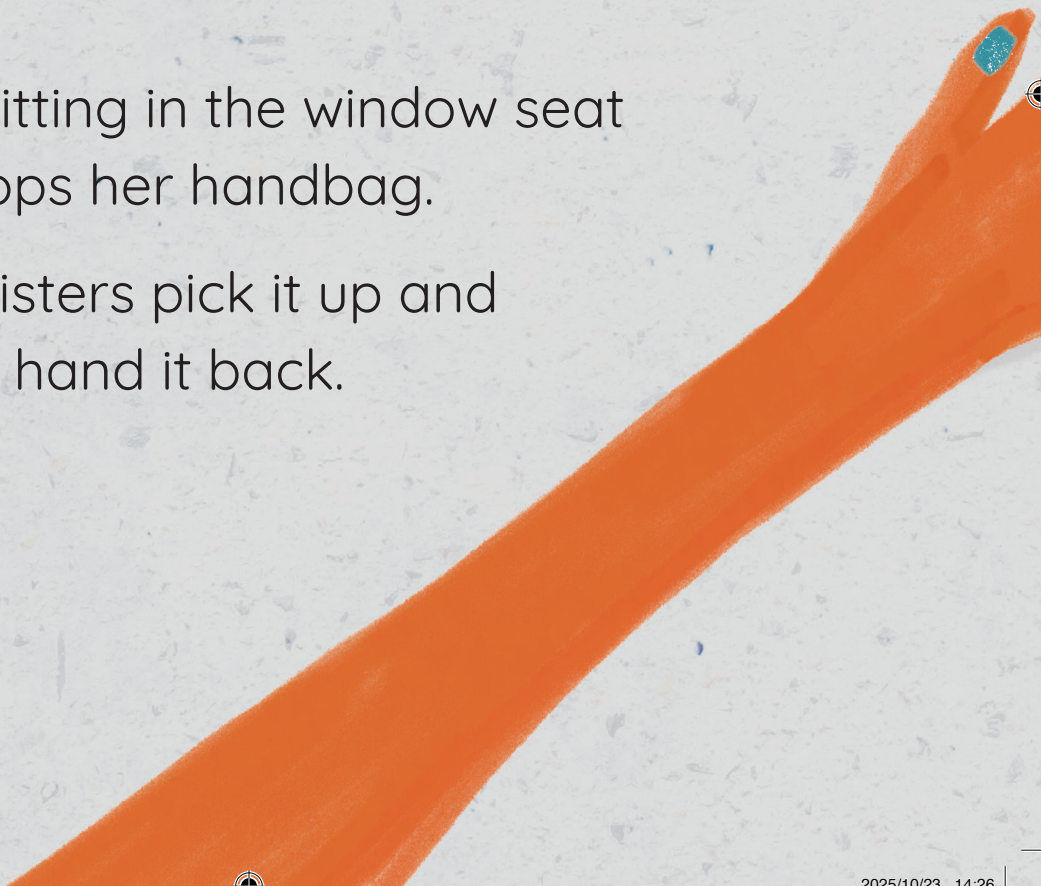
The sisters sit in the aisle seats.
They peek at the window. They
wish they could see the view.





The lady sitting in the window seat
drops her handbag.

The sisters pick it up and
hand it back.









“Thank you, girls. Would you
like to sit here by
the window?”

“Yes!”







Gugu leans
close to the
window.
“Into the
tunnel!” she
yells.

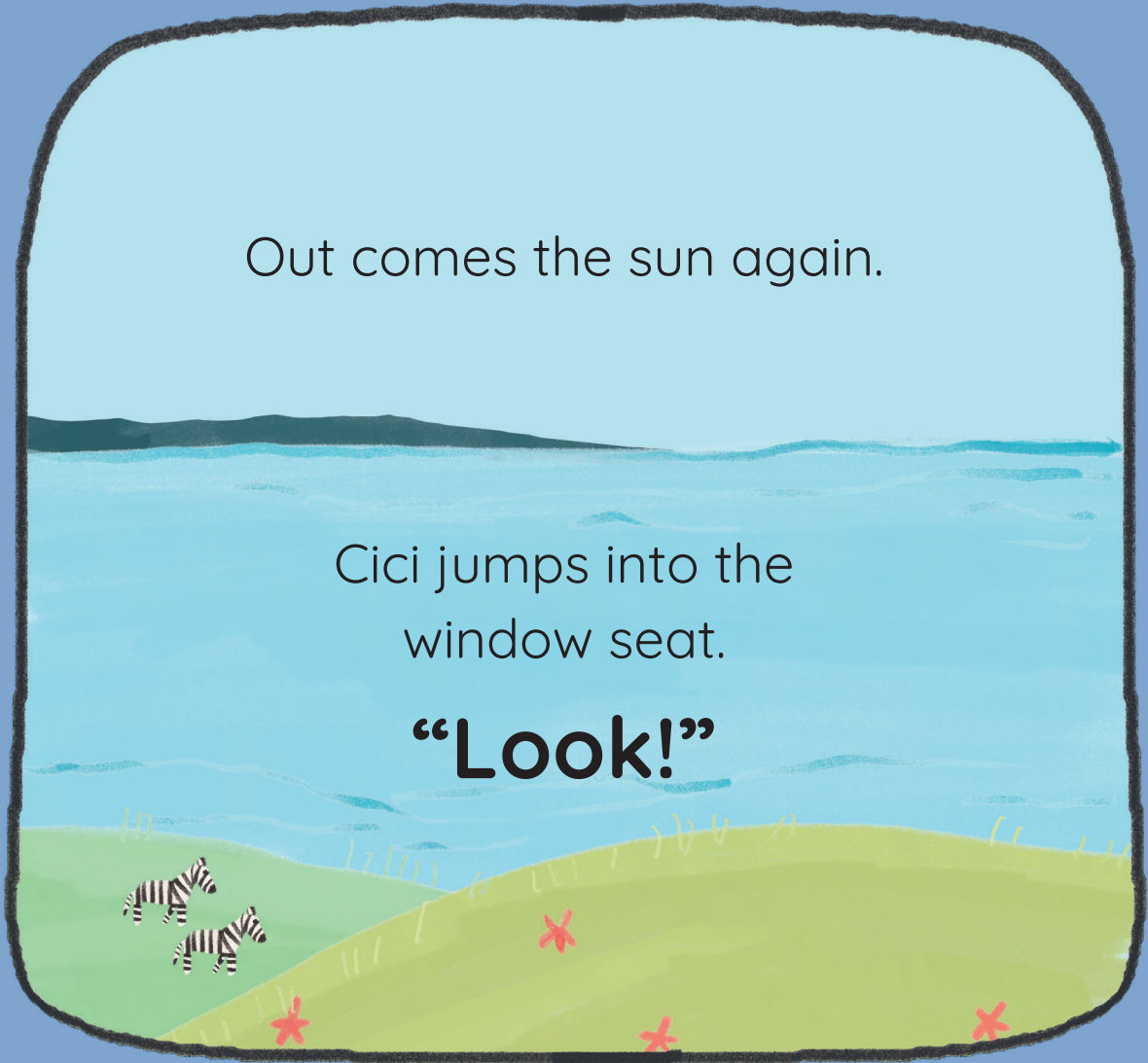




Out comes the sun again.

Cici jumps into the
window seat.

“Look!”







Finally they fall asleep.
They will wake up
in Joburg.

They can't wait to tell
Tata what they saw.

