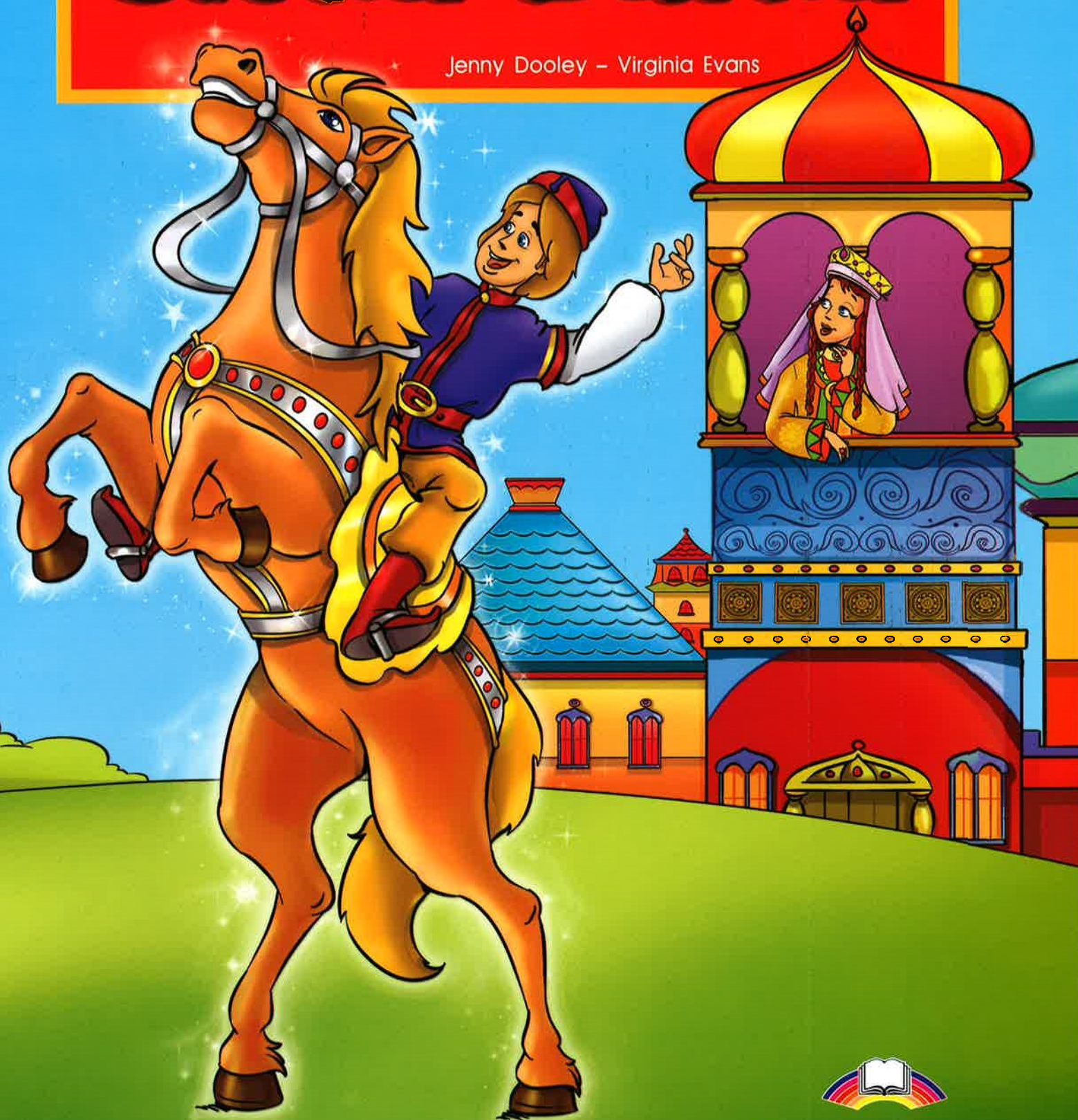




Sivka-Burka

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Episode 1

This is a small village in Russia. Look! There is a farmer with his three sons, Andrei, Sergei and young Ivanushka. The farmer is an old man and he works very hard. He wants to give his sons a good life and he wants them to be happy. They are not very rich and they haven't got a big farm.



Andrei and Sergei are very clever, but Ivanushka is not as clever as his brothers. The two older sons work in the field and they like wearing nice clothes. But Ivanushka is not like his two brothers. He likes to go into the forest and collect mushrooms. When he is at home he spends most of his time sitting on the kitchen stove. Sometimes Andrei and Sergei call him 'Silly Boy.' But Ivanushka doesn't mind and he never gets angry. He is a kind young man with a big heart.

Let's sing!

Ivanushka, he's poor and young,
He is just a farmer's son.
People say that he is dumb,
But he's kind to everyone!

A heart that is golden and true!
A heart that is shiny and new!
Good and kind
And loving, too!
A heart that is golden and true!



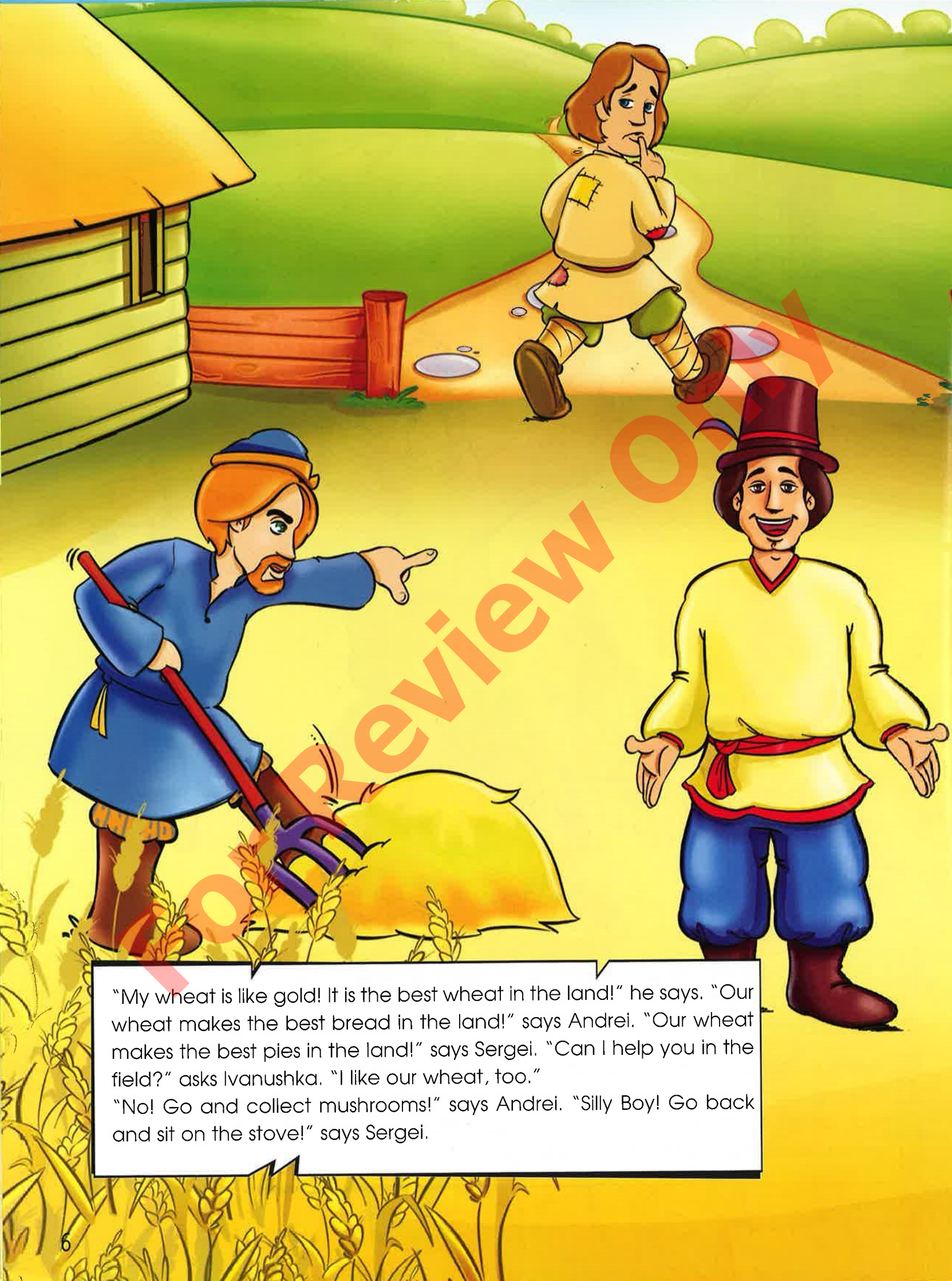
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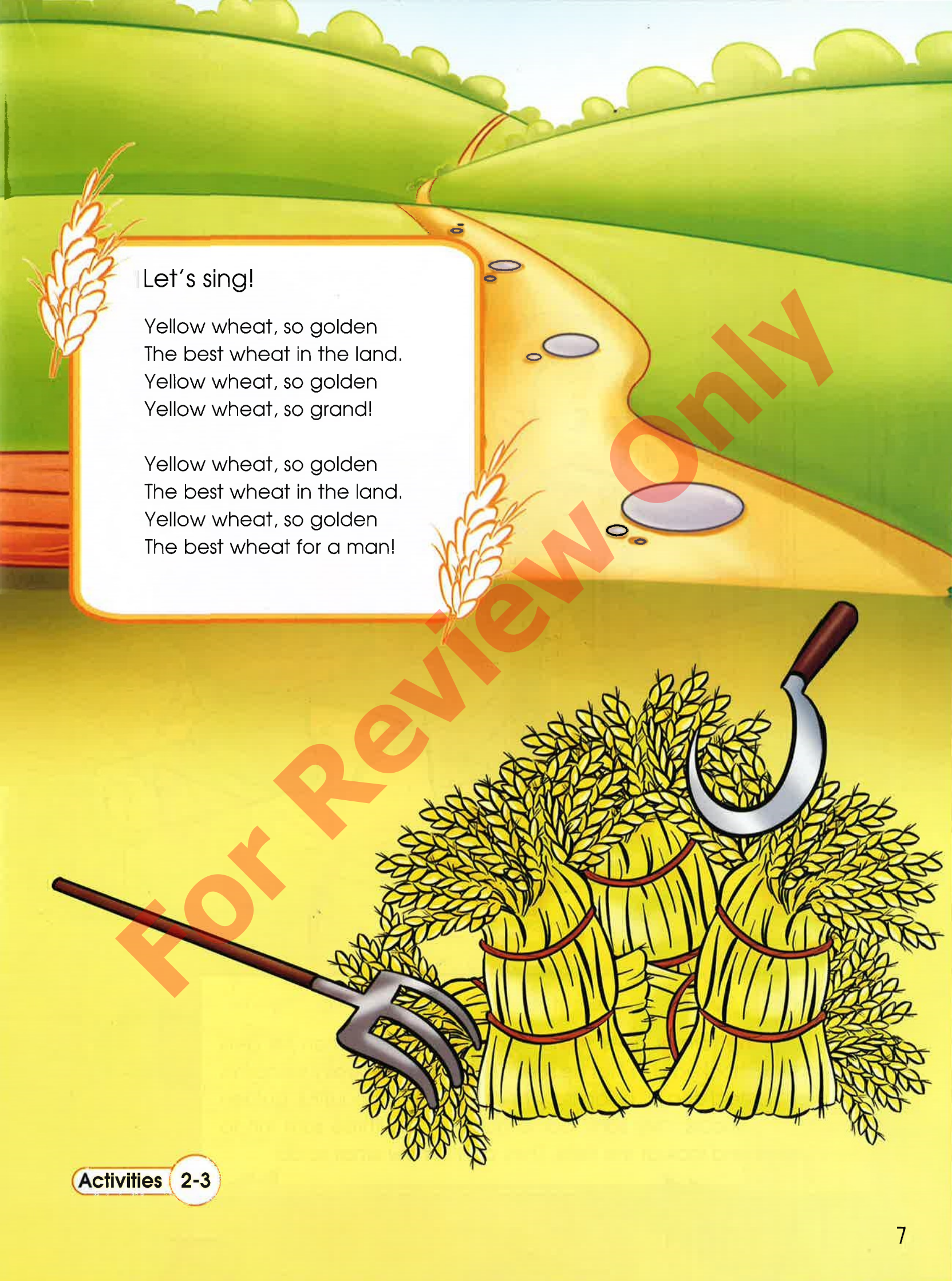


Episode 2

There is only one field on the farm. It is full of tall, golden wheat. The old man is very proud of his wheat. Every morning, he goes to look at his wheat field. He feels very happy when he looks at the yellow wheat, shining like gold in the sun.



"My wheat is like gold! It is the best wheat in the land!" he says. "Our wheat makes the best bread in the land!" says Andrei. "Our wheat makes the best pies in the land!" says Sergei. "Can I help you in the field?" asks Ivanushka. "I like our wheat, too."
"No! Go and collect mushrooms!" says Andrei. "Silly Boy! Go back and sit on the stove!" says Sergei.



Let's sing!

Yellow wheat, so golden
The best wheat in the land.
Yellow wheat, so golden
Yellow wheat, so grand!

Yellow wheat, so golden
The best wheat in the land.
Yellow wheat, so golden
The best wheat for a man!



Picture Dictionary



bandage



brave



bread



build



cheer



clap



clever



comb



contest



cut



dumb



farmer

Activities



1 Read the story again and answer the questions.

- 1 Where do the old man and his sons live?
- 2 What are the names of the three brothers?
- 3 What do the two older brothers like doing?
- 4 What does the younger brother like doing?
- 5 What do they call Ivanushka?
- 6 What kind of person is Ivanushka?



2 Complete the sentences. Use the words below.

proud of

field

shining

best

land

collect

- 1 You are a very good student, Helen. We are very **proud of** you.
- 2 My mum's pies are the pies in the world. They're so yummy!
- 3 The sun is It's a great day today.
- 4 I've got a lot of pens because I pens. It's my hobby.
- 5 The farmer is in the He is looking at his wheat.
- 6 George makes the best bread in the He's very famous!



3 Who says the following sentences? Read the story again and answer.

- 1 *My wheat is like gold!*
- 2 *Our wheat makes the best pies in the land!*
- 3 *Can I help you in the field?*
- 4 *Go and collect mushrooms!*

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4 Read the story again and put the events in the correct order.

- ☐ a They are all very upset.
- ☐ b The farmer goes to his field as usual.
- ☐ c The farmer and his sons don't know what to do.
- ☐ d The farmer calls his sons.
- ☐ e There are big, heavy footprints all over the field.
- ☐ f Ivanushka thinks a horse can make such footprints.

5 Look at the words in bold in the text. What do these words mean in your language?

6 Complete the sentences with the words below.

guard

find out

worry

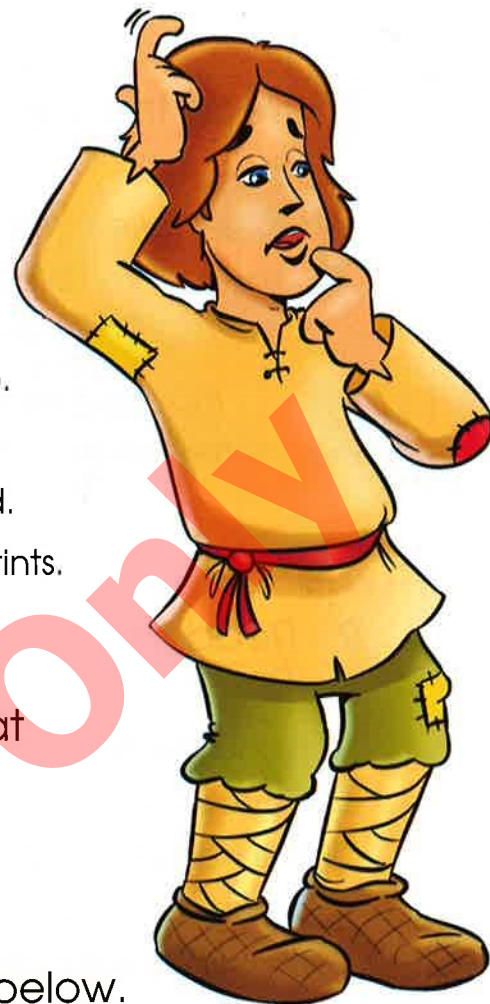
count on

feel sorry for

- 1 Mr Smith has got two dogs. They **guard** the house and keep everyone away.
- 2 Don't, Marina. I can help you.
- 3 Look at this dog. I it. It looks very hungry.
- 4 Who's **got** our camera? Vitaliy, you must
- 5 Have you **got** any problems? I'm here for you.
You can, me.

7 Read the summary and correct the mistakes.

That 1) **morning**, the three brothers go to the 2) **mountain**. They take some bread and 3) **honey**. They eat and then sit down in the field to wait. The night is very still and 4) **noisy**. The moon is shining on the wheat, making it look like 5) **gold**. Andrei and Sergei start to feel very 6) **happy**.





Now let's act it out!



Characters: Narrator
Farmer
Andrei

Sergei
Ivanushka
Chorus

Scene 1

Narrator:

This is a small village in Russia. Look! There is a farmer with his three sons, Andrei, Sergei and young Ivanushka. The farmer is an old man and he works very hard.

Farmer:

I want you to have a good life, my sons. I want you to be happy!

Andrei:

But we are not very rich, father!

Sergei:

And we haven't got a big farm!

Farmer:

Don't worry, my sons. We have enough money to have a good life!

Sergei:

As long as we can have nice clothes!

Narrator:

Andrei and Sergei are very clever, but Ivanushka is not as clever as his brothers. He is not like his two brothers. When he is at home, he spends most of his time sitting near the kitchen stove. Ivanushka: I think I'll go to the forest again to collect some mushrooms!

Andrei & Sergei:

You're always going to the forest, Silly Boy!

Ivanushka:

Father wants me to bring back some big mushrooms! Don't you father?

Farmer:

Ivanushka you are a kind young man. You've got such a big heart!

Let's Sing!

Chorus

Narrator:

There is only one field on the farm, but it is full of tall, golden wheat. The farmer is very proud of his wheat.

Farmer:

My wheat is like gold! It is the best wheat in the land!

Andrei:

Our wheat makes the best bread in the land!

Sergei:

Our wheat makes the best cakes in the land!

Ivanushka:

Can I help you in the field? I like our wheat, too.

Andrei:

No! Go and collect your mushrooms.

Sergei:

Silly boy! Go back and sit near the stove!