

I Take TURNS



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SET THEME:

I Am in Control of Myself

Build Social and Emotional Intelligence

To encourage taking turns, try the following:

- Provide opportunities for taking turns, such as playing board games.
- Allow natural consequences to take place if a child won't allow another child to take turns. Often the other child will lose interest and leave or complain. When that occurs, you can explain that friends don't like to play with kids who don't take turns.
- Reward children with praise when they take turns, such as "I liked when you let Jen have a turn on the swing."

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How to Read This Book with Children

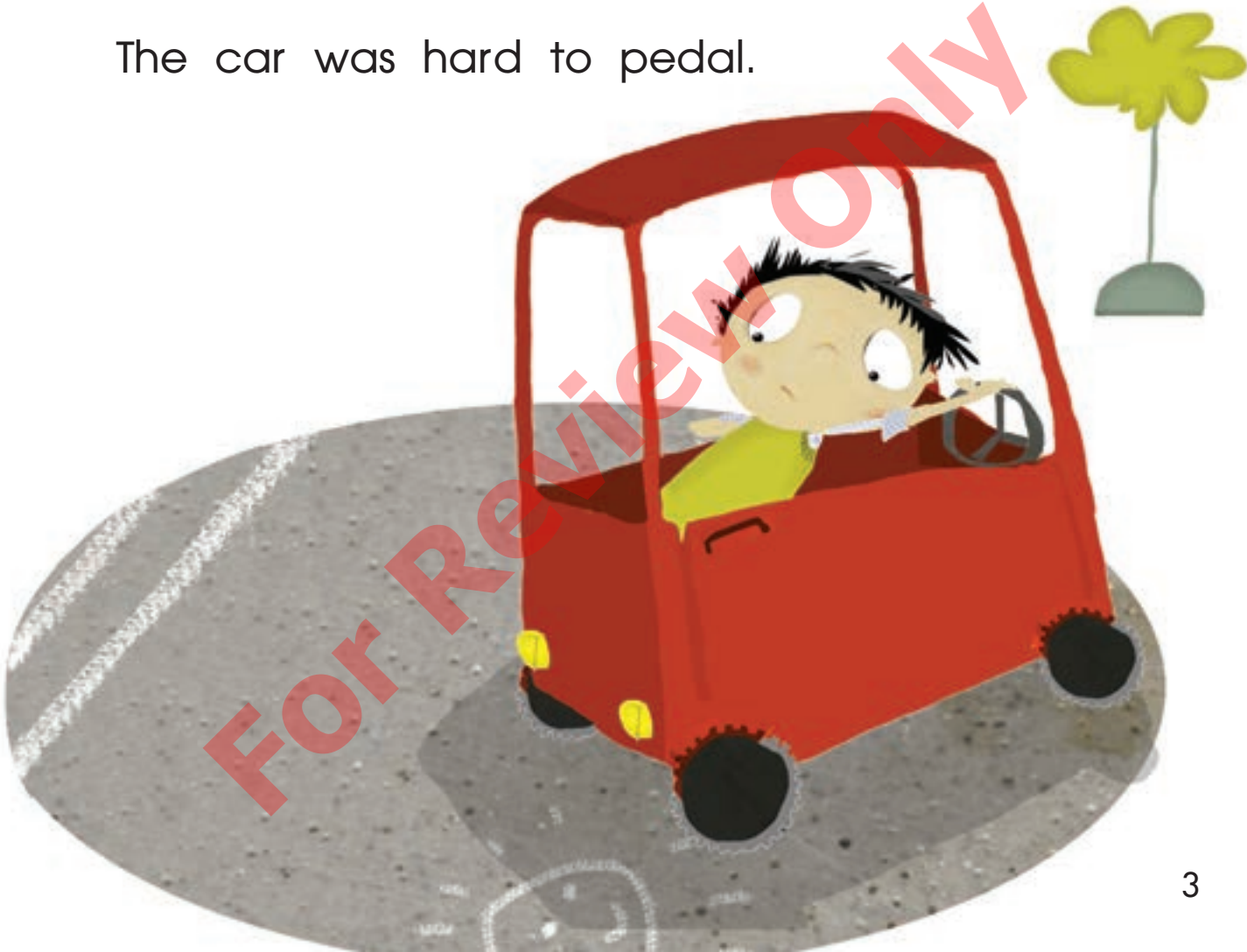
1. Read aloud the title. Discuss what it means to take turns.
2. Read aloud the book with children.
3. Talk about the characters' actions as you read.
4. Ask children to describe how Ken changes over the course of the story.
5. After reading, use the Real-World Wrap-Up prompts to discuss the photograph.
6. Guide children to connect the story to their own experiences.



“We have a new car on the playground,”
said Miss Jan. “You pedal it with your feet.”



“I call the first ride!” I said.
The car was hard to pedal.



“Hey, Jack,” I said, “give me a push!”



“Good one, Ken,” said Jack. “My turn now!”



“No, it’s still my turn,” I said.

“That’s not fair!” Jack complained.



“Anya,” I said, “give me a push!”



Real-World Wrap-Up

My Thoughts:

Are these children taking turns? How can you tell?



My Feelings:

How do you feel when someone gives you a turn?



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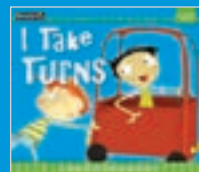
There's a new car on the playground. Ken is having trouble letting others use it. Can he learn how to take turns?



Social and emotional intelligence comprises the abilities and character traits that enable people to work with others, learn effectively, and play important roles in their families and communities.

I Am in Control of Myself

This set addresses self-control and responding to situations in ways that can yield positive outcomes.



Look for the other sets in this series.

I Get Along with Others



I Have Feelings



I Believe in Myself

