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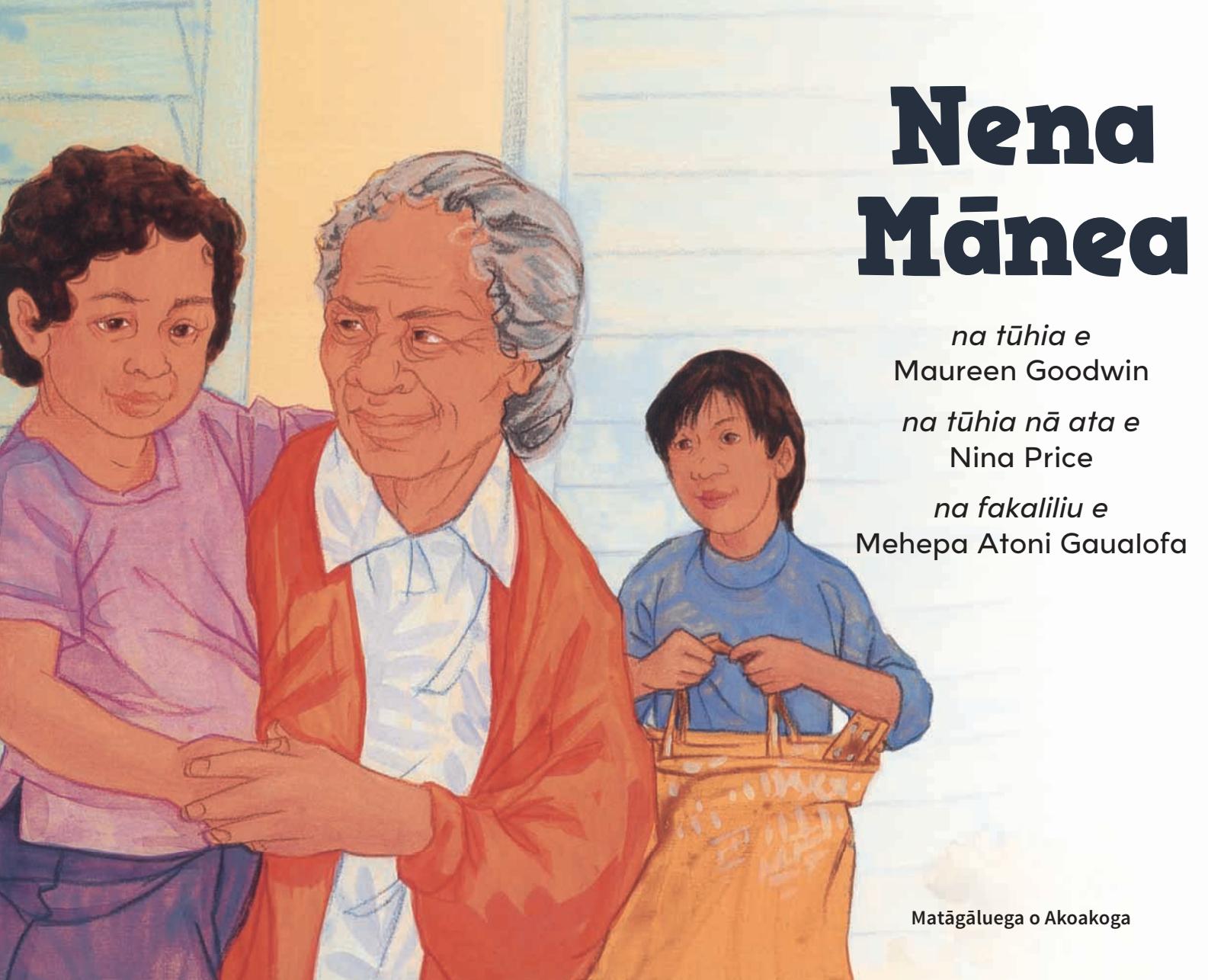
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Ko nā nena uma lele e ōmamai
ki te mātou ākoga kāmata,
e tāua lahi lele a mātou mea e fai.
Eiei nā tahī nena e fakahino mai ki a te kimātou
te faiga o ni kiekafu tatao mānanaia.
E fakatāua e kimātou,
auā, e kimātou faia i te alofa.
Ko ni meaalofa tāua e tufa e kimātou.

Eiei nā tahinena e fehoahoani mai
i te totōga o ni togā tiale lanulanu.
E kaumai foki e ō mātou kāiga nā tiale
ki te ākoga kāmata,
ma e fai ai a mātou fau mānanaia.



Ko iētahi nena
e fai mai nā tala
o te kāloā.

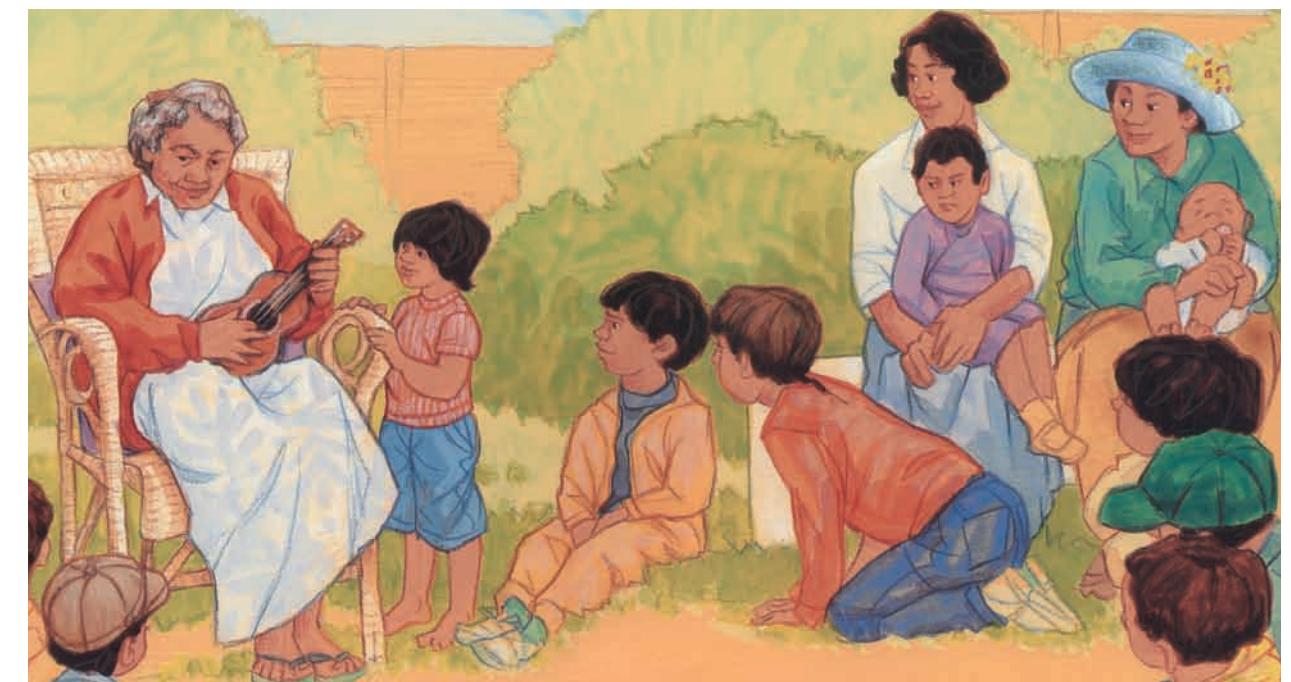
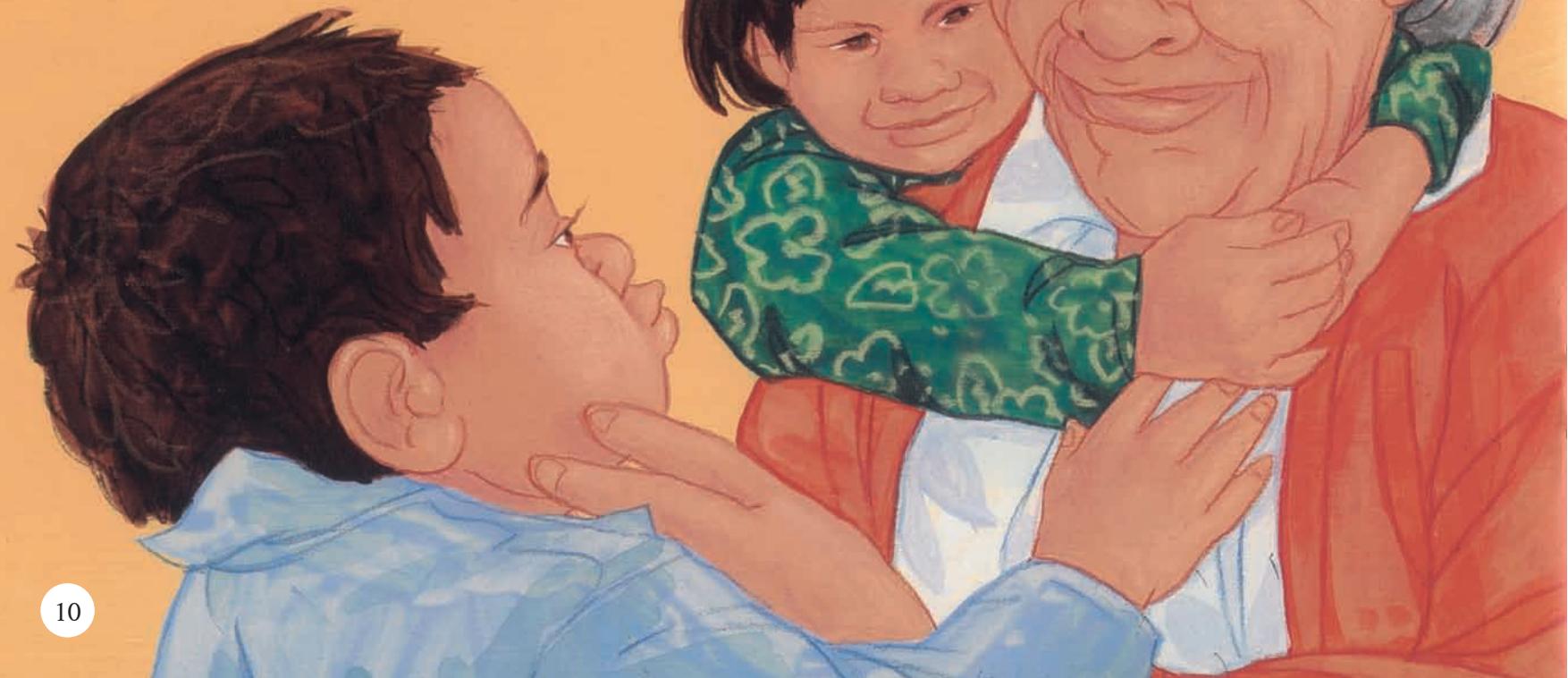


E kilātou fakaākoa kimātou
i te uhuga o nā pehe venā ma te hiva.
E fiafia lele kimātou uma ki te uhupehe, hihiva,
ma te fakalogologo ki ni tala.

Kae eiei lava toku nena e tāua lele.
E fai lava e au mo kimātou uma
ma iētahi tamaiti.
E taku e kilātou ko Nena Mānea,
auā, e aulelei lahi.
Ko Nena Mānea e aulelei
auā, kua matua lele.
Ko Nena Mānea e tātā tana ukulele
i taimi uma,
e ui lava ko ona muāmuālima
e pipiko ma pogāivia.
E ia fakaākaoa kimātou i te tāga.
E lahi tona onohai.



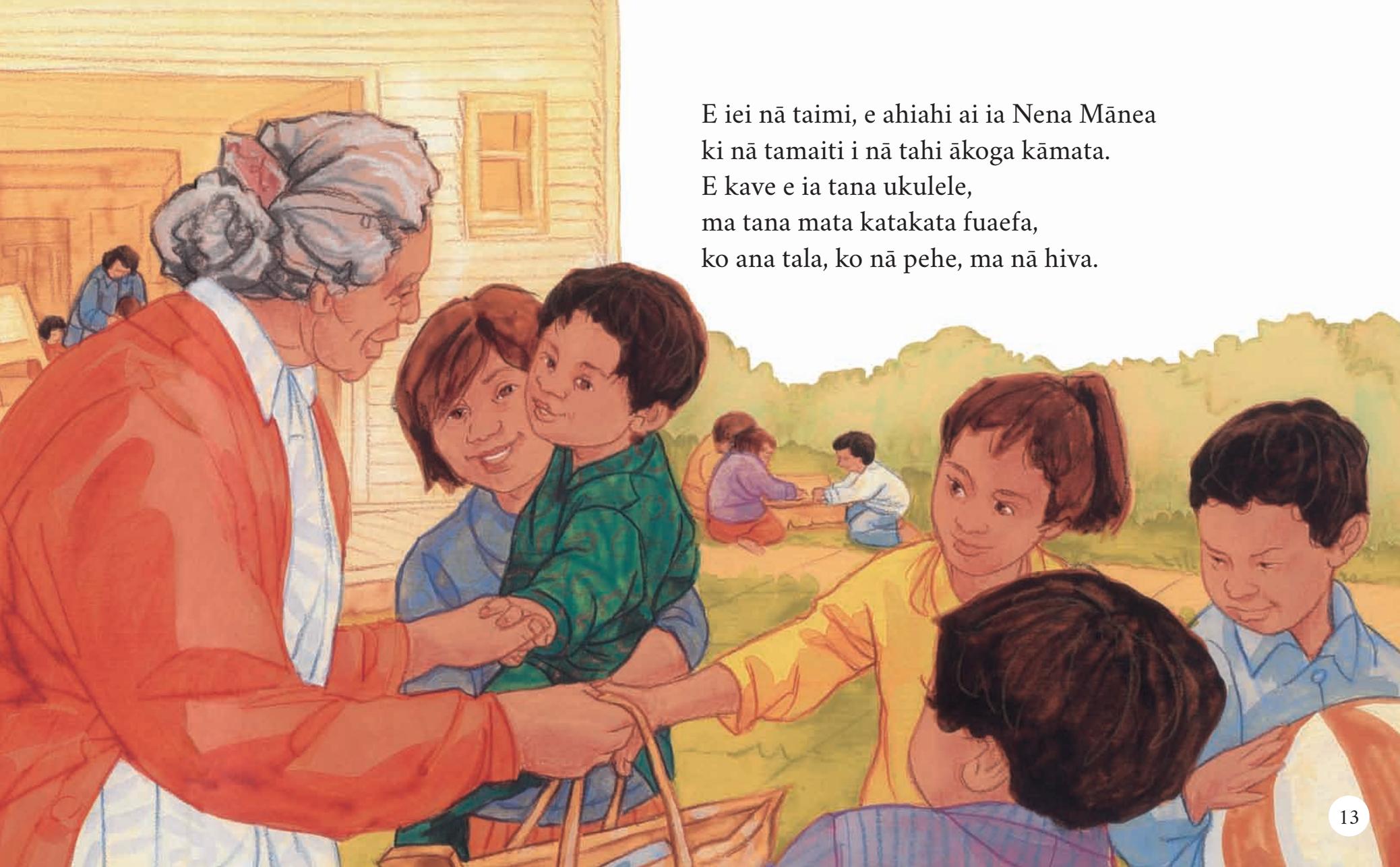
Ko Nena Mānea te lahi atu
tona mata katakata,
kafai e ia fakafeiloakia kimātou,
e ui lava e heai ni ona nifo.



E fia nofo lava i te nofoa e fiafia lahi kiei.
E nonofo kimātou ki te mutia lanumeamata
ma te laumalū,
kae fai mai e ia nā tala
ma ako mai kia te kimātou ni pehe fou.



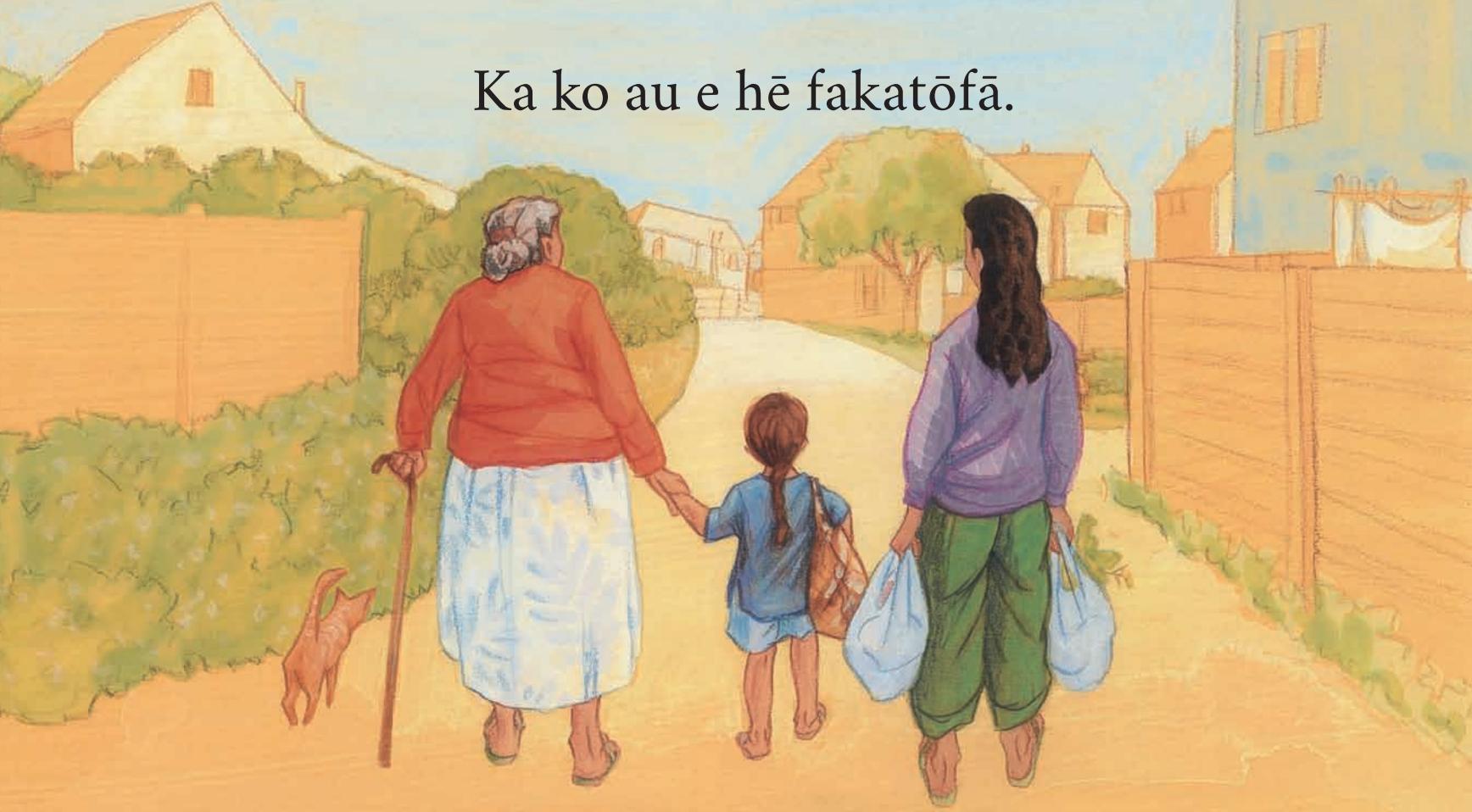
Ko kimātou e faitatala ma hihiva fakatahi.
Ko na tāeo e lahi ai nā kātaga ma nā mea mālie.
E fiafia lahi kimātou oi māfuta kie.



E iei nā taimi, e ahiahi ai ia Nena Mānea
ki nā tamaiti i nā tahī ākoga kāmata.
E kave e ia tana ukulele,
ma tana mata katakata fuafea,
ko ana tala, ko nā pehe, ma nā hiva.

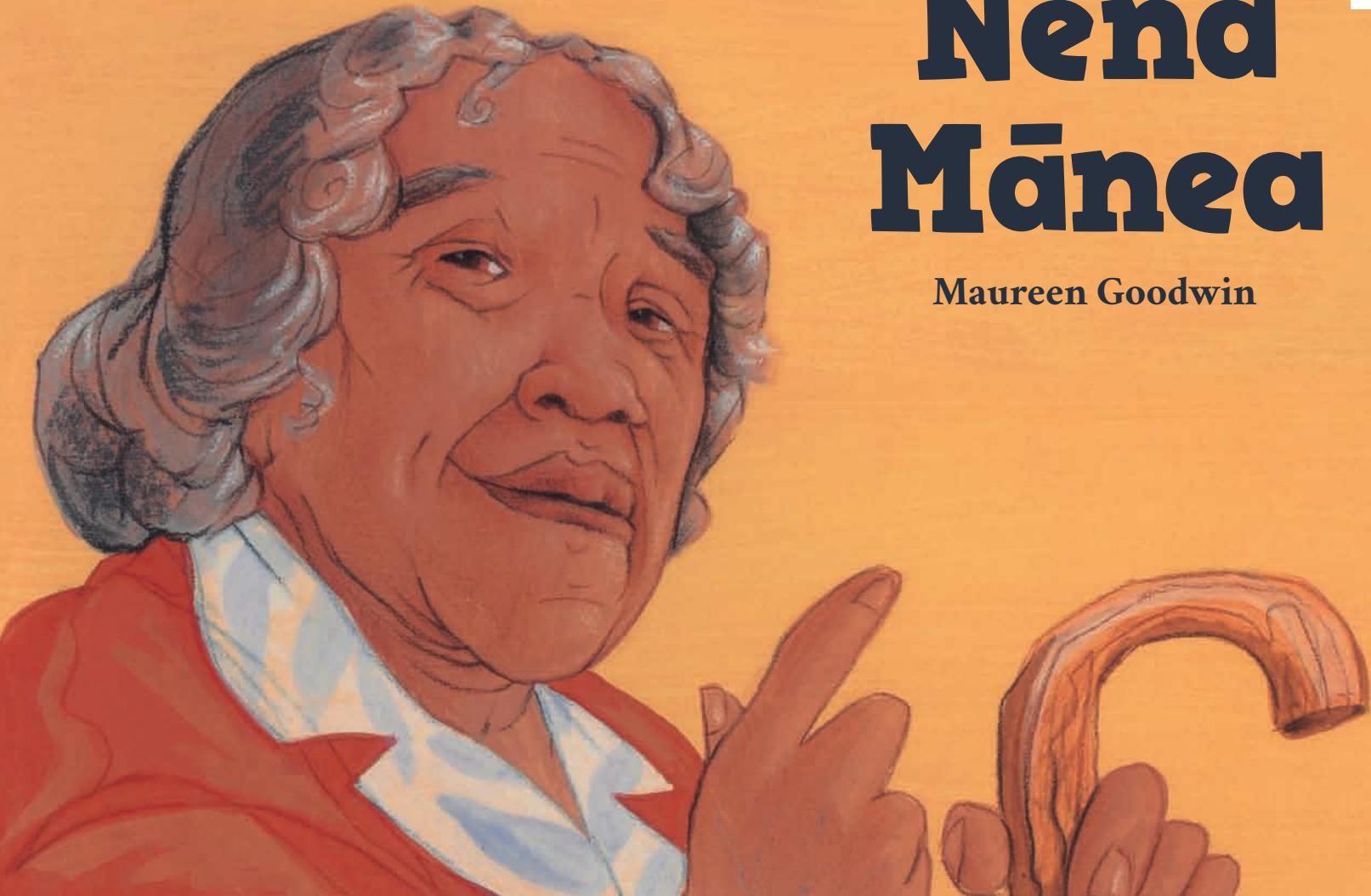


E kimātou lagona uma
to mātou fakatāua e Nena Mānea.
Ka uma te ākoga kāmata,
e fuhī kimātou e Nena Mānea
ma tālo fakatofā mai
– e vē lava ko nā tahī nena.
Kae lea uma lele, “Tōfā.”



Ka ko au e hē fakatōfā.

Ko au e lea kia Nena Mānea, "Kua hauni koe?"
Ma kave loa kimāua e Mami ki te fale,
auā, ko Nena Mānea ko te mātou nena moni ia,
e nofo i te fale lava e nofo ai au!



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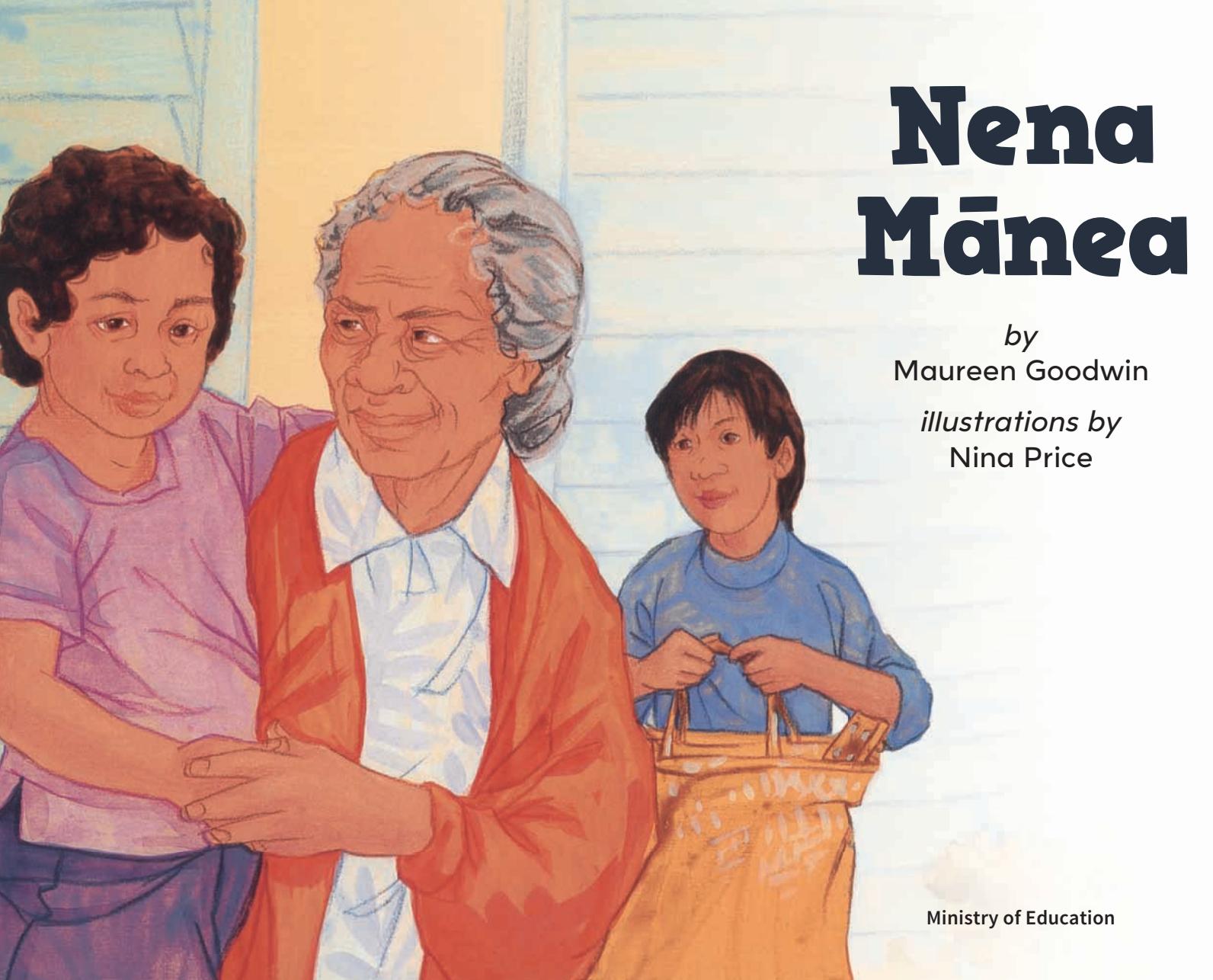
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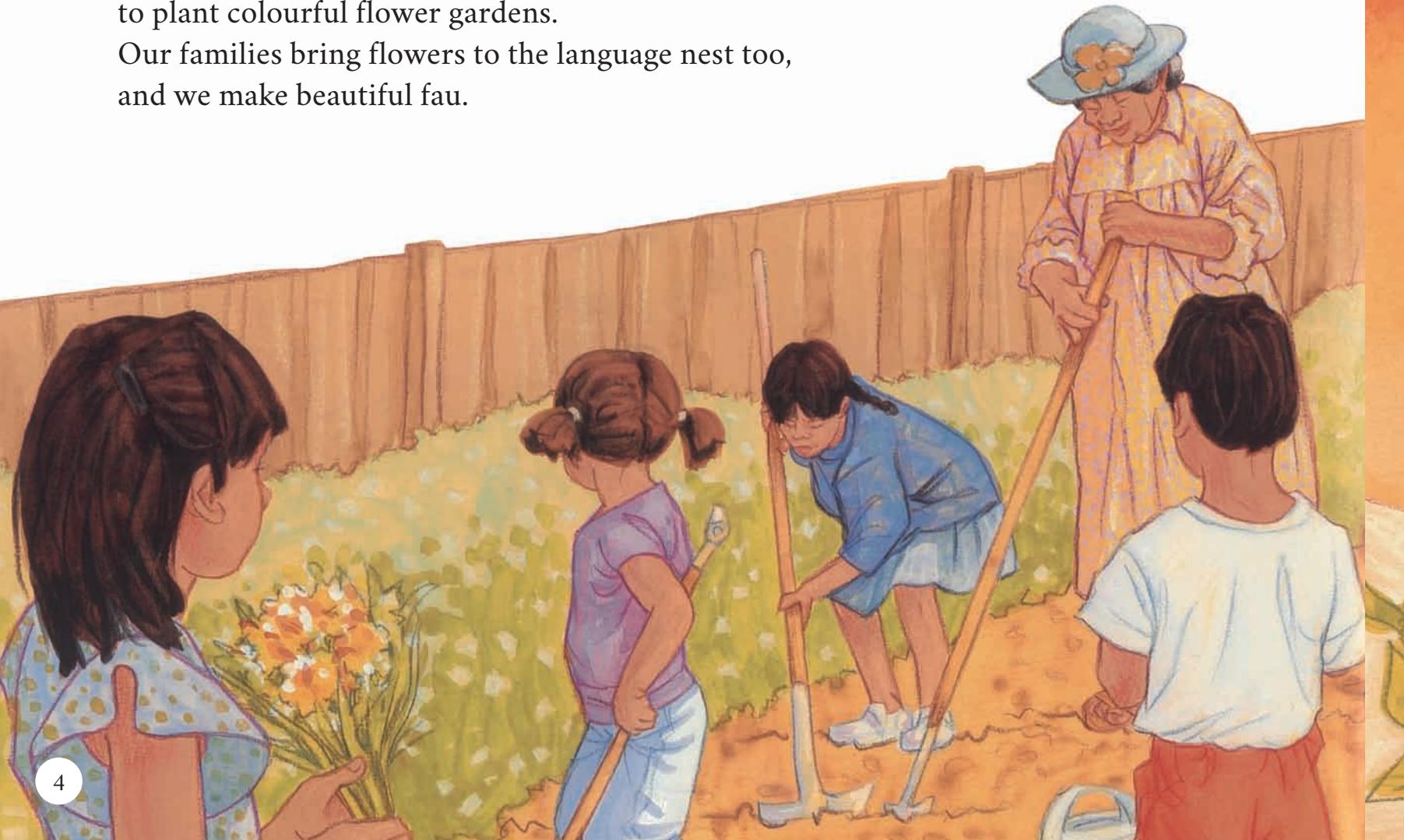
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All the grannies who come to our language nest
do really special things with us.
Some grannies show us
how to make beautiful quilts.
We treasure them
because we make them with love.
We give them away as special gifts.

Some grannies help us
to plant colourful flower gardens.
Our families bring flowers to the language nest too,
and we make beautiful fau.



Other grannies tell us
old stories.

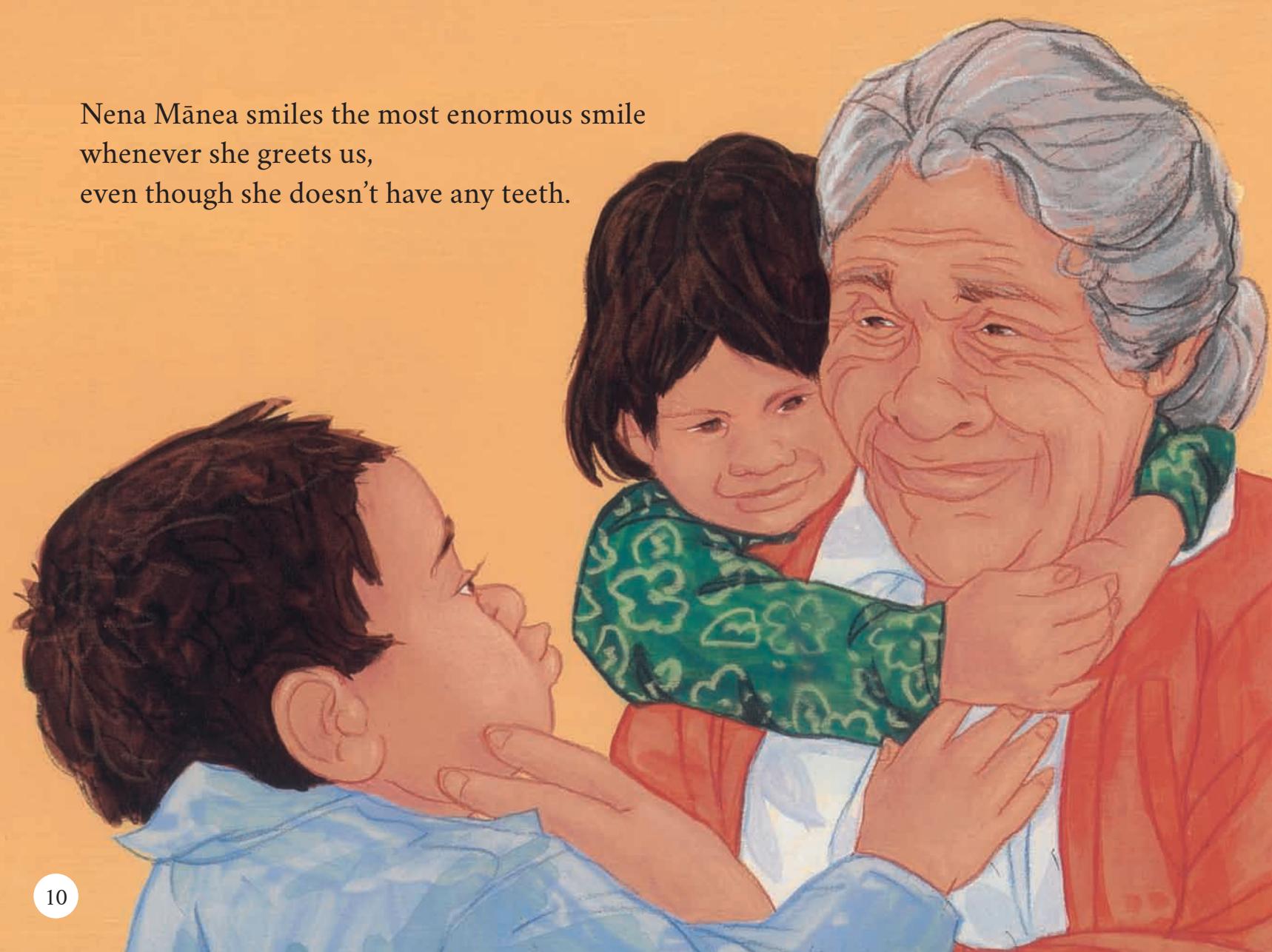


They teach us how to sing and dance.
Everyone loves to sing, dance,
and listen to stories.

But I have a very special granny.
I share her with all the other children.
They call her Nena Mānea
because she is so beautiful.
Nena Mānea is beautiful
because she's so old.
Nena Mānea is always
playing her ukulele,
even though her fingers are
crooked and bony.
She teaches us how to do it.
She's very patient.



Nena Mānea smiles the most enormous smile
whenever she greets us,
even though she doesn't have any teeth.



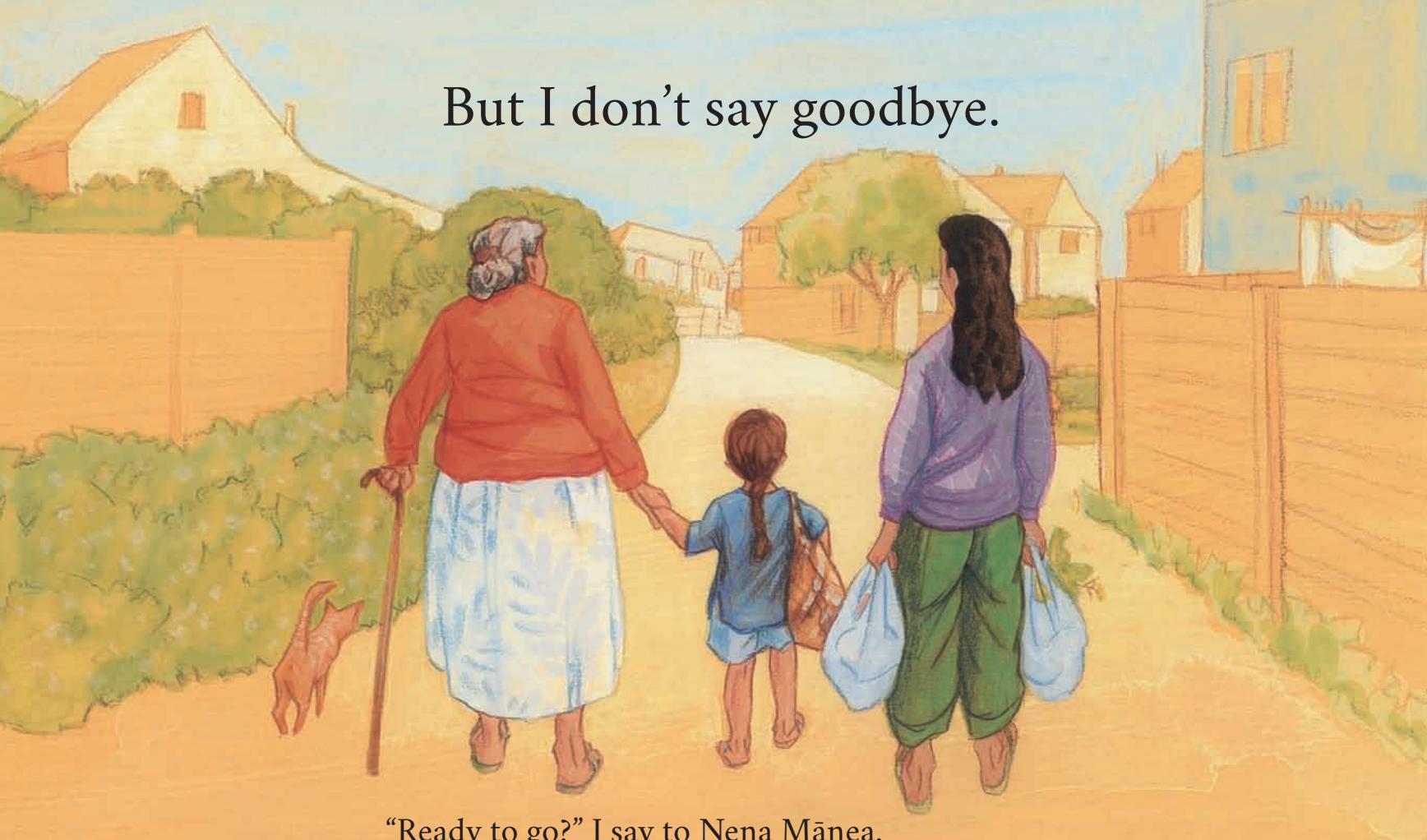
She likes to sit in her favourite chair.
We sit on the soft, green grass
while she tells us stories
and teaches us new songs.



We chat and dance together.
The morning is filled with fun and laughter.
We love to spend time with her.



Nena Mānea makes us all feel special.
When language nest is over,
Nena Mānea hugs us and waves goodbye
– just like all the other grannies.
“Tōfā,” everyone says.



But I don't say goodbye.

"Ready to go?" I say to Nena Māne.
Then Mum takes us both home
because Nena Māne is our real granny
and she lives in the same house as me!