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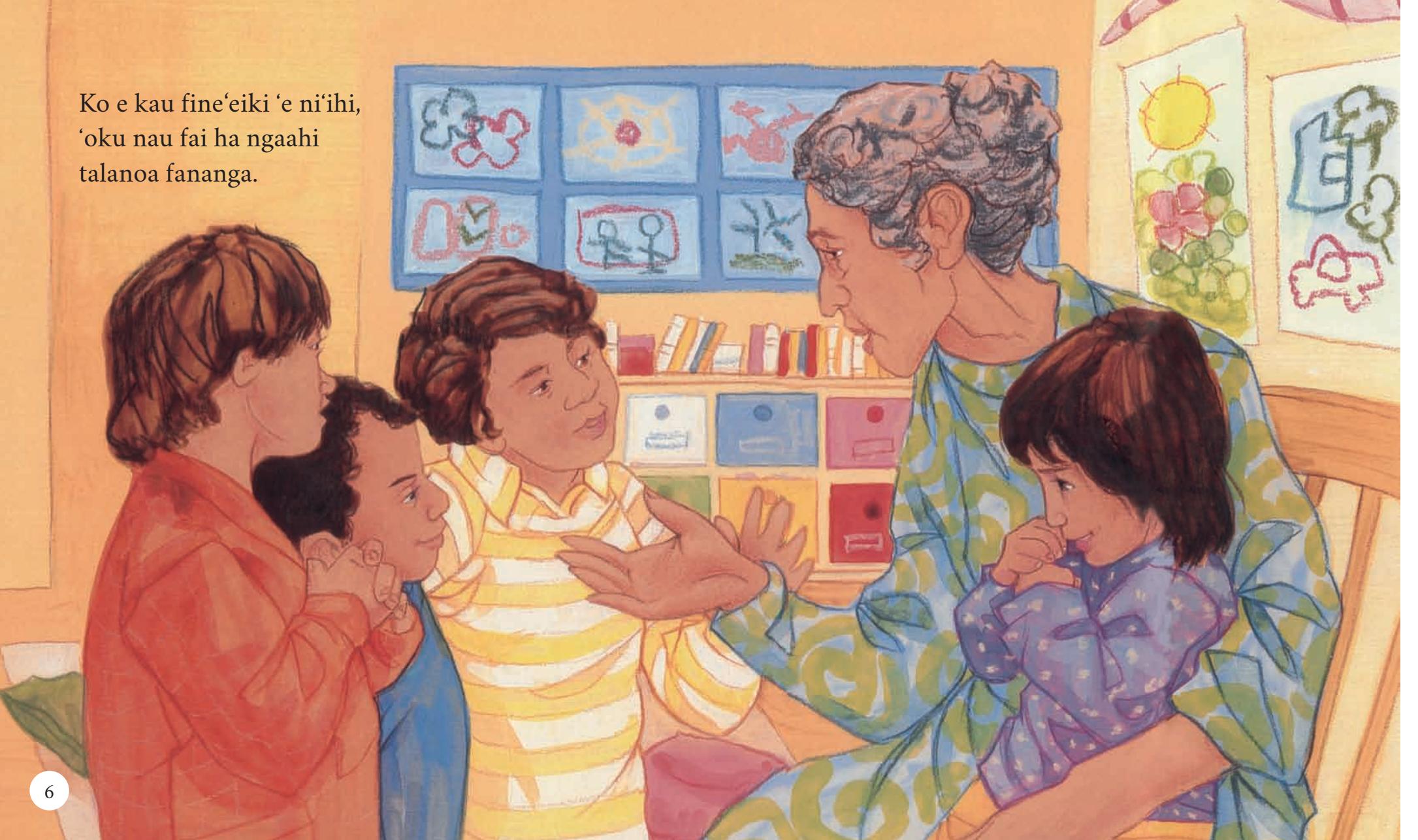
Ko e kau fine'eiki kotoa,
'oku nau ō ange ki he'emausenitāako leá,
'oku nau taki taha pē'a e faiva.
Ko e ni'ihi 'oku nau ako'i kimautolu,
ke ngaahi 'a e monomono faka'ofo'ofá.
'Okumau koloa'aki
koe'uhí 'oku mau ngaahi 'aki 'a e 'ofá.
'Okumau foaki ko e me'a'ofa makehe.

Ko e ni‘ihi ‘oku nau tokoni‘i kimautolu
ke mau tō ha ngaahi ngoue matala‘i ‘akau
‘oku lanu kehekehe.

‘Oku ‘omai ‘e homau ngaahi fāmilí
ha ngaahi matala‘i ‘akau ki he senitā akó,
pea mau tui mei ai
ha ngaahi kahoa faka‘ofo‘ofa.



Ko e kau fine'eiki 'e ni'ihi,
'oku nau fai ha ngaahi
talanoa fananga.



'Oku nau ako'i kimautolu he hivá mo e faivá.
'Oku mau fu'u manako foki 'i he hivá,
faivá, mo e fanongo talanoá.

Ka 'oku makehe ange 'eku kuí.
'Oku mau 'inasi kotoa 'i he'ene tokoní.
'Oku nau ui ko Kuleni Mānea
ko 'ene talavoú.
'Oku faka'ofo'ofa 'a Kuleni Mānea
ko 'ene ta'u motu'á.
'Oku tā ma'u pē 'e Kuleni Mānea
'ene 'ukulelé, neongo 'oku huihuia
mo pikopiko hono nimá.
'Okú ne fakahinohino kimautolu
ki hono taá.
'Oku fa'a kātaki 'aupito.



'Okú ne malimali fiefia
'i hono talitali kimautolú,
neongo 'oku 'ikai ha nifo ia
'o Kuleni Mānea.



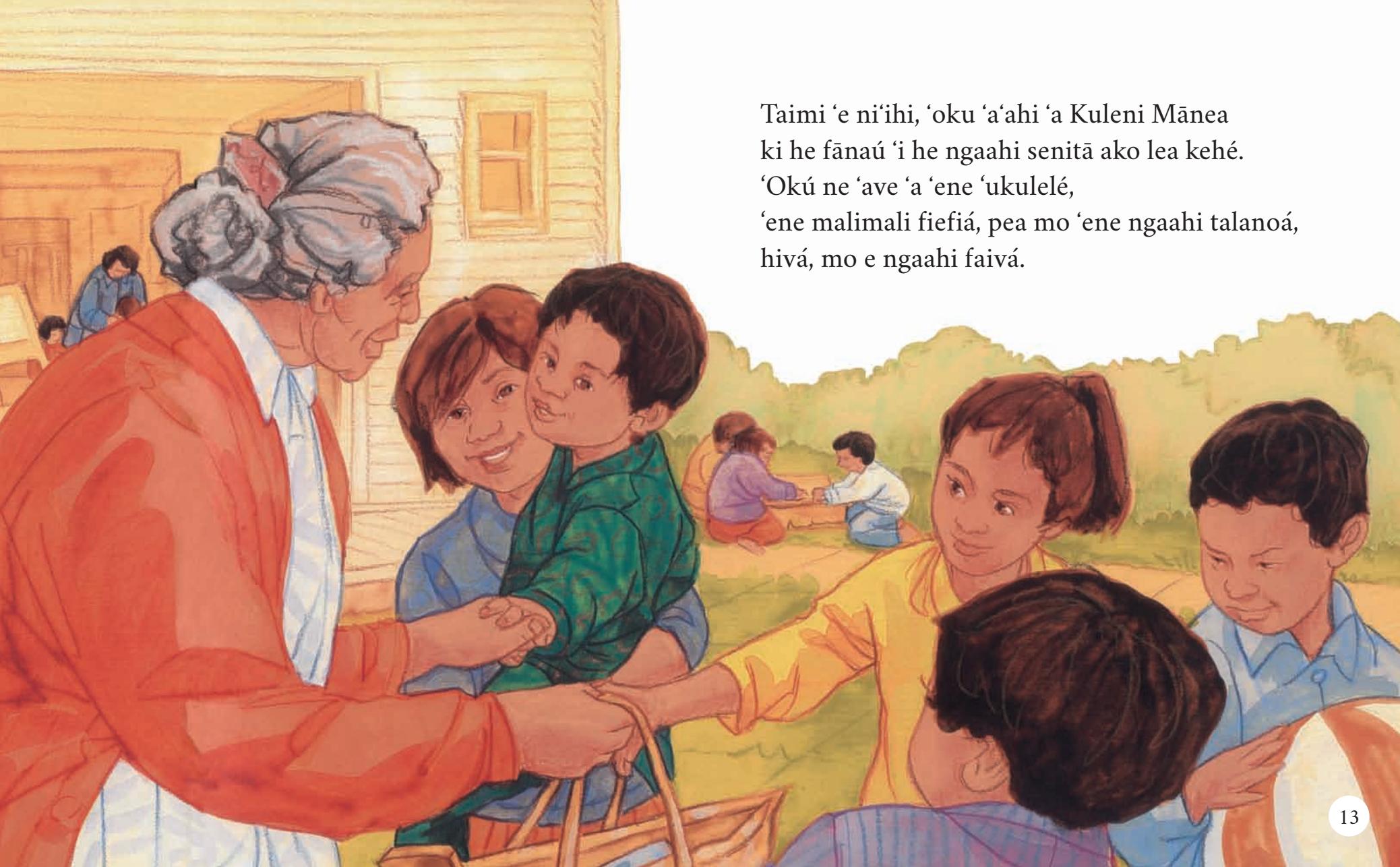
'Okú ne sai'ia ke tangutu hono sea manakó.
'Oku mau nofo takatakai kimautolu
he mūsie lanu-mata mo moluú,
ka ne fai mai ha ngaahi talanoa
mo ako'i mai ha ngaahi hiva fo'ou.



'Oku mau talanoa mo faiva fakataha.

'Oku fonu 'a e pongipongí he fiefiá mo e katá.

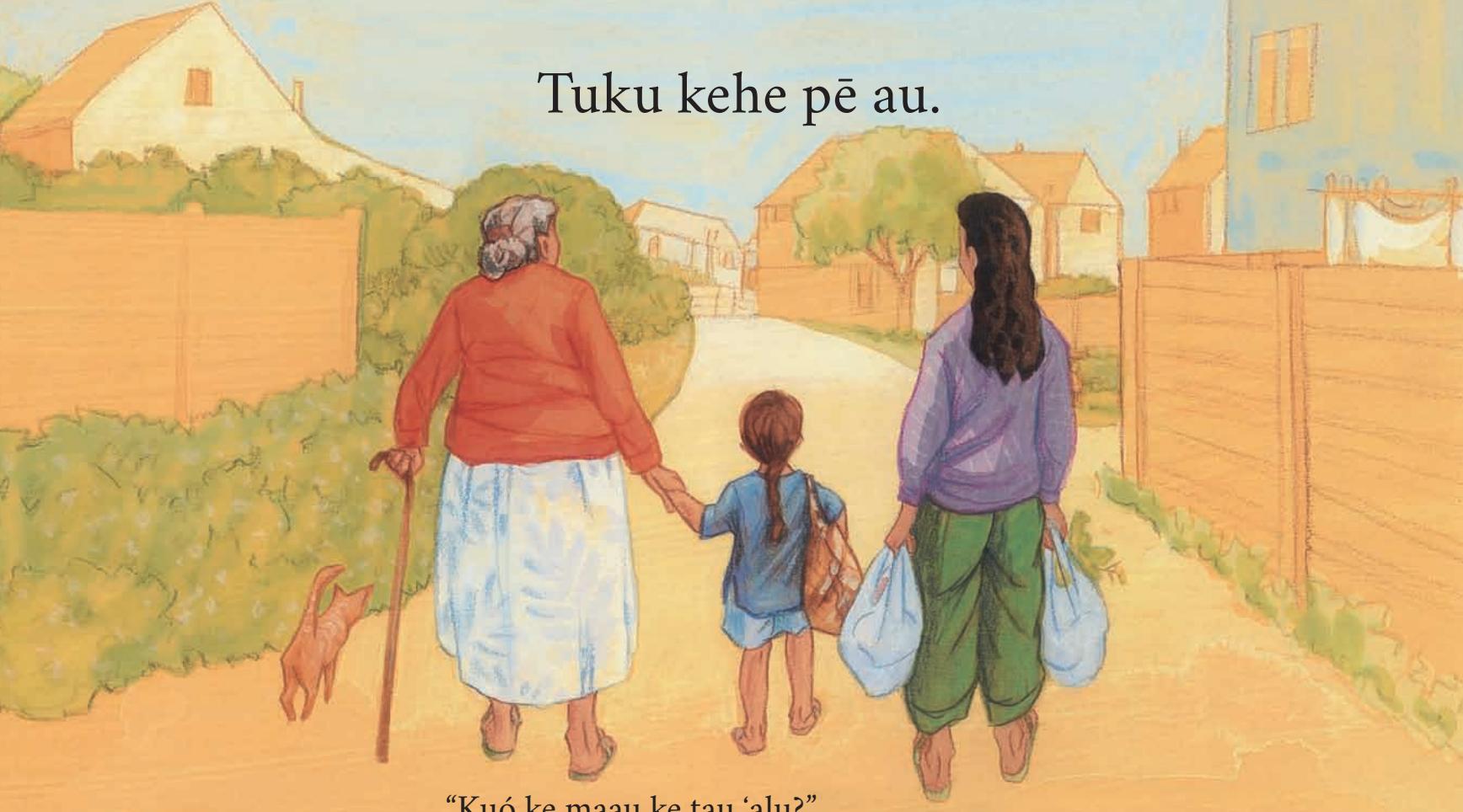
'Oku mau sai'ia ke fakamole e taimí mo ia.



Taimi 'e ni'ihi, 'oku 'a'ahi 'a Kuleni Mānea
ki he fānaú 'i he ngaahi senitā ako lea kehé.
'Okú ne 'ave 'a 'ene 'ukulelé,
'ene malimali fiefiá, pea mo 'ene ngaahi talanoá,
hivá, mo e ngaahi faivá.



'Oku 'ai kimautolu 'e Kuleni Mānea
ke mau ongo'i makehe.
Hangē ko e kau fine'eiki ko eé,
'oku kuku kimautolu 'e Kuleni Mānea
– pea ta'alo mai 'alu,
ā 'i he 'osi 'a e akó.
Pea mau tali kotoa atu,
"Nofo ā."

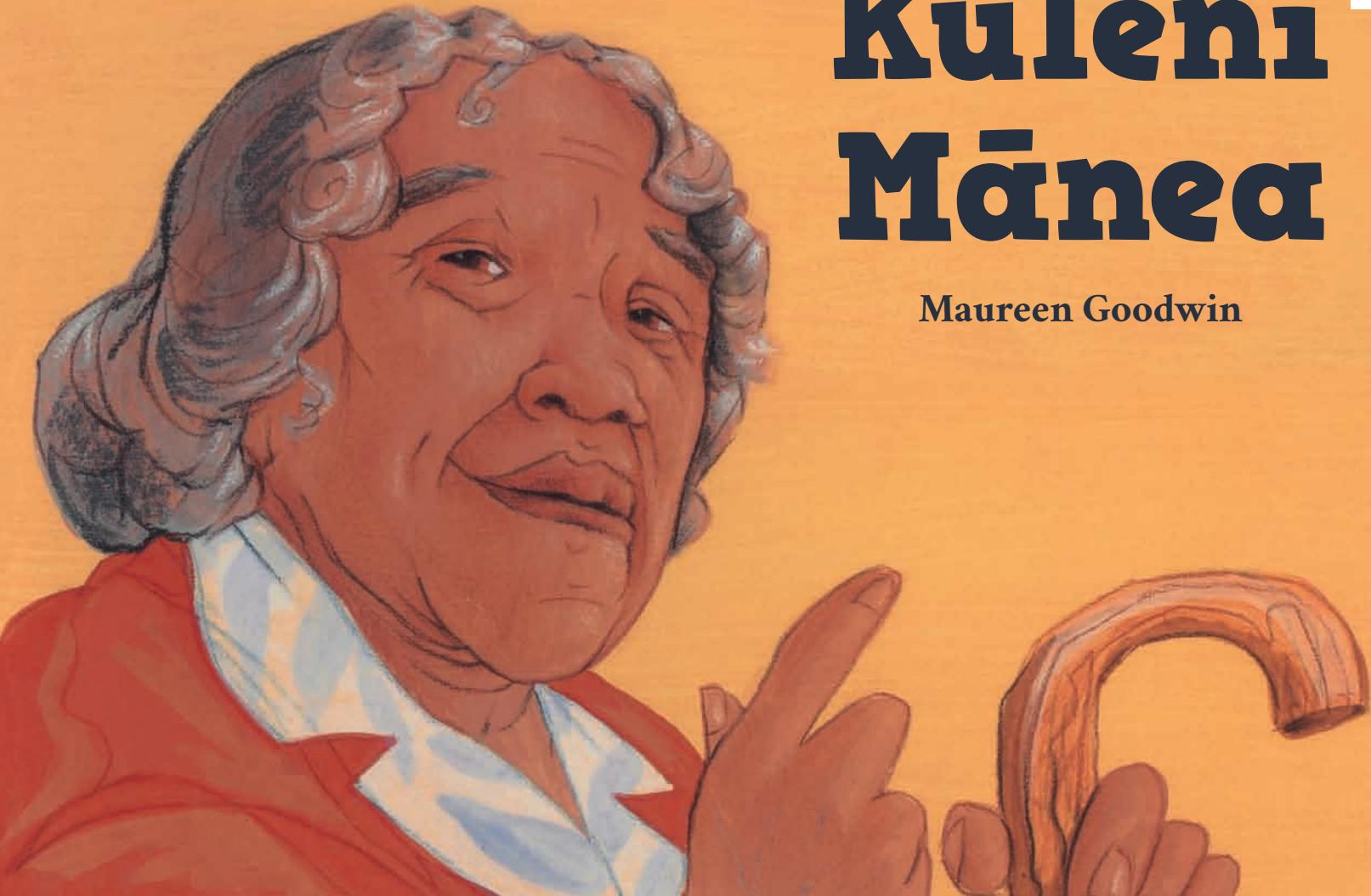


Tuku kehe pē au.

“Kuó ke maau ke tau ‘alu?”
ko au atu ia kia Kuleni Mānea.
Pea ‘ave leva kimaua ki ‘api ‘e he‘eku fa‘eé,
he ko Kuleni Māneá ko ‘emau kui mo‘oní,
pea ‘okú ma nofo ‘i he fale tatau!

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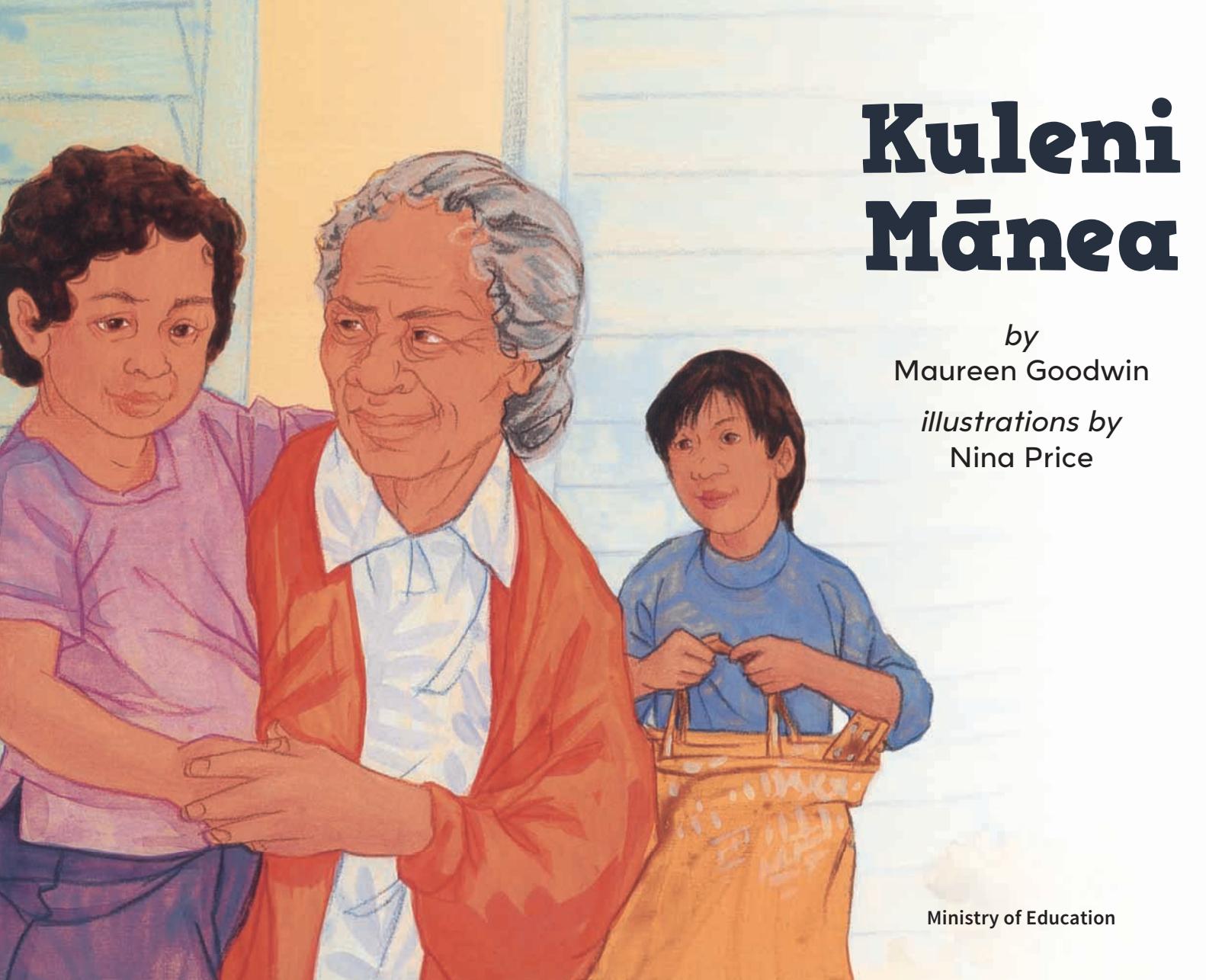
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All the grannies who come to our language nest
do really special things with us.
Some grannies show us
how to make beautiful quilts.
We treasure them
because we make them with love.
We give them away as special gifts.

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



Other grannies tell us
old stories.

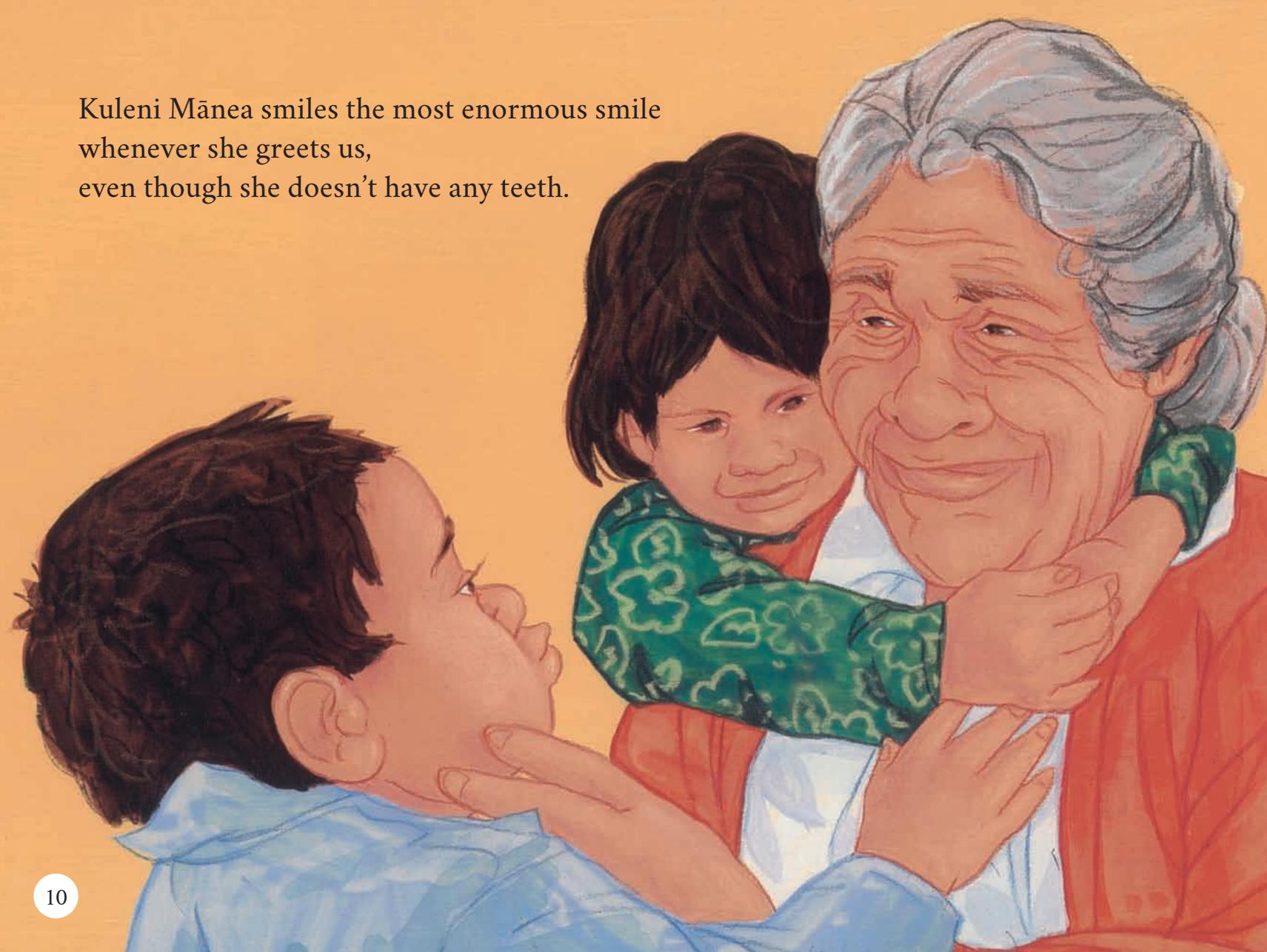


They teach us how to sing and dance.
Everyone loves to sing, dance,
and listen to stories.

But I have a very special granny.
I share her with all the other children.
They call her Kuleni Mānea
because she is so beautiful.
Kuleni Mānea is beautiful
because she's so old.
Kuleni 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.



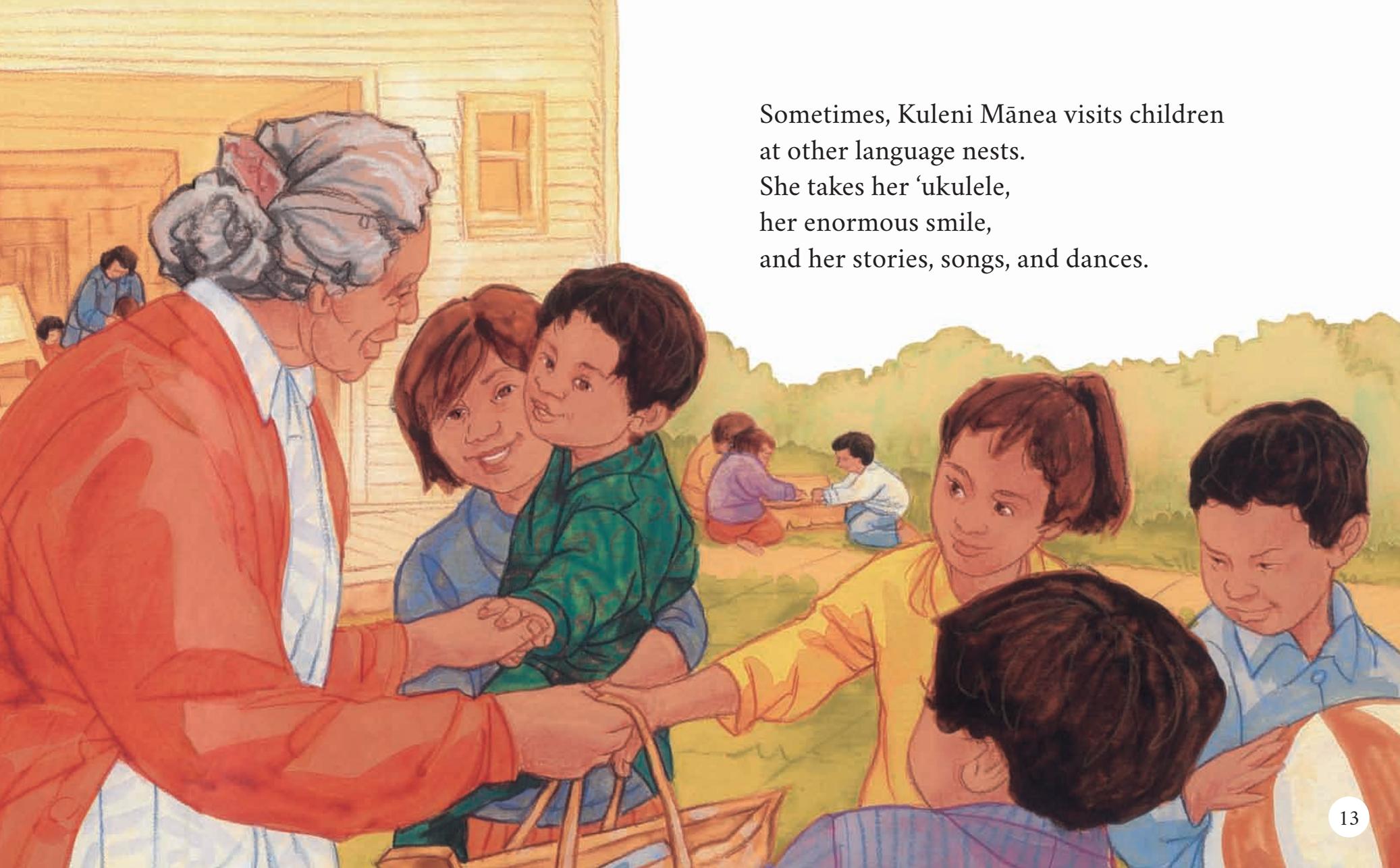
Kuleni Mānea smiles the most enormous smile whenever she greets us, even though she doesn't have any teeth.



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.



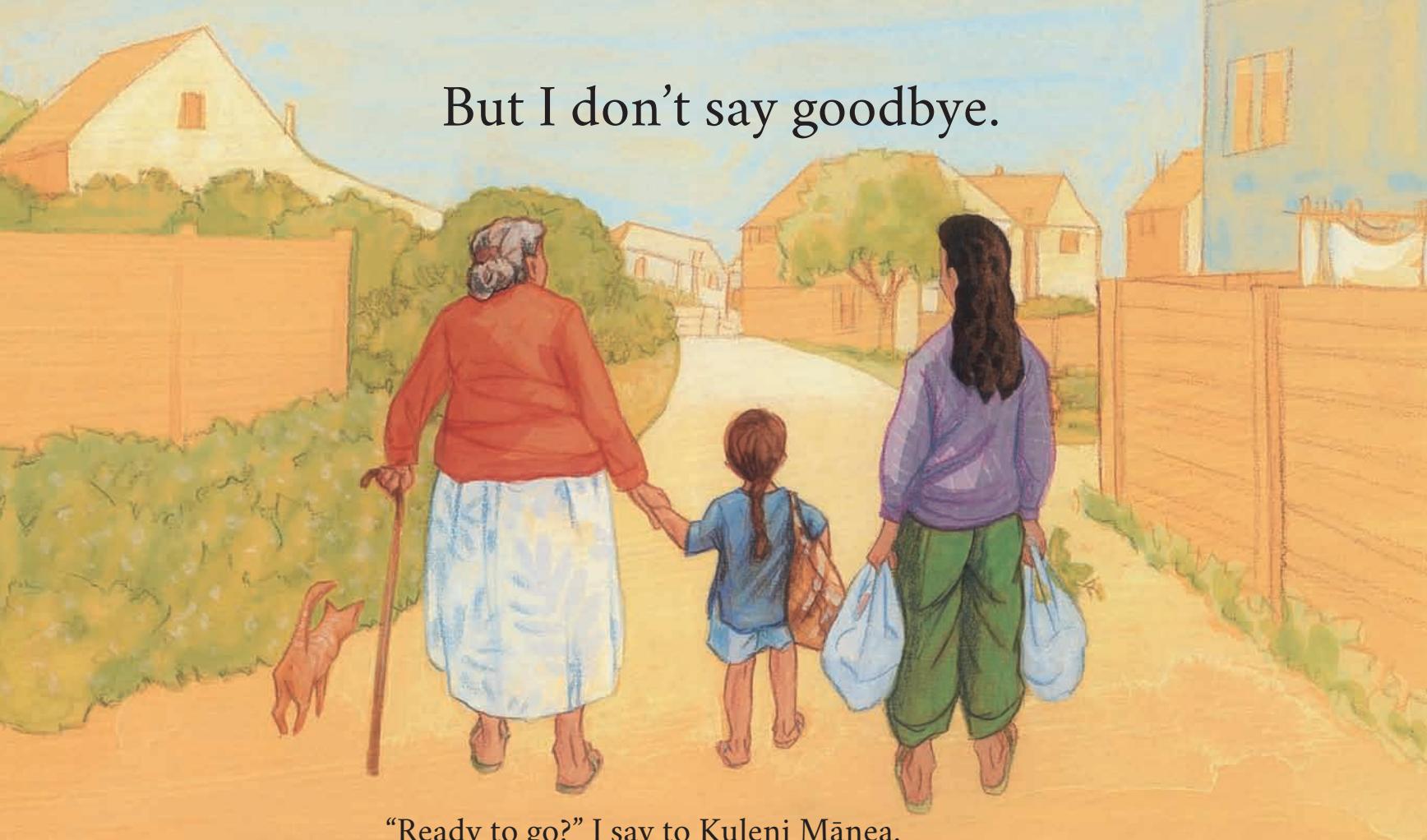
We chat and dance together.
The morning is filled with fun and laughter.
We love to spend time with her.



Sometimes, Kuleni Mānea visits children at other language nests. She takes her 'ukulele, her enormous smile, and her stories, songs, and dances.



Kulenī Māneā makes us all feel special.
When language nest is over,
Kulenī Māneā hugs us and waves goodbye
– just like all the other grannies.
“Nofo ā,” everyone says.



But I don't say goodbye.

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