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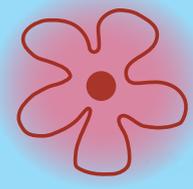
Genre Realistic Fiction



# Garden Party

 **AUDIO**  
Audio with Highlighting

 **ANNOTATE**



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COMMUNITY GARDEN





“We got the spot for our garden!” said Dad.

“How can we plant the garden?” asked Jamal. “It’s so big.”

“We can have a garden party,”  
said Mom.

“Right,” said Dad. “Our neighbors  
will help.”

“They will?” asked Jamal.



#### VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT

What does the word **garden** mean? What  
part of the pictures help you figure it out?



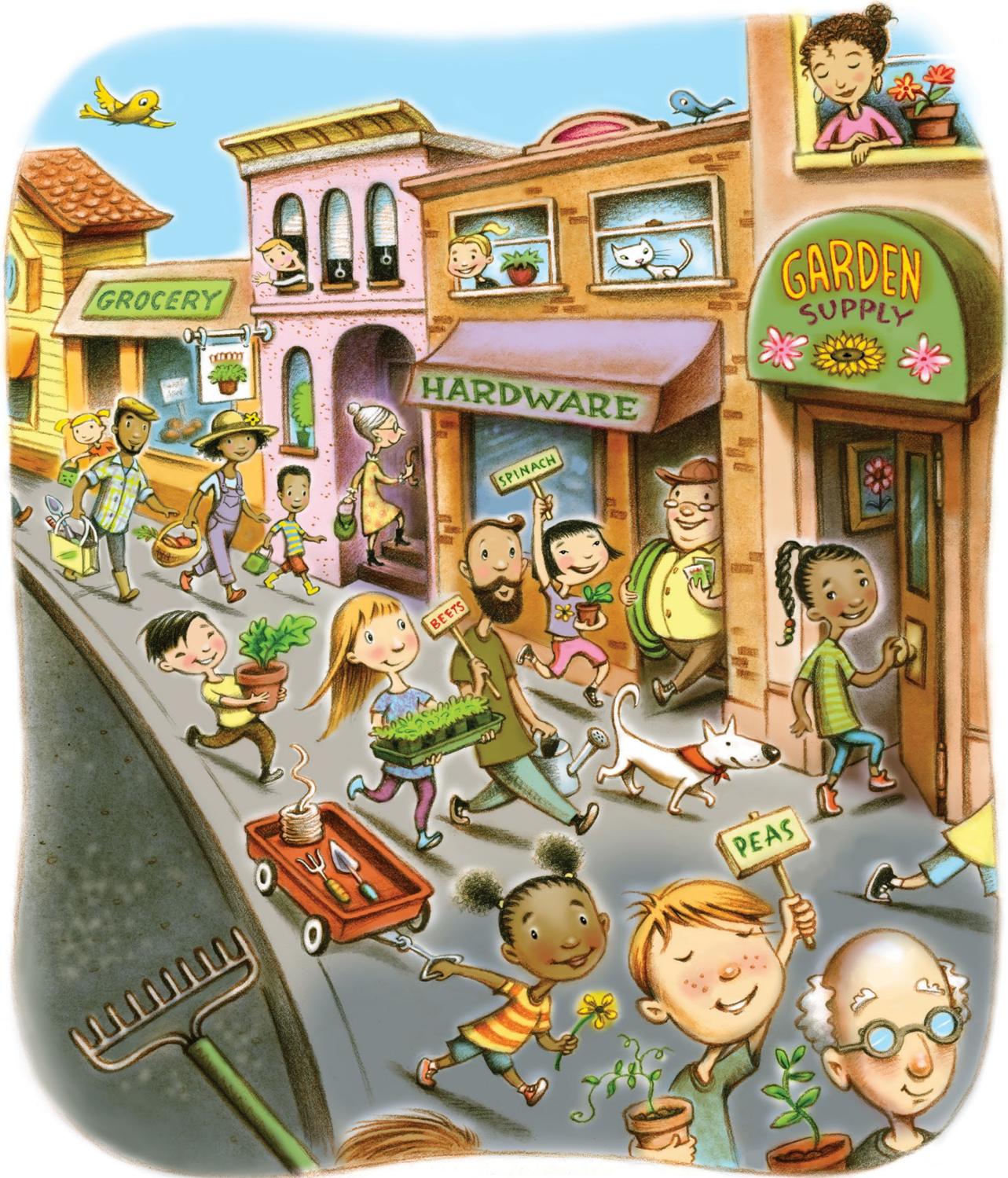
First, they went to the tall apartment building on State Street. “We will help,” their neighbors said.



Next, they went to the red brick houses near the park. “We will help,” their neighbors said.

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What can you understand about the neighbors? **Highlight** the details that help you.



Last, they went to all the little stores on Main Street. “We will help,” their neighbors said.



“You were right, Dad,” said Jamal. “Our neighbors did help!”

“That’s what neighbors do,” said Dad.

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How does Jamal feel now?  
Underline the text that helps you describe Jamal.