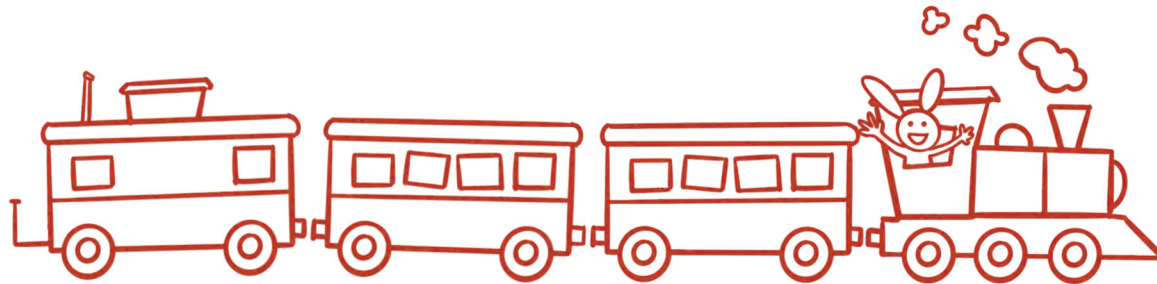


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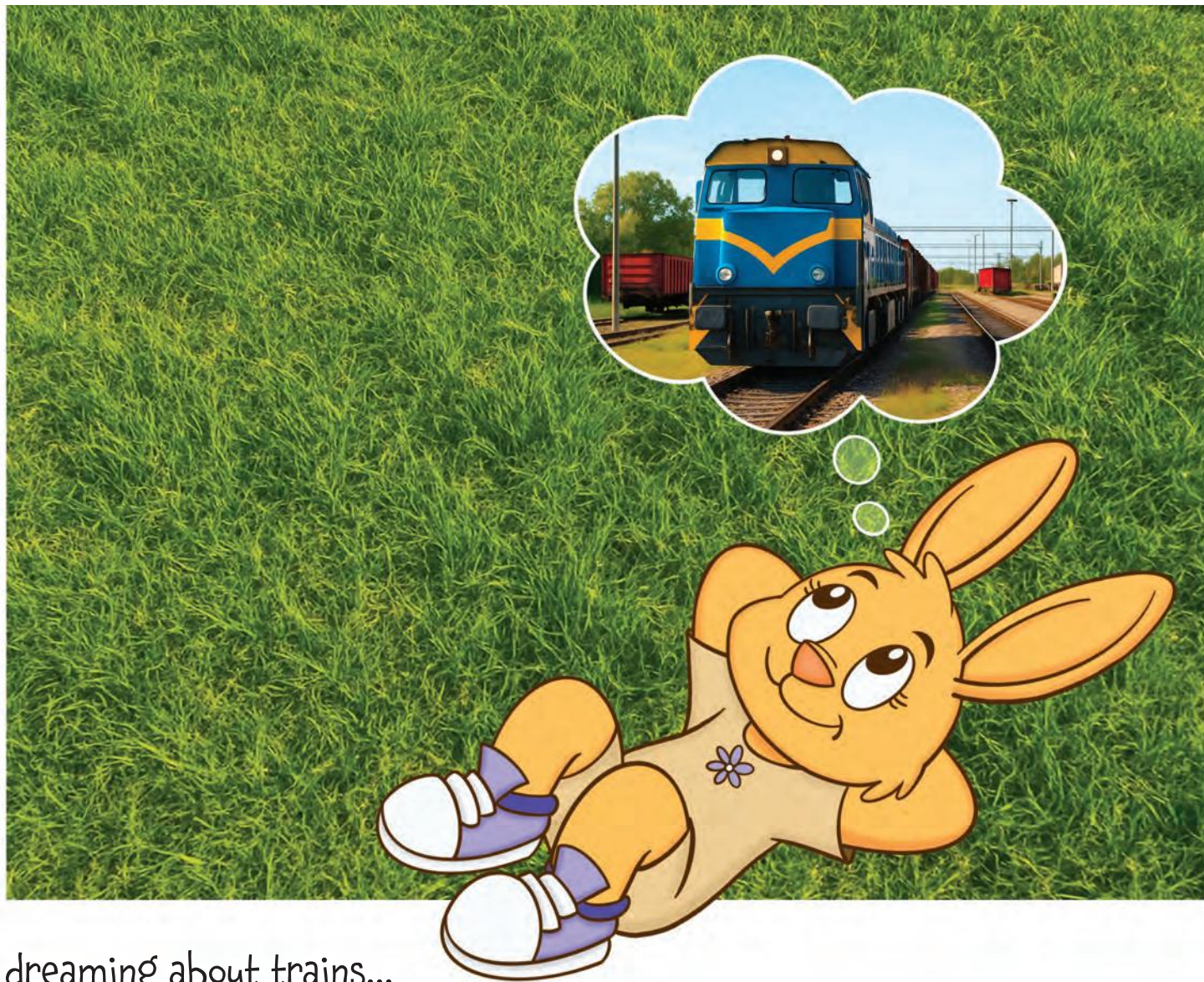
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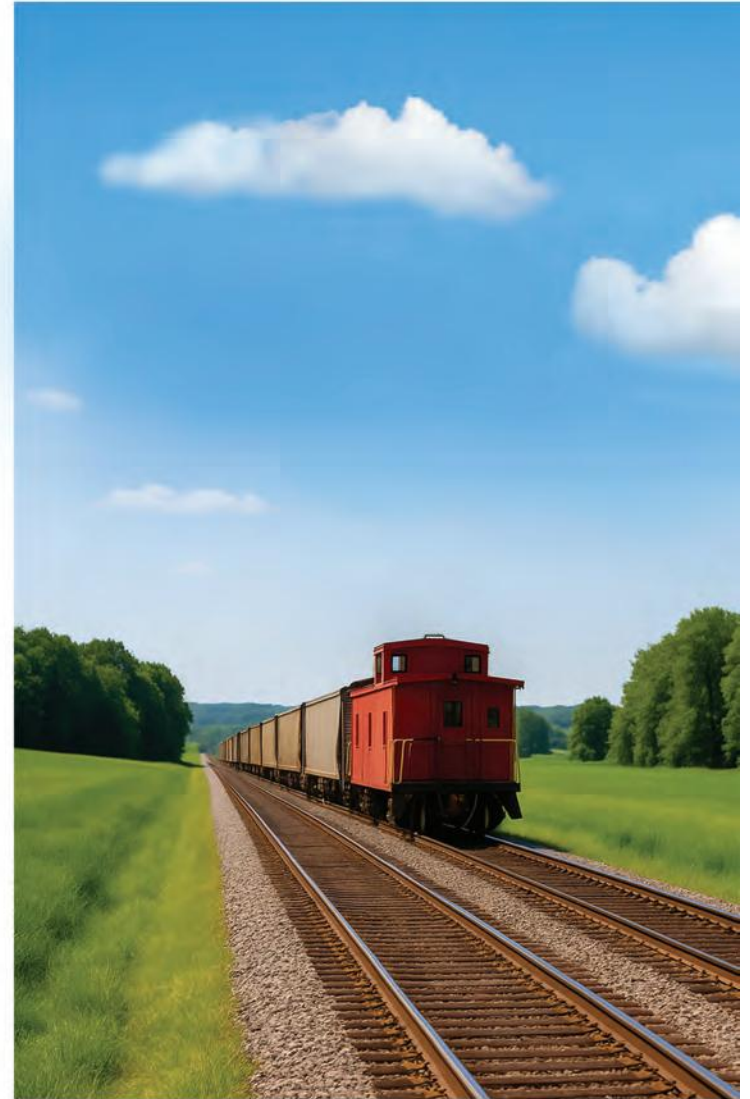
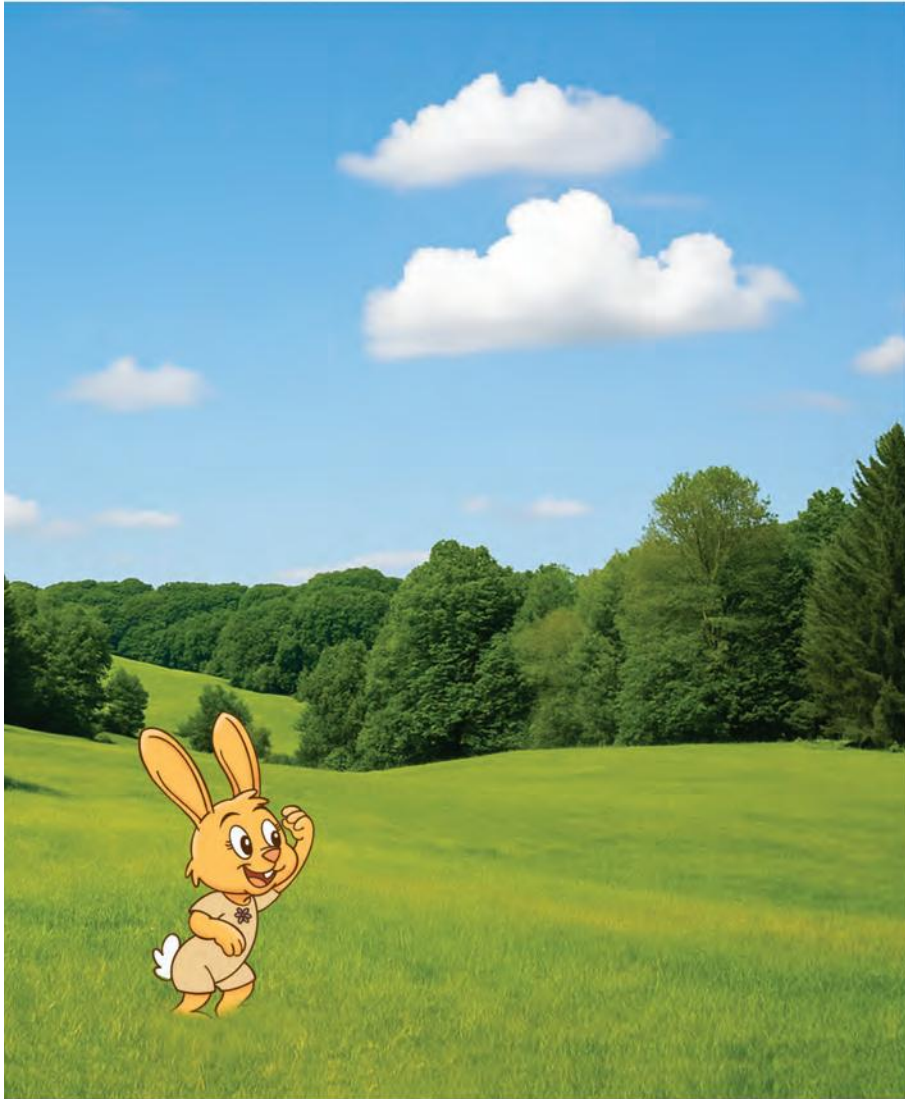
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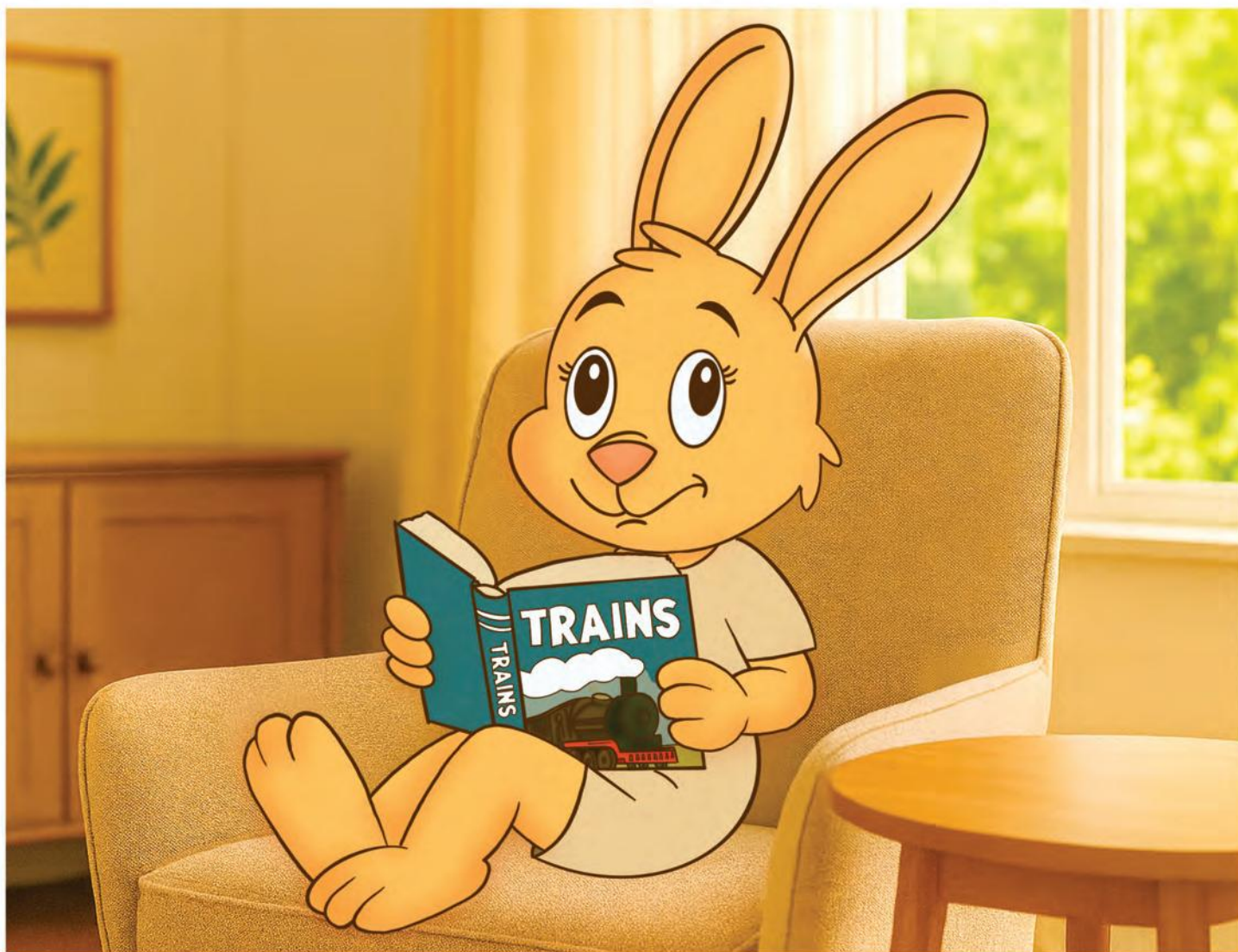
drawing trains...



dreaming about trains...



and watching trains.



“Who makes trains go?” Reena wondered.



She decides to set out on an adventure to find out.



I'm here! The train station!



This is Ticketmaster Tom, waiting for his next customer.



"Hi, I'm Reena. I want to ride the train," Reena said.
"And learn who makes it go!"

“First, let’s get you a ticket,” said Tom.





"Then, I will introduce you to the team before you board."

First stop: The Dispatch Office.



“I’m Dispatcher Daisy. I watch and guide the trains to make sure they get to their stops safely and on time.”





“Wow, your screens look like a game of connect-the-dots!” said Reena.



Next stop: The rail yard where Betty the Boilermaker is at work.

“I repair the trains and fix things in the rail yard,” Betty said.



Reena's eyes opened wide as she replied, "I love fixing things too!"

“That sounds like Yardmaster Yancy running nearby,” Tom explained.



Betty agreed, “He’s the boss of the rail yard.”

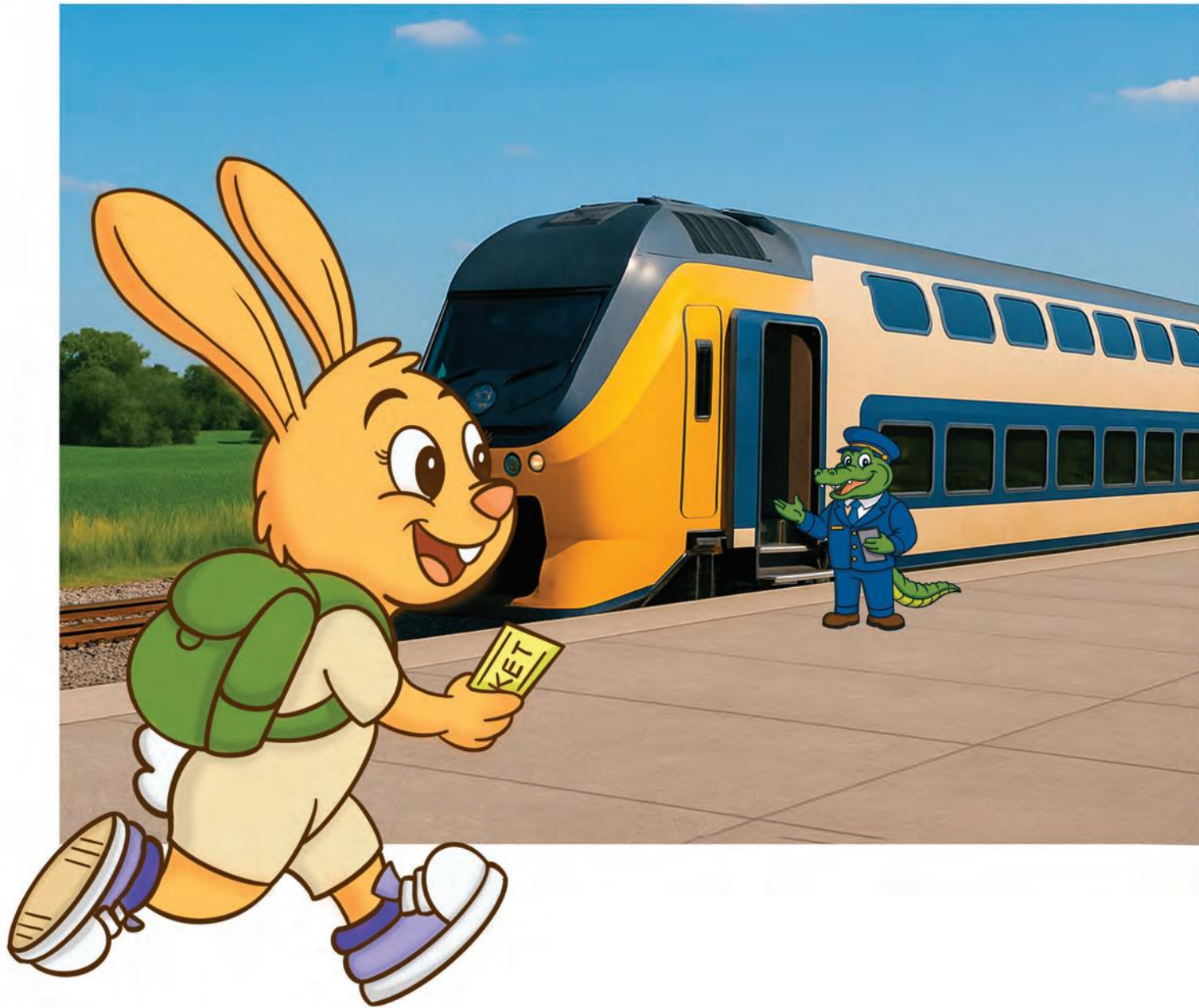
“Leo, wait a minute! Harold, help Leo fix the track,” Yancy instructed.



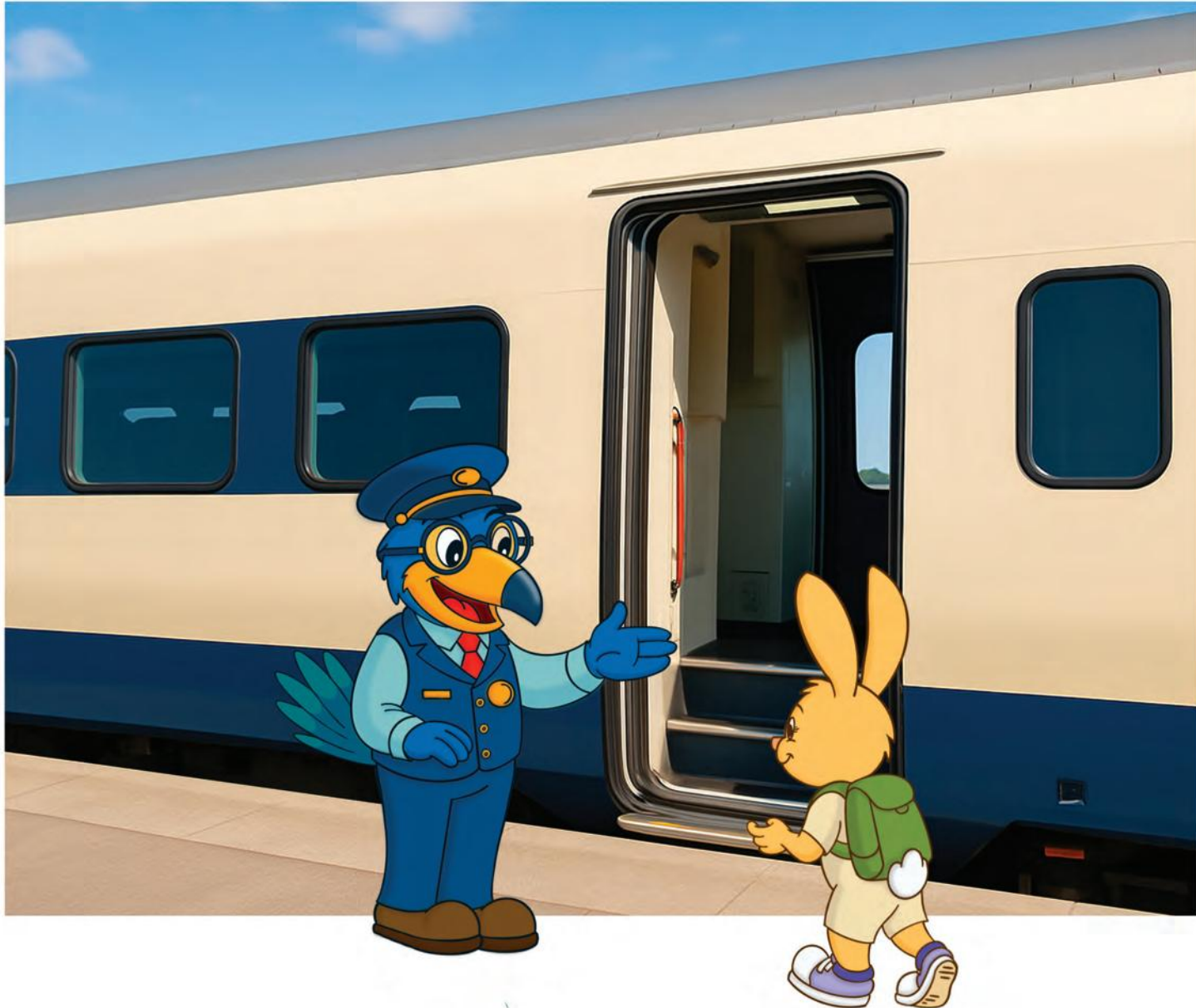


“All aboard!” yells a crocodile in blue. It’s Carl the Conductor!

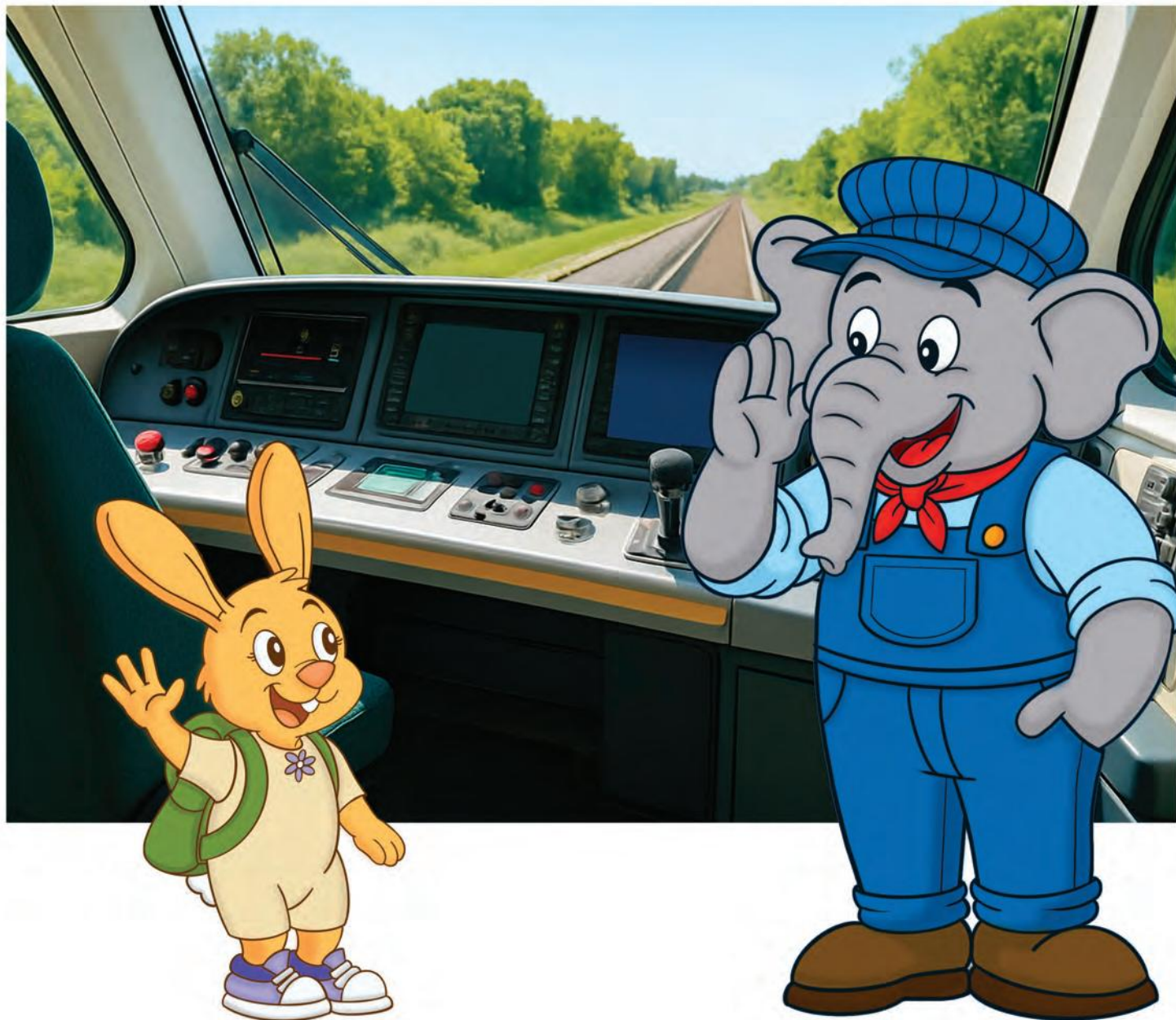
Reena smiled. "I have my ticket!"



“Before you take your seat, our engineer is waiting to meet you,” Tom said.



“Welcome to the engine, Reena!” said Engineer Emmeth.

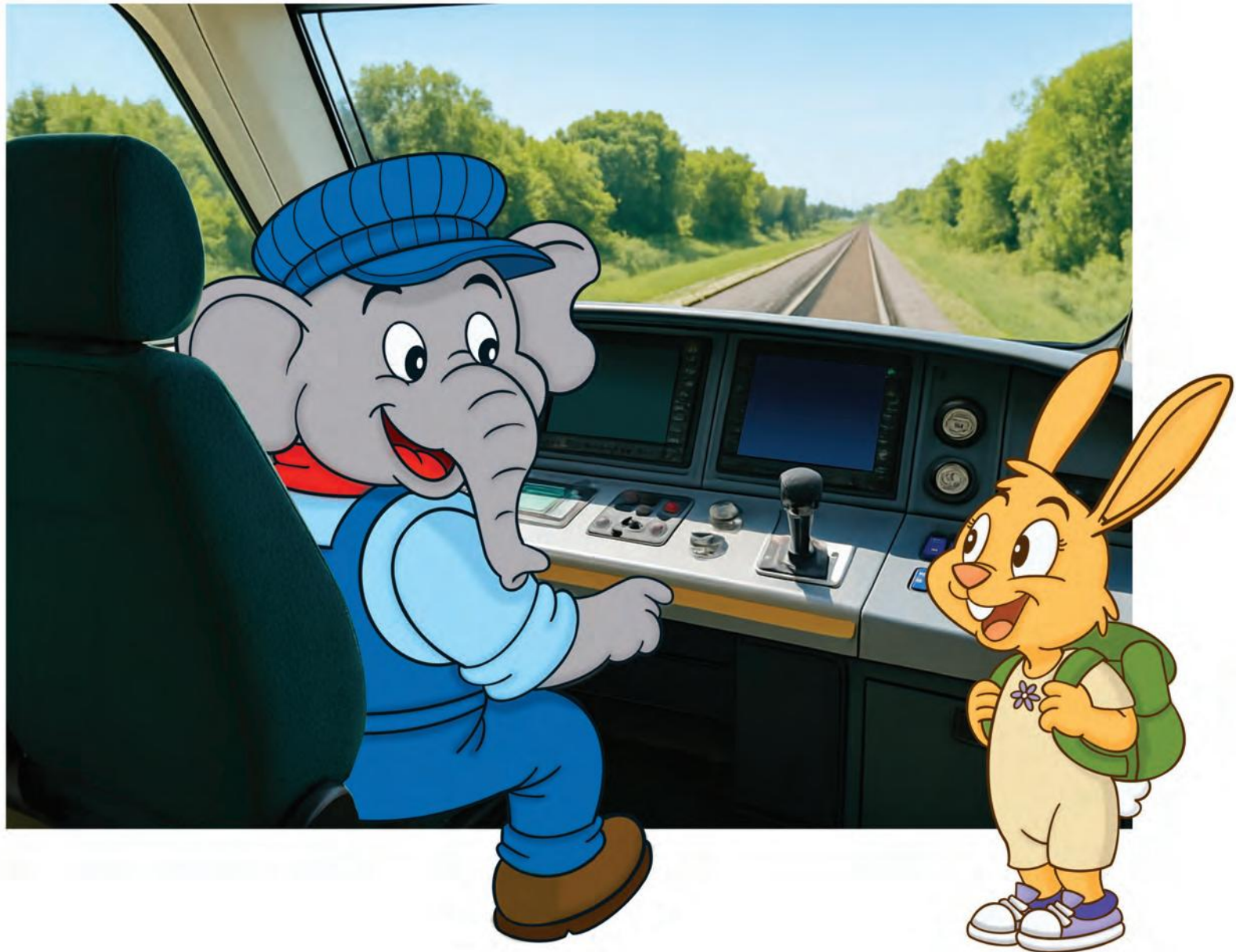


“This is my office. I drive the train. Levers? Check. Brakes? Check.



Okay, we're ready to roll!”

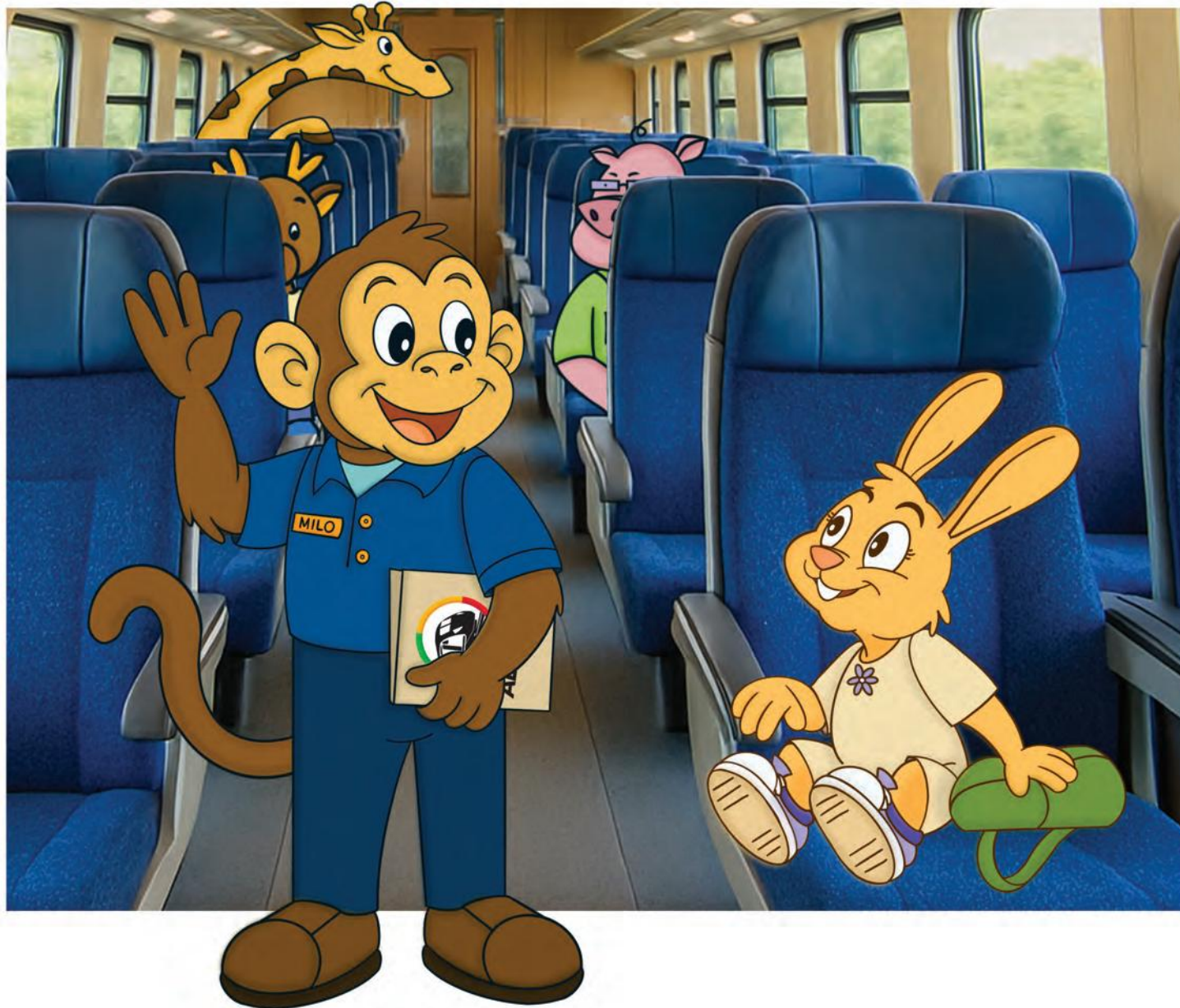
“Wow!” Reena exclaimed. “So many buttons!”



Reena finds a seat as the train rumbles to life.



“Hey!” said a cheerful monkey. “I’m Milo. I work in the marketing department.”

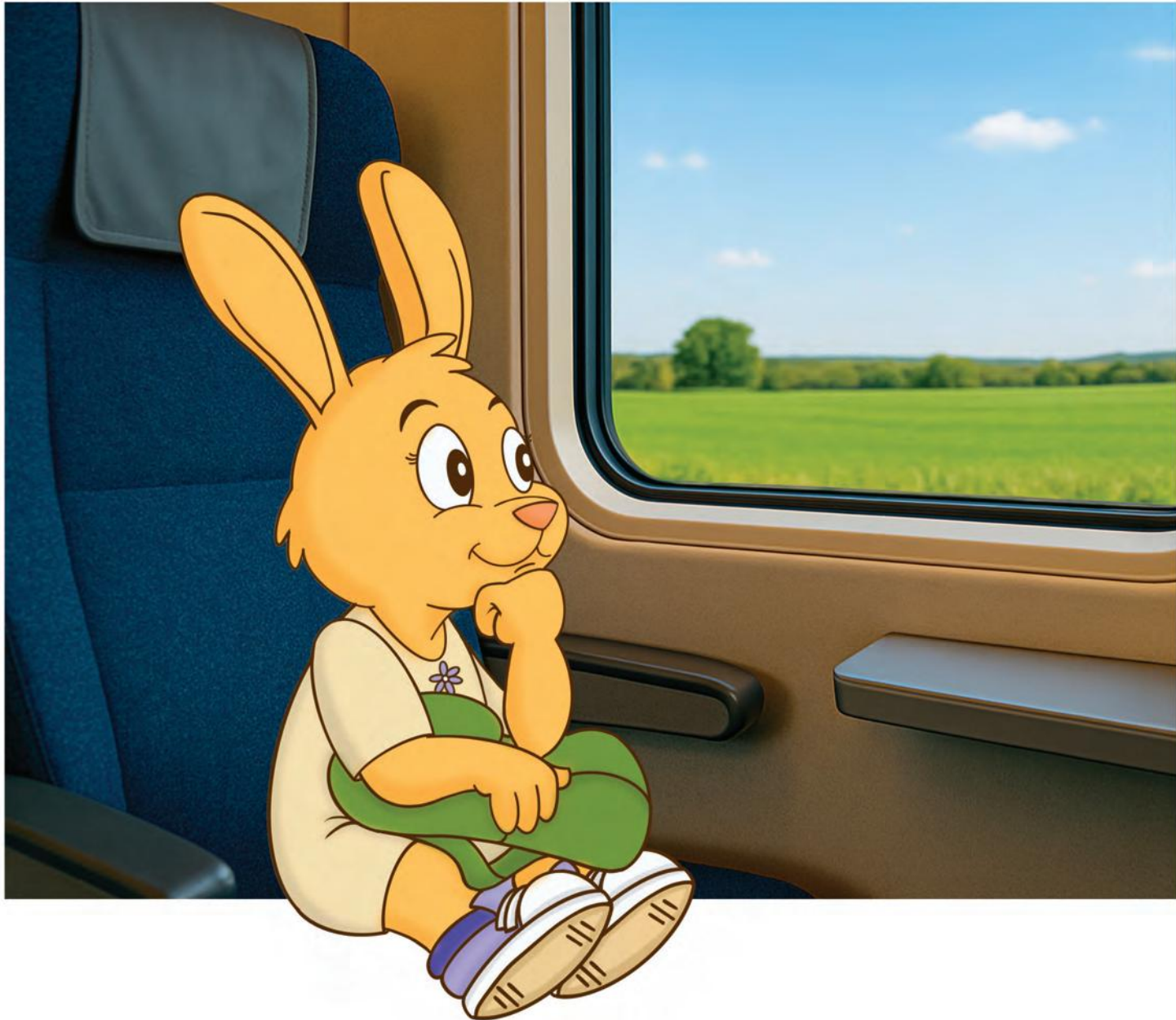


“Marketing department? What’s marketing?” Reena asked.



“I tell everyone about the advantages of trains and railroad travel,” Milo replied.

Reena moves over to the seat by the window to get a better view.
Outside are tracks, trees, and sunshine. But inside...inside is all teamwork!



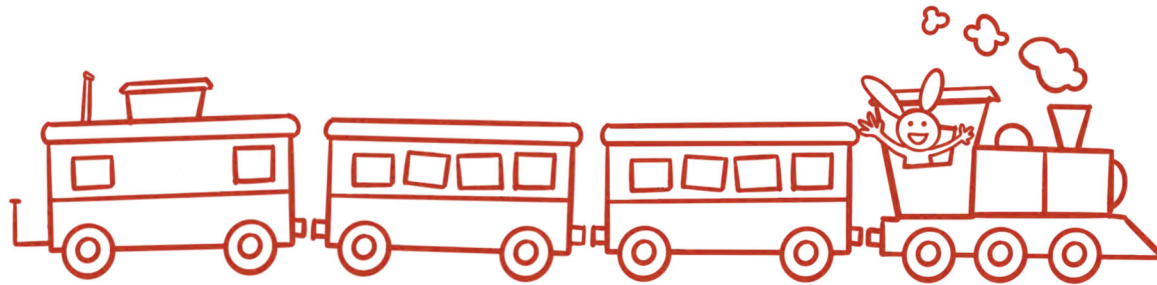


Reena thought about her exciting day
and how she met so many interesting
people who help make trains go.

“What a great day! I’m ready to roll!” Reena exclaimed.



The End!





Join Reena the Rabbit on an adventure
to find out who makes trains go.
Along the way she meets interesting
characters who help her find the answers.

