

Words to Know

go

is

this

Give Information

Listen and sing.

Busy Day

I go to Dawes Pool.

This is where I play.

I am with my family.

I have fun today.

I go to Oz Park.

This is where I cheer.

I am with my family.

All the fans are here.

Tune: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat"

Song



🔊 Key Words

Family Photos



This was a **special** day. My **parents** and I saw a parade **together**. It was **fun**!



This is my **extended family**. We **visit** them every year. That is fun, too!

Talk Together

Look at the family photo book. Where do they go? Where do you go with your family?

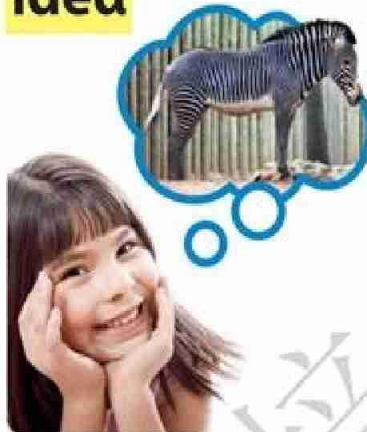
More Key Words

group



A **group** has more than two items.

idea



Lori's **idea** is to go to the zoo.

place



The school is a big **place**.

share



We **share** popcorn.

trip



We take a **trip** in our car.

Talk Together

Count the syllables in **Key Words**.

Group has one syllable. Idea has three.

Read a Story

Where does this story happen?



Reading Strategy

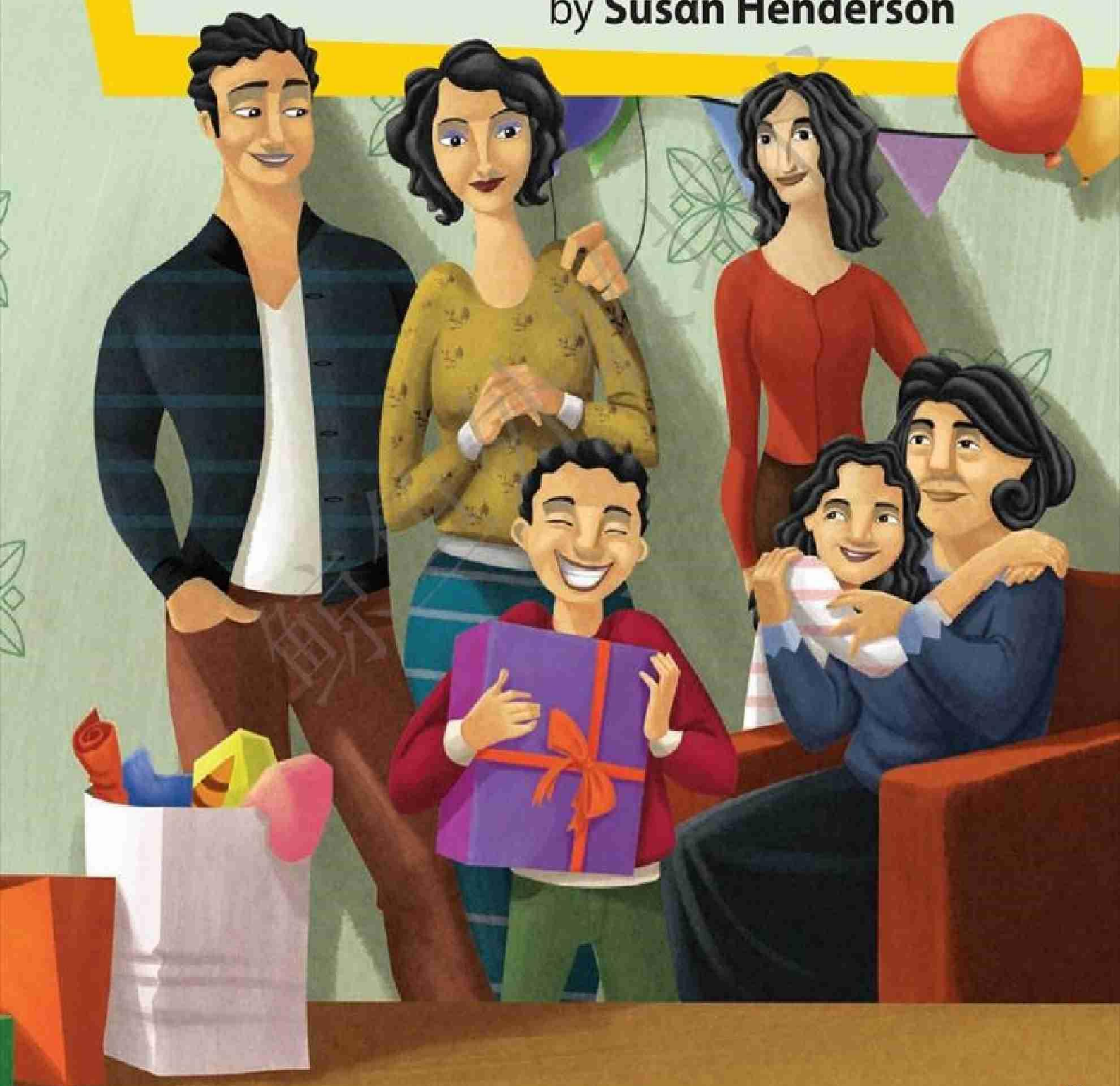
Preview the story on pages 41–57 and then **predict**. What is Victor celebrating?

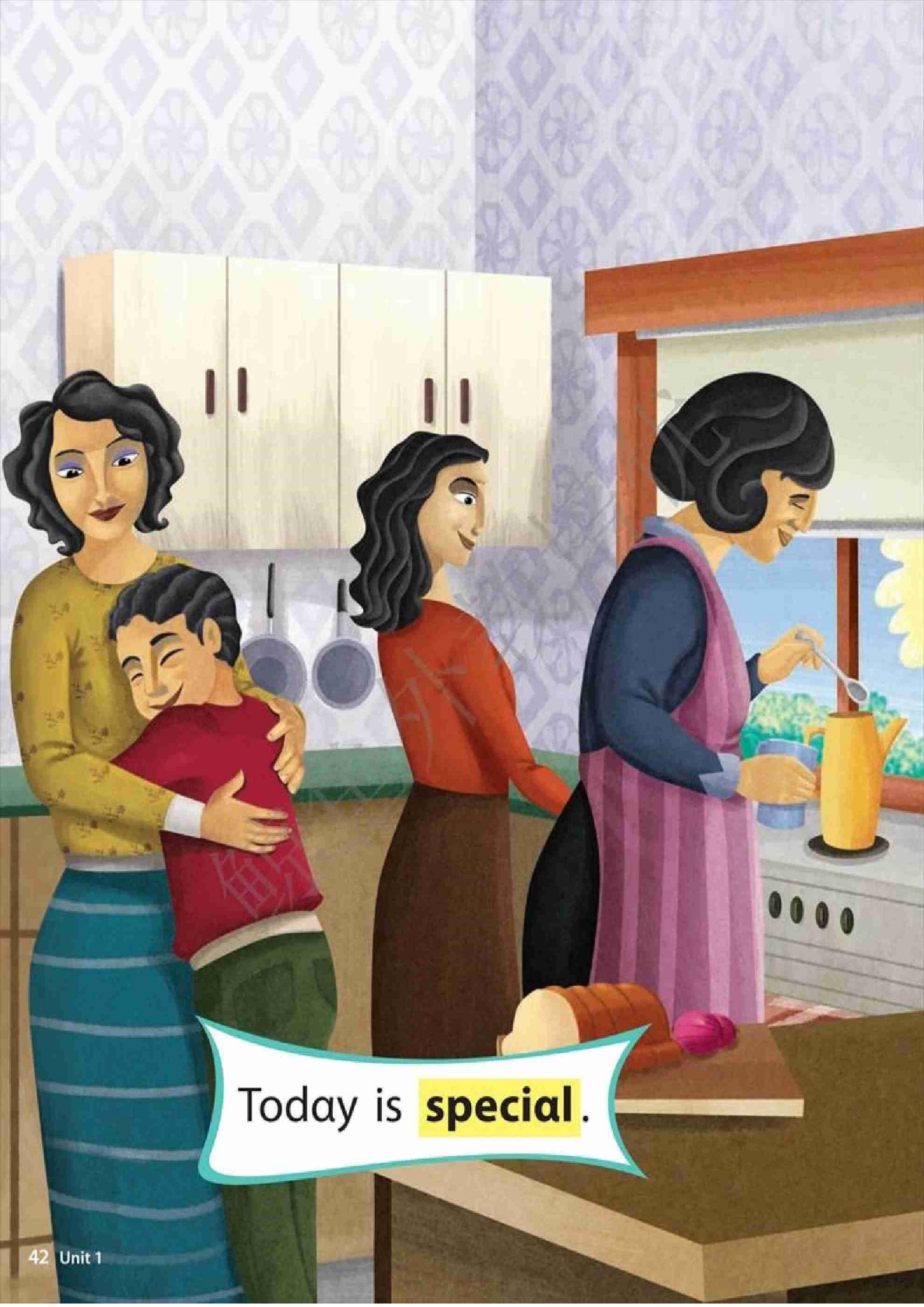




A Special Day for Victor

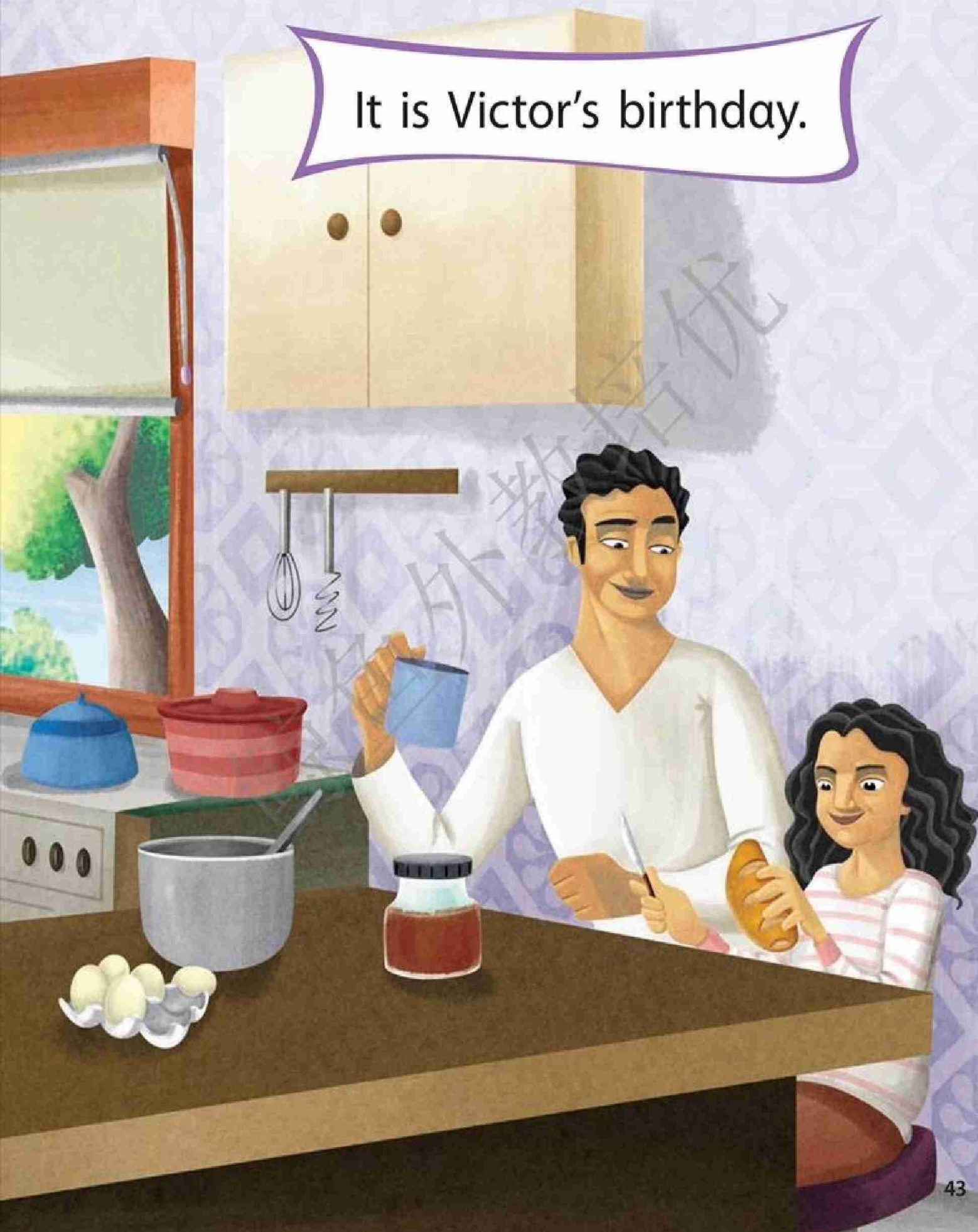
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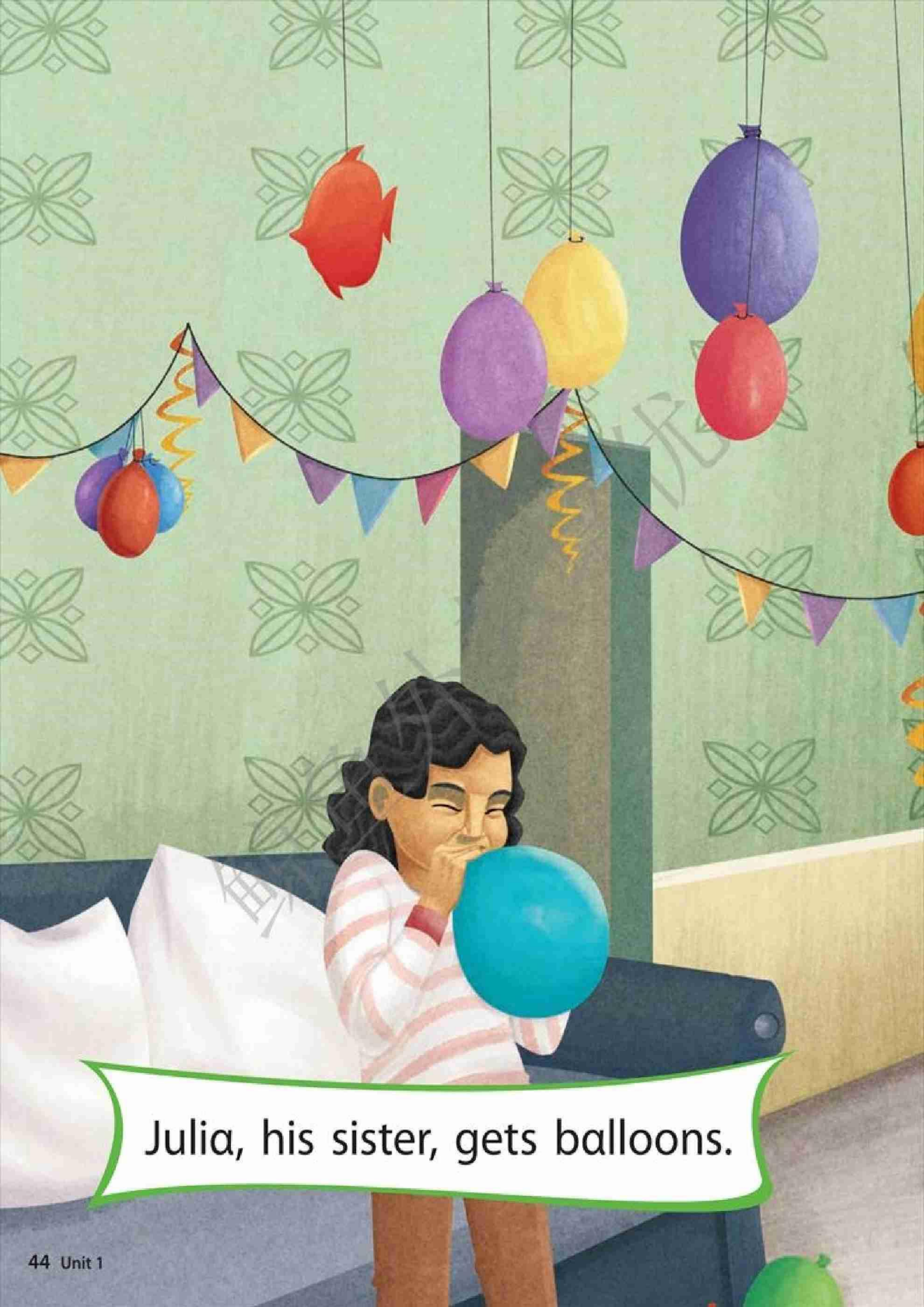




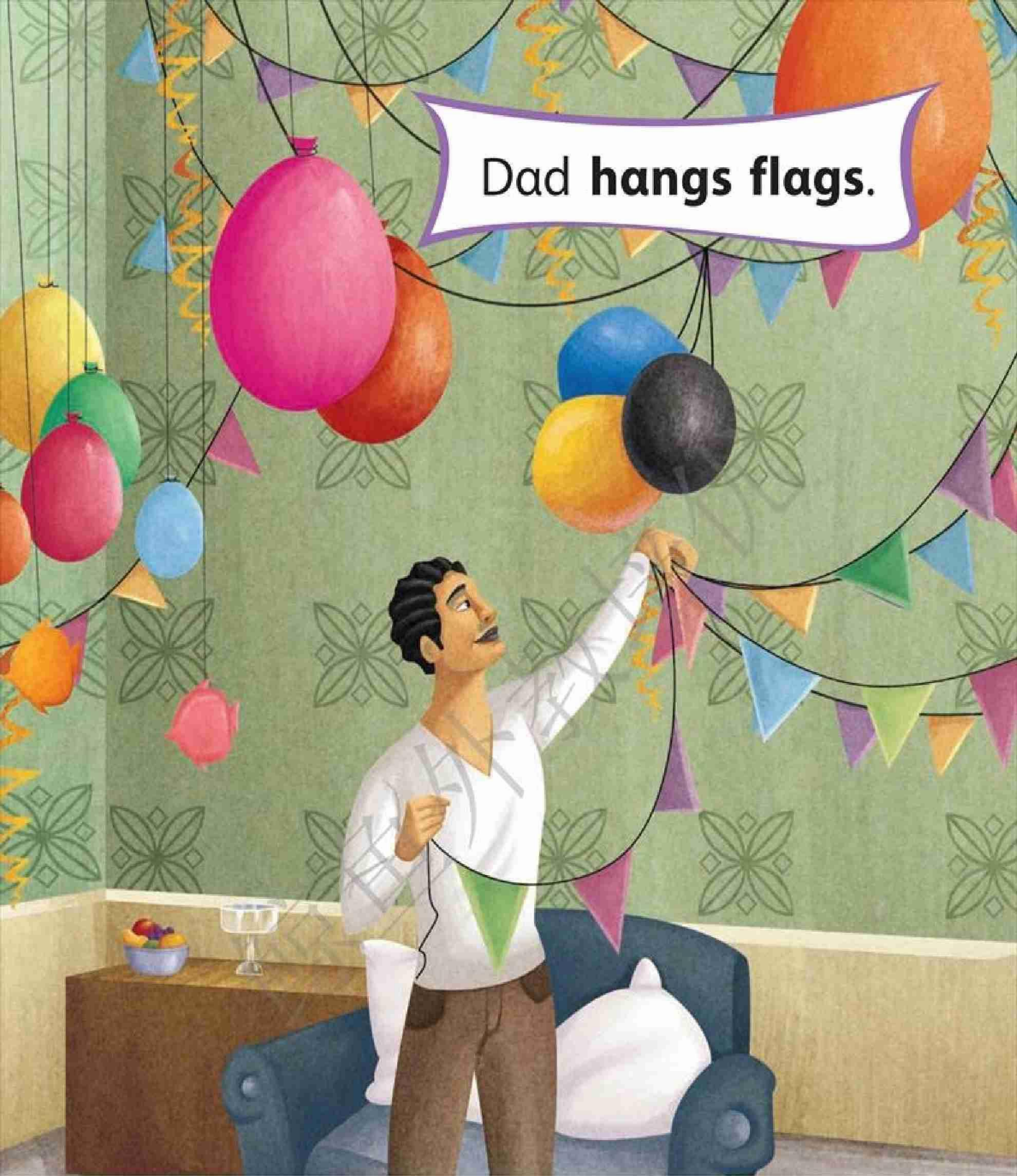
Today is **special.**

It is Victor's birthday.





Julia, his sister, gets balloons.

An illustration of a man with dark hair, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and brown trousers, standing in a room and hanging a string of colorful triangular flags. He is looking up at the flags. The room has green wallpaper with a repeating floral pattern. There are several large, colorful balloons (pink, orange, blue, yellow, green) hanging from the ceiling. A blue armchair with a white cushion is visible in the foreground. A wooden side table holds a bowl of fruit and a glass. A banner at the top of the page reads "Dad hangs flags."

Dad **hangs** flags.

hangs puts up on the wall

flags colorful pieces of paper or cloth

Grandma bakes a cake.

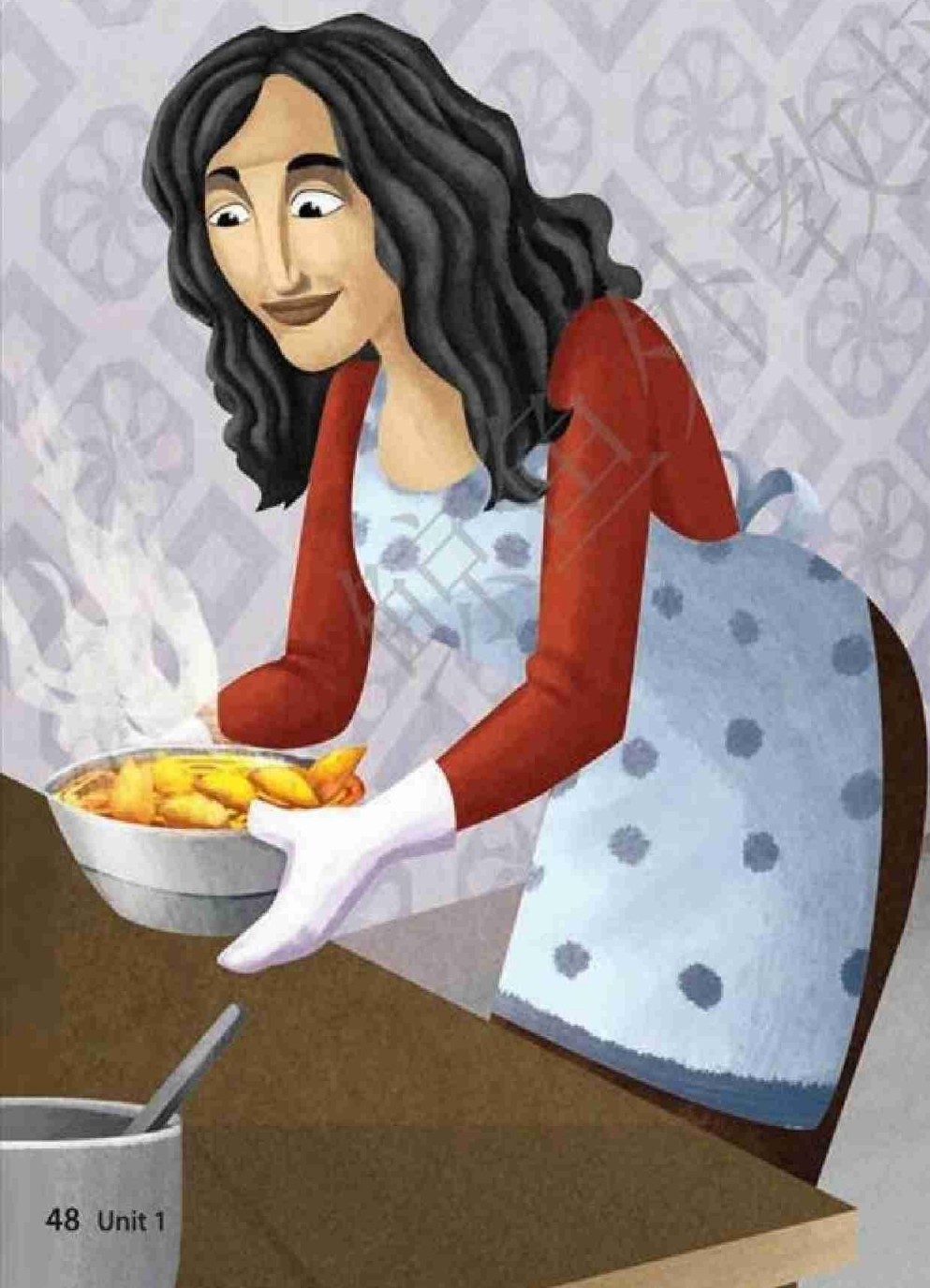


She makes **sweets**.



sweets candy and bread that has lots of sugar

Auntie helps.





Mom cooks.



Family members come to **celebrate**.



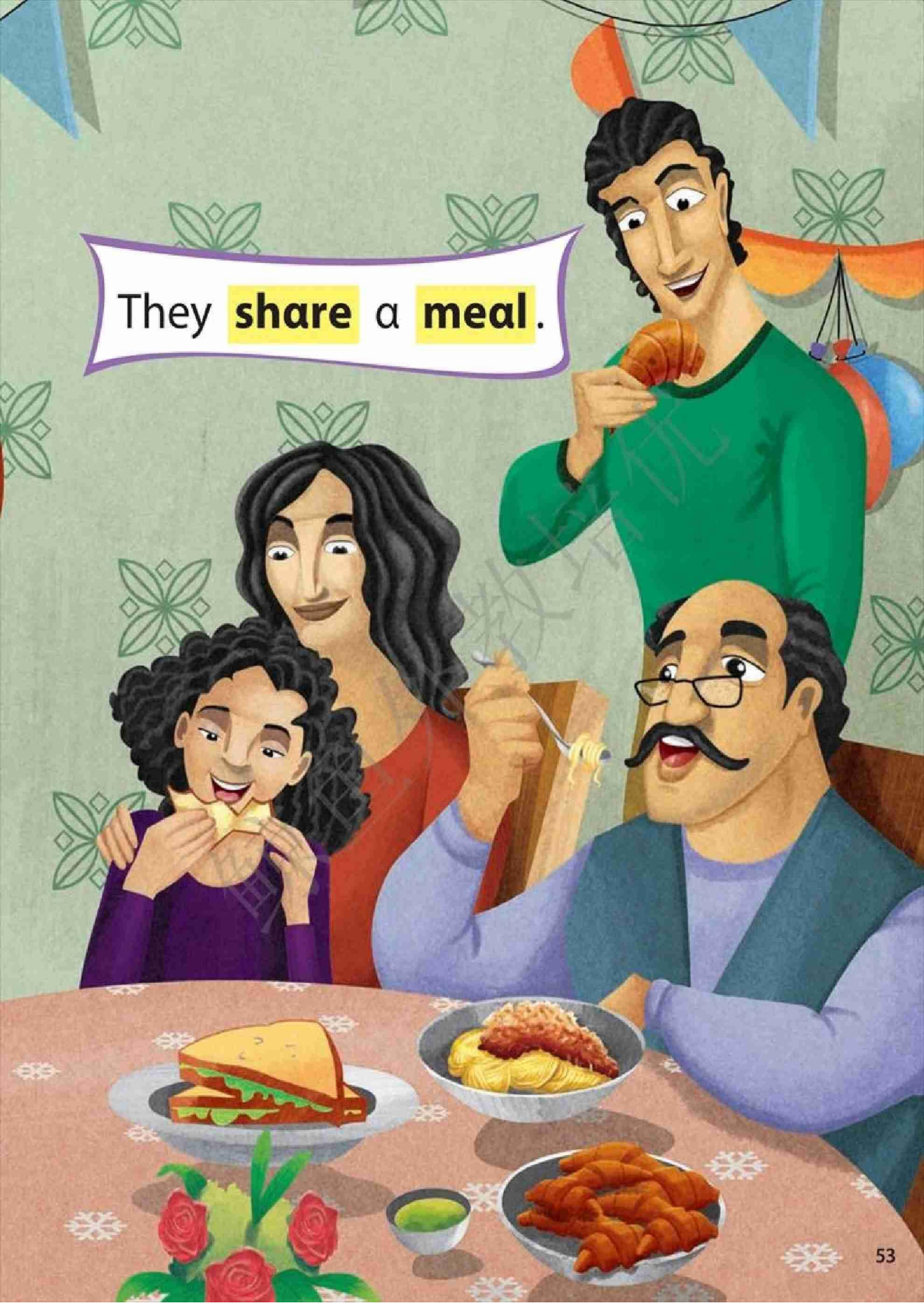
They bring **gifts**.

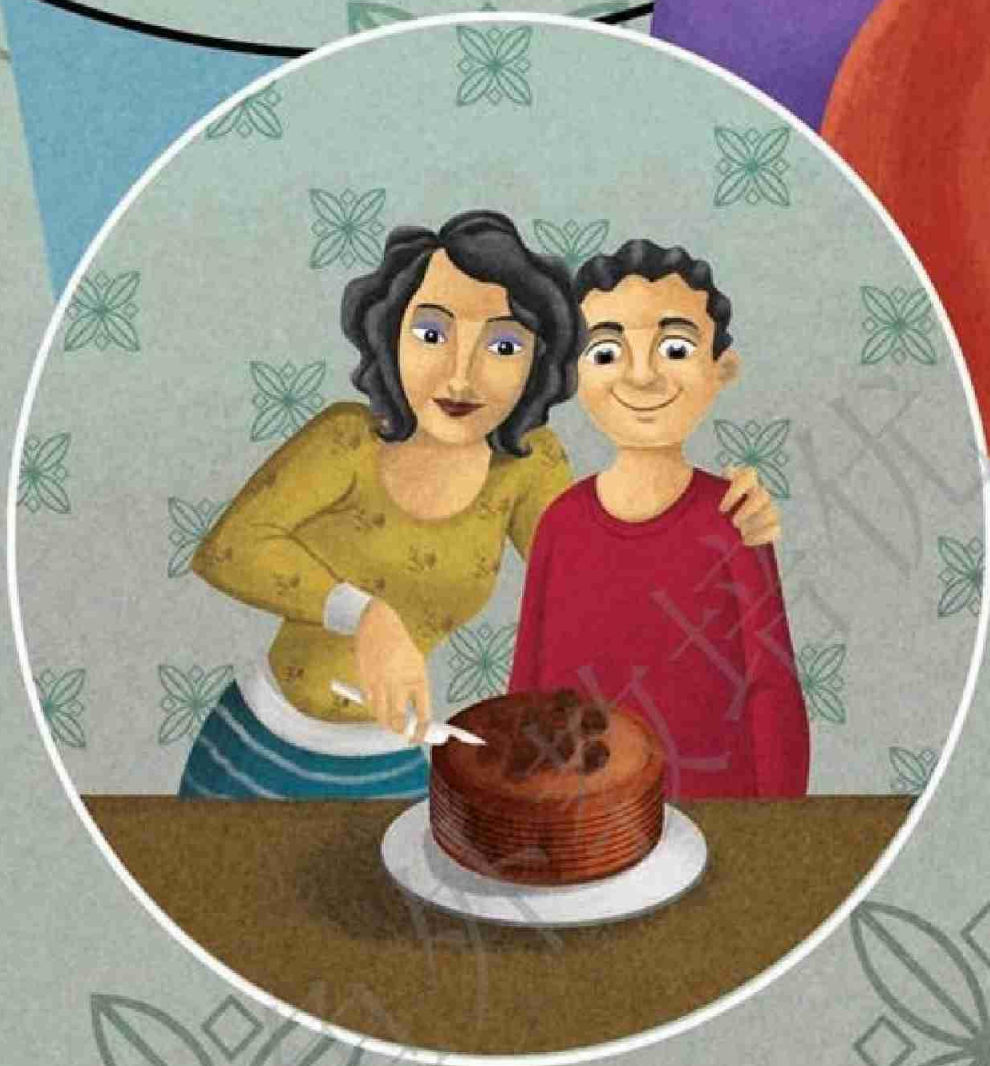
gifts presents

An illustration of a family of four celebrating at a party. Two men stand in the background, smiling and talking. One man is wearing a dark blue long-sleeved shirt and the other is wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt and holding a blue mug. In the foreground, a woman with dark hair in a bun and a green patterned top is seated at a table, looking down at a plate of food. A young boy in a red shirt is seated next to her, holding a piece of food up to his mouth. The table is covered with a pink tablecloth and has plates of food, including what looks like pizza or flatbread. The background is decorated with green floral patterns and colorful triangular bunting flags in orange, purple, and blue. A white banner with an orange border is positioned across the middle of the image.

Everyone has **fun**.

They **share** a **meal**.





Mom helps cut the cake.



Grandma gets **a slice**.



a slice a thin piece of cake



Victor loves his family.



They love Victor, too! ❖

Talk About It



1. What do you see in the pictures of Victor's home?

I see ____.

2. What do they do at the party?

They ____ and ____.

3. What did you predict Victor is celebrating?
Did your prediction happen?

I predicted he was celebrating ____.

My prediction ____.

Write About It



How do you have **fun** with your family?

We like to ____ together.



Identify Setting

Where are Victor and his family? What are the **places** like? Write words or draw.

Setting Chart

Places	What the Places are Like
• home • kitchen • •	• fun • lots of good food •

Use your chart. Give information about the setting of "A Special Day for Victor."

