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For my splendid son, Arlo, my delightful daughter, Sophie, and the wonderful little boy in County Clare who, on hearing an earlier version of this story, sat bolt upright as though struck by a vision and shouted,
“THE KICK COULD GO ROUND THE WORLD!”

J. G.

For Nora, Lucas, Rebecca and Felipe
R. C.



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WHEN
TAD
KICKED
VLAD



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It was Tad's birthday, and everything was going GREAT.
Until his best friend, Vlad, ate the last slice of cake ...
before Tad had had *any*.
Imagine having *no cake* at YOUR OWN BIRTHDAY!

Well ...

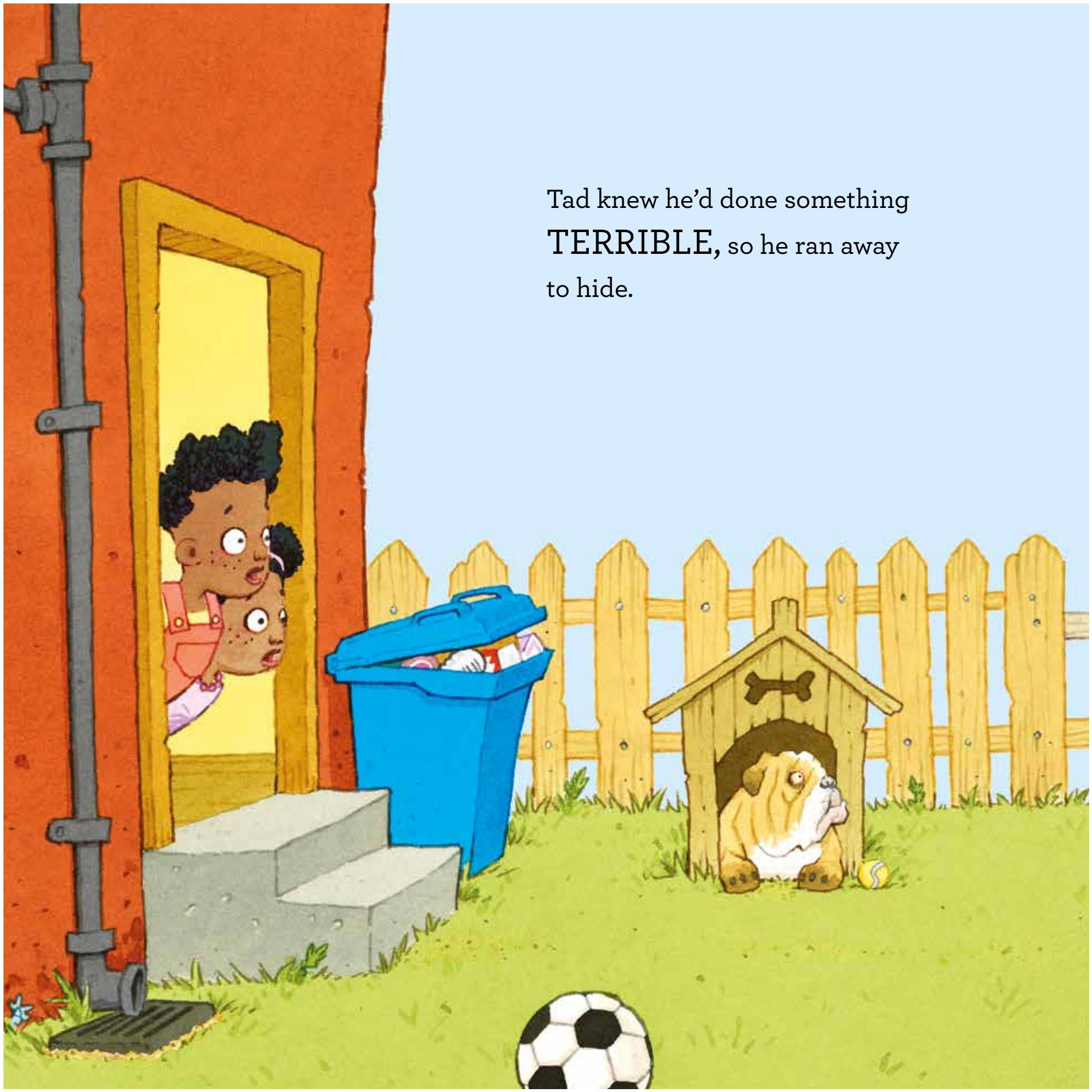


Tad got so mad he kicked Vlad.





Uh oh.



Tad knew he'd done something
TERRIBLE, so he ran away
to hide.



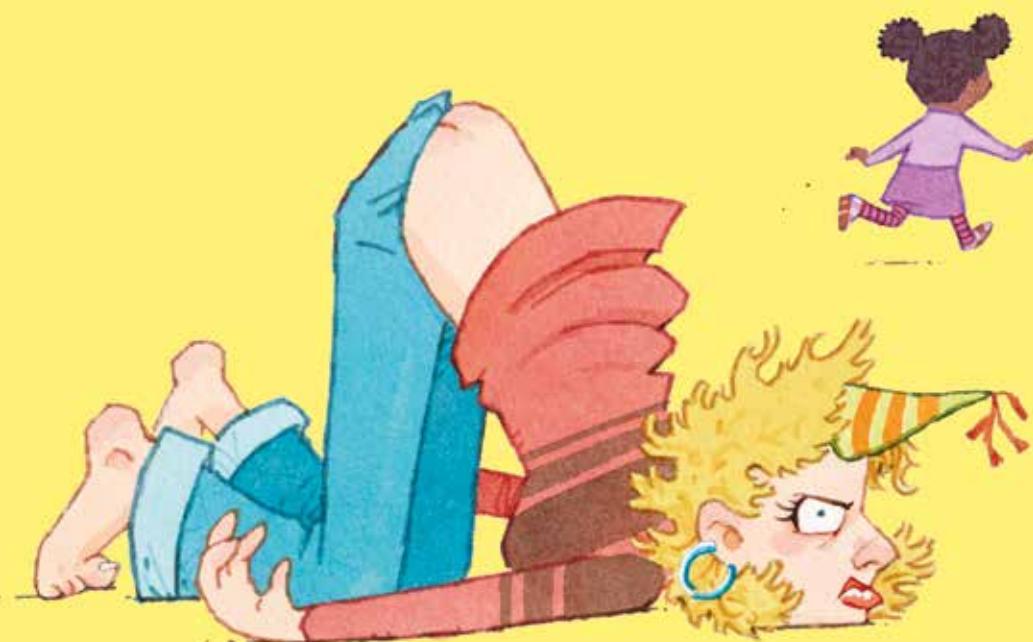
Now Vlad was so mad, he would have kicked Tad pretty bad, but Tad was halfway up a tree. So Vlad kicked his friend Bill instead,



and ran away to hide.



Bill was so shocked, he kicked his twin sister Jill, and ran away to hide.



This made Jill feel so sad, she wanted to make someone ELSE feel sad. So she kicked Tad's mum in the bum. Tad's mum was FURIOUS, but she couldn't kick a kid...

so she kicked the man dressed as a dinosaur.

The man dressed as a dinosaur was Tad's dad.

Oh boy, he got **SO MAD** . . .

Luckily, at that moment, the postman delivering
Tad's presents rang the doorbell.

