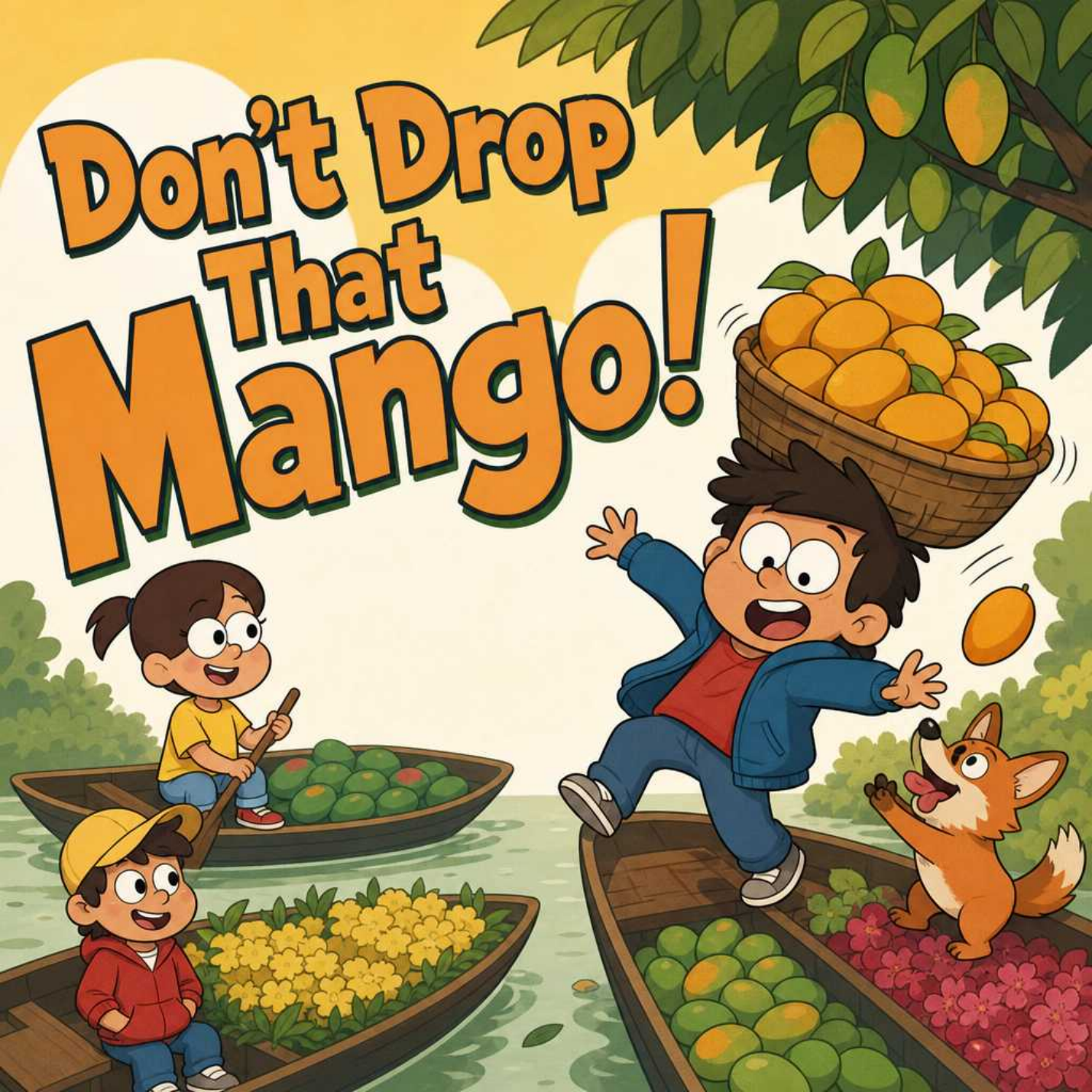


Don't Drop That Mango!





It is time to pick the mangoes on our farm! If we do not pick them in time, the insects will get to them.

We have a lot of mango trees. We must work hard to pluck them all while they are ripe. We fill each **basket** and take them to **market** to earn our money.



We climb the trees
and pick the
mangoes one by
one. Gran sits
below with a
basket, making
sure that we are
safe.

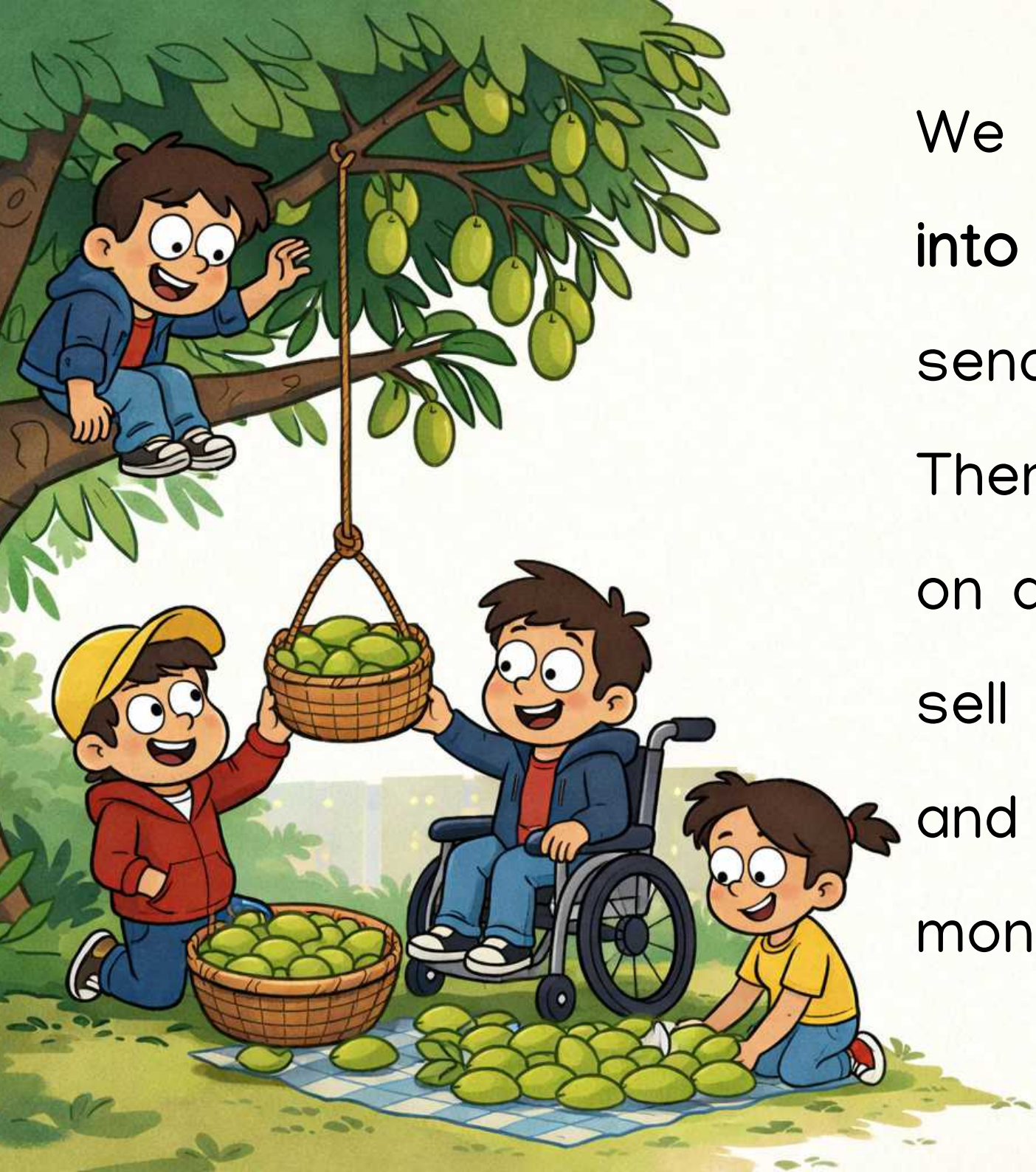




We have a
mango picnic for
lunch. Gran has
cut them up for
us. I like to chew
on the skin and
the seed as well.

Back to work. Our friends come to help. We will send some mangoes home with them in a basket as a thank you.



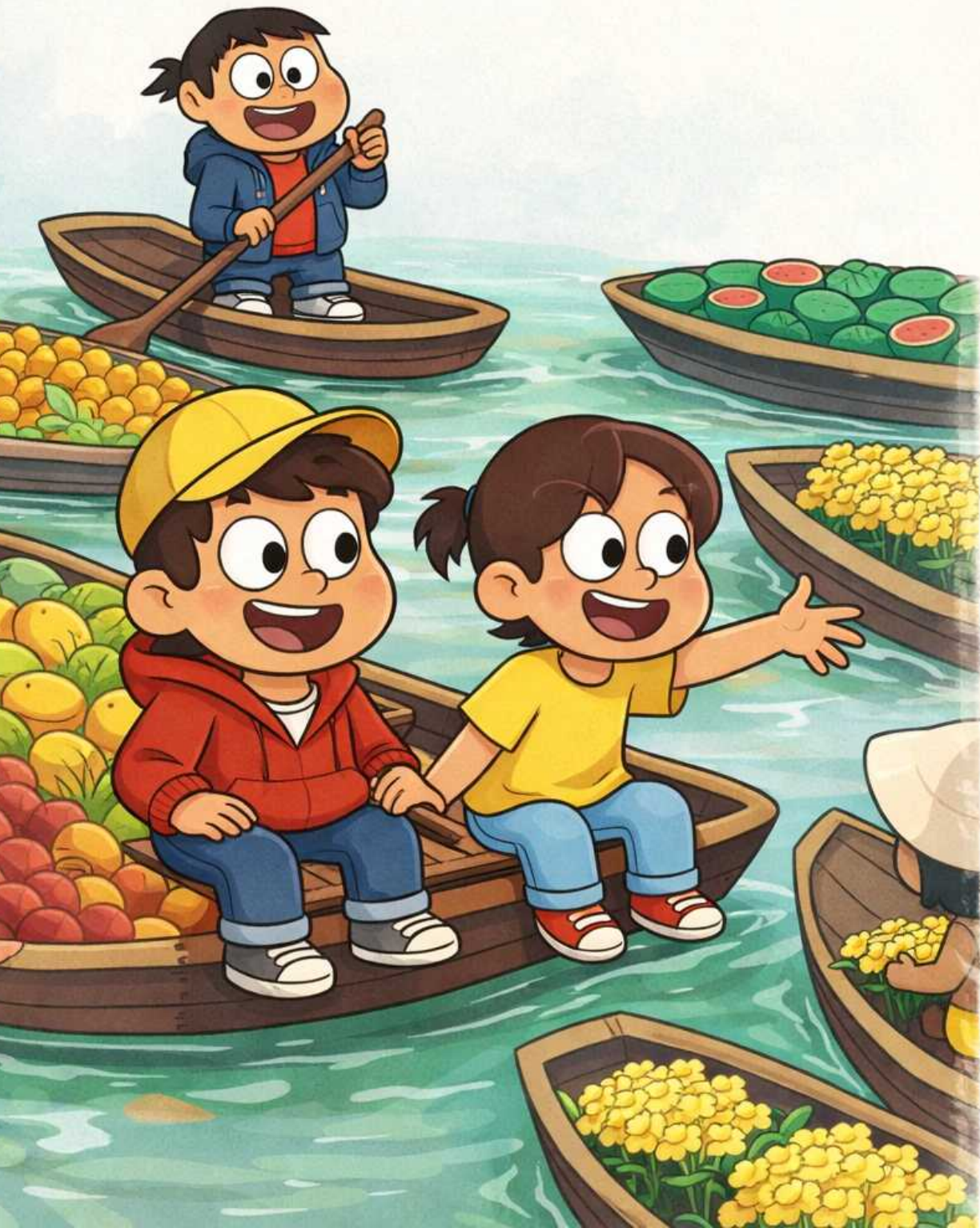


We load the mangoes
into baskets and
send them down.

Then we sort them
on a blanket. We will
sell some for cheap
and some for more
money.

Dad packs the mangoes up in the truck and we drive down to the market. We put out our blanket and start to sell them.





We also load them in our boat and float out onto the river. Boats bump all around us, full of baskets in every color. We swap our mangoes for other good things to eat. 'Don't drop that mango!' a man calls from the next boat.

Every mango is picked,
sold, or shared. Not one
dropped. Well, not one
that Gran saw! We climb
the big tree to rest, and
the girl in yellow lies on a
branch while Dog stands
beside us, happy too.
'Next year,' I whisper, 'we
pick even more.'





Don't Drop That Mango!

It's harvest day, and every single mango matters! Can you help balance the baskets, climb the trees, and keep the fruit safe from hungry insects and wobbly cousins? From the farm to the picnic blanket to the busy market, golden mangoes roll and tumble everywhere - but whatever you do, don't drop that mango! Will every last one make it safely into the truck? This decodable reader practices VC/CV syllables in words like 'basket,' 'mango,' 'picnic,' and 'farmer.'

Reading Skills: VC/CV division

also, basket, baskets, blanket, farmer, insects, into, mango, mangoes, market, onto, perfect, picnic

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