

For readers in 1st-2nd grade Ages 6-8

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This book is dedicated to all of the elementary school students who endured COVID-19. This is a reminder to stay optimistic for futures ahead and to keep moving forward through challenging times with a positive attitude.

### Tyrone wakes up with a big smile on his face. It's his birthday!



# At breakfast, Tyrone asks, "Can I go to a baseball game for my birthday?"



"Sorry, Tyrone," his parents say. "We don't have time to go anywhere today."



# What is Tyrone going to do for his birthday now?



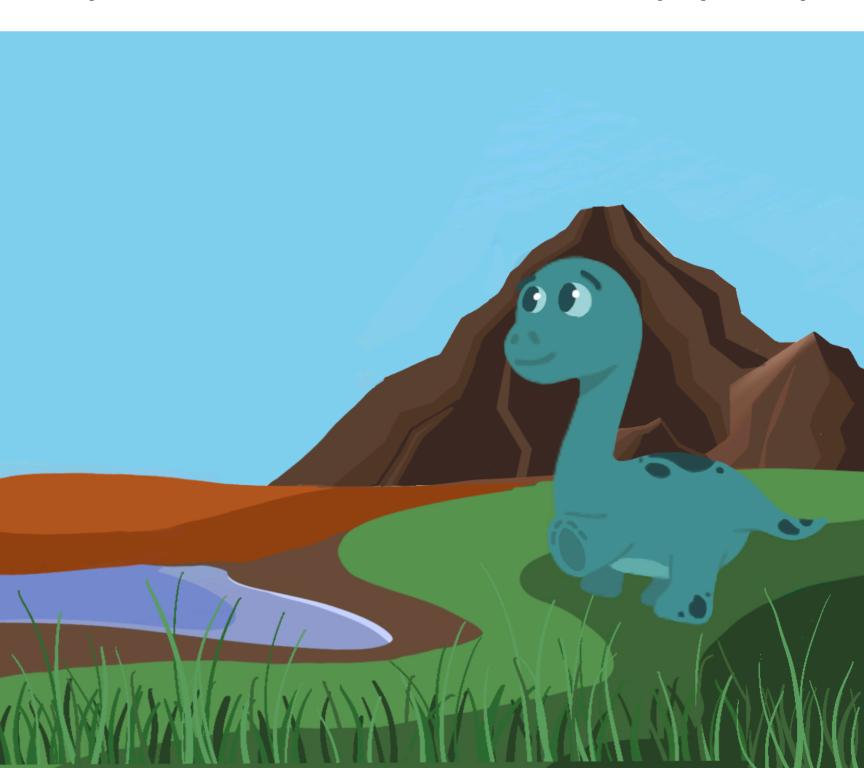


Tyrone asks, "Can I go play outside today instead?"

His parents respond, "Yes, as long as you come inside when we call for you." Tyrone is so excited to play!



Tyrone wonders if Sam will want to play today.



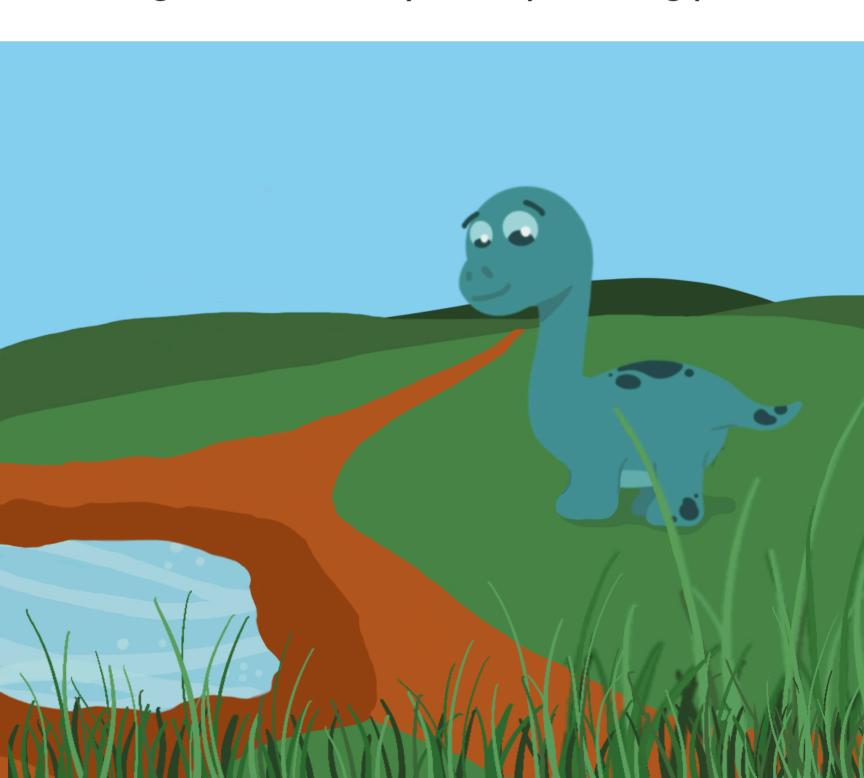


"Hi Sam, do you want to play today?"

"Sorry Tyrone, I'm very busy today," Sam replies.



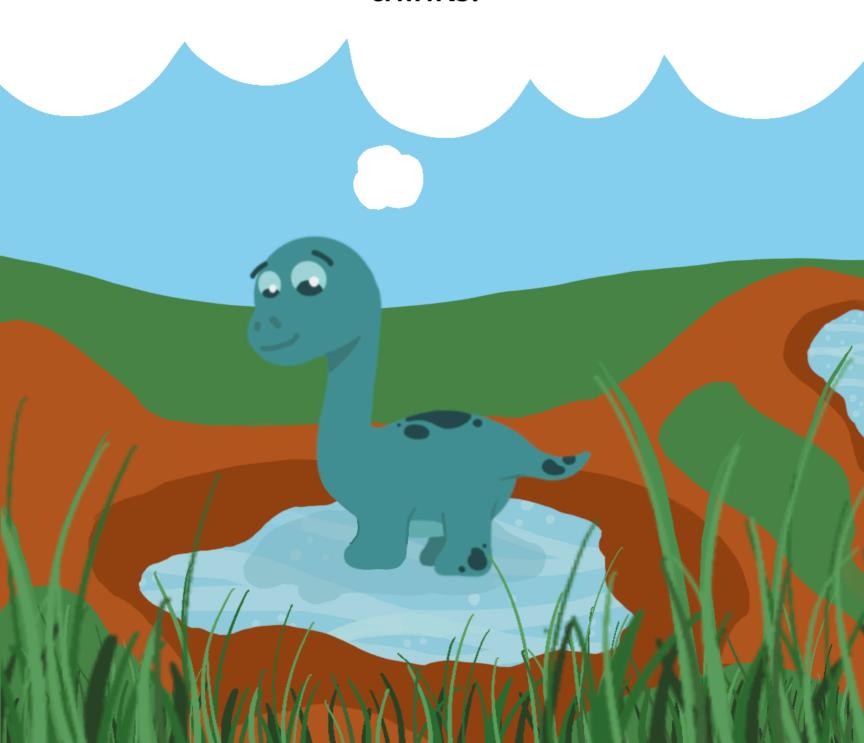
Leaving Sam's house, Tyrone spots a big puddle!



#### Tyrone has fun splashing in the puddle!



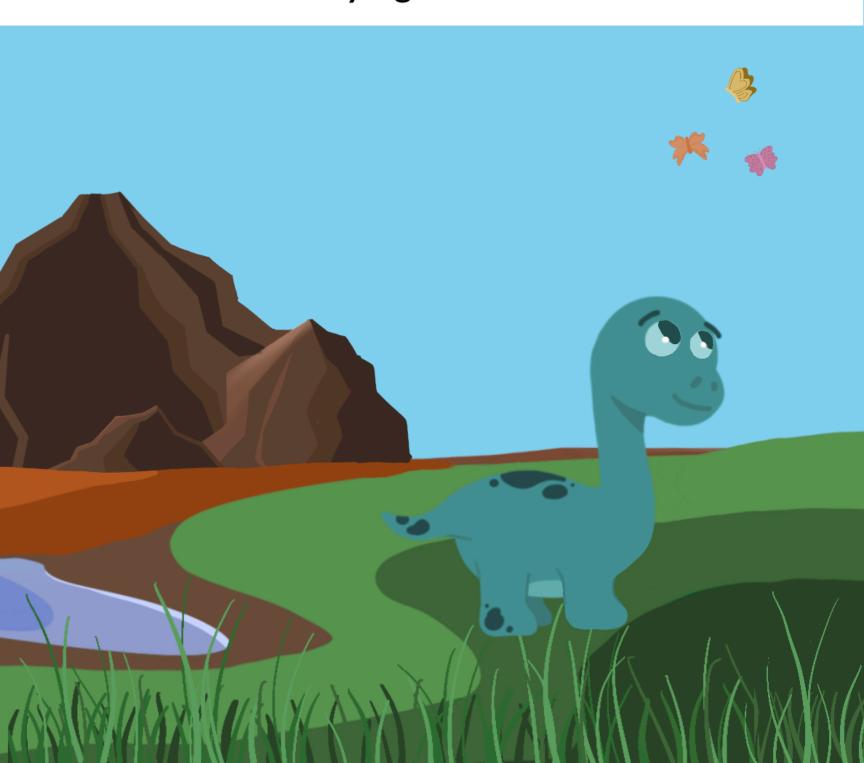
Oh, maybe Ravi will want to play today, Tyrone thinks.





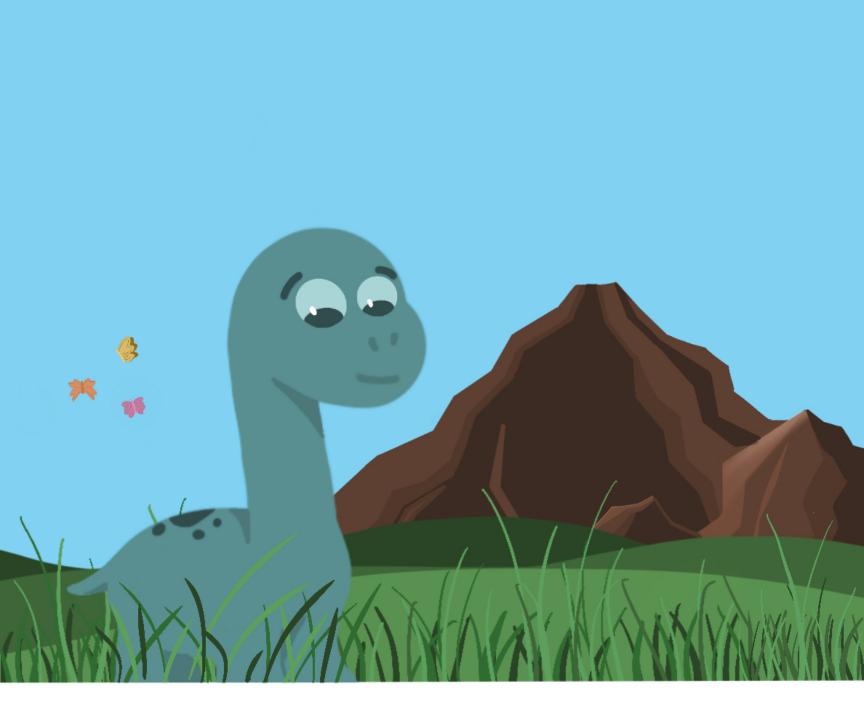
"Hey Ravi! Do you want to play today?"
Ravi answers, "Sorry Tyrone, I can't play today."

Leaving Ravi's house, Tyrone notices butterflies flying around.





Tyrone has fun dancing with the butterflies!

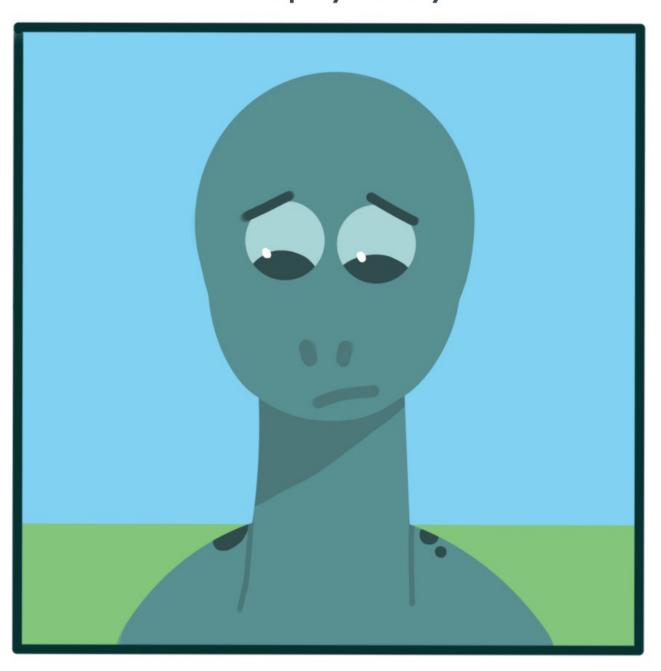


"Maybe Otis will want to play," Tyrone wonders.

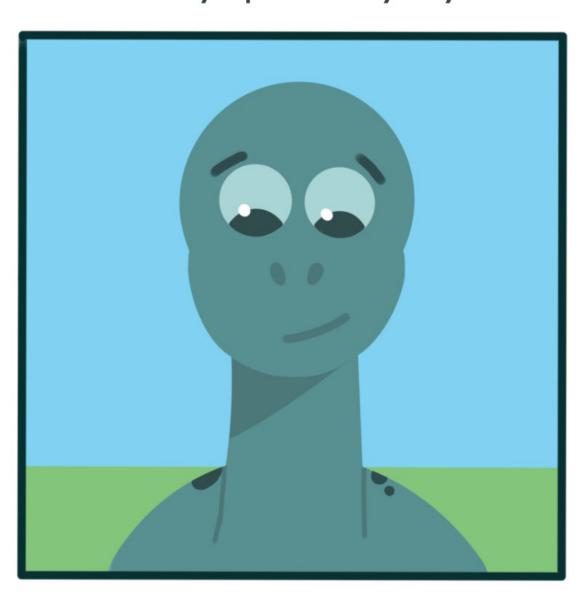


"Hello Otis, do you want to play today?"
"I'm sorry Tyrone, I have to do something else,"
Otis says.

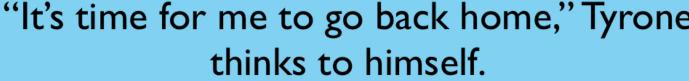
Tyrone feels sad because none of his friends could play today.



But then Tyrone remembers the fun day he had even though his friends couldn't play. He is glad he stayed positive and made his birthday special anyways.



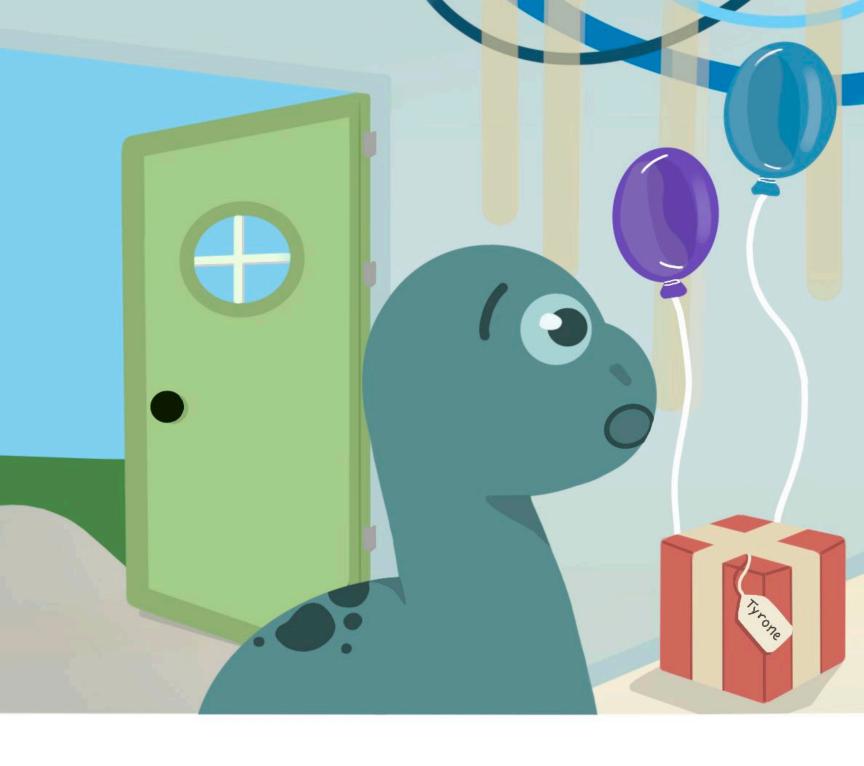




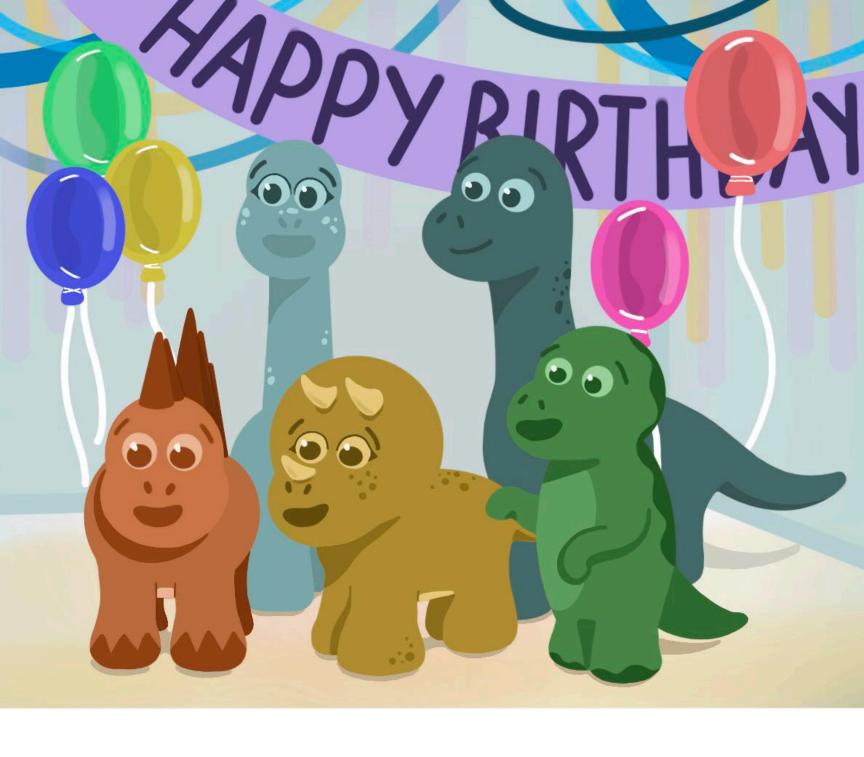


#### Tyrone opens the door and...





"Surprise!" his friends and family exclaim.



"Happy birthday Tyrone!"

"This has been the best birthday ever!"

Tyrone says with a smile.

