

# Waving Good Bye

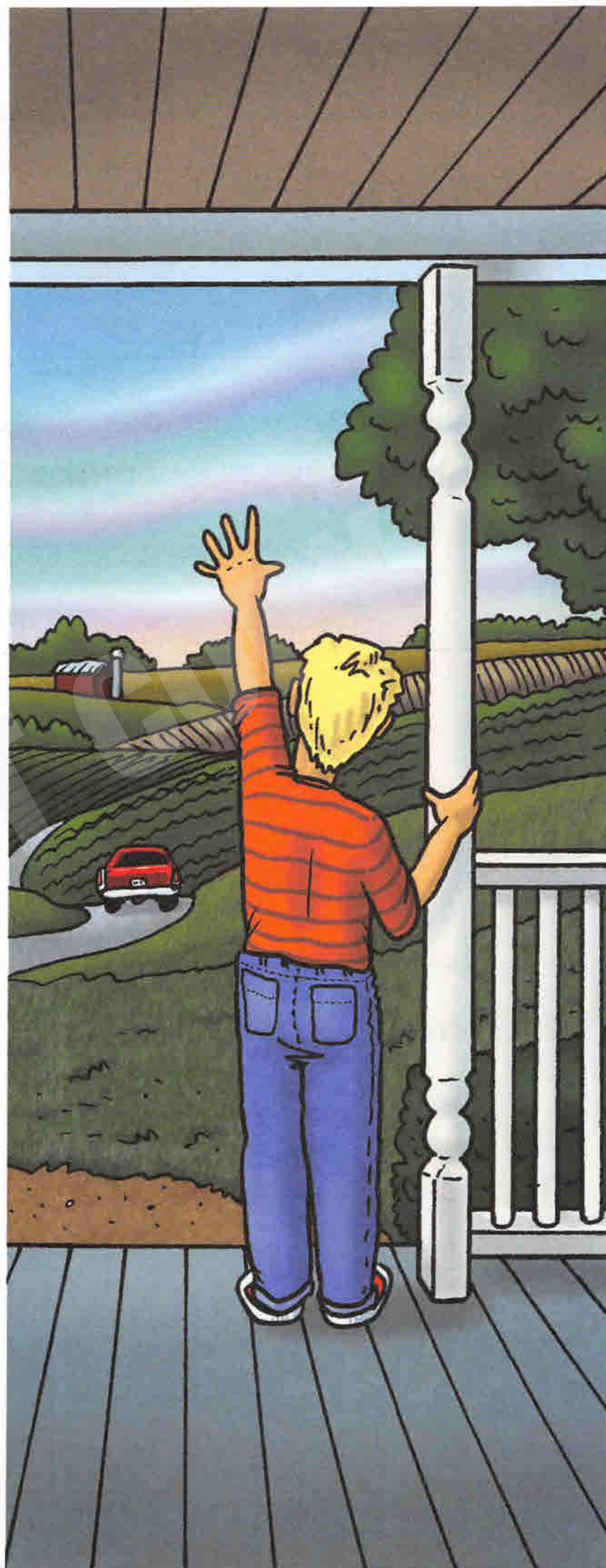
*What does the boy remember about his grandparents' visit?*

<sup>1</sup> I stood on the porch for a long time and waved. Gram and Gramps had such a long drive. They wouldn't get home until tomorrow.

<sup>2</sup> Everything seemed quiet now that they were gone. Gramps wasn't telling one of his stories. The best one was about the fort he and his brothers had built in the hay barn. It seemed as if the fort got bigger every time I heard the story.

<sup>3</sup> And Gram wasn't in the kitchen humming like she always did. Every now and then, she would even dance a little. Then, she'd look up and laugh. If anyone was watching, her face would turn red.

<sup>4</sup> I watched until their car was just a dot. Then, I hummed a little song and went to ask my dad about the hay in the barn.



1. Which word best describes the boy's feelings about his grandparents?

fond

excited

hopeless

2. Why do you think the fort "got bigger" every time Gramps told the story?

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3. What do you think the boy might do next?

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4. Mark the sentence that is true.

\_\_\_\_\_ Gramps grew up on a farm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Gramps grew up in the city.

5. What information in the story helped you answer question 4?

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6. Who is telling the story?

\_\_\_\_\_ Gramps      \_\_\_\_\_ the boy      \_\_\_\_\_ the boy's dad

7. Read the two sentences below. Write **C** for *cause* next to one and **E** for *effect* next to the other.

\_\_\_\_\_ Gram and Gramps have headed home.

\_\_\_\_\_ Everything seems quiet now.

8. Why do you think Gram's face sometimes turns red?

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