

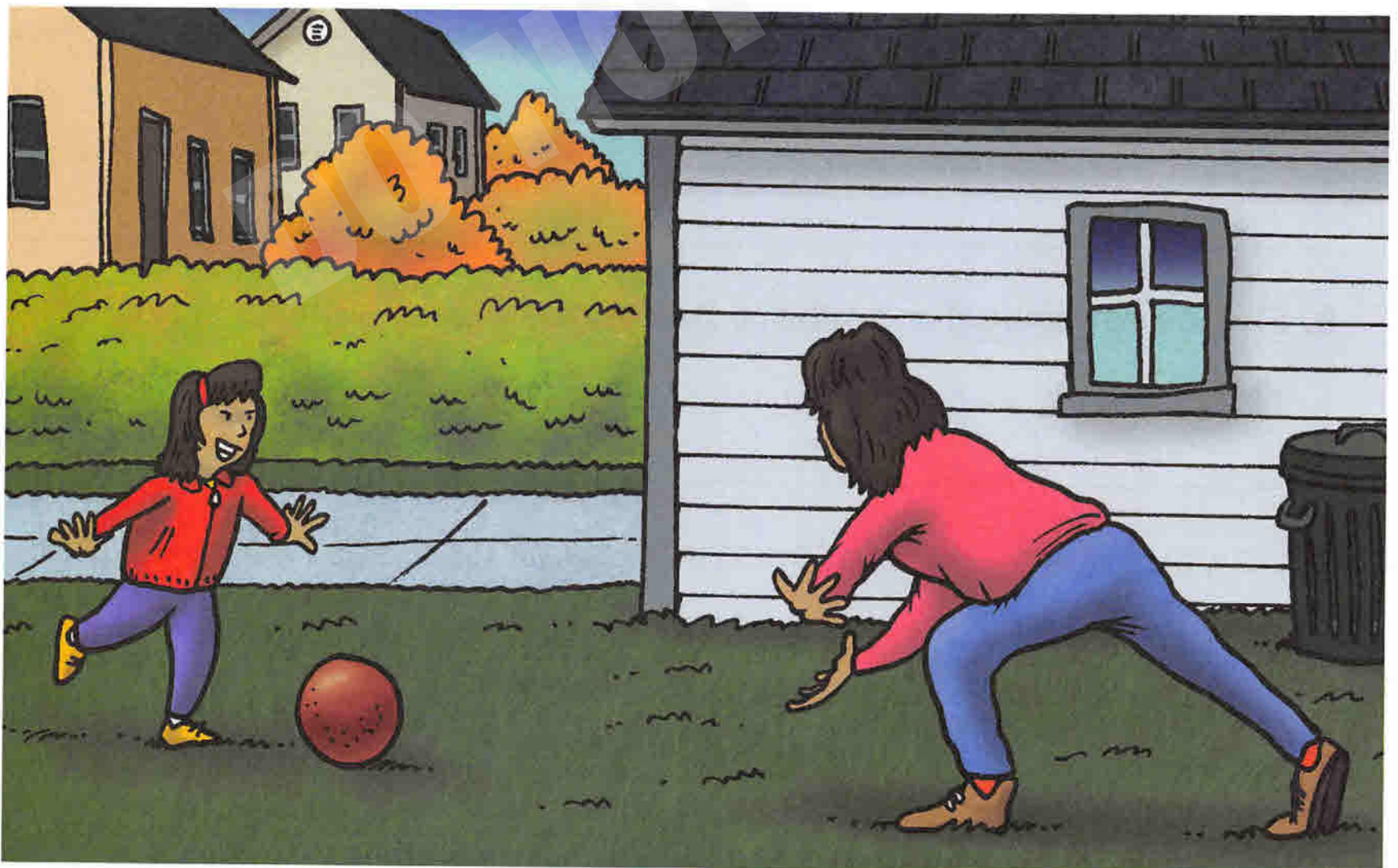
Getting Ready

How does Andrea get ready for the game?

¹ Andrea's teacher, Mrs. McKay, was all excited. The yearly kickball game against Mr. Haskins' class was tomorrow. Andrea had an icky feeling in her stomach. She didn't know how to play kickball, and she wasn't sure she wanted to learn.

² After Andrea came home from school, her mom could tell something was wrong. Andrea told her about the game.

³ "We can fix that," said Mom, opening the back door. "Welcome to the backyard kickball field." An hour later, Andrea had practiced pitching, kicking, fielding, and running the bases. She had won the game, even without any teammates. Mom had been a really good sport about it. Now, Andrea was ready for tomorrow!



Find words in the story with these meanings.

1. once every twelve months _____
(Par. 1)

2. find out, get information _____
(Par. 1)

3. area of open ground _____
(Par. 3)

4. Andrea is worried because _____

5. Put a check mark by the sentence that best tells about how Andrea looks in the picture.

_____ Andrea is working hard. _____ Andrea is lazy.

_____ Andrea thinks kickball is funny.

6. What lesson did Andrea learn?

Things work out if

_____ you keep things to yourself.

_____ you let people help you.

_____ you never let anyone see you have a problem.

7. In the story, what is the solution to Andrea's problem?

8. How do you think Andrea feels at the end of the story?

_____ grateful _____ lonely _____ stressed

9. How did Andrea's mom know something was wrong?
