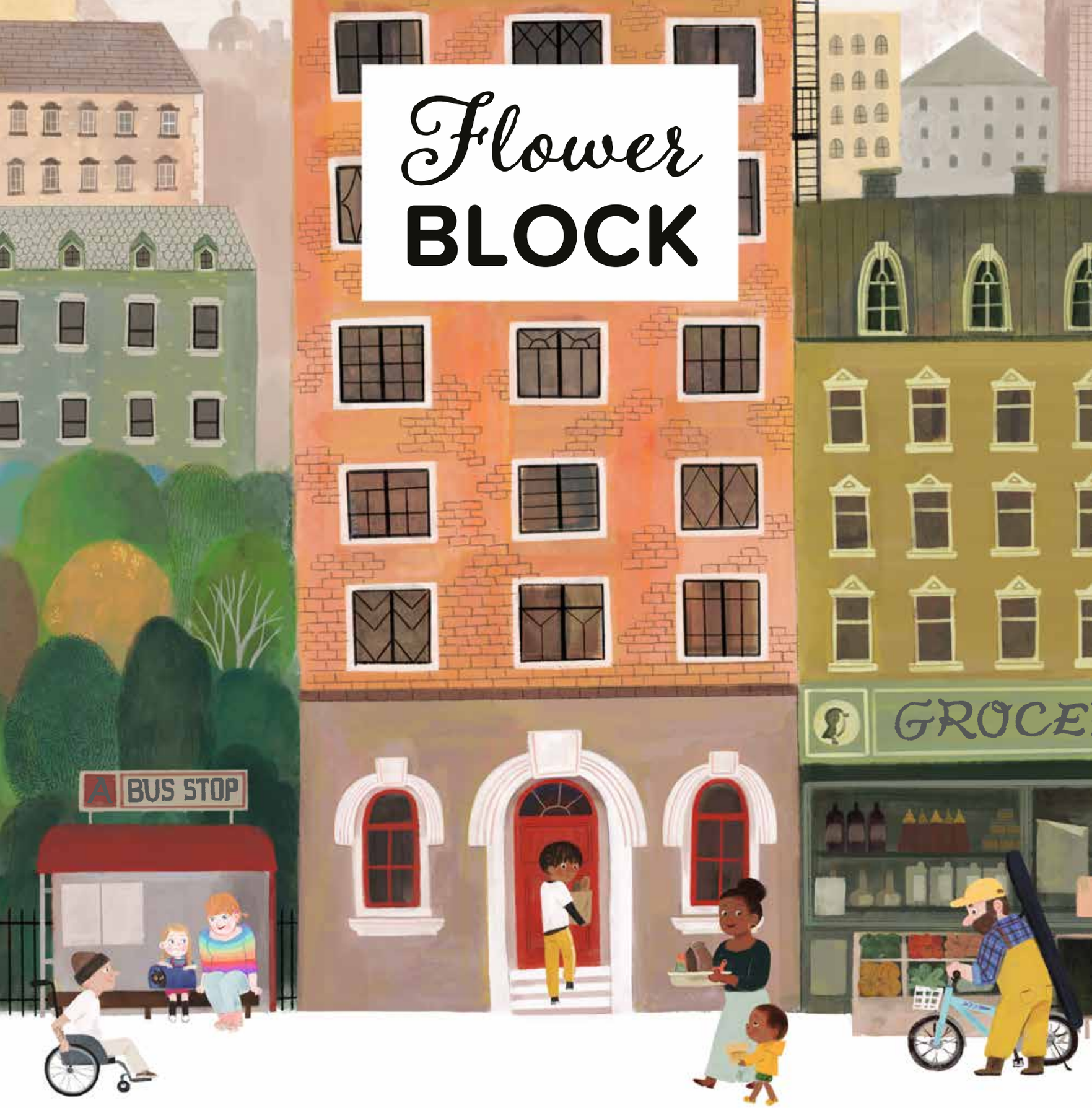

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Jeremiah Bright patted the soil on his
Grow Your Own Sunflower kit.
He placed the pot carefully next to the photo of his dad.
Sunflowers had been his favourite flower.



"Now what?" Jeremiah asked.

"Now you wait for the magic to happen,"
whispered Mum.

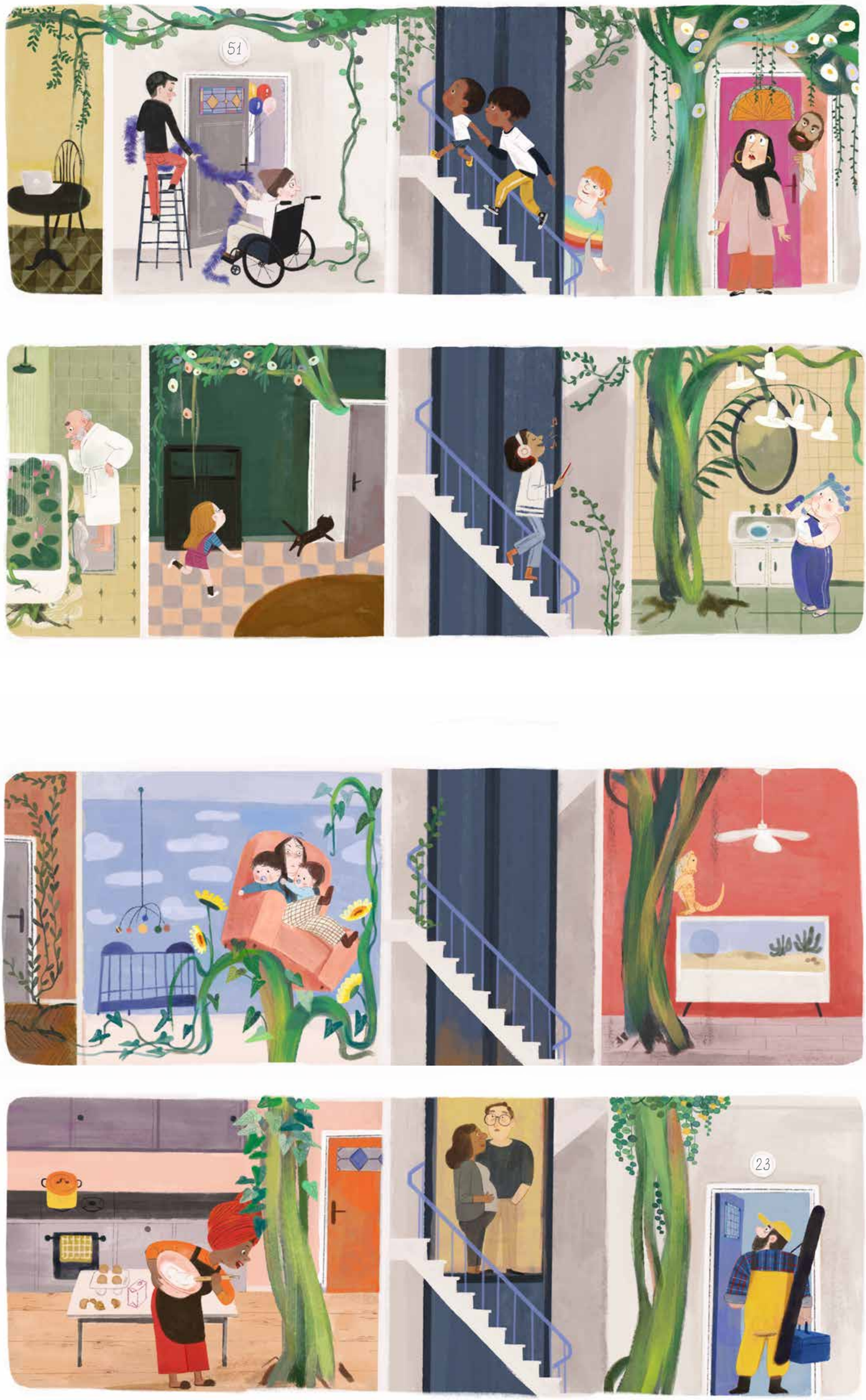
“We need to find the
top of the plant and stop
this thing!” called Jeremiah,
as the brothers raced out
of the flat and up the stairs.

On the next floor, a lady in a rainbow-bright leotard
opened the door to Flat 17. Behind her,
the boys could see a mass of leaves and petals.

“Look at this perfect addition to my dance floor!” she said, looping round the stem. “Do you know who grew them?”

“It was me,” mumbled Jeremiah. “But it wasn’t supposed to be this big. We’re trying to find where it ends!”

“Well, I think it’s beautiful,” she beamed. “Mind if I join you?”



The three ran up the stairs. On each floor, they discovered more flowers, more leaves and more friendly new faces and names! The block soon echoed with happy chatter as all the neighbours joined in to help find the top of the plant.