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Reading practice

CVC

Gus	big	box	kit
mum	not	set	hot

CVCC

gift	best	fond	sulk
left	bolt	dusk	jolt

Vocabulary

- den** – a resting place
- dusk** – the time between sunset and nighttime
- fond** – having a liking for something
- jolt** – a sudden movement or shake
- panic** – sudden fear
- sulk** – to be silent, sad and in a bad mood
because of disappointment
- sync** – to combine or work together

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High-frequency words are common words, some of which pupils may not be able to read at this stage. As the phonic progression develops through the books, pupils will be able to decode more of these words.

High-frequency words considered decodable for readers at this stage:

the, has, his, is, as, of, I, to, see

Words the reader may need help with:

mask, control, game, room, trap, he, no, when, cannot, electric, sync, says, have, for, out, code, what, asks, cake, ring, stop, panic, this, today, then, falls

Chapter 1: The Gift



Gus gets a gift in a big box. The box has a kit in it: a mask, a control and a game, *Room Trap*.

"The best gift!" yells Gus.



His mum is not as fond of the gift.
“Can I set it up?” Gus begs.



Gus sits and sulks. It is hot in the sun
and he has no pals. He taps the box.
“I will set it up when Mum has left!”

Chapter 2: The Bolt

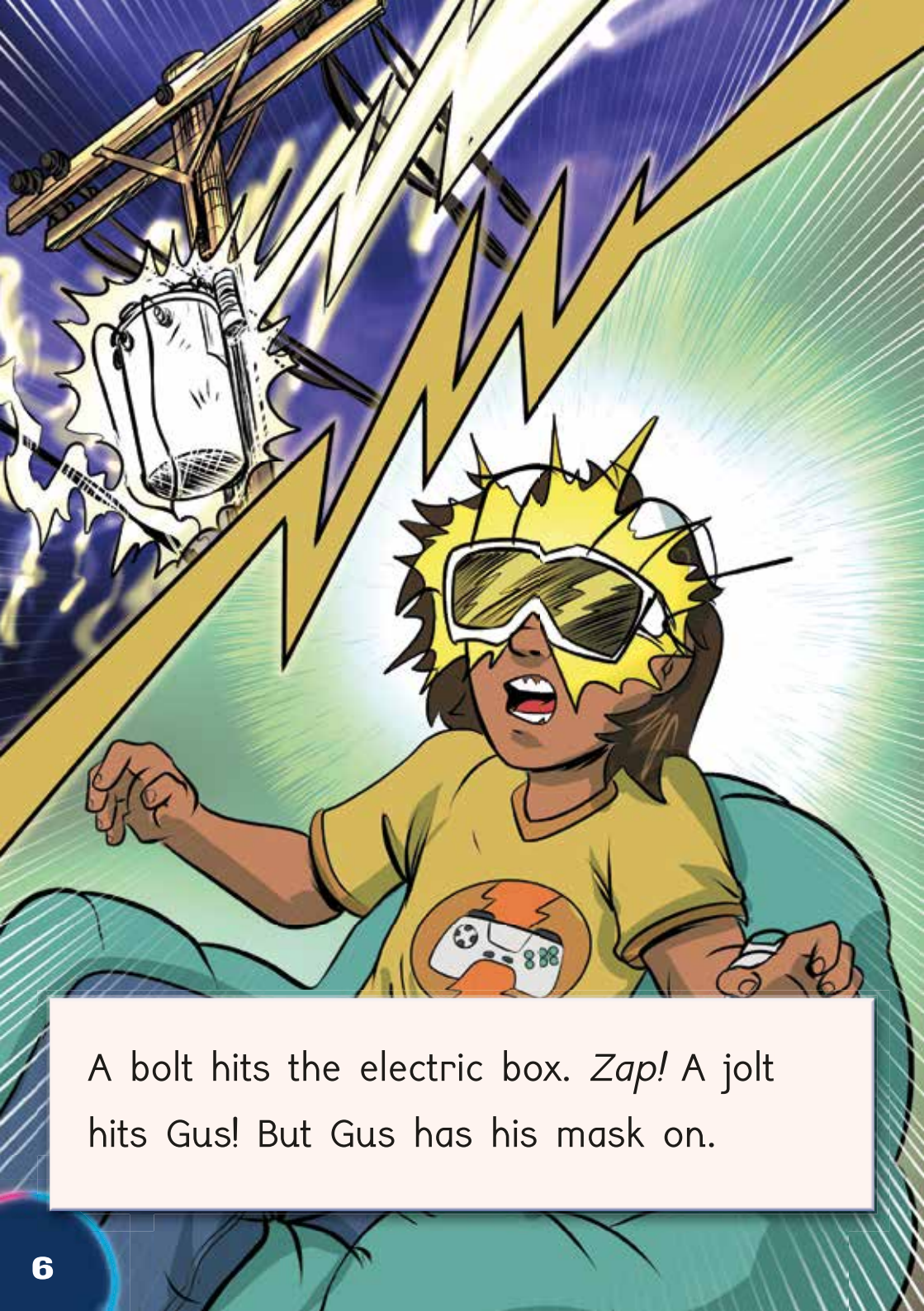


It is dusk and the sun has set. Gus's mum has left to rest. Gus runs to his den. He has the mask in his hand.
"I can test it!"

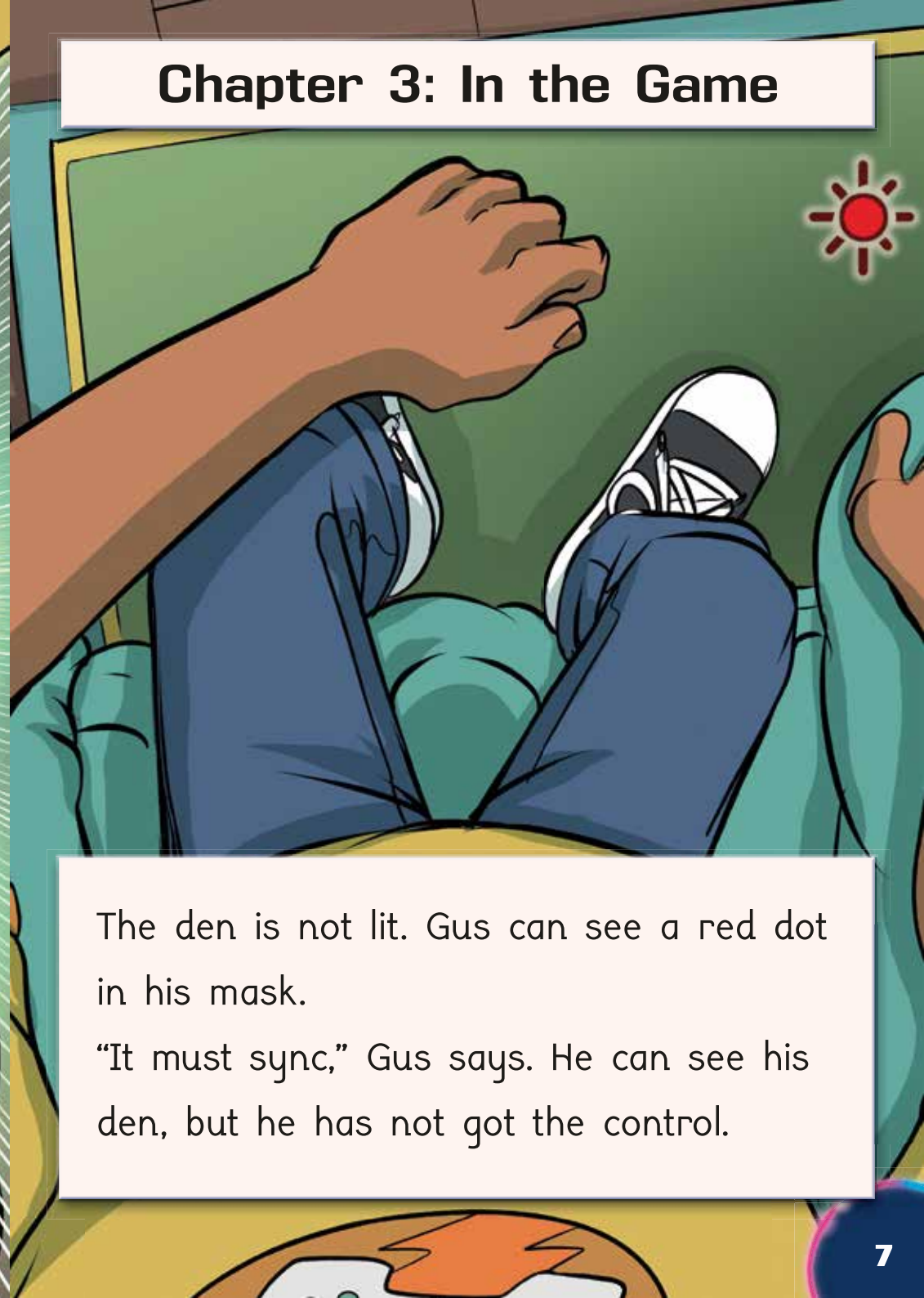


The wind gets up. *Zap! Zap! Zap!*
Bolts zig and zag. Gus has his mask and control on. He cannot see the bolts.

Chapter 3: In the Game



A bolt hits the electric box. *Zap!* A jolt hits Gus! But Gus has his mask on.



The den is not lit. Gus can see a red dot in his mask.

"It must sync," Gus says. He can see his den, but he has not got the control.