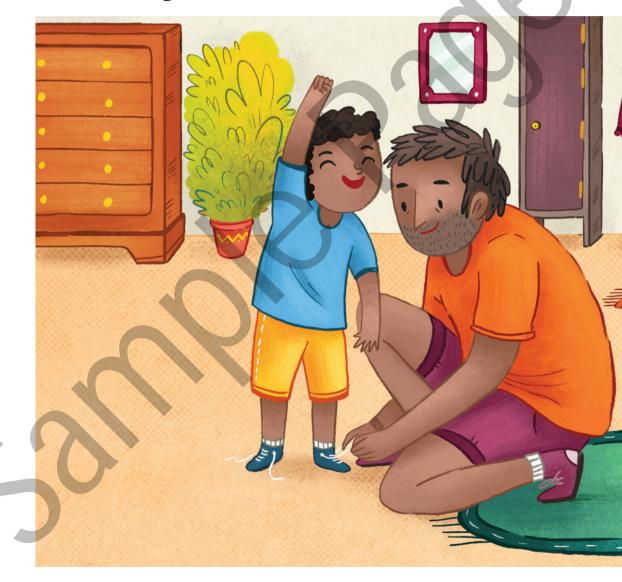
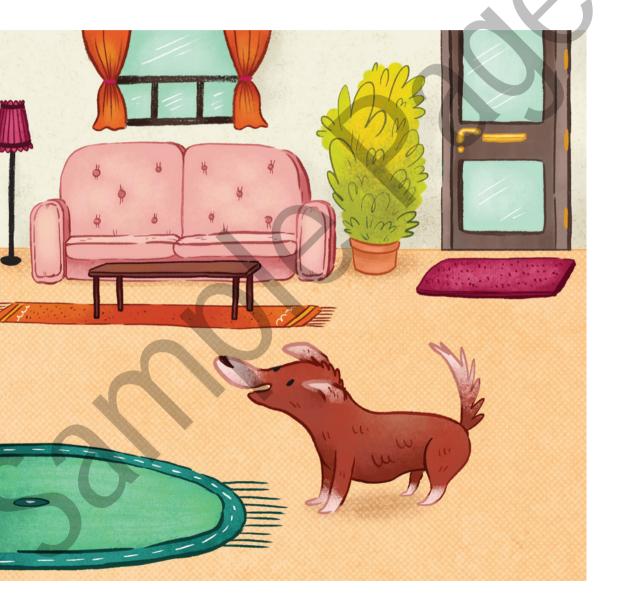
"I can't wait to race against Puffing Billy," says Ben.

"Are you sure you can do it?" asks Dad. "Yes!" says Ben.



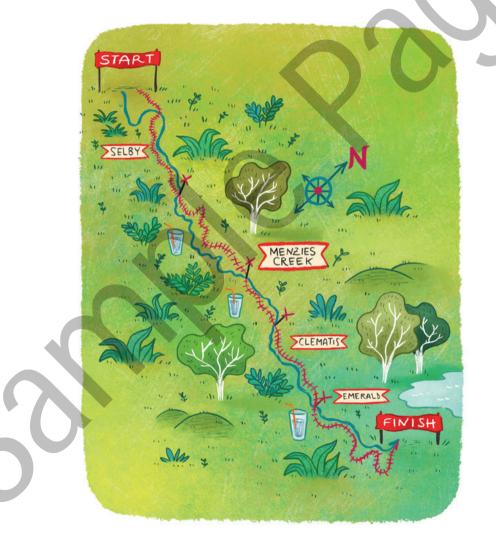
"Come on," says Dad.

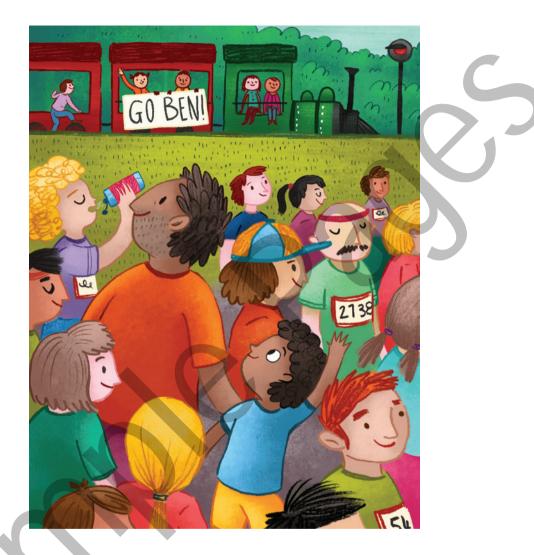
"We have to train hard! It is a long way to run. There are lots of steep hills."



The race goes through towns and forests. One town is called Emerald because it has emerald-green hills.

The race will end at Emerald Lake Park. There will be a picnic at the lake.





Finally it is race day.Ben sees his friends. They have come to cheer him on.Ben and his dad line up.Ben's friends get on Puffing Billy.