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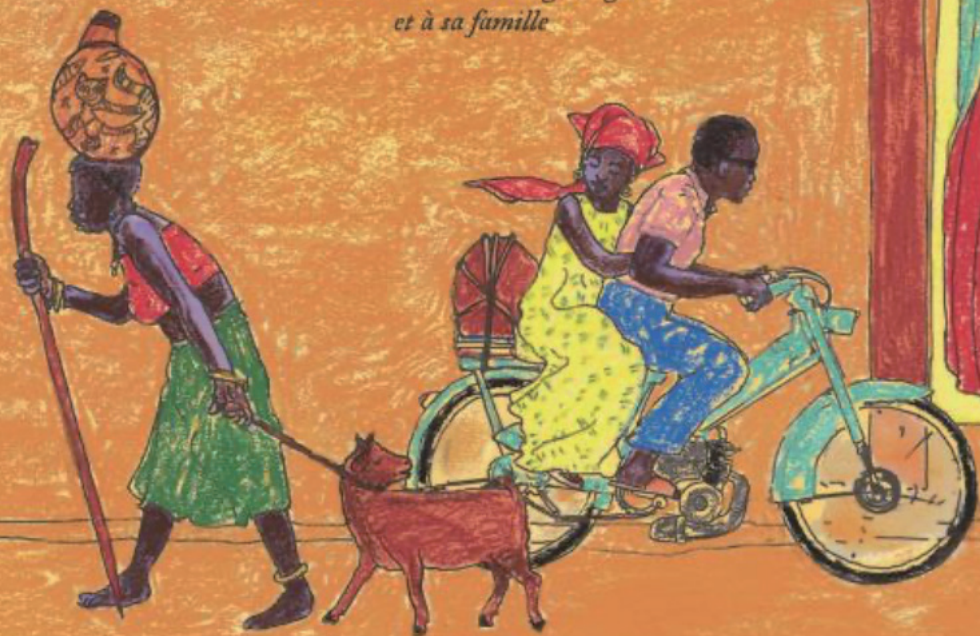
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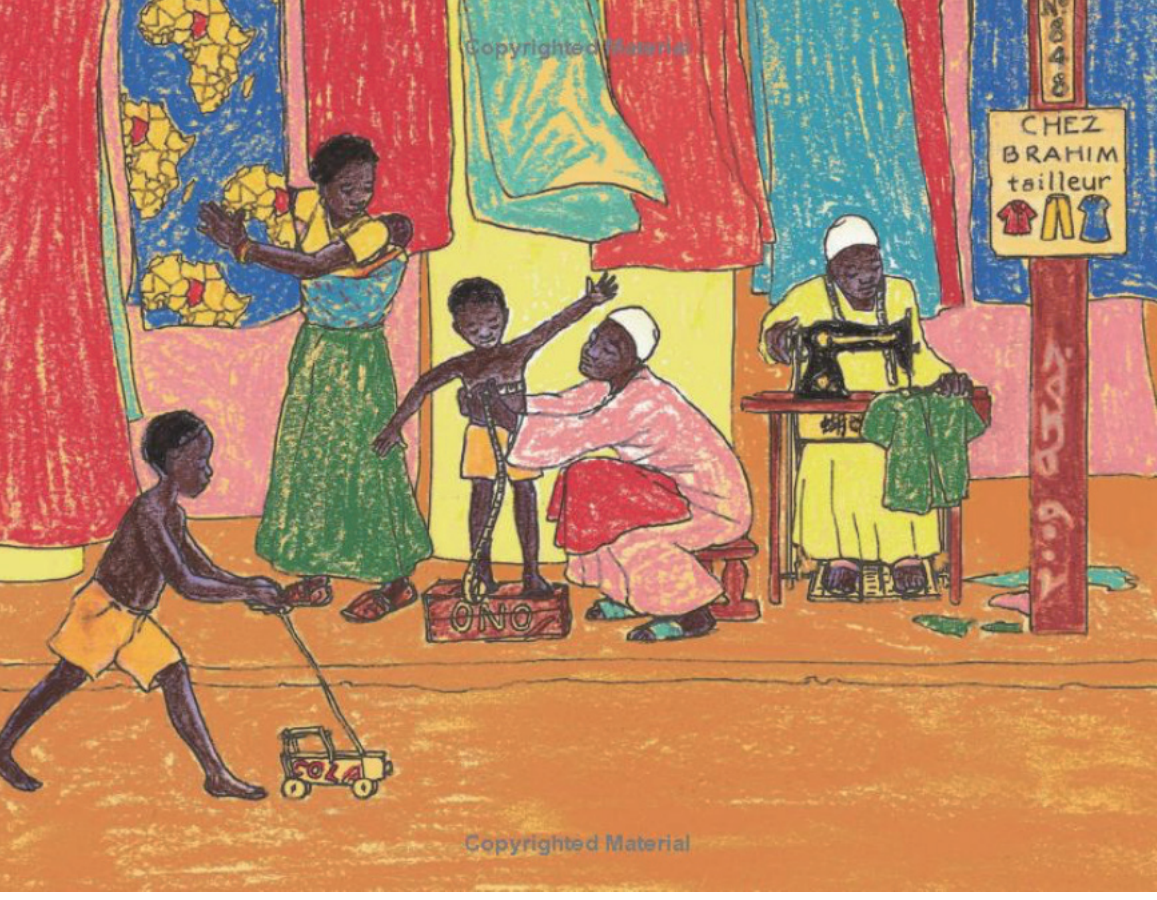
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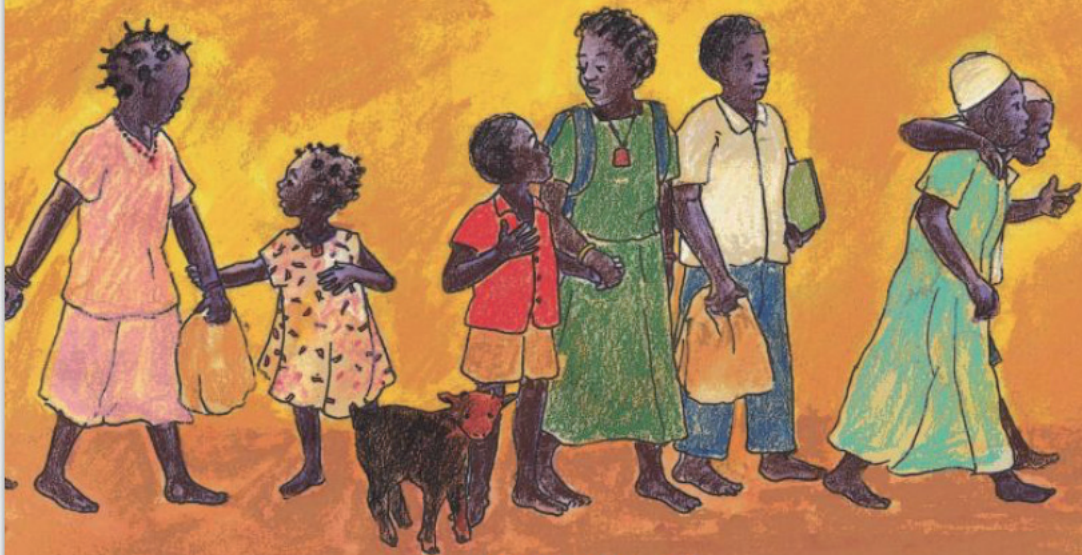


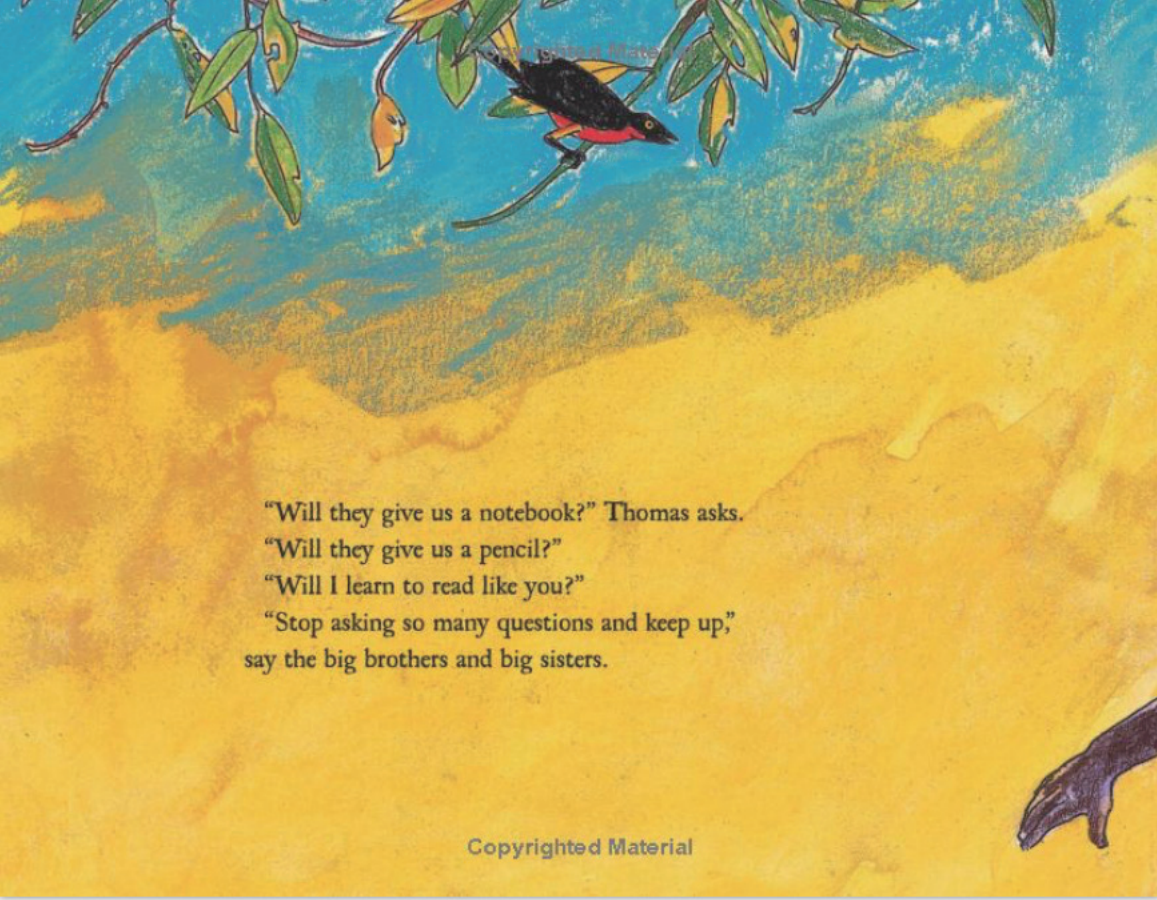
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**I**n the country of Chad, it is the first day of school. The dry dirt road is filling up with children.

Big brothers and big sisters are leading the way.





“Will they give us a notebook?” Thomas asks.  
“Will they give us a pencil?”  
“Will I learn to read like you?”  
“Stop asking so many questions and keep up,”  
say the big brothers and big sisters.





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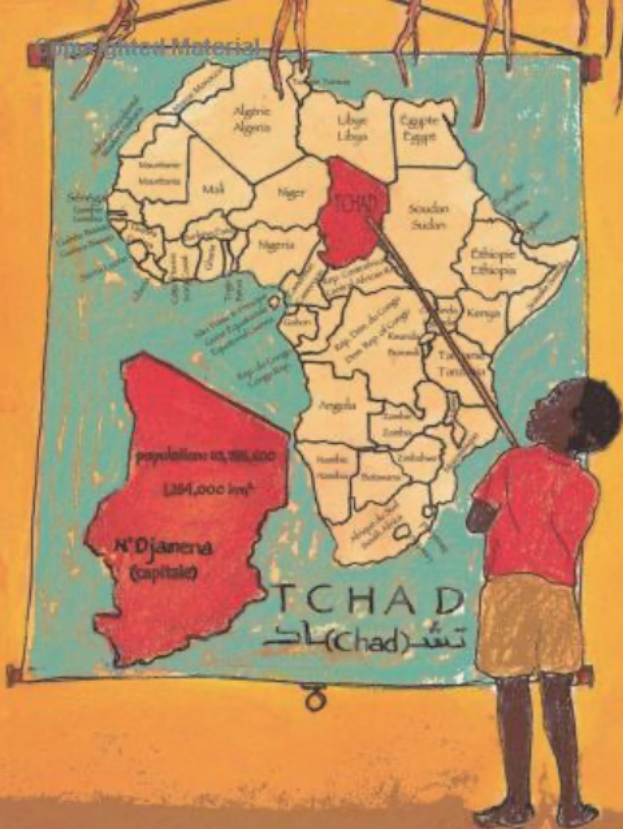
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