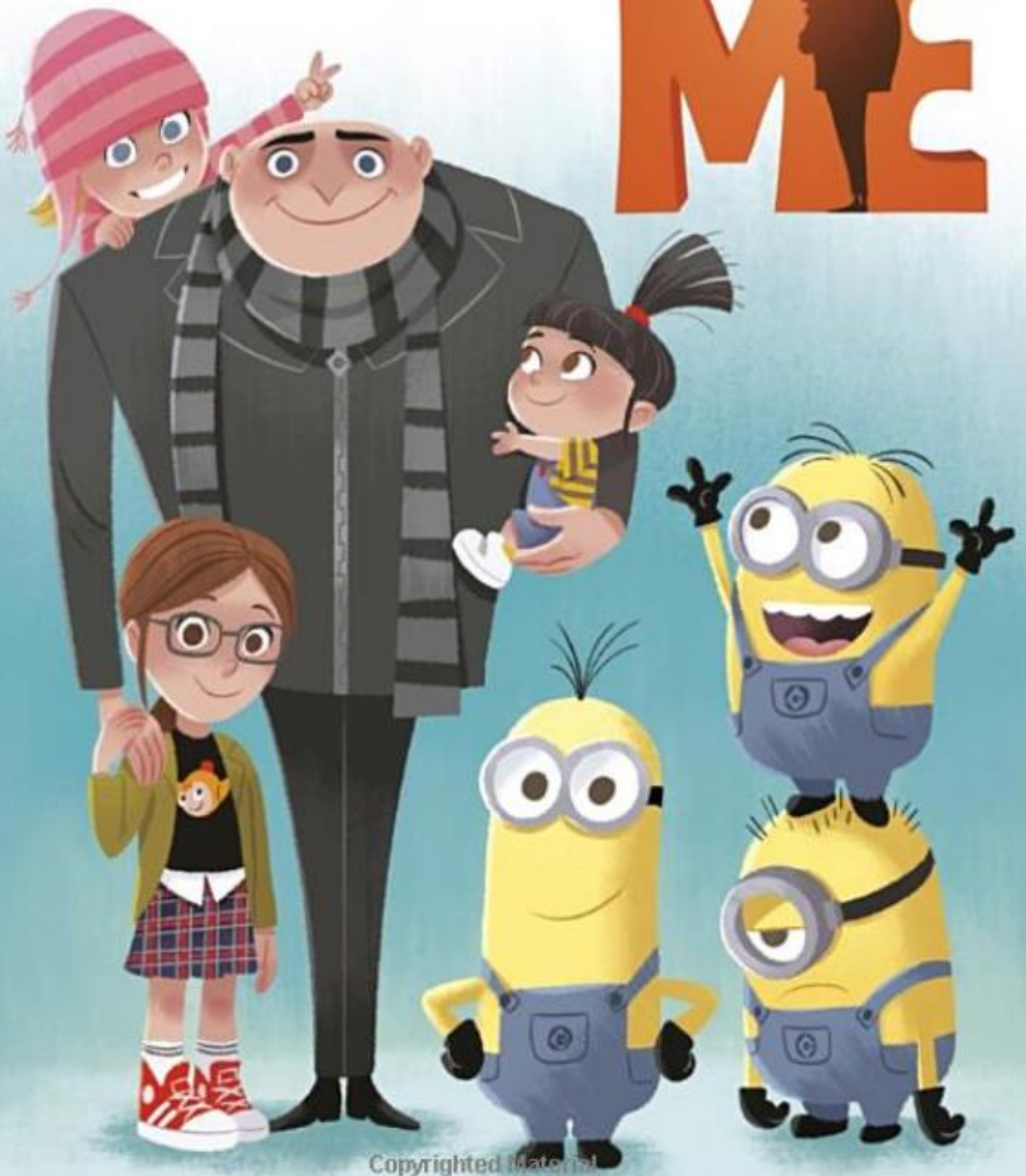


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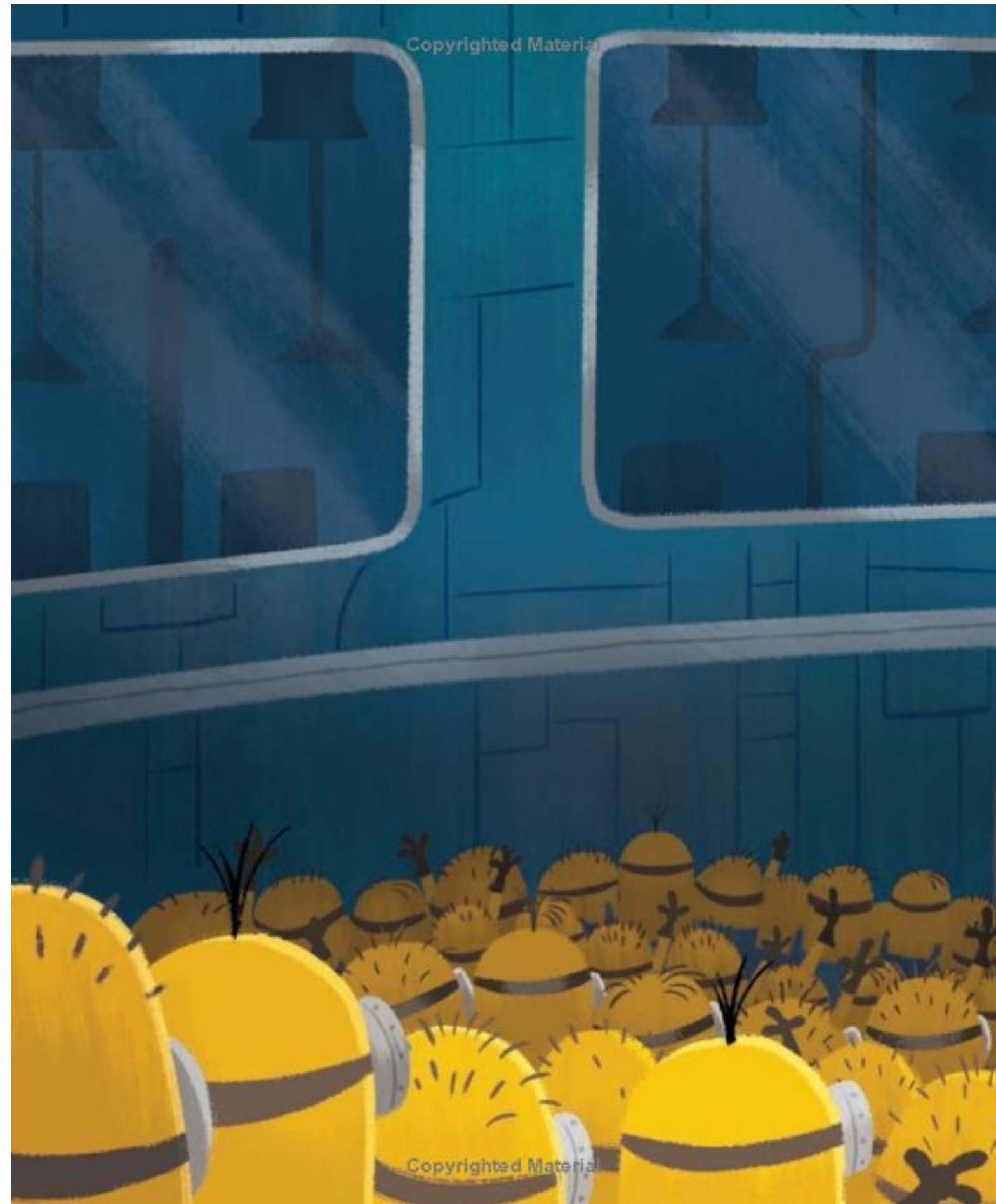
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Gru was a **super-villain**. But what he really wanted was to be the world's **GREATEST** super-villain. He decided to steal the moon!

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Gru needed to make the moon small enough to steal. Along with his helpers, the Minions, and his friend Dr. Nefario, Gru planned to steal a shrink ray.



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But they were outsmarted by
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Now Gru would have to get into Vector's
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BUT HOW?

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Gru watched as three little girls rang Vector's doorbell. They were selling cookies to raise money for the orphanage where they lived. To Gru's surprise, Vector welcomed them in. That gave Gru a brilliant idea!

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Gru adopted the three girls, who were named Margo, Edith, and Agnes. The orphans were happy to have a home. They loved Gru and his funny Minions.

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