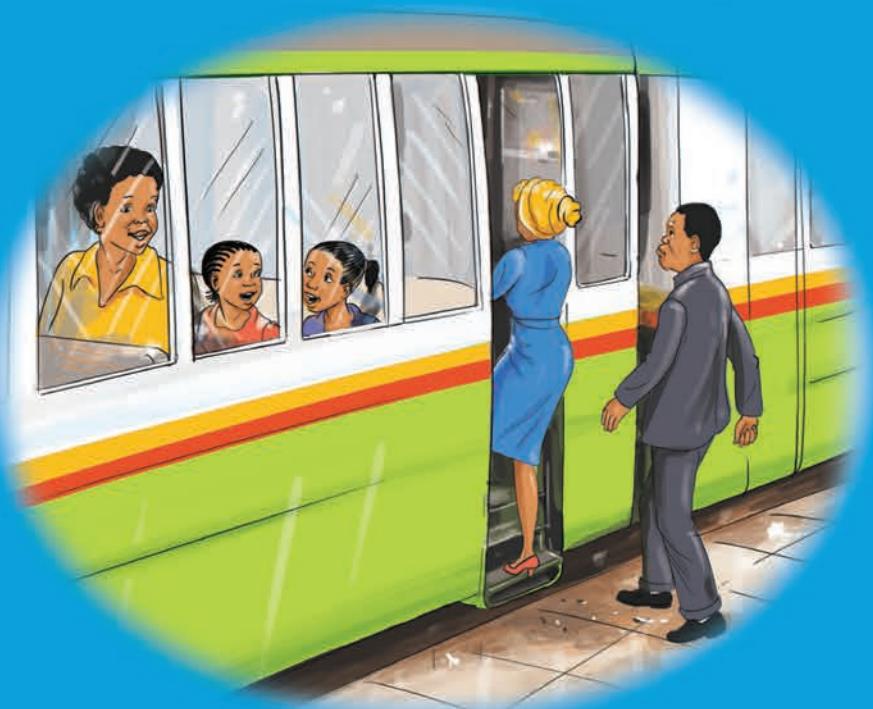




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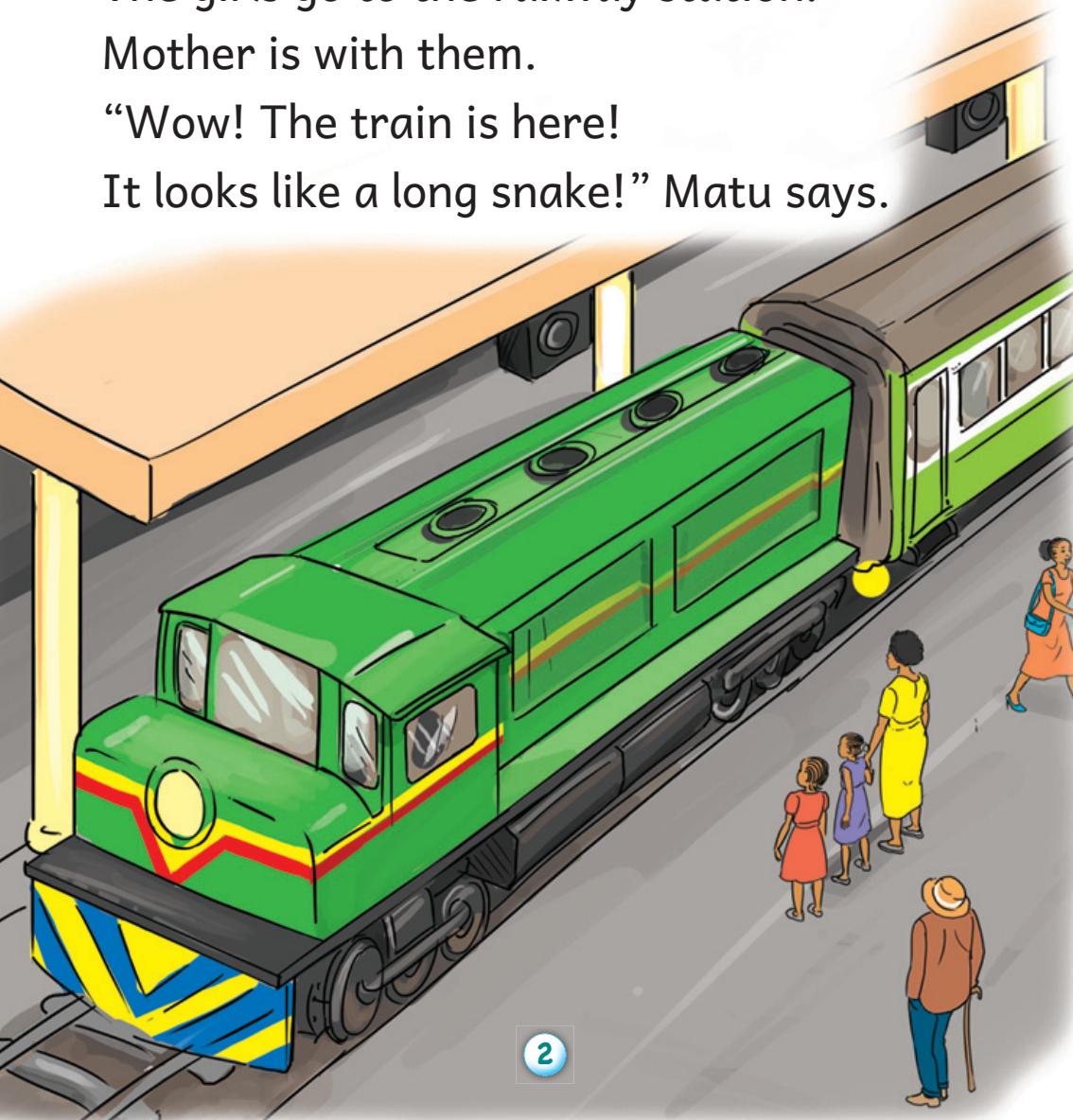
Adama and Matu are happy.  
They are going to Mombasa by train.  
They sing, “Chuku chuku train, chuku  
chuku train!”

The girls go to the railway station.

Mother is with them.

“Wow! The train is here!

It looks like a long snake!” Matu says.





Adama and Matu run to get seats.  
Matu sits near a window.  
Adama sits next to her.  
Mother sits with Adama and Matu.

The train starts moving.

Chuku! Chuku! Chuku! Chuku! The train goes.

The train stops after four hours. It is time to eat!

Mother, Adama and Matu eat rice and meat.





“Which town is this, Mother?” Adama asks.  
“We are in Voi Town,” Mother says.  
Everybody gets back into the train.  
Mother and the girls go back to their seats.



Wwhooooooooo! The train makes a loud sound.

“Oh! Look at the elephants,” Adama says.

“They are very big,” Matu says.

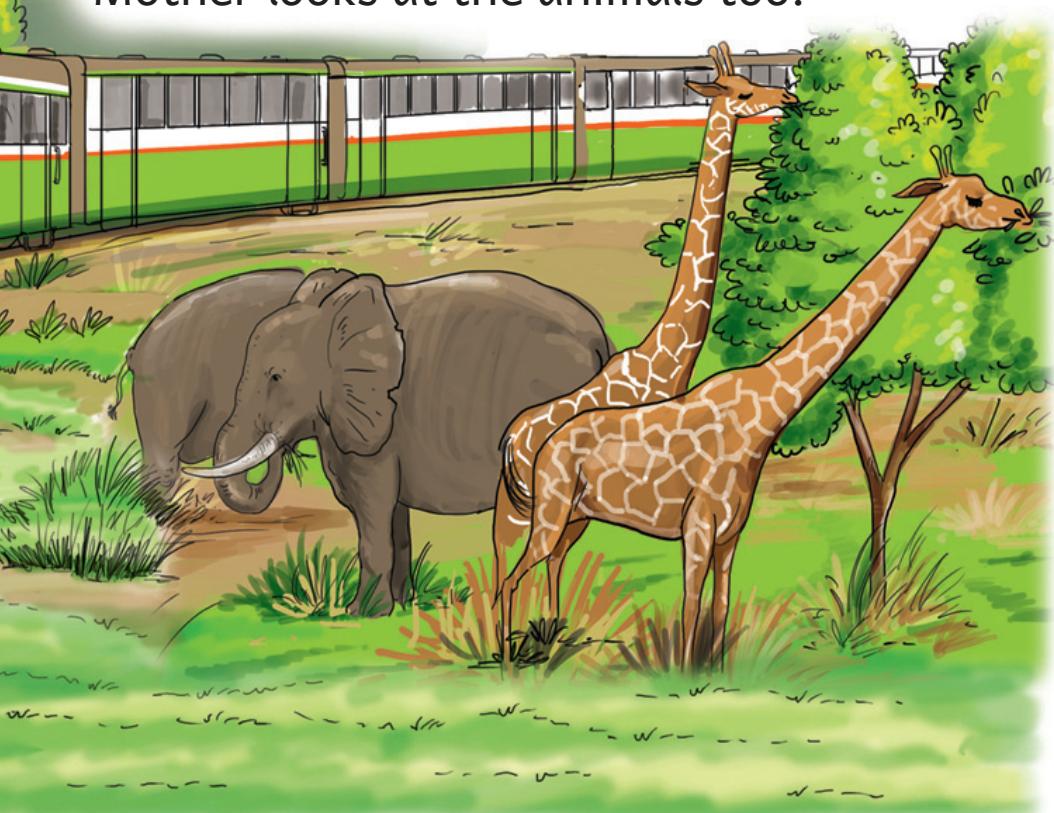
“This is Tsavo National Park,” Mother tells them.

The girls are happy to see the elephants.

They see giraffes eating leaves from the top of the trees.

“Their necks are very long,” Matu shouts.

Mother looks at the animals too.





“Look girls,” Mother says as she points to the ocean.

The train stops in Mombasa.

The girls see their aunt and cousin at the railway station.

The children are happy to be in Mombasa.

### Questions

1. Where are Mother, Adama and Matu going?
2. Who sits near a window?
3. In which town does the train stop?
4. What do Mother, Adama and Matu eat?
5. Why do you think Mombasa is far from Adama and Matu’s home?

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Adama, Matu and their mother are going on a trip to Mombasa. They go by train. On the way, they see many animals and they are very happy.



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