

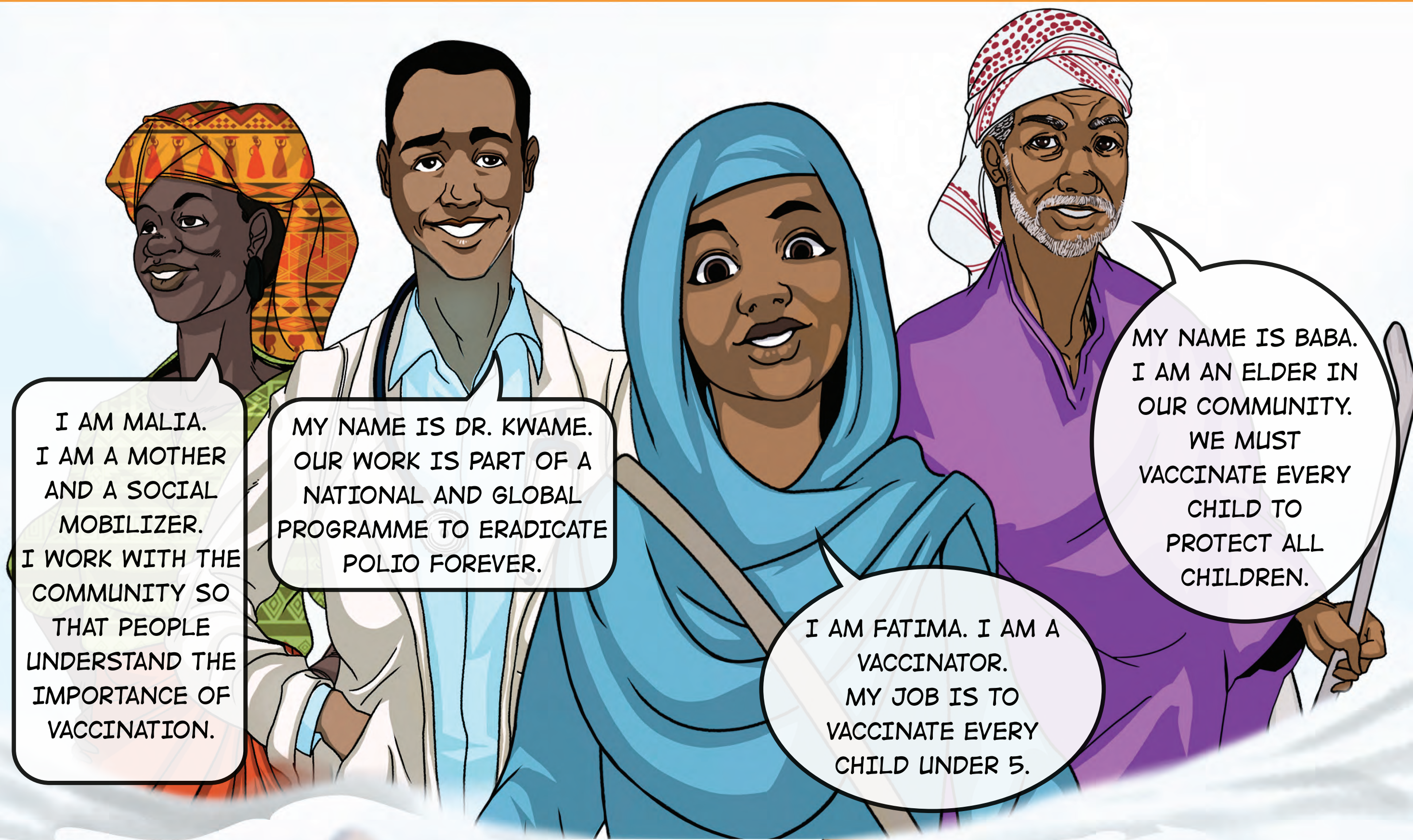
POLIO FREE AFRICA

Together We Are Stronger
Than Polio



**Polio Workers Are Heroes Who Help Protect Children From Disease!
We Vaccinate Every Child Under 5 Every Time**

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I AM MALIA. I AM A MOTHER AND A SOCIAL MOBILIZER. I WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY SO THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF VACCINATION.

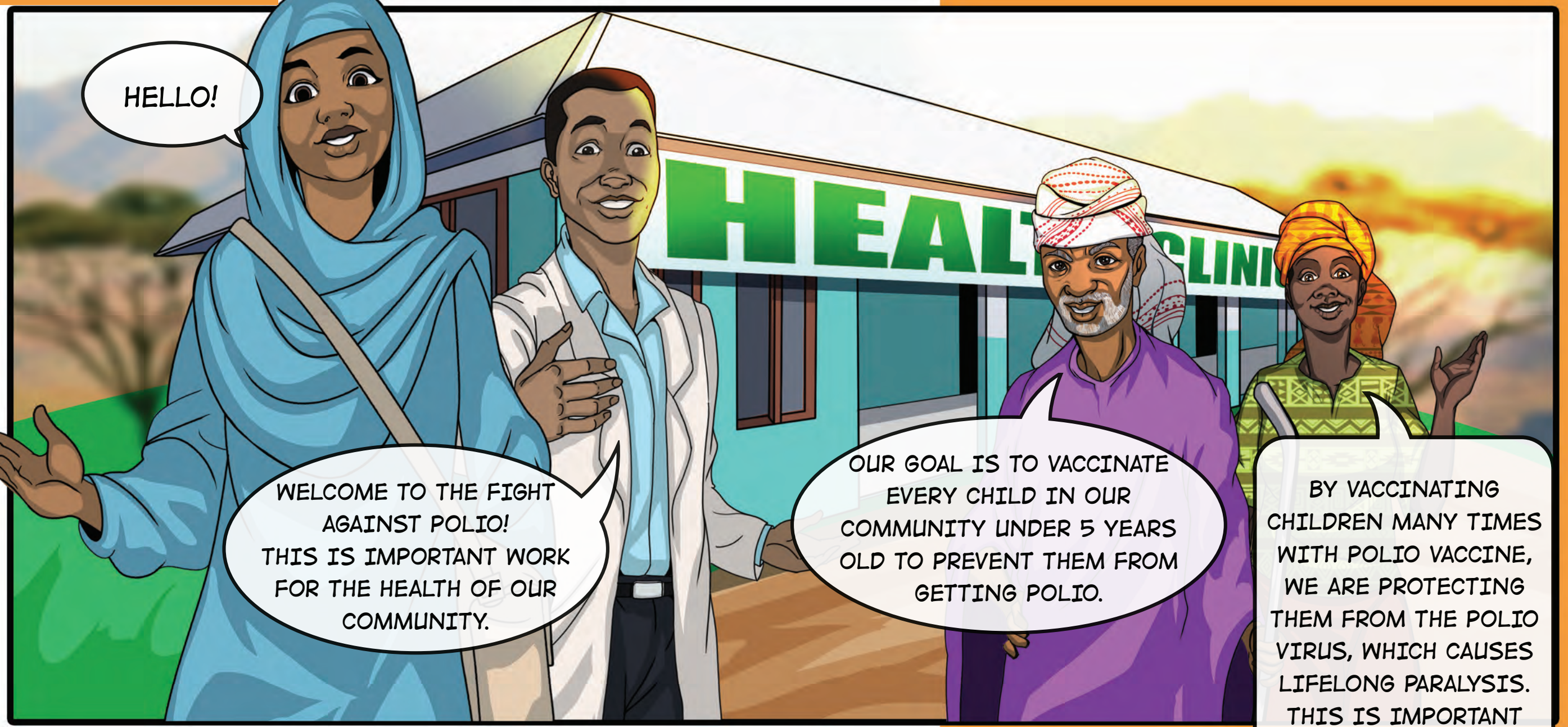
MY NAME IS DR. KWAME. OUR WORK IS PART OF A NATIONAL AND GLOBAL PROGRAMME TO ERADICATE POLIO FOREVER.

I AM FATIMA. I AM A VACCINATOR. MY JOB IS TO VACCINATE EVERY CHILD UNDER 5.

MY NAME IS BABA. I AM AN ELDER IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE MUST VACCINATE EVERY CHILD TO PROTECT ALL CHILDREN.



ALL CHILDREN UNDER-FIVE SHOULD BE VACCINATED EACH TIME POLIO DROPS ARE OFFERED. AS LONG AS ONE CHILD IS NOT VACCINATED, ALL CHILDREN EVERYWHERE ARE AT RISK BECAUSE WE ARE ALL CONNECTED.



HELLO!

WELCOME TO THE FIGHT AGAINST POLIO! THIS IS IMPORTANT WORK FOR THE HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY.

OUR GOAL IS TO VACCINATE EVERY CHILD IN OUR COMMUNITY UNDER 5 YEARS OLD TO PREVENT THEM FROM GETTING POLIO.

BY VACCINATING CHILDREN MANY TIMES WITH POLIO VACCINE, WE ARE PROTECTING THEM FROM THE POLIO VIRUS, WHICH CAUSES LIFELONG PARALYSIS. THIS IS IMPORTANT WORK FOR THE HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY.

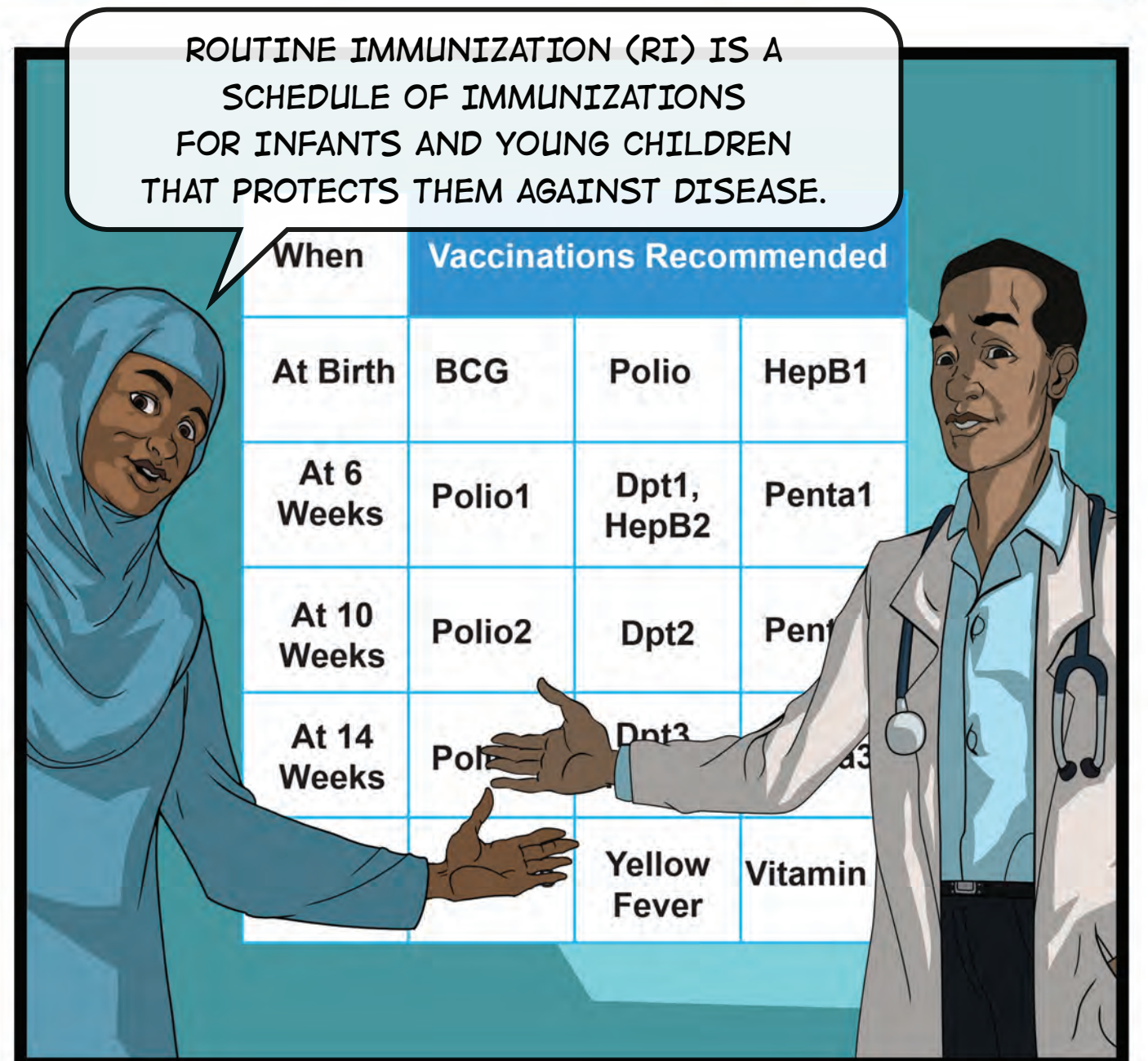
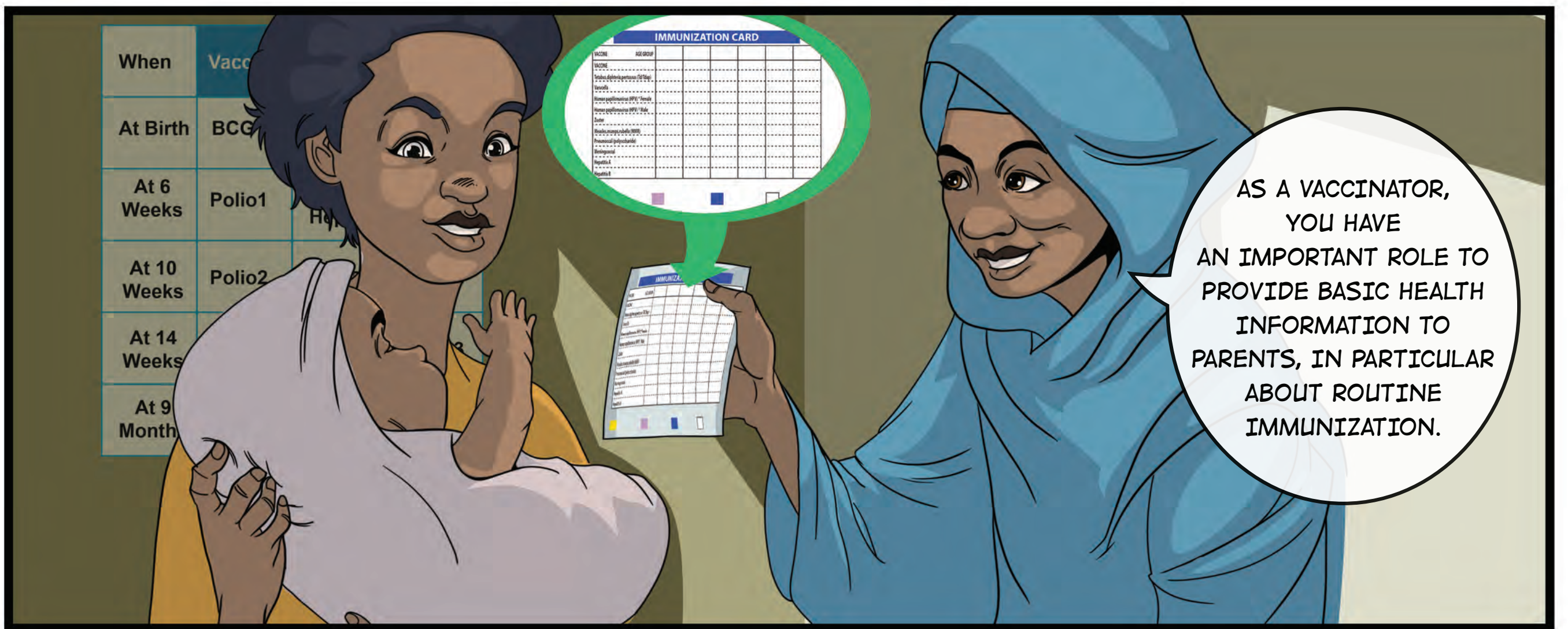


MILLIONS OF CHILDREN HAVE BEEN VACCINATED, AND WE MUST REACH EVERY SINGLE ONE SO WE CAN STOP POLIO FOREVER.



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE BE SURE TO ASK YOUR SUPERVISOR. THEIR JOB IS TO HELP YOU BE A SUCCESSFUL TEAM MEMBER.

PREVENTABLE DISEASES AND VACCINATION

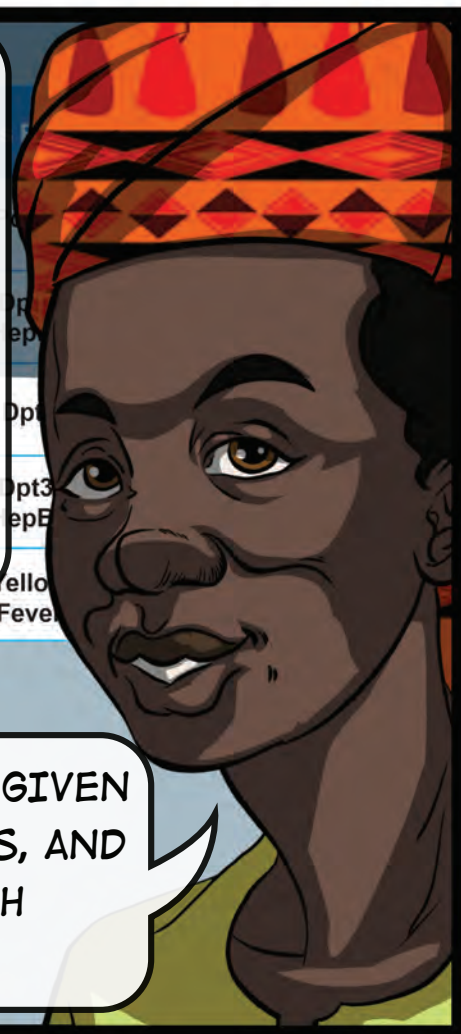


PREVENTABLE DISEASES AND VACCINATION (CONTINUED)

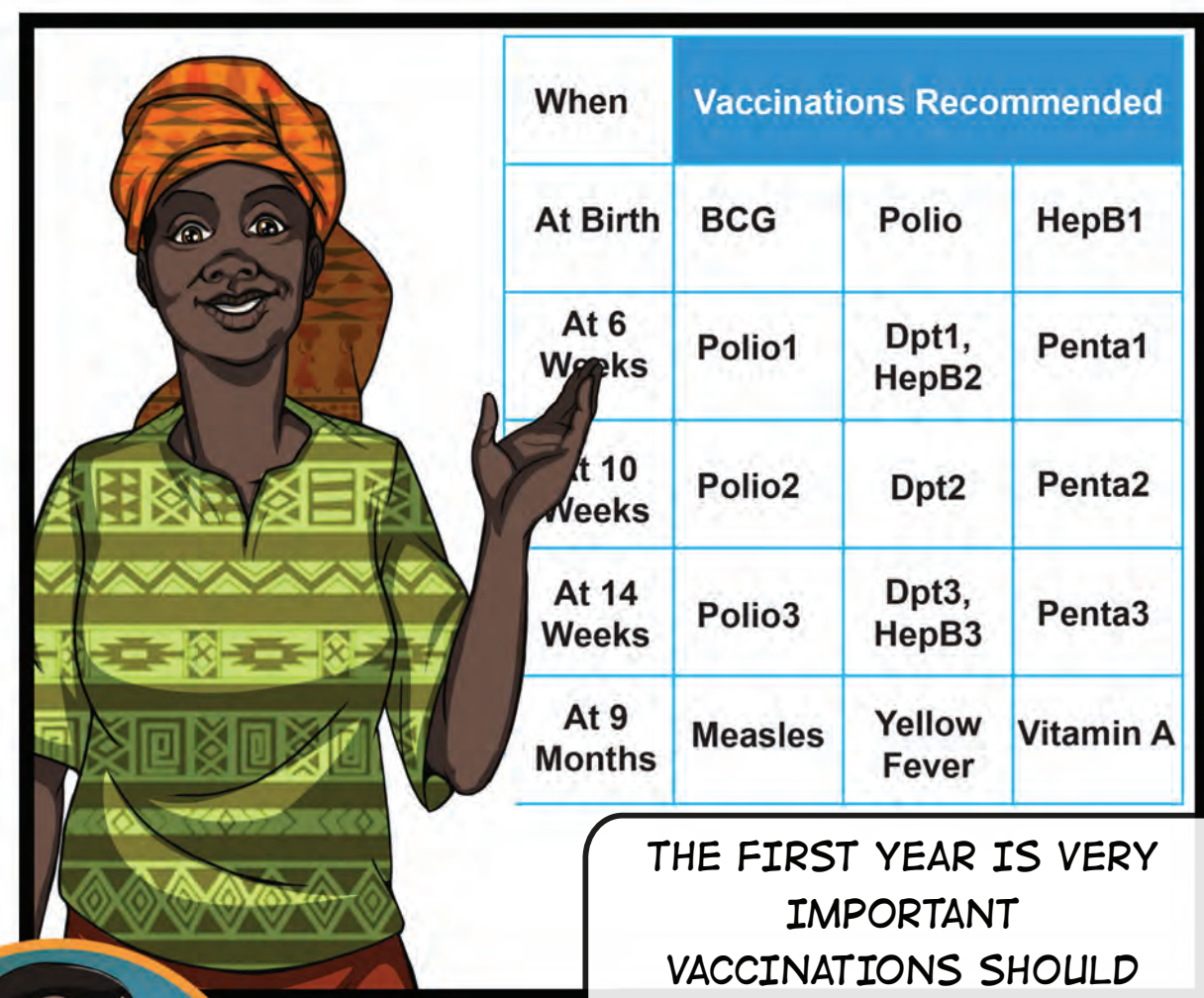


WHEN WE GIVE CHILDREN A VACCINE TO PROTECT THEM FROM DISEASE, WE CALL IT "VACCINATION." VACCINES HELP THE BODY DEVELOP IMMUNITY TO PROTECT IT FROM DISEASE.

SOME VACCINES ARE GIVEN THROUGH ORAL DROPS, AND OTHERS THROUGH INJECTION.



MOST IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS ARE FREE.



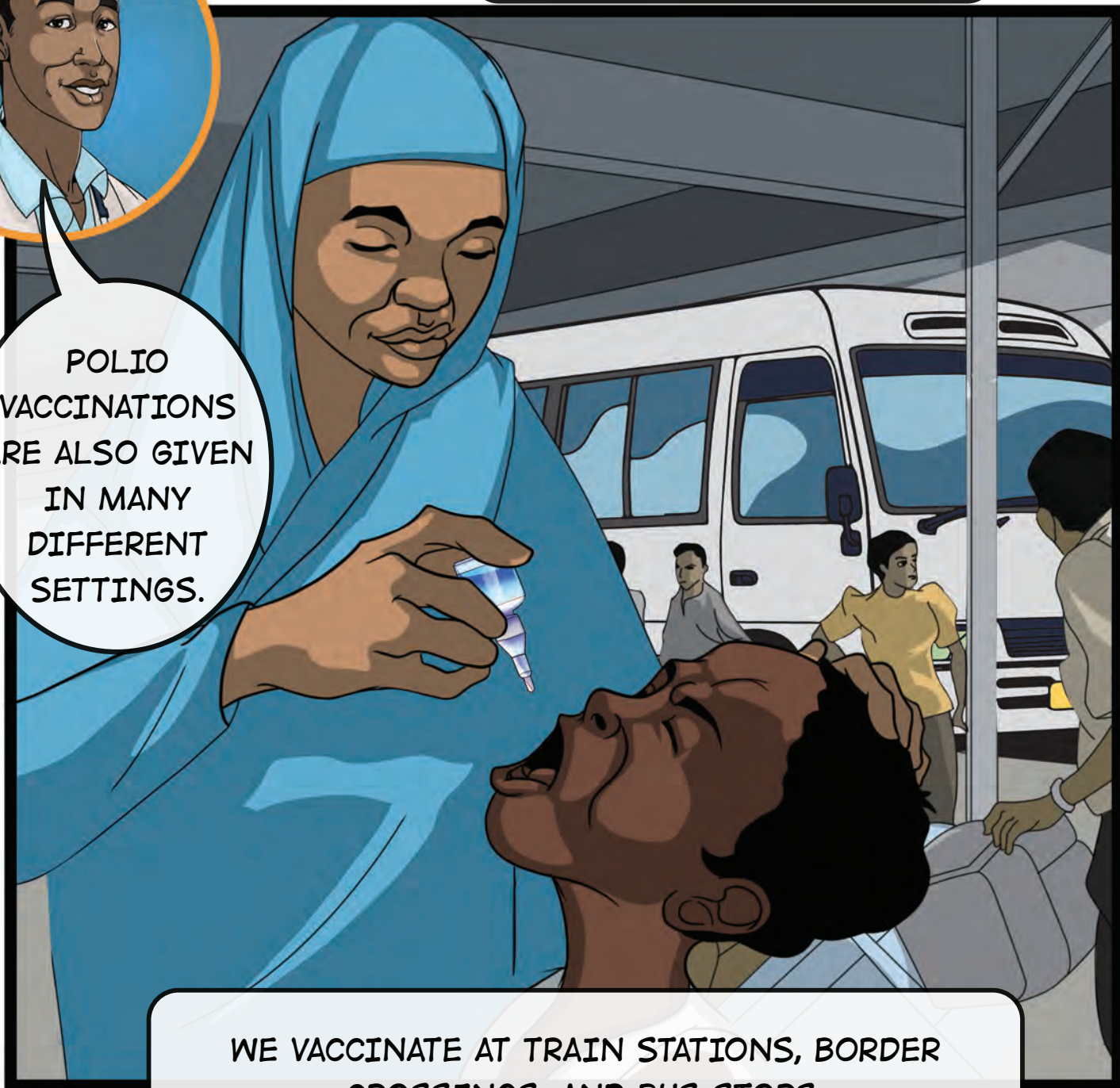
THE FIRST YEAR IS VERY IMPORTANT VACCINATIONS SHOULD BEGIN AT BIRTH.



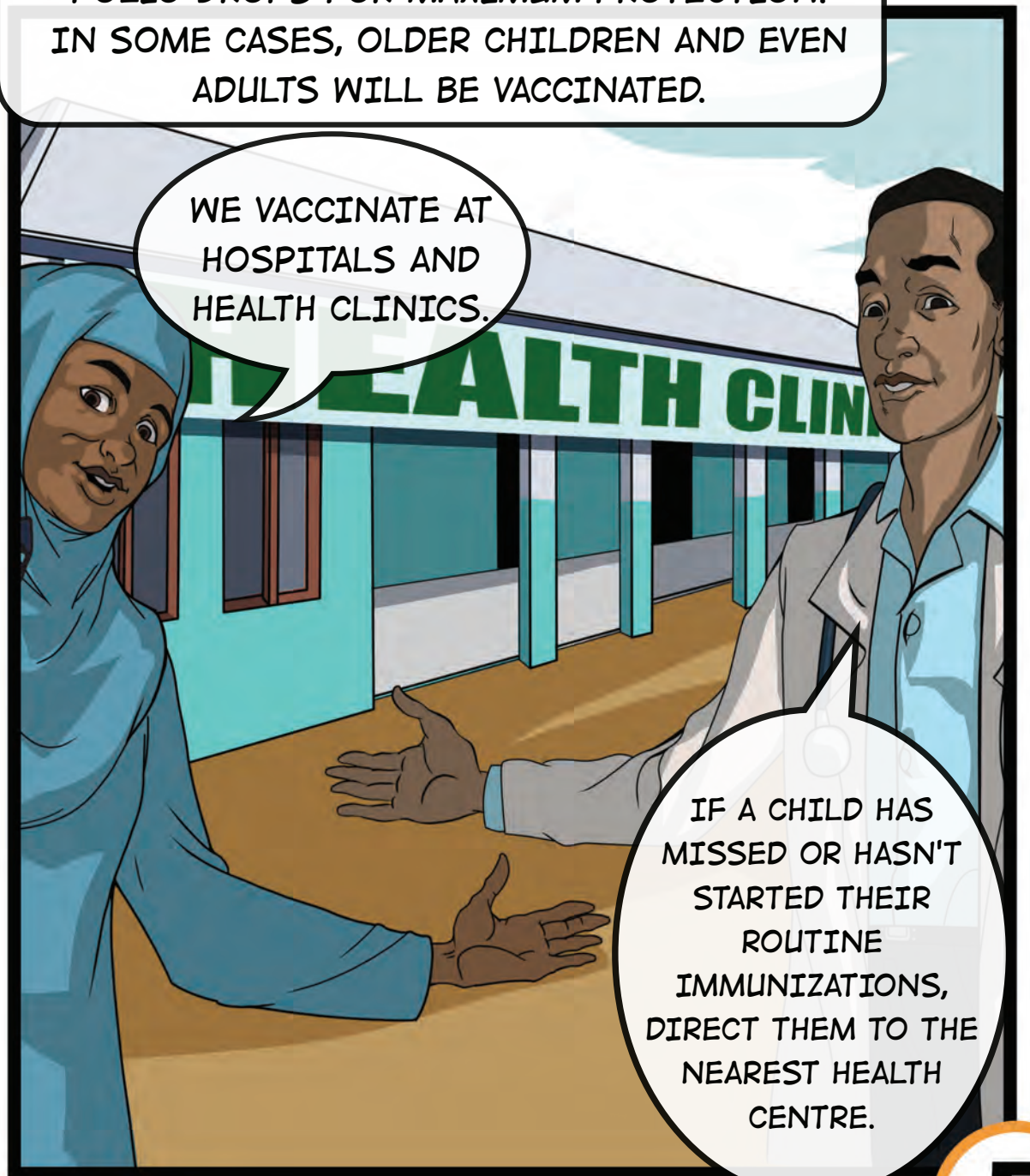
WE GIVE POLIO DROPS AND ALL ROUTINE IMMUNIZATIONS TO CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO AGE 5. IN AN OUTBREAK, MORE PROTECTION IS NEEDED SO CHILDREN NEED MORE POLIO DROPS FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION. IN SOME CASES, OLDER CHILDREN AND EVEN ADULTS WILL BE VACCINATED.



POLIO VACCINATIONS ARE ALSO GIVEN IN MANY DIFFERENT SETTINGS.



WE VACCINATE AT TRAIN STATIONS, BORDER CROSSINGS, AND BUS STOPS.



WE VACCINATE AT HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CLINICS.

IF A CHILD HAS MISSED OR HASN'T STARTED THEIR ROUTINE IMMUNIZATIONS, DIRECT THEM TO THE NEAREST HEALTH CENTRE.

POLIO BASICS

BEFORE EACH CAMPAIGN YOU SHOULD REVIEW THE FACTS ABOUT POLIO. DO YOU KNOW WHAT POLIO IS?

MAKE SURE YOU CAN EXPLAIN THAT POLIOMYELITIS (POLIO) IS A HIGHLY INFECTIOUS DISEASE THAT ATTACKS THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

POLIOMYELITIS CAN CAUSE PARALYSIS AND EVEN DEATH IN BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS.

POLIO IS INCURABLE. ONCE YOU HAVE IT, YOU HAVE IT FOR LIFE.

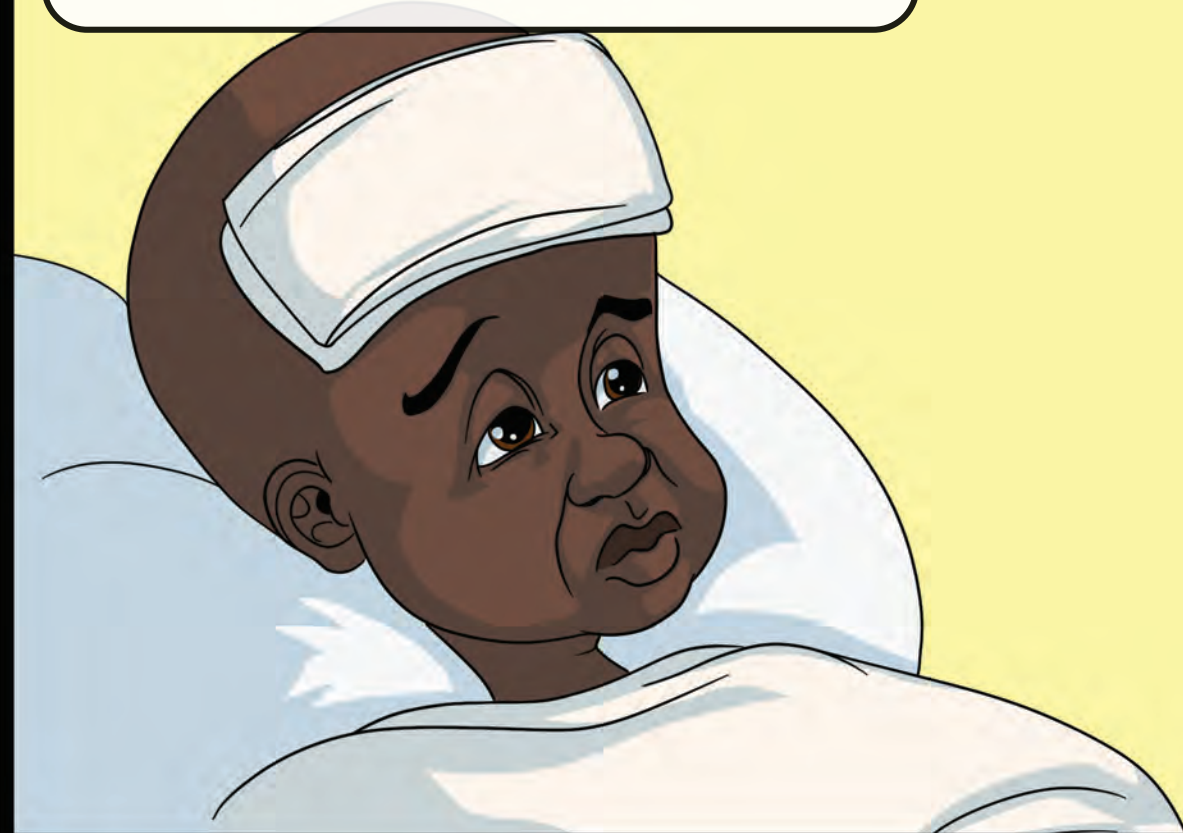
POLIO IS A VERY CONTAGIOUS DISEASE. IT USUALLY SPREADS FROM PERSON TO PERSON THROUGH THE MOUTH VIA WATER OR FOOD THAT HAS BEEN CONTAMINATED BY FECAL MATTER FROM AN INFECTED PERSON.

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WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN SOMEONE CONTRACTS THE POLIO VIRUS?

FEVER, FATIGUE, HEADACHE, VOMITING, STIFFNESS IN THE NECK, PAIN IN THE LIMBS, AND PAIN AND WEAKNESS IN THE LIMBS.



WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF POLIO?

IF A CHILD, ADOLESCENT, OR ADULT SUDDENLY SHOWS SIGNS OF A FLOPPY OR WEAK ARM OR LEG, HEALTH STAFF, SUPERVISORS, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS SHOULD BE INFORMED IMMEDIATELY.

TWO VACCINATIONS THAT ARE USED: ORAL POLIO VACCINE (OPV) - TAKEN ORALLY AS DROPS - AND INACTIVATED POLIO VACCINE (IPV)--TAKEN VIA INJECTION. OPV IS USED IN MASS CAMPAIGNS, AND IPV IS USED IN ROUTINE IMMUNIZATION.



THE POLIO VIRUS IS CIRCULATING SO OUR CHILDREN ARE AT RISK. WE MUST FIND THEM ALL AND VACCINATE THEM DURING EACH CAMPAIGN.

POLIO CAN ONLY BE PREVENTED BY IMMUNIZING A CHILD UNDER 5 YEARS OF AGE WITH VACCINE.

BOTH ARE NEEDED FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION.



IT'S TIME WE GET READY FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

ONE WAY WE DO THIS IS BY USING A MICROPLAN.

Missing CLAY dug in the area of 100 households in one CLAN

One One Area Movement Plan

Missing EP Camp dug in the area

Key

- House
- Hillock
- Road
- Tubewell
- Pond
- Mosque
- Madrassa
- Well

Naaf River

West

South

North

East

A MICROPLAN IDENTIFIES THE PHYSICAL LOCATION OF THE DAILY WORKING AREAS, ALL THE CHILDREN IN OUR AREA, VACCINATION TEAM MEMBERS, SOCIAL MOBILIZERS, AND INFLUENCERS.

IT TELLS US THE NUMBER OF HOUSES AND CHILDREN, SCHOOLS, PLACES OF WORSHIP, MARKETS, SPECIAL POPULATIONS AND FAMILIES OF SPECIAL ATTENTION.

SOCIAL MAPS HIGHLIGHT INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE AND PLACES.

West

South

North

Naaf River

East

Key

- House
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REVIEW YOUR MICROPLAN BEFORE EACH CAMPAIGN DAY.

FAMILIES LIVING IN REMOTE AREAS, MIGRANTS, NOMADIC POPULATIONS, MUST BE INCLUDED IN MICROPLANS AND VACCINATED.

FOLLOW THE MAP CAREFULLY AND VISIT EVERY HOUSE.

HIGHLIGHT PRIORITY AREAS AND HOUSEHOLDS AND DISCUSS WITH YOUR SUPERVISOR HOW BEST TO REACH THEM.

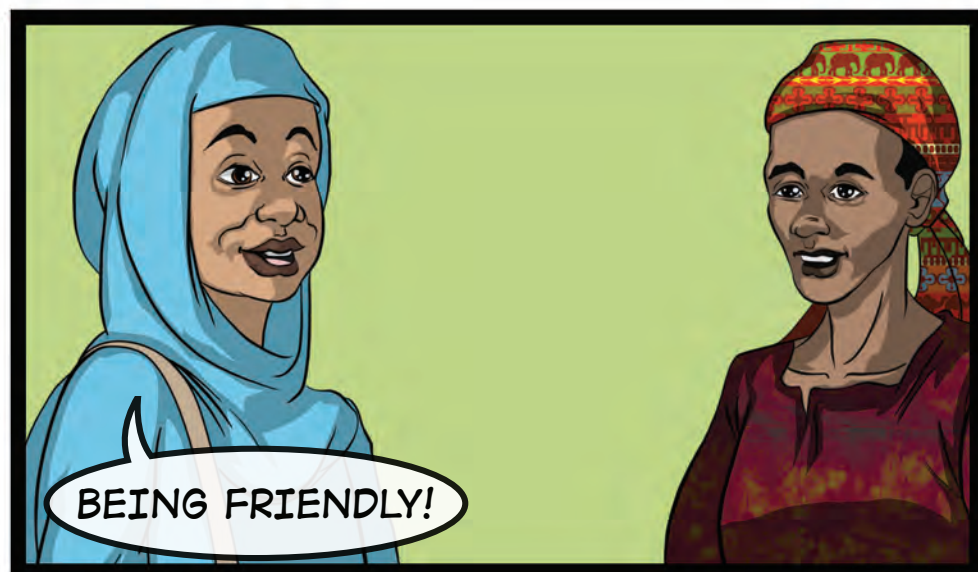
HOW WE APPROACH AND SPEAK WITH CAREGIVERS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT SKILLS. WHEN PREPARING FOR A CAMPAIGN, REMIND YOURSELF OF THESE IMPORTANT TIPS. BEING FRIENDLY! GREETING PEOPLE WITH RESPECT!



COMMUNICATION IS NOT ONLY WHAT WE SAY, BUT HOW WE SAY IT.



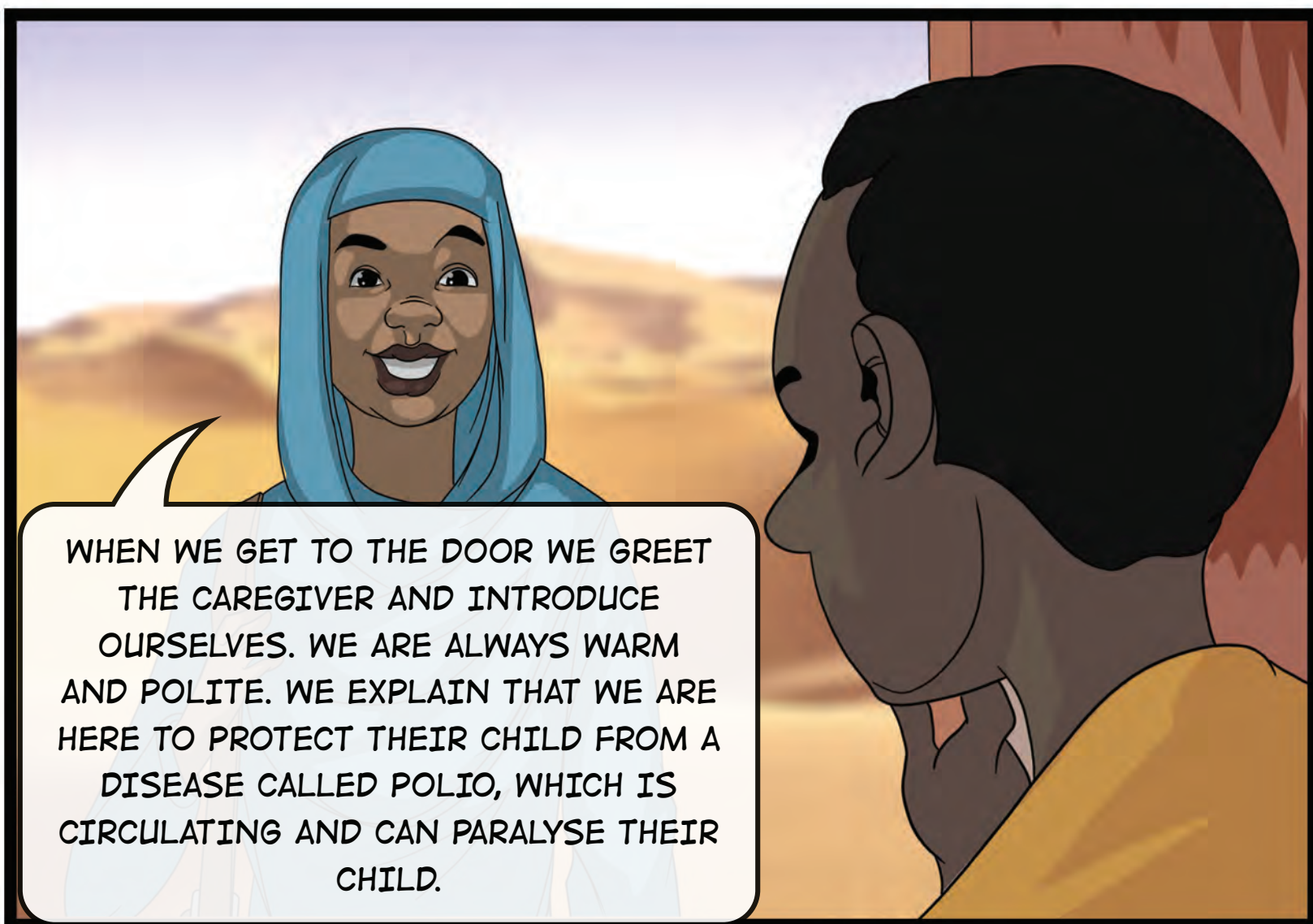
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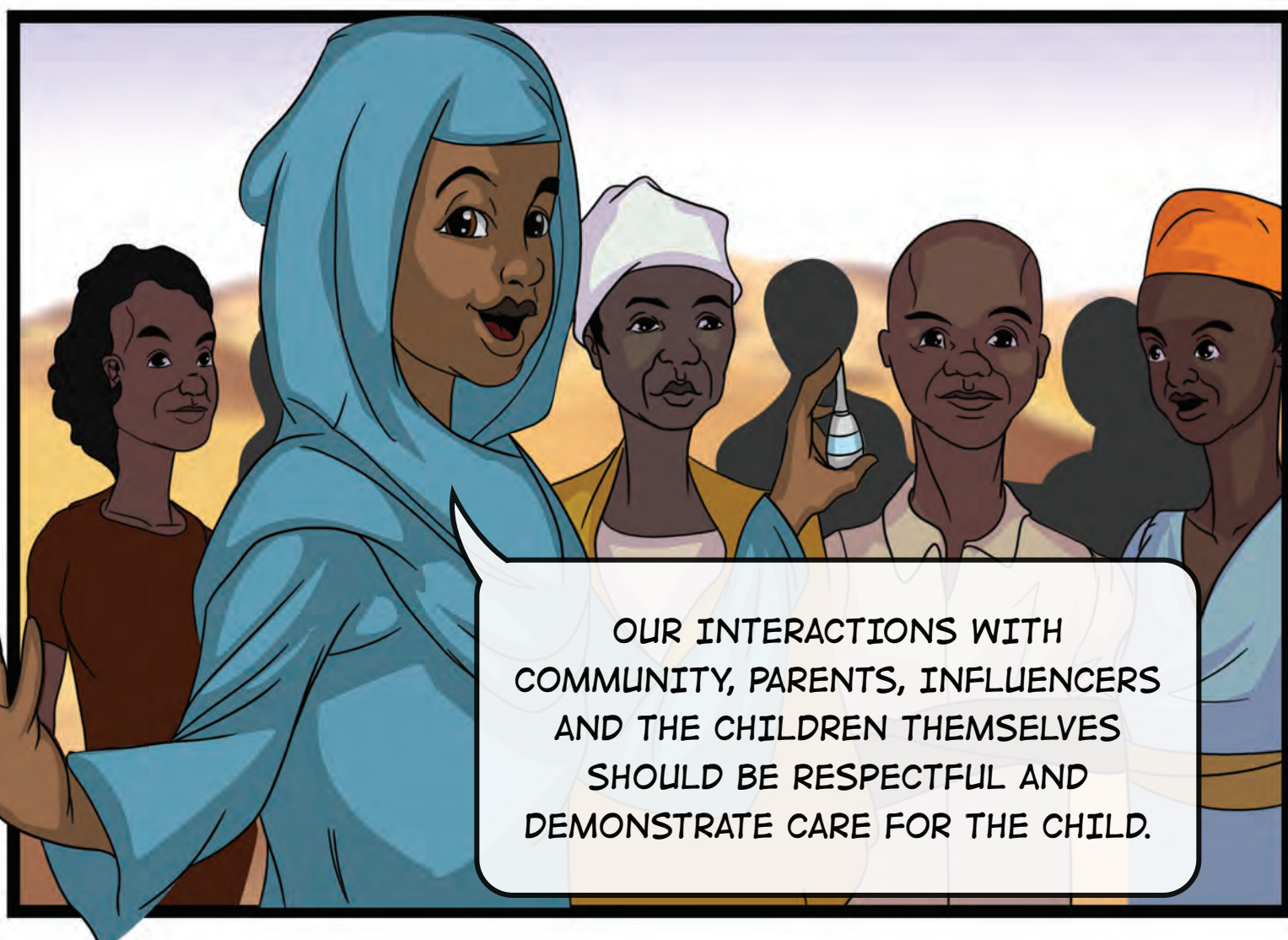
WHEN WE GET TO THE DOOR WE GREET THE CAREGIVER AND INTRODUCE OURSELVES. WE ARE ALWAYS WARM AND POLITE. WE EXPLAIN THAT WE ARE HERE TO PROTECT THEIR CHILD FROM A DISEASE CALLED POLIO, WHICH IS CIRCULATING AND CAN PARALYSE THEIR CHILD.



DRESSING PROPERLY.

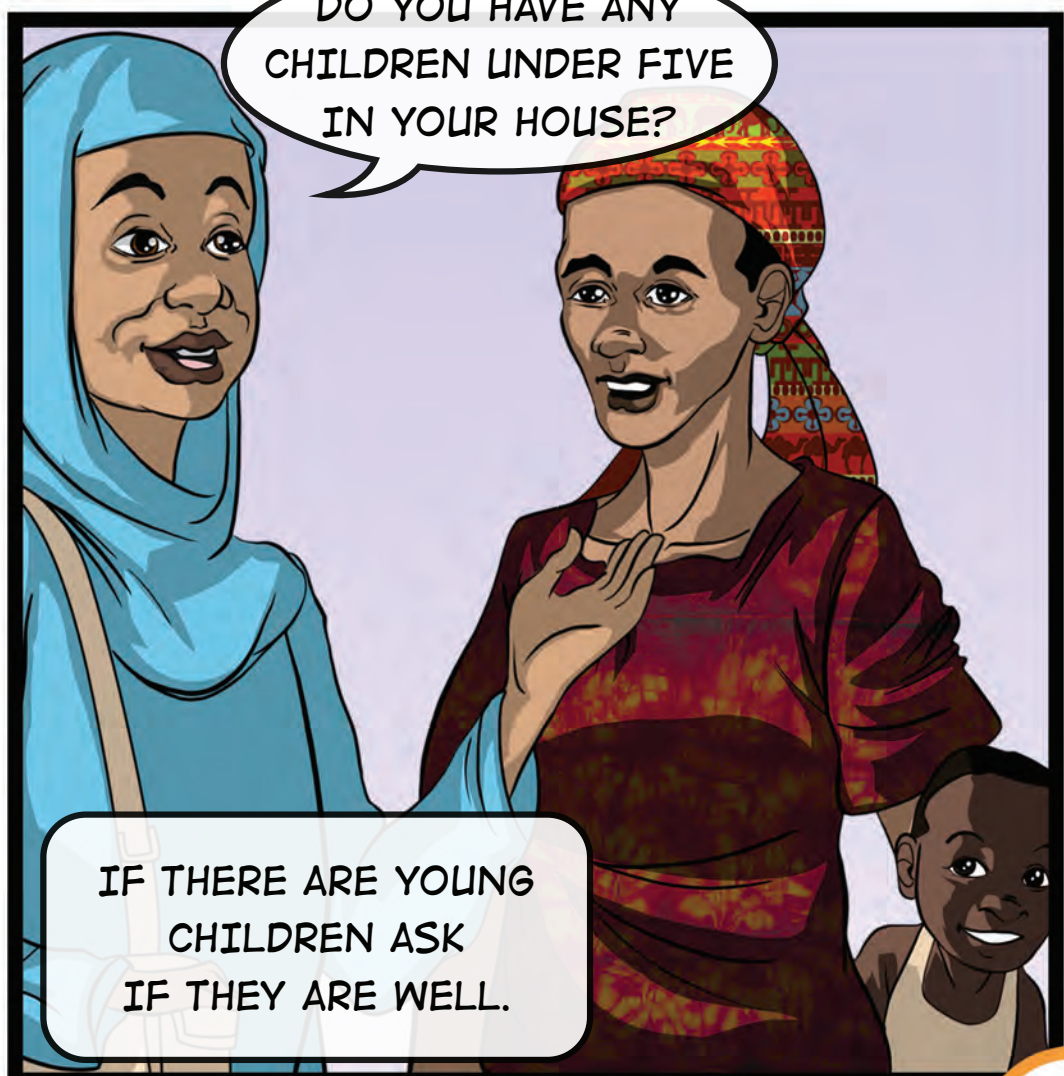


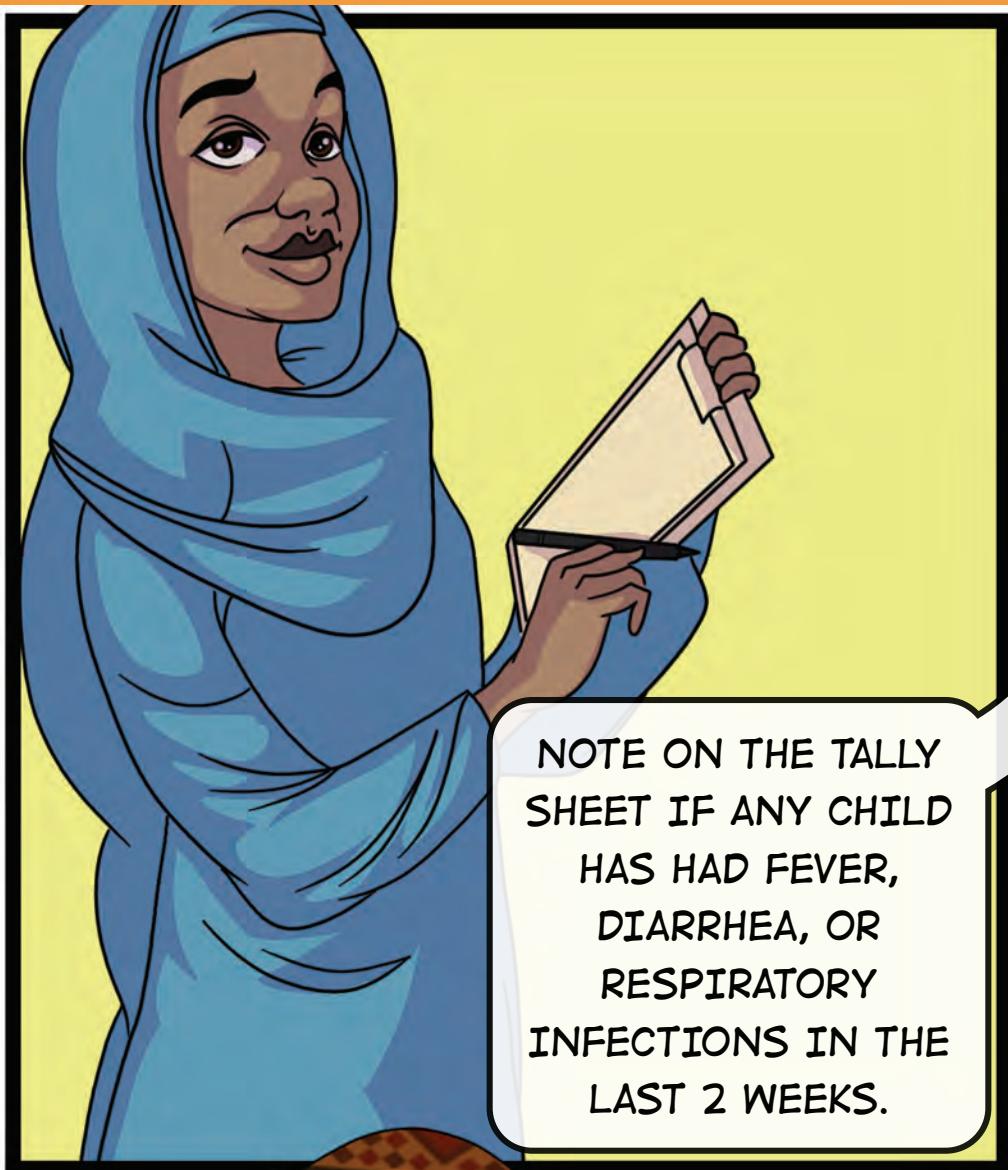
OUR INTERACTIONS WITH COMMUNITY, PARENTS, INFLUENCERS AND THE CHILDREN THEMSELVES SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL AND DEMONSTRATE CARE FOR THE CHILD.



DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN UNDER FIVE IN YOUR HOUSE?

IF THERE ARE YOUNG CHILDREN ASK IF THEY ARE WELL.





NOTE ON THE TALLY SHEET IF ANY CHILD HAS HAD FEVER, DIARRHEA, OR RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS IN THE LAST 2 WEEKS.



HELP CAREGIVERS TO UNDERSTAND THAT POLIO IS NOT CURABLE AND THAT VACCINATION WITH TWO DROPS IS THE ONLY PROTECTION AGAINST PERMANENT PARALYSIS FROM POLIO.



OUR JOB IS TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS BY ANSWERING ANY QUESTIONS THEY HAVE. WE WANT TO HELP THEM FEEL COMFORTABLE ACCEPTING THE DROPS FOR THEIR CHILDREN.



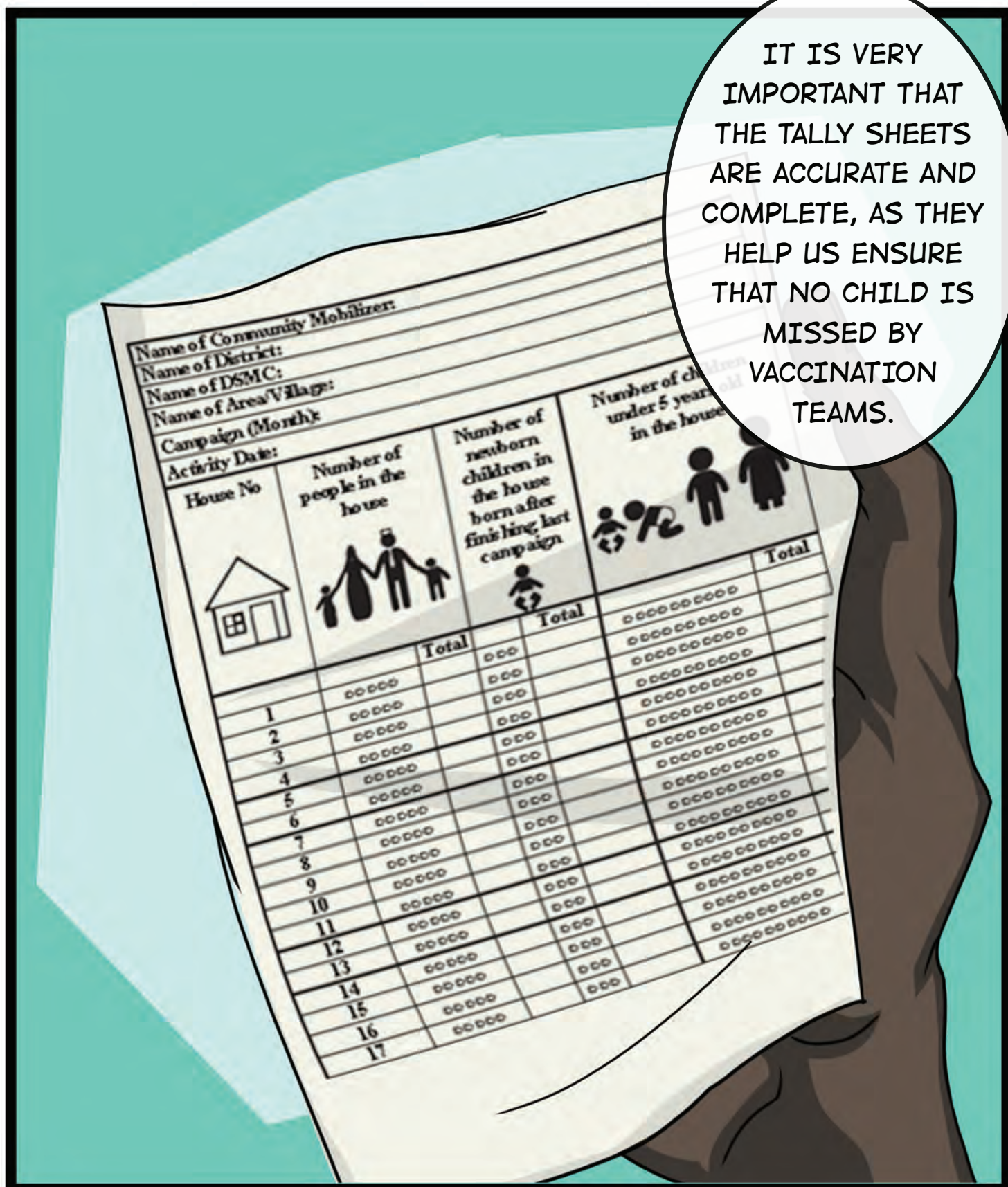
EXPLAIN EVERYTHING WE CAN ABOUT HOW SAFE AND EFFECTIVE THEY ARE. WE ALSO TELL THEM WHERE TO FIND THE NEAREST HEALTH CENTRE.



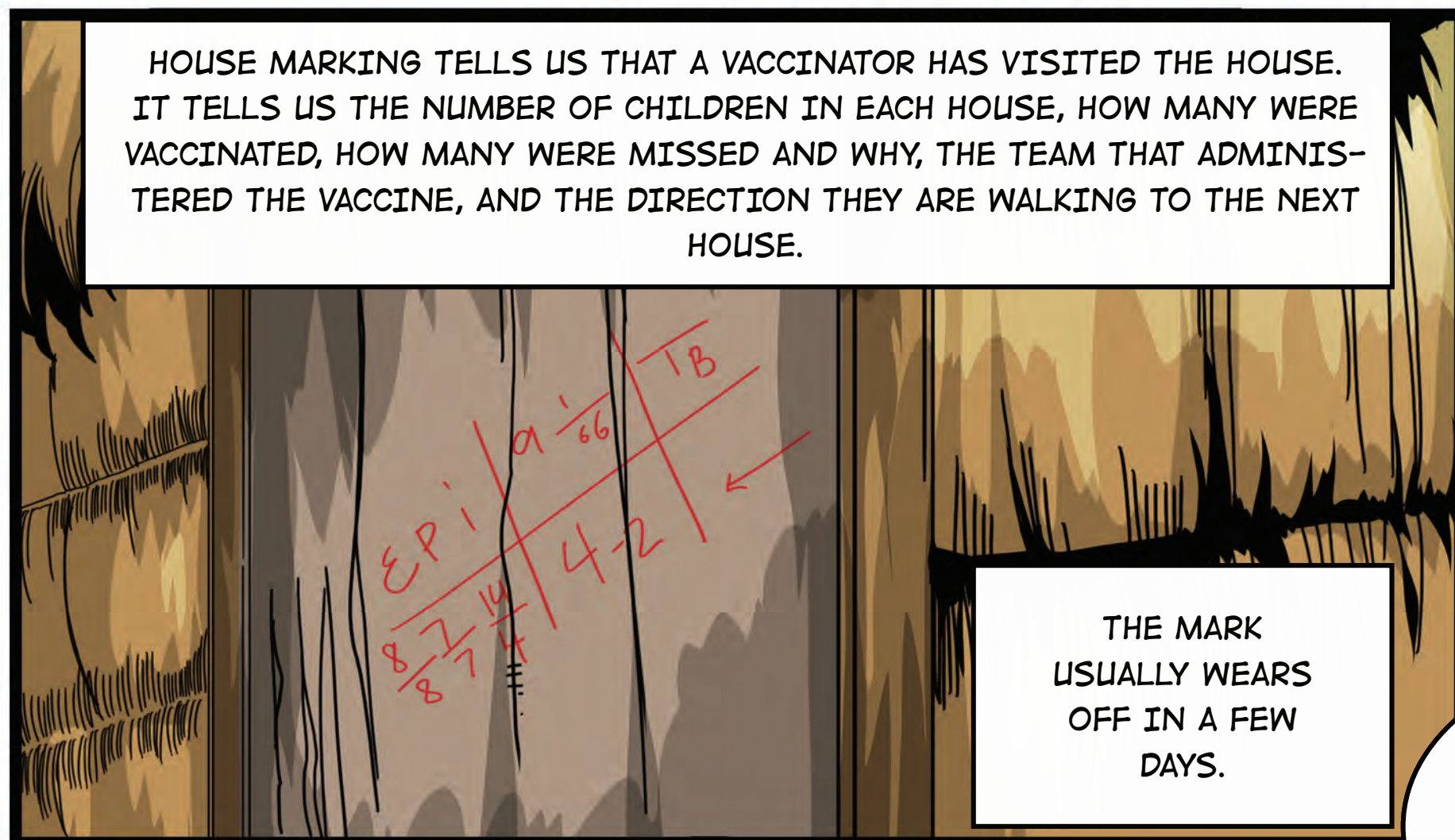
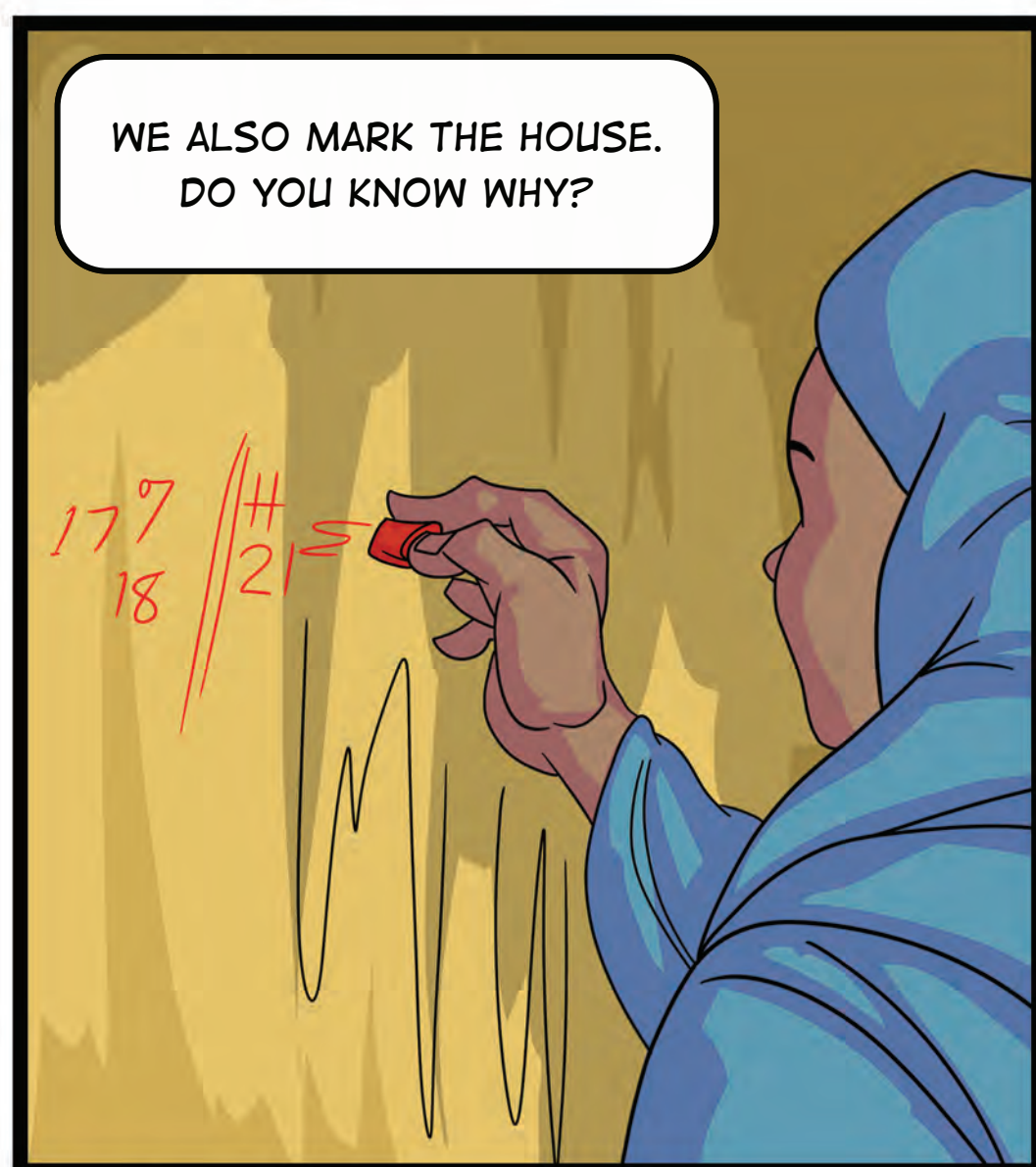
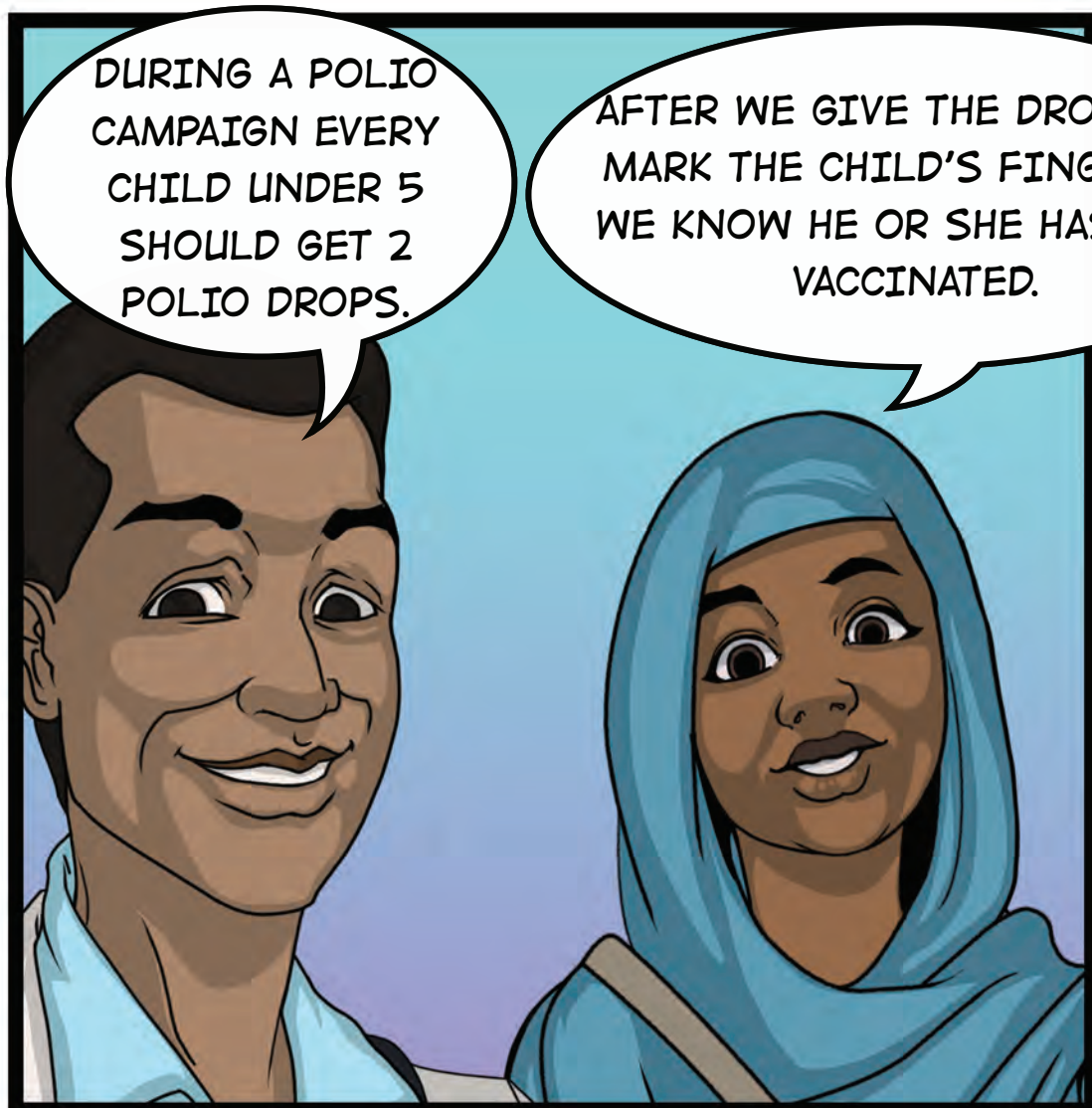
SMILE AND BE FRIENDLY!



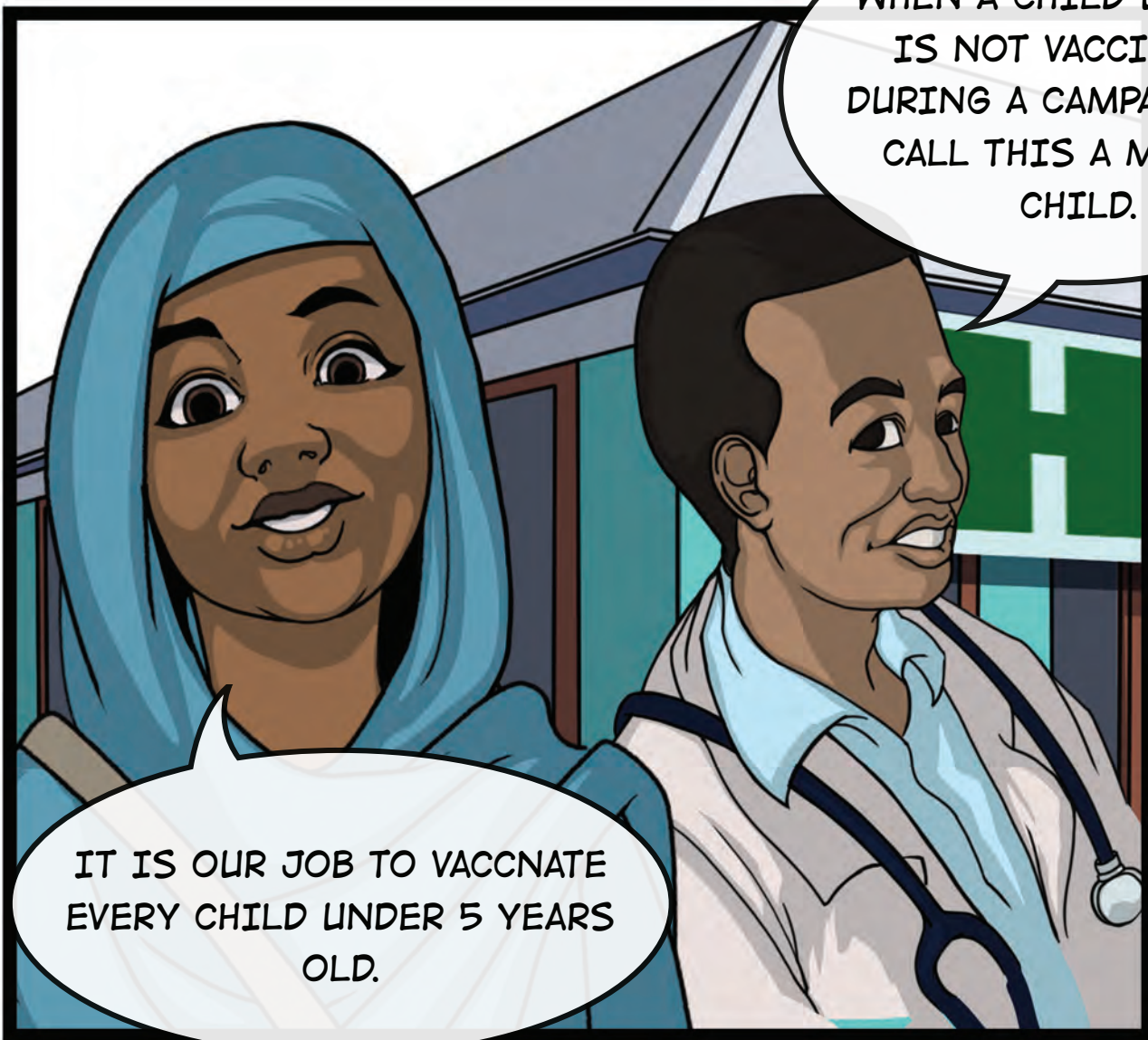
REMINDER: OUR INTERACTIONS WITH EVERYONE - CAREGIVERS, PARENTS, CHILDREN, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS -- SHOULD BE POLITE AND RESPECTFUL, AND DEMONSTRATE CONCERN FOR THE CHILDREN.



FINGER AND HOUSE MARKING

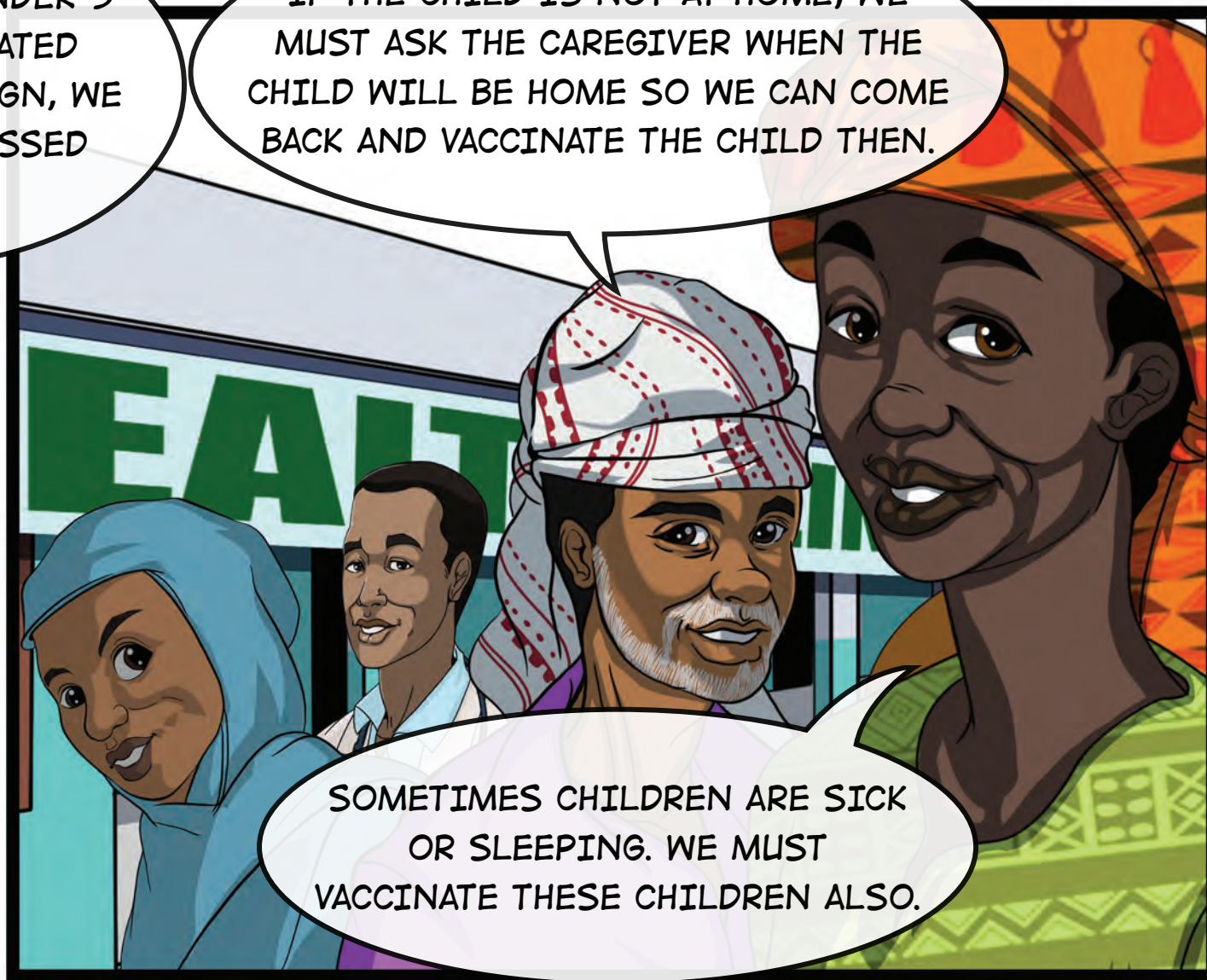


MISSED CHILDREN



WHEN A CHILD UNDER 5 IS NOT VACCINATED DURING A CAMPAIGN, WE CALL THIS A MISSED CHILD.

IT IS OUR JOB TO VACCINATE EVERY CHILD UNDER 5 YEARS OLD.

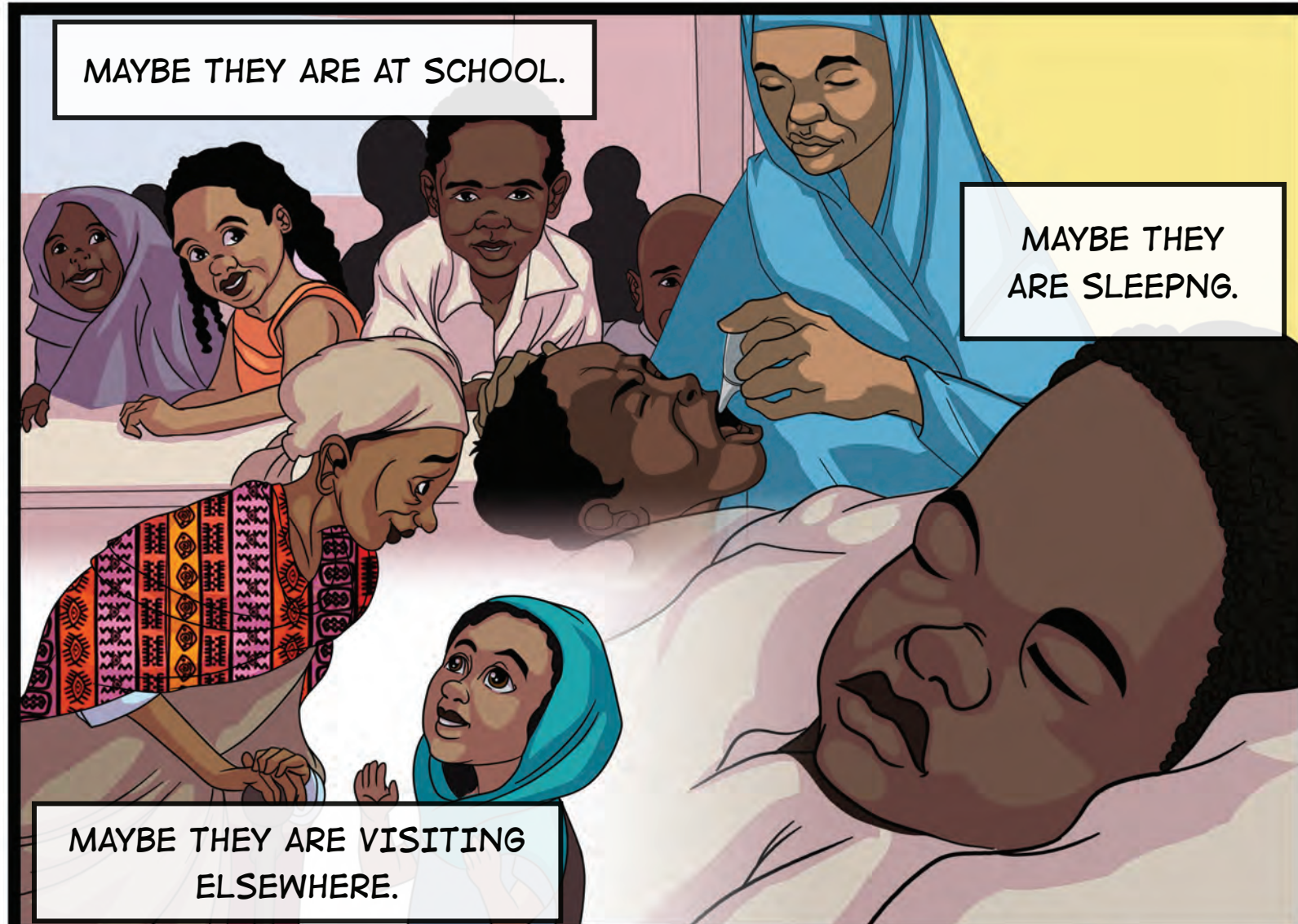


IF THE CHILD IS NOT AT HOME, WE MUST ASK THE CAREGIVER WHEN THE CHILD WILL BE HOME SO WE CAN COME BACK AND VACCINATE THE CHILD THEN.

SOMETIMES CHILDREN ARE SICK OR SLEEPING. WE MUST VACCINATE THESE CHILDREN ALSO.



THE CHILDREN ARE NOT AT HOME...



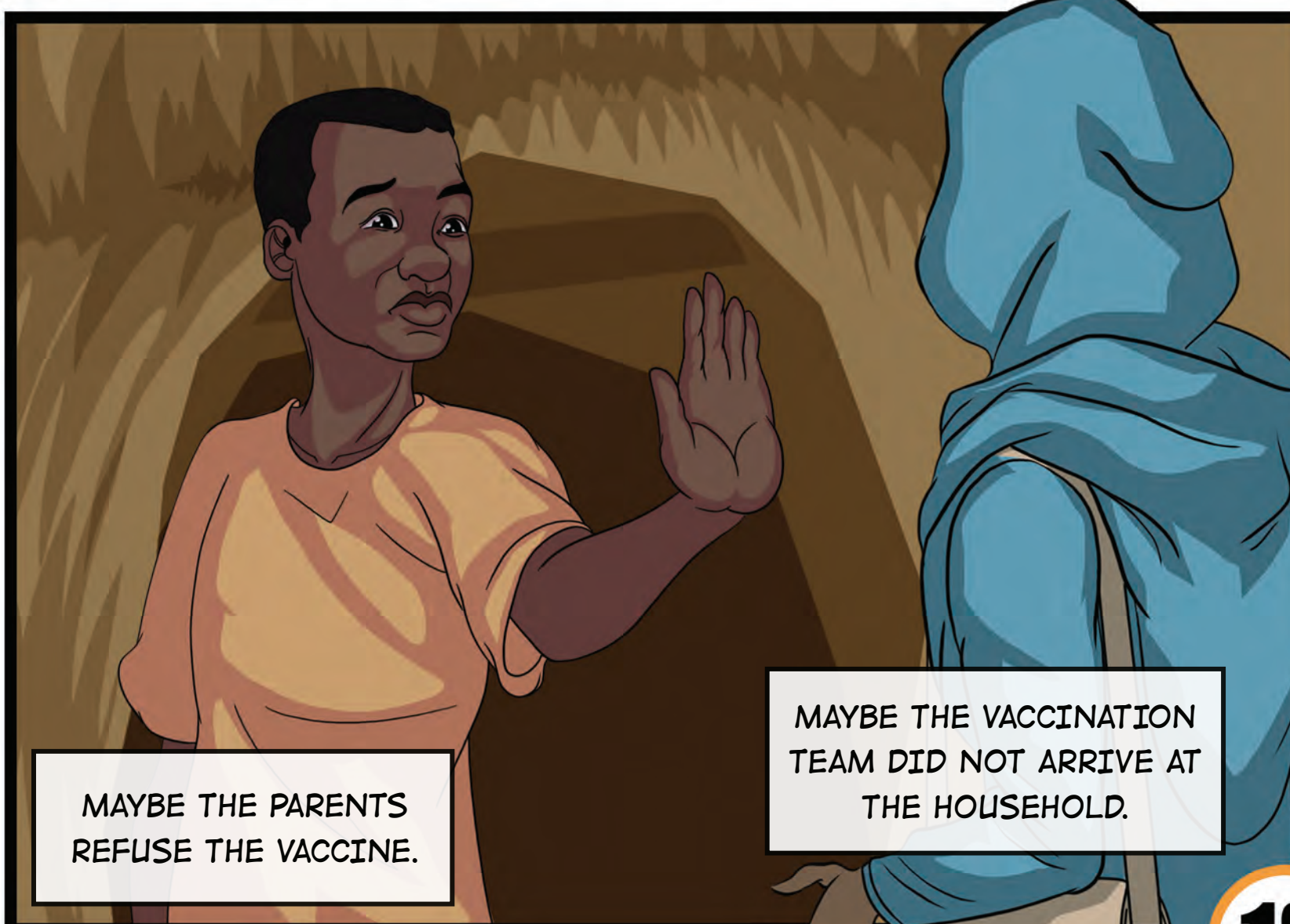
MAYBE THEY ARE AT SCHOOL.

MAYBE THEY ARE SLEEPING.

MAYBE THEY ARE VISITING ELSEWHERE.

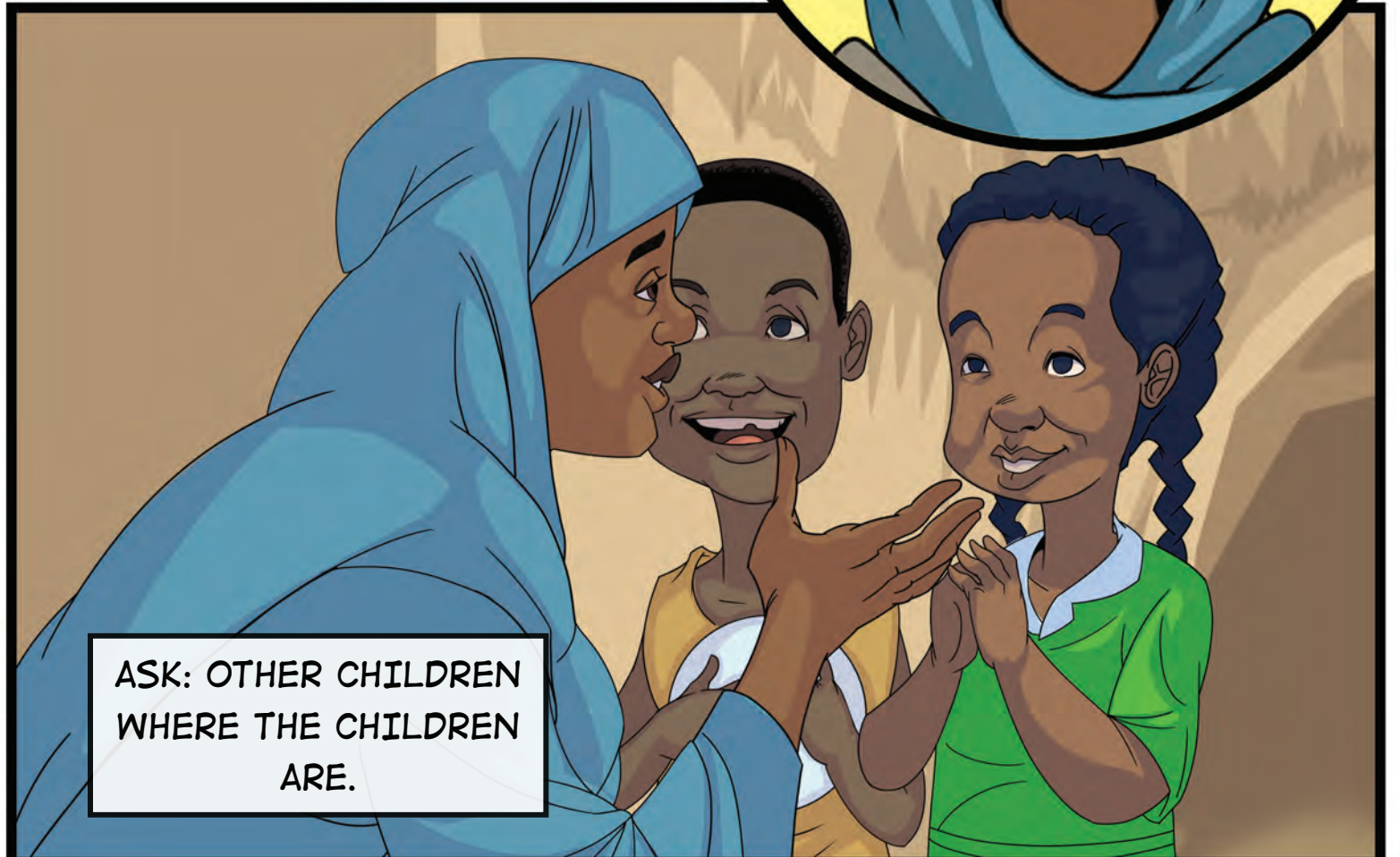


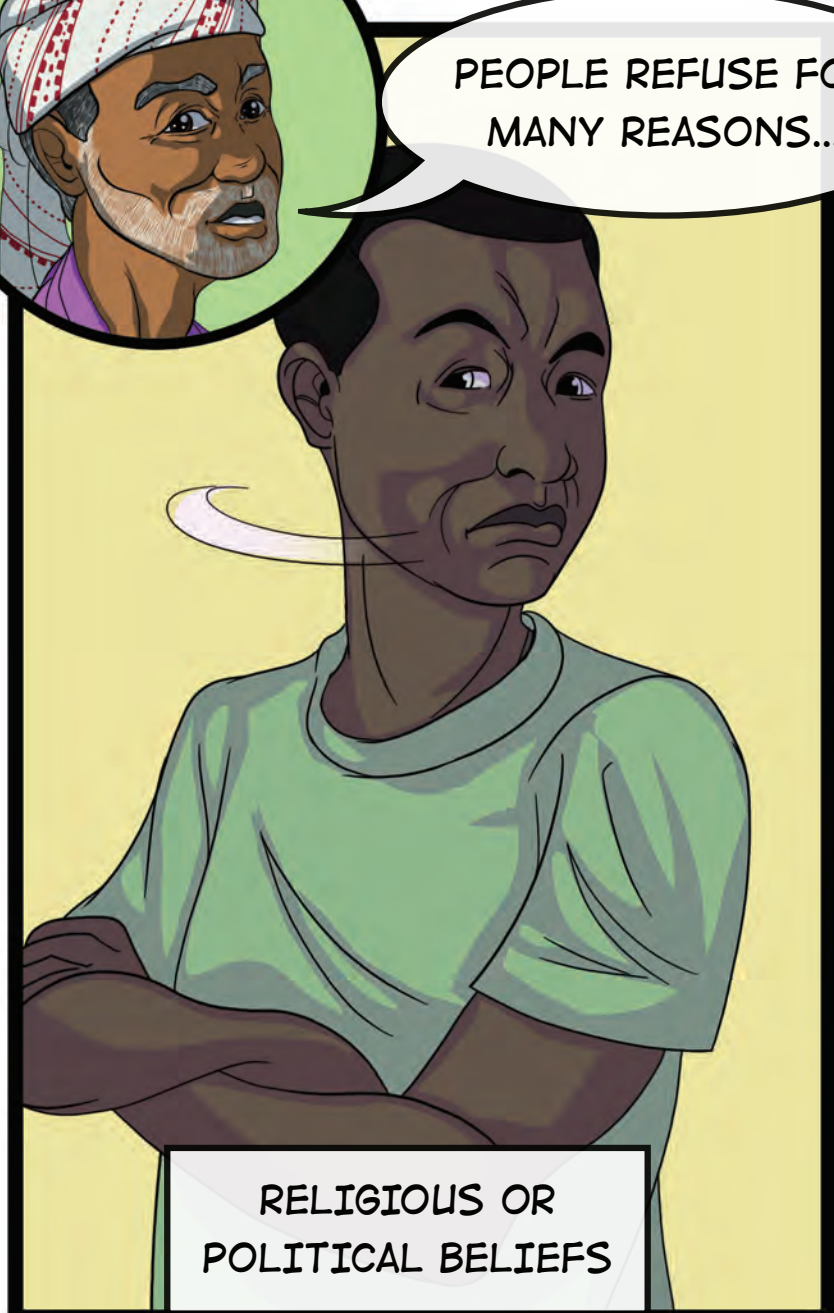
MAYBE THEY ARE OUTSIDE PLAYING.

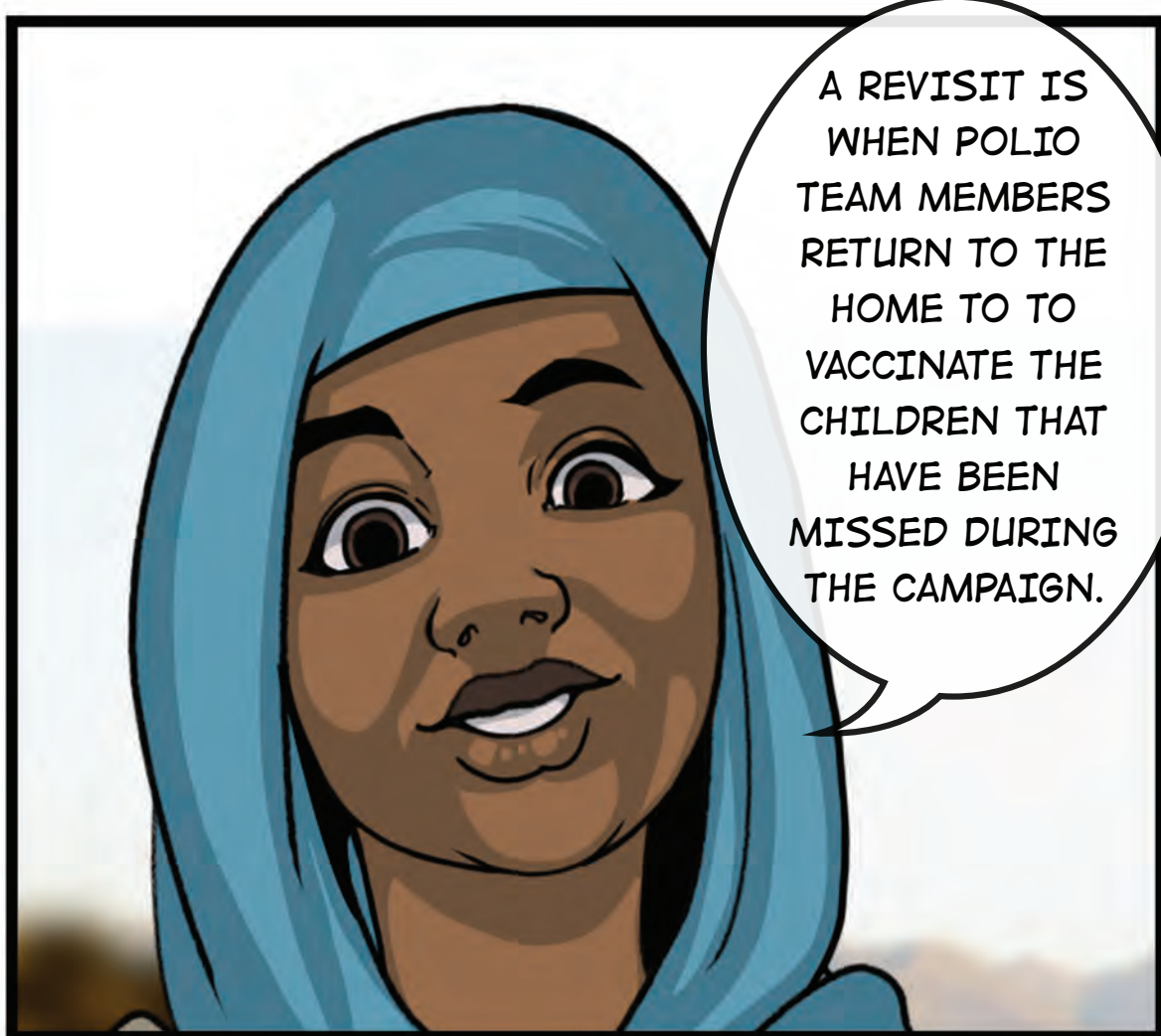


MAYBE THE PARENTS REFUSE THE VACCINE.

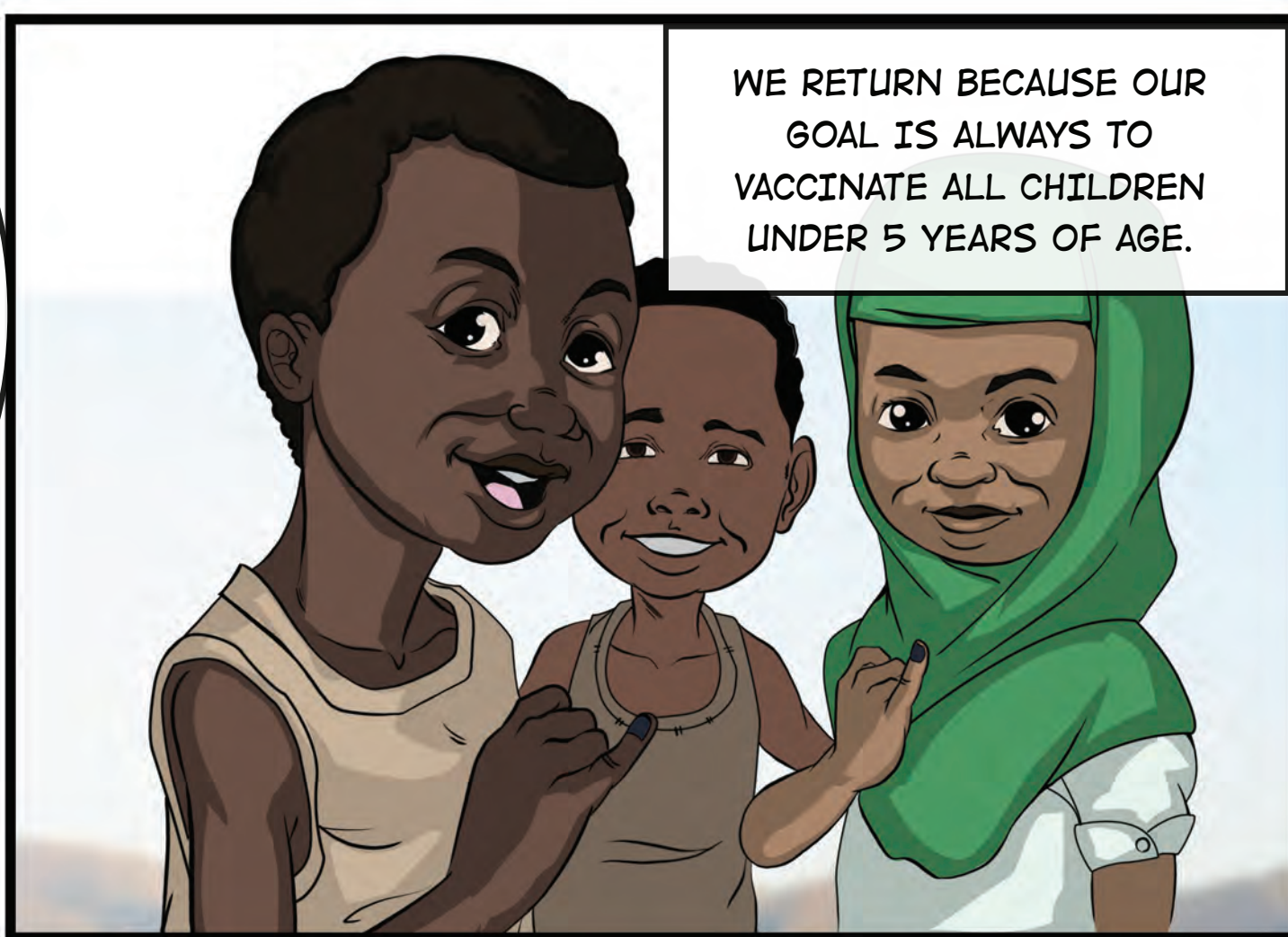
MAYBE THE VACCINATION TEAM DID NOT ARRIVE AT THE HOUSEHOLD.







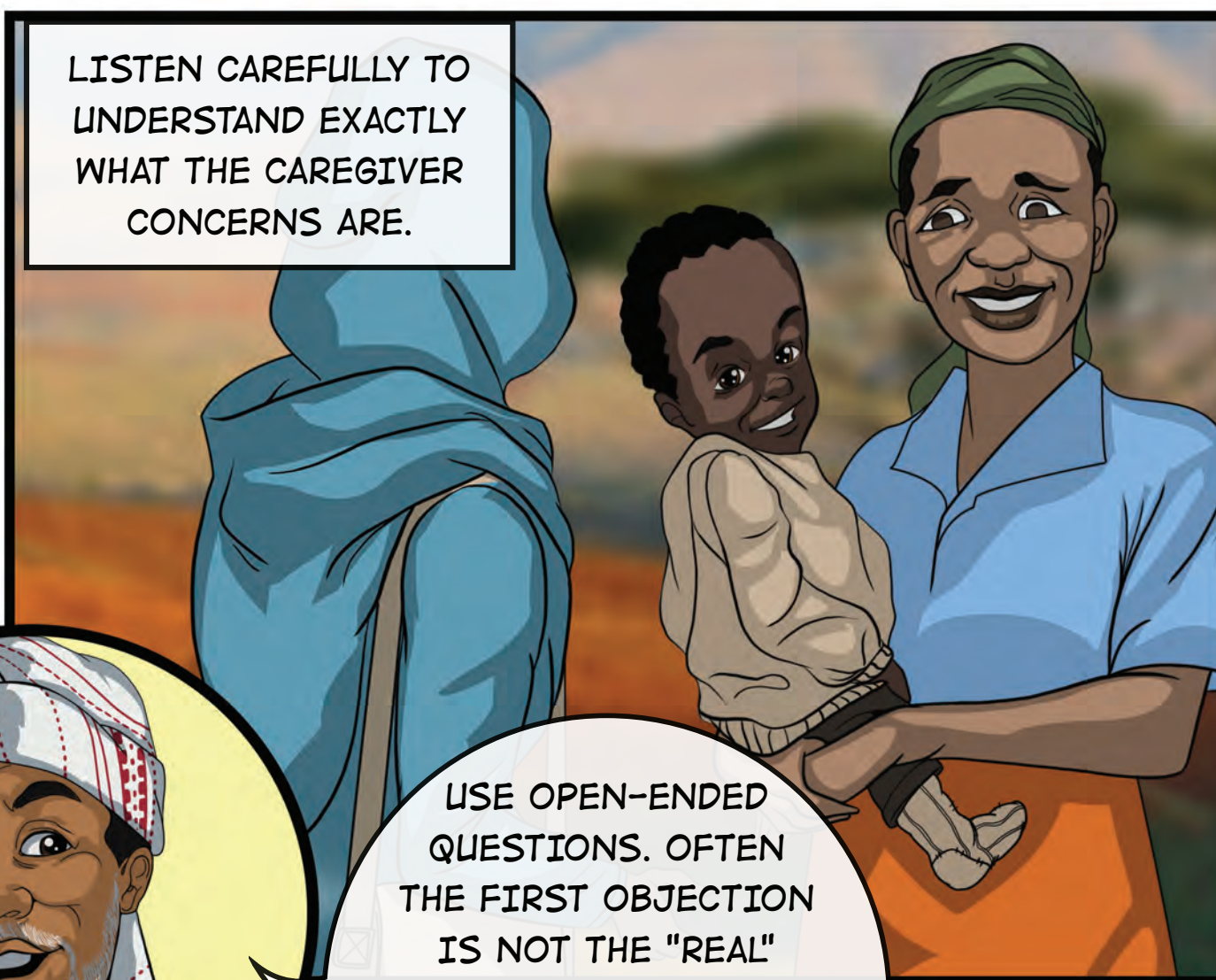
A REVISIT IS WHEN POLIO TEAM MEMBERS RETURN TO THE HOME TO TO VACCINATE THE CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN MISSED DURING THE CAMPAIGN.



WE RETURN BECAUSE OUR GOAL IS ALWAYS TO VACCINATE ALL CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS OF AGE.



IT MAY OCCUR AT A HOUSEHOLD WHERE THE CHILDREN WERE NOT AVAILABLE.



LISTEN CAREFULLY TO UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT THE CAREGIVER CONCERNS ARE.

A REVISIT GIVES POLIO WORKERS THE CHANCE TO ADDRESS THE SPECIFIC CONCERNS OF THE CAREGIVERS.



USE OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS. OFTEN THE FIRST OBJECTION IS NOT THE "REAL" OBJECTION; THERE MAY BE HIDDEN OR UNSPOKEN REASONS THAT WERE NOT SHARED INITIALLY.



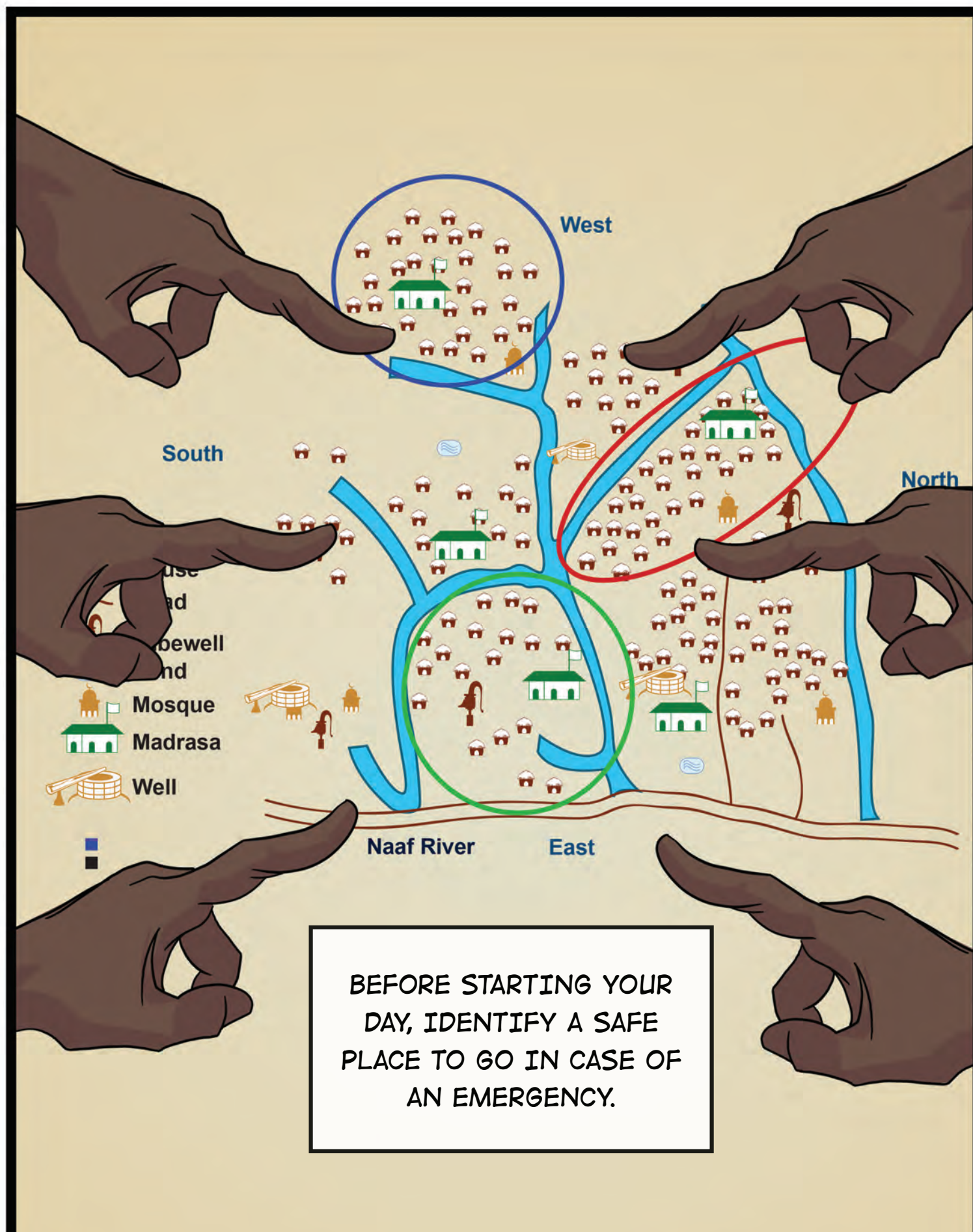
ASK POLITELY TO UNDERSTAND ANY HIDDEN REASONS.



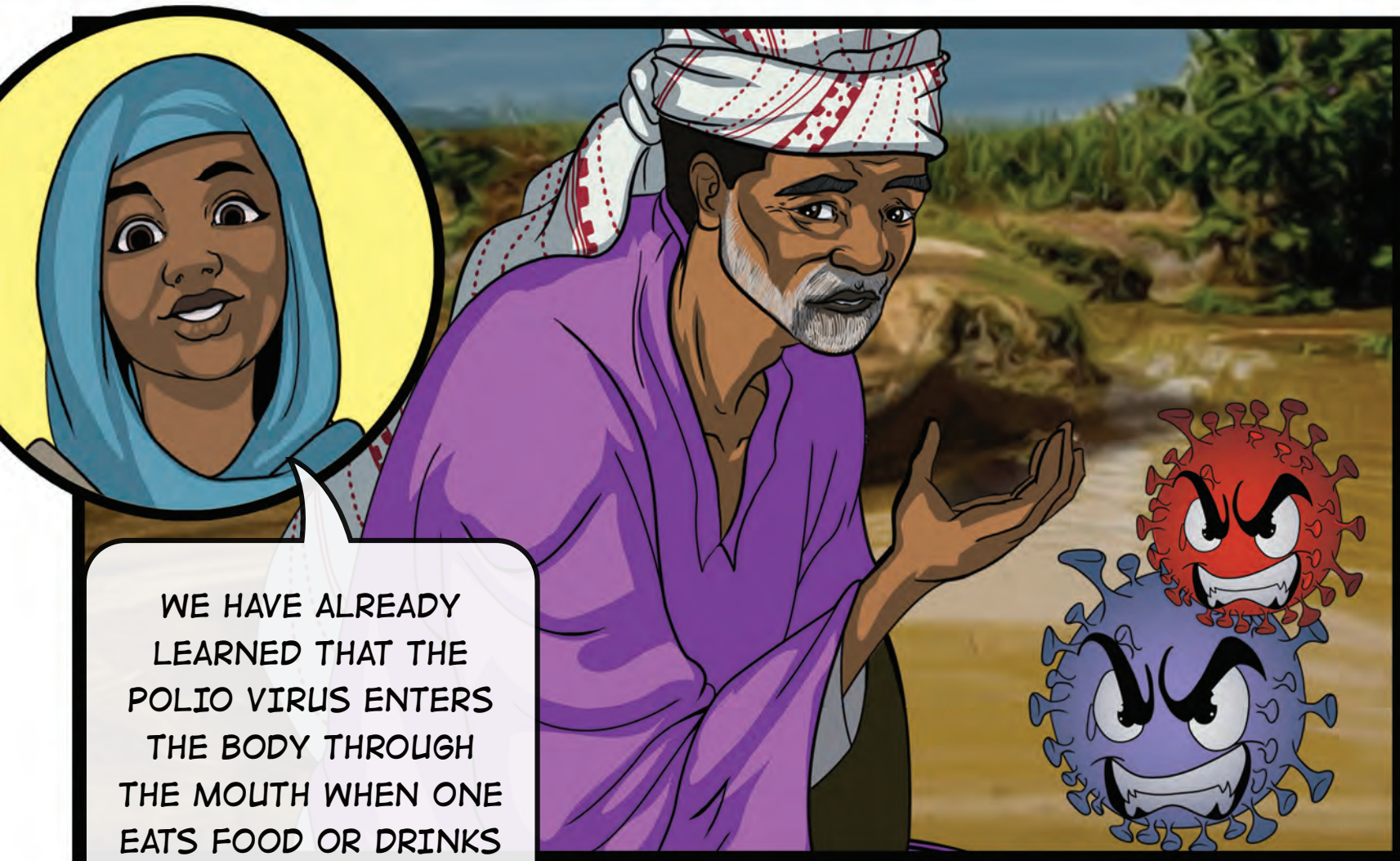
A LOCAL RELIGIOUS LEADER OR TRADITIONAL HEALER CAN ADDRESS ISSUES OF SPIRITUAL BELIEF.



A DOCTOR CAN REASSURE PARENTS THAT THE VACCINE IS SAFE AND EFFECTIVE.



1. YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY IS THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY.
2. CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR IMMEDIATELY IF A SECURITY INCIDENT OCCURS AGAINST YOU OR YOUR TEAM.
3. LET YOUR SUPERVISOR KNOW WHERE YOU ARE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.
4. BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS AND LEARN TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL THREATS.

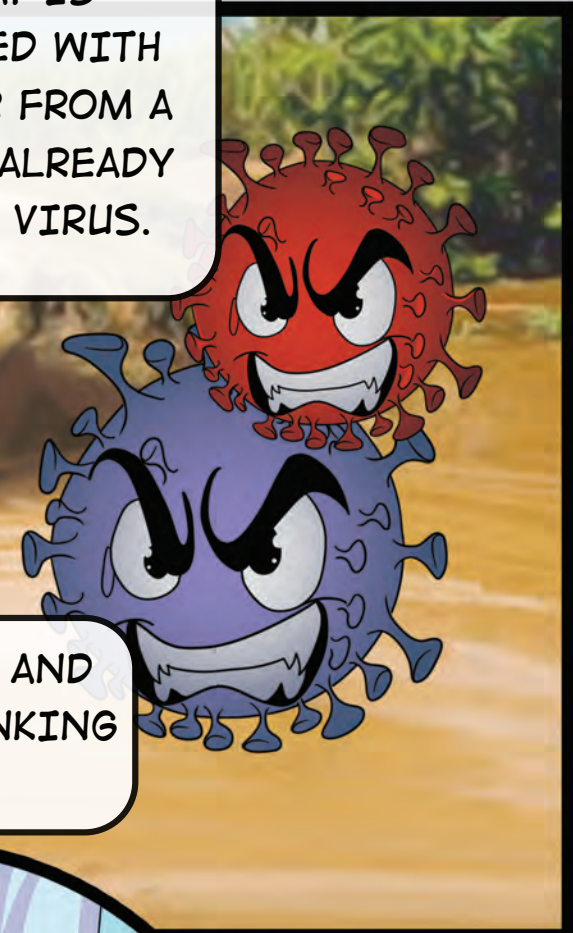


WE HAVE ALREADY LEARNED THAT THE POLIO VIRUS ENTERS THE BODY THROUGH THE MOUTH WHEN ONE EATS FOOD OR DRINKS WATER THAT IS CONTAMINATED WITH FECAL MATTER FROM A PERSON WHO ALREADY CARRIES THE VIRUS.

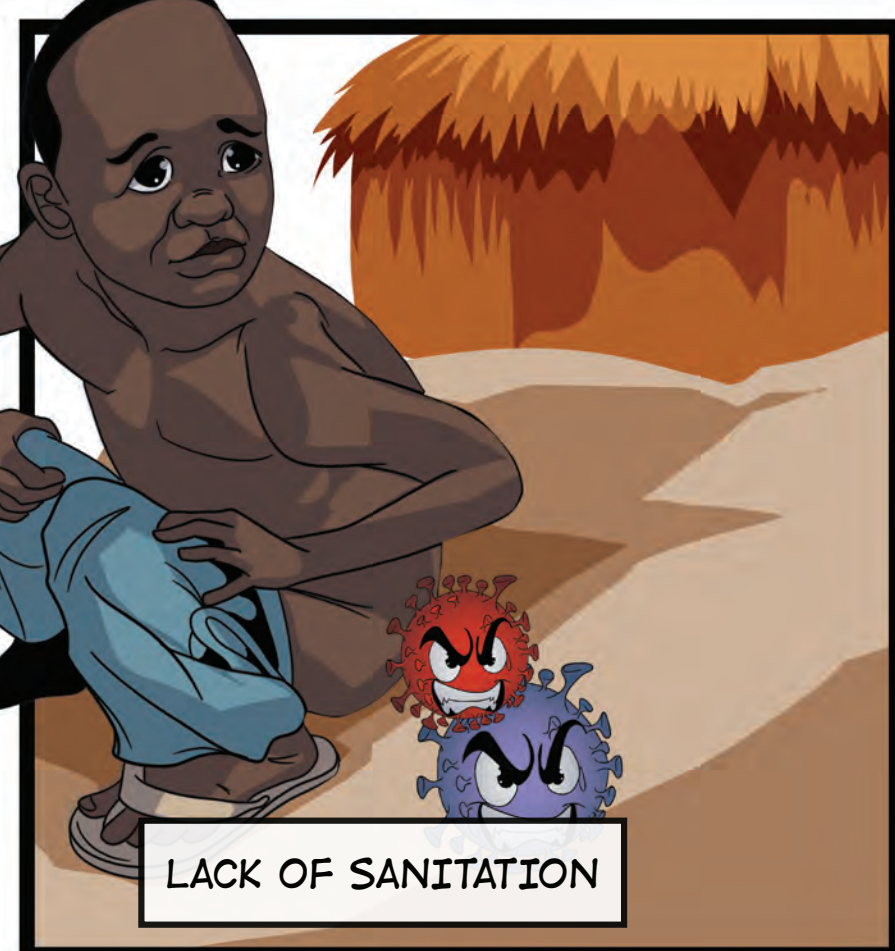
DISEASE AND DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN ARE OFTEN CAUSED BY...



LACK OF SAFE AND ADEQUATE DRINKING WATER.

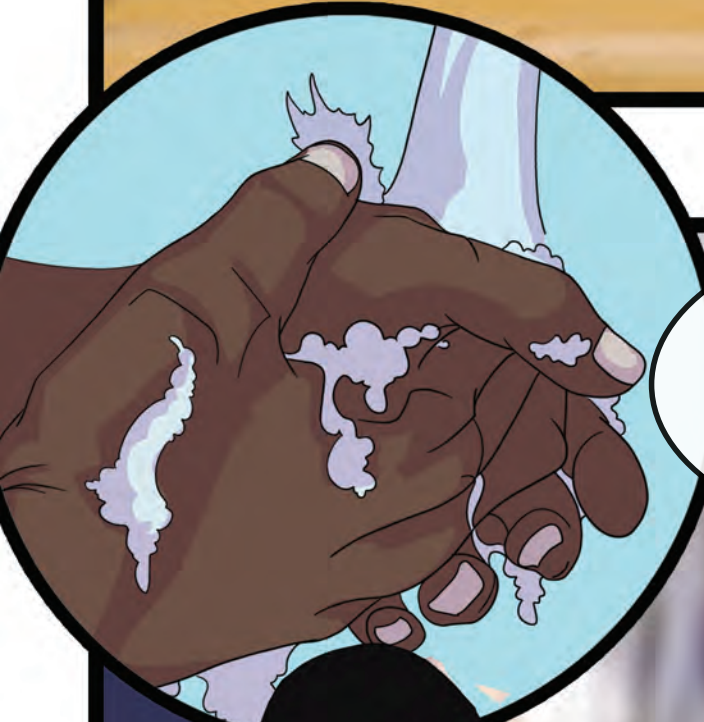


LACK OF HYGIENE



LACK OF SANITATION

ALL THESE PRACTICES CAN HELP KEEP CHILDREN HEALTHY AND STOP THE SPREAD OF POLIO.



WASH HANDS WITH SOAP AND WATER BEFORE COOKING AND EATING.



WASH HANDS WITH SOAP AND WATER AFTER GOING TO THE TOILET OR CLEANING A CHILD'S BOTTOM.



USE A TOILET OR PIT LATRINE

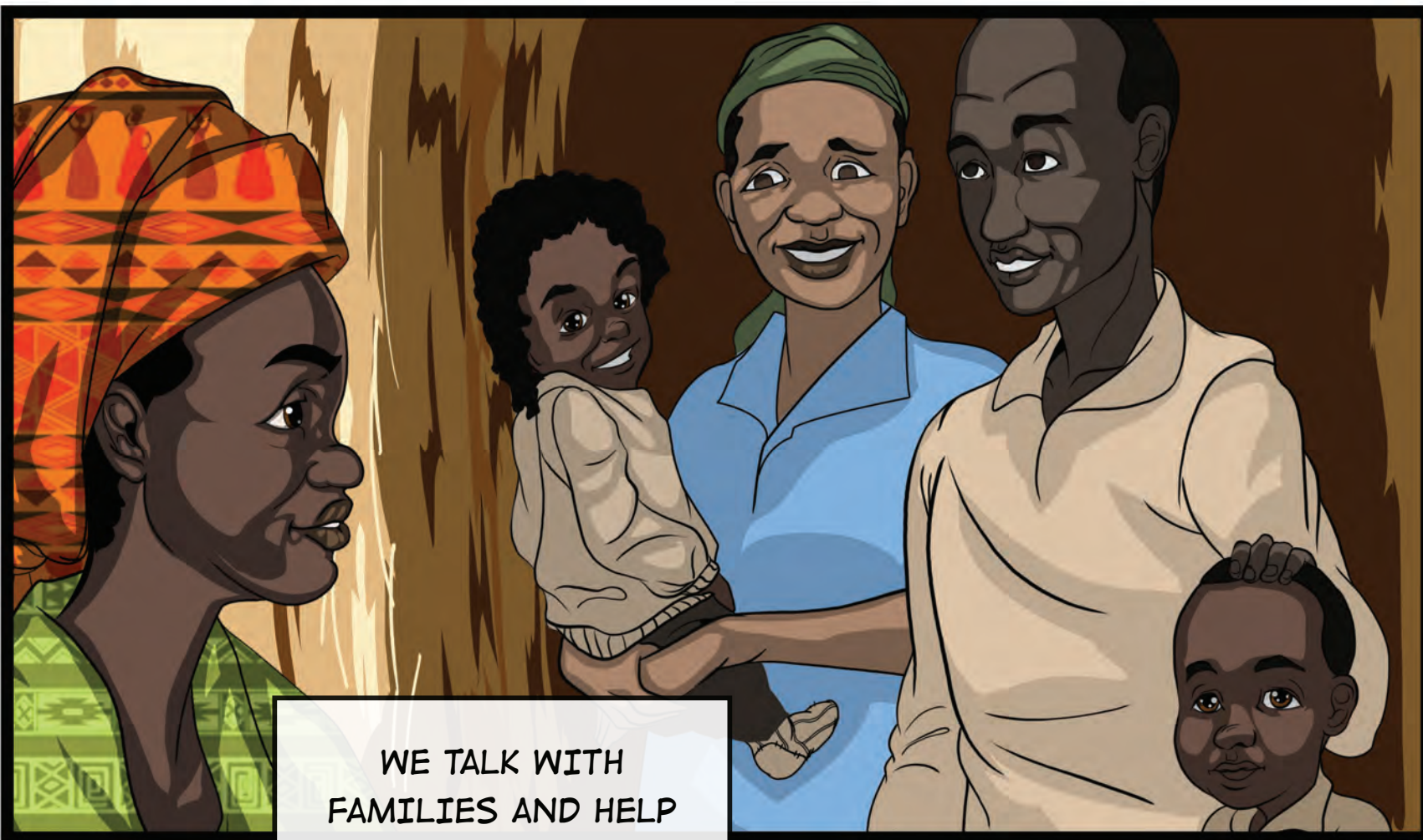


TREAT DRINKING WATER TO KILL GERMS

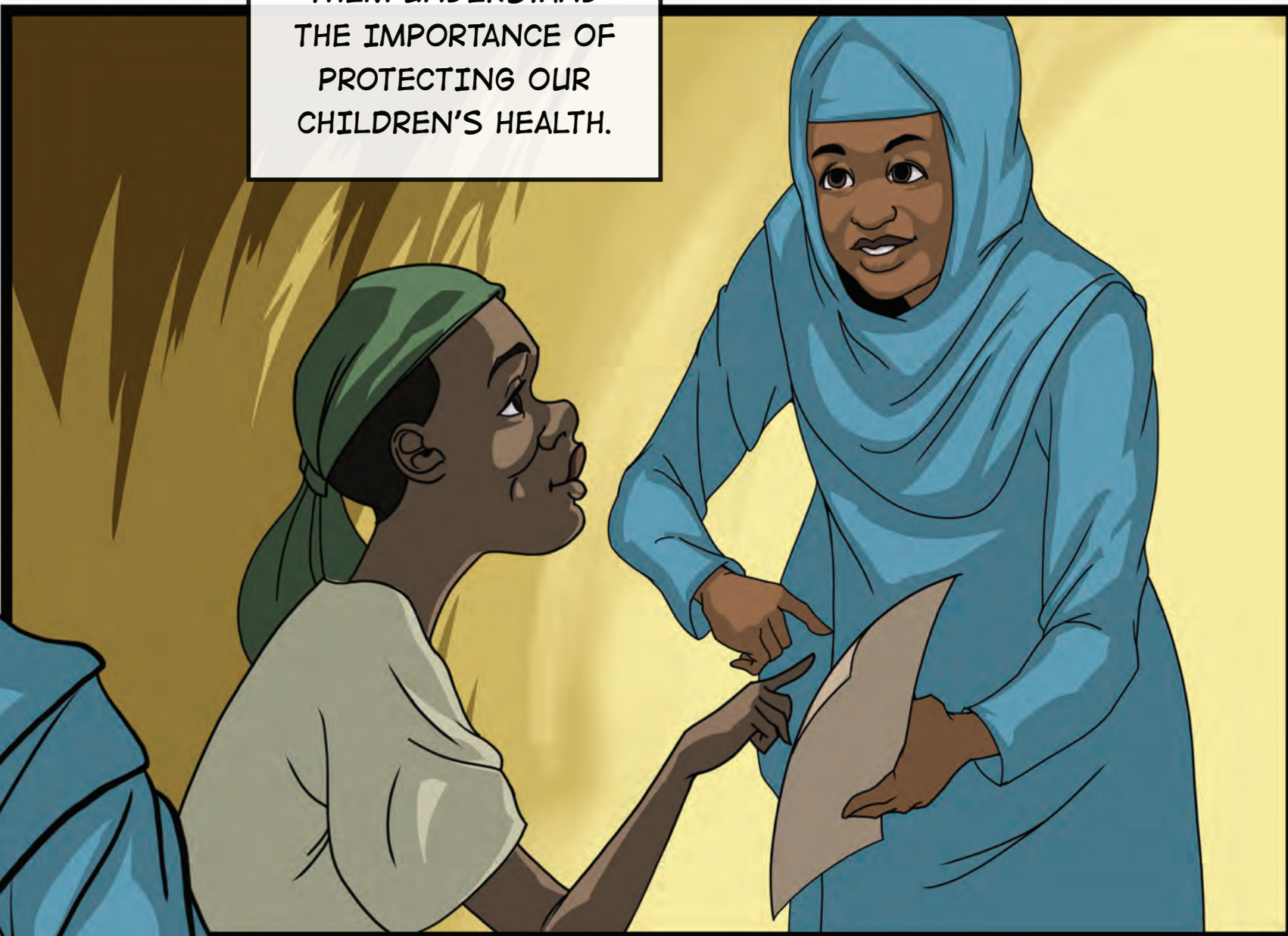
STORE WATER IN A SAFE AND CLEAN PLACE

POLIO WORKERS

POLIO WORKERS AND ALL HEALTH WORKERS DO VERY IMPORTANT WORK FOR OUR CHILDREN AND OUR COMMUNITY.



WE TALK WITH FAMILIES AND HELP THEM UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH.



WE ALWAYS LISTEN CAREFULLY.



WE TEACH AND EXPLAIN, AND HELP TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM DISEASE.



GREET

ASK

TELL

HELP

EXPLAIN

RETURN