



Michael, Lerato and the Ants

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Michael lived on a farm.
On this farm were many boys.

Michael's friends were his
brothers and the neighbours' boys.

All the boys were older than
Michael.





Michael felt alone the first day at the nursery school.

All the older boys of the farm were in the Sea Lion Class and he was in the Penguin Class.



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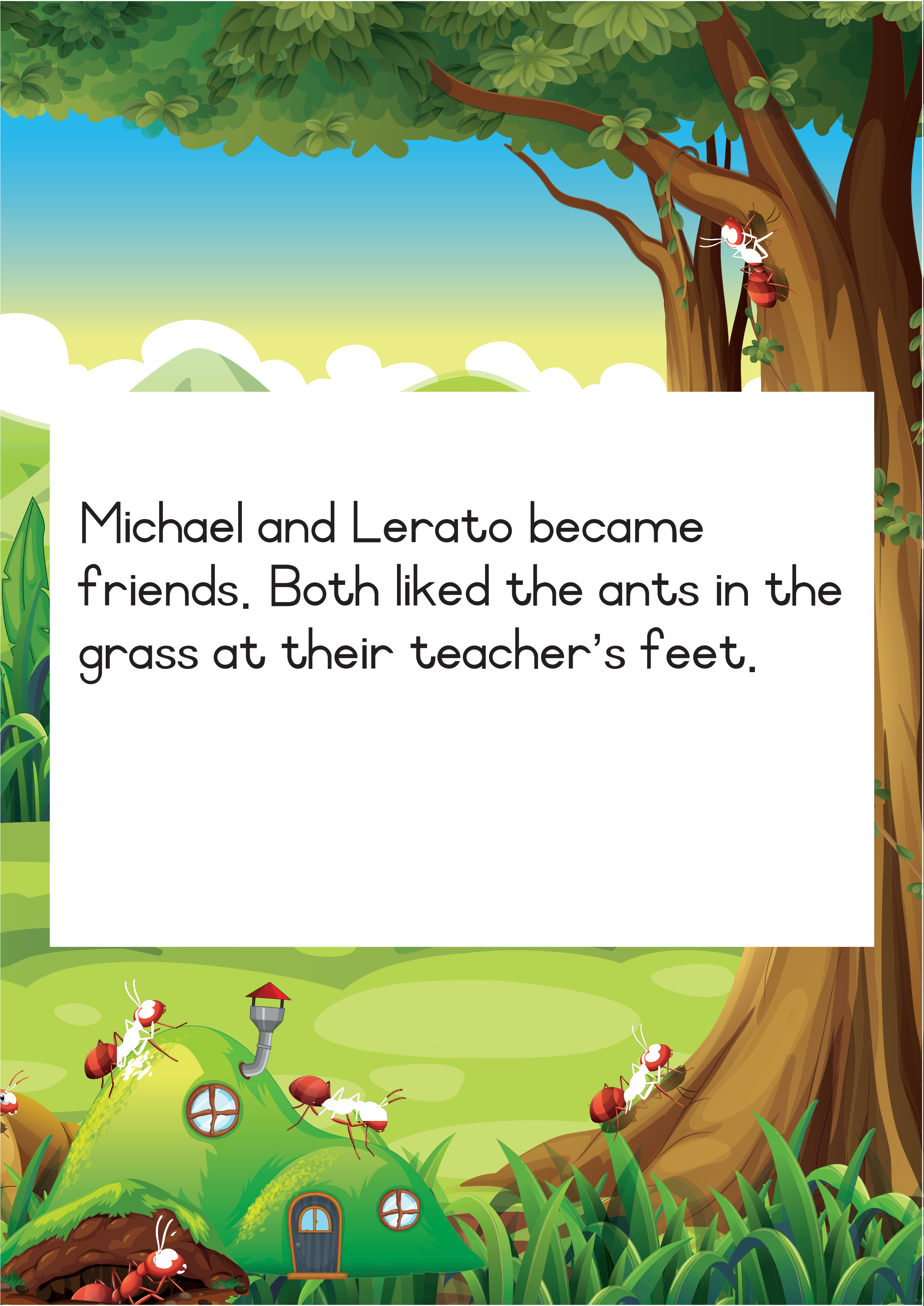
Lerato also lived on a farm. She was also new at the school and also felt alone.



Lerato sat on her teachers' lap for hours during outside play. Then she sat next to her teacher for days.

Then she played on the grass at her teacher's feet for weeks. One day Lerato saw a big black ant in the grass. She asked Michael: "Do you see the ant?" Michael let the ant walk on his toe and said: "Yes."





Michael and Lerato became friends. Both liked the ants in the grass at their teacher's feet.