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TODAY?



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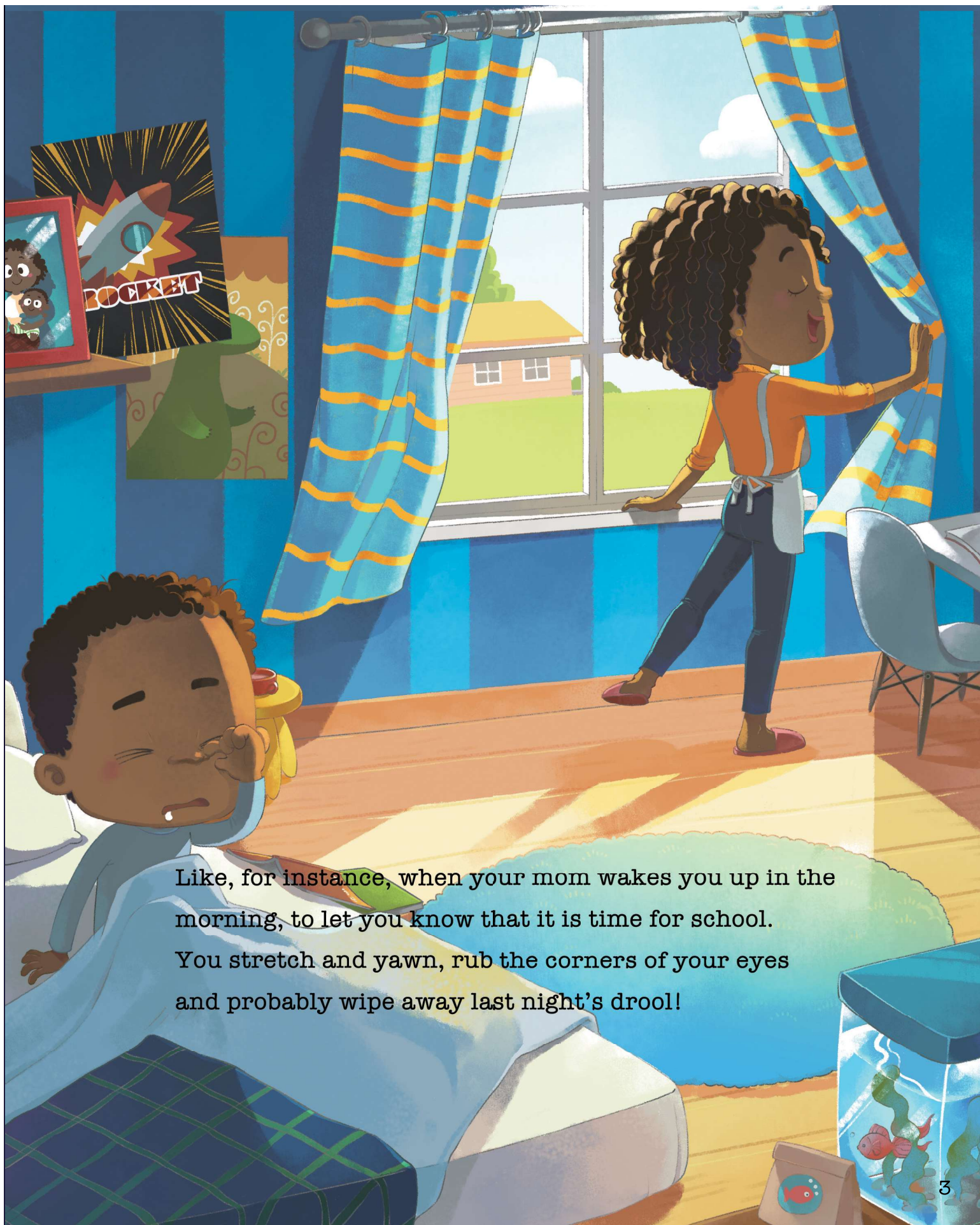


This world is full of inventions,  
 some of them we don't even think about.  
 But if we took the time to think about them,  
 we'd realize we wouldn't want to live without them.



You see, inventions, they make our lives much easier; and they also make our lives more fun! So we should thank the inventors, who invent great inventions, for without them, we might not get anything done!





Like, for instance, when your mom wakes you up in the morning, to let you know that it is time for school. You stretch and yawn, rub the corners of your eyes and probably wipe away last night's drool!



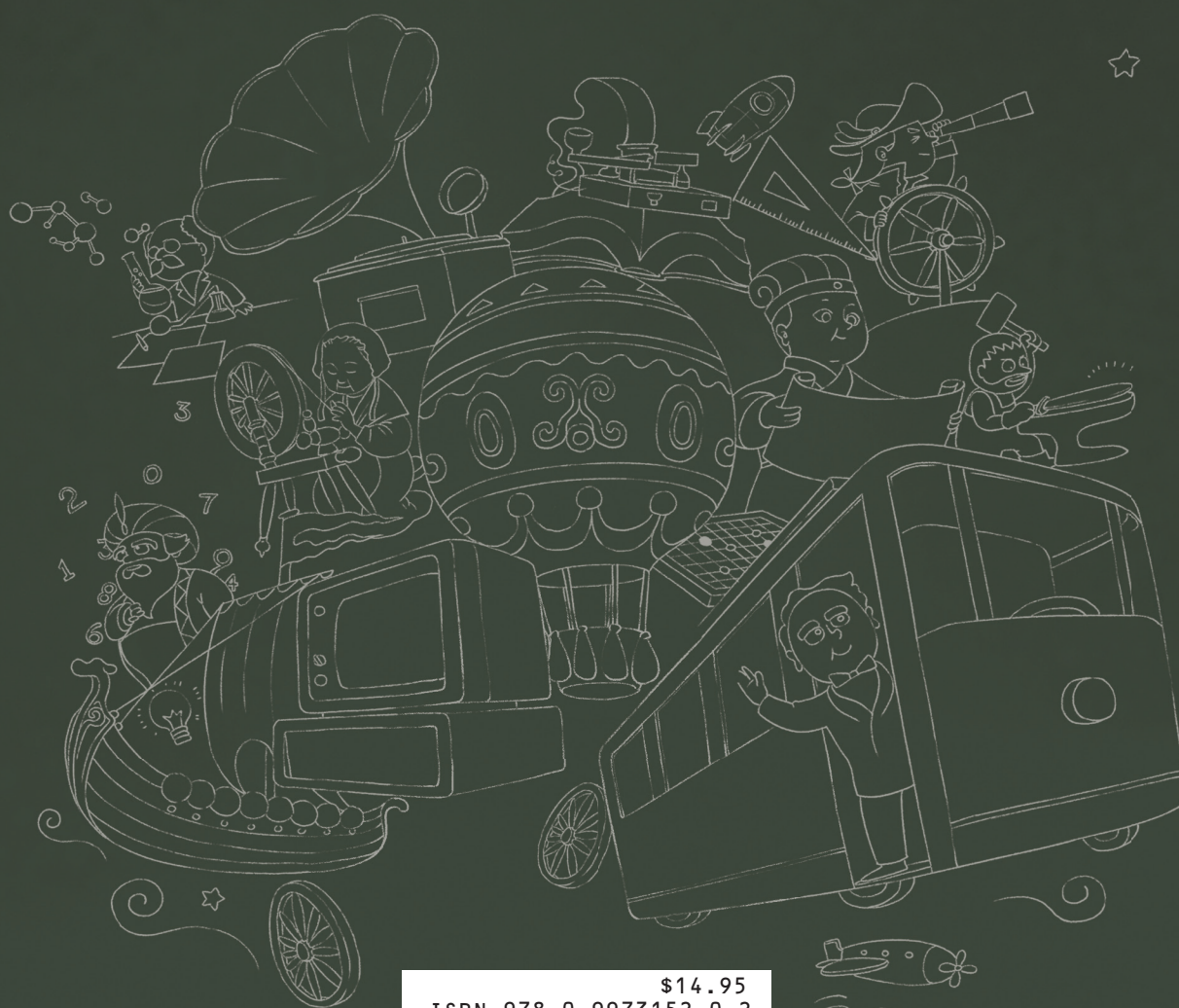
That's when you happen to glance over at your clock,  
and realize that you're running a bit late; well you  
wouldn't know that were it not for Benjamin Banneker,  
he invented the first clock in the United States!

So you put on clothes and you rush into the bathroom!  
You wash your face and brush your teeth, then brush your  
hair. Be sure to thank Lyda Newman, for part of your  
morning groomin', as the modern day hair brush,  
was her awesome idea!





Afterwards, you're called into the kitchen for breakfast. This morning it's cereal with fruit and wheat toast. Thank goodness John Stanard improved the refrigerator, because hot milk with your cereal is pretty gross!



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