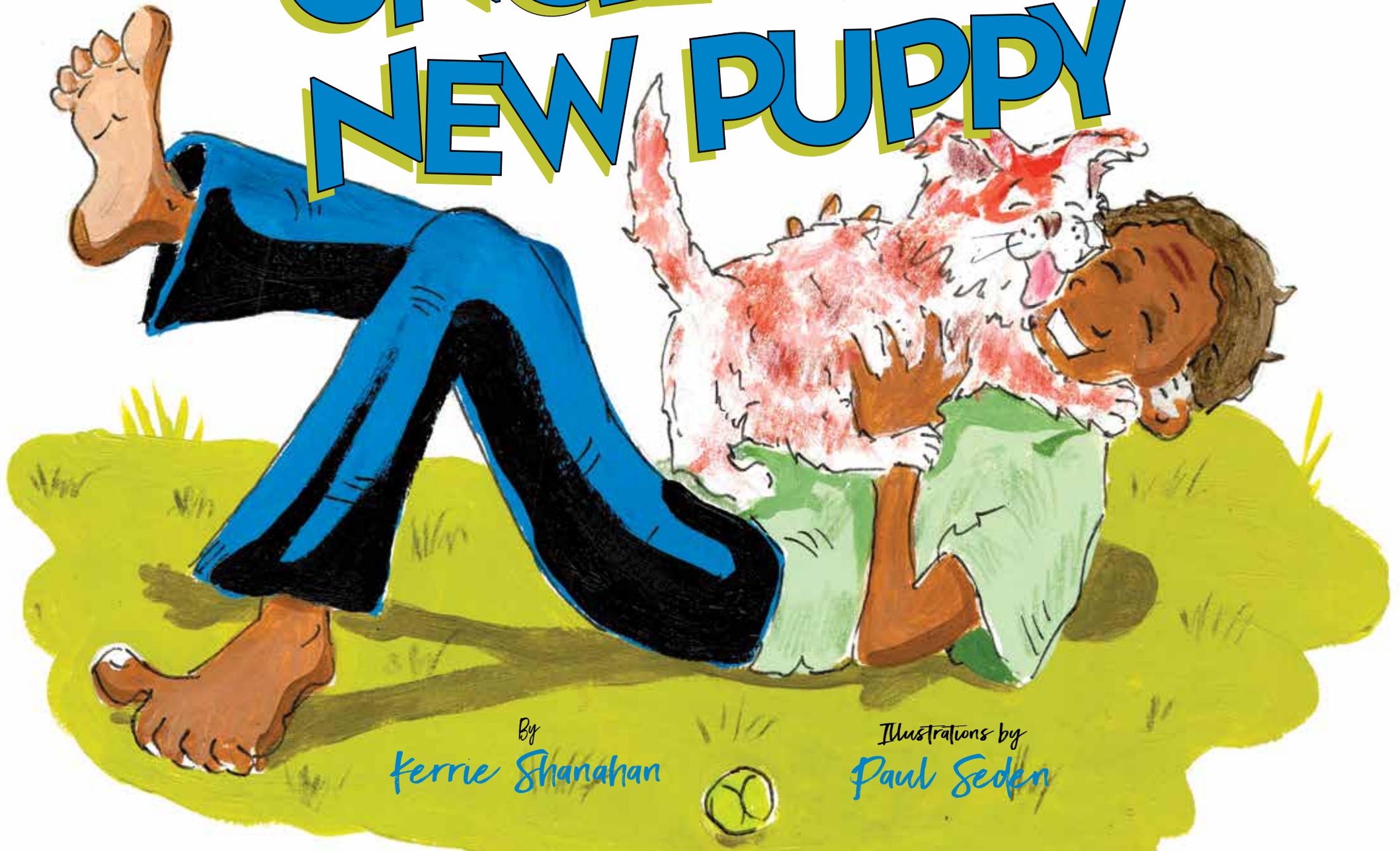


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We, the English Language Learning for Indigenous Children (ELLIC) project, acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the Traditional Custodians and the first storytellers of the lands on which we live and work.

We honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' continuous connection to Country, waters, skies and communities, and we pay our respects to Elders past and present.

We celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stories, traditions, education practices and living cultures.



On Sunday Uncle Vin got a brand-new puppy.





'Welcome home,' said Uncle Vin,  
as the little puppy waddled in.

'You're round and cute, and oh so fluffy,  
I think that I will name you Scruffy.'





On Monday Scruffy explored  
his new home.

Under the bed, Scruffy saw a shoe.

He pounced on it and had a chew.

He chewed and growled and rolled around.

'Oh no!' said Uncle Vin. 'Look what you found!'





On Tuesday Uncle Vin  
played with Scruffy in the backyard.

Up went the ball for Scruffy to catch,  
but Scruffy fell down in a big mud patch.

He rolled in the mud, first left and then right.

Uncle Vin gasped, 'What a terrible sight!'





On Wednesday Uncle Vin took Scruffy to meet  
the neighbours in the house next door.



Scruffy saw their cat and barked with glee,  
'Errrowww!' went the cat, and flew up a tree.



Then Scruffy ran back to Uncle Vin,  
jumped up in his arms and licked his chin.

On Thursday Scruffy helped  
Uncle Vin in the garden.

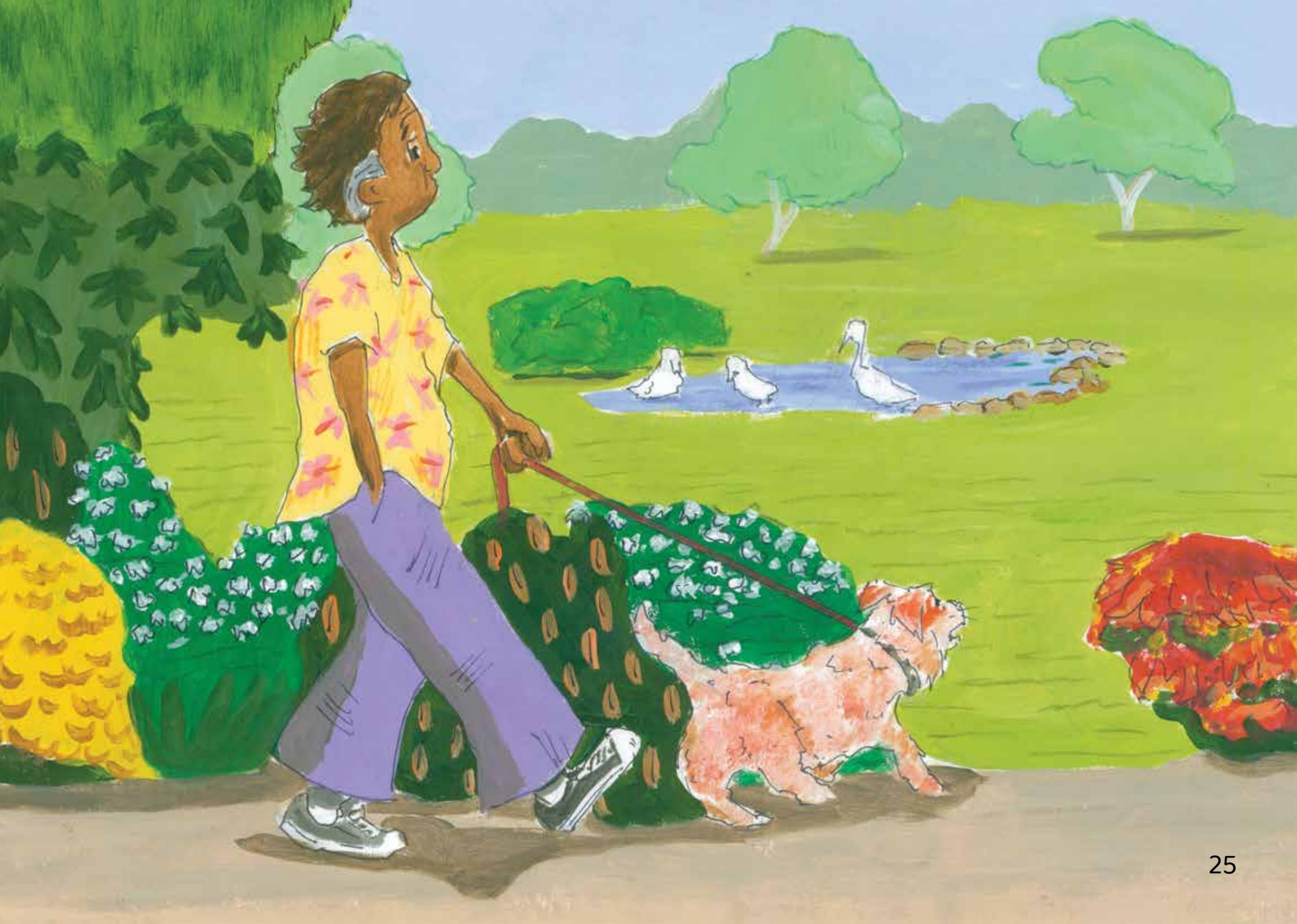




Scruffy grabbed the hose and shook it in the air.  
Water sprayed here, and water sprayed there.

Uncle Vin got wet, and yelled, 'Oh no!'  
He was drenched from head to toe.

On Friday Uncle Vin took Scruffy  
for a walk in the park.





Scruffy walked along and looked all around.  
He sniffed at the grass and heard every sound.

Then Scruffy saw the pond, and ran straight in.  
And running behind came poor Uncle Vin!



On Saturday Scruffy slept on the  
cool grass under a shady tree.

And so did Uncle Vin!





## About The illustrator

Paul Seden is descended from the Wuthathi and Muralag people of North Queensland. He grew up in Darwin and loves to draw and tell stories. Some of his previous works are *Crabbing with Dad* (author and illustrator), *Molly the Pirate* (illustrator), *The Shop Train* (illustrator), *Kick with My Left Foot* (author) and *Aussie kids: Meet Sam at the Mangrove Creek* (author).





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