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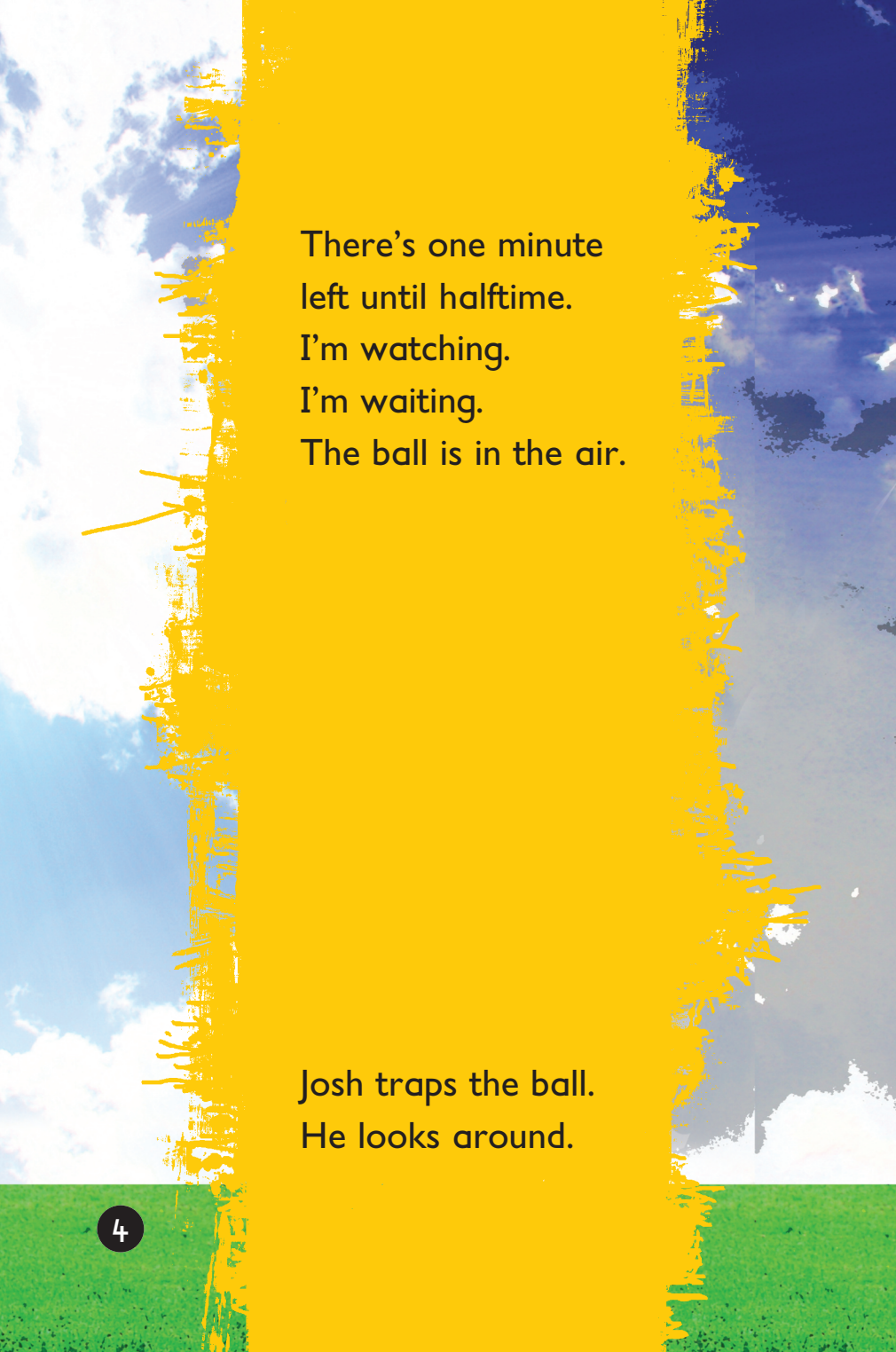


My name is Carlos Bobby Simpson.  
Soccer is everything to me.  
Today is my tryout with Chivas USA.  
There's just one place up for grabs.



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**ONE MOMENT CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE FOREVER**



There's one minute  
left until halftime.  
I'm watching.  
I'm waiting.  
The ball is in the air.

Josh traps the ball.  
He looks around.





I'm clear.

I shout, "Over here!"







But Josh is going for it.  
He wants a goal.

The little defender comes up fast.  
I shout to Josh, “Over here.”







But Josh has left it too late.  
The little defender tackles him.  
The ball flies off the pitch.

It's halftime.

I run over to Mom in the small crowd.

She says, "You look good out there."

But I'm not happy. I want a goal.





Mom says, "Remember what  
Grandpa used to say. Don't be  
a glory boy, Carlos."



But today is my tryout with Chivas.  
Today, I need glory!



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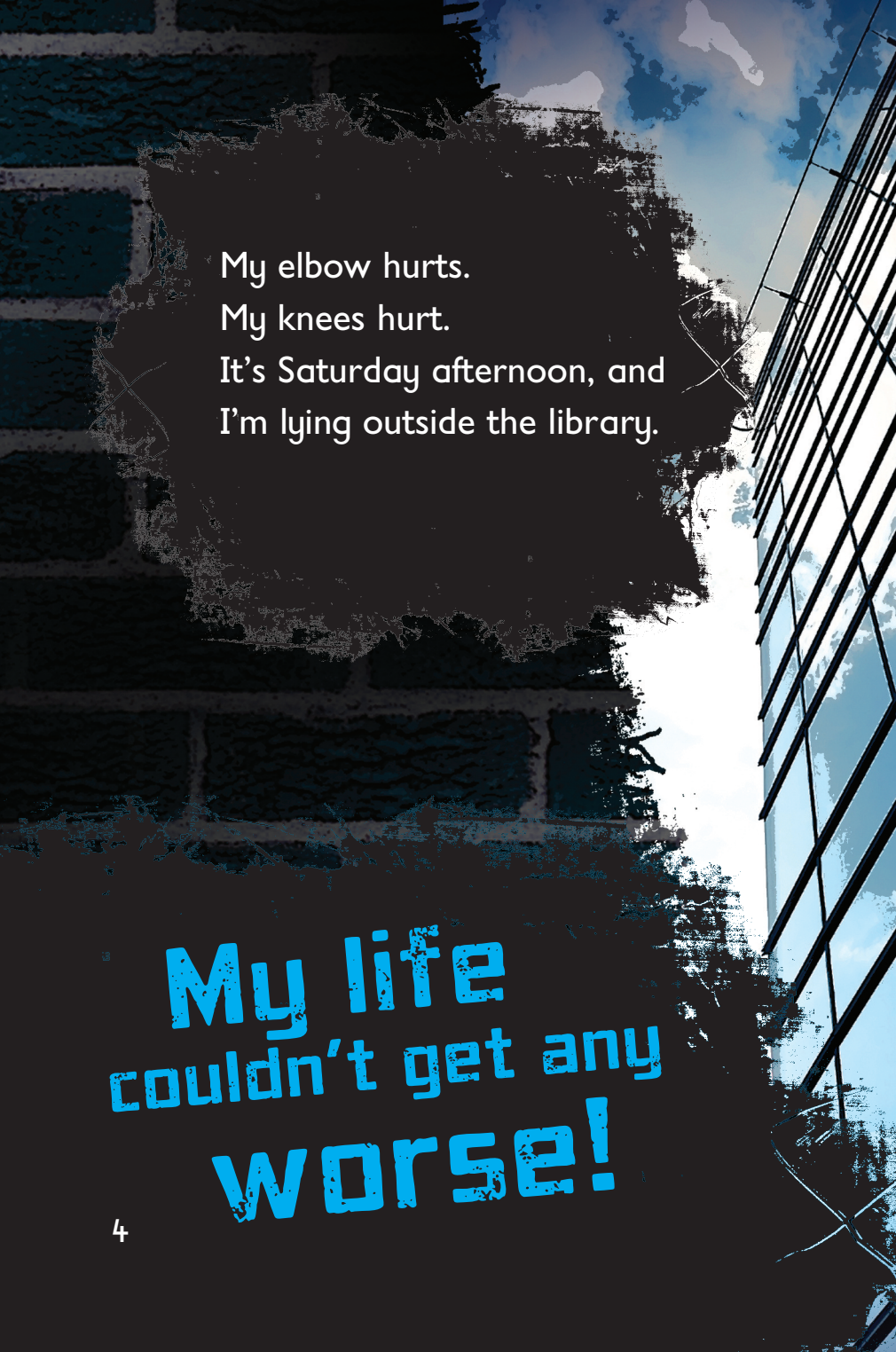
I didn't want to move to this town.  
There's nowhere to skate here.  
I miss my friends.  
I hate it here.

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My elbow hurts.  
My knees hurt.  
It's Saturday afternoon, and  
I'm lying outside the library.

**My life**  
couldn't get any  
**worse!**





I saw the handrail, and I couldn't resist it.  
I thought I could do it.  
A nose grind down the handrail.

**But I was  
wrong!**



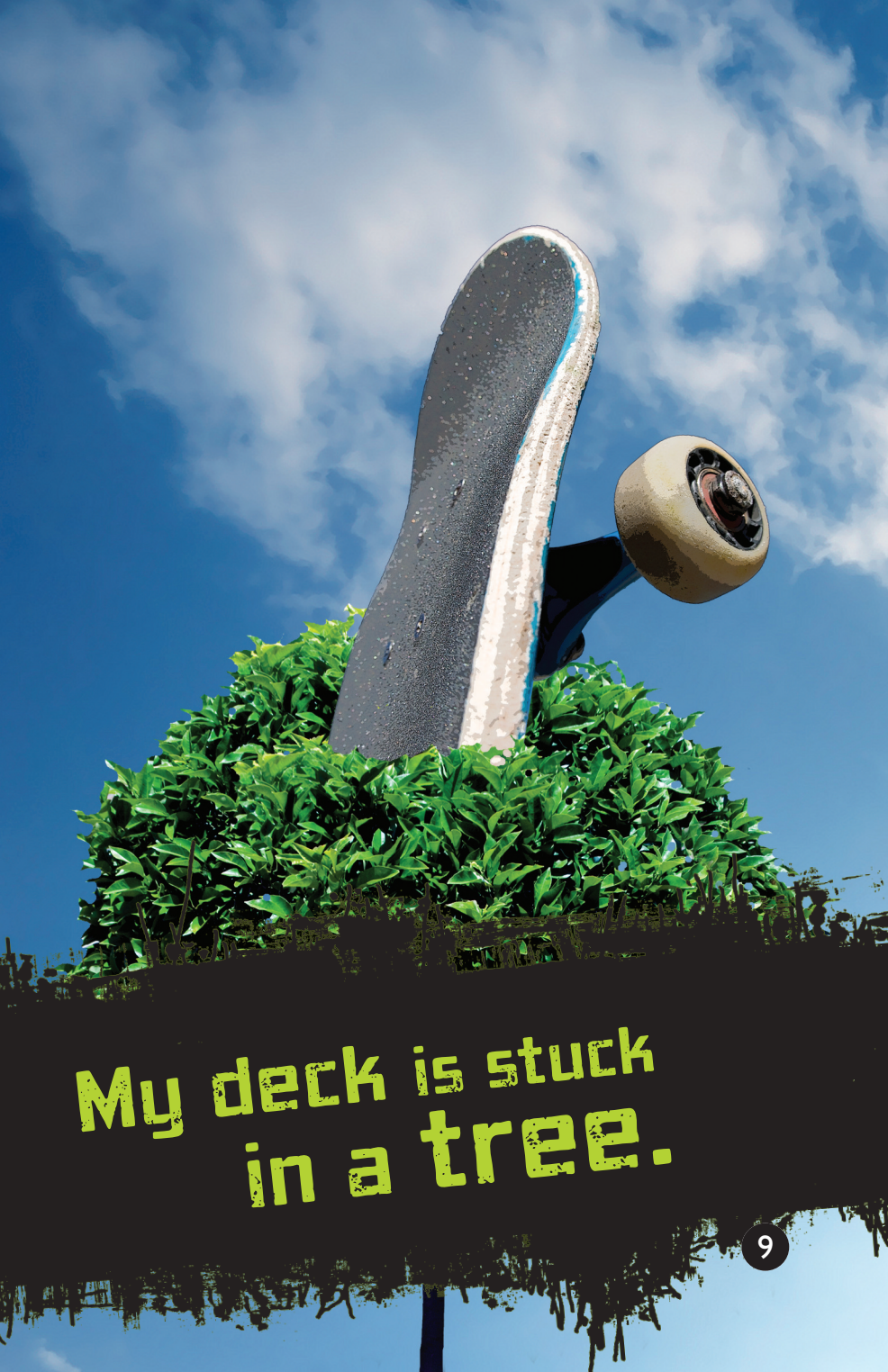




And now I'm lying outside the library.  
My new jeans are ripped.







**My deck is stuck  
in a tree.**



I hate this town.

I moved here three weeks ago.

I've been trying to find a place to skate.

But there are NO SKATING signs everywhere.

If I get into trouble, Mom will go crazy!

**NO  
SKATING  
HERE**



