

AEDES ATTACK



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The weather
is delightful!

Perfect for
a feast on those
scrumptious little
humans!



See you later,
my lovelies.

Mama is
going hunting!

Hello ladies.
Ready for
breakfast?

Oh
yes!





They won't know what hit them.

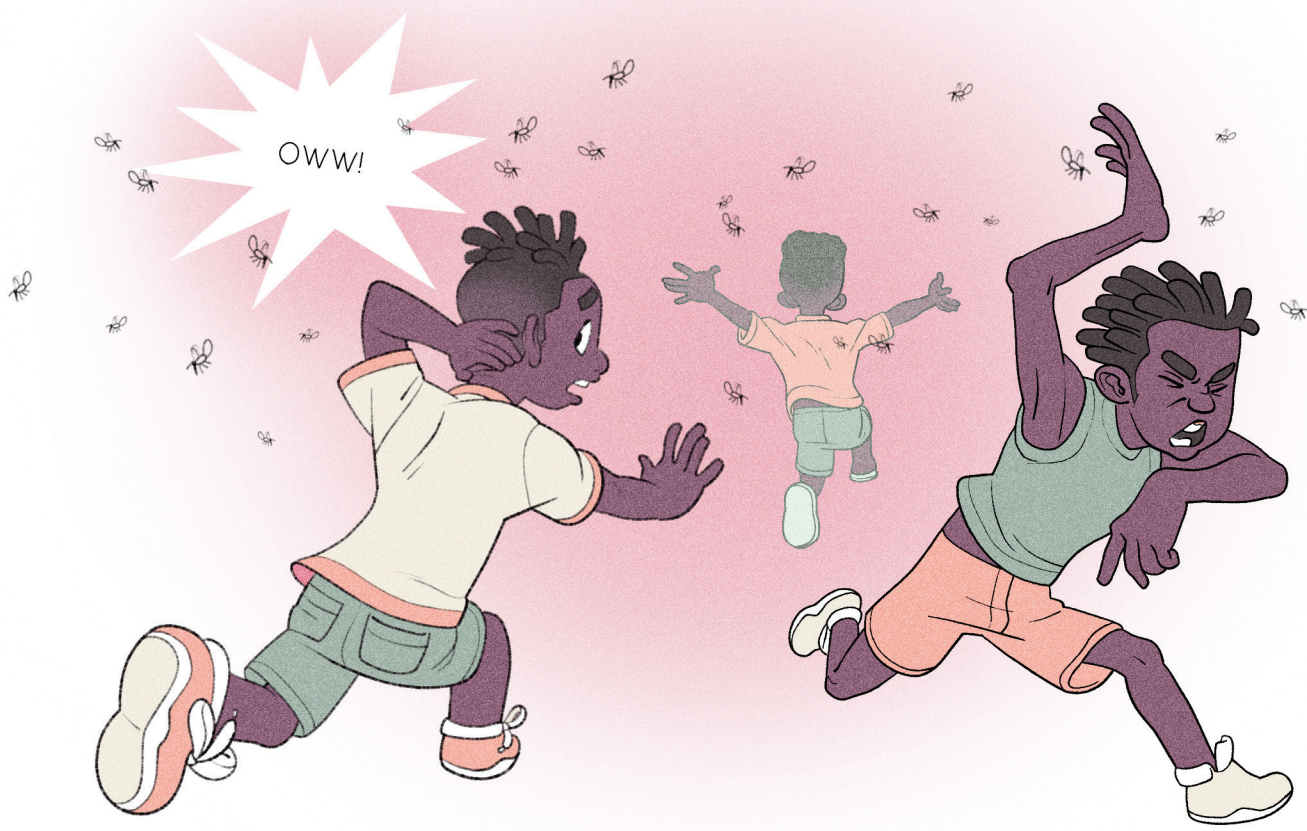


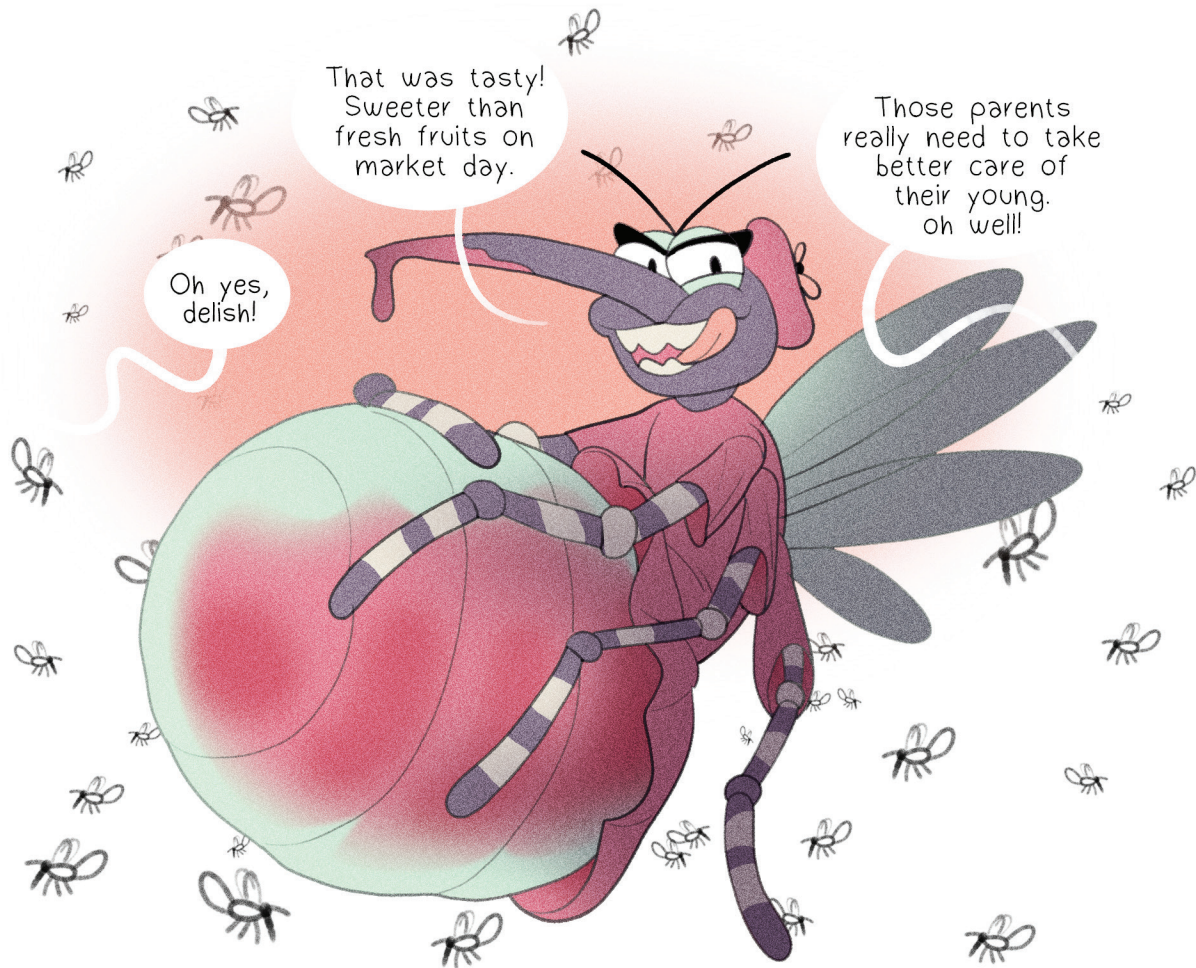
Poor things, outside without long sleeve. And not a hint of DEET anywhere.



Oh yes!

I can taste
the yumminess
already!






That was tasty!
Sweeter than
fresh fruits on
market day.

Oh yes,
delish!


Those parents
really need to take
better care of
their young.
oh well!



I don't feel good, mommy!

I am in pain all over and my tummy hurts.


I think you may also have a fever, honey. I wonder if it could be dengue?



Dengue!!!! Isn't that dangerous, mommy?

It can be, dear.

And so I will take you to the doctor.



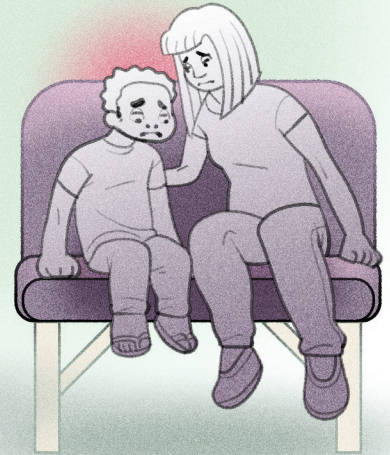
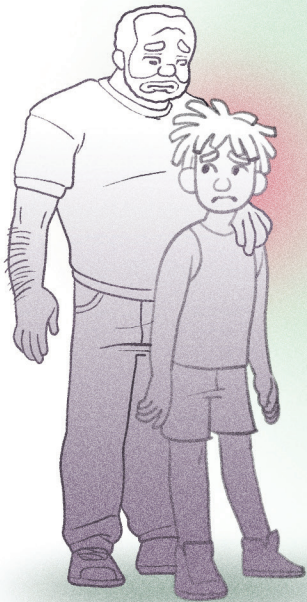
Take these.
I will call your daddy
and have him meet us
at the doctor's
office.


Ok, mommy.

WAITING ROOM

Am I going to die, mommy?


No, dear. If this is dengue, because we came to see the doctor at the first sign of trouble, you should be just fine.






Matthew does
have dengue, mommy.
The good thing is that
you came in early.

Ok.



I came as soon
as I could, hon.

Matthew has
dengue.



Matthew can go home today. But first, we need to get his fever down and give him some fluids.

Once home, he will need plenty of rest and more fluids.

Ok, doc. Is there anything else?

Look out for any rashes that may appear on his skin and take him to the nearest health centre or hospital if he doesn't improve over the next couple of days.

This dengue thing is really scary.



Yes, it is. We need to protect ourselves and our children against the mosquito's bite by wearing clothes that cover us fully and using insect repellent with deet.

I also heard we must search our surroundings weekly for mosquito-breeding sites and destroy them; punch holes in bottles and cans; fill tyres and vases with dirt; and cover drums with nets.



Thank you doc!

I won't be going to the park unprotected again.

No, you won't!

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DENGUE ALERT

The Dengue virus is spread to persons
by the bite of an infected **Aedes mosquito**.

Symptoms of Dengue usually include:

- ✓ Sudden onset of fever
- ✓ Headache
- ✓ Joint pains
- ✓ Vomiting
- ✓ Skin rash
- ✓ Muscle pains
- ✓ Pain behind the eye
- ✓ Diarrhoea

If you experience one or more of these symptoms:

- ✓ Use **ONLY** paracetamol pain killers
- ✓ Do **NOT** take ibuprofen, diclofenac or aspirin as it may cause bleeding
- ✓ Drink lots of fluid
- ✓ Rest
- ✓ Visit your doctor or nearest health centre and follow instructions carefully.

Seek **IMMEDIATE**
medical attention if you
experience any of the following signs:

- Severe belly pain
- Persistent vomiting
- Bleeding from mouth, nose or any unusual bleeding
- Bloody or black, sticky stool
- Feeling faint
- Low energy or restlessness
- Small bleeding spots under skin
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

• 888- ONE LOVE (888-663-5683) • Your Parish Health Department

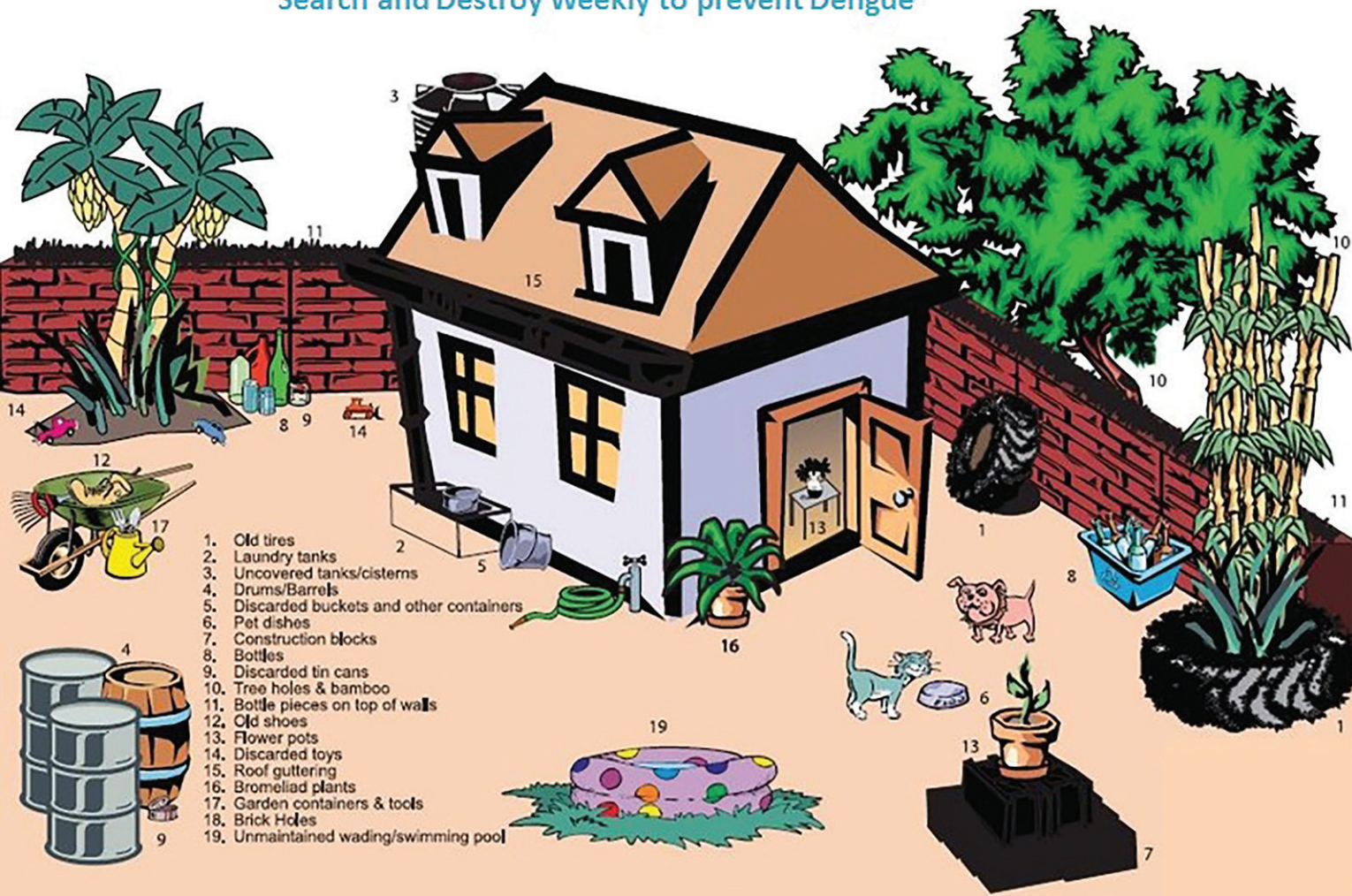
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It is a beautiful, sunny day and Matthew and his friends are eager to enjoy the outdoors. But lurking in the shadows is the Aedes mosquito Mabel and her friends, who are up to no good. What drama awaits Matthew and his friends?!