



Les drôles de tongs de Phani

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Phani est toujours en retard ou bien pas là où il devrait être.

- Pourquoi est-ce que ton professeur dit que tu arrives toujours en retard à l'école, Phani ? demande son père. Tu pars pourtant de la maison très tôt.
- Je ne peux pas faire autrement, Papa, répond Phani.



Sa mère voudrait savoir pourquoi il passe toutes ses soirées collé devant la télévision au lieu d'aller jouer avec ses amis.

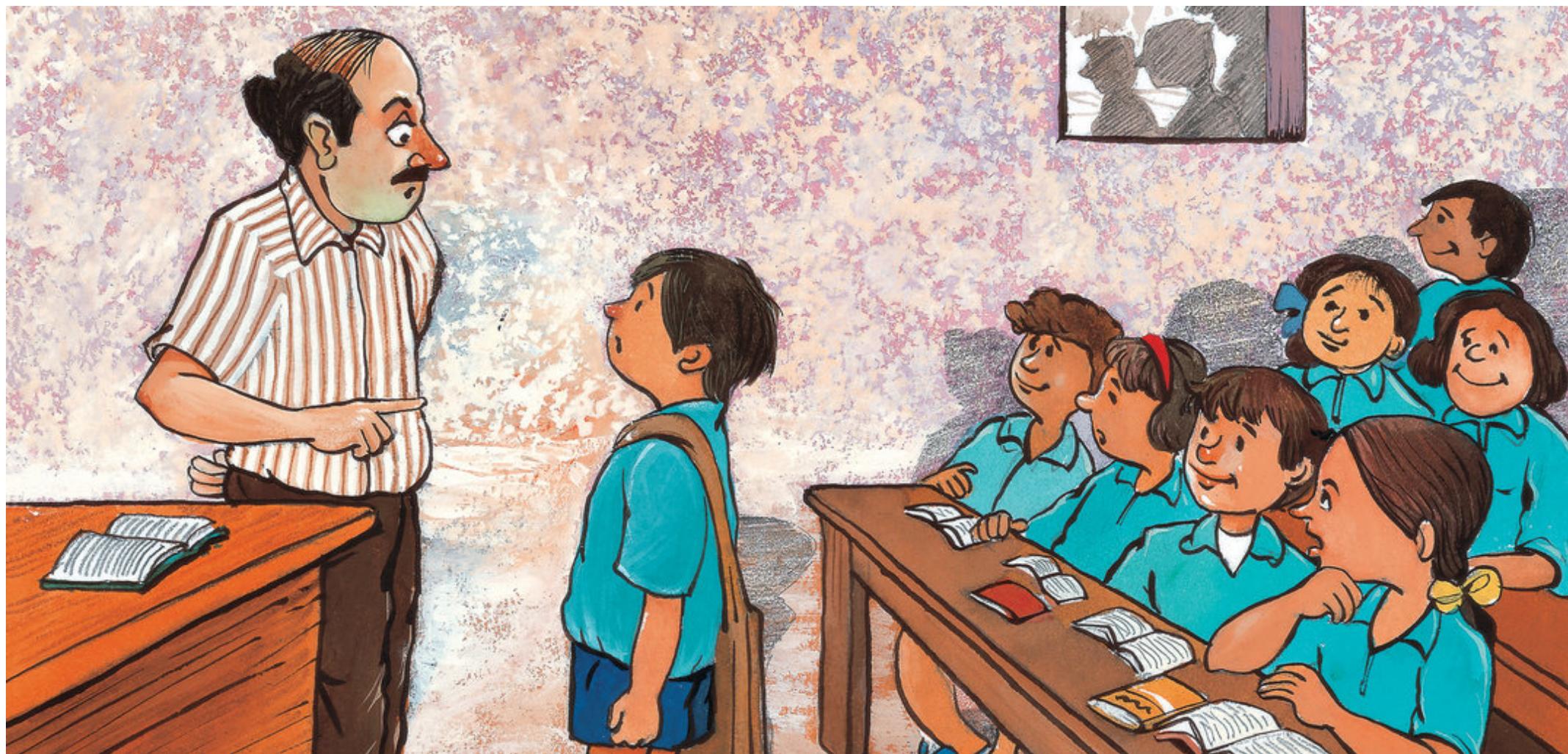
— Je ne peux pas faire autrement, Maman, répond Phani.



Mais pourquoi ne peut-il donc pas faire autrement ?
Ses parents aimeraient bien le savoir.
Ses professeurs, ses amis et sa sœur aussi.



- Pourquoi ne peux-tu pas faire autrement, Phani ? lui demandent-ils.
- C'est à cause de mes tongs, murmure Phani.



— Allez, on t'écoute. Parle plus fort ! Redresse-toi ! Mets tes épaules en arrière ! ordonne son professeur.



Phani entreprends donc de lui expliquer.

Chaque fois qu'il se rend à l'école, ses tongs lui font prendre un nouveau chemin. Parfois, elles le mènent au manguier qui regorge de belles mangues vertes.



Parfois, lorsque ses pieds transpirent dans ses tongs, plutôt que d'aller directement à l'école, celles-ci le font passer par une route qui longe une mare dont l'eau est fraîche et limpide.



Et les tongs préfèrent de loin regarder la télévision plutôt que de trébucher sur des tas de pierres. C'est un secret pour personne !

— La prochaine fois que tes tongs n'ont pas envie d'aller poster ma lettre, dis-le moi ! s'écrie la sœur de Phani.



Personne ne croit Phani.
Aujourd'hui, sa mère a un cadeau pour lui.
Phani est très content.



Il déballe le carton et... découvre une nouvelle paire de tongs !



Sa mère sourit.



Mais Phani, lui, n'a pas l'air enchanté.
On se demande pourquoi !



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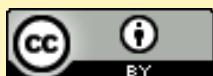


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