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# POP THE CORN

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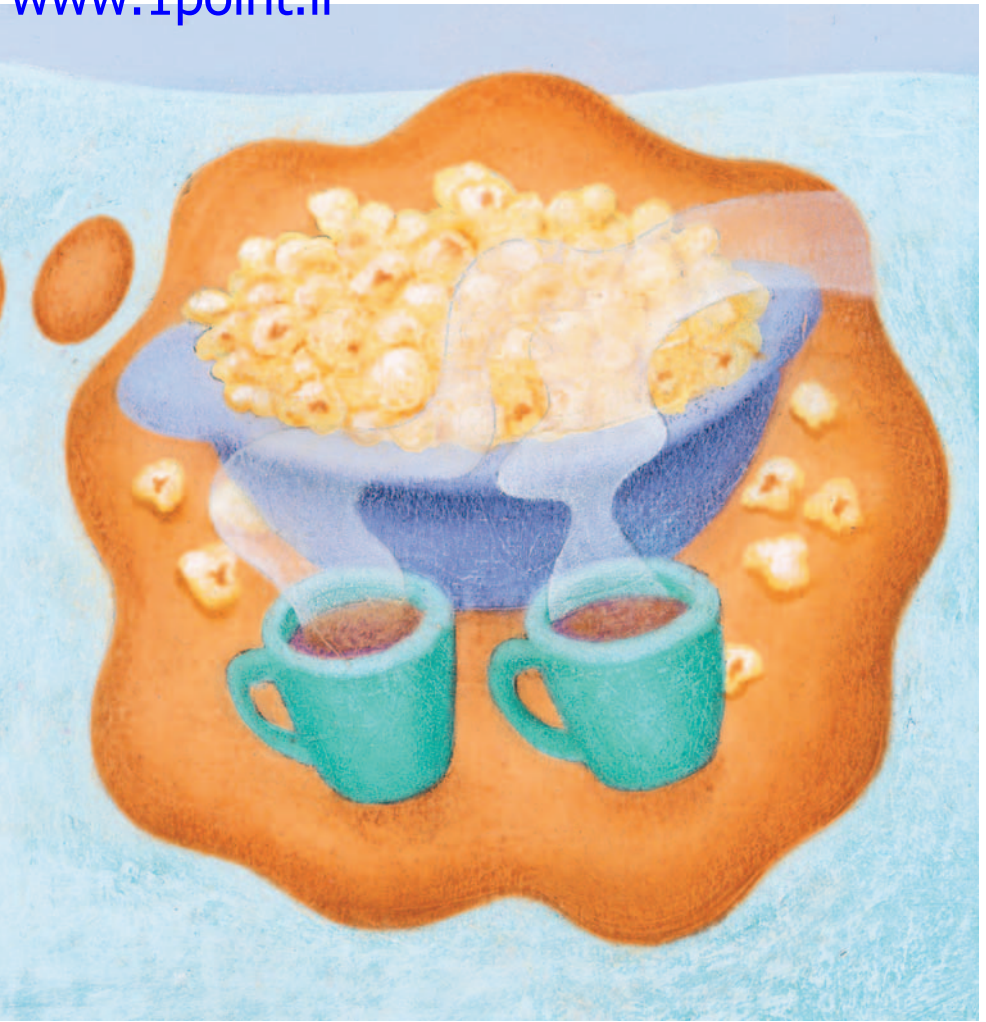
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- ▶ Mom calls Jon.
- ▶ Where is Jon?

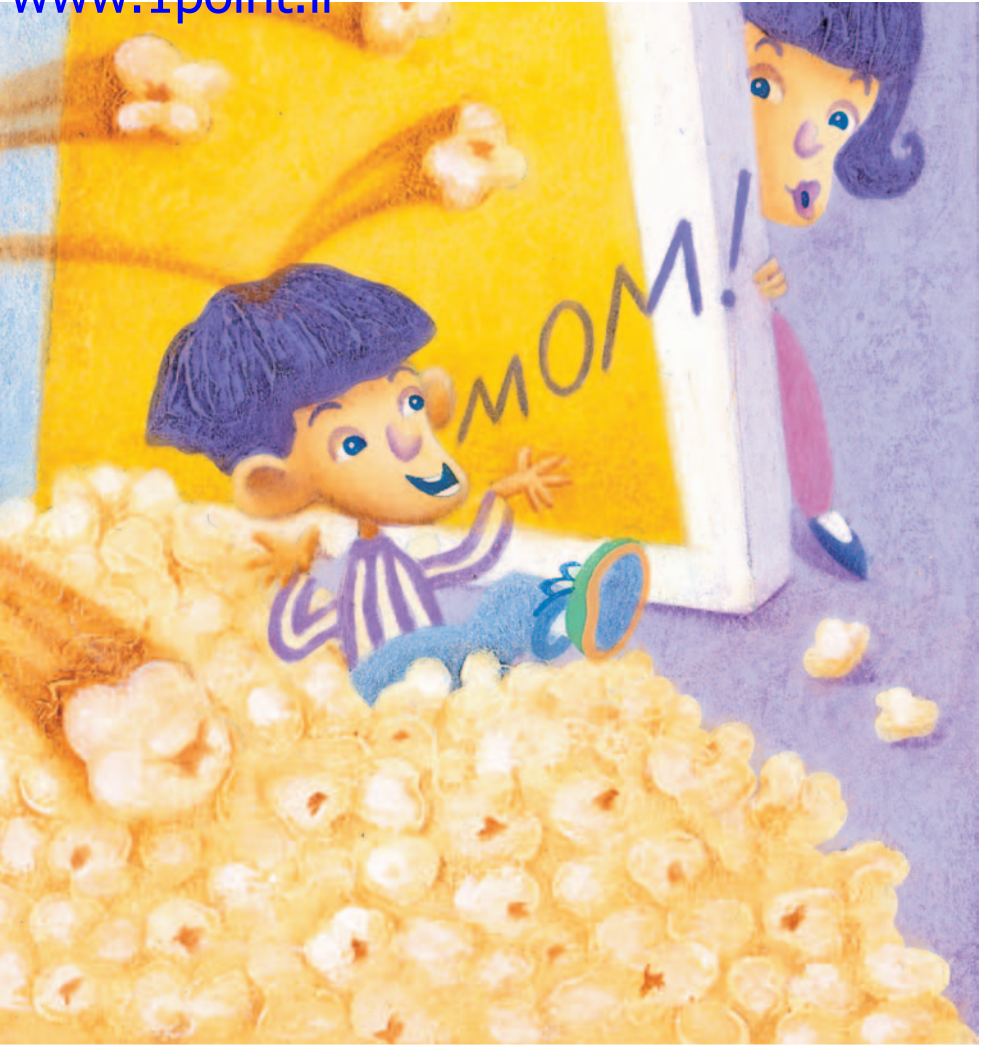




- ▶ Jon wants popcorn.
- ▶ Did Mom buy corn to pop?



- ▶ Here is a pot.
- ▶ They pop all of the corn.



- ▶ Jon calls Mom.
- ▶ All the corn falls.





- ▶ That is a lot of corn!
- ▶ It is in a very tall bag.










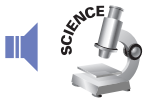
- ▶ Mom makes balls.
- ▶ Jon wants to help.



▶ That is where  
the balls can go.

## **Think and Respond**

-  **1** Where is Jon at the beginning of the story?
-  **2** What do Jon and his mother do?
-  **3** What happens to the corn?
-  **4** Why can't Jon eat the popcorn himself?
-  **5** What would you do next?



## **Help Animals**

Draw a picture of your favorite season. What can you do to help animals during that season?



**School-Home Connection** Play a rhyme game. Start with the word *ball*, and think of a rhyming word to go with it. Use other story words to make more rhyming pairs.

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