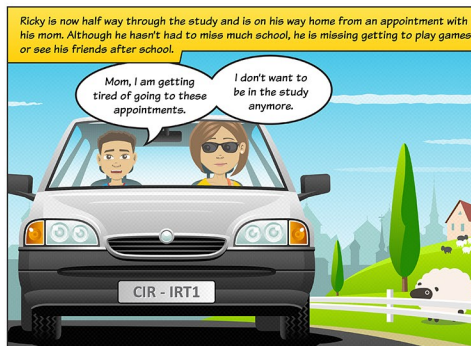
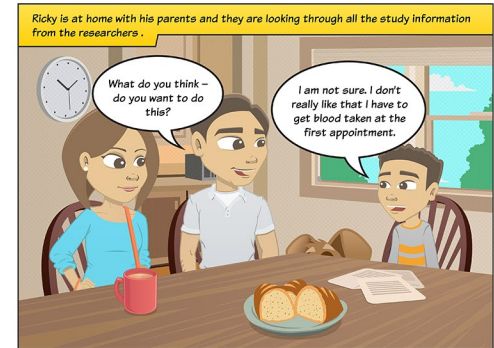



Children in Research

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There is a new research study.


I thought you would be interested.



Why would we want to be in this study?

That is a great question. There are many reasons to be in this study.

After listening to the doctor for a few minutes, Ricky feels comfortable to ask the doctor a question.



Do I still get see you
or do I have to meet
someone new?

You will get to see me
and meet some new
people.

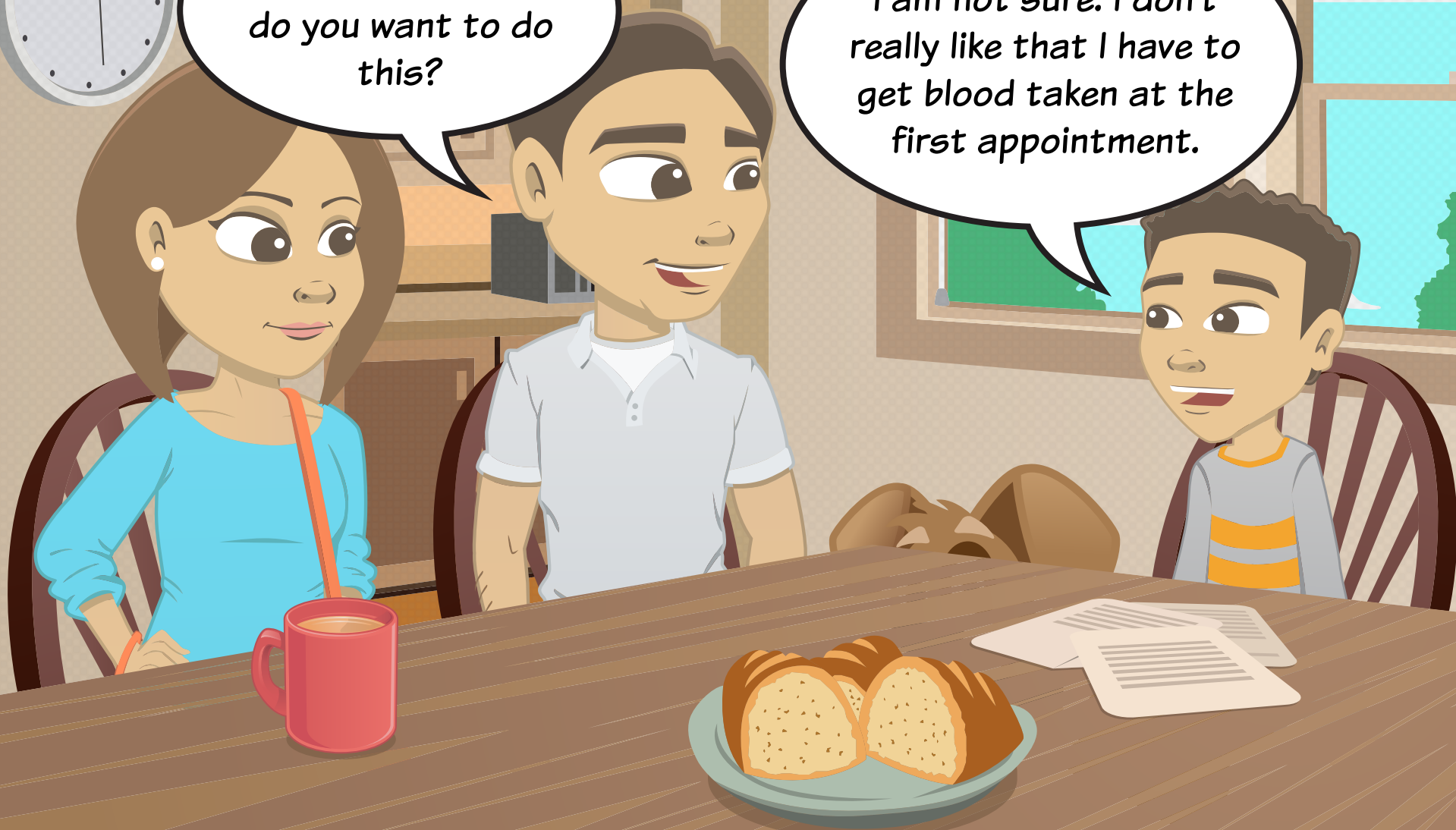
I will ask the
researchers to send
your mom the study
information.

Ricky is at home with his parents and they are looking through all the study information from the researchers .



What do you think –
do you want to do
this?

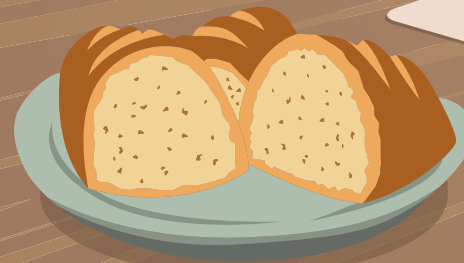
I am not sure. I don't
really like that I have to
get blood taken at the
first appointment.






I know you don't like that. But it will just be twice.

And you get to try out this new medicine that might make you feel better.




Ricky decides to participate in the research. He is at the research site with his mom. They have some questions for the researchers.



It says that I have to come here once a week for one whole year.

How much school will I miss?

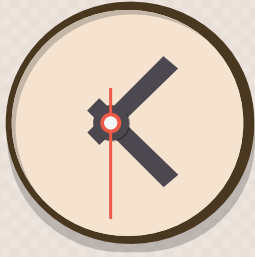


We do need to see often so that we can check on how you are doing.

We can make the appointments in the early morning or afternoon so you won't miss too much school.

It is the second month of the study. Ricky is at the research site for his weekly check-in. He is feeling good. The research asks him to answer some questions on a questionnaire.





Good question! No, you don't have to answer that question.

If you don't want to answer a question, you can just skip it.




Ricky is now half way through the study and is on his way home from an appointment with his mom. Although he hasn't had to miss much school, he is missing getting to play games or see his friends after school.

Mom, I am getting tired of going to these appointments.

I don't want to be in the study anymore.



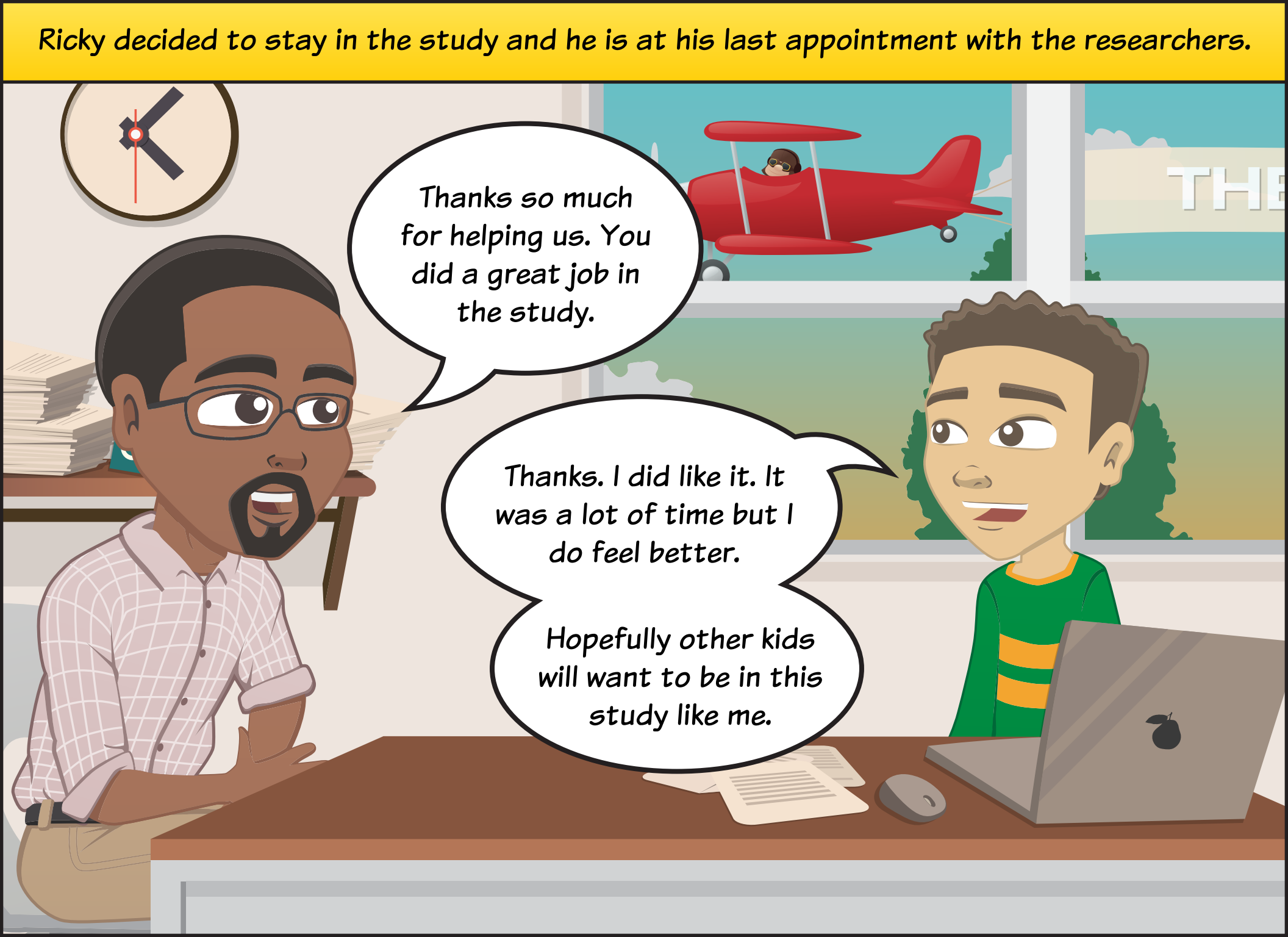


I know it seems
like a lot to do. You might
miss some time with
your friends,

but in the end,
you are going to feel even
better when you are
with them.

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Ricky decided to stay in the study and he is at his last appointment with the researchers.



Thanks so much
for helping us. You
did a great job in
the study.

Thanks. I did like it. It
was a lot of time but I
do feel better.

Hopefully other kids
will want to be in this
study like me.