



To earn your Vi petal, do these three things.

1.

Enjoy "Vi's Story," then talk about it

2.

Create a mural about girls around the world with your Daisy friends

3.

Practice being a sister to every Girl Scout

Vi's Story

Friends Around the World

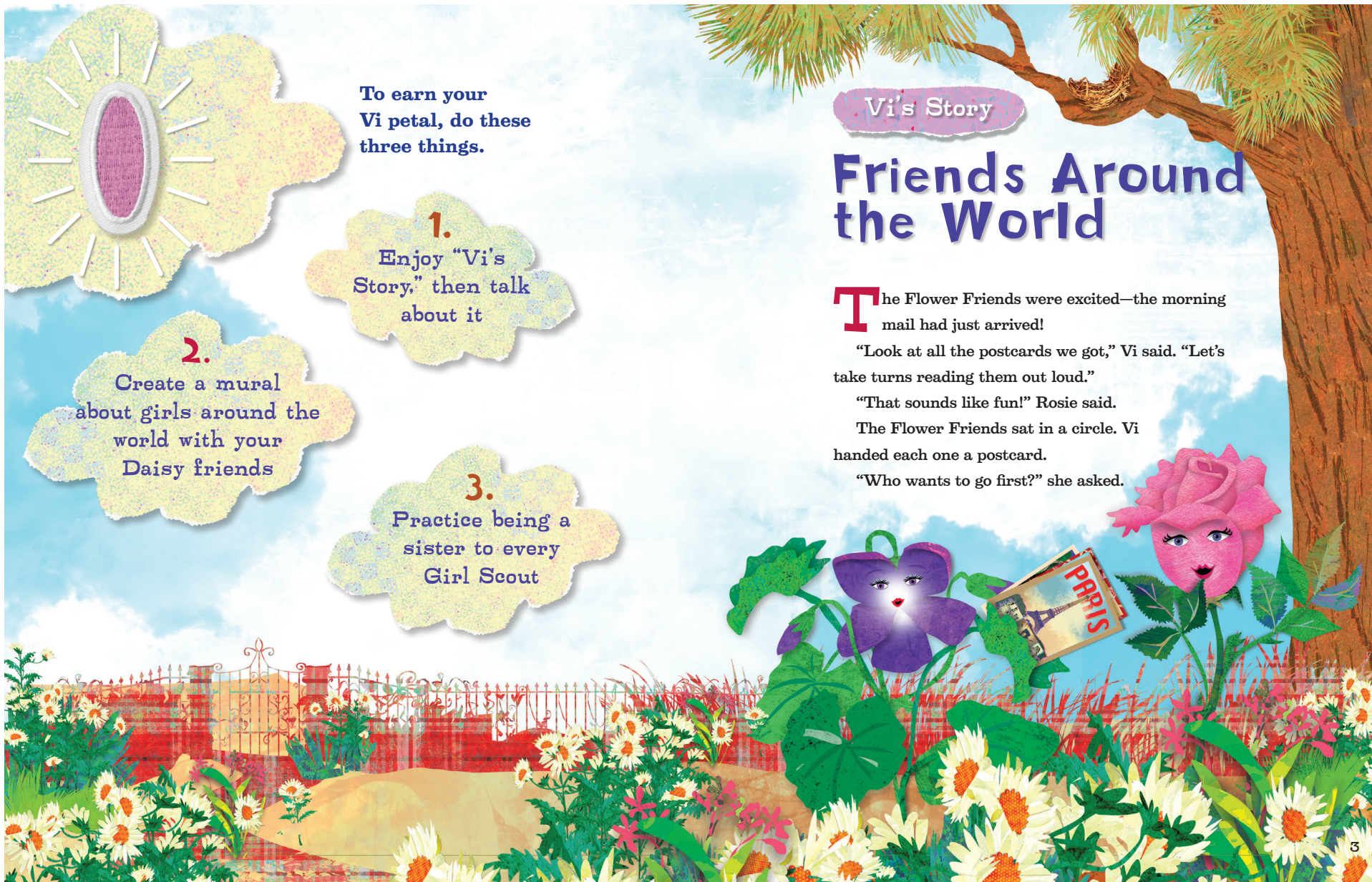
The Flower Friends were excited—the morning mail had just arrived!

"Look at all the postcards we got," Vi said. "Let's take turns reading them out loud."

"That sounds like fun!" Rosie said.

The Flower Friends sat in a circle. Vi handed each one a postcard.

"Who wants to go first?" she asked.



“This card is from Lahari the Lotus,” Gerri said. “She lives in **India**.”

Lahari wrote that she just had a birthday! She wore a brand-new dress to school and gave snacks to everyone in her class. That’s a tradition in her country.”

Tula’s eyes lit up. “I did something like that for my birthday,” she said. “I took cookies to school and shared them with everyone.”



“Here’s a note from Emmalina the Edelweiss,” Lupe said. She held up a postcard from Austria. “Look, this is where she lives! It’s a field on a mountaintop. There are buttercups and alpenroses there, too.”

The Flower Friends passed the card around to look more closely at the picture.

“Emmalina’s home is beautiful,” Mari said.

“It reminds me of the Daisy Flower Garden,” Zinni added.

“She has **Flower Friends**, just like we do!”



The Flower Friends kept reading the postcards they had received from around the world.

Isabelle the Iris sent a card from France.

“Thank you for sending me your jump rope song!” she wrote.

“My friends and I had fun saying ‘Apples, peaches, pears, and plums/tell me when your birthday comes.’ We said it in French, of course!”

Ditza the Daffodil wrote from Syria. “I really liked making your fruit salad for my family. In my country, we add almonds and decorate the salad with rose petals. I’m sending you the recipe—let me know if you like it!”

Chiharu the Chrysanthemum wrote from Japan.

“Dear Flower Friends, I went on a hike today with my classmates. We saw lots of birds. The next day, our teacher made a paper crane to hang in our classroom to help us remember what we saw.

The crane stands for peace and happiness, so we like seeing it every day!”



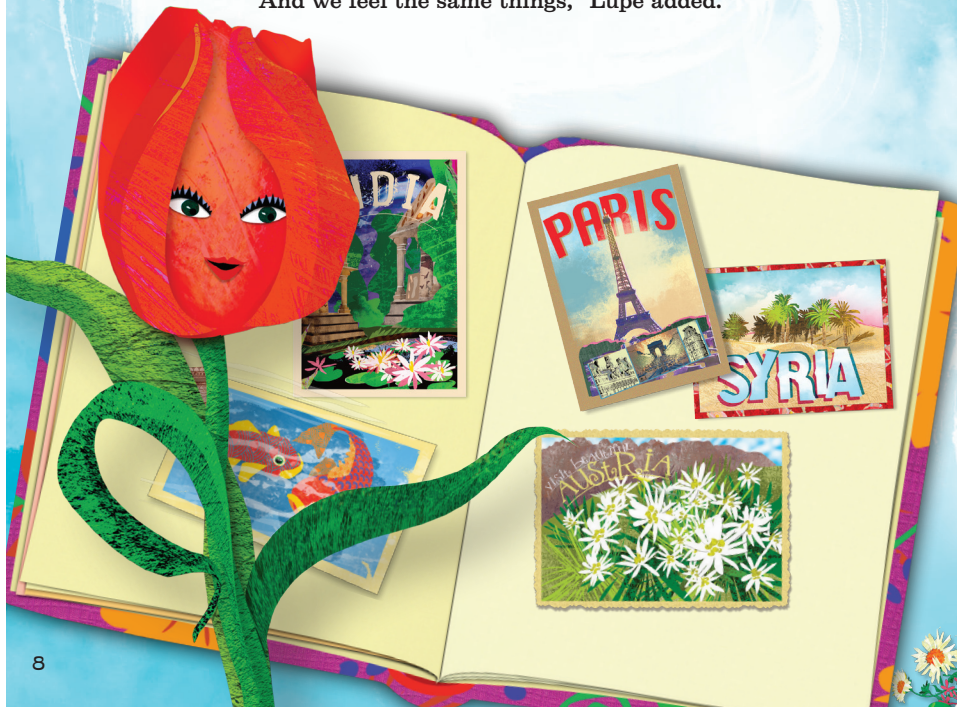
“I love hearing from our friends around the world,” Gloria said. “It’s so interesting to learn about the different places where they live.”

Tula nodded.

“Even though we live in different countries, we like to do the same things.”

“Like jump rope!” Mari said. “And go on hikes!”

“And we feel the same things,” Lupe added.



“It’s like having sisters all around the world!” Clover said.

“Yes, it is! I have an idea,” Vi said. “Let’s write back to all our friends right now. We can tell them about how we have fun and how we help each other out and how we feel like we’re all sisters!”

The Flower Friends were so excited, they jumped up and cheered!

“I’ll get postcards,” Gerri said.

“I’ll get crayons,” Rosie added.

“Great,” Vi said. “I can’t wait to get started!”



The End