

The image shows the interior of a classic car, likely a 1950s model, with a black dashboard and a large, light-colored steering wheel. The car is set against a background of a starry night sky. The text "EMERGE [1] Verse" is positioned at the top center.

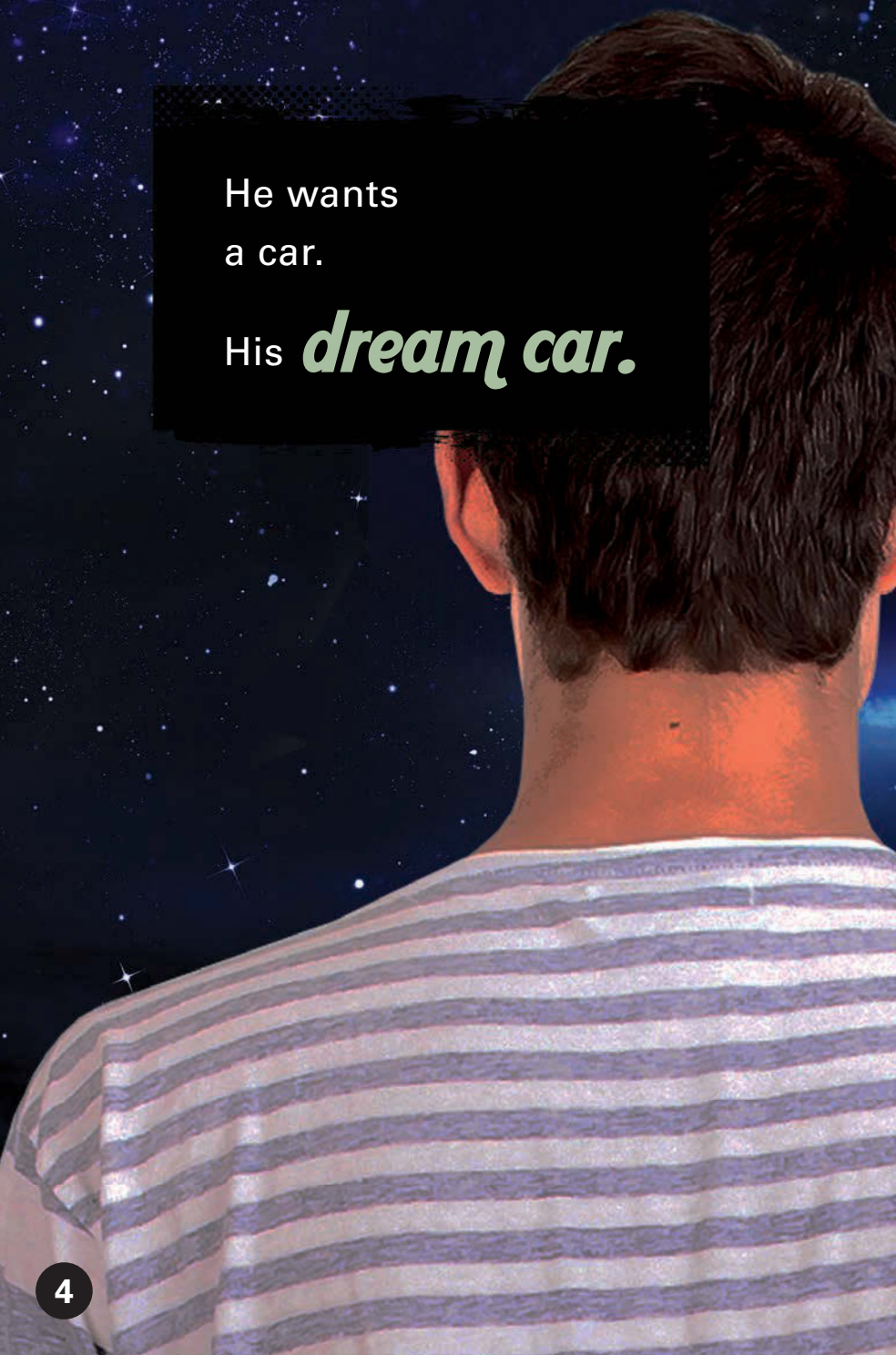
EMERGE [1] Verse

Dream Car

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It is night.
Marley *wishes*
on a star.





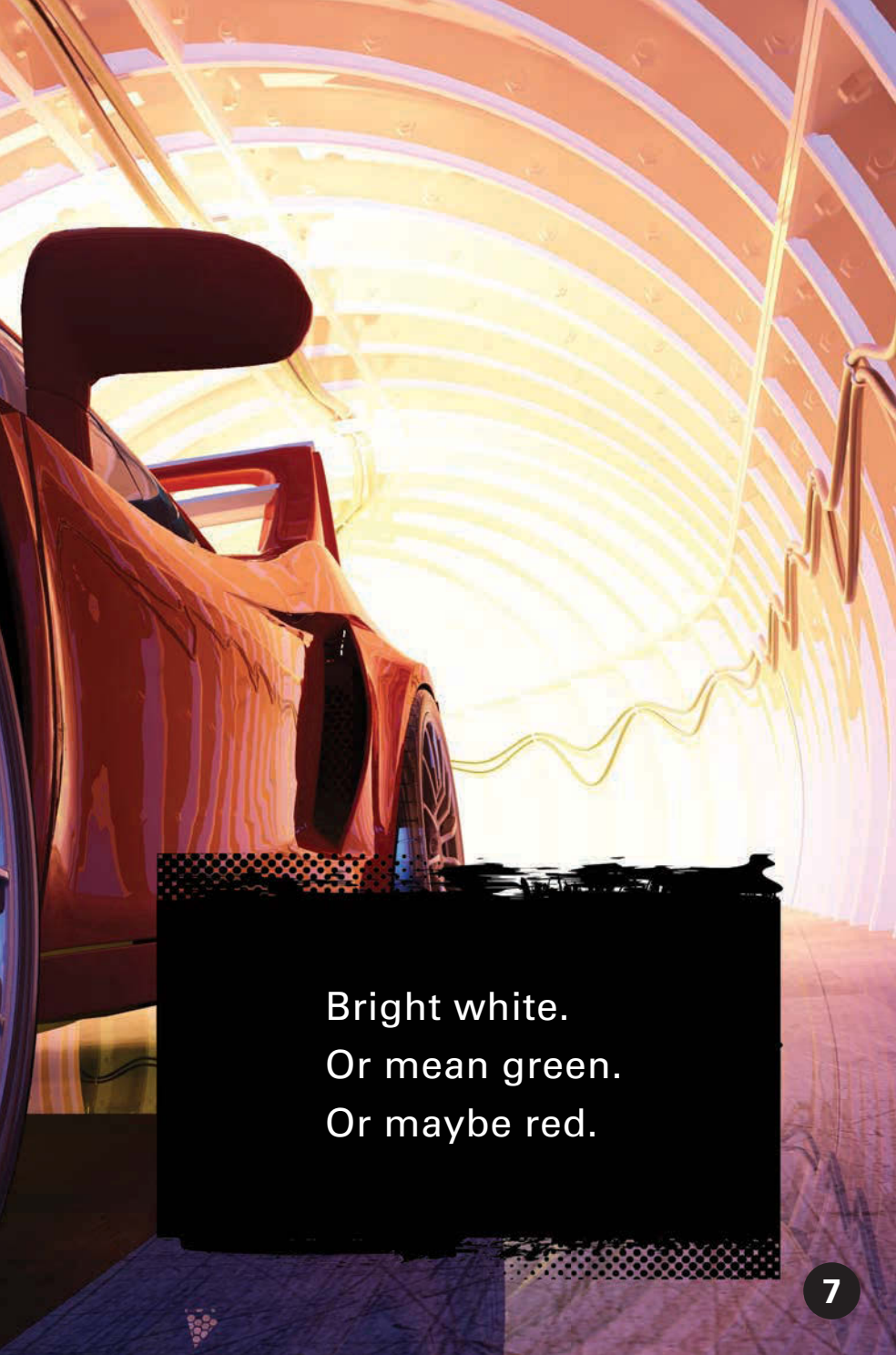
He wants
a car.

His *dream car.*





A *sports car.*



Bright white.
Or mean green.
Or maybe red.

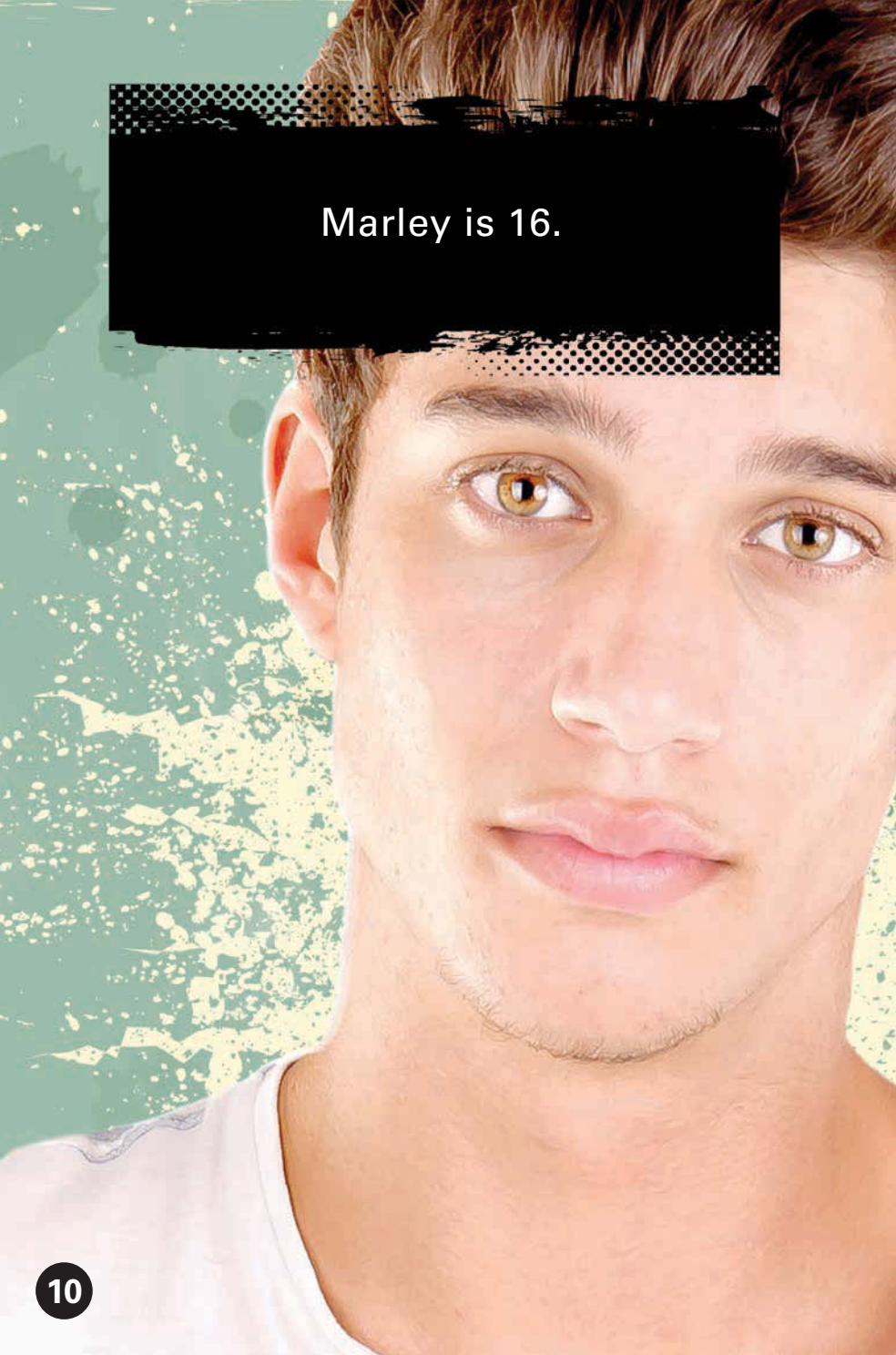
“Oh well.

It will be cool
to me.

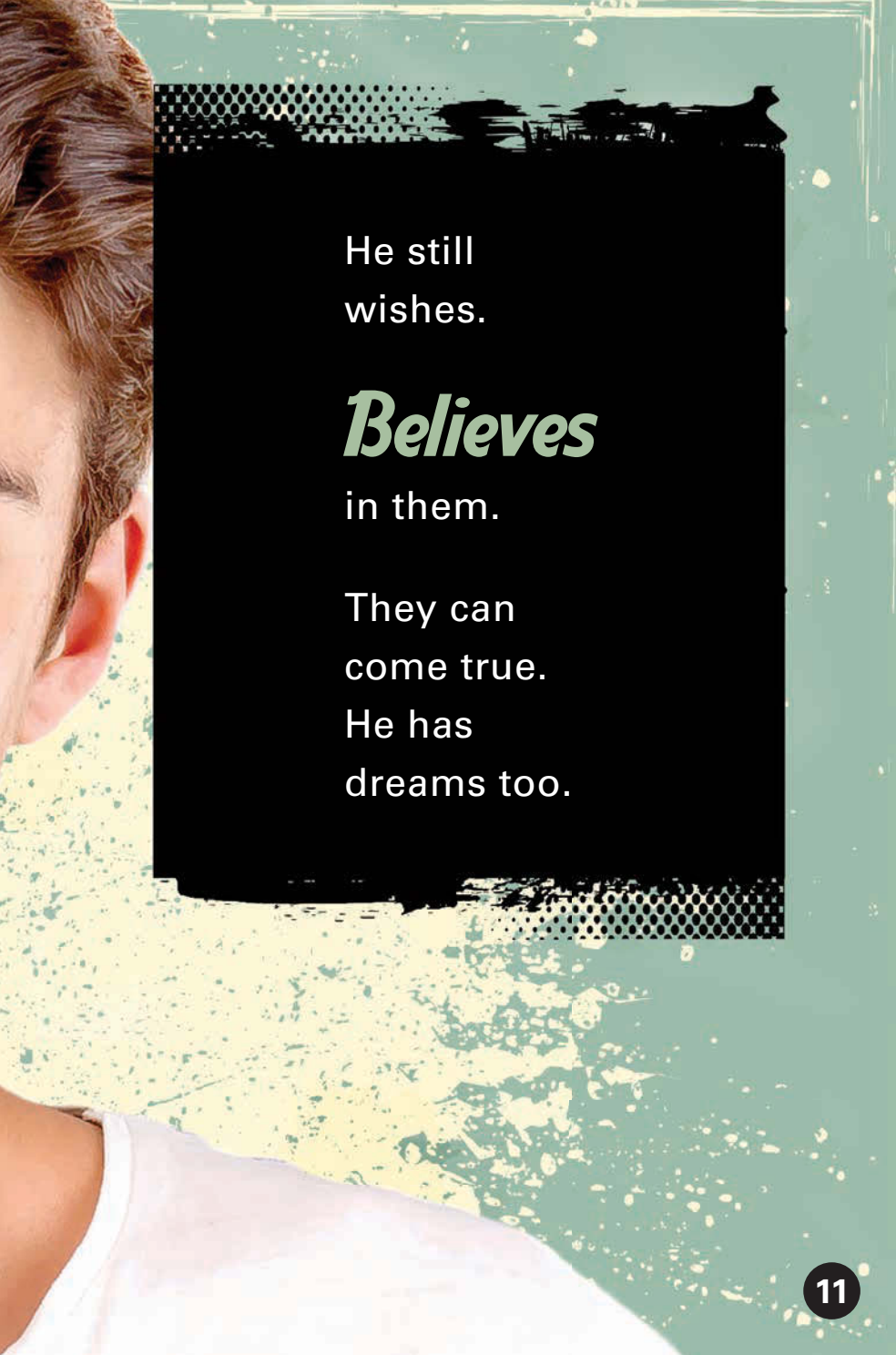
Whatever I get.”







Marley is 16.



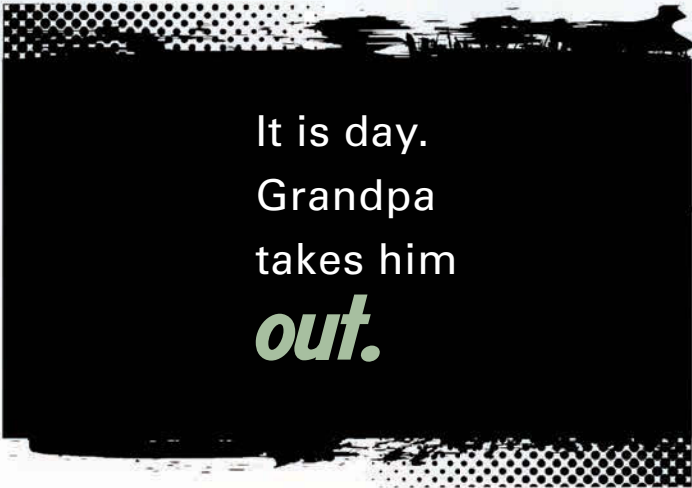
He still
wishes.

Believes

in them.

They can
come true.
He has
dreams too.





It is day.
Grandpa
takes him
out.