

A YEAR ON A BUILDING SITE

hundreds of things to find!

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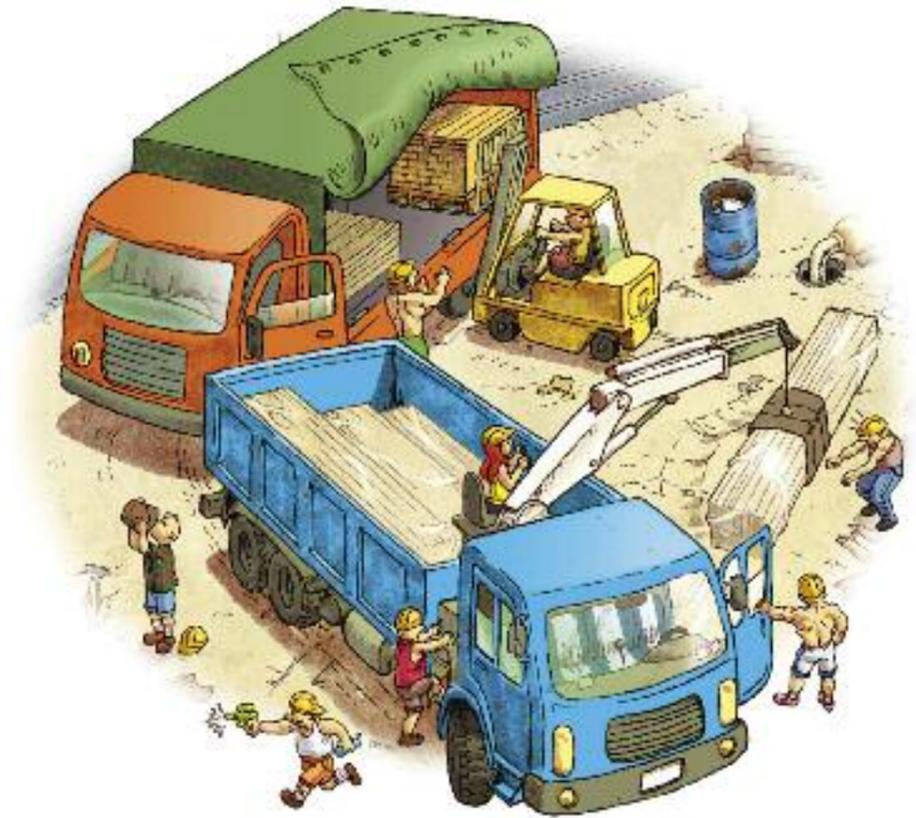
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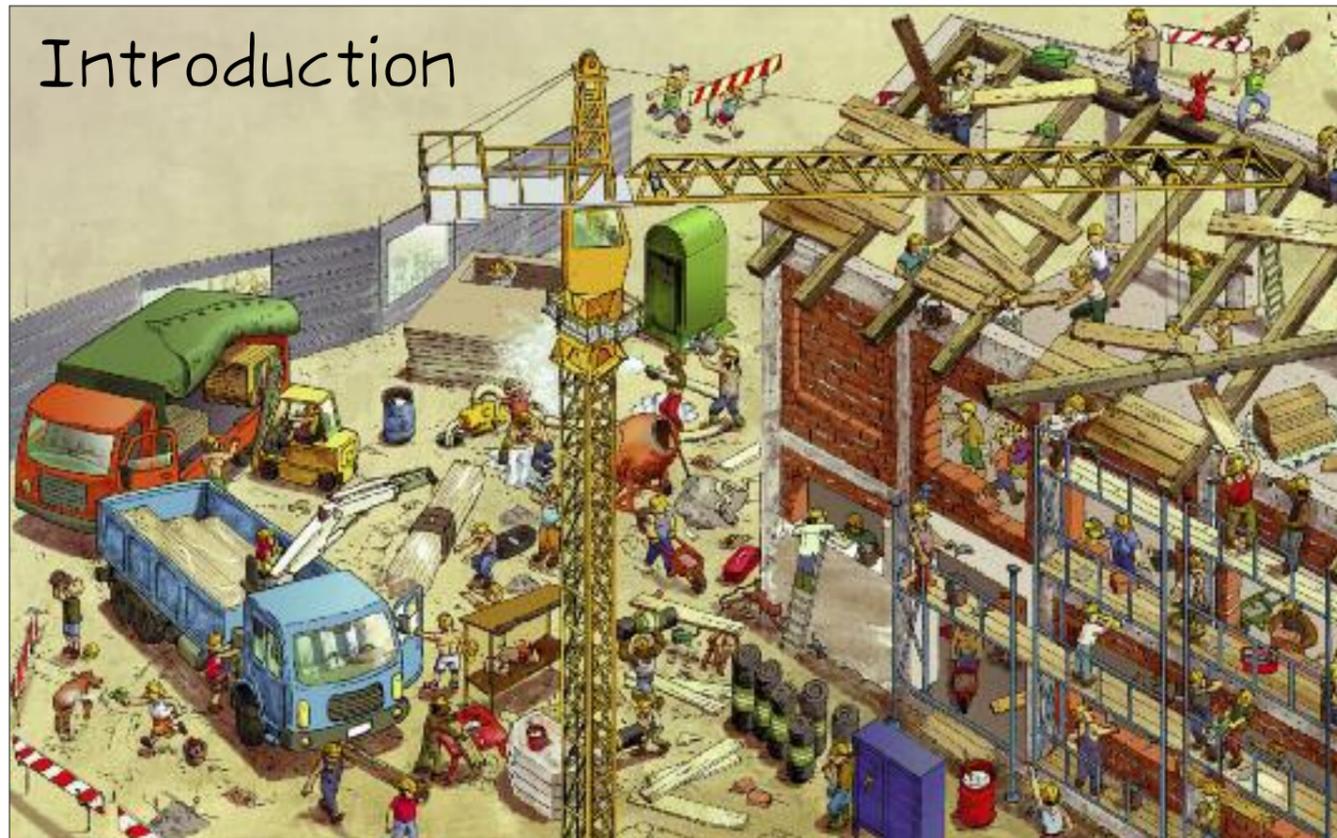


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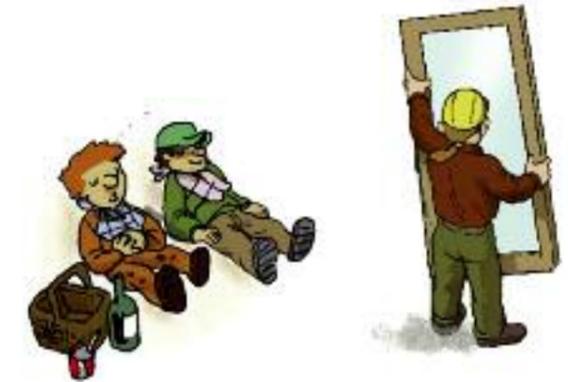


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Introduction



You can follow all the various comings and goings at the building site as the weeks pass. The calendar at the top left-hand corner of each double page is there to tell you what month you've reached.



While the building work goes on, there are all sorts of other things happening. They are not always part of the plan! Quite a few small accidents take place, and a number of animals (and children) make unexpected appearances.



Along the bottom of every scene you will see some little pictures, each with a label to tell you what they are. They can all be found somewhere in the busy scene. But where? That's your job to find them! How many can you spot?



THIS IS THE STORY of how a new building, a school, is constructed over the course of a year. All the illustrations in this book have exactly the same view. But each one shows a different stage in the building work, from when the foundations are dug, to when the walls are plastered and decorated.





A new school is to be built. But before any work can begin, an old building has to be demolished. A crane swings a heavy metal ball at the walls, sending bricks crashing to the ground. A special "claw" scrunches up window frames. Bulldozers and diggers clear everything away.

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an old sink



an old washing machine



a door



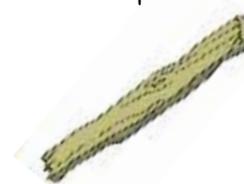
an old toilet



a man with a spade



a plank



a snowman



a mirror

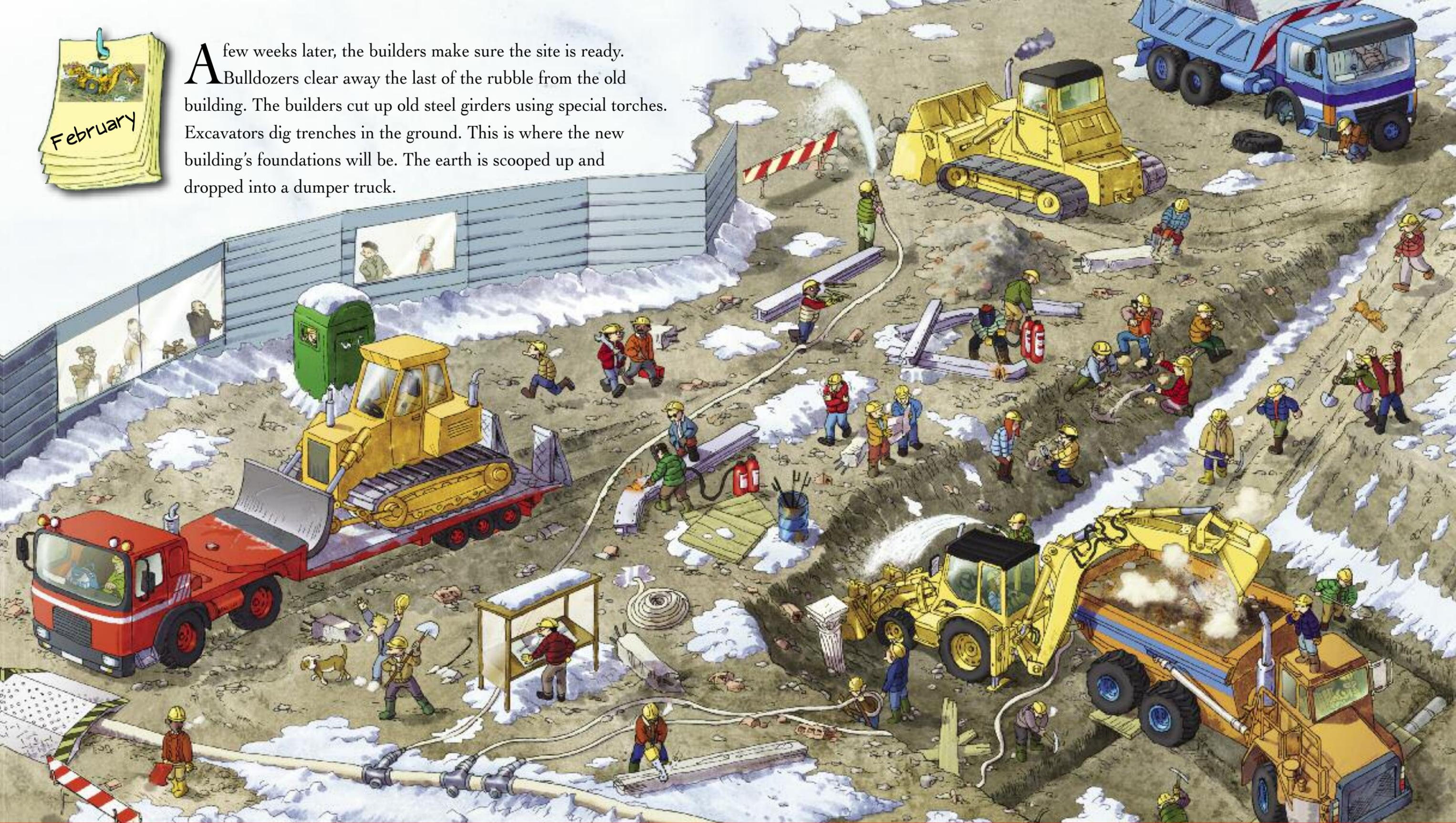


building surveyors





A few weeks later, the builders make sure the site is ready. Bulldozers clear away the last of the rubble from the old building. The builders cut up old steel girders using special torches. Excavators dig trenches in the ground. This is where the new building's foundations will be. The earth is scooped up and dropped into a dumper truck.



a power saw



a man using a jack



a cat



a hose



a man with a flag



a man cutting a girder



a barrier



a man digging



an architect checking the plans





Concrete is pumped from the concrete mixer down into the foundations and the basement floor. Meanwhile, a crane is fixed into position. It will hoist building materials from the ground to the upper floors of the new building. Lorries arrive at the site. They are delivering bricks and steel beams to the site.



a concrete pump



a leaf



someone falling over



a cat chasing a bird



a concrete spreader



some buckets



an injured man



a man eating

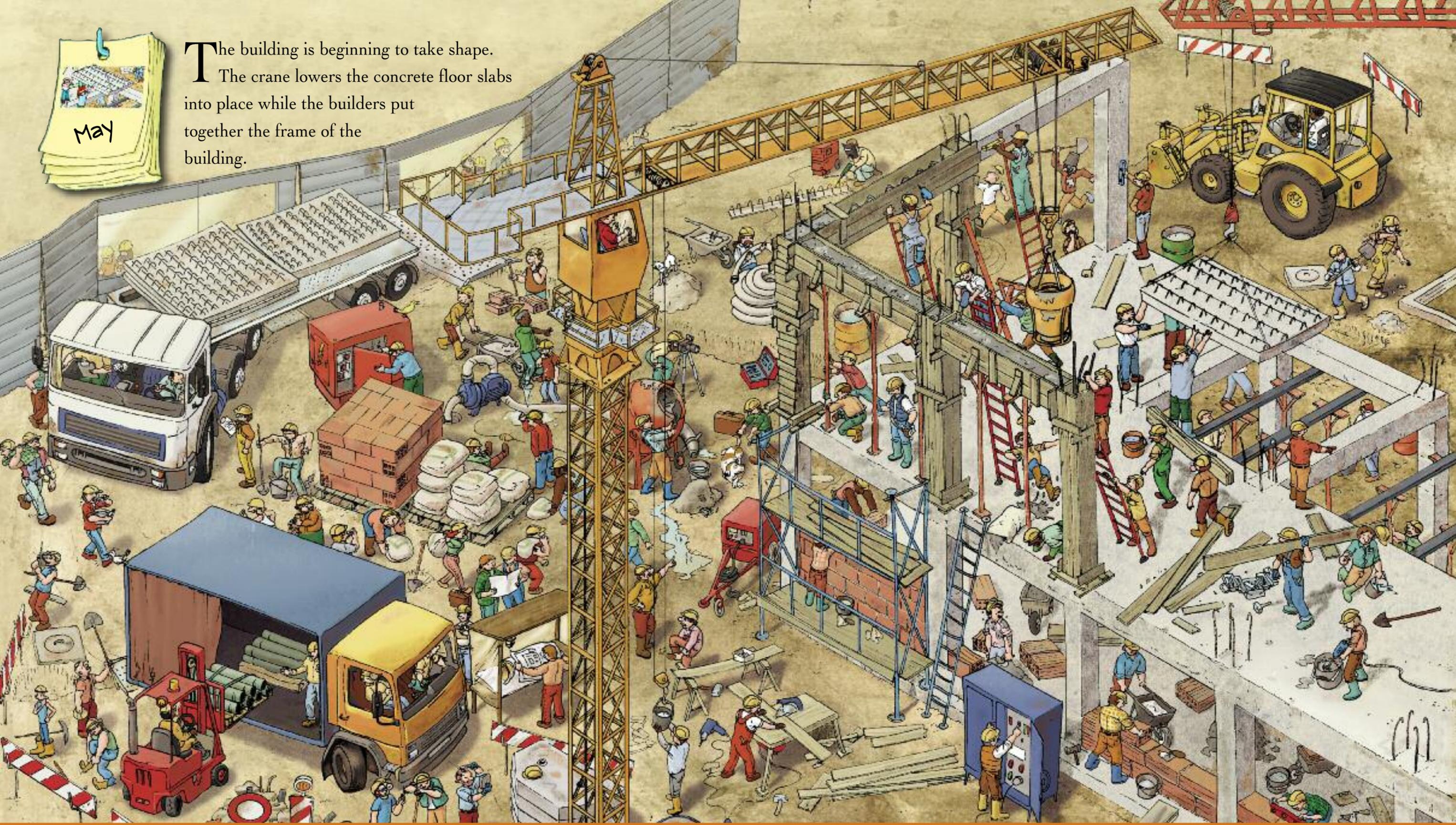


a man with a plank





The building is beginning to take shape.
The crane lowers the concrete floor slabs into place while the builders put together the frame of the building.



an electric drill



a pickaxe



a dog



an electric box



some bricks



a cement container



a man welding



a man carrying a bag of cement



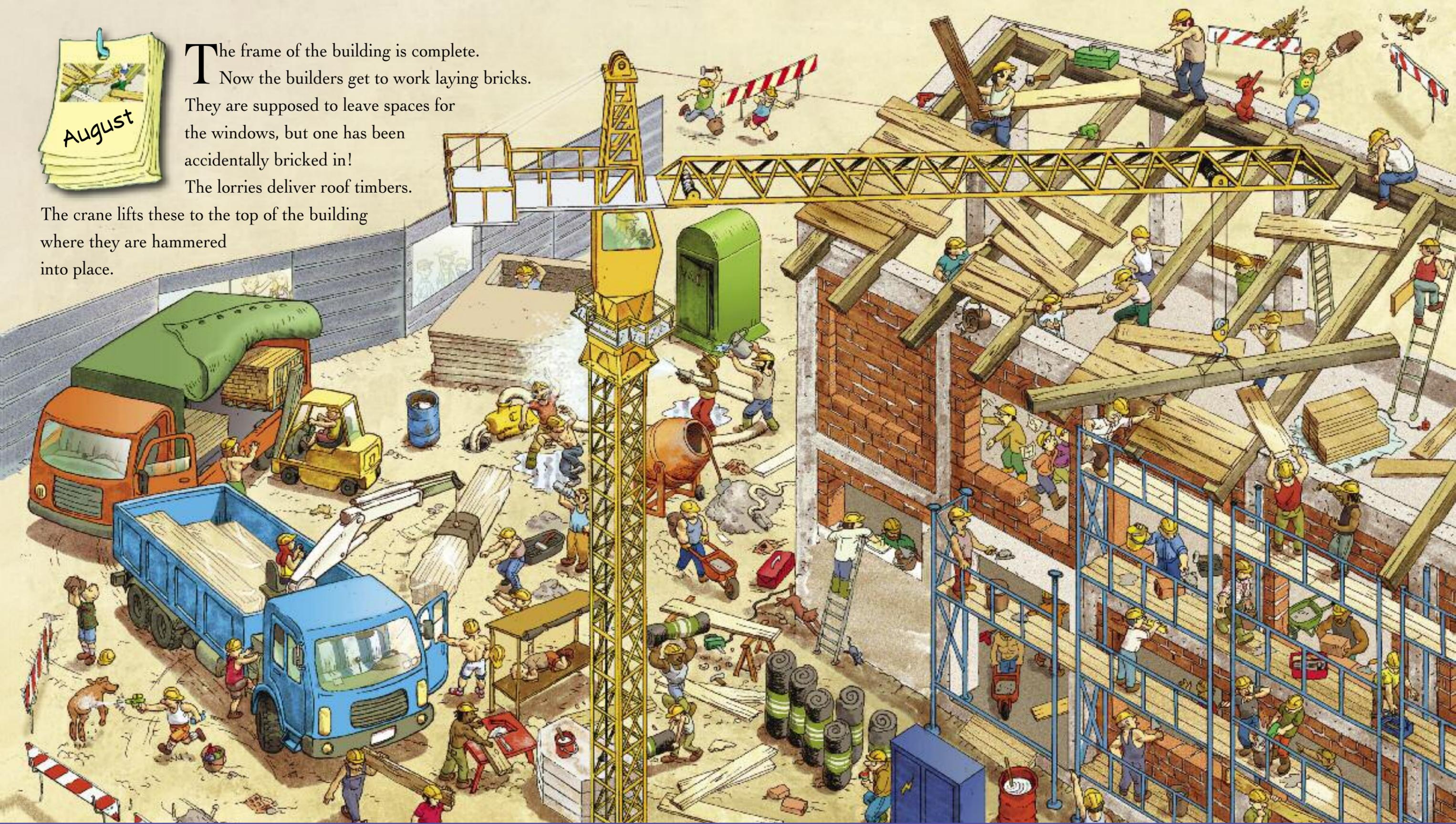
a man taking a photo





The frame of the building is complete.
 Now the builders get to work laying bricks.
 They are supposed to leave spaces for
 the windows, but one has been
 accidentally bricked in!
 The lorries deliver roof timbers.

The crane lifts these to the top of the building
 where they are hammered
 into place.



a circular saw



a roll of insulation



a toolbox



a man asleep



a bird



a cement mixer



a wheelbarrow



a hook



a man
throwing
a bucket
of water

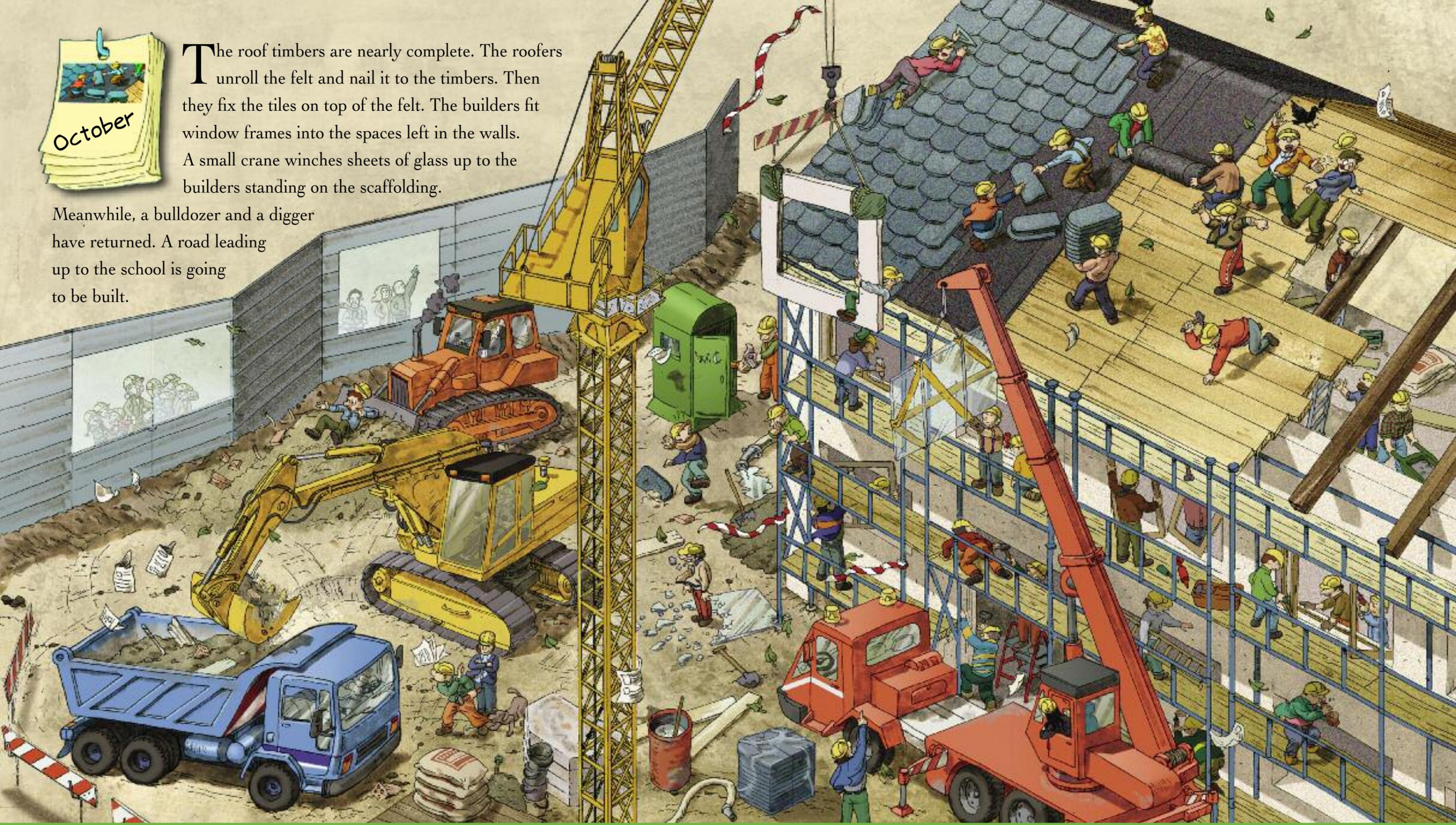


Let's
find



The roof timbers are nearly complete. The roofers unroll the felt and nail it to the timbers. Then they fix the tiles on top of the felt. The builders fit window frames into the spaces left in the walls. A small crane winches sheets of glass up to the builders standing on the scaffolding.

Meanwhile, a bulldozer and a digger have returned. A road leading up to the school is going to be built.



men fighting



a man carrying roof tiles



a portable toilet



a man using a hammer



bags of cement



broken glass



newspaper



a ladder



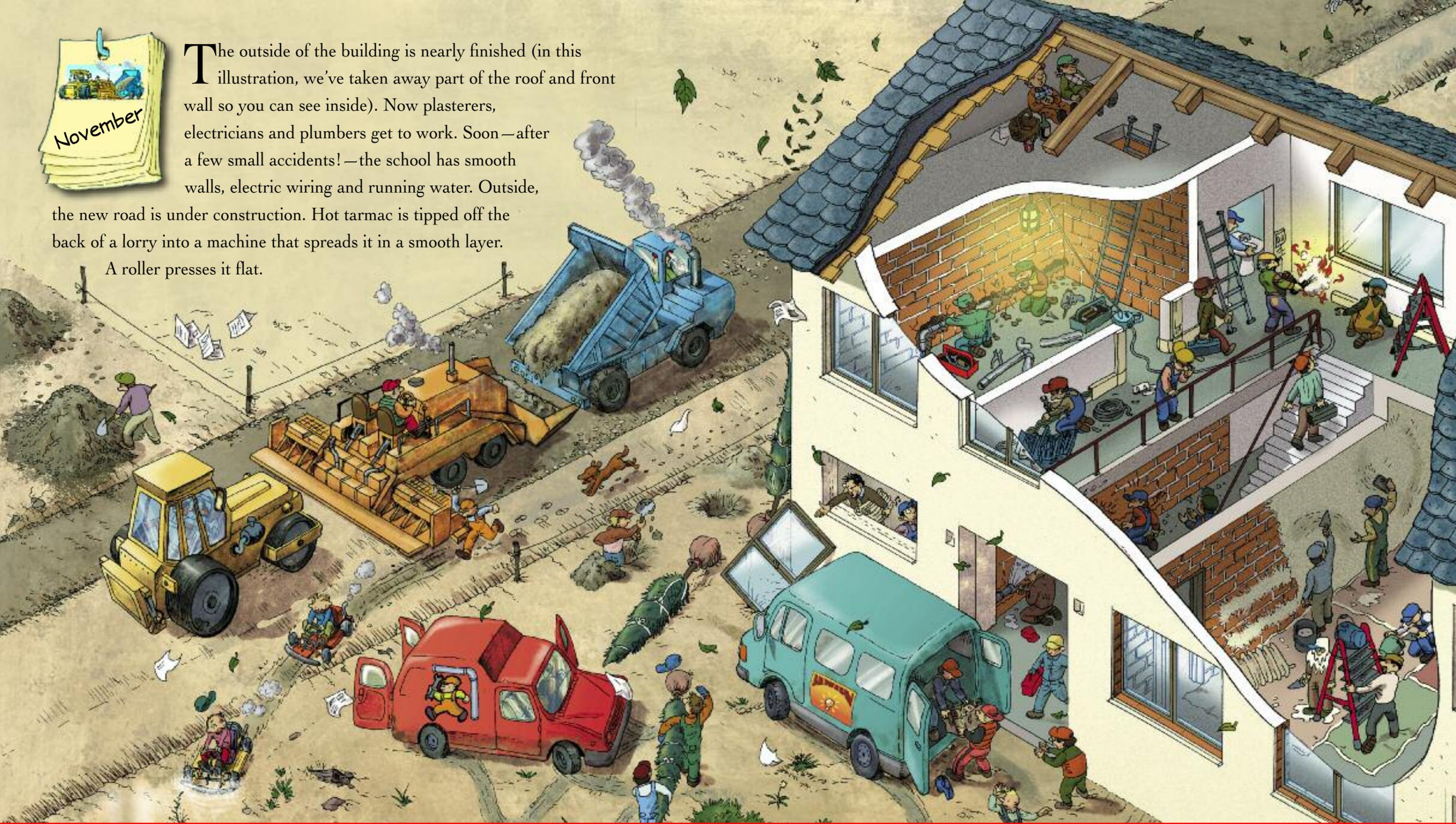
a man fitting a window frame





The outside of the building is nearly finished (in this illustration, we've taken away part of the roof and front wall so you can see inside). Now plasterers, electricians and plumbers get to work. Soon — after a few small accidents! — the school has smooth walls, electric wiring and running water. Outside, the new road is under construction. Hot tarmac is tipped off the back of a lorry into a machine that spreads it in a smooth layer.

A roller presses it flat.



a plumber



an angry man



a plasterer



a man with a ladder



a man planting a tree



a boy on a go-kart



an electrician



two workmen asleep



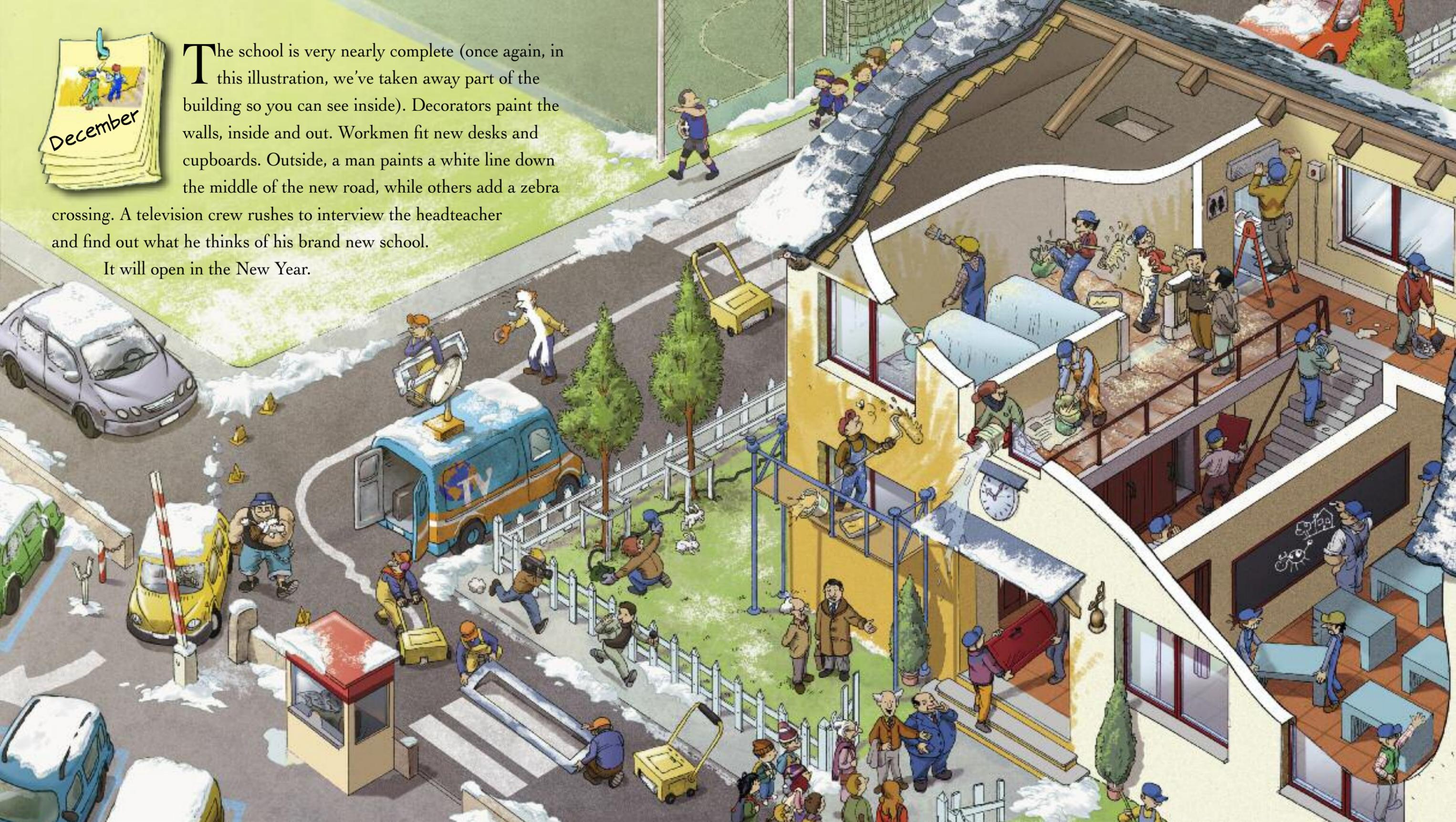
something burning





The school is very nearly complete (once again, in this illustration, we've taken away part of the building so you can see inside). Decorators paint the walls, inside and out. Workmen fit new desks and cupboards. Outside, a man paints a white line down the middle of the new road, while others add a zebra crossing. A television crew rushes to interview the headteacher and find out what he thinks of his brand new school.

It will open in the New Year.



a blackboard



a man painting



a man covered in paint



a clock



rabbits



a cameraman



a man with a poodle



a paintbrush



a football team



