

TOO SMALL TOLA Gets Tough



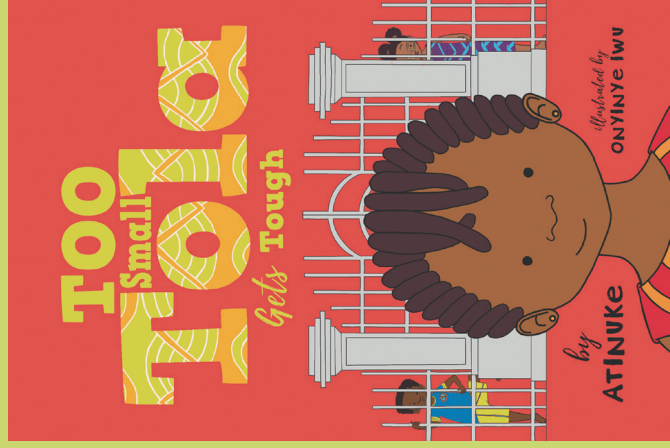
- Grandmommy, Moji, Dapo, and Tola talk about the virus and going into lockdown (pages 9–11). Did you and your family talk about this?
- How would you feel if you were separated from your family like Tola was during the lockdown?
- Tola decides to start working to help Grandmommy pay rent and be able to eat plenty of food (page 45). What are your thoughts on her decision? How does it compare to your own life?
- Can you think of three new things you've learned from Tola about living in Lagos, Nigeria?
- In the third story, Tola uses her math skills to help Mr. Diamond from getting tricked again by the diesel company. Have you ever used your skills to help someone? What did you do?



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It's a strange, scary time for Too Small Tola when a new virus separates her family, but Atinuke's small-but-mighty heroine proves once again how wise, kind, and resourceful she can be.



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Use these discussion questions in your classroom to engage more deeply with this story.