

# To Robert...a man with great vision.

—Julia



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My name is Joanie Maloney,  
and I am the most excited  
person on the planet!

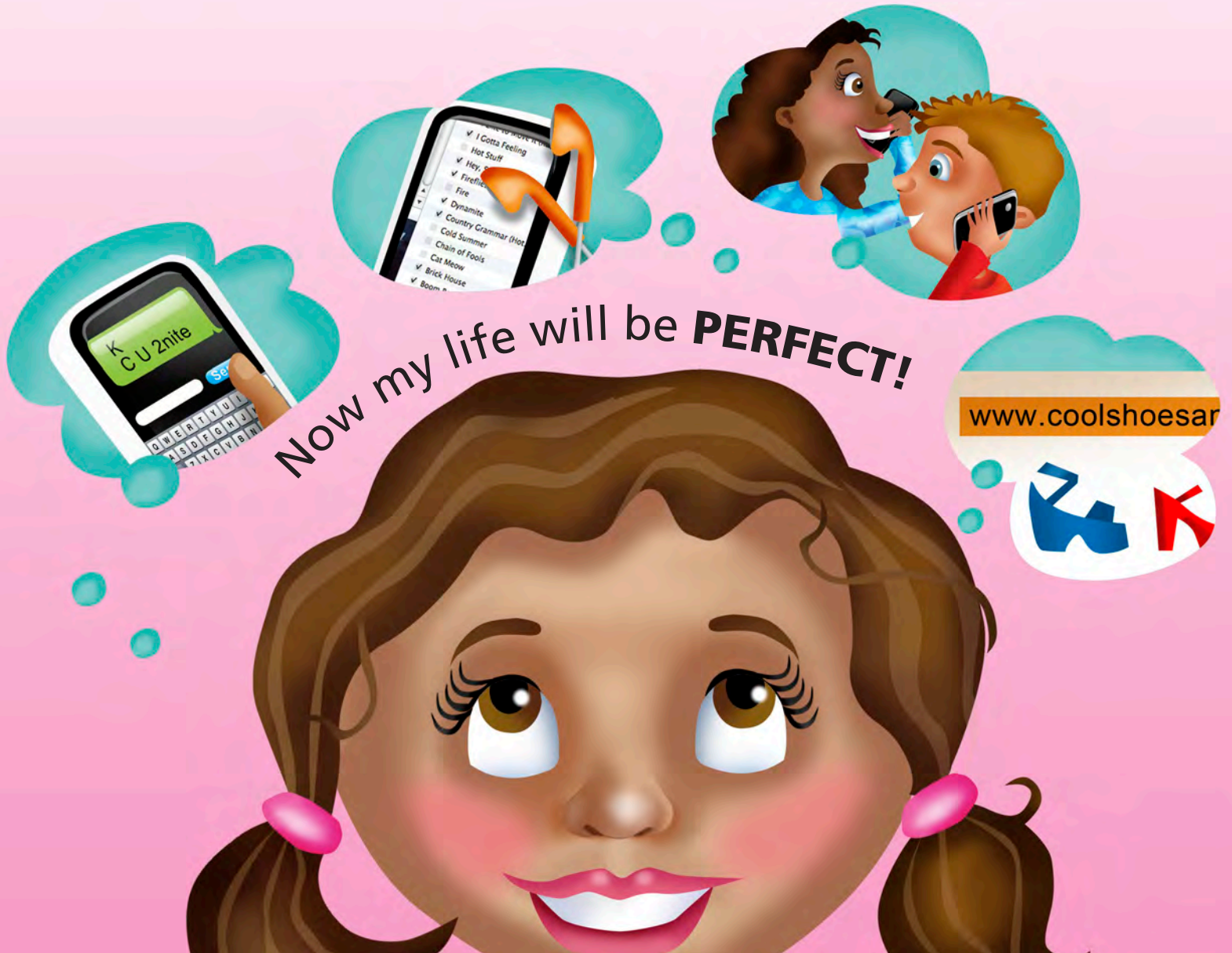
After years and years, and months and  
months, and days and days, I am finally  
getting my very own, brand new cell  
phone! Well, it isn't exactly brand new. My  
mom got an upgrade and a new phone, so  
she's giving me her old one.

Finally! I'll be able to text all of my friends whenever I want to!

I'll be able to download my music and listen to it whenever I want to!

I'll be able to call and talk to people whenever I want to!

I'll be able to go online whenever I want to!



Now my life will be **PERFECT!**

"Joanie, my mom said. Having your own cell phone is a big responsibility. It is also a privilege...not a right! Before I give you this phone, you have to attend my version of a **cell phone safety course**, so you will learn about the rules that go along with having your own cell phone."

"A **safety course**?...  
Mom, it's a phone...  
not a weapon!"

"Yes, but if a cell phone is used incorrectly, it can hurt people, and the last thing I want is for this phone to totally consume you and take over your life!"





"Mom...it's **just** a cell phone!"

"Yes, but it won't be **your** cell phone unless you attend the course, sign the contract, and follow the rules.

Now sit down, and let's get started!"

## **RULE #1**

Never let your phone take over your life.

Remember, your name is **Joanie**.

If your voice only comes through your cell phone,  
then you'll become a **Cell Phoney!**



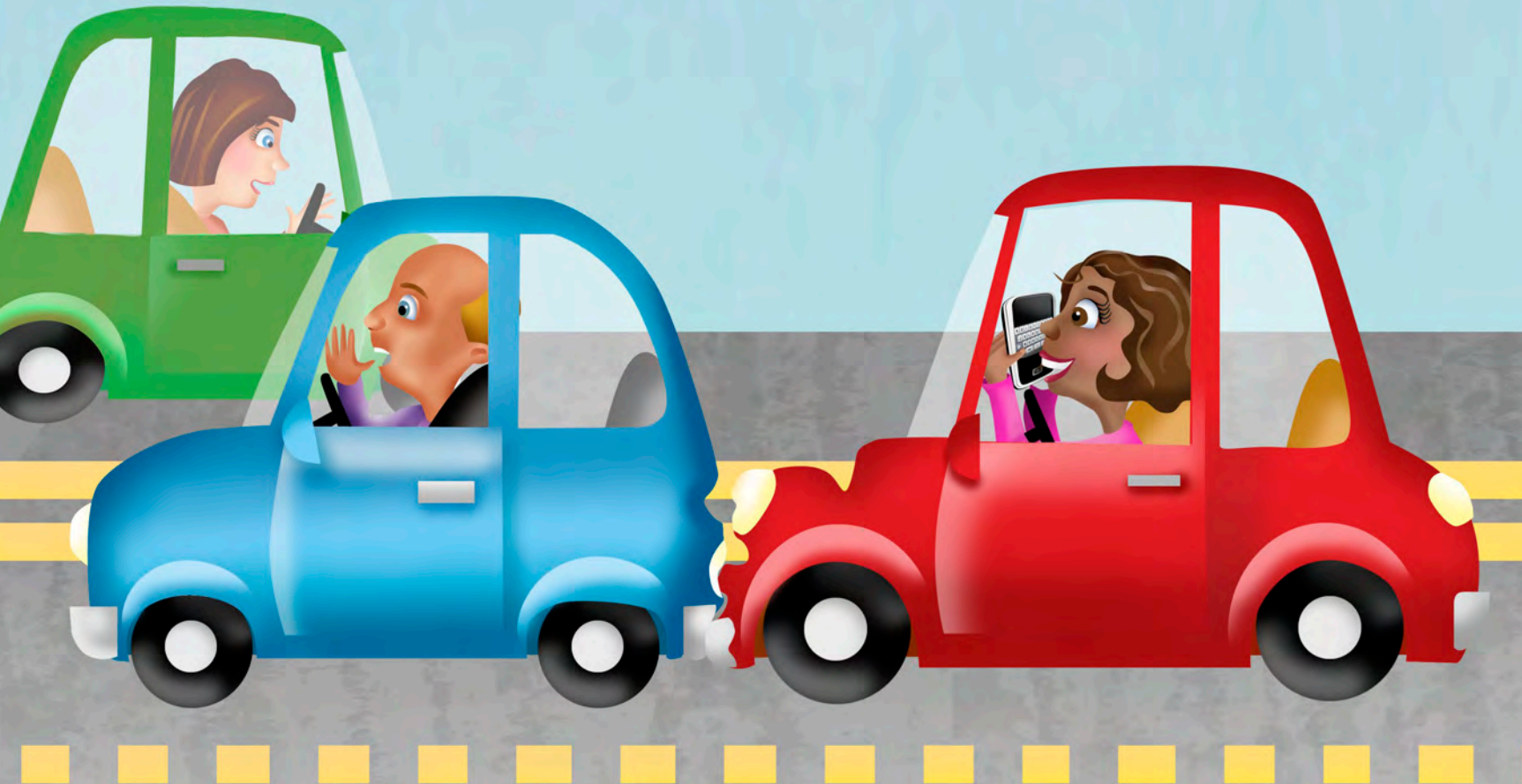
## RULE #2

Never text or talk on your phone while you're driving your **feet**, your **bike**, and especially your **car**.

Bad things can happen that can hurt **you** and **others**, and we like you the way that you are.



No text or talk can be more important  
than keeping my Joanie safe.  
Your phone is not your oxygen source.  
There's always a right time and place.



## **RULE #3**

This phone is a good thing, and it should be used to help you in many ways.  
Never use this phone to hurt others, or I'll just have to take it away.



## **RULE #4**

Make sure that you don't text too much,  
even though texting might be your choice.  
Some people forget how to talk to each other,  
and texting takes over their voice.

