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Here Comes Charlie

And *these* two very old people are the father and mother of Mrs Bucket. Their names are Grandpa George and Grandma Georgina.

THESE TWO VERY old people are the father and mother of Mr Bucket.

Their names are Grandpa Joe and Grandma Josephine.

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This is Mr Bucket. This is Mrs Bucket.
Mr and Mrs Bucket have a small boy whose name is
Charlie Bucket.

This is Charlie.
How do you do ? And how do you do ?
And how do you do again ?

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He is pleased to meet you.

The whole of his family – the six grownups (count them) and little Charlie Bucket – lived together in a small wooden house on the edge of a great town.

The house wasn't nearly large enough for so many people, and life was extremely uncomfortable for them all. There were only two rooms in the place, and there was only one bed. The bed was given to the four old grandparents because they were so old and tired. They were so tired, they never got out of it.

Mr and Mrs Bucket and little Charlie Bucket slept in the other room, upon mattresses on the floor /.../

/.../ It was simply impossible to think of buying a more comfortable house, or even a new bed. They were too poor for that.

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Mr Bucket was the only person in the family with a job. He worked in a toothpaste factory /.../ but there wasn't enough money to buy food for them all. The only meals they could afford were bread and margarine for breakfast, boiled potatoes and cabbage for lunch, and cabbage soup for supper.

The Buckets were not starving to death but the two old granddads, the two old grandmas, Charlie's father, Charlie's mother, and the little Charlie himself, would come and go from morning to night with a terrible feeling of emptiness in the stomach /.../

/.../ Charlie desperately asked for something more nourishing to eat, more pleasant than cabbage and cabbage soup. But what he desired most was ... CHOCOLATE.