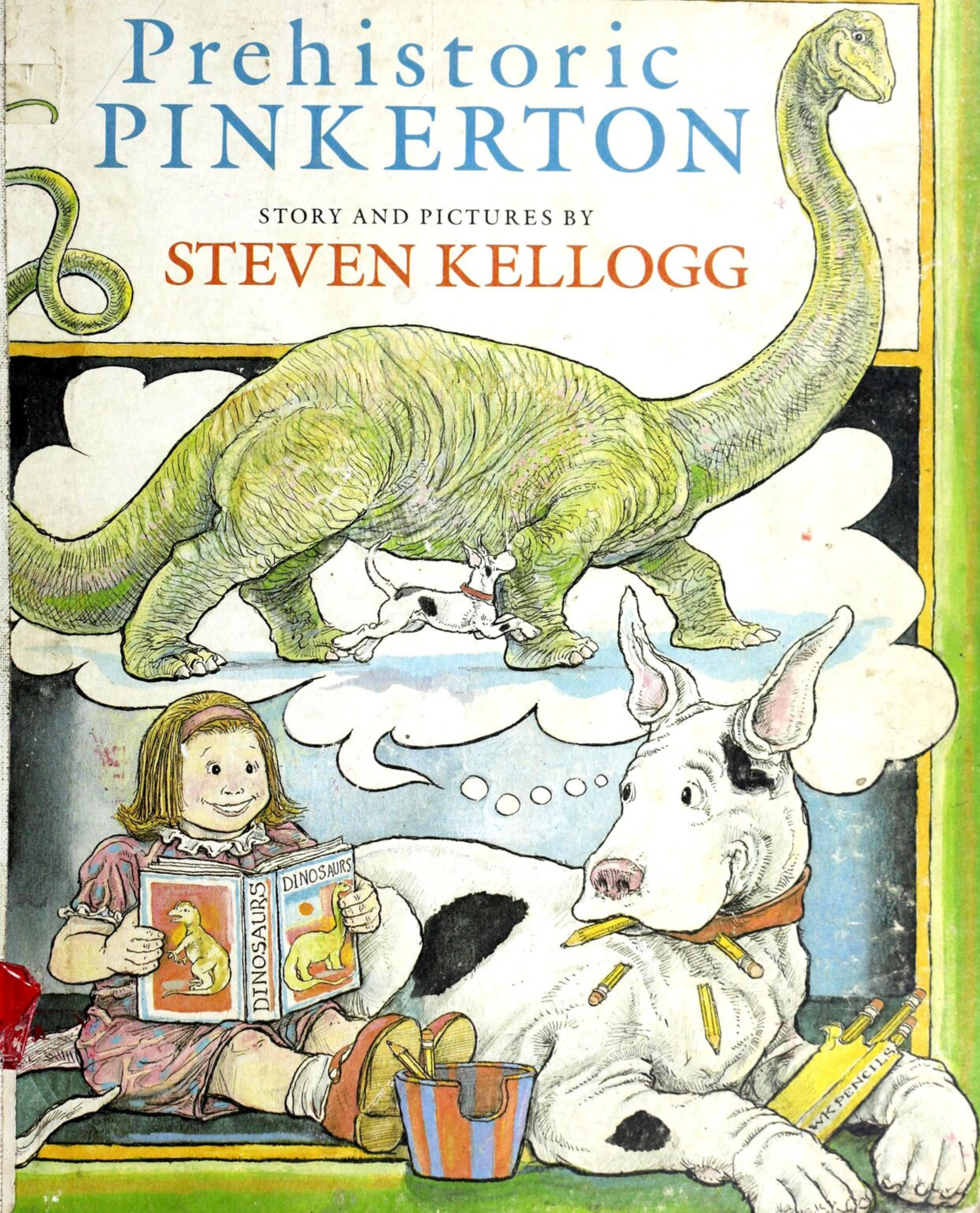


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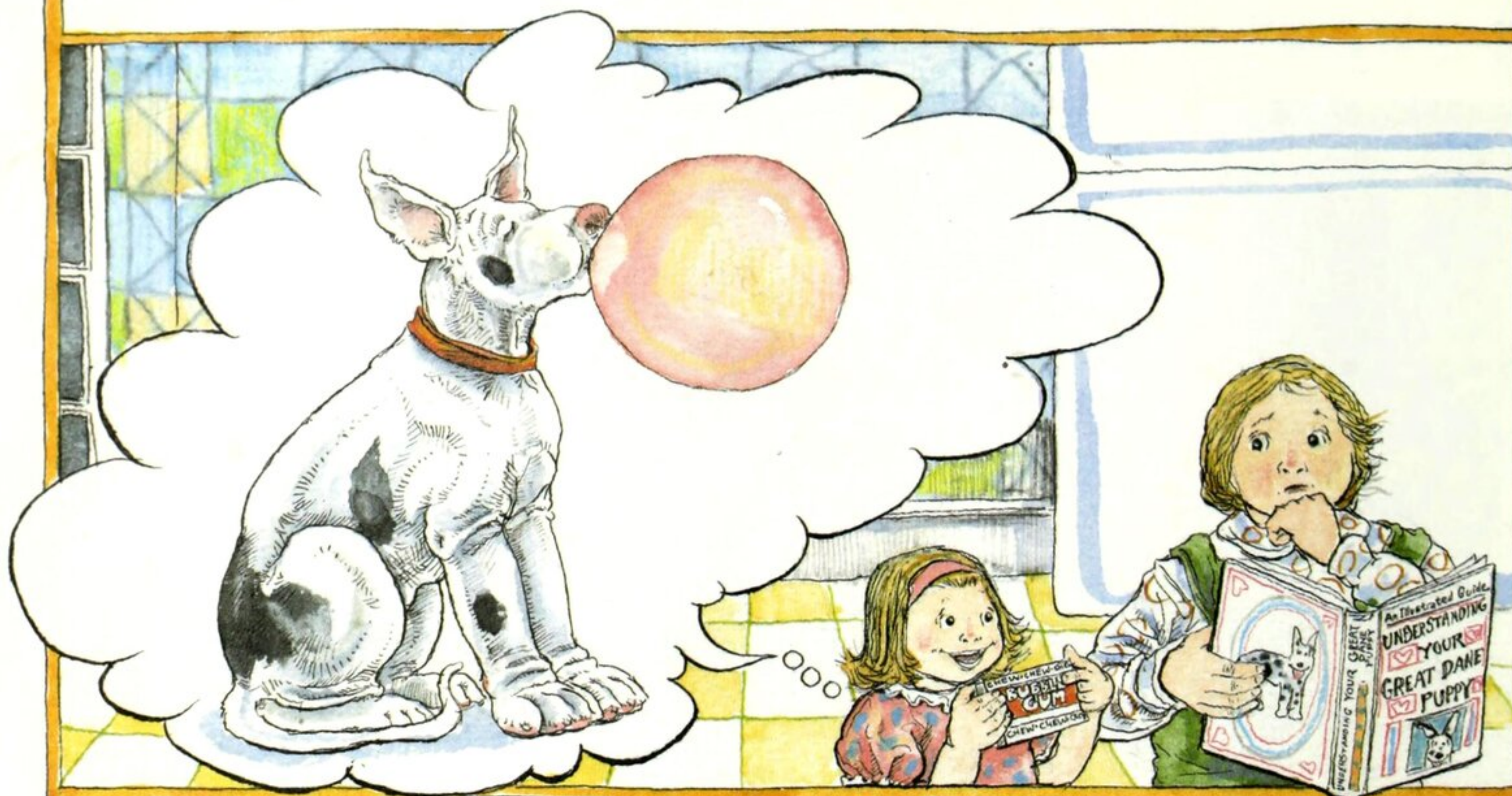
Something's wrong with Pinkerton. He just ate thirteen pencils and a broom, and now he's chewing on my bedpost.



The book says that he has begun the teething process, and that he will experience a strong urge to chew until he loses his puppy teeth.



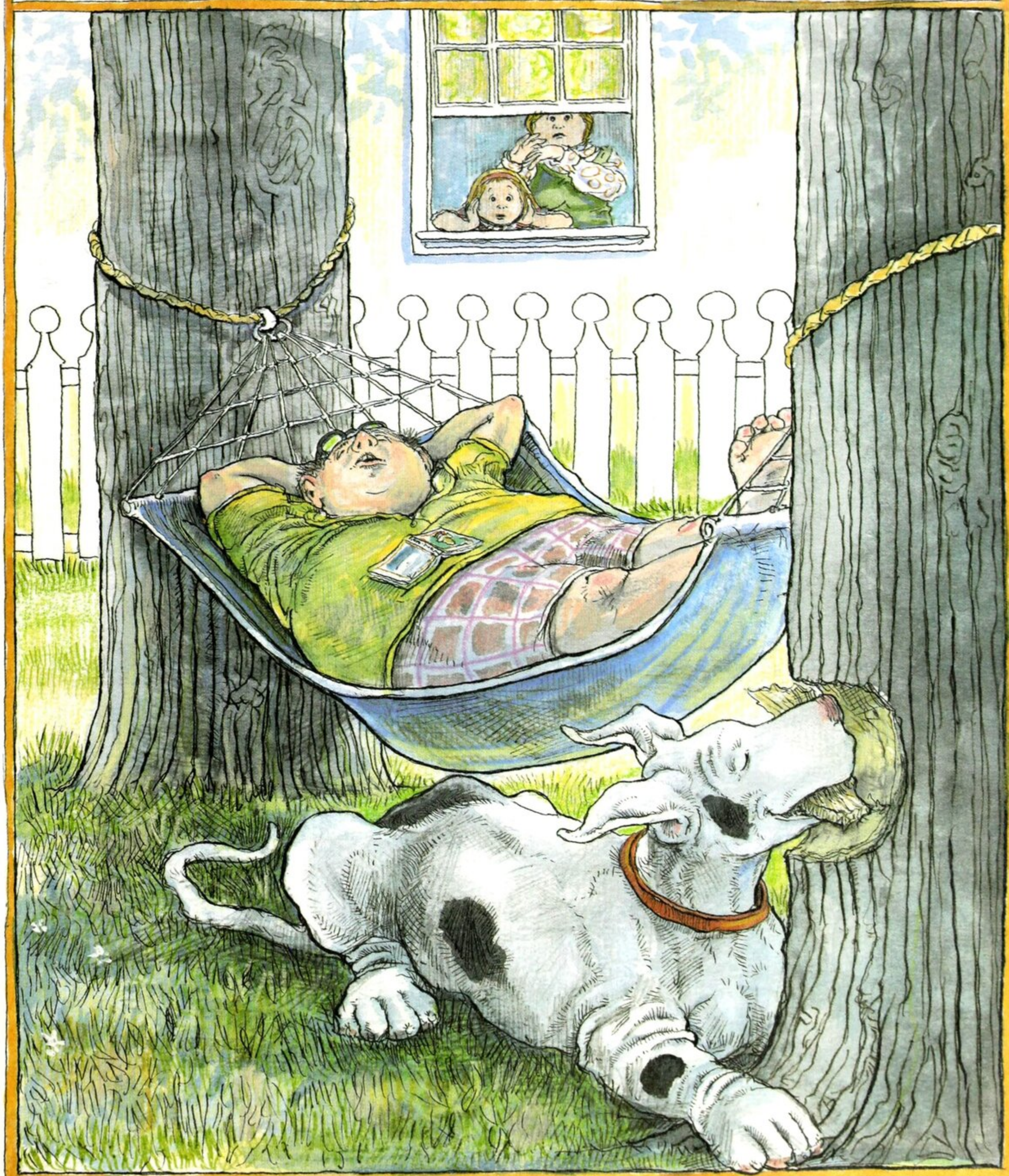
I bet Pinkerton would love to chew gum.



The book suggests that Pinkerton chew on something hard, like a rawhide bone.



Right now he's chewing on a tree in Mr. Arno's yard.





I'm sorry, Mr. Arno. Great Dane puppies can be a real problem. But we'll get Pinkerton through this stage with an order of rawhide bones.



That's not a Great Dane puppy, it's a giant beaver!
Keep that monster off my property!



Oh, dear. I'd forgotten that your piano teacher was coming today.



I'll begin by showing you the new practice drills.



This instrument needs tuning. Its tones are quite unstable.



Excuse me, Professor, but I think that the problem is being caused by Pinkerton.





I feel faint!

I'm going to drive the professor home. When you leave for the museum make sure that Pinkerton has one of these rawhide bones to chew so he doesn't destroy the house!



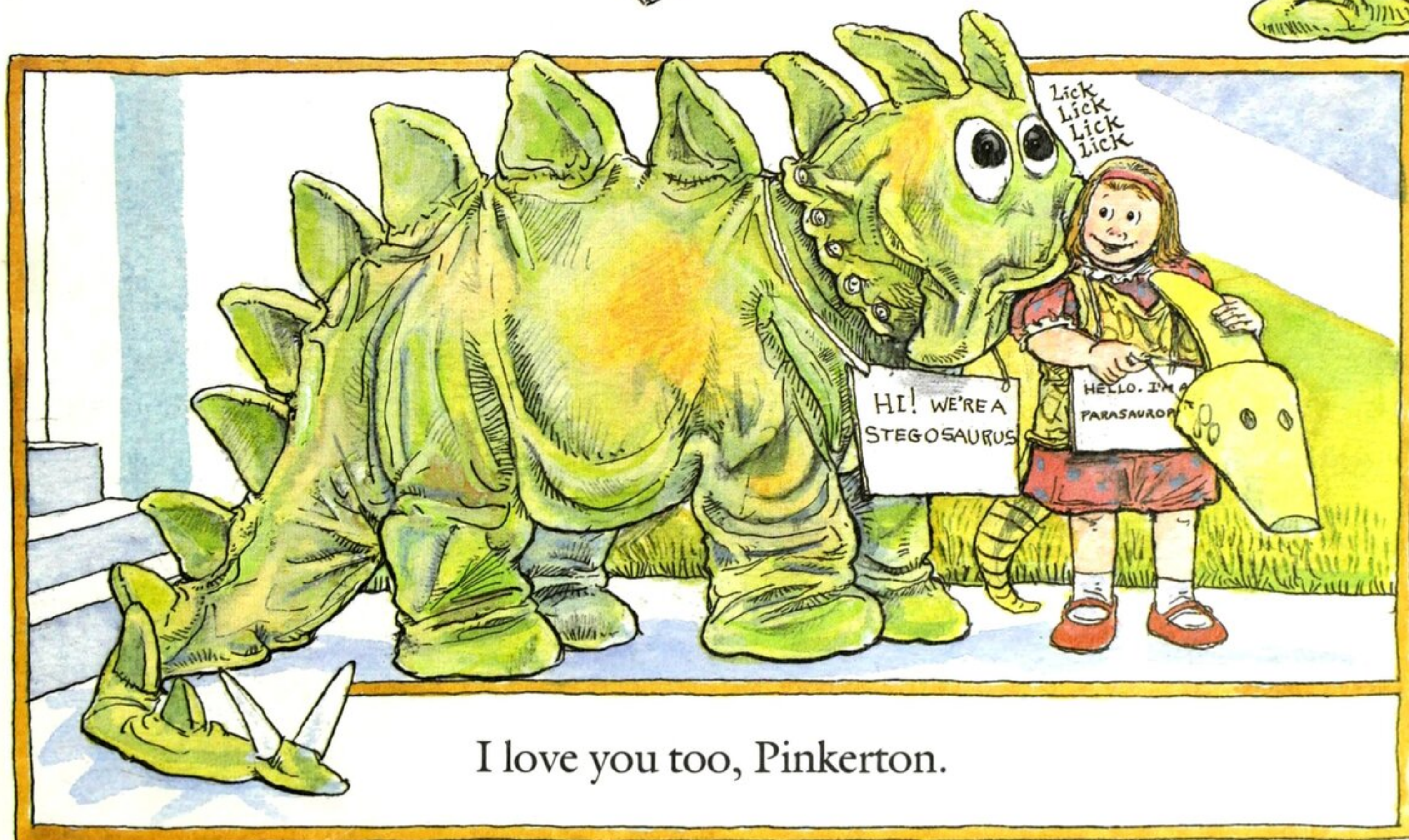
I hope you'll feel better soon, Professor.



Yikes! There's no way I can leave you here alone. I'll have to hide you in the stegosaurus costume and take you to the museum.

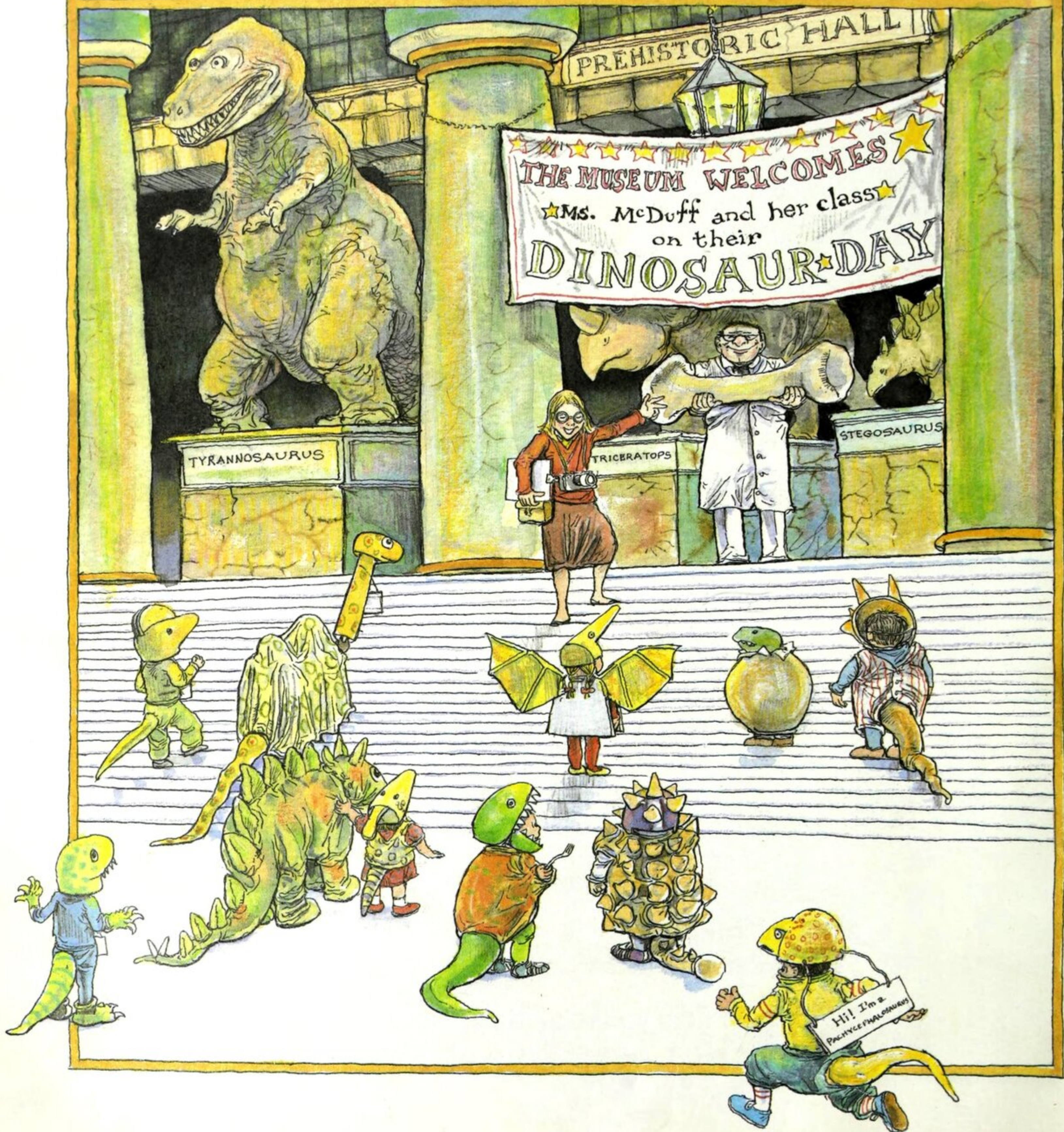


Now remember, Pinkerton. It's important for you to keep quiet and behave so that everyone will think there are two kids in this costume.

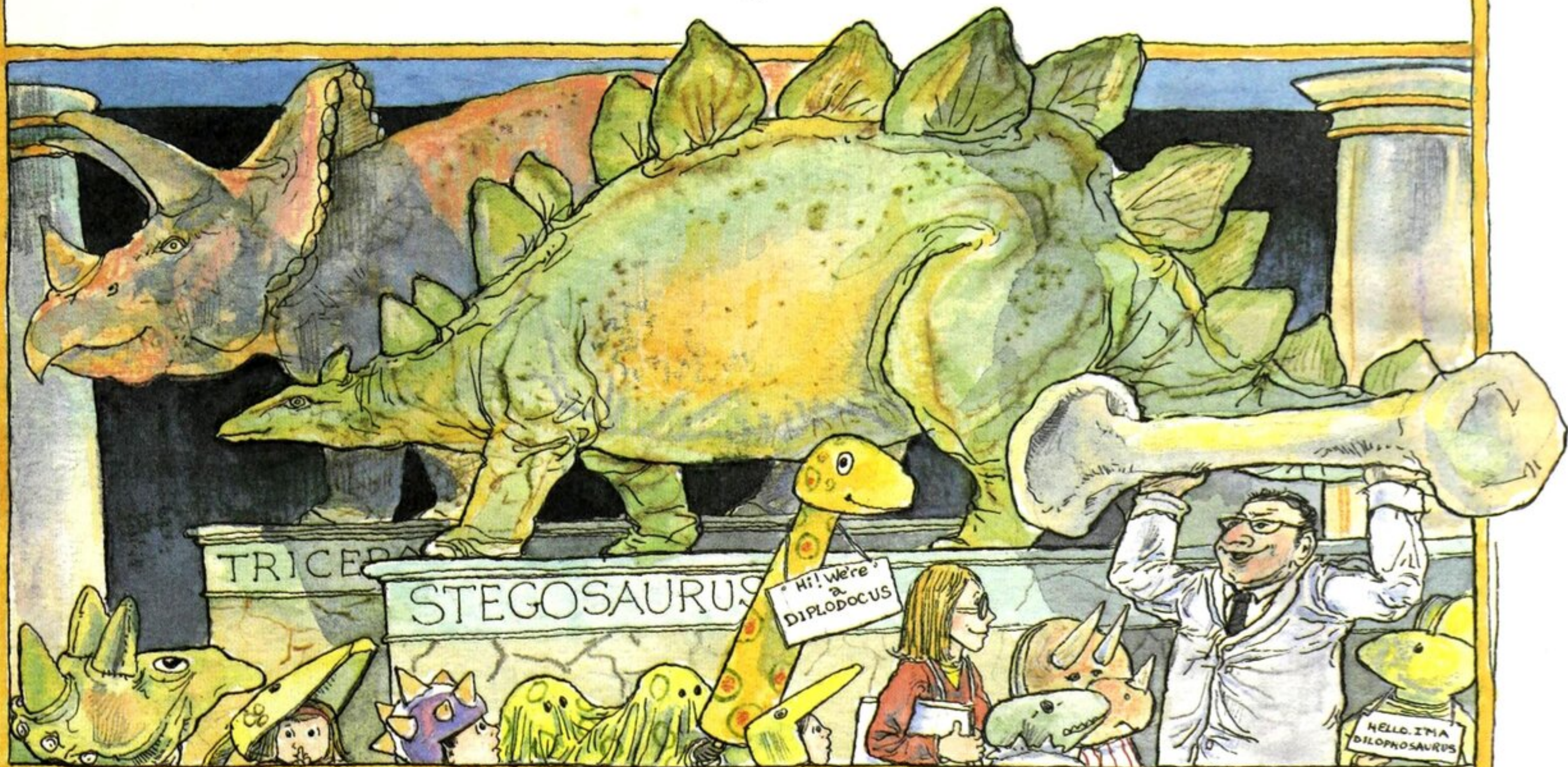


I love you too, Pinkerton.

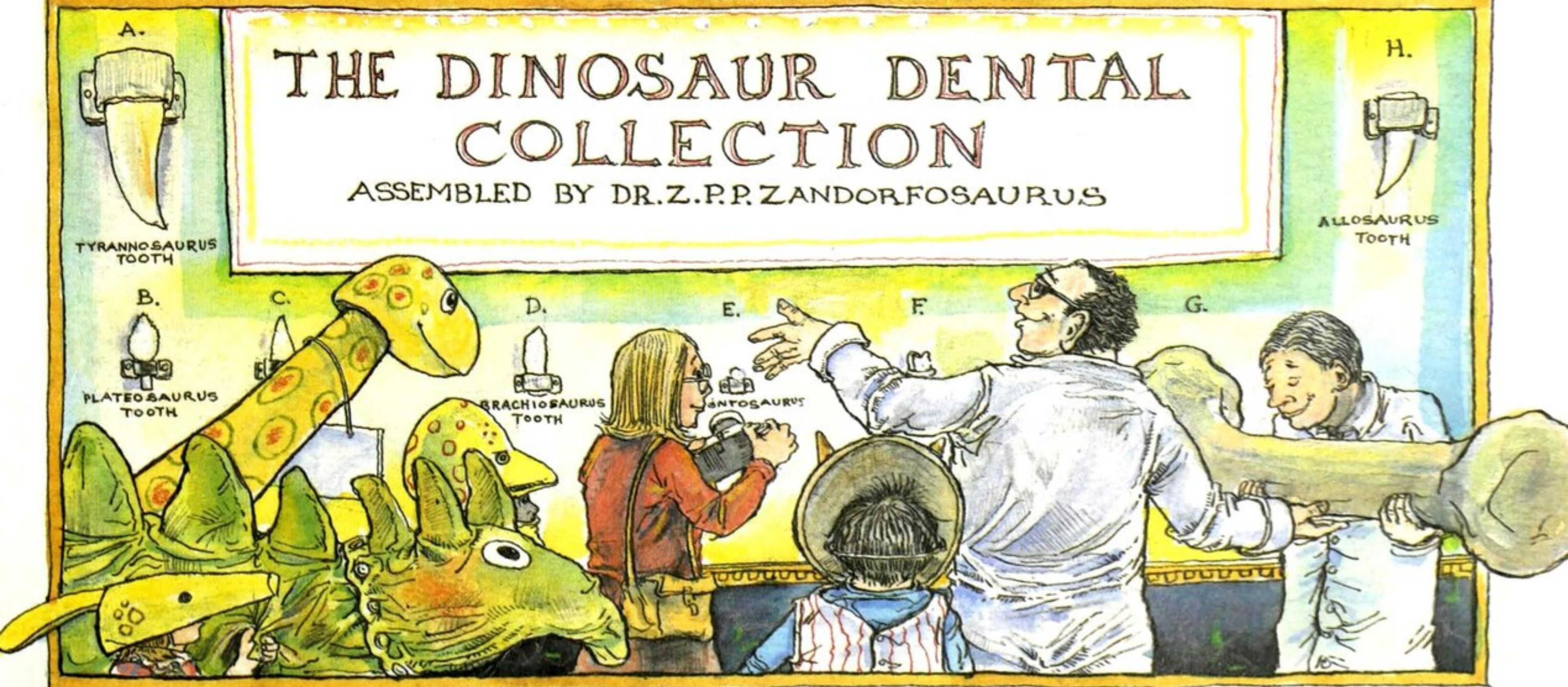
Class, it's an honor to introduce our guide,
Dr. Zandorfosaurus, the director of the museum
and an expert on prehistoric life.



I adore dinosaurs, and I have devoted my entire life to collecting their bones.



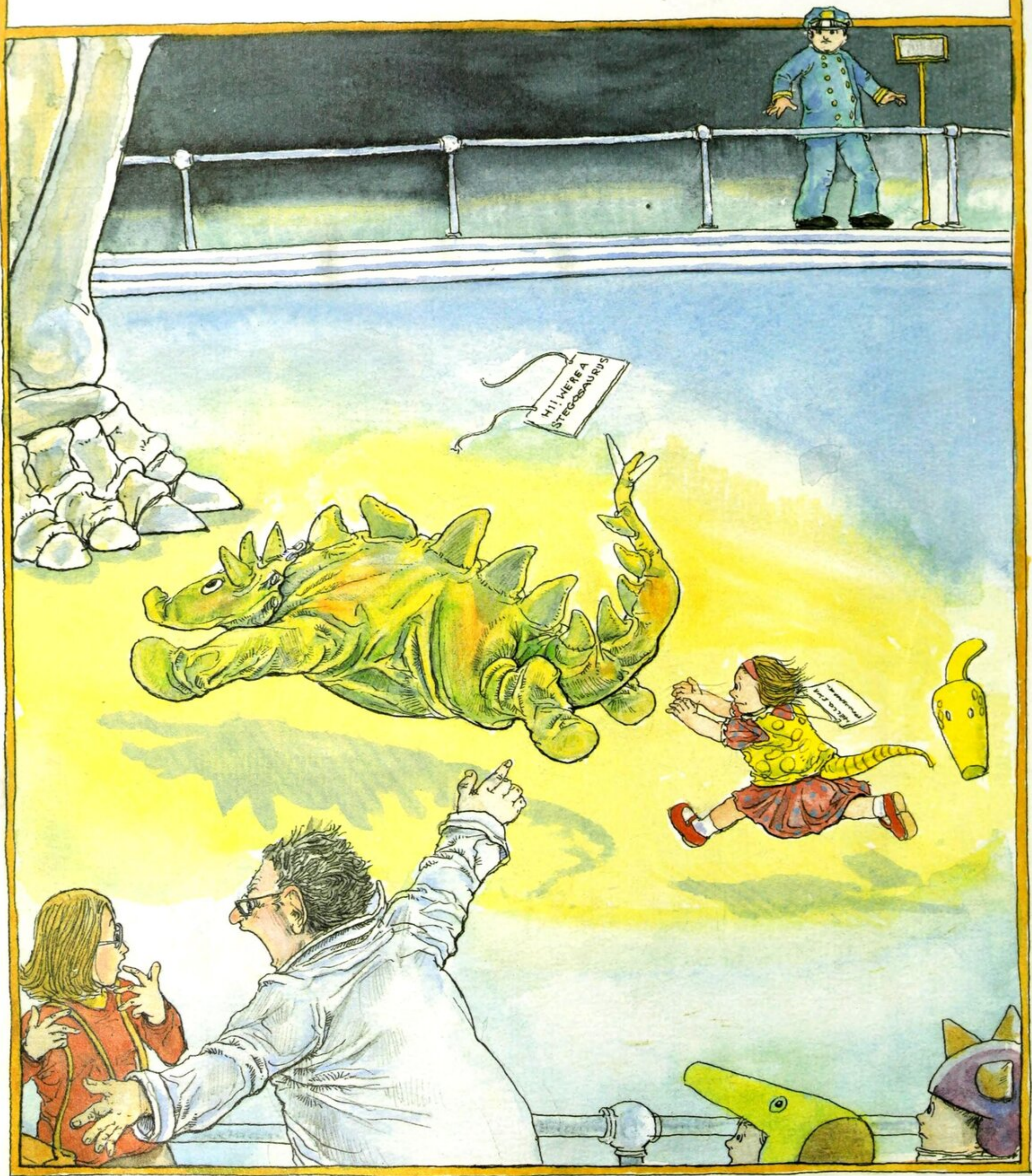
I'm particularly proud of this display, which contains some of the world's rarest fangs and molars.



Unhappily I will never know the thrill of meeting a living dinosaur, but I can experience something of that excitement when I view this stupendous skeleton.



What are those children doing? No one is permitted to approach the skeleton!

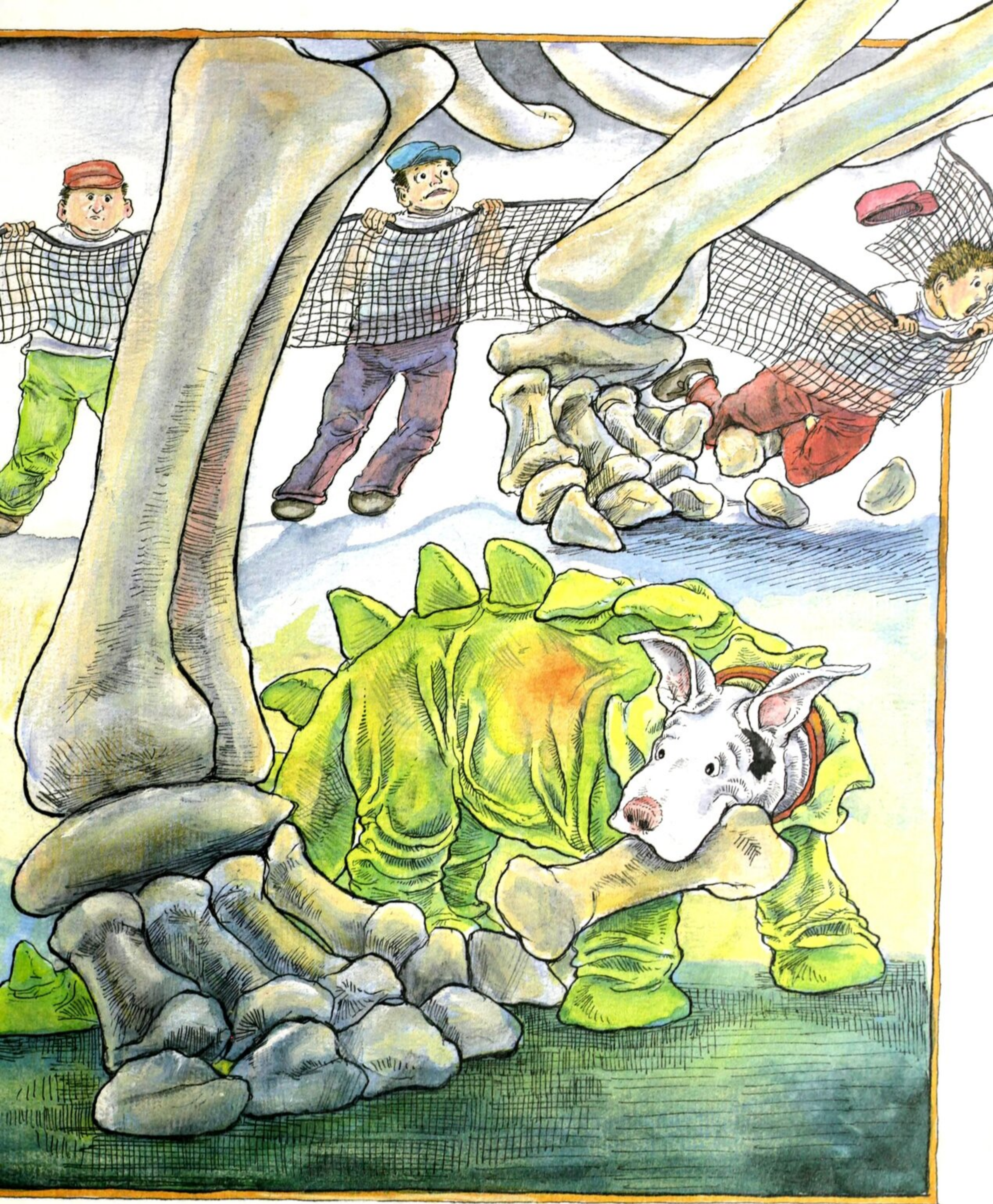


Merciful heavens! It's a dog! Mobilize the staff!
Call the guards! Alert the pound!



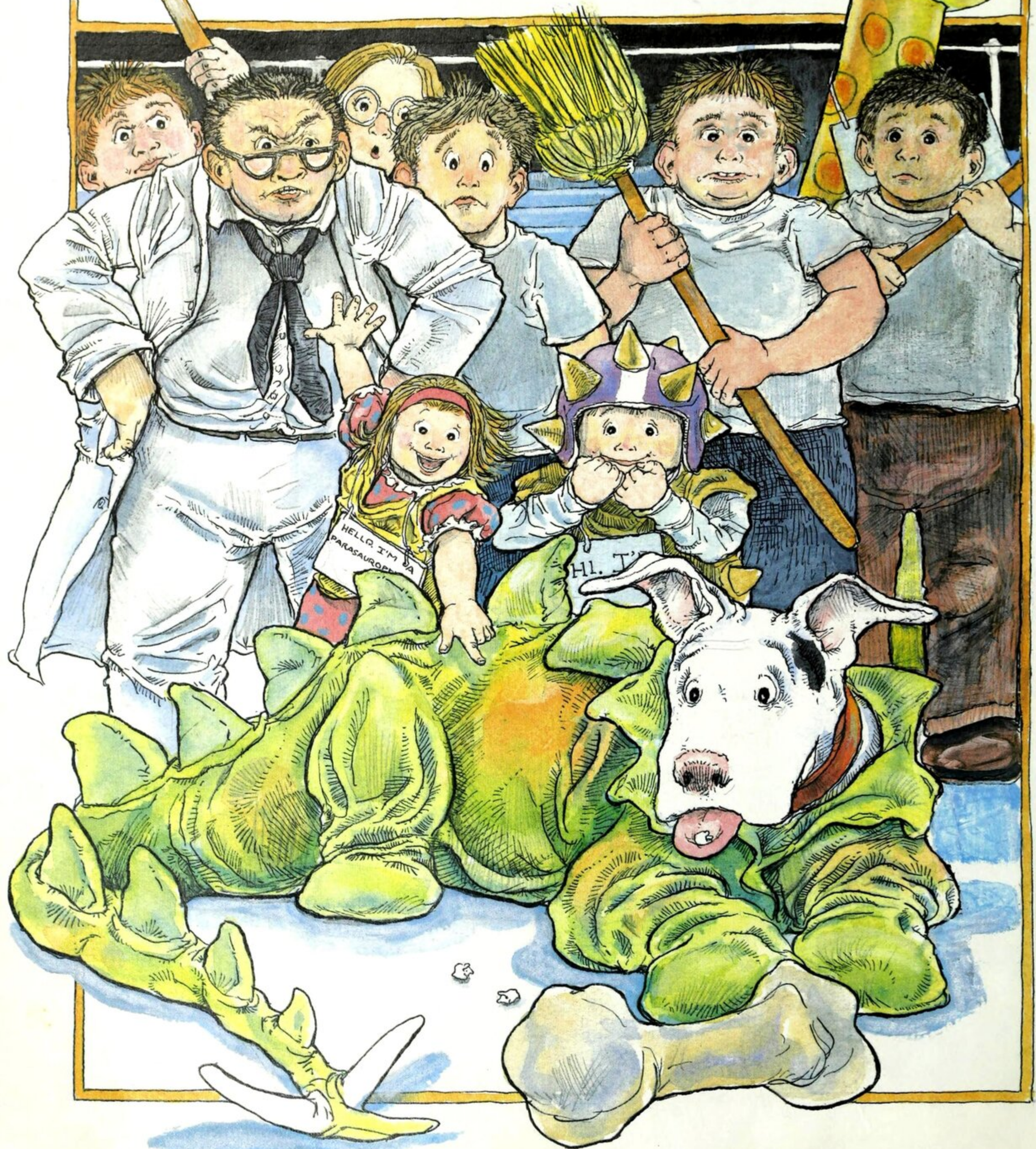
Surround the mongrel! He's stealing a priceless bone!

A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration depicting a chaotic scene where a group of children and adults are chasing a 'mongrel' (a dog) that is stealing a bone. The children are dressed in dinosaur costumes and holding signs that identify them as 'TYRANNOSAURUS', 'ANKYLOSAURUS', 'PTERODACTYLOID', and 'PARASAUROPHOLUS'. The adults are holding a large net to catch the dog. The scene is set outdoors with a grassy field and a body of water in the background.





Look! His puppy teeth are coming out!
The teething process is over!



Pinkerton and I would like to donate a tooth
to your Dinosaur Dental Collection.



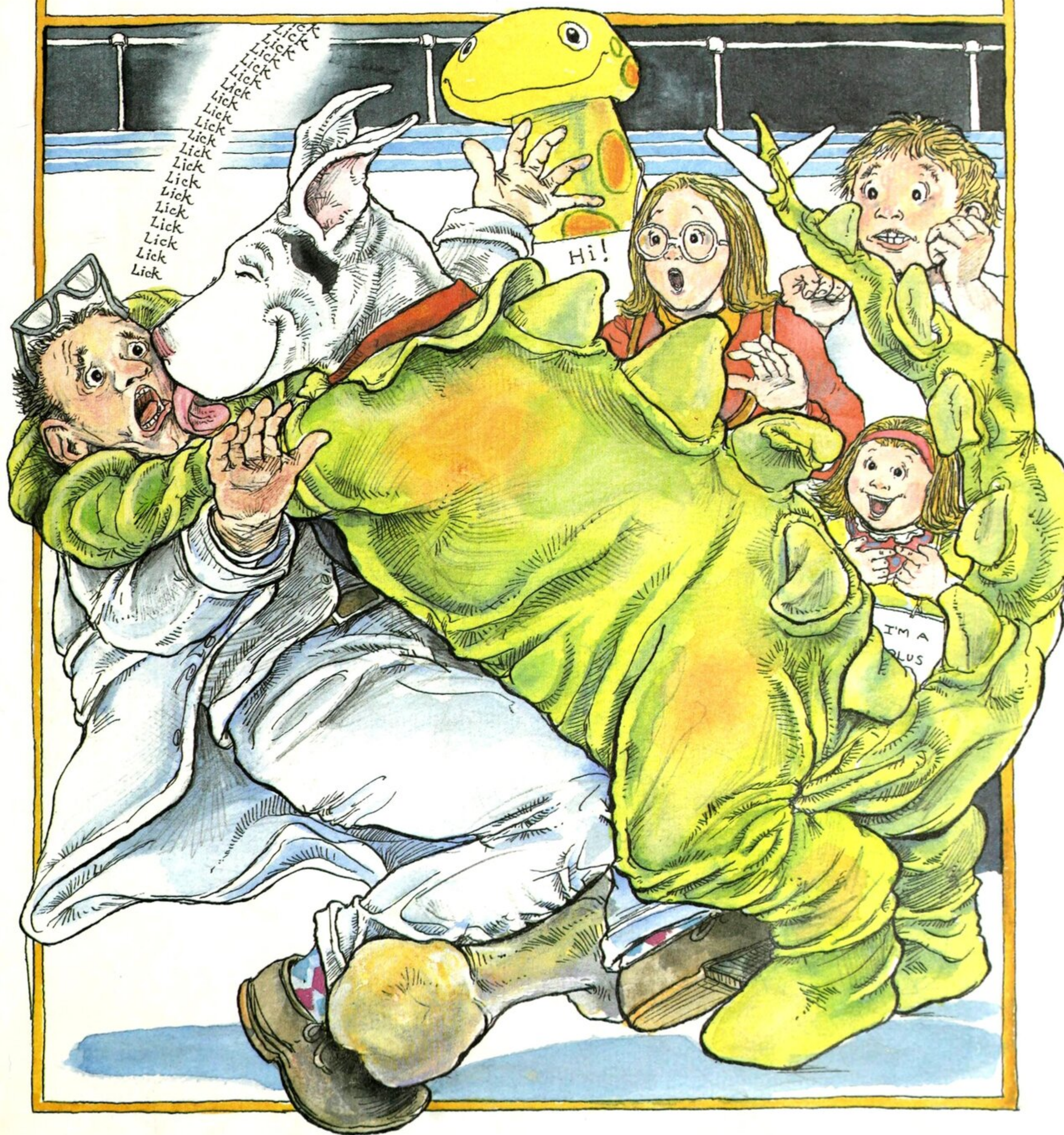
That's absurd. The museum wouldn't think of
displaying a common puppy tooth!



But Pinkerton's great great great great great great great
great great great great great great great great great great
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great great great great grandmother may have been a stegosaurus.



And meeting Pinkerton is probably the closest you will ever come to the thrill of experiencing a living dinosaur.



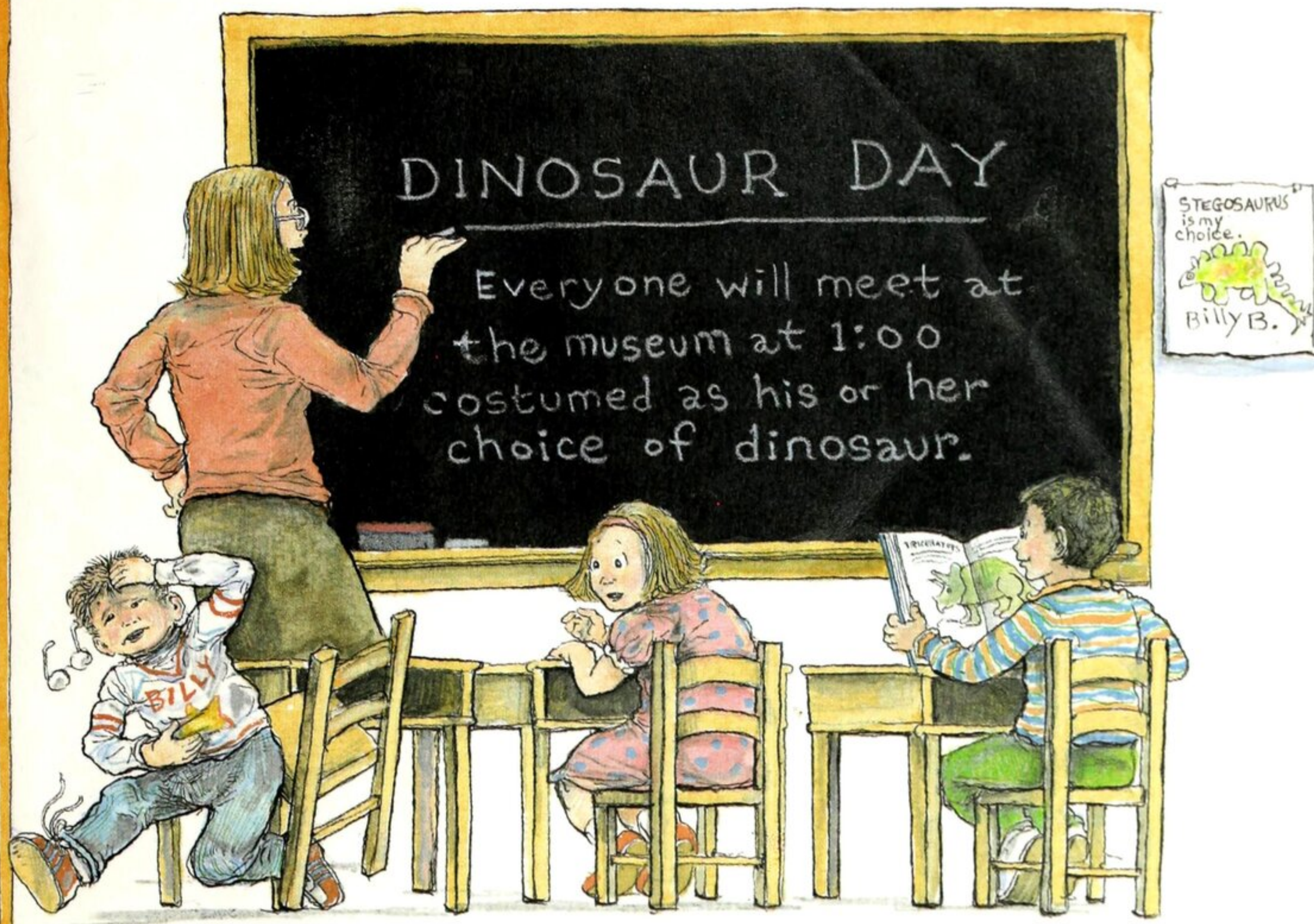
And besides, Pinkerton is a lot friendlier.





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For Zachary Parkinson Porter
with love and cheers



Hi, Pinkerton, did you know that scientists have found the bones of giant dinosaurs that lived around here millions of years ago?



They think that dinosaurs are the ancestors of today's animals.



Maybe your great great great great great great great
great great great great great great great great great
great great great great great great great great great
great great great great great great great great great
great grandmother was a stegosaurus!



Billy Barret and I were going to wear this stegosaurus suit to the museum this afternoon as part of our class Dinosaur Day Pageant, but now he's sick and can't go.



Pinkerton, why are you eating the broom?

