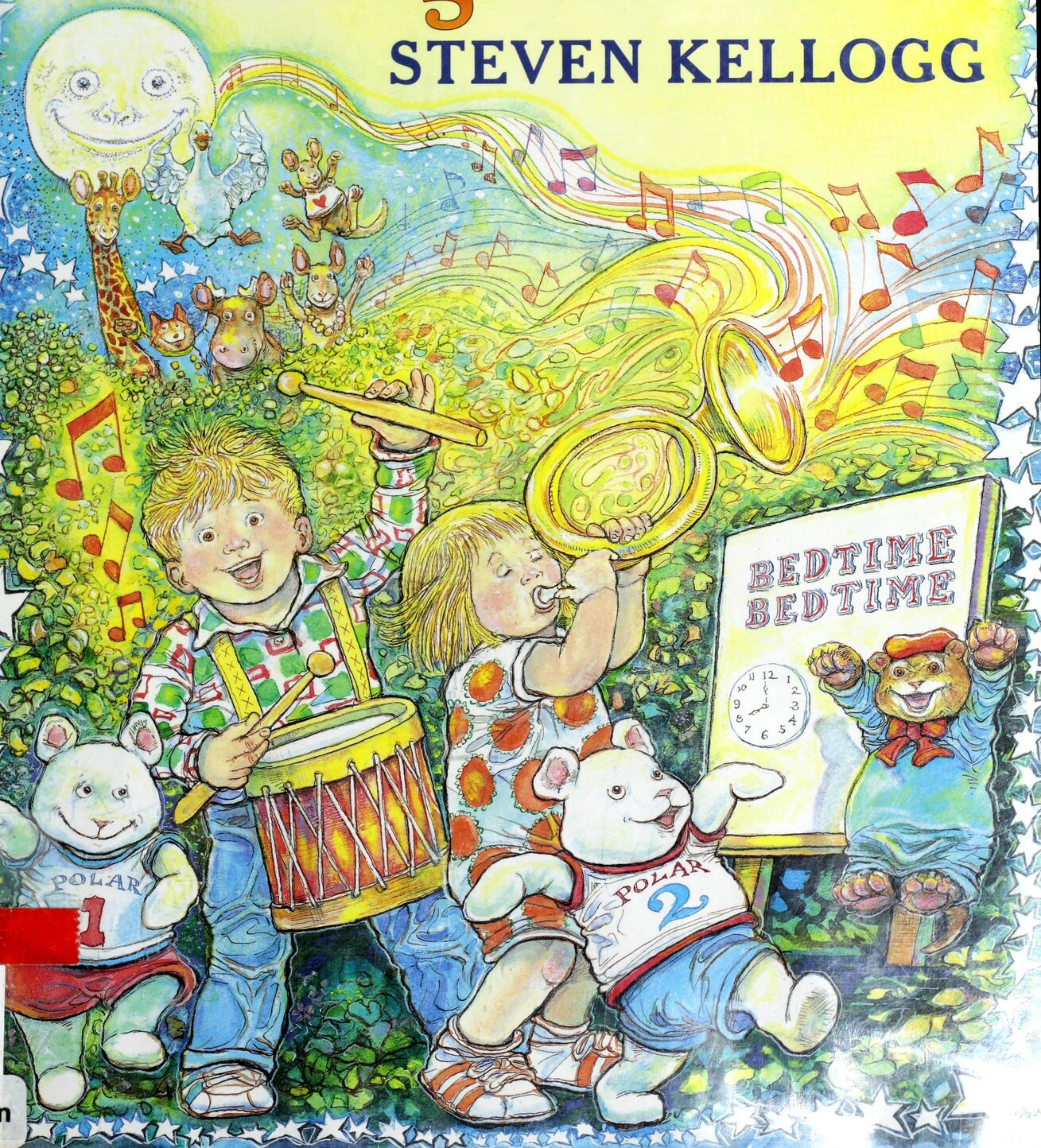


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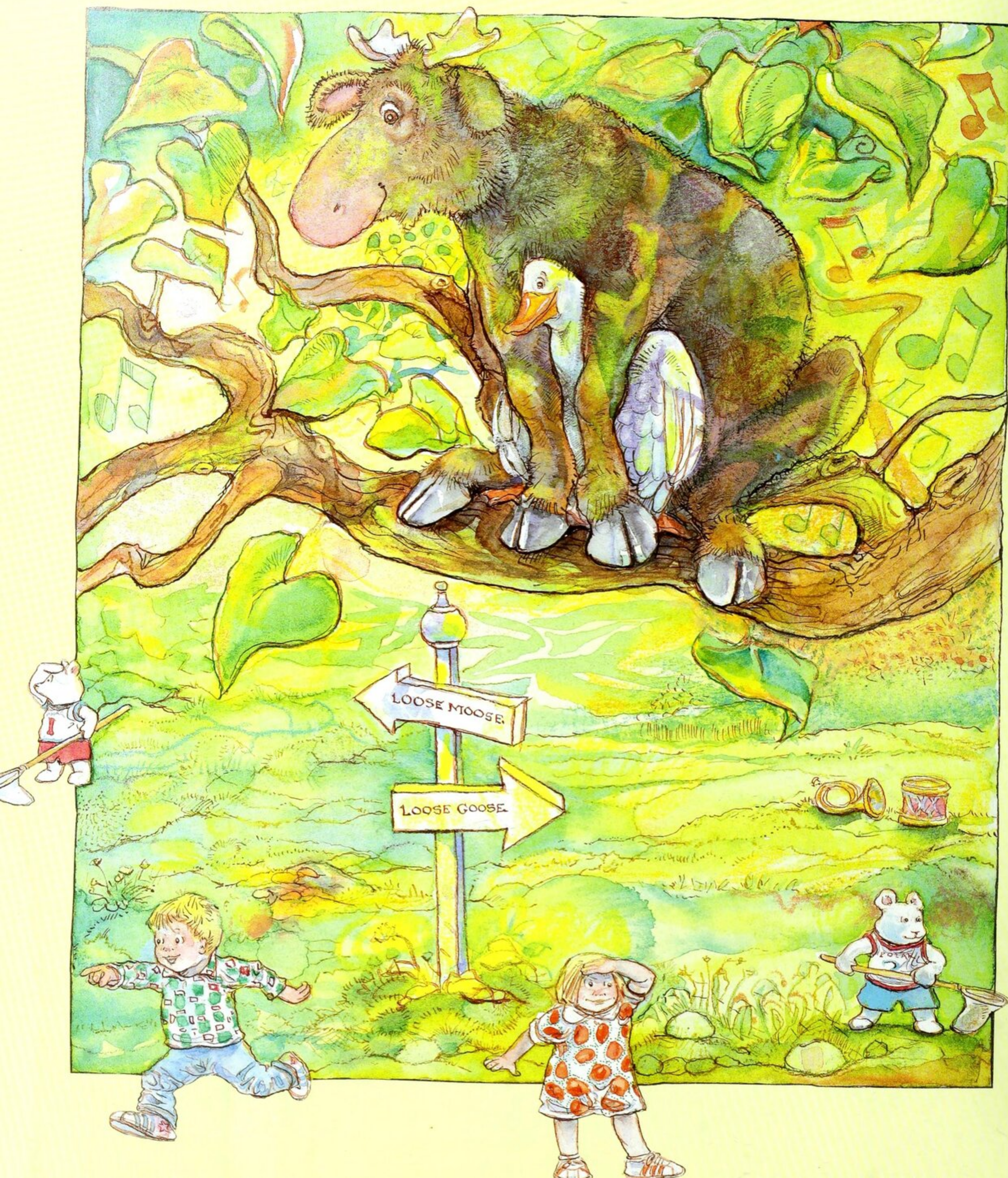
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System 1: Chord G. Lyrics: A - hunt - ing we will go! Our

System 2: Chords D7 and G. Lyrics: hunt - ing horn we'll blow! The bears in front will

System 3: Chords C, G, D7, and G. Lyrics: lead the hunt, So on - ward, team! Let's go!

A-hunting we will go! A-hunting we will go!
Moose and Goose are on the loose.





I see them!
TALLYHO!

A-hunting we will go! A-hunting we will go!
Get that weasel at the easel.

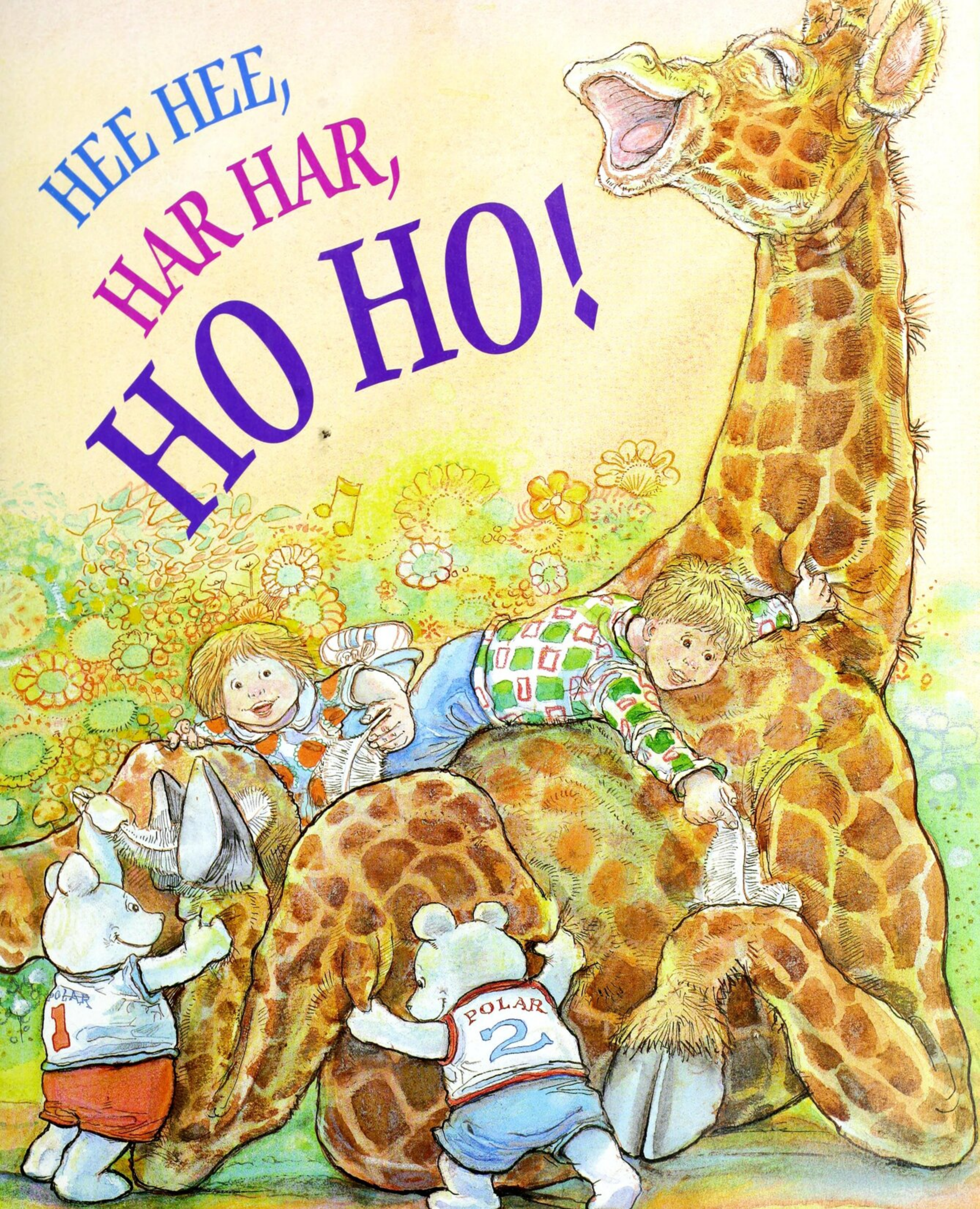




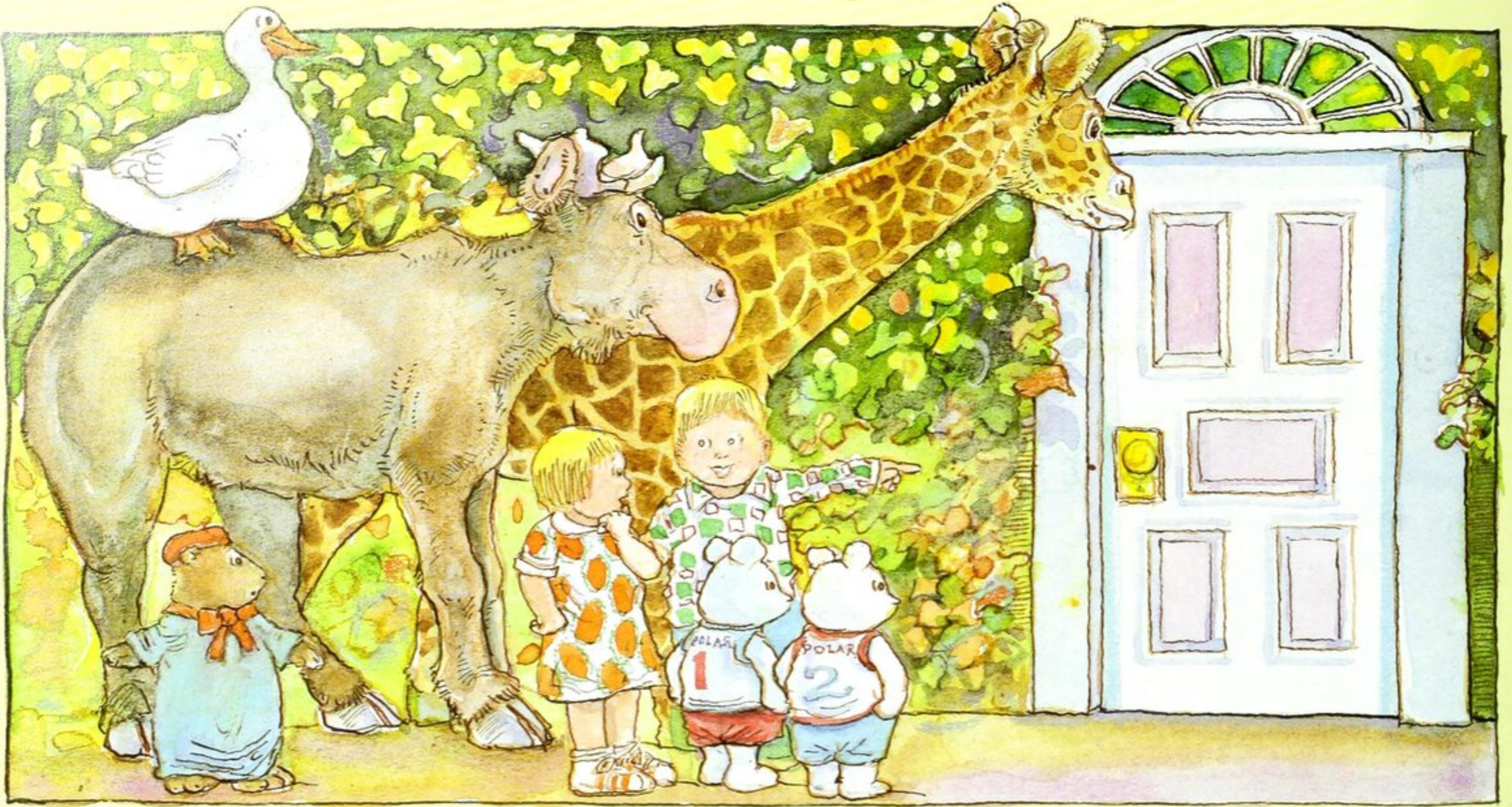
A-hunting we will go! A-hunting we will go!
We'll tickle a giraffe and make him laugh.



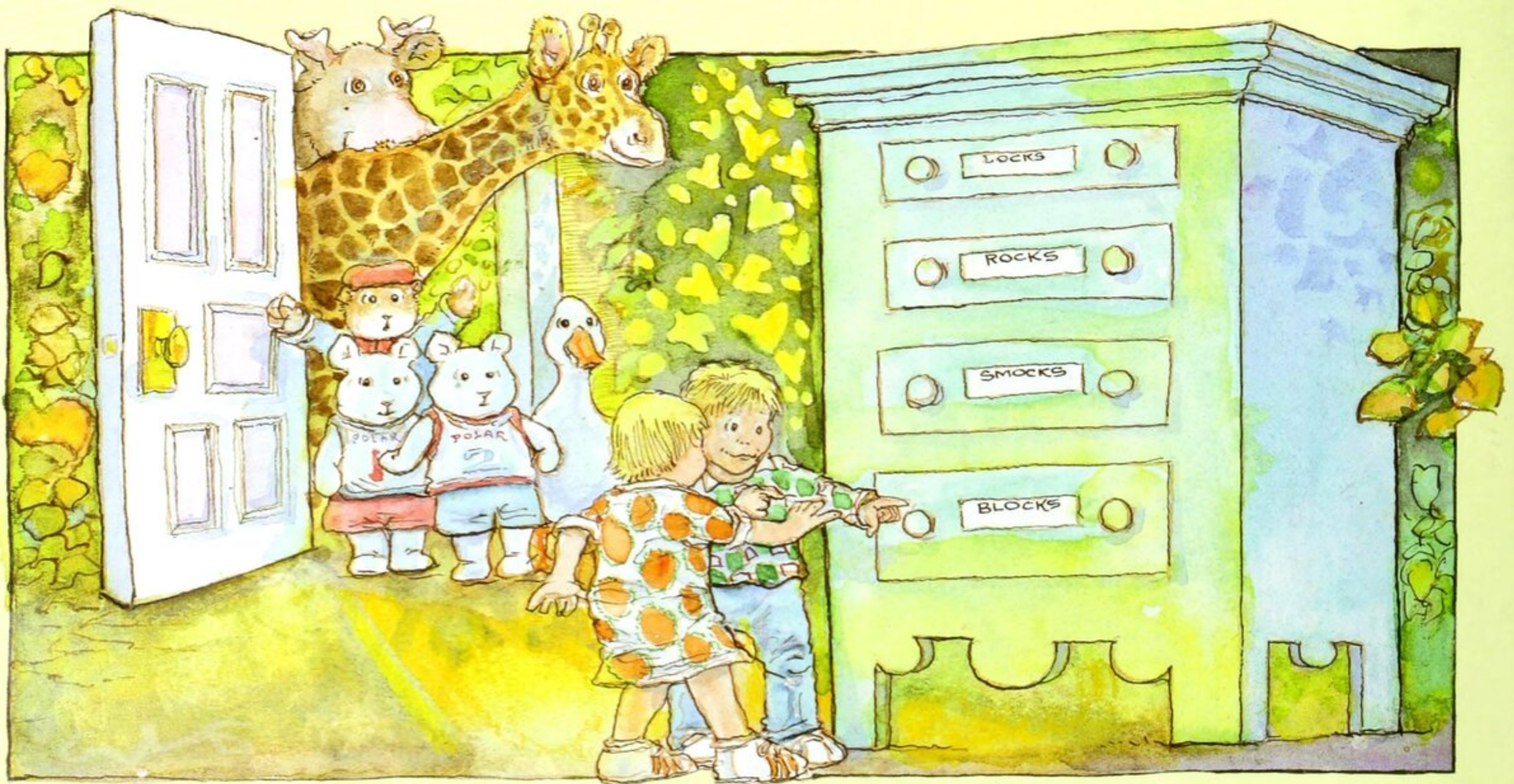
HEE HEE,
HAR HAR,
HO HO!



A-hunting we will go! A-hunting we will go!
Behind the door



or in a drawer, you'll find





LOCKS

★ A FOX ★
BRAVO

~~BLOCK~~
a FOX

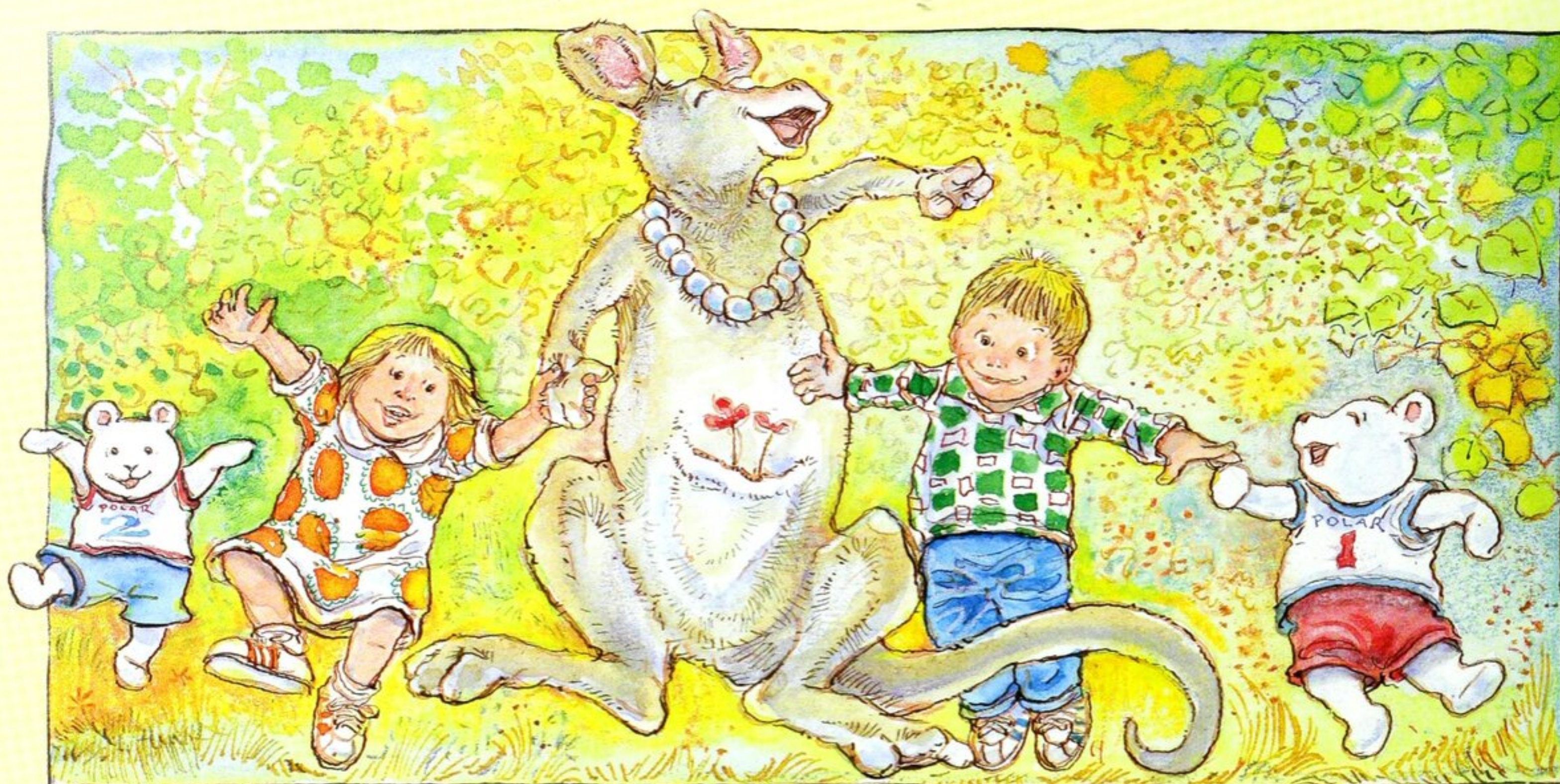
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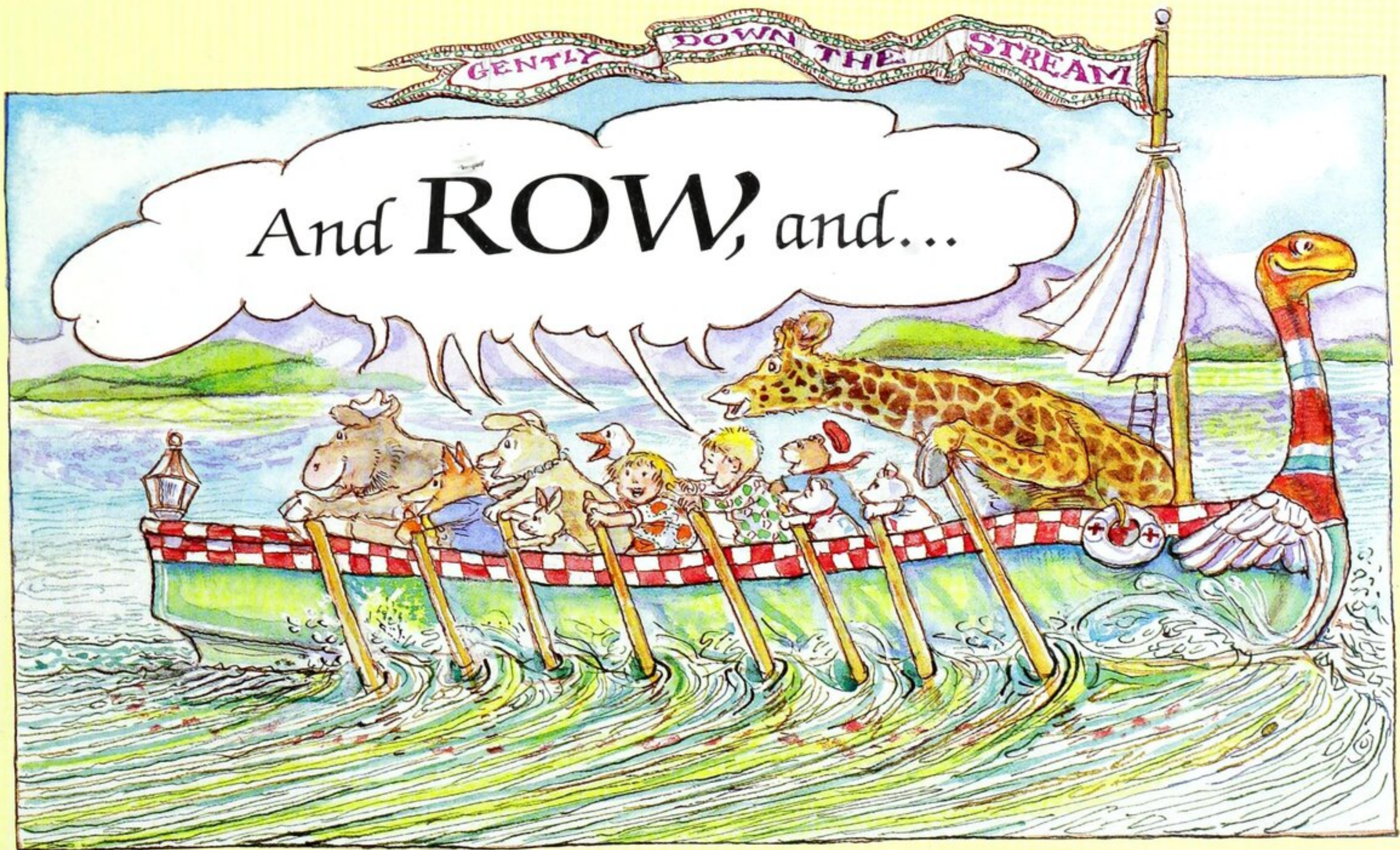
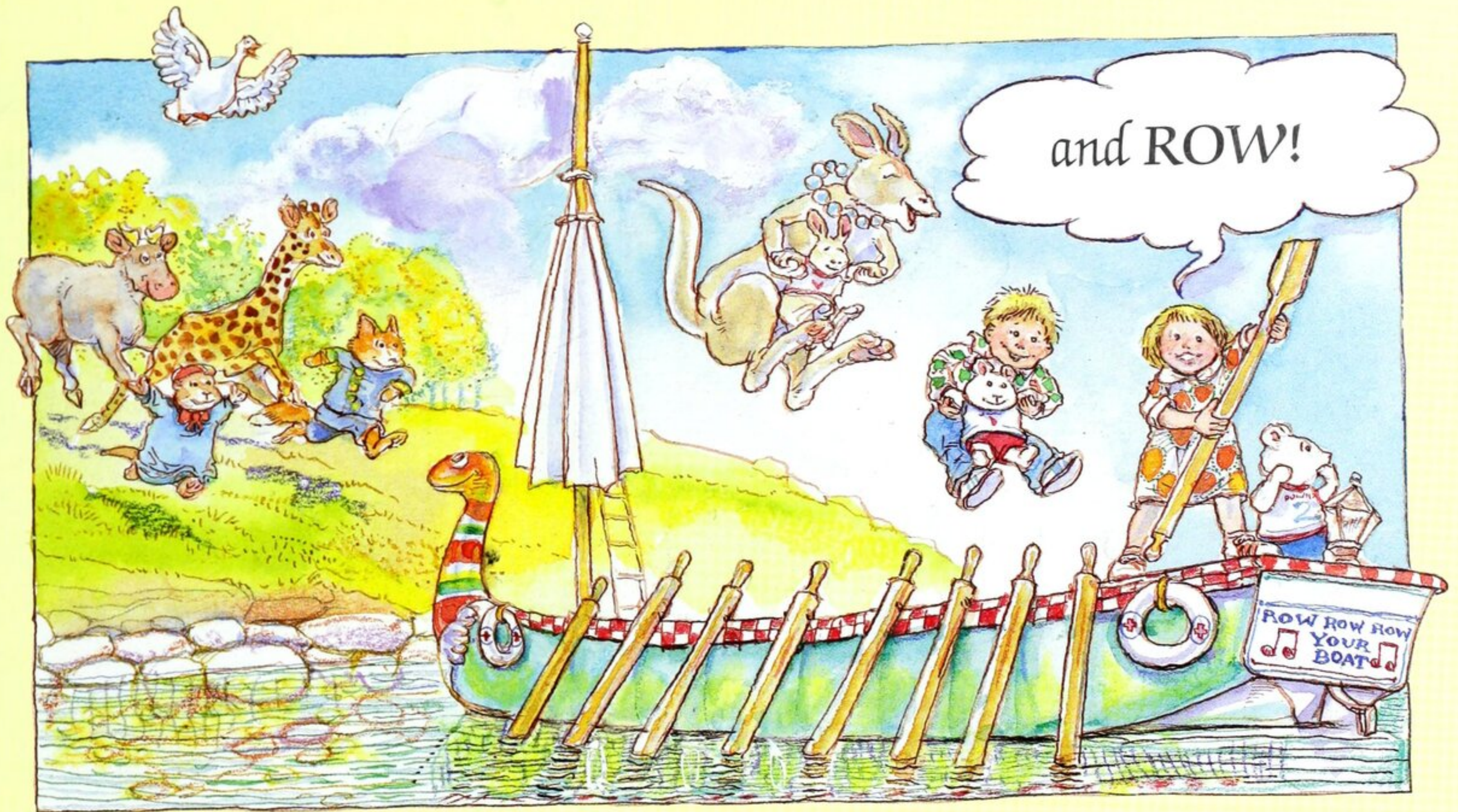
A-hunting we will go! A-hunting we will go!
We'll catch a kangaroo,



or TWO!



Then hop aboard



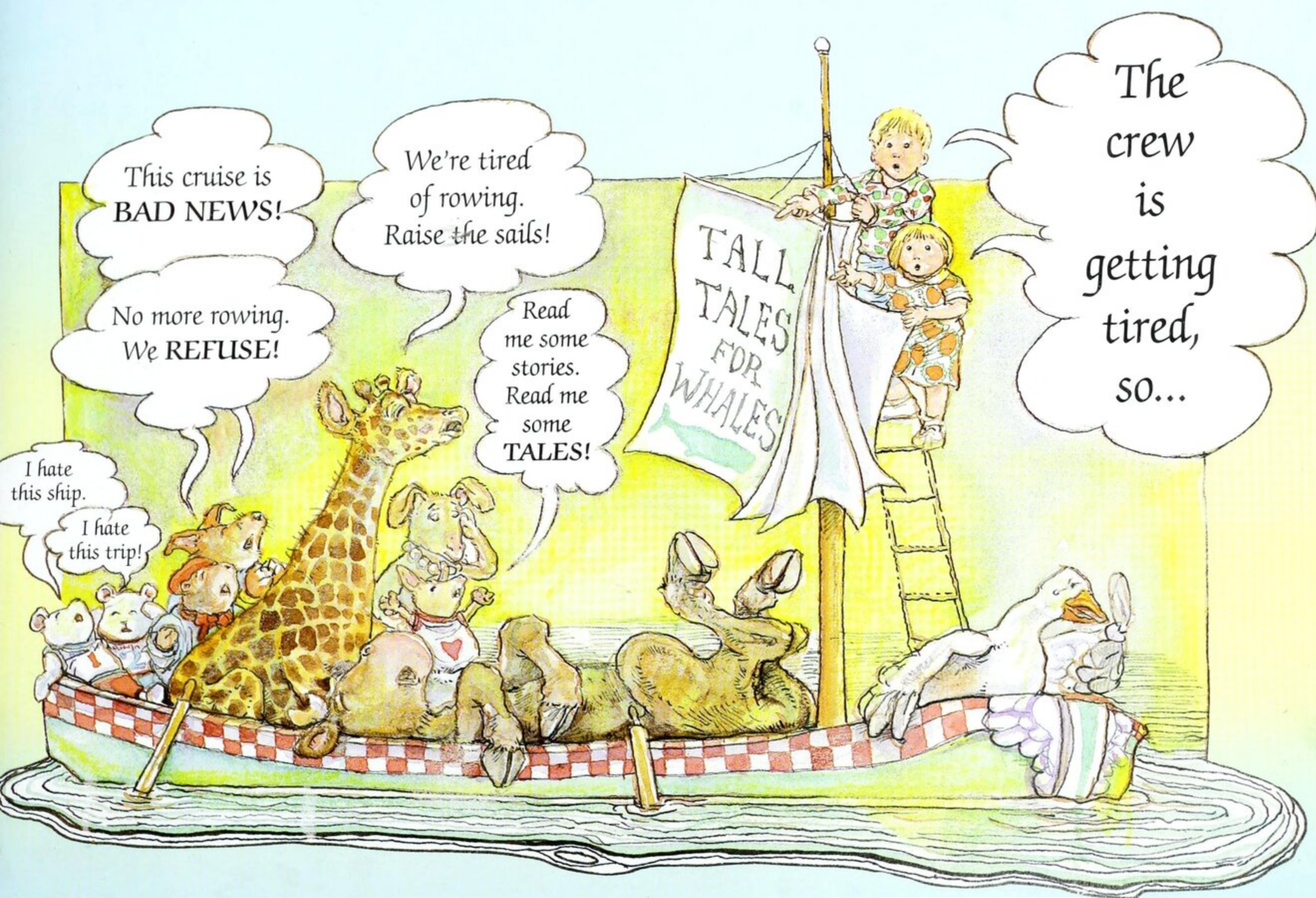
WHOA!



Oh no!

Eep!

Look out
BELOW!



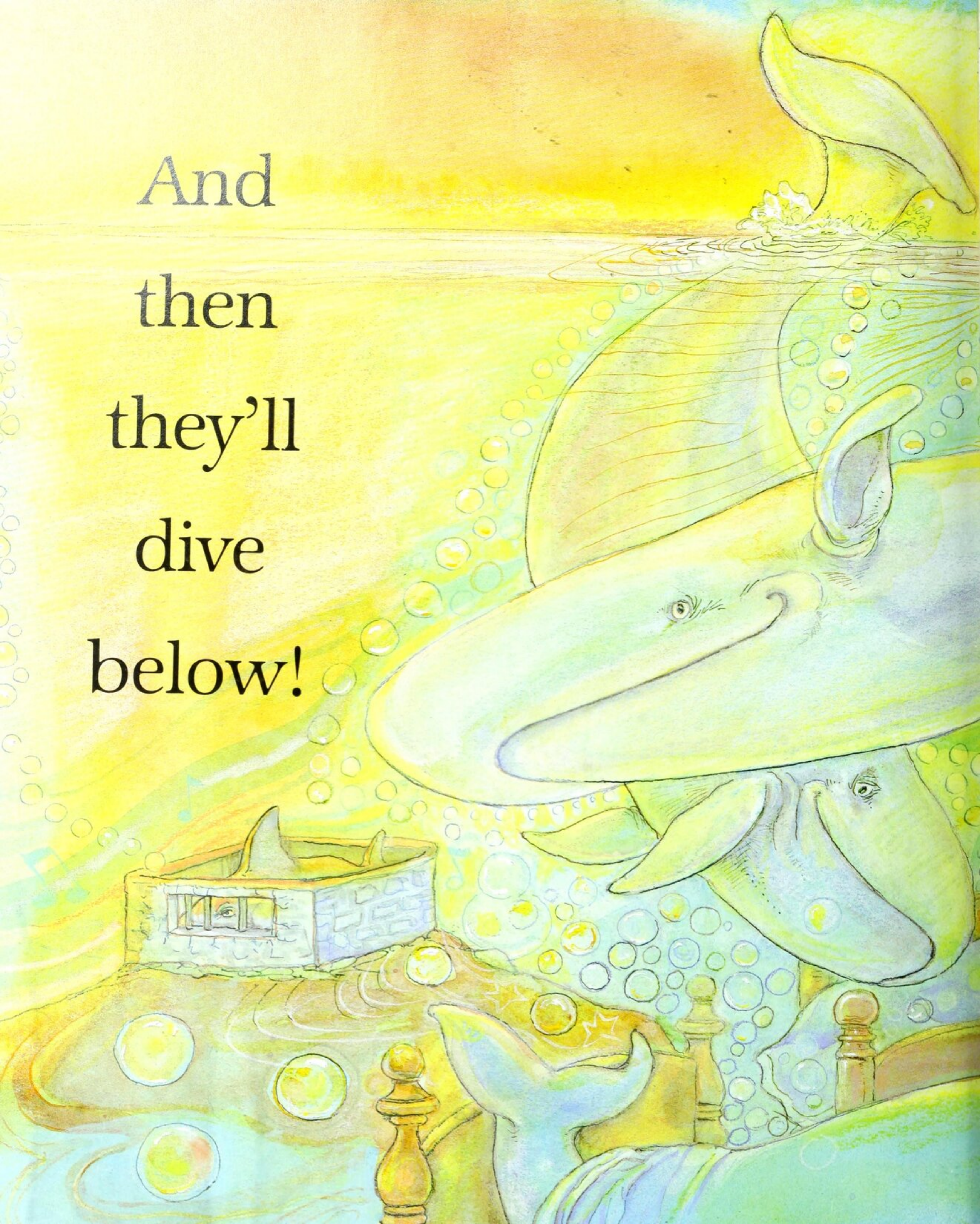
A-reading we will go! A-reading we will go!



A pod of whales will love our tales,



And
then
they'll
dive
below!



HO HUM!
HUM HO!

The tale was
bright and cheery,

But it made the
whales quite weary!



Now to the bath we go! The faucets soon will flow!



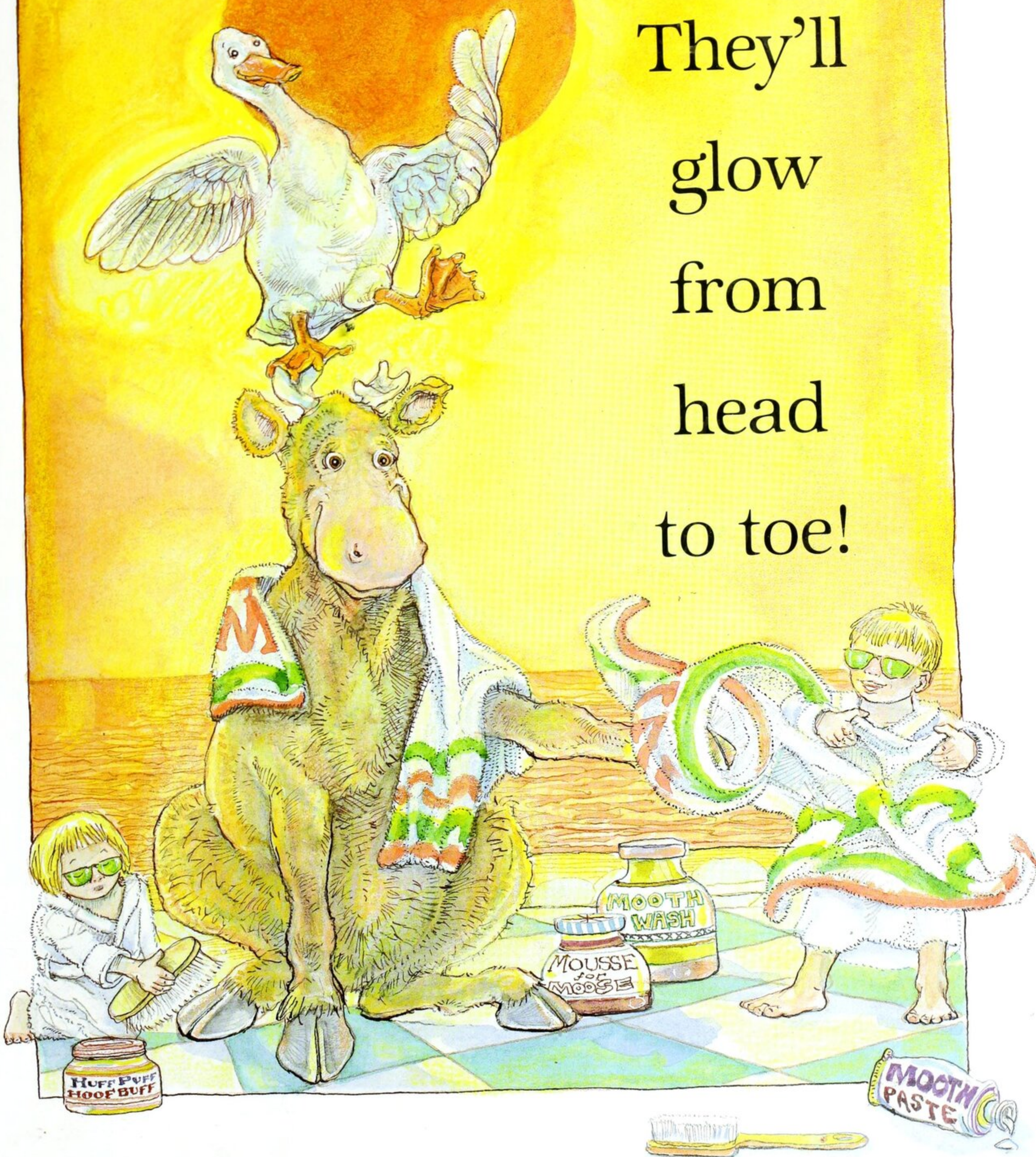
Moose gets tubbed,



And Goose gets scrubbed.



They'll
glow
from
head
to toe!



A-Hunting We Will Go!

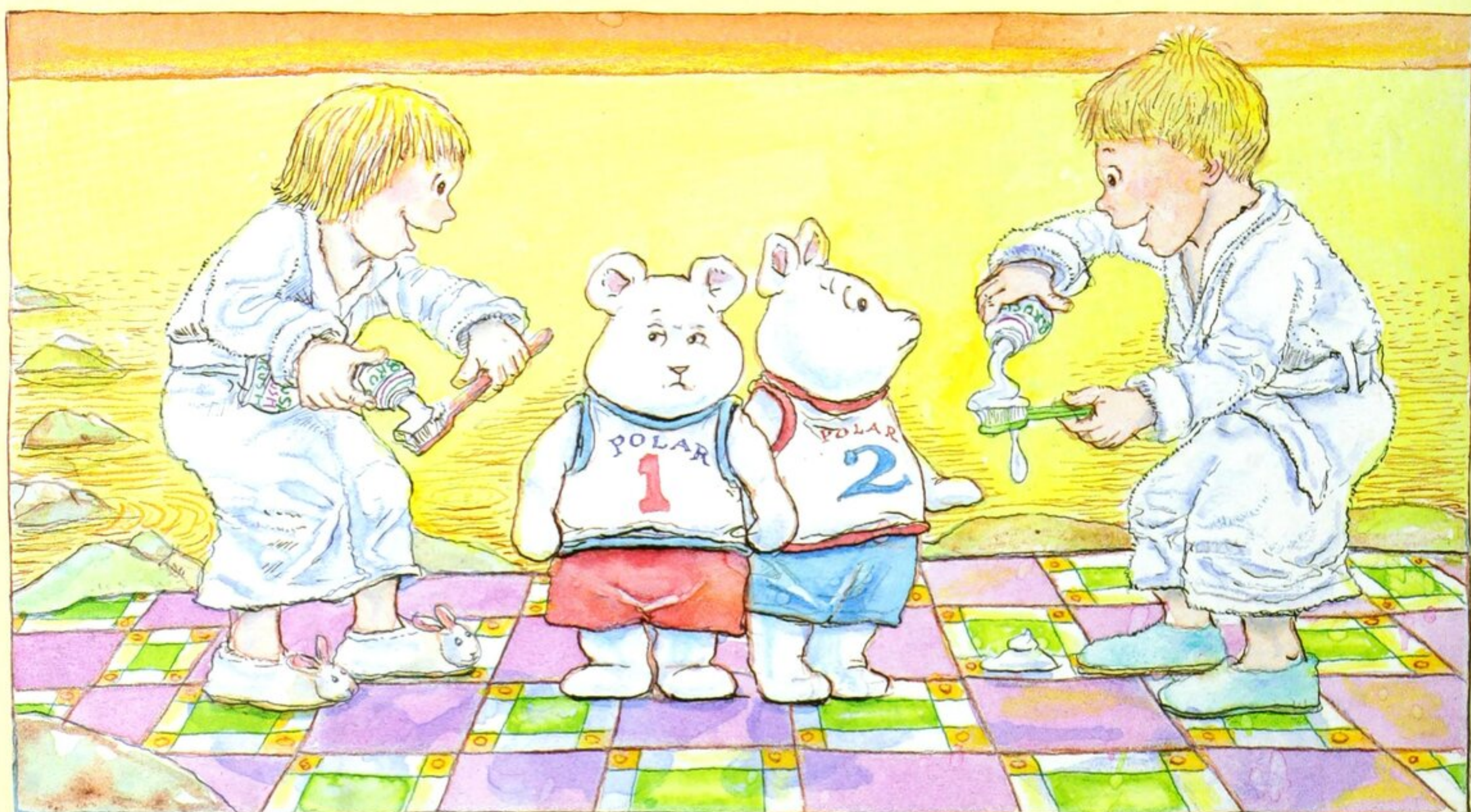
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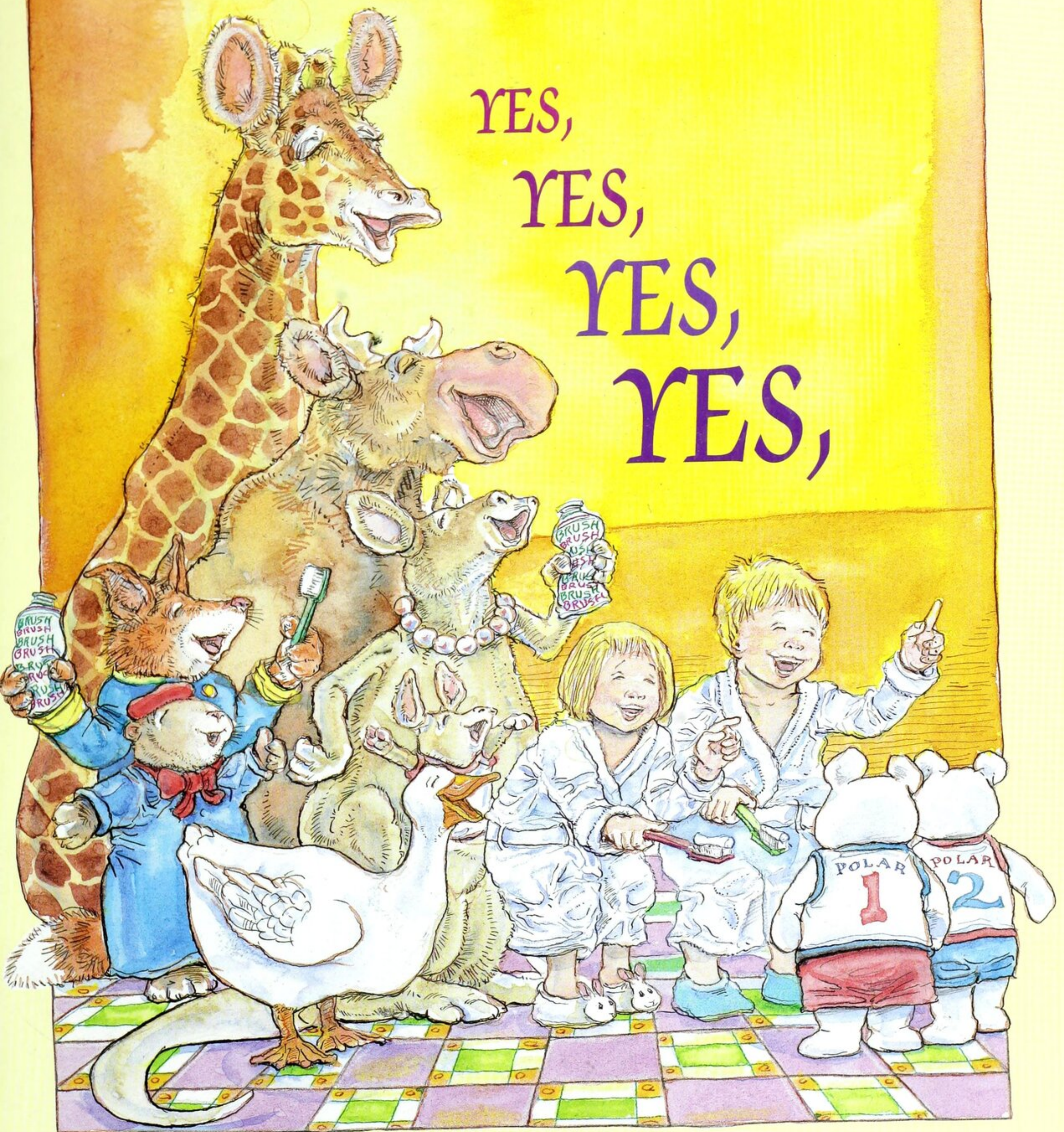
A-brushing we will go! A-brushing we will go!



Will the polars brush their molars?



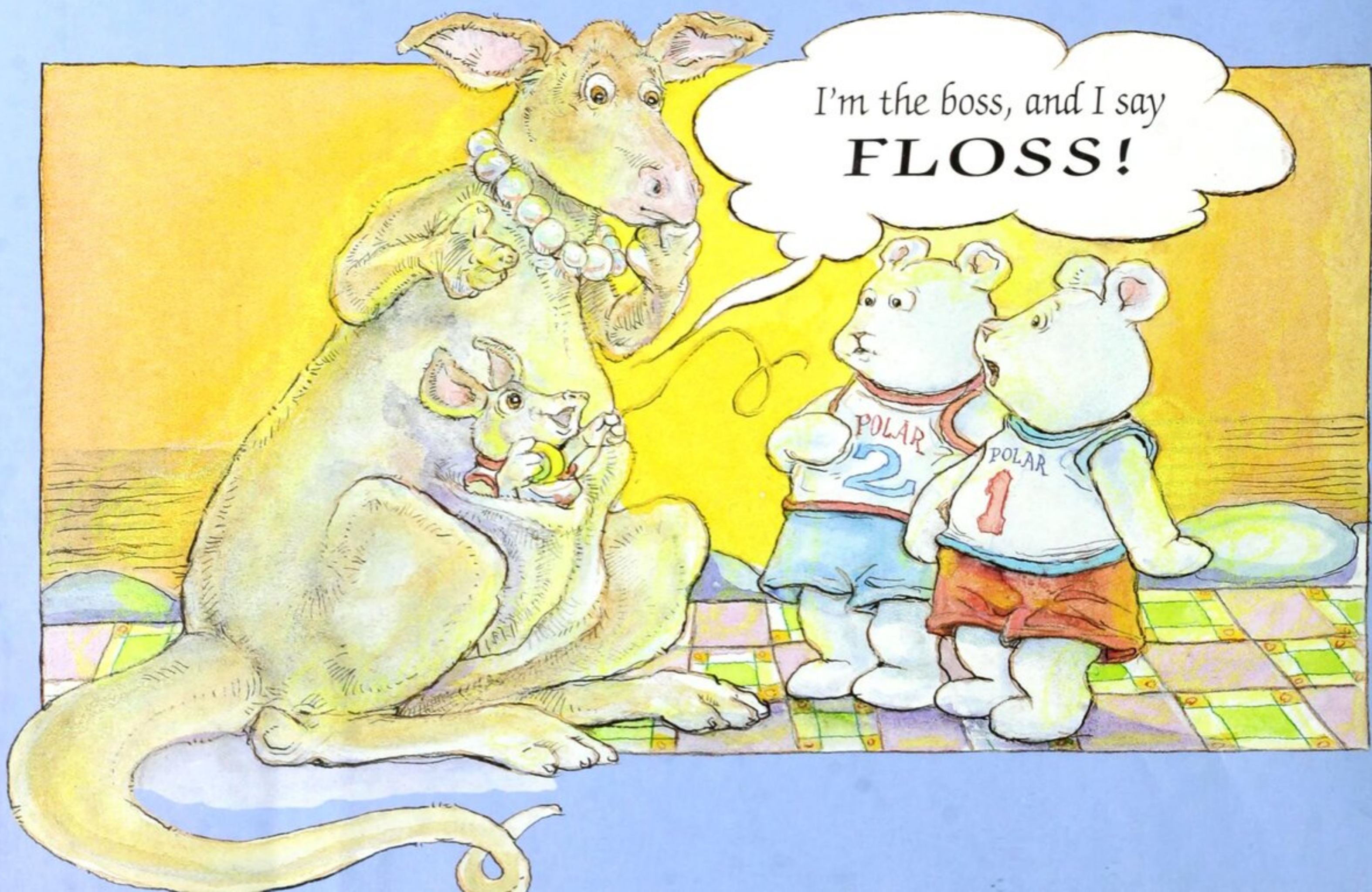
YES,
YES,
YES,
YES,



NO!



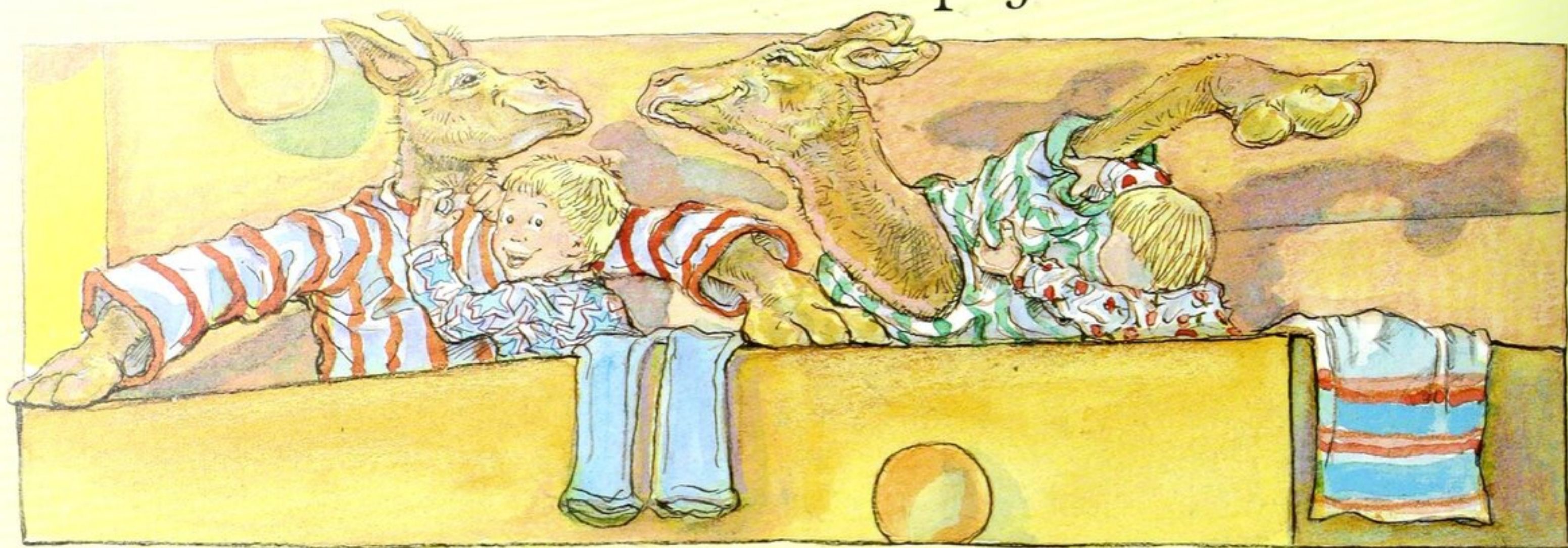
I'm the boss, and I say
FLOSS!





Pajamming we will go! Pajamming we will go!

Put the llamas in pajamas.



Find the fox a pair of socks.



Give each bear clean underwear.



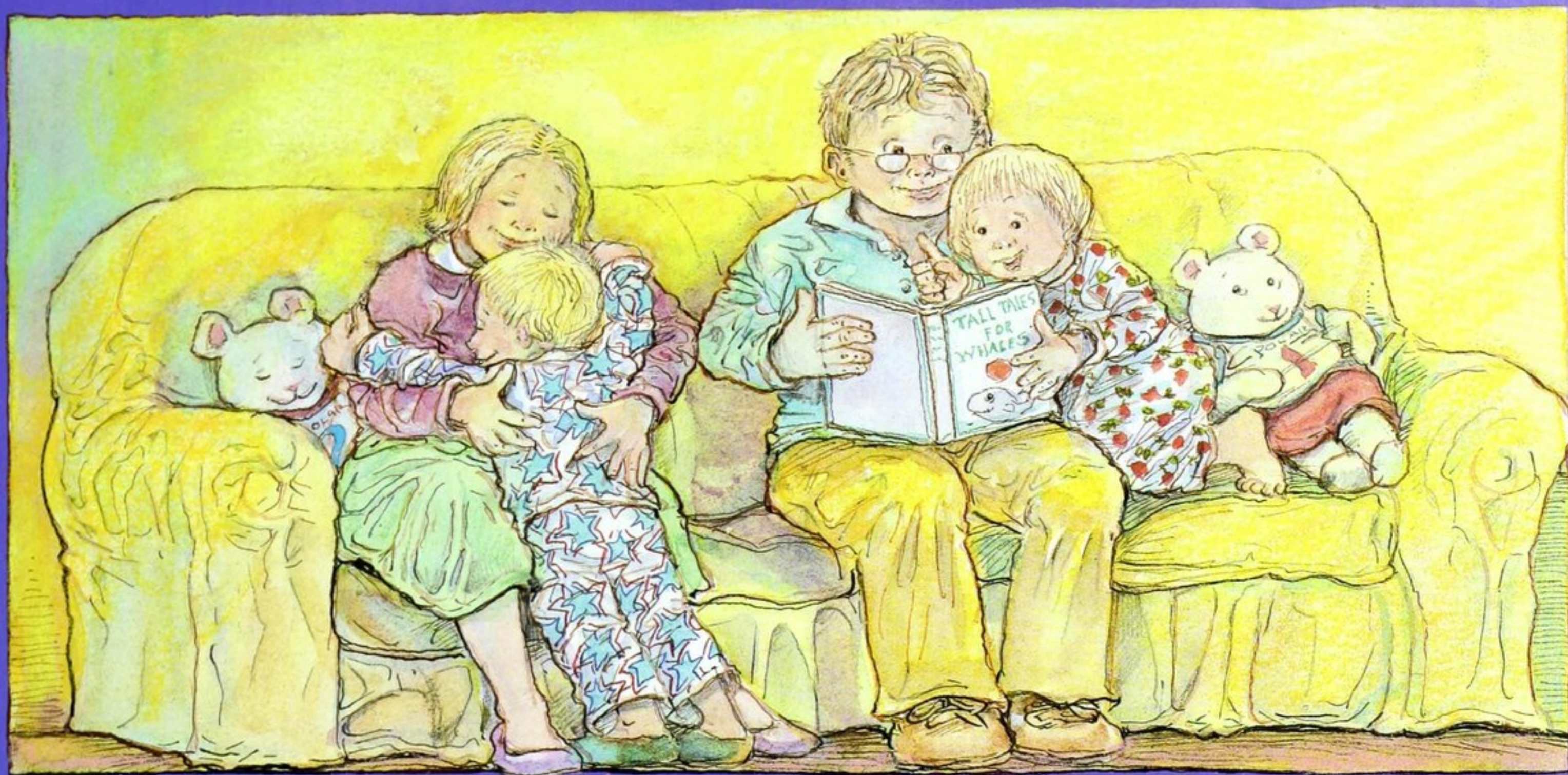
Then, with our friends in tow...



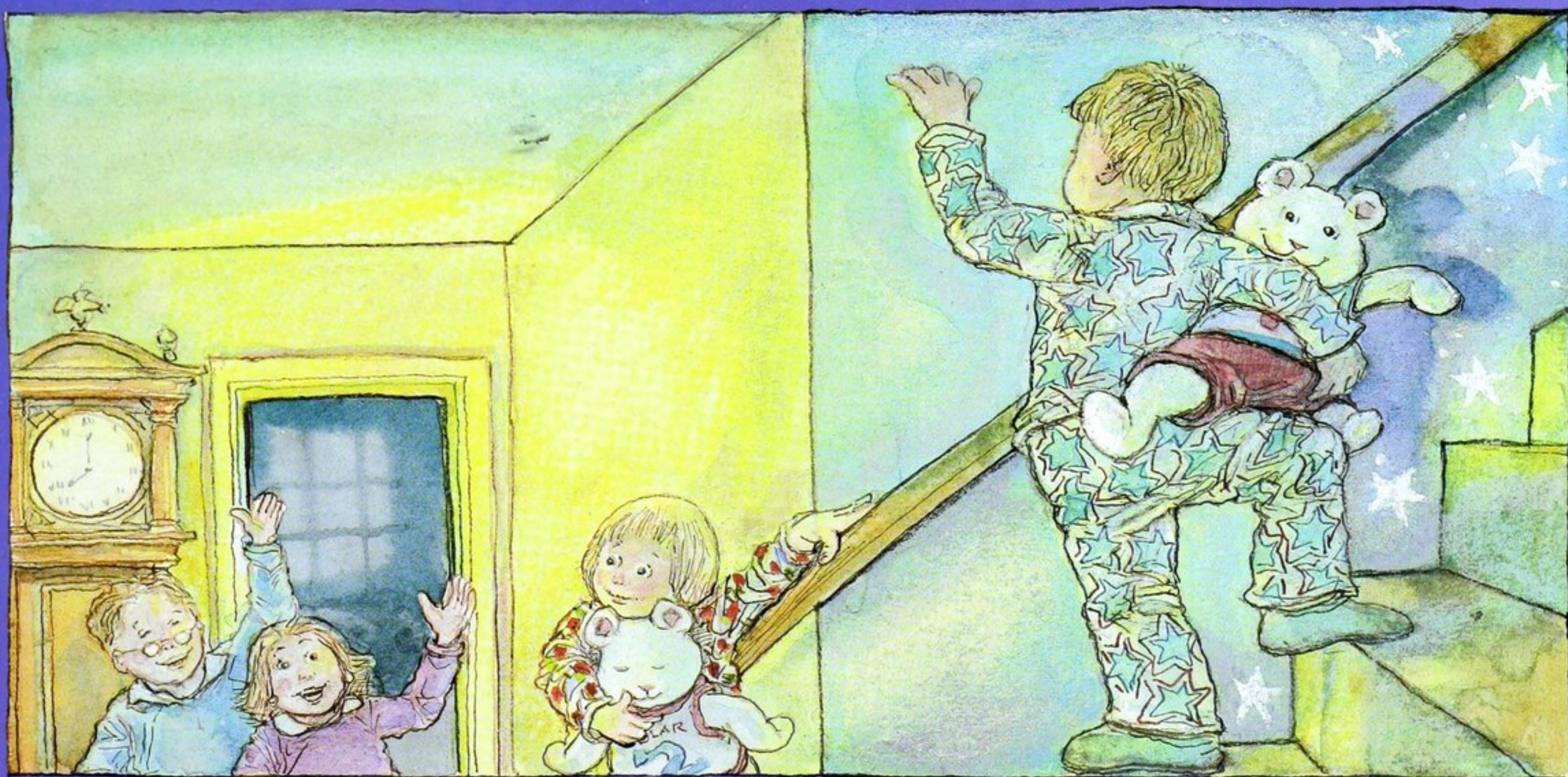
A-hugging we will go! A-hugging we will go!
We'll find our parents, hug them tight.



We'll snuggle up and say good night



Because we love them so!



Now off to bed we go! Yes, off to bed we go!

Our hunting ends, our hugging ends.



But we'll be joined by all our friends,





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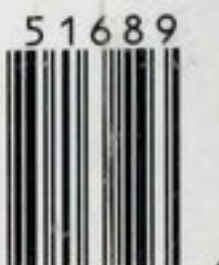
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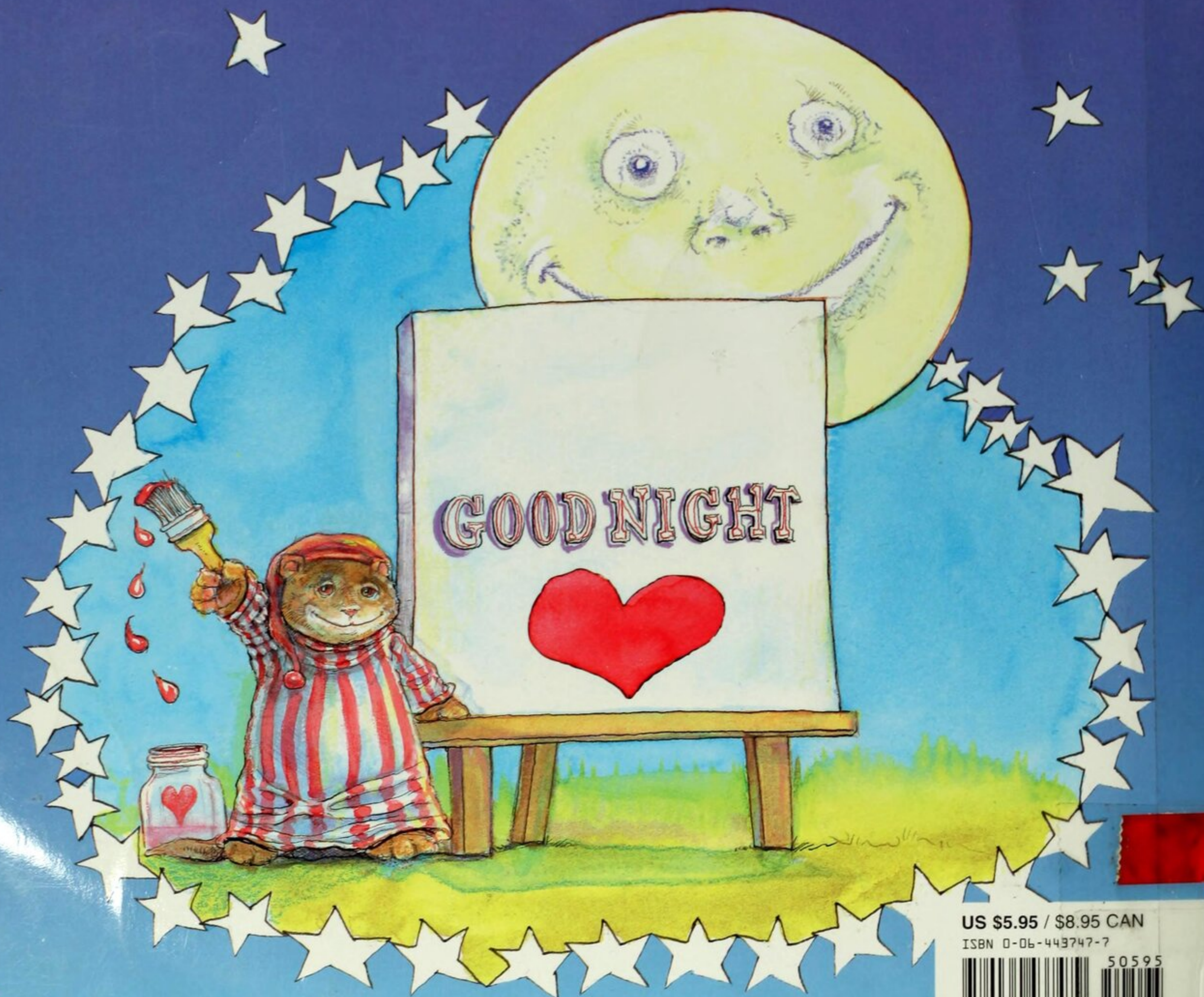


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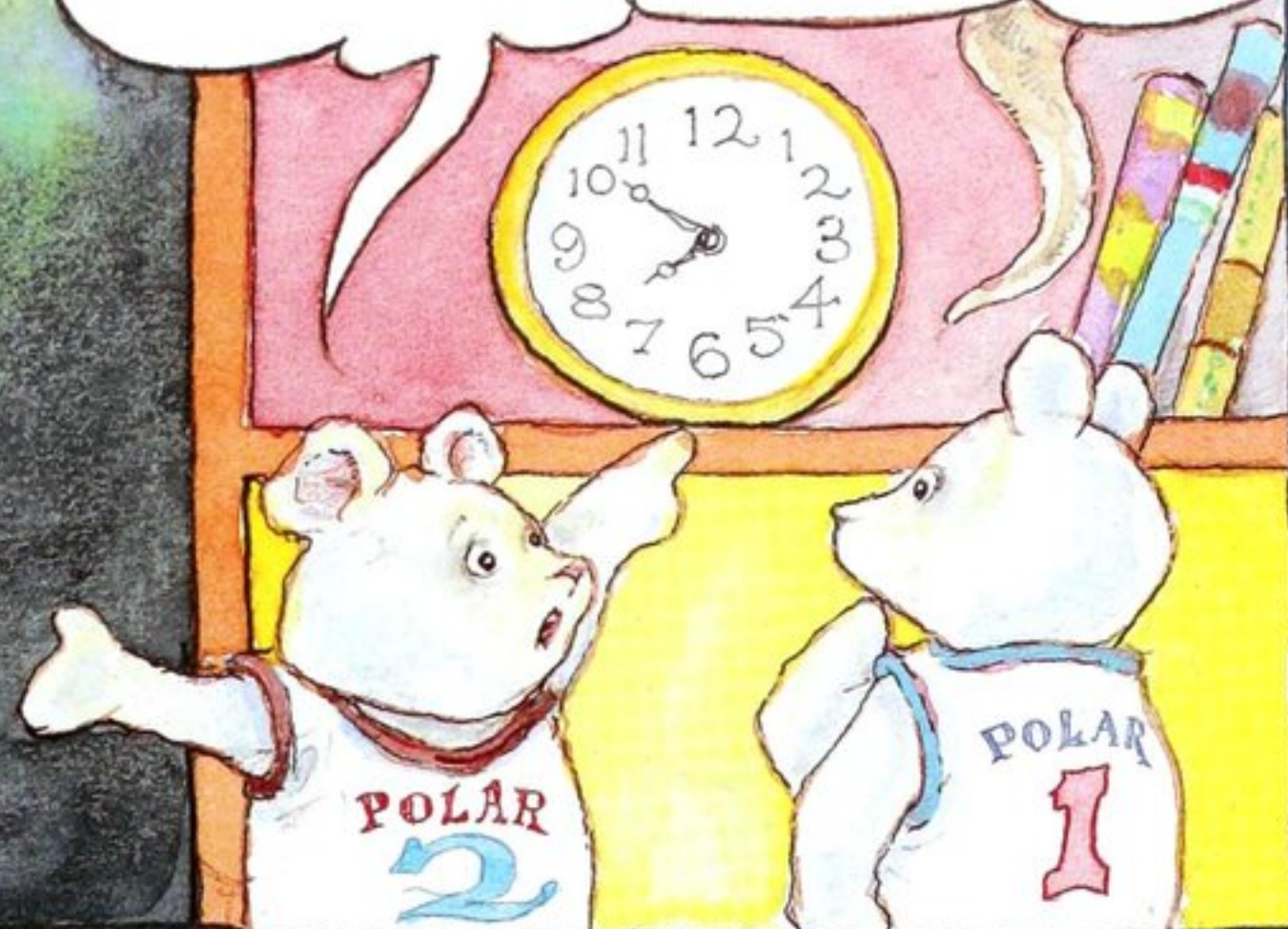
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Bedtime? NO!

It can't be so!

The clock is WRONG!

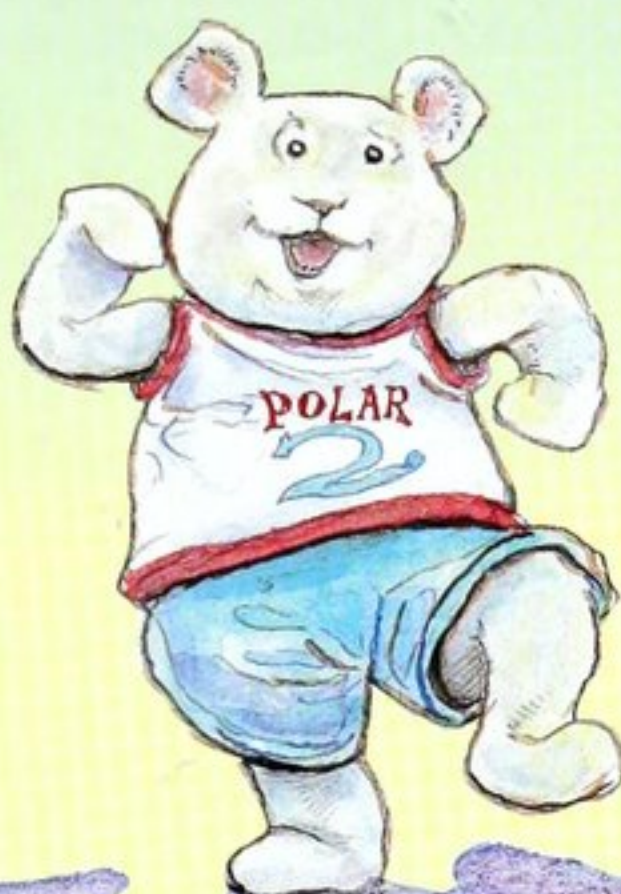


We're
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AWAKE!**

ALERT
and
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Come on
along.

Let's sing our song.



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Our hunting horn we'll **BLOW!**



The bears in front will lead the hunt,

So onward, team!
LET'S GO!

