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are funny.

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don't always agree.

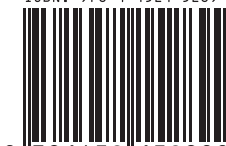
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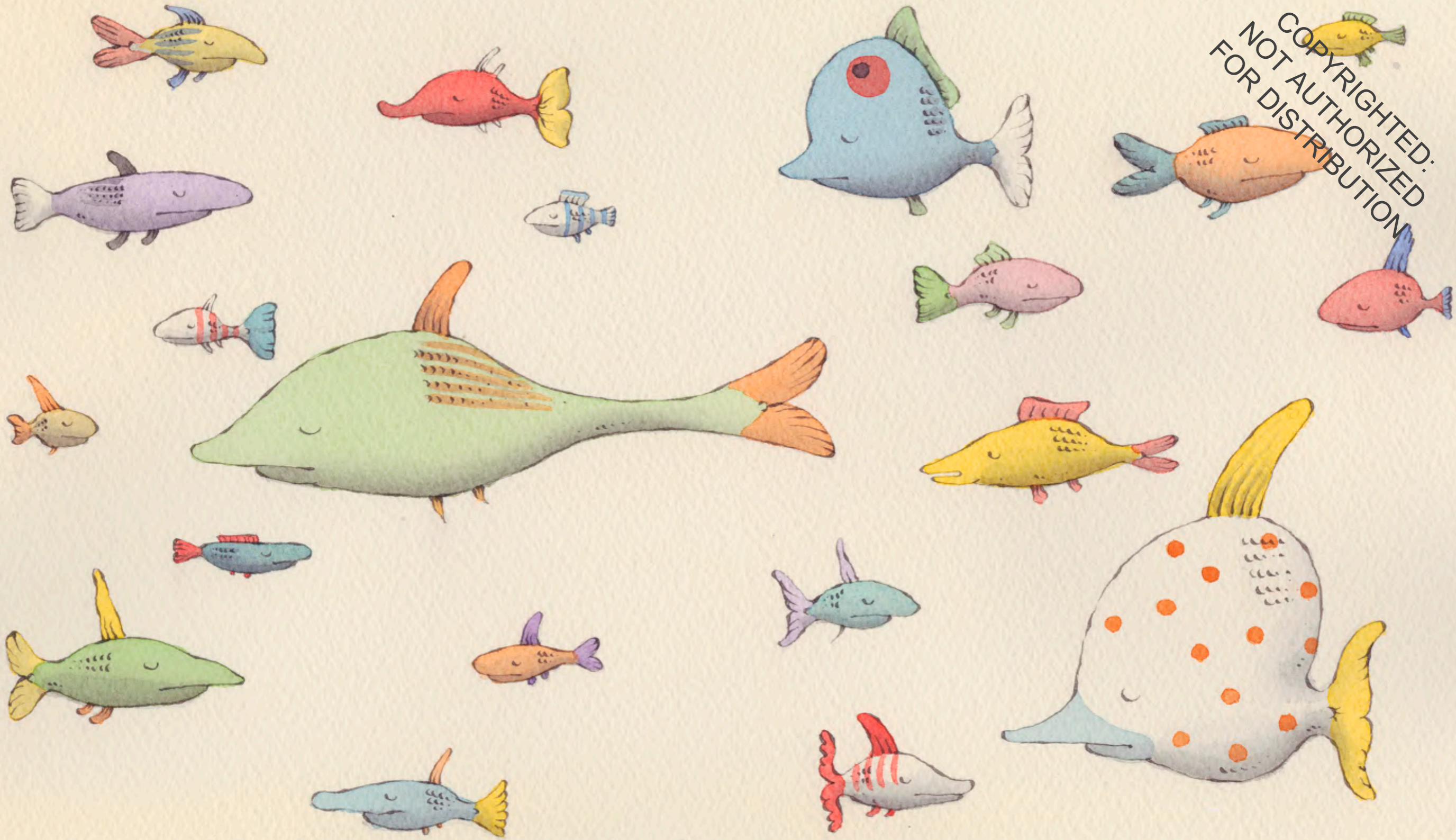


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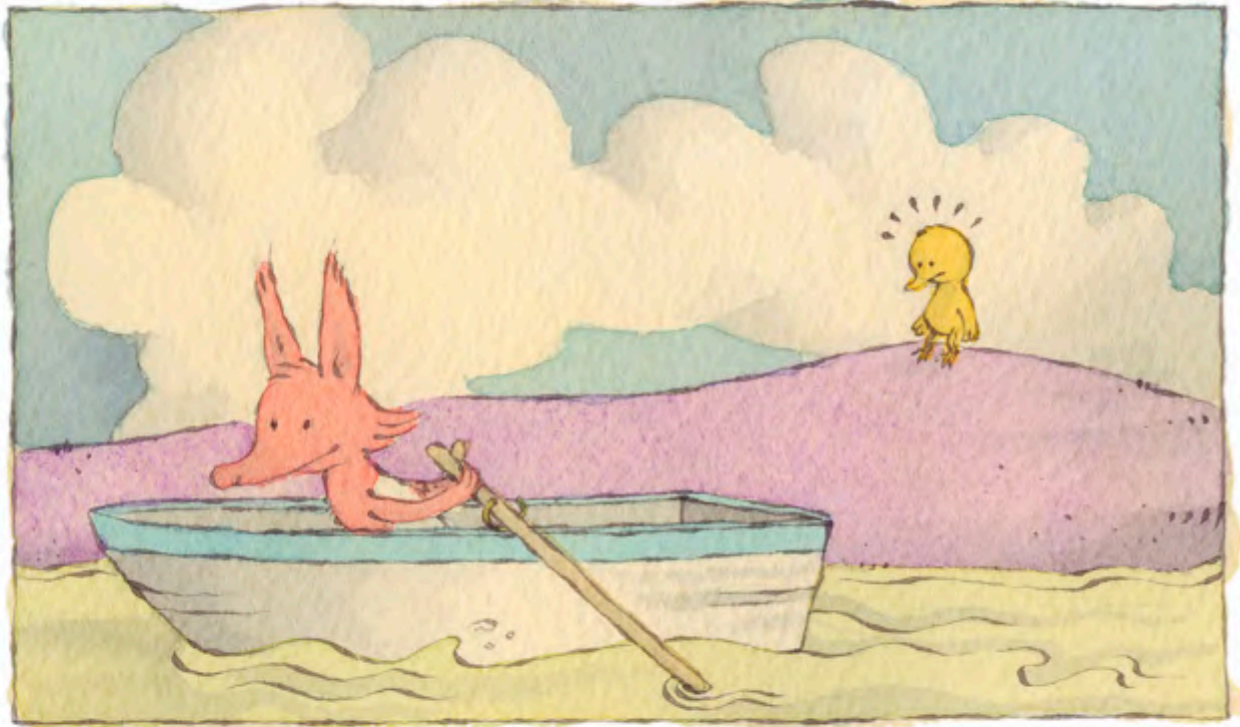
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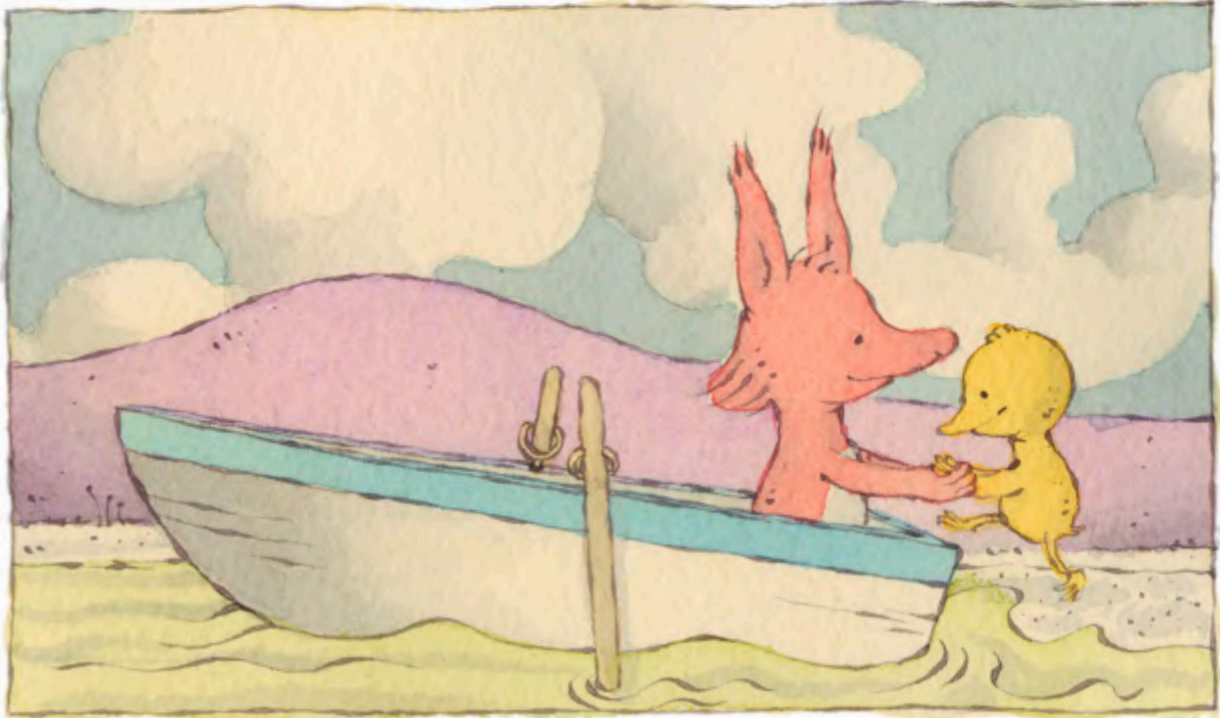
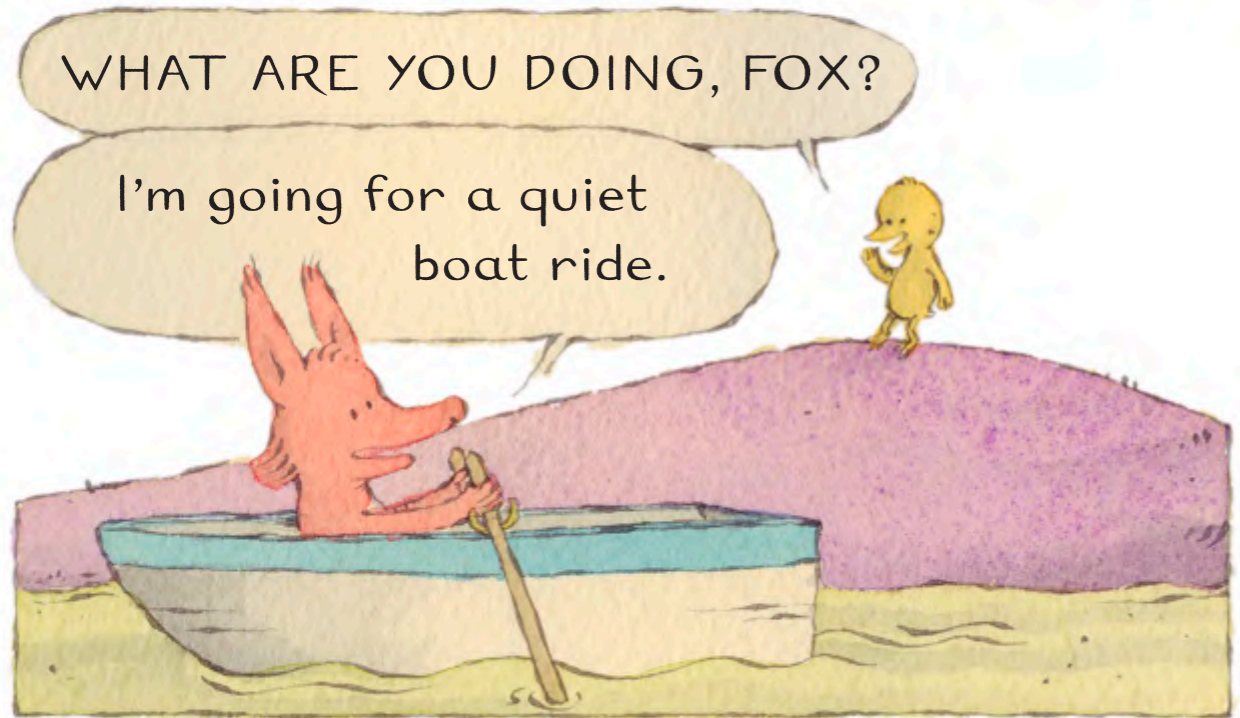
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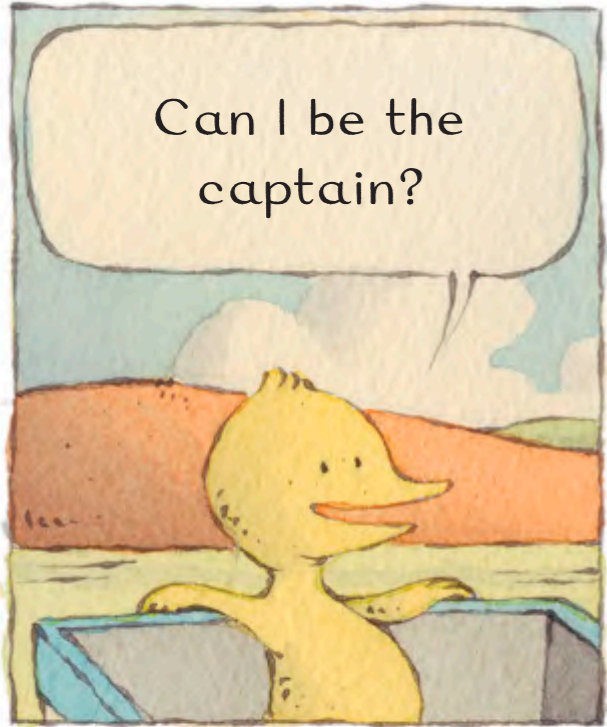
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Can I be the captain?



We don't need a captain, Chick.



A captain sits still and quiet.

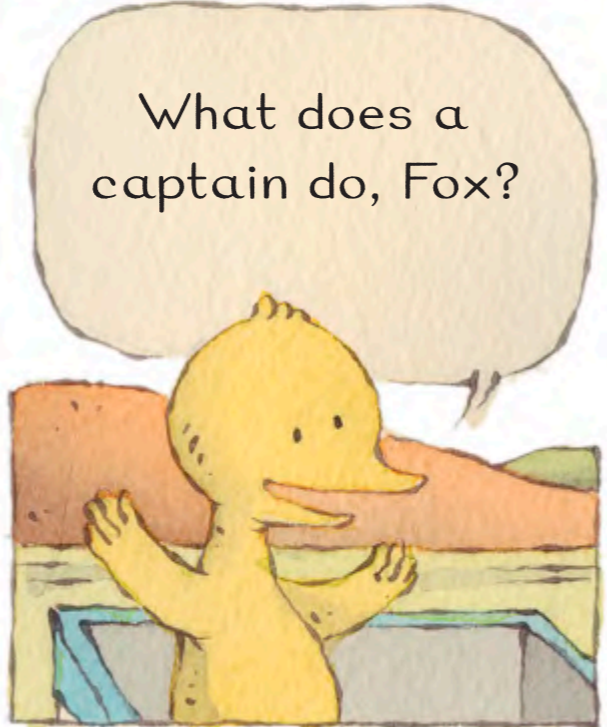


I'm not the captain anymore, then.

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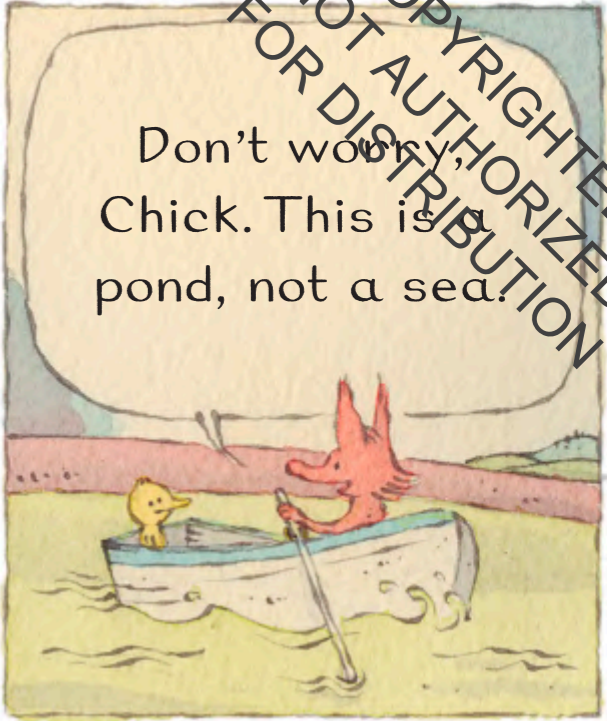
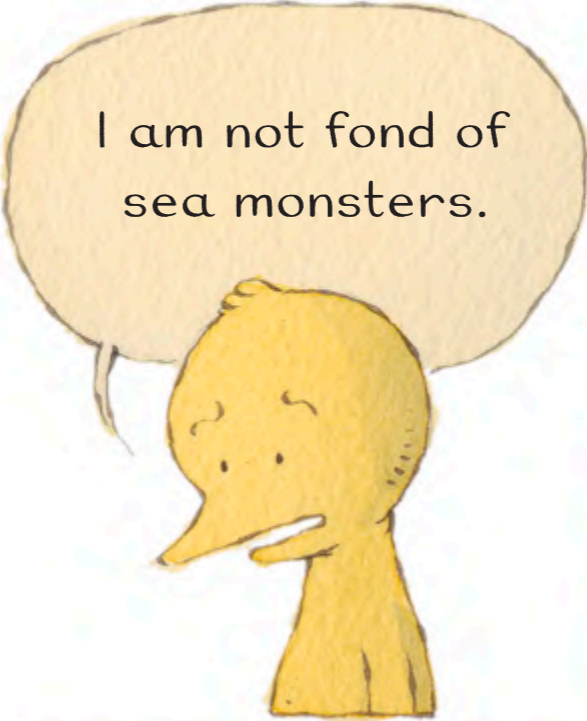
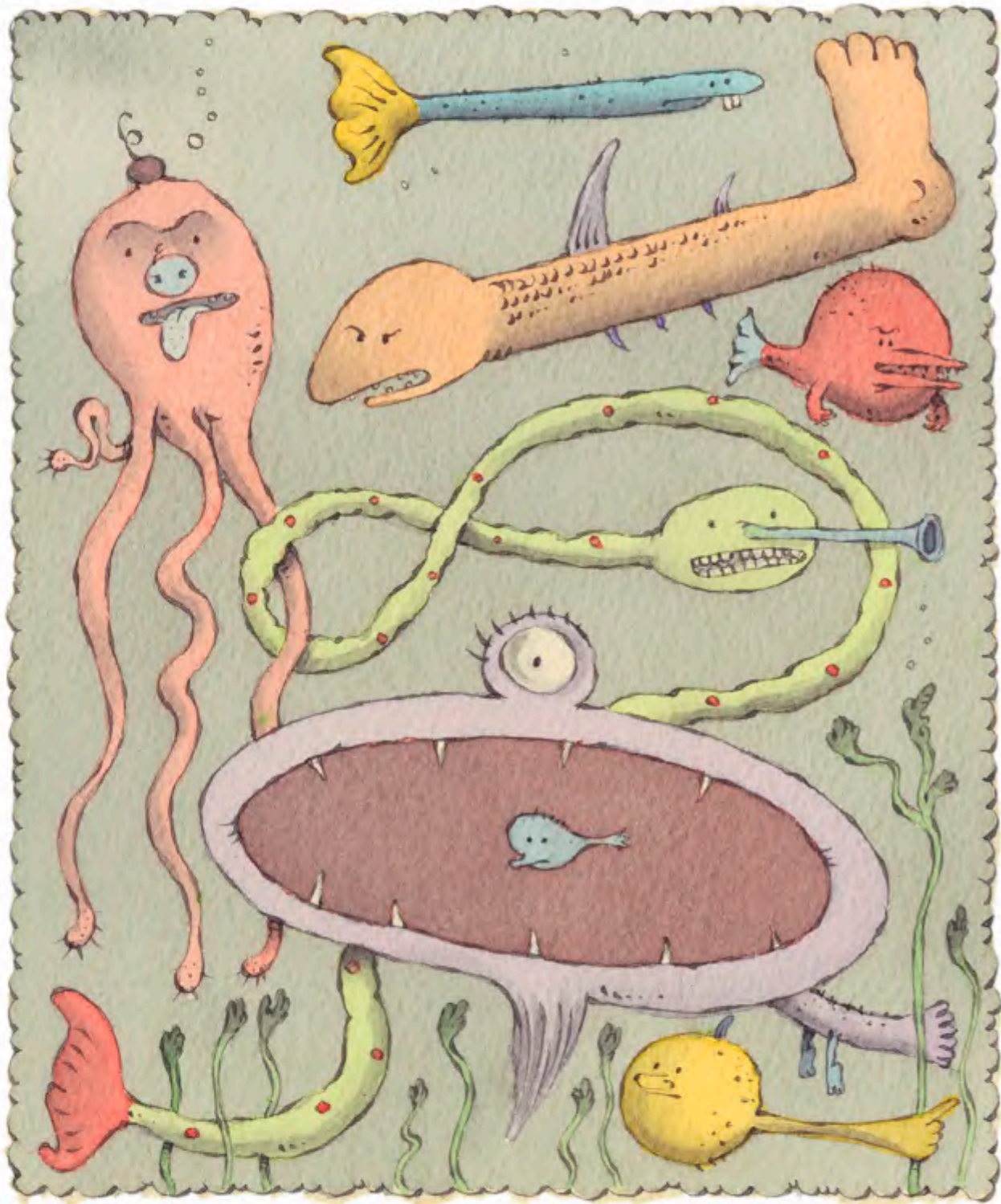
Captain Chick!
That sounds good.

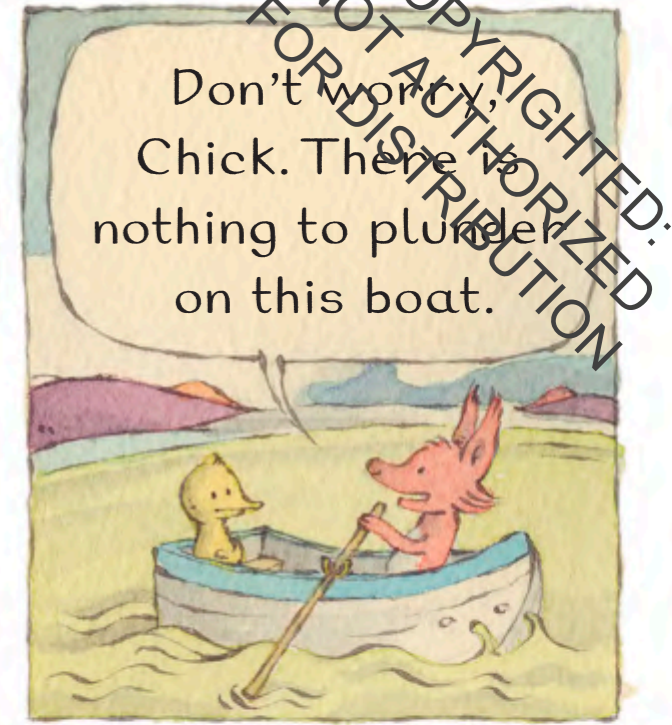


What does a captain do, Fox?



Are there sea monsters down there?





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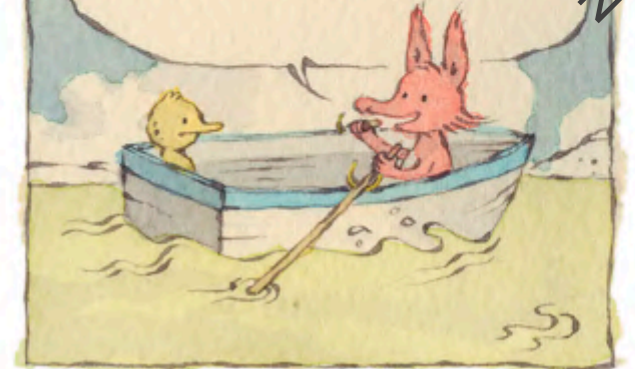




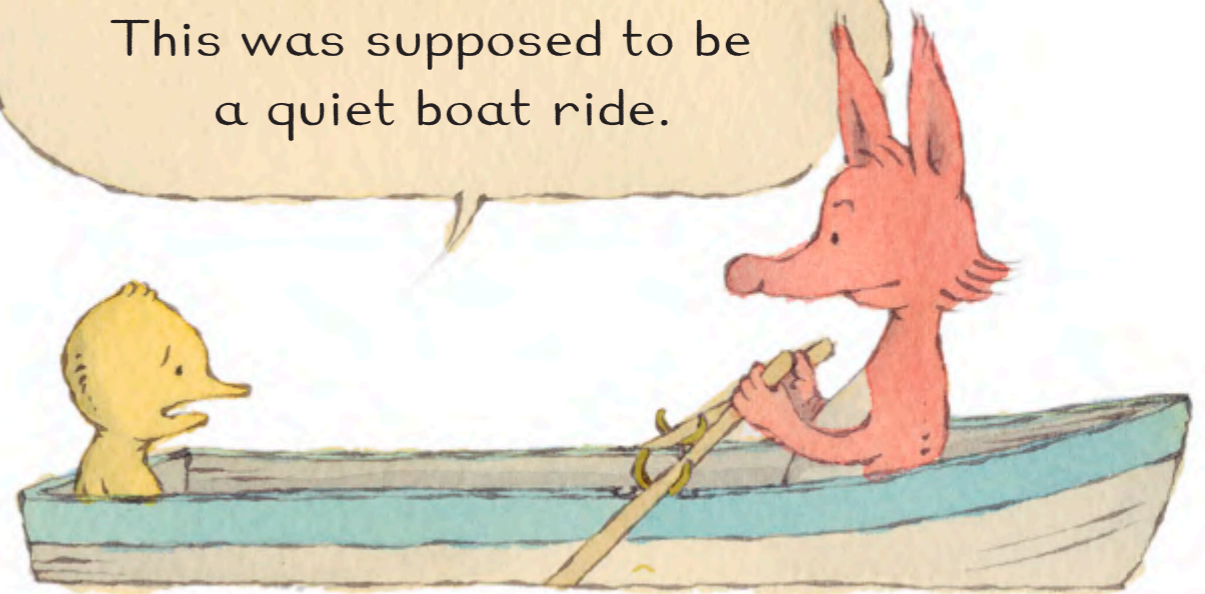
I would hate to
get shipwrecked.



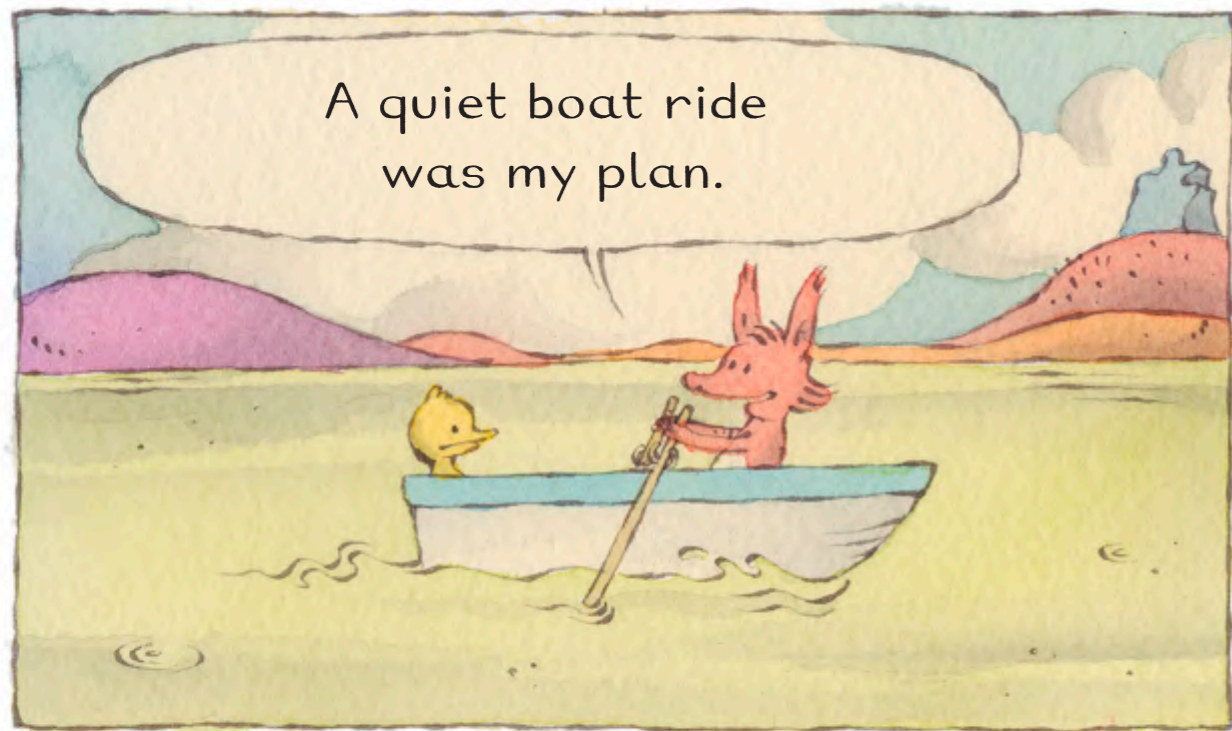
Don't worry, Chick. We could
swim to shore.



I don't know, Fox.
This was supposed to be
a quiet boat ride.



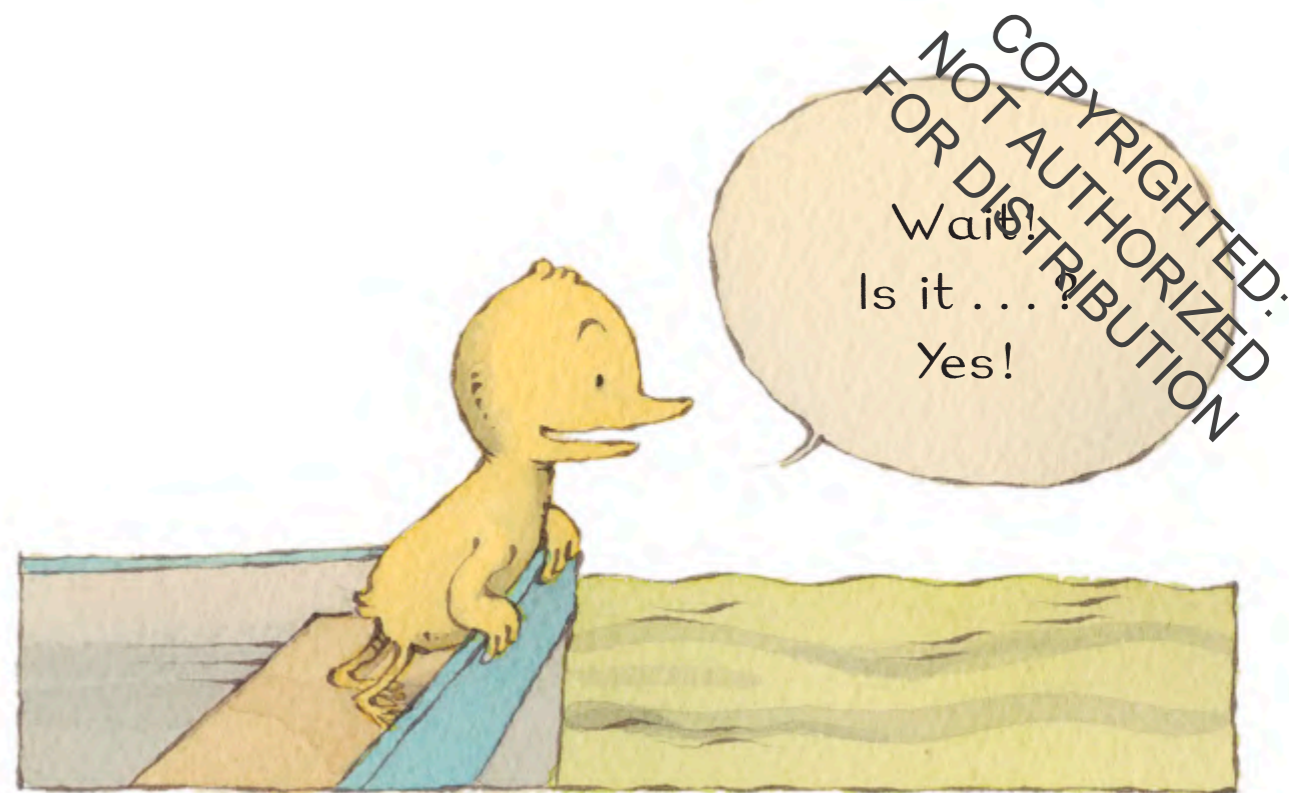
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A quiet boat ride
was my plan.



Are you kidding me?
Sea monsters! Pirates!
Shipwrecks!



Wait!
Is it ...
Yes!

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Land! Land!
Thank heavens!

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These quiet boat rides
can be very stressful.

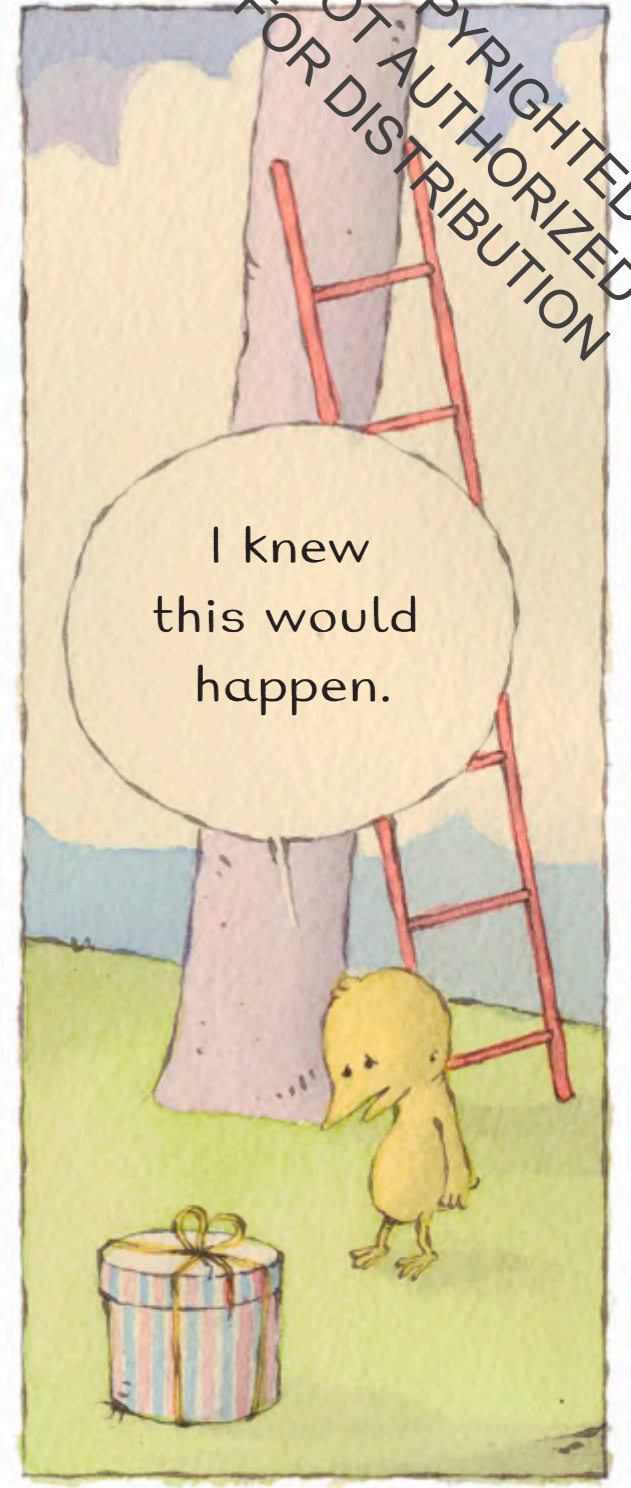
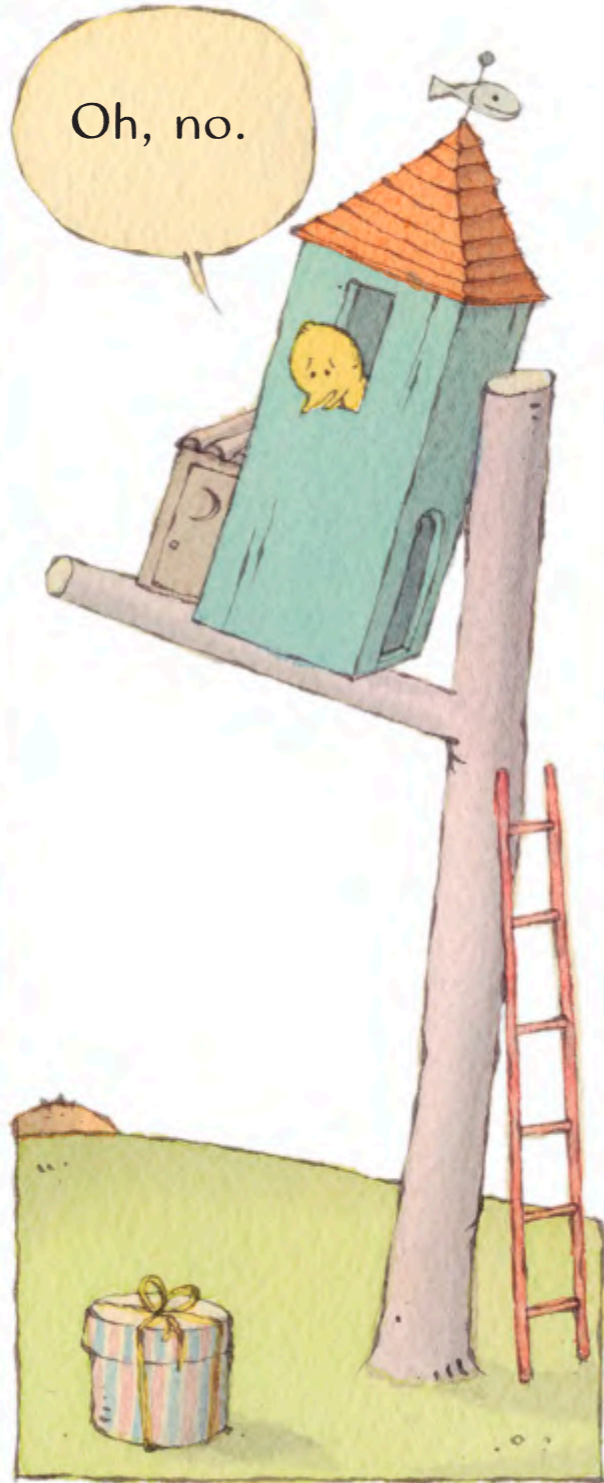
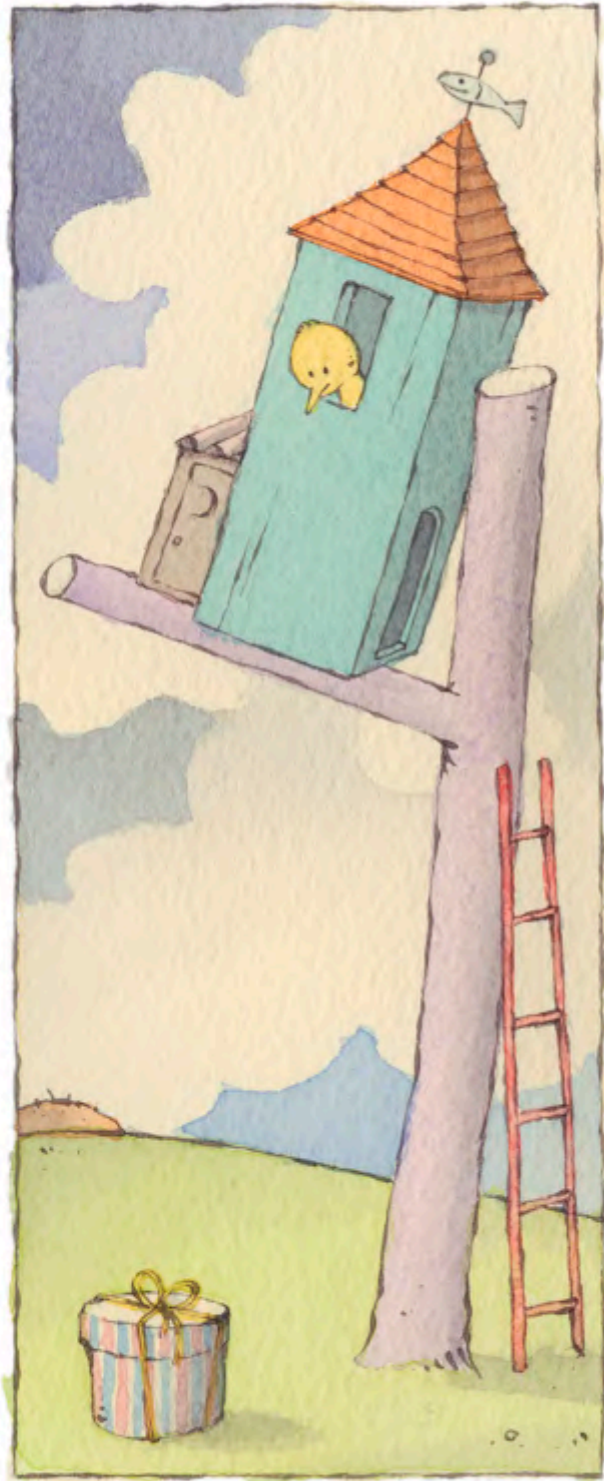


SMOOCH!
SMOOCH!
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CHOCOLATE CAKE

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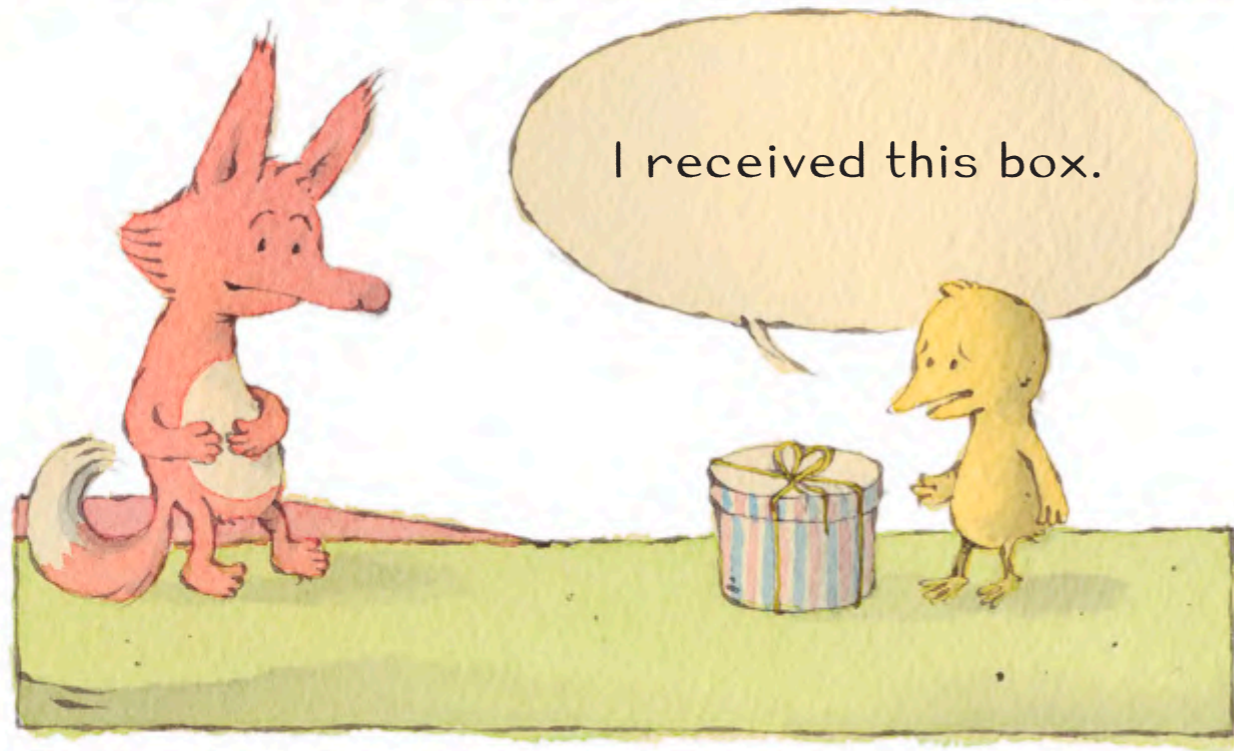
Chick, why are you so sad?



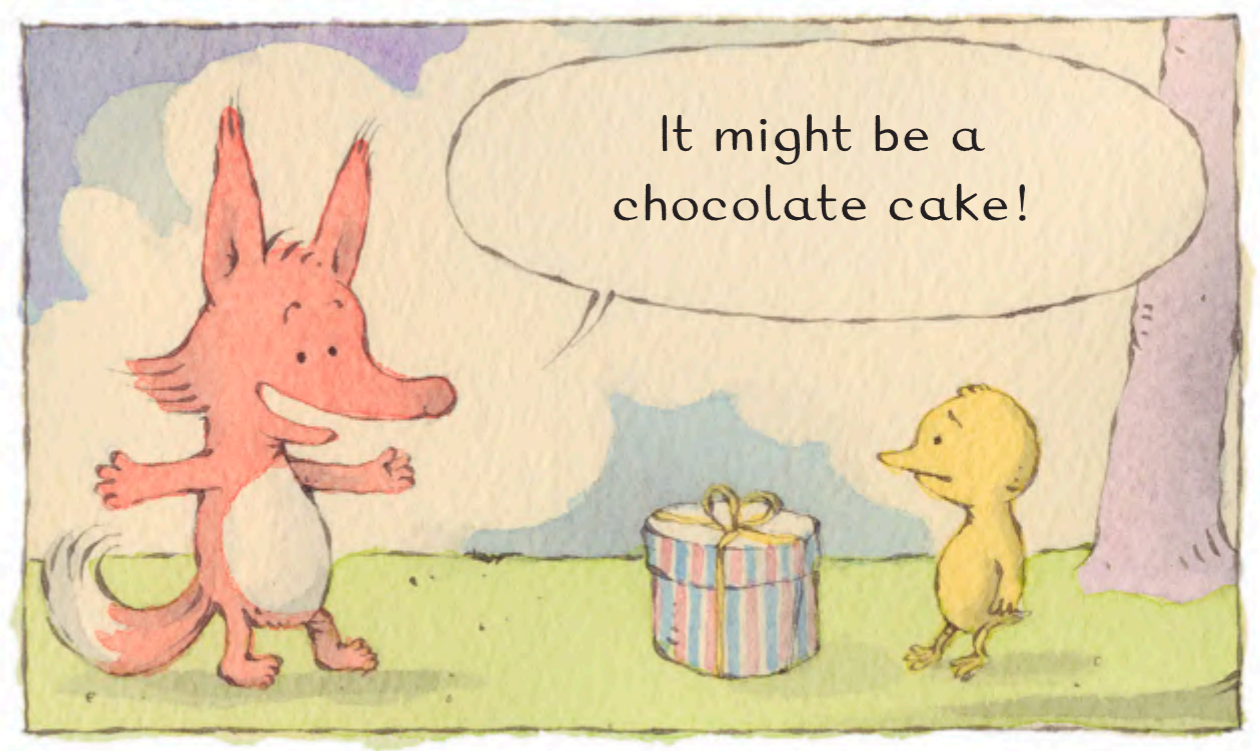
Why don't you open it?

I am worried.

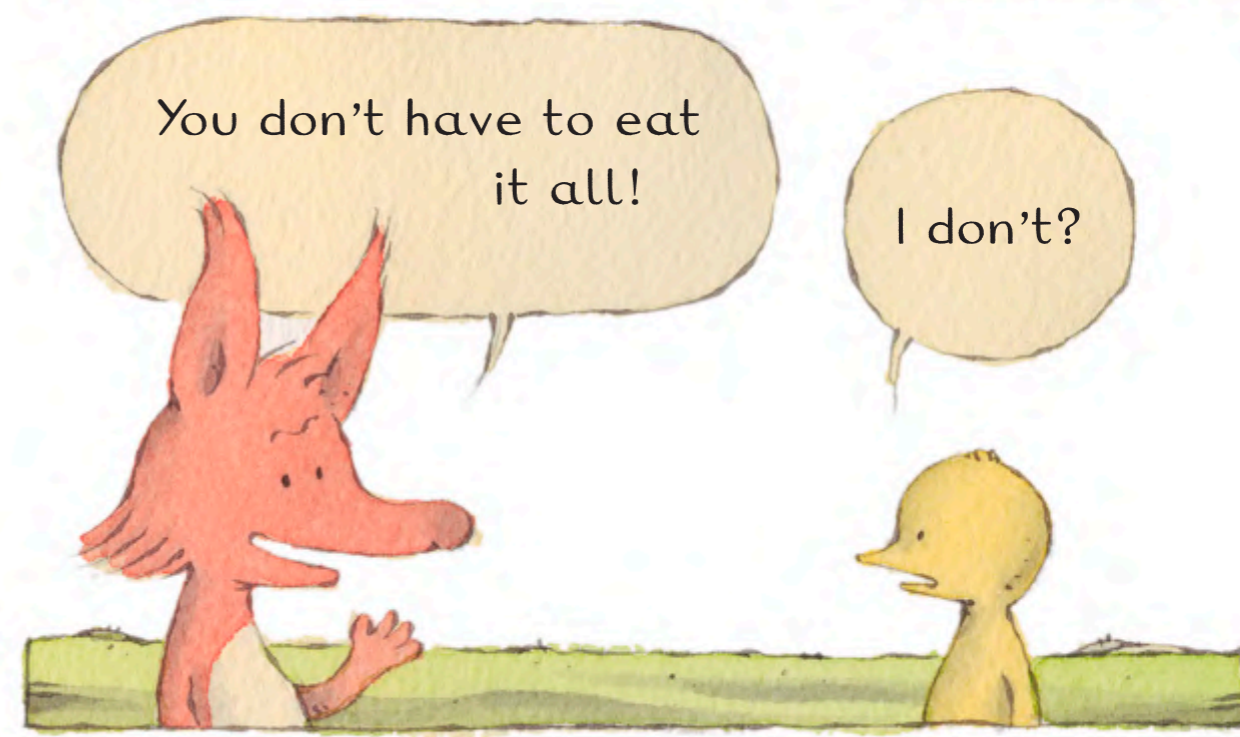
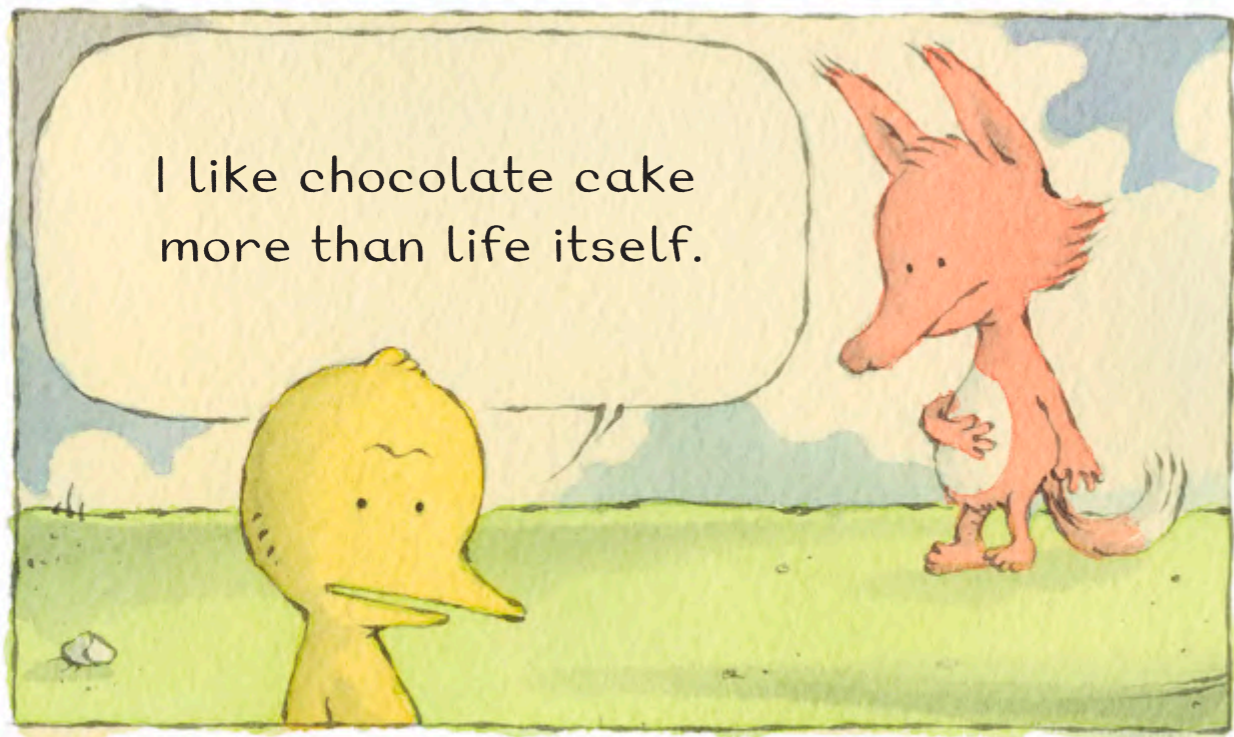
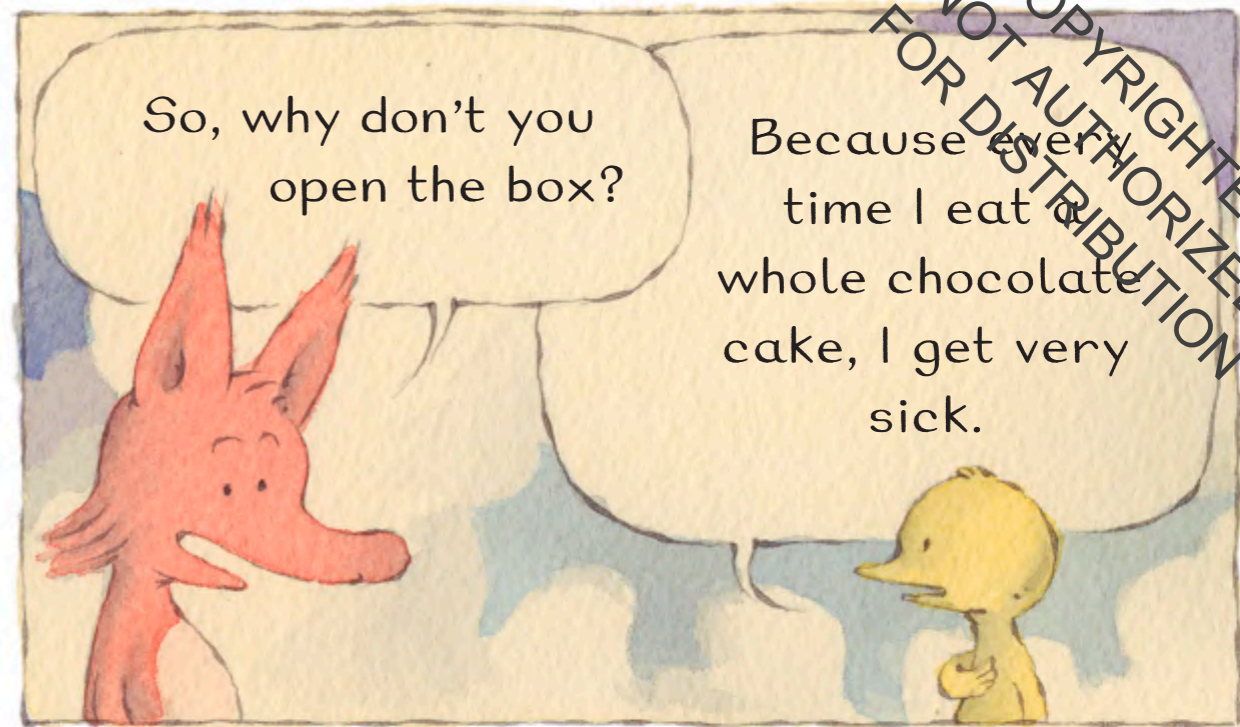
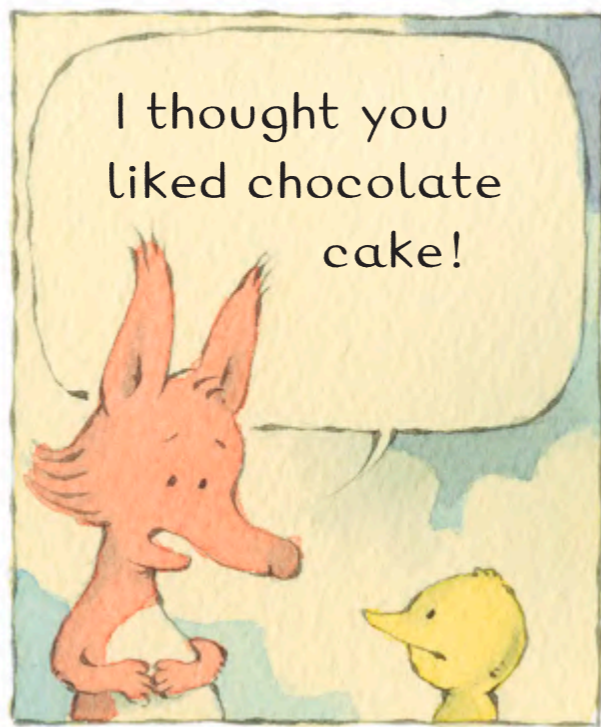
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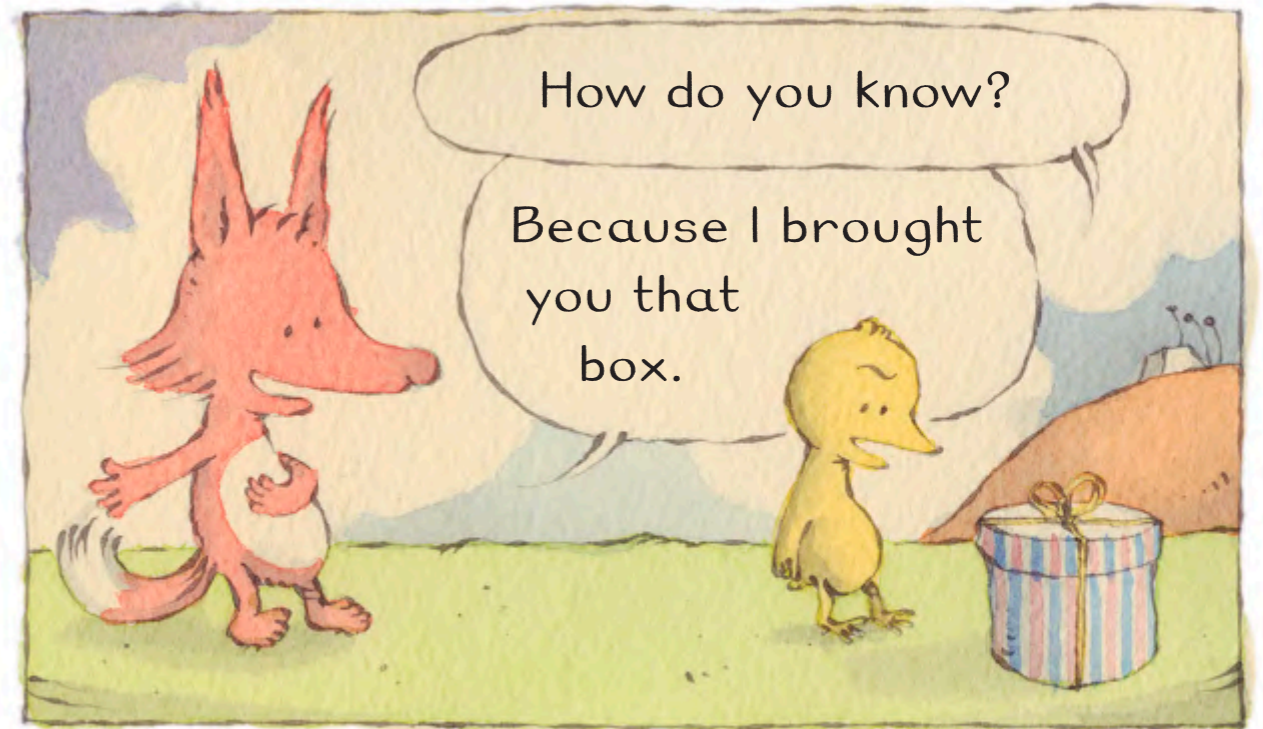
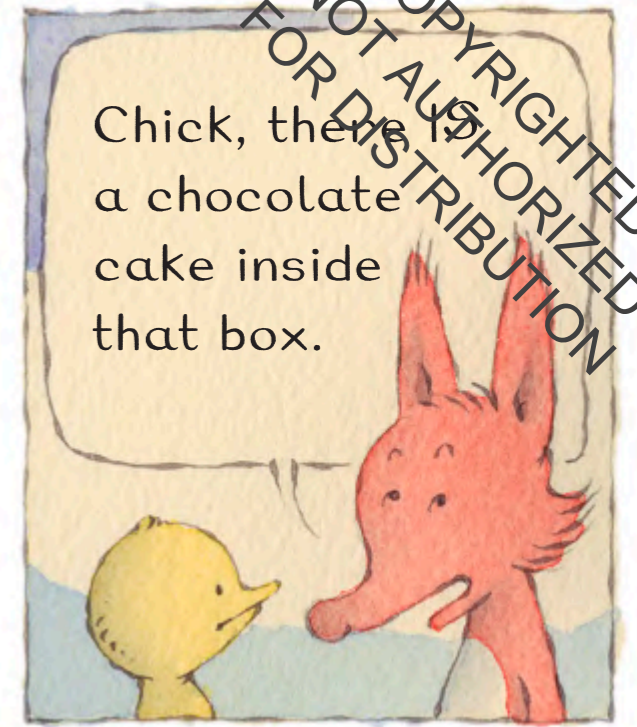
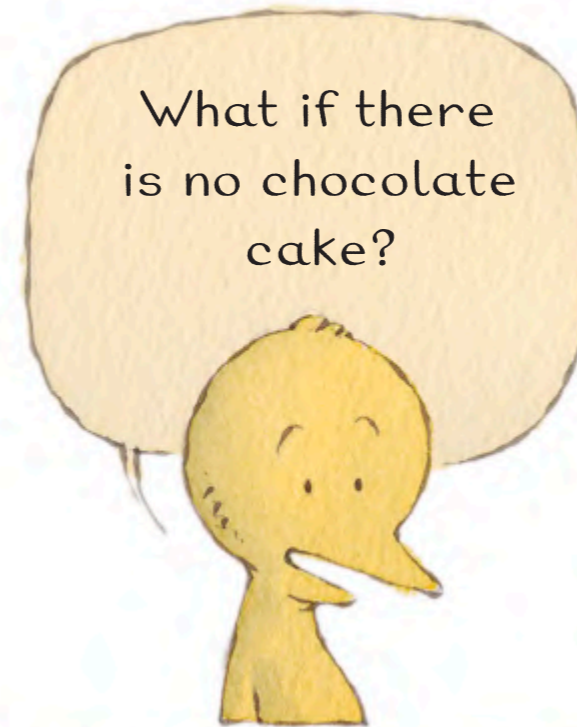
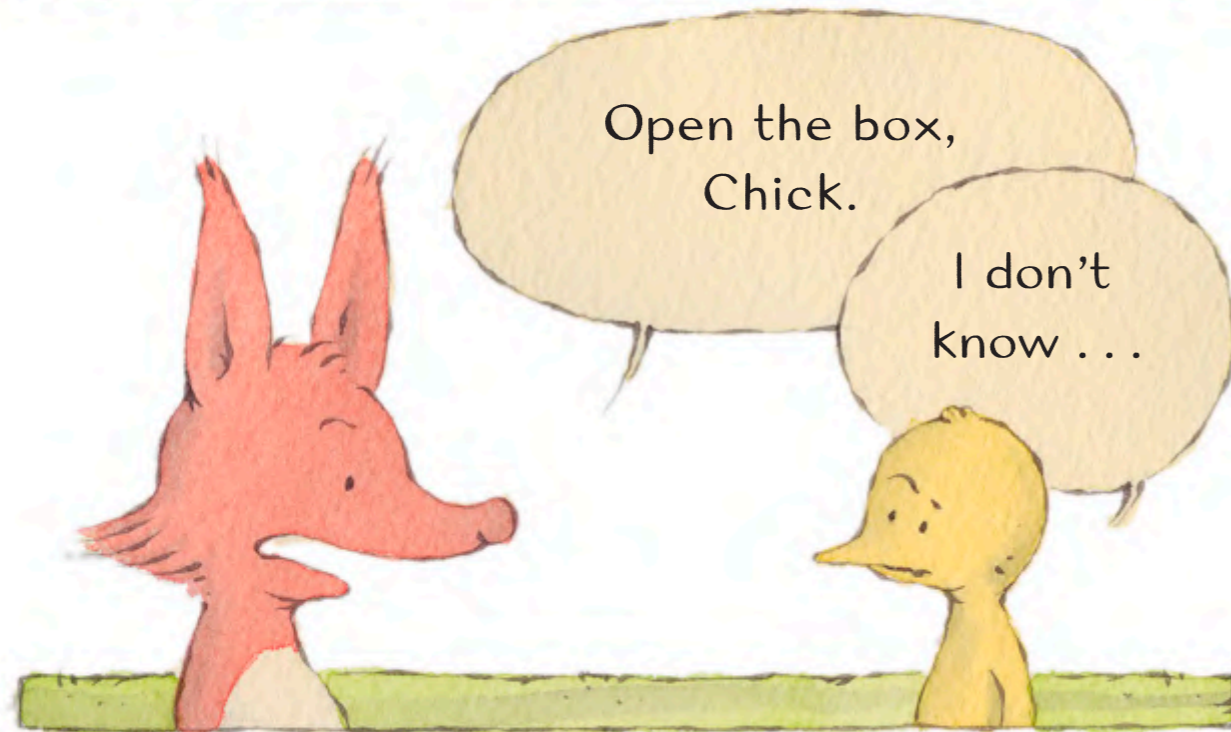
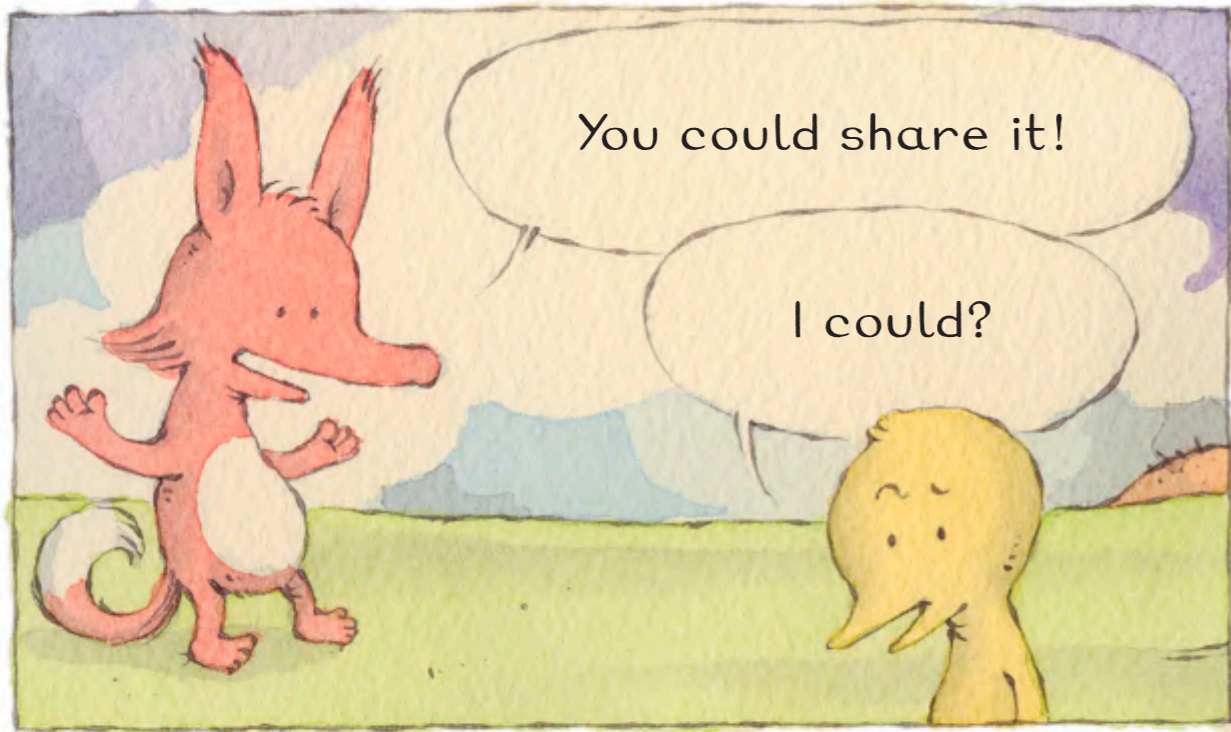


I received this box.



It might be a chocolate cake!





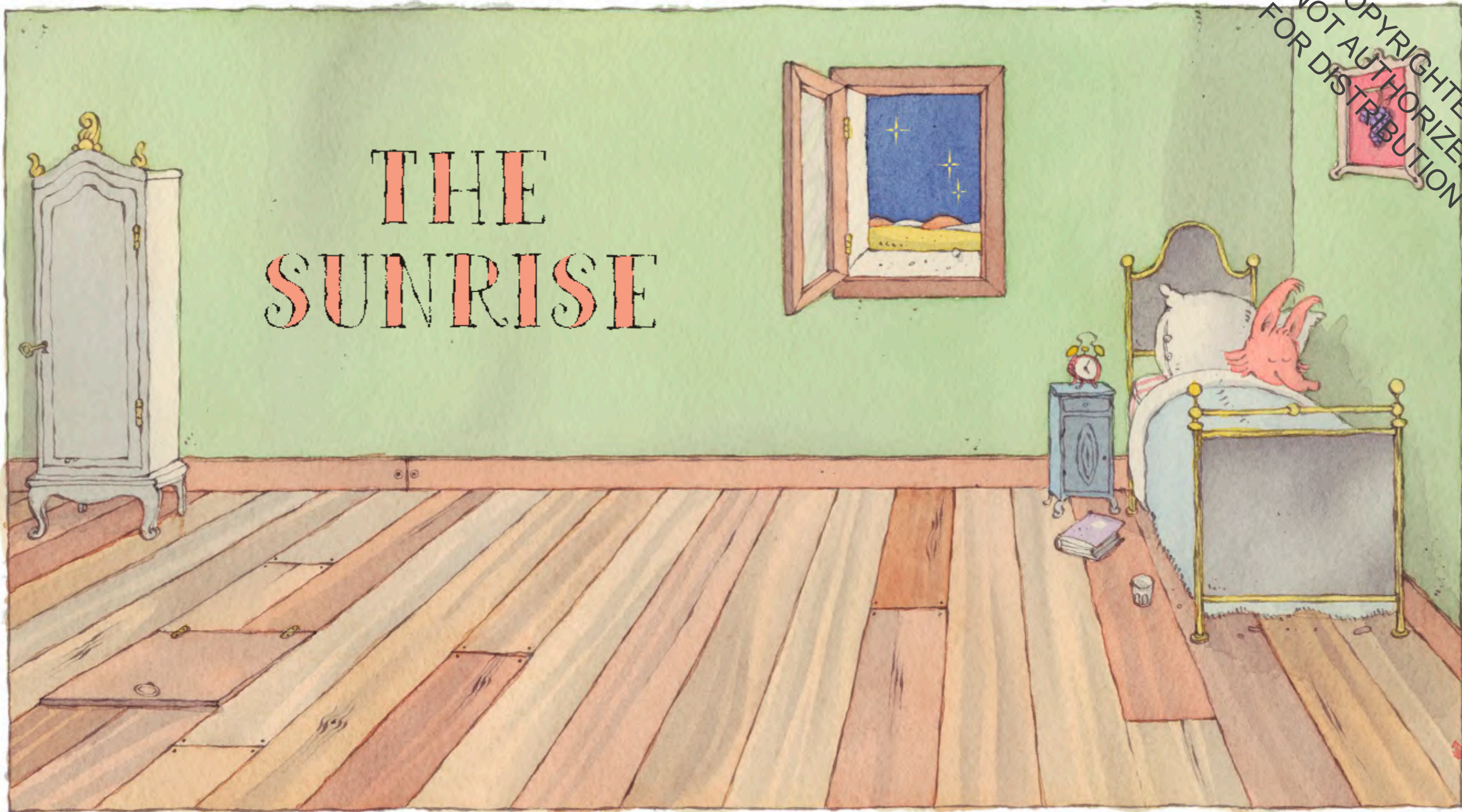
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Good cake. I think I could have eaten the whole thing by myself.

I'm glad you didn't.

THE SUNRISE



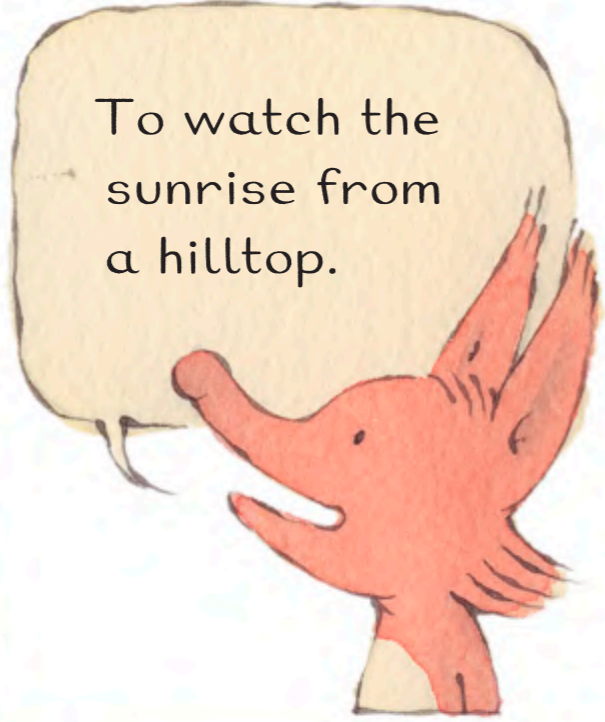
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Where are you going, Fox?



To watch the sunrise from a hilltop.



But, it's so early!



That's when the sun rises, Chick.



May I come with you?

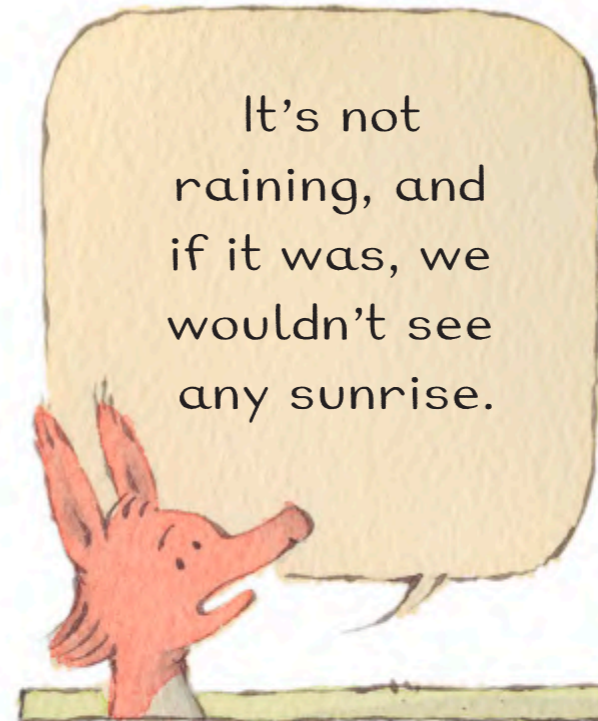
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Okay, but hurry!
I don't want to miss it.



No problem.
I'll be right down.

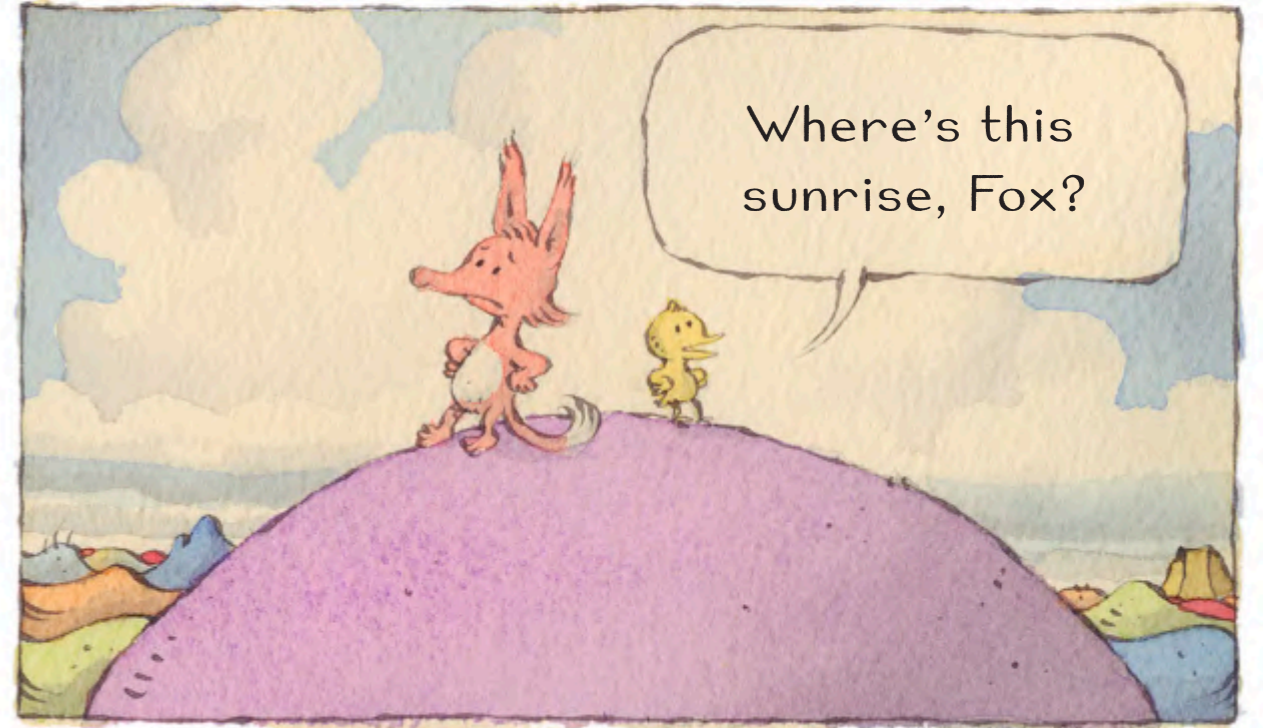
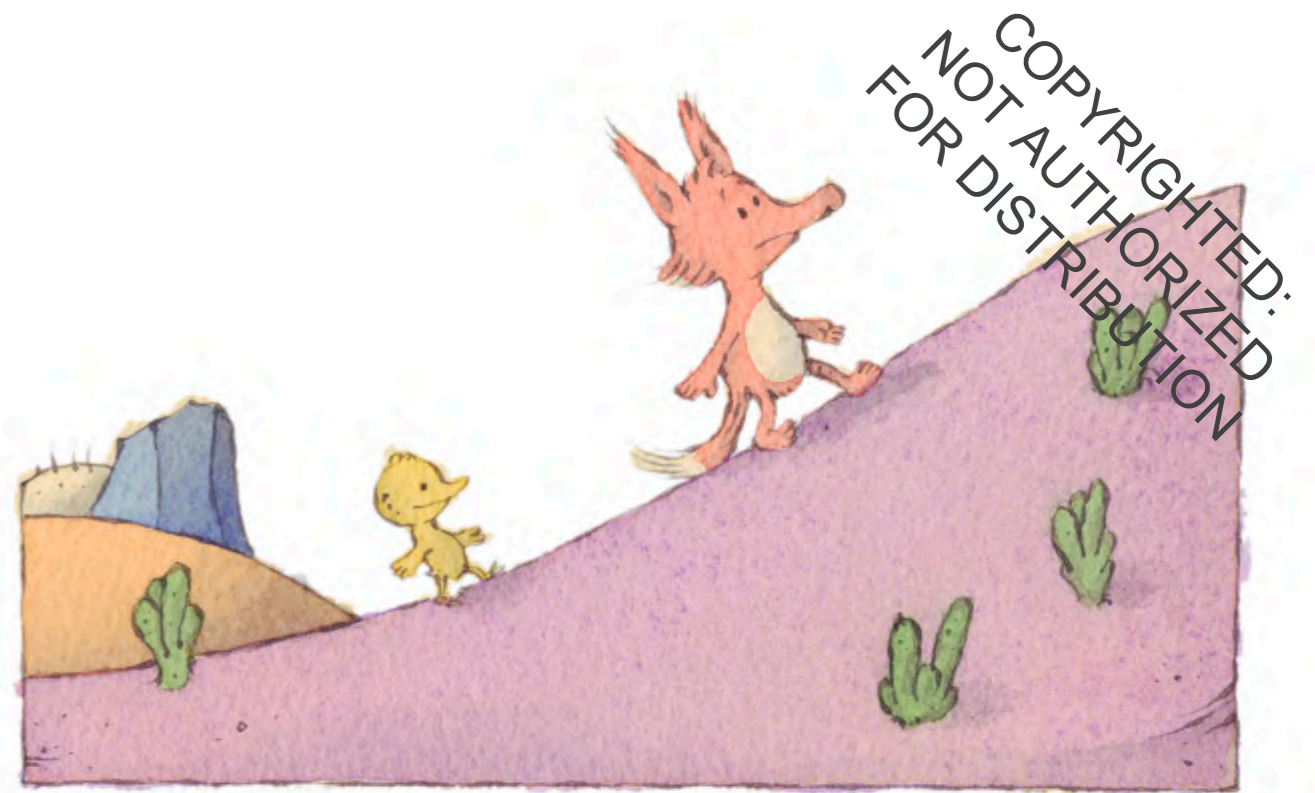


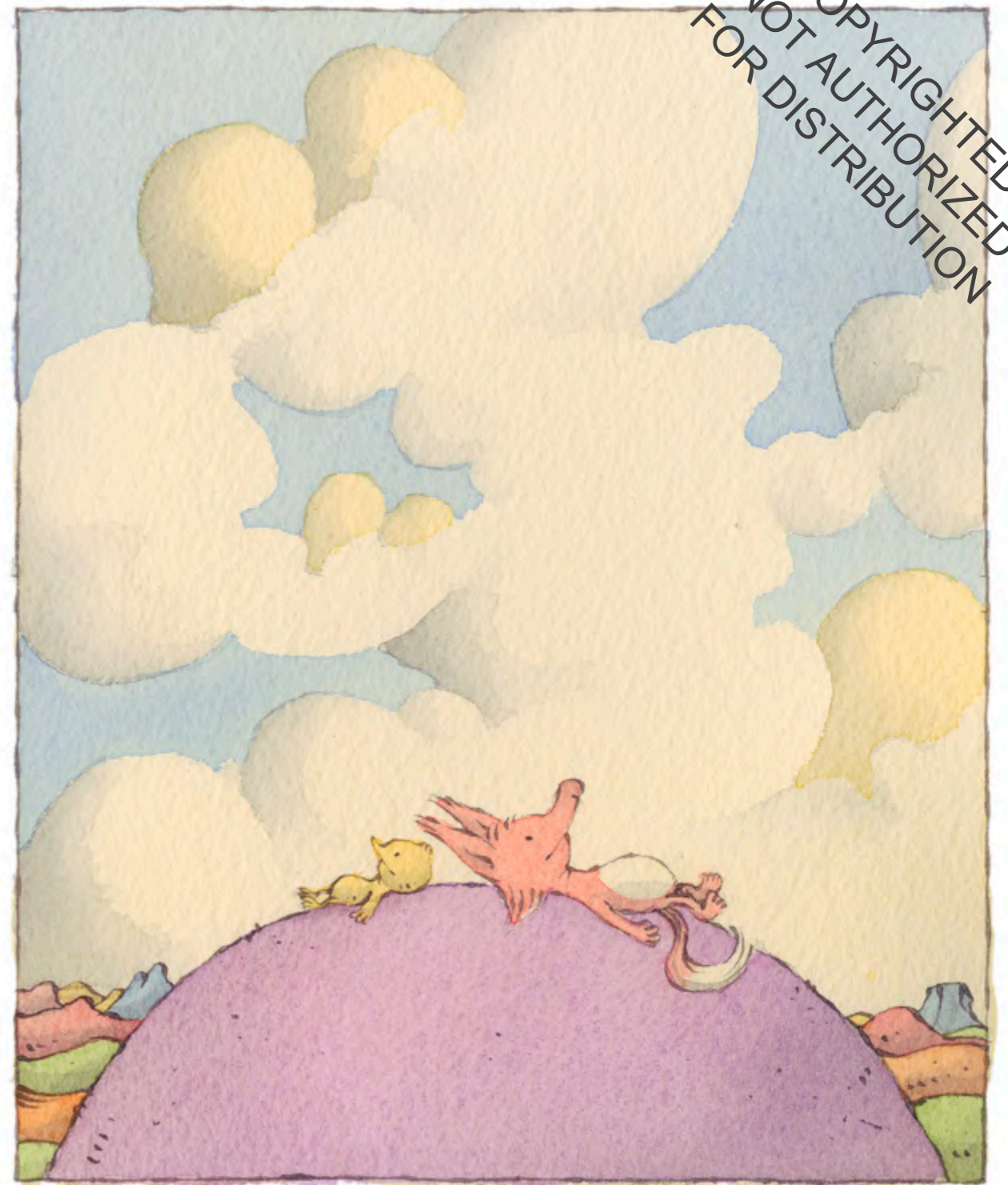
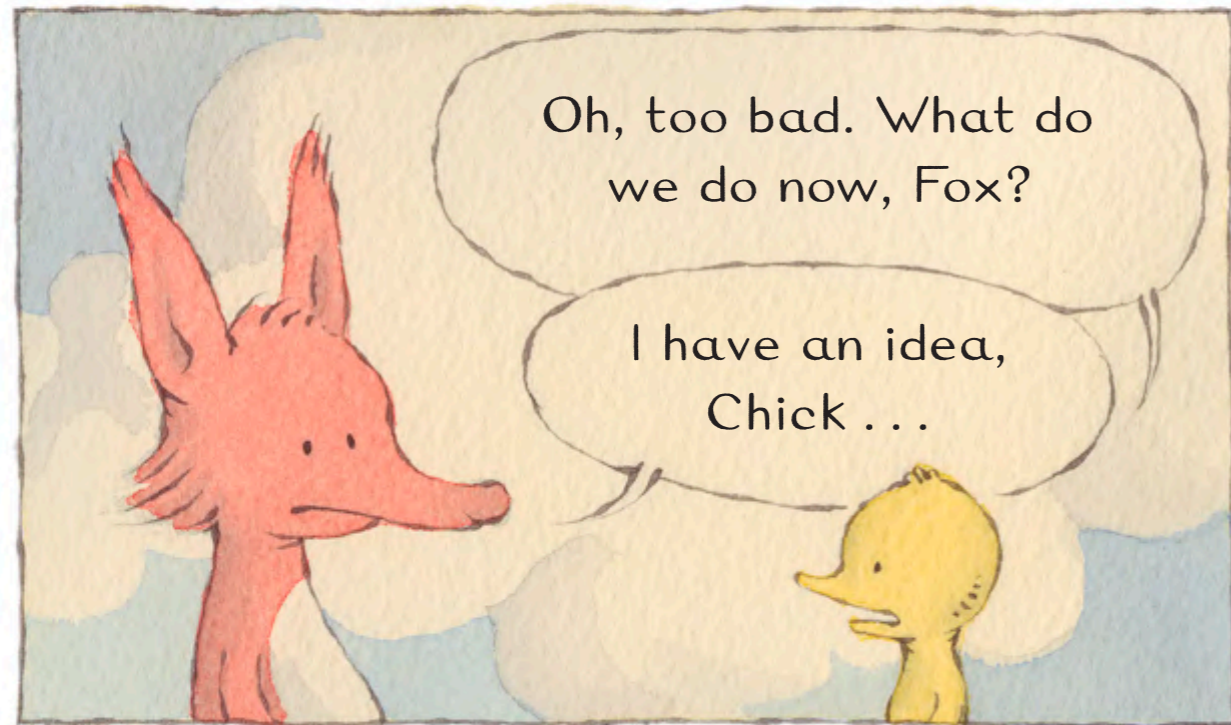
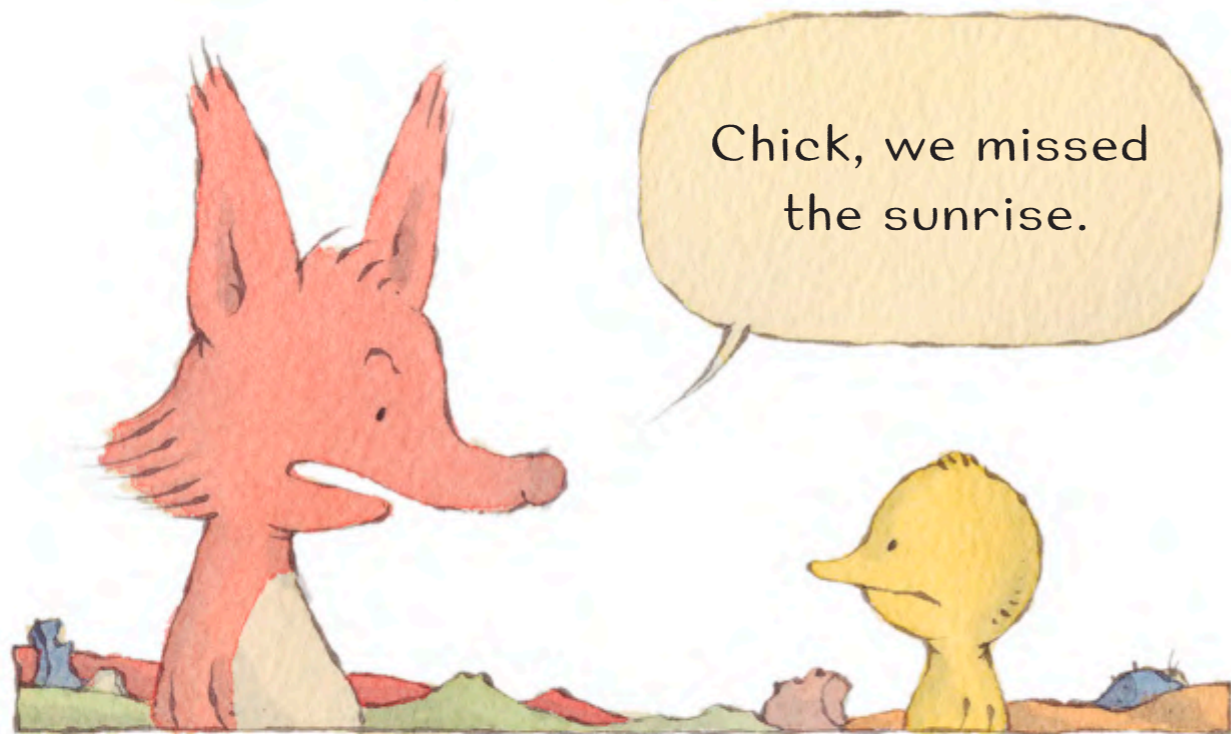
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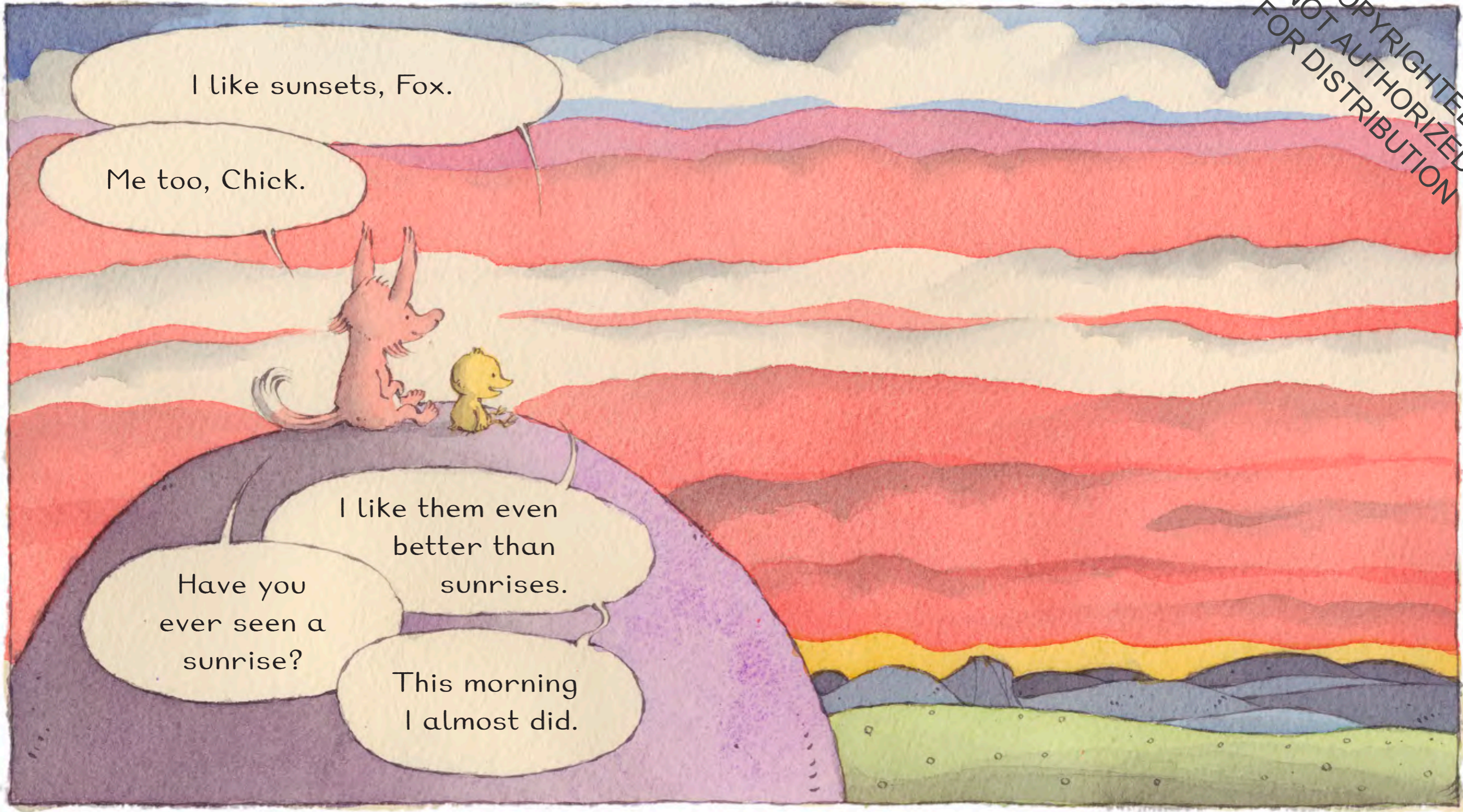
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I like sunsets, Fox.

Me too, Chick.



I like them even better than sunrises.

Have you ever seen a sunrise?

This morning I almost did.

Fox, I am ready for
another chocolate cake.



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