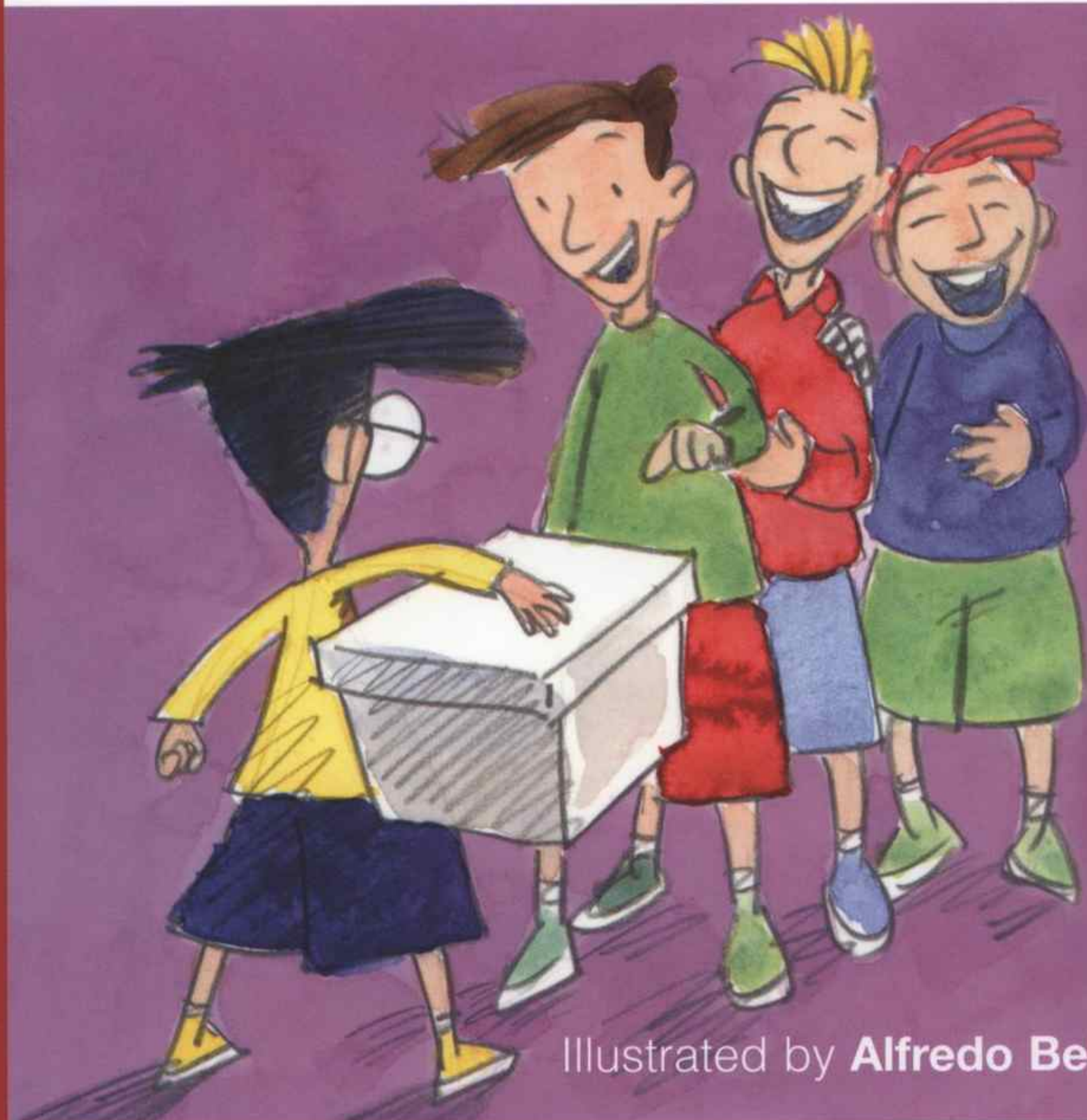


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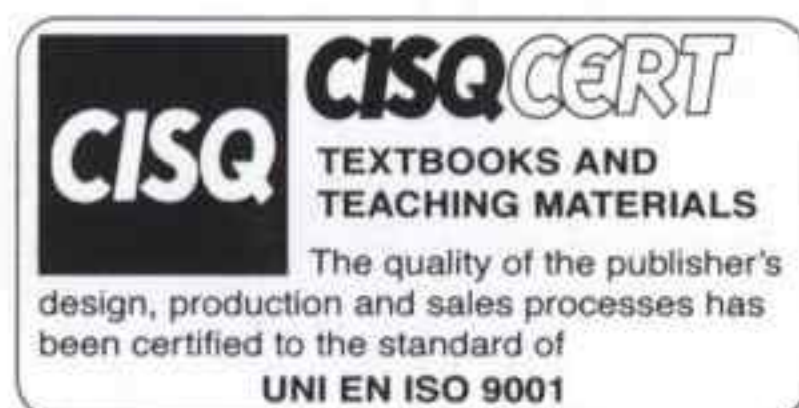
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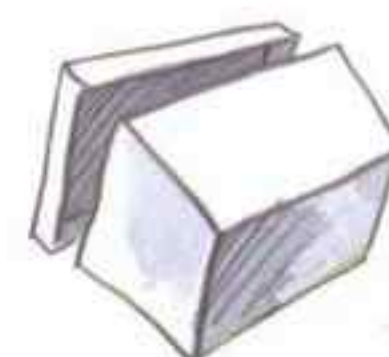
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Bobo is a little boy.
He has got short black hair
and he wears glasses. 
He is very nice.



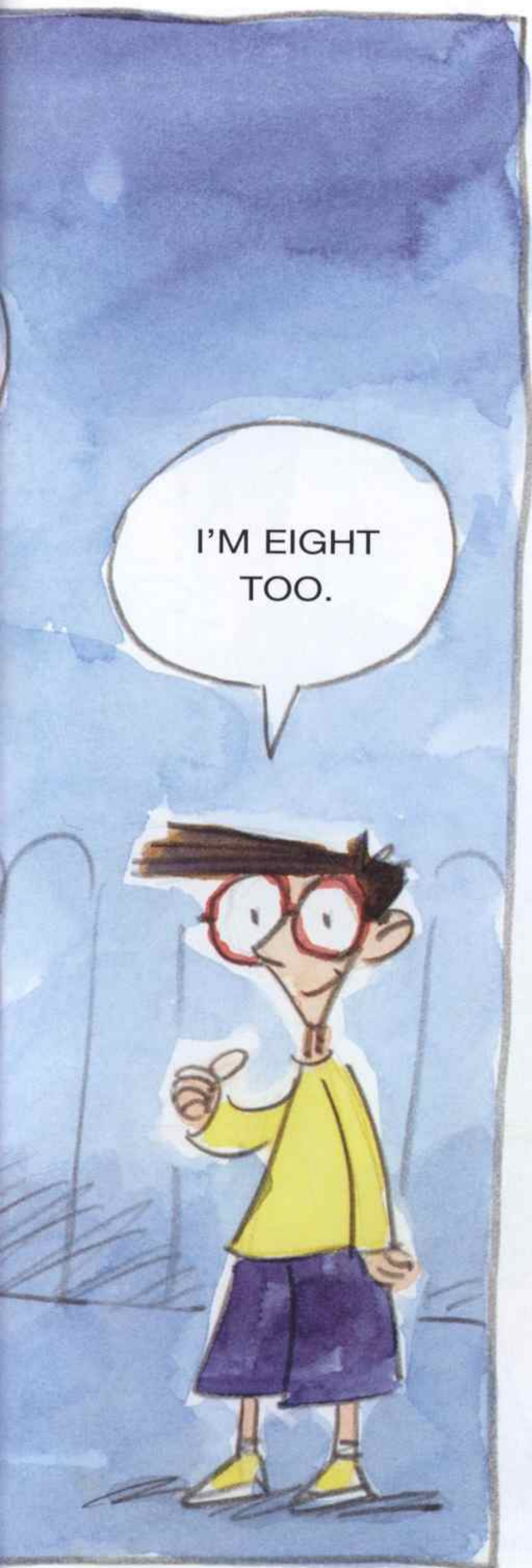
HOW OLD
ARE YOU?


SEVEN.

I'M
EIGHT.



Bobo is eight,
but he is little
for his age.
He is very short
and very thin.



Some boys at school are bullies 
but Bobo is not scared...

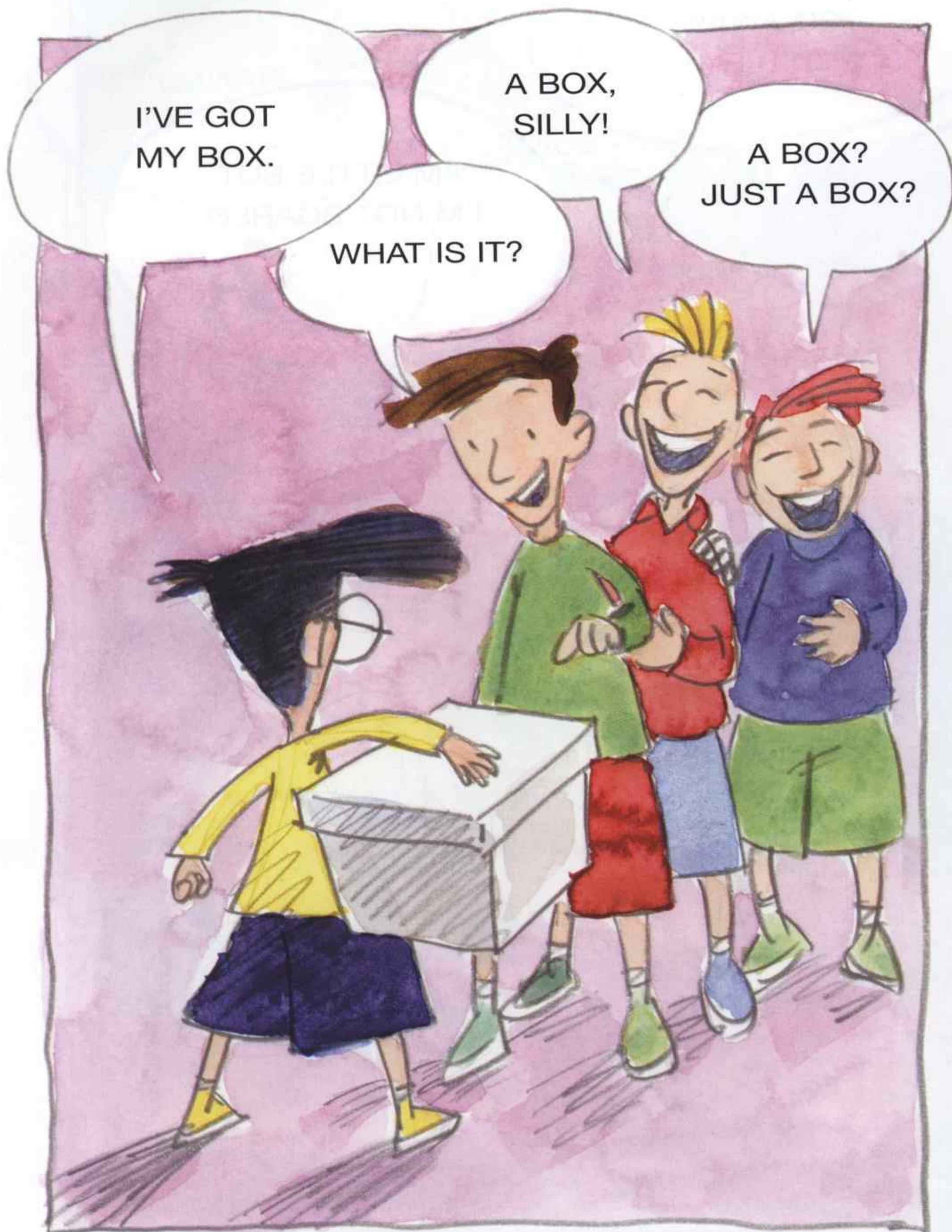


GO AWAY,
LITTLE...

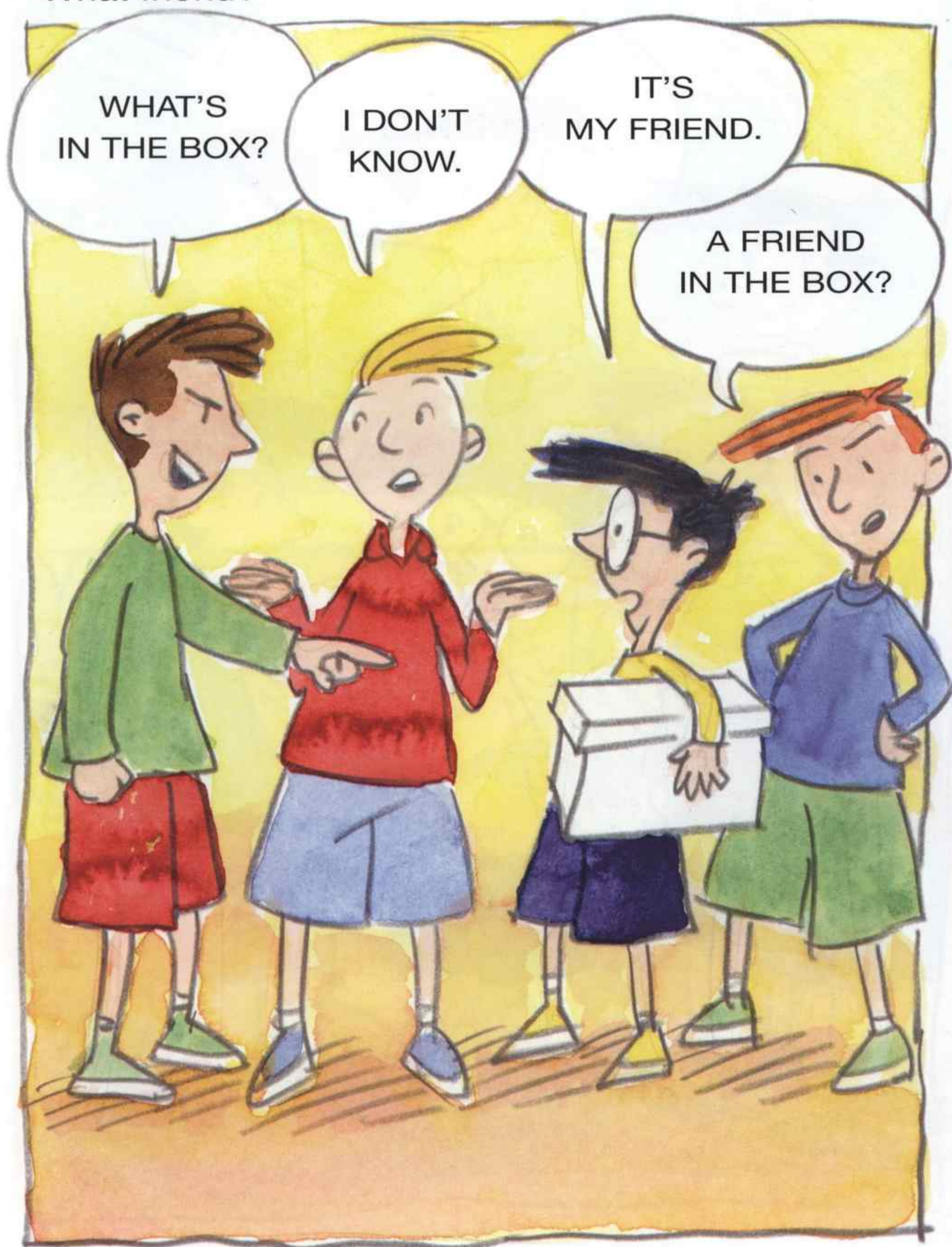
I'M LITTLE BUT
I'M NOT SCARED.



...because he has got his box.
It is a big white box.
It is under his arm.



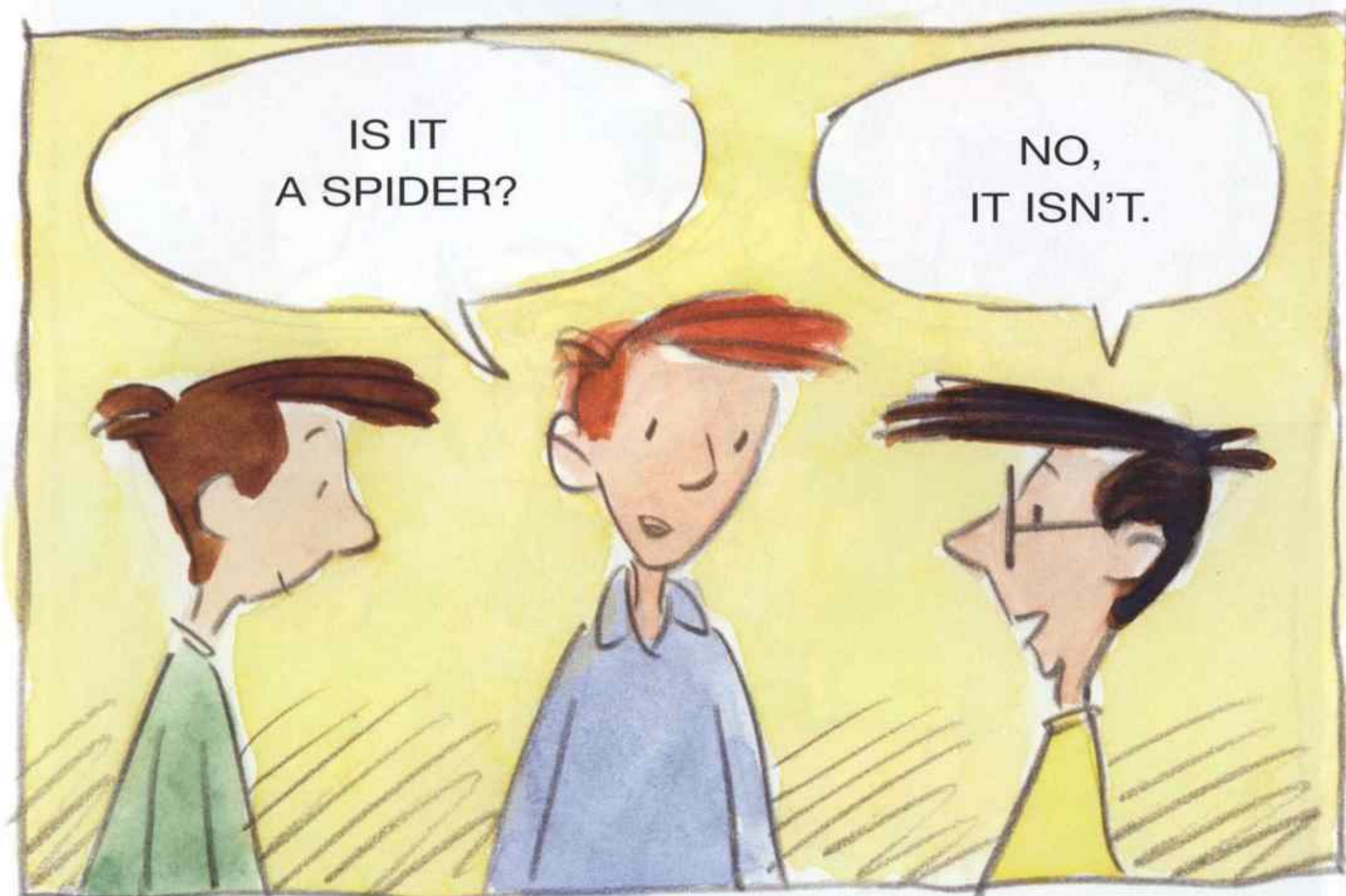
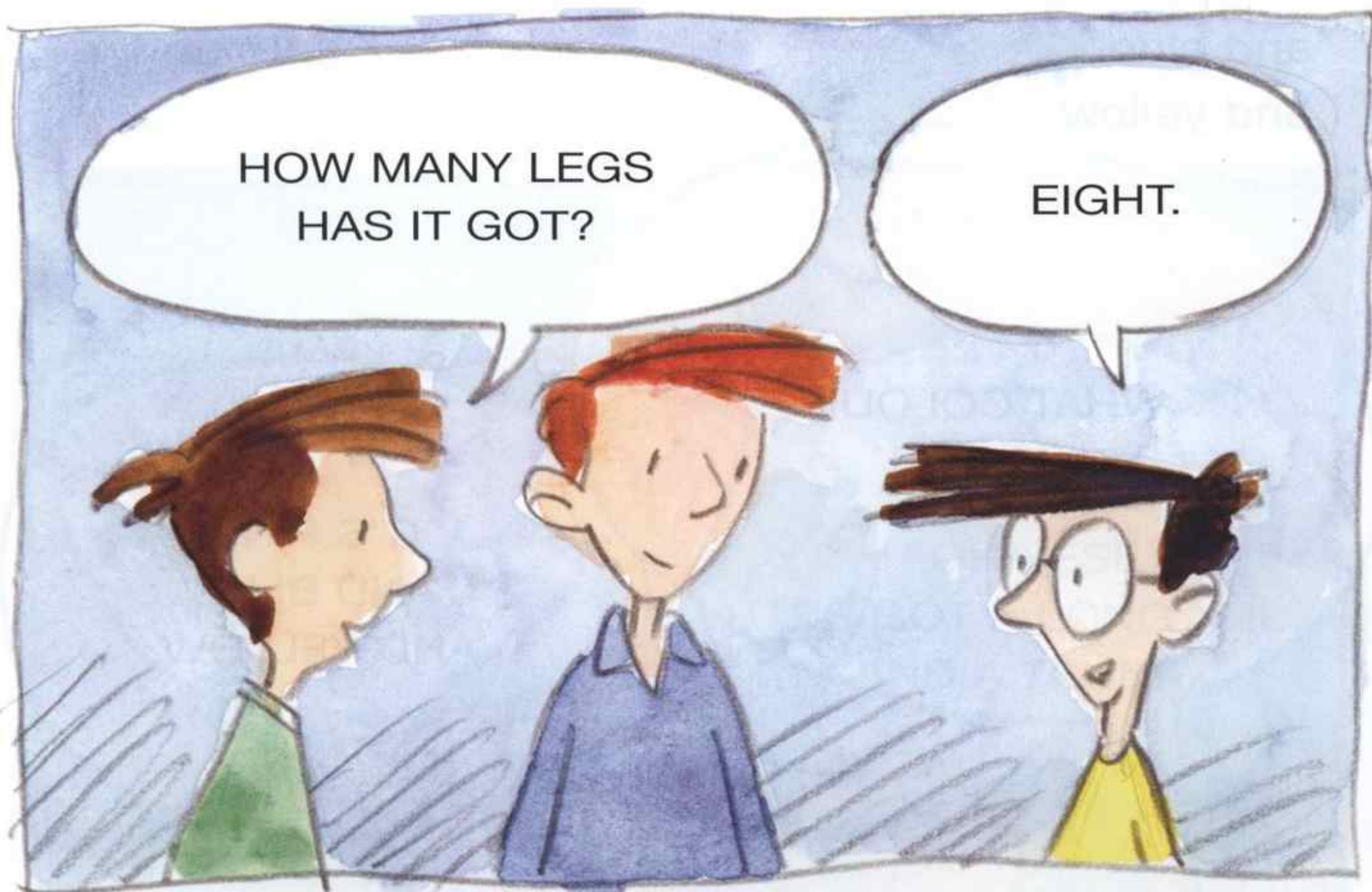
This box is a mystery.
What is in the box?
Bobo says it is his friend.
What friend?



It is big.

It has got eight legs
but it is not a spider.







It is pink 
and blue 
and yellow. 

WHAT COLOUR
IS IT?

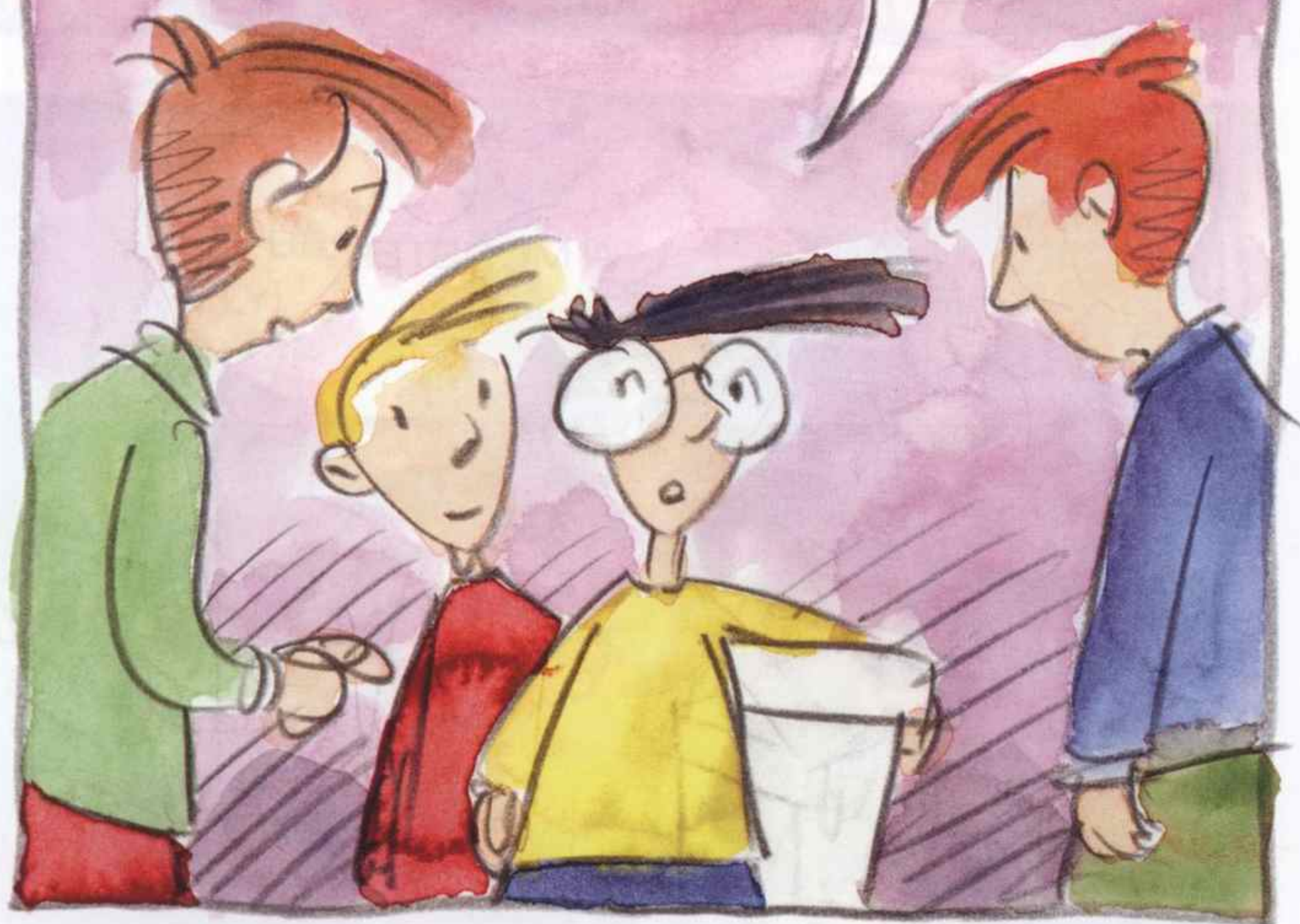
IT'S PINK
AND BLUE
AND YELLOW.



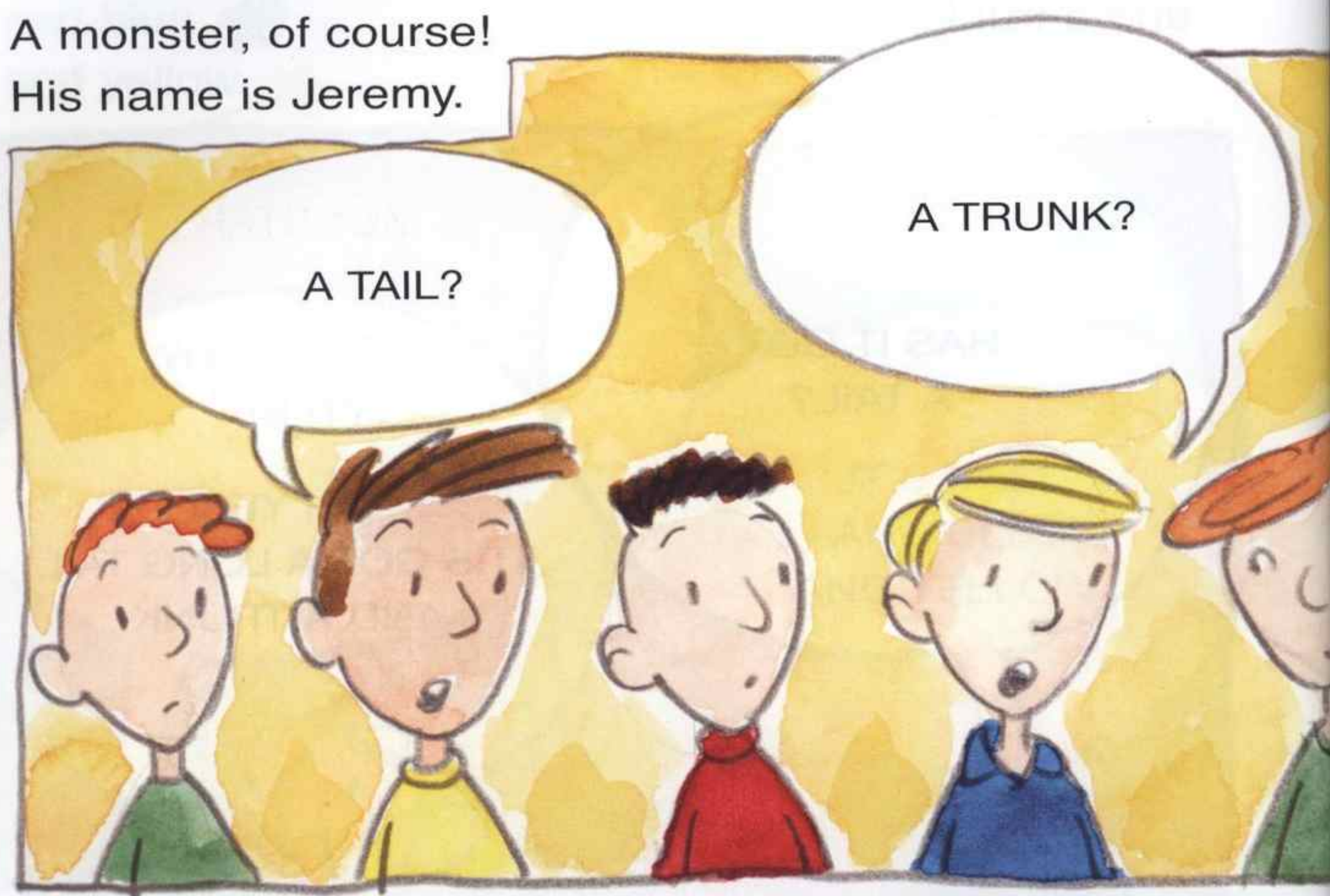
It has got a long tail 
and a trunk. 

HAS IT GOT
A TAIL?

OH YES!
IT'S GOT A LONG TAIL
AND A TRUNK.



A tail and a trunk?
But what is it?
A monster, of course!
His name is Jeremy.






WHAT IS IT?

A comic panel with a yellow background. Three boys are shown from the chest up. The boy on the left has brown hair and a red shirt. The boy in the middle has blonde hair and a blue shirt. The boy on the right has black hair, glasses, and a yellow shirt. They all have surprised expressions. Speech bubbles are above them.

A MONSTER!



A comic panel with a blue background. Four boys are shown from the chest up. From left to right: a boy with orange hair and a green shirt, the boy with brown hair and a red shirt, the boy with blonde hair and a blue shirt, and the boy with black hair, glasses, and a yellow shirt. The boy with glasses is speaking. Speech bubbles are above them.

DON'T BE
SILLY!

YES,
IT'S A MONSTER.
HIS NAME'S
JEREMY.

Big Macho wants to open the box.
He wants to look inside the box.
But... it is dangerous!

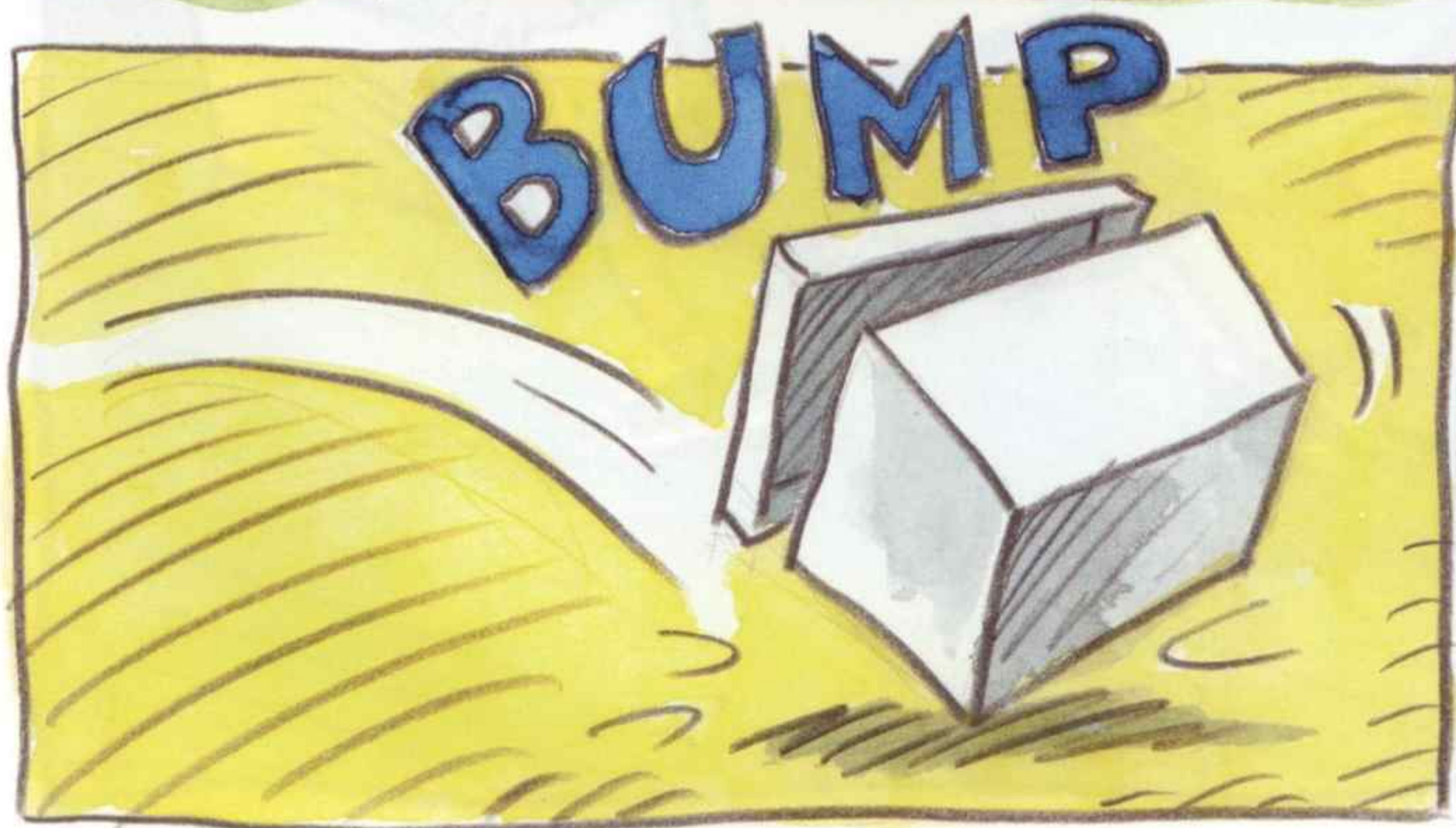


OPEN THE BOX,
BOBO!

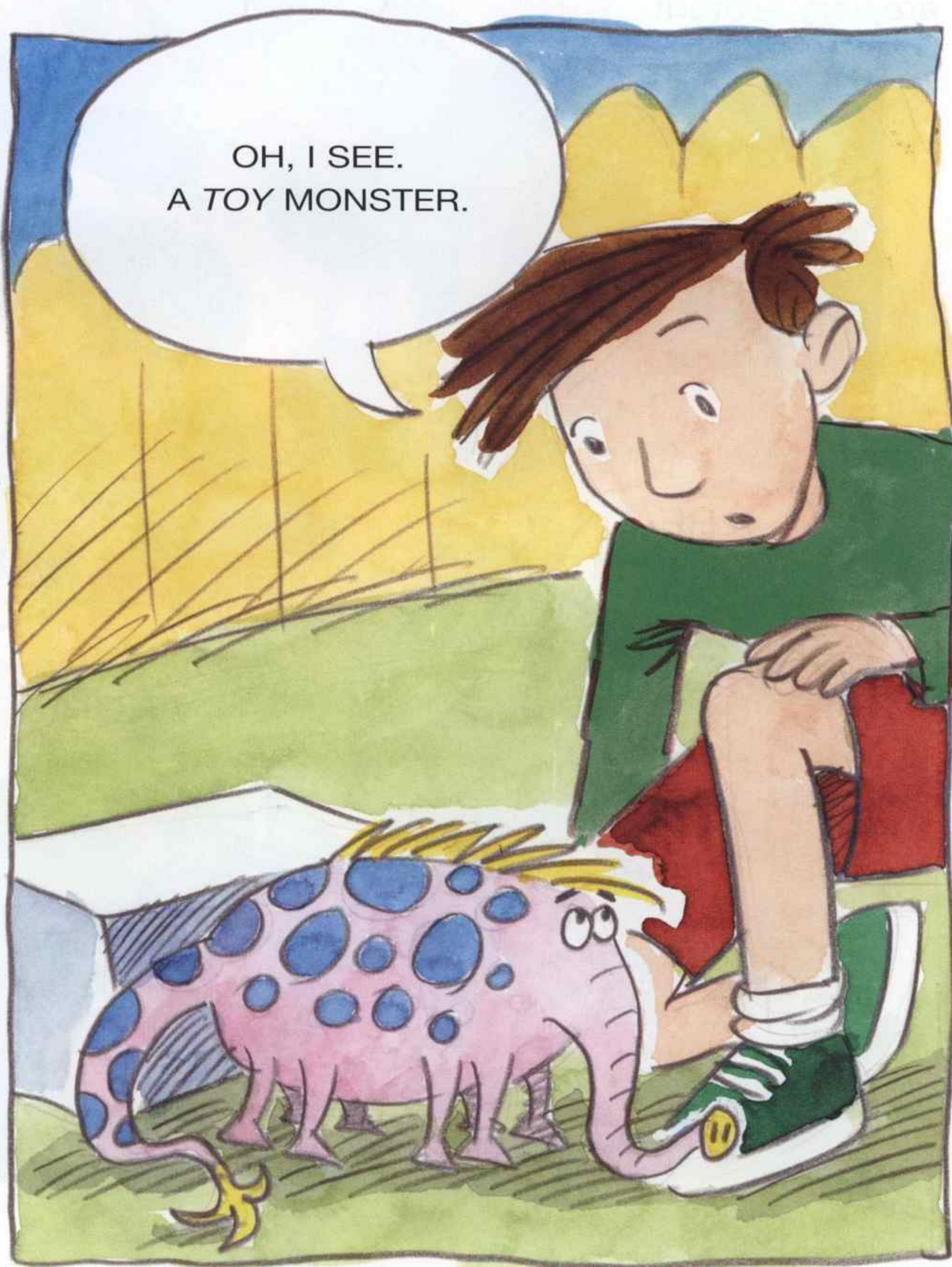
NO!
IT'S DANGEROUS!



Bobo falls down.
The box falls.

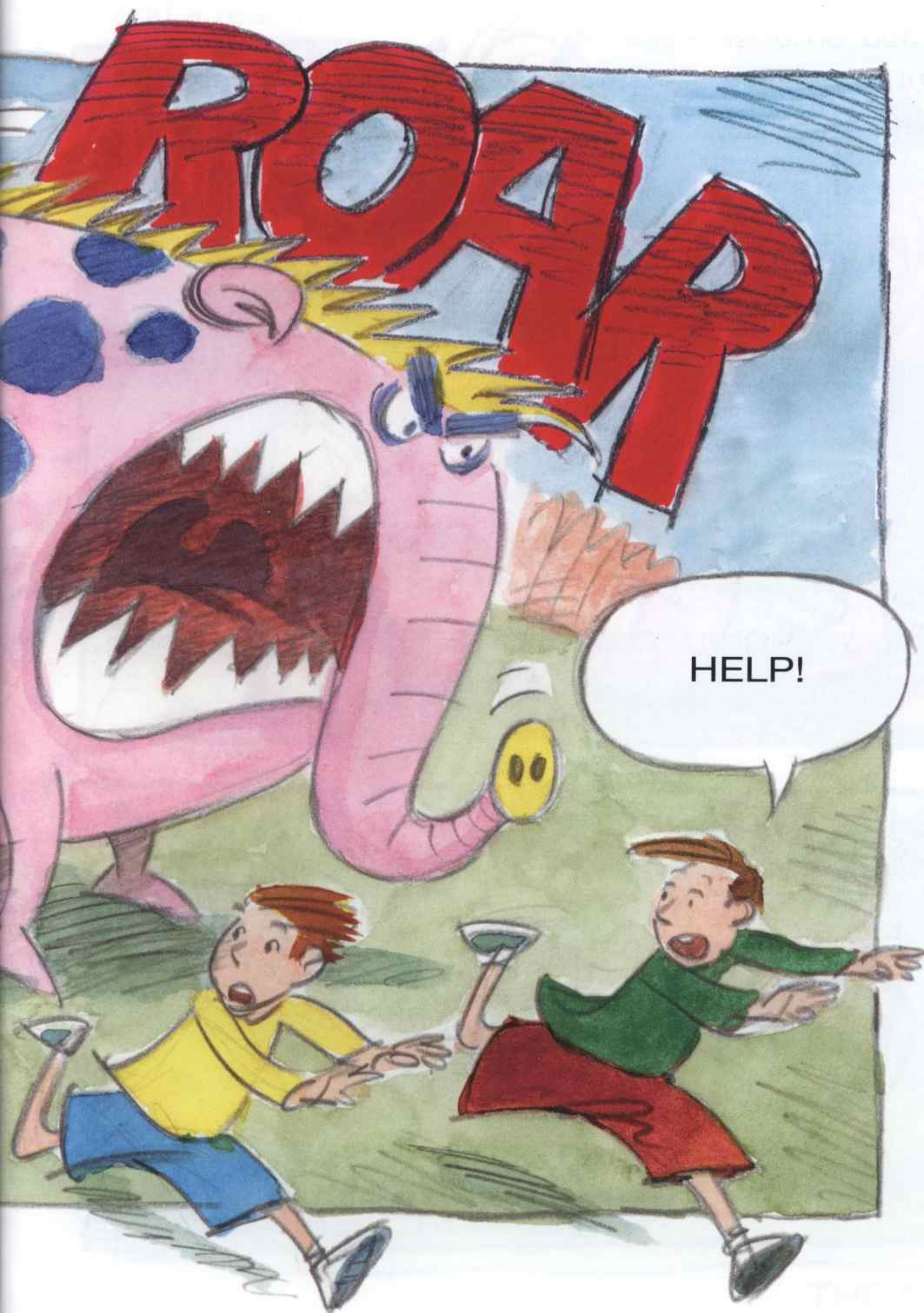


In the box there is
a pink, blue and yellow toy monster
with eight legs,
a tail and a trunk.

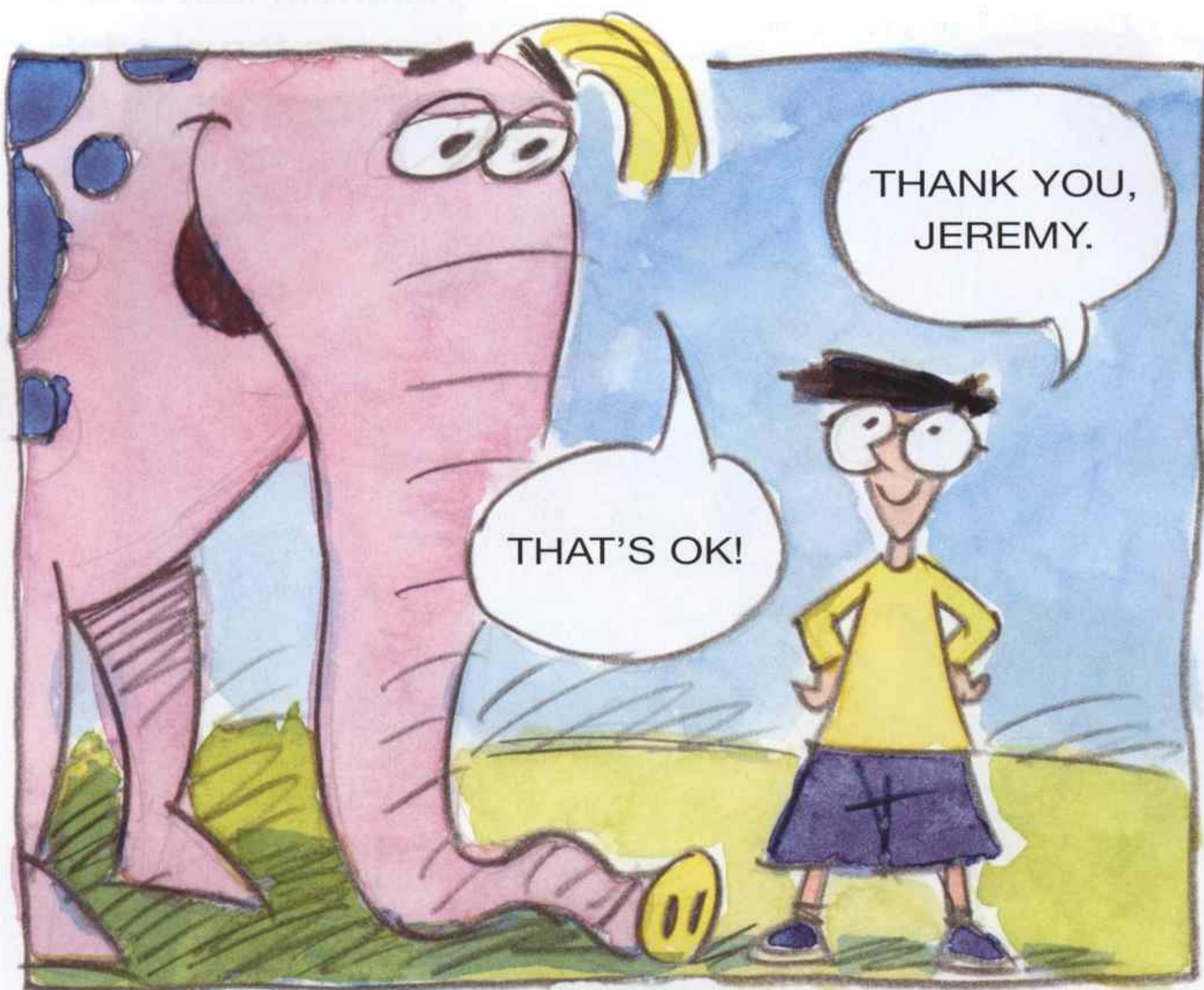


No! It is not a toy!
It is a real monster!
Bobo is not scared
but the boys
are very scared!





Bobo thanks Jeremy.



Jeremy is a real monster
and a real friend too.



THE END

Labelling



Listen and point to the parts of the body. Then use the words to label the parts of the boy.



nose



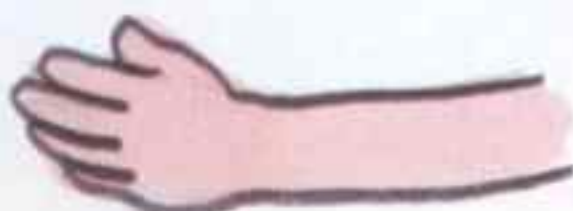
foot



eyes



hand



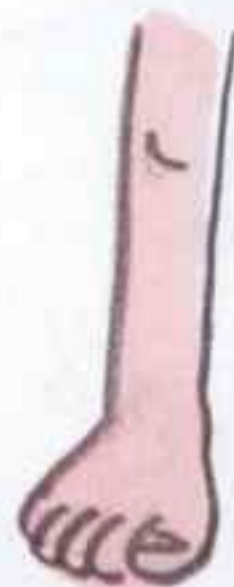
arm



ear



hair



leg



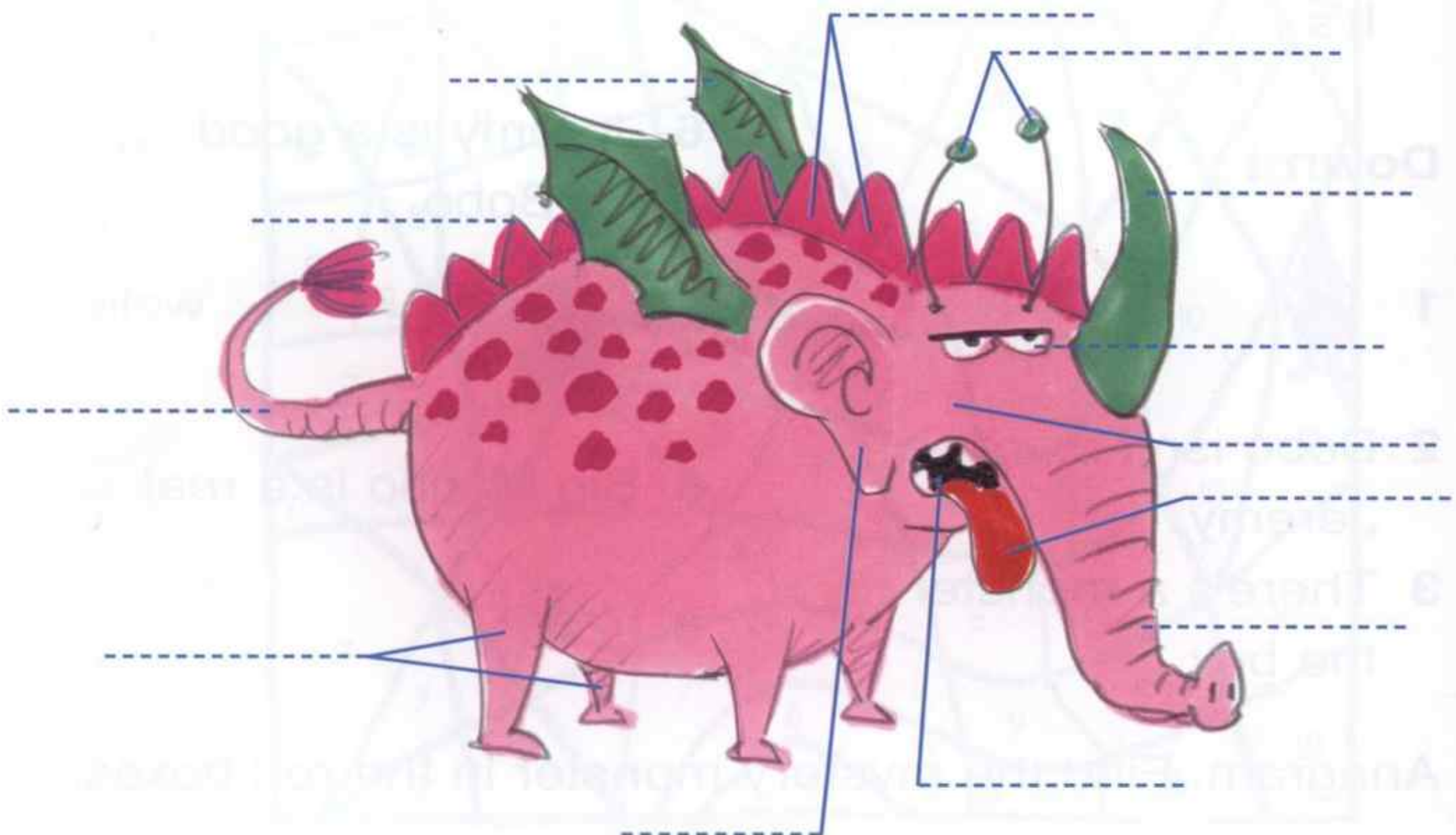
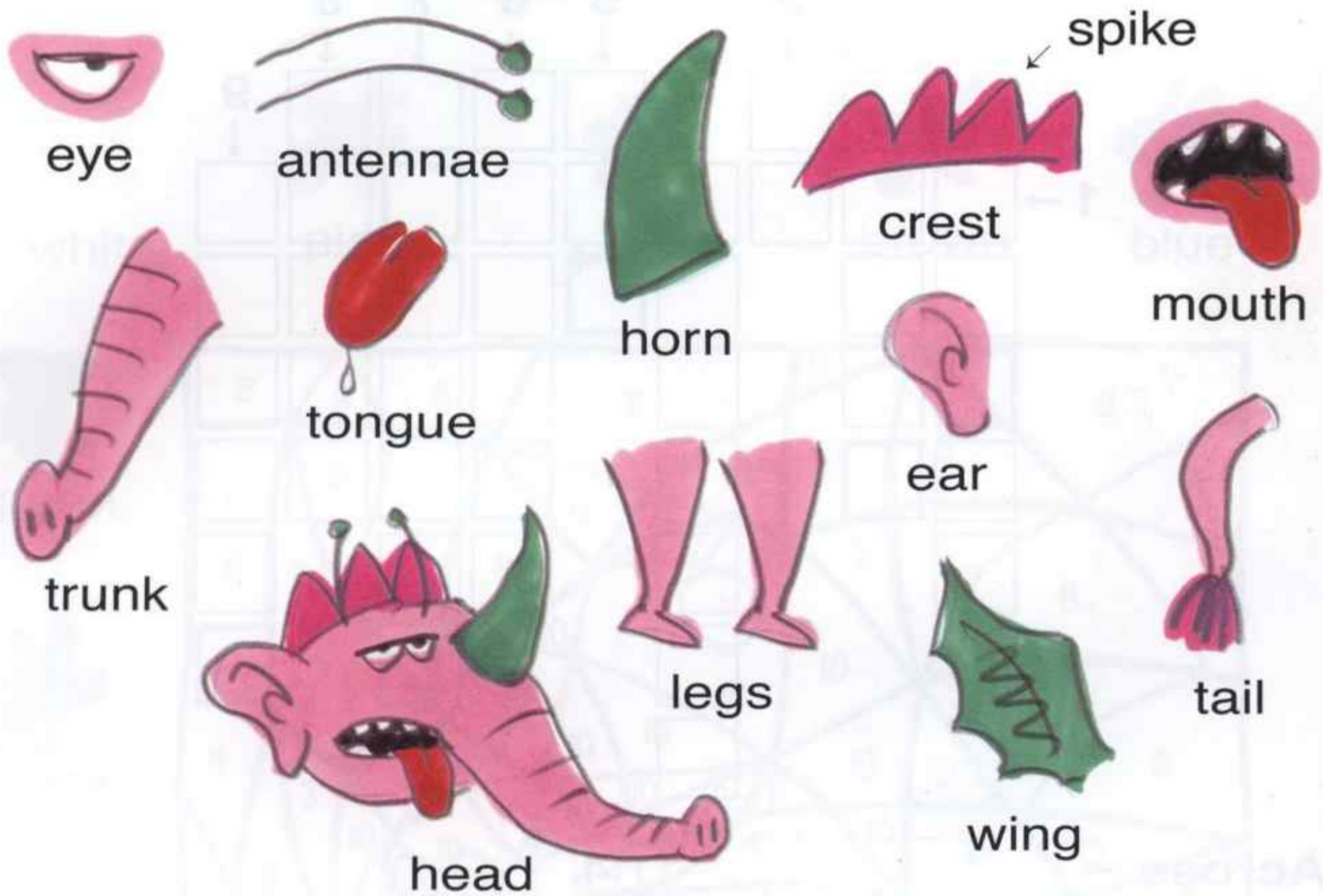
head



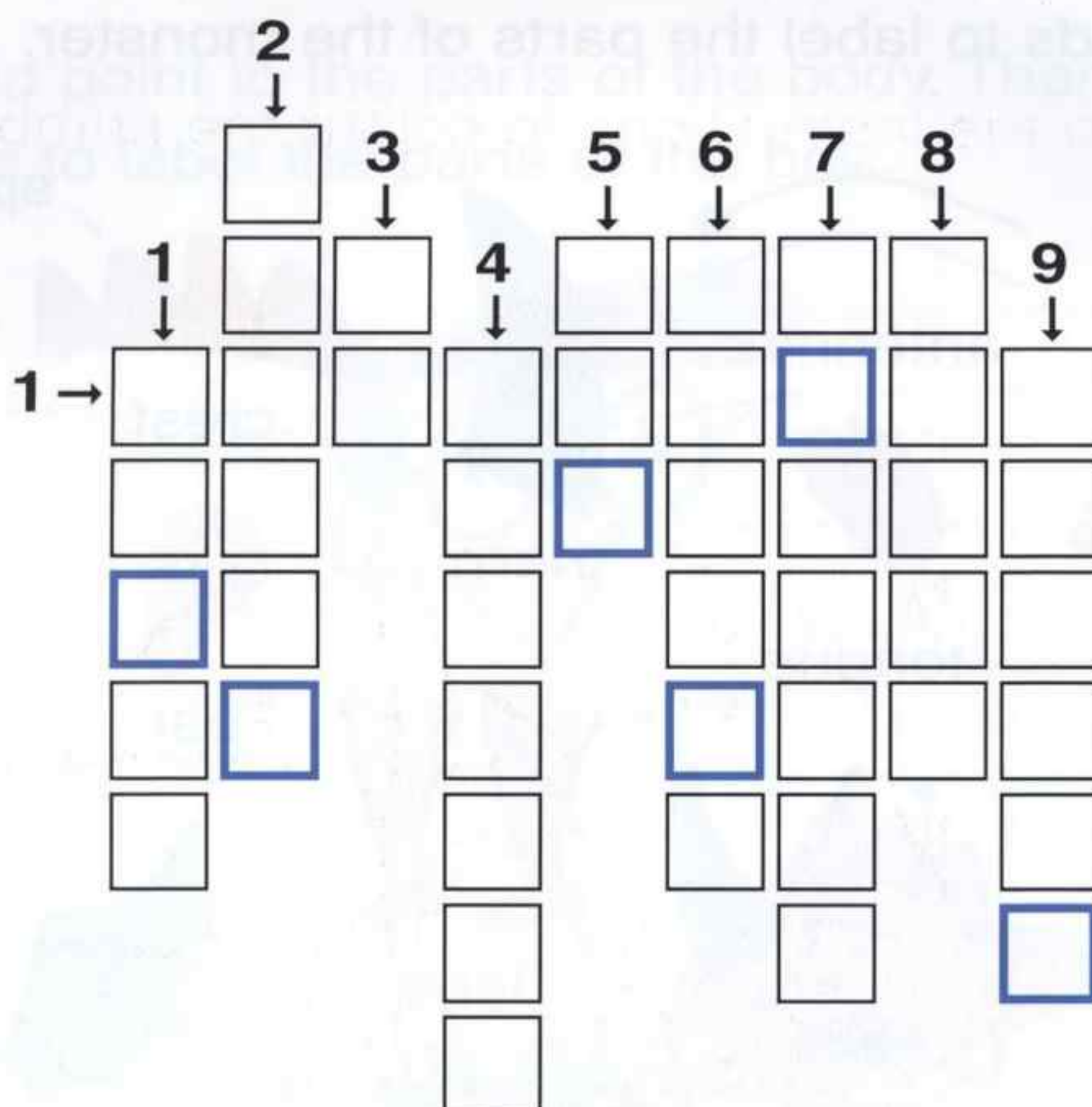
mouth



Listen and point to the parts of the body. Then use the words to label the parts of the monster.



Crossword



Across →

1 Don't open the box!
It's

4



5



6 Jeremy is a good
for Bobo.

7



8 Big Macho is a real

9



Down ↓

1



2 Bobo isn't of
Jeremy.

3 There's a monster
the box.

Anagram: Find the mystery monster in the red boxes.

D — — — — —

Colour it!



Listen to the instructions to colour the numbers.



white



pink



purple



brown



blue



green



black



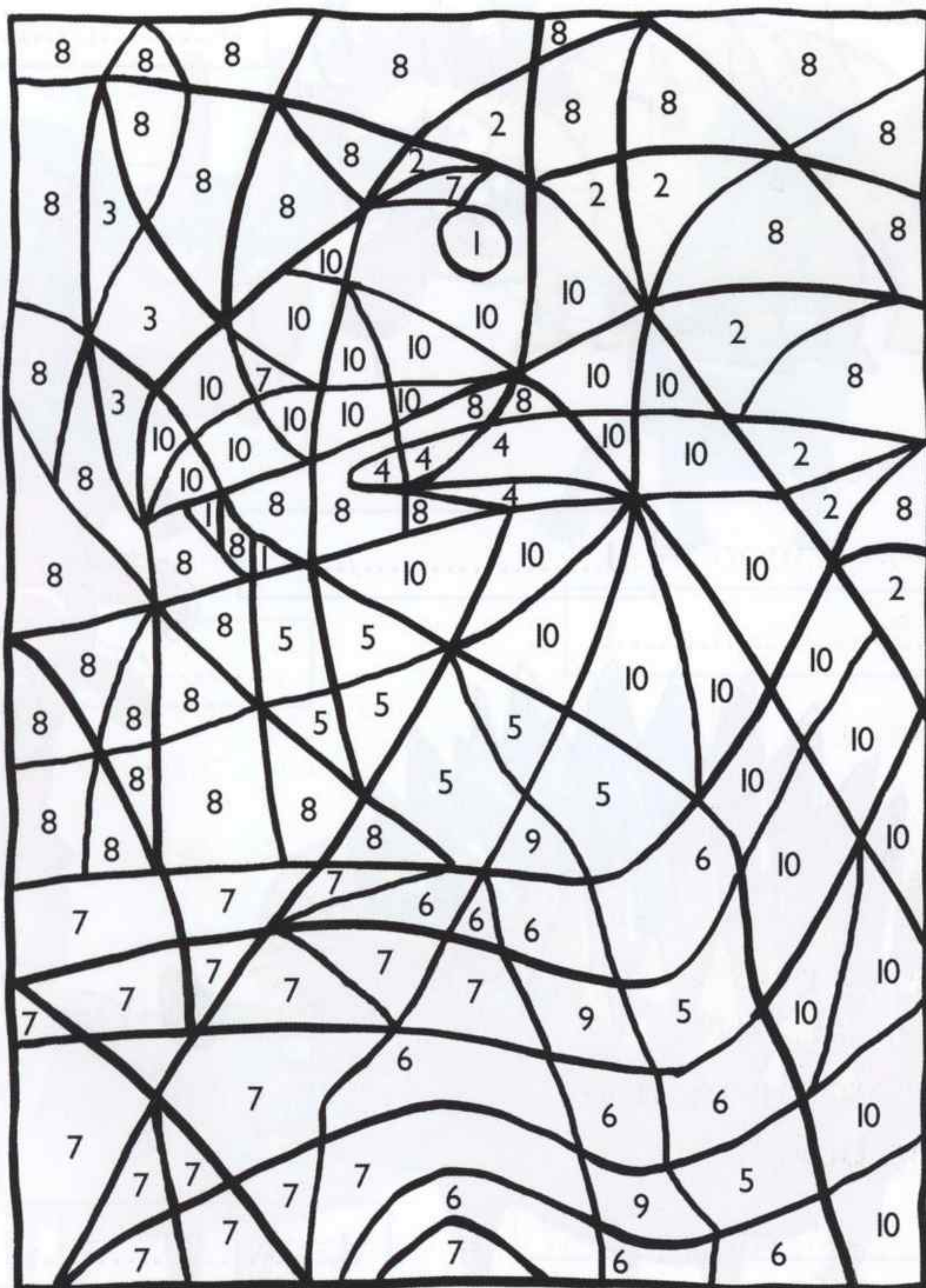
red



yellow



orange



Who are they?



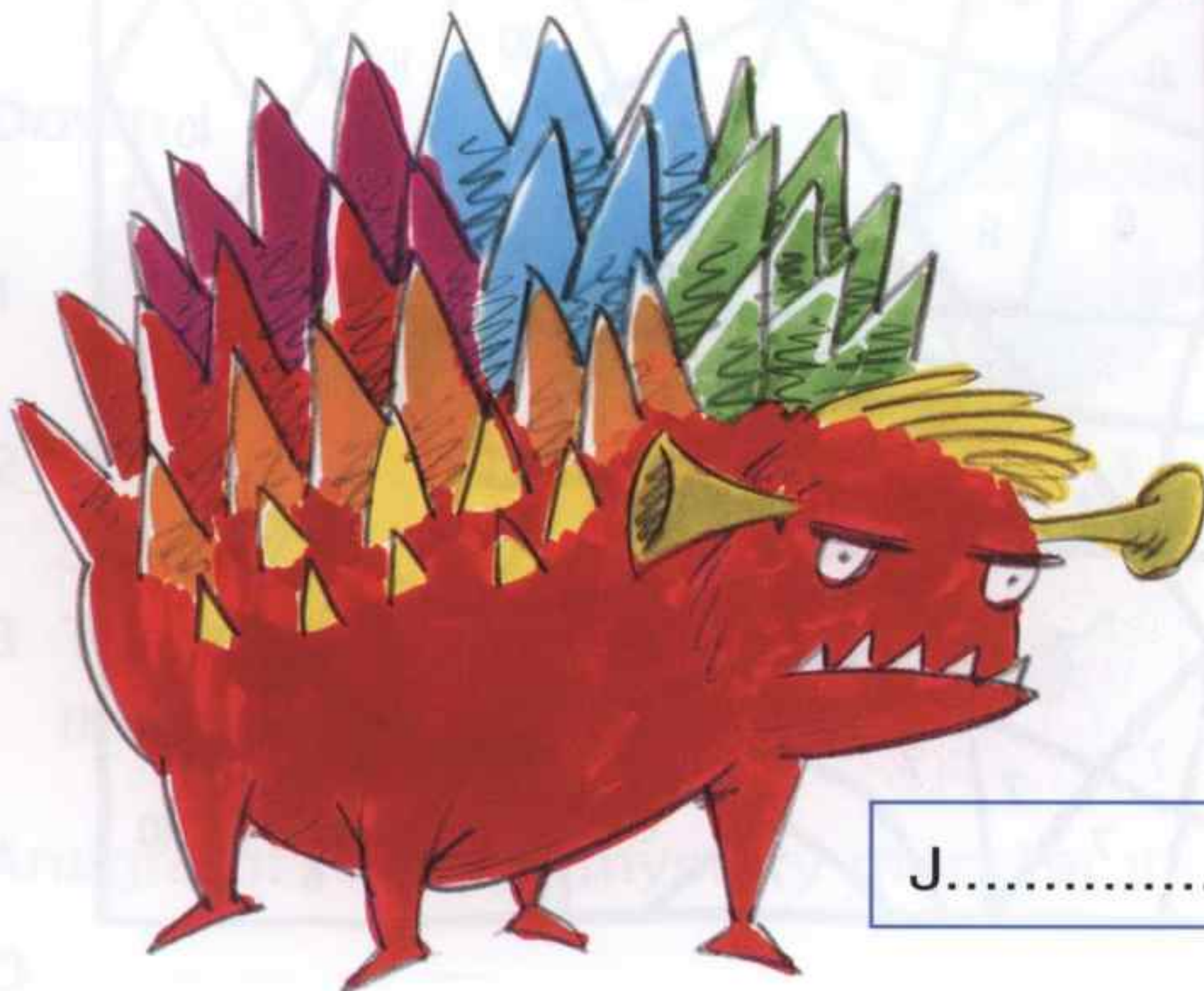
These monsters are Jeremy's friends. They are called John, Jeff, Jack, Jenny, Jessica, Jill and James. Listen and identify the monsters. Write their names in the boxes.



J.....

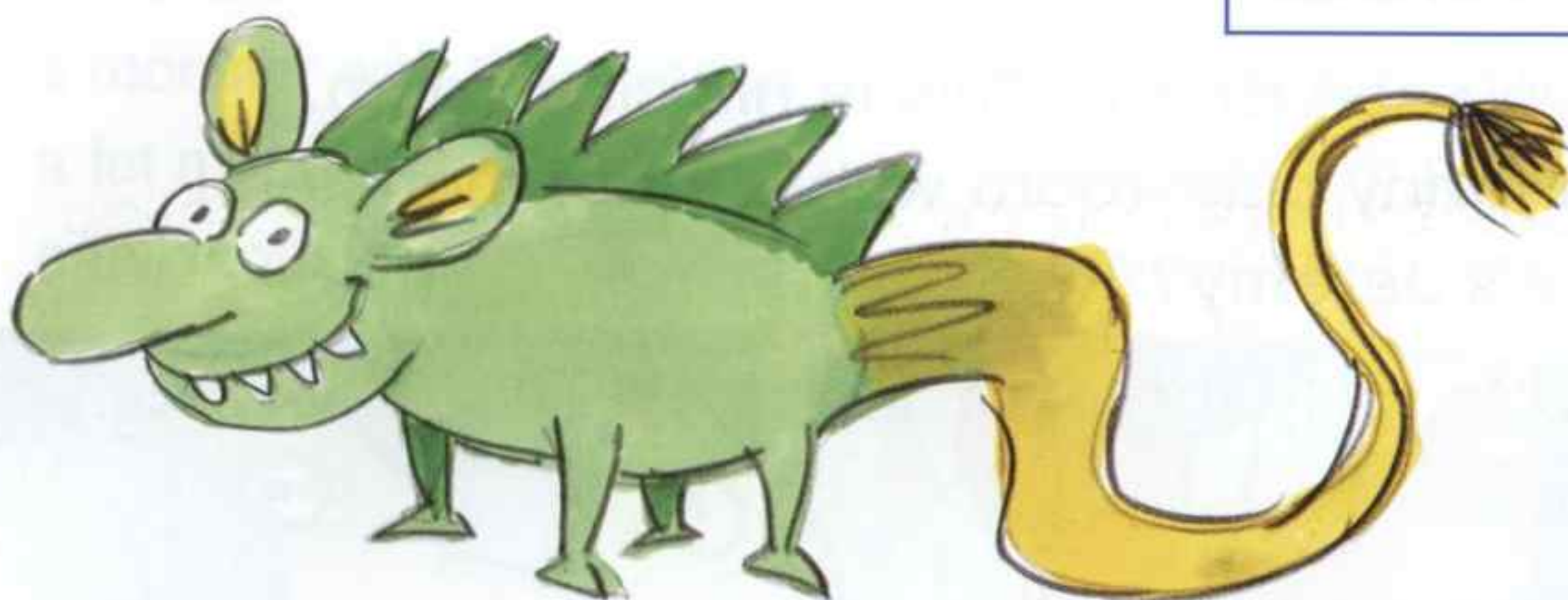


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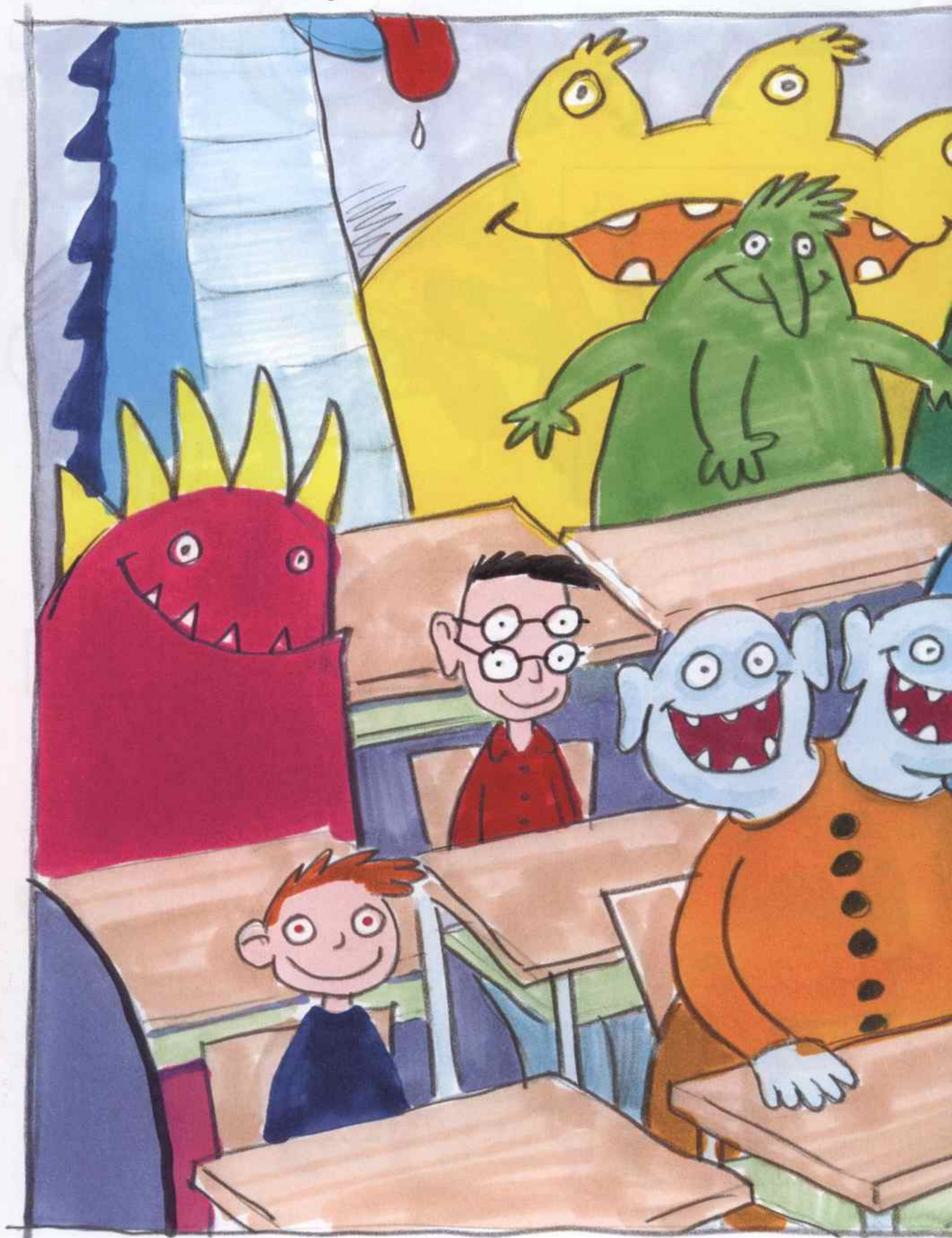
J.....



J.....

Look for the monsters!

- (CD) Can you see Bobo? This is his classroom.
It is a funny classroom with a lot of monsters!
Where's Jeremy?



Now look for:

a monster with two heads
a monster with three arms
a fat monster
a tall monster

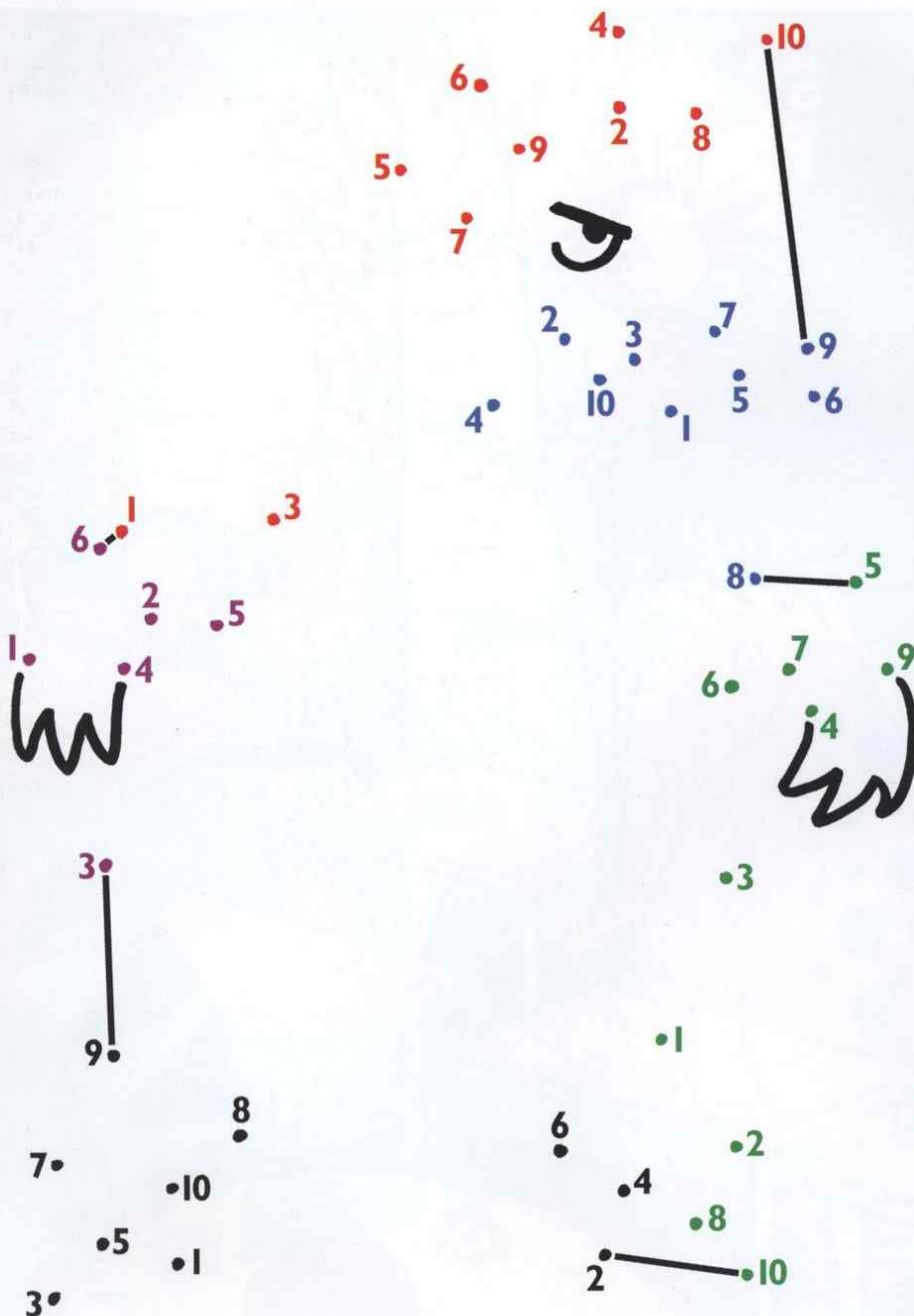
a monster with ten legs
a purple monster
a girl with blue hair
a boy with two pairs of glasses
a boy with red eyes




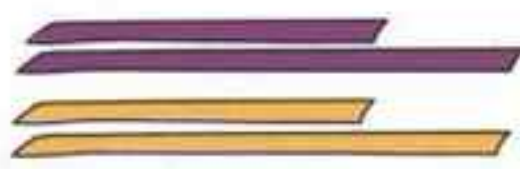

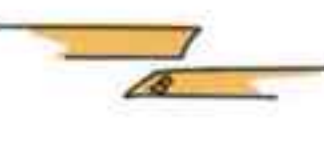









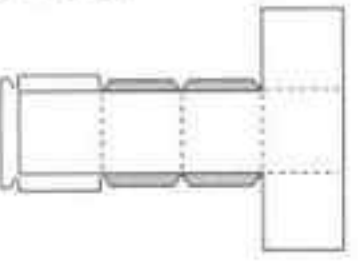

Listen and join!





Listen to the cassette and join the dots.





Jack in the box

1. Cut  the 4 strips  along the lines ——— .
2. Glue  B to B  and C to C  .
3. Glue  A to A. 
4. Fold the 2 strips together. 
5. Glue  D to D.
6. Pull  the spring. 
7. Push  the spring back.
8. Cut  the box piece  along the lines ——— .
9. Fold  along the dashed lines - - - - - .



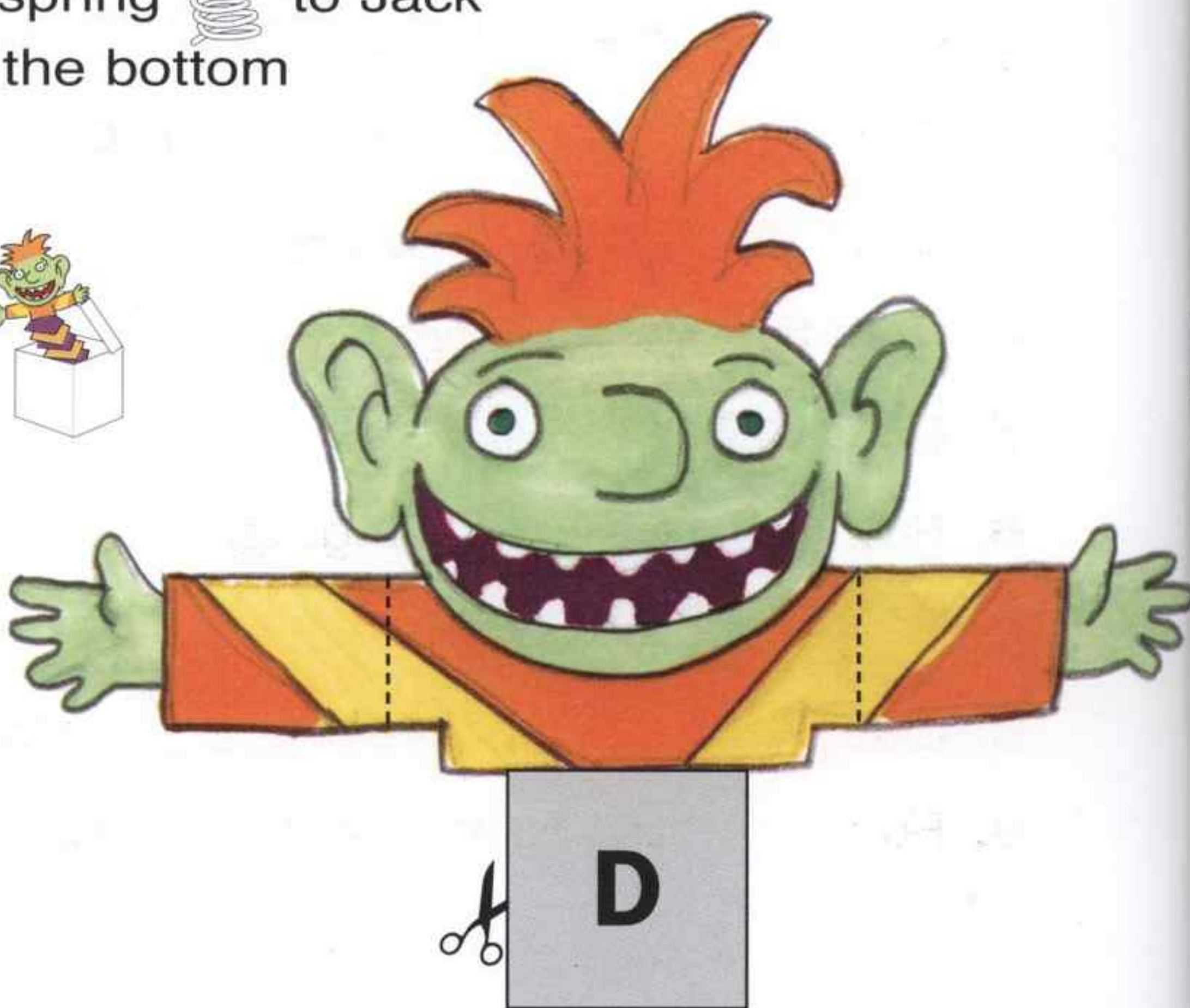
10. Glue  E, F, G, H, I, J and make the box. 

11. Cut  Jack along the lines ——— .

12. Glue  the spring  to Jack (D to D) and to the bottom of the box.

13. Close the box.

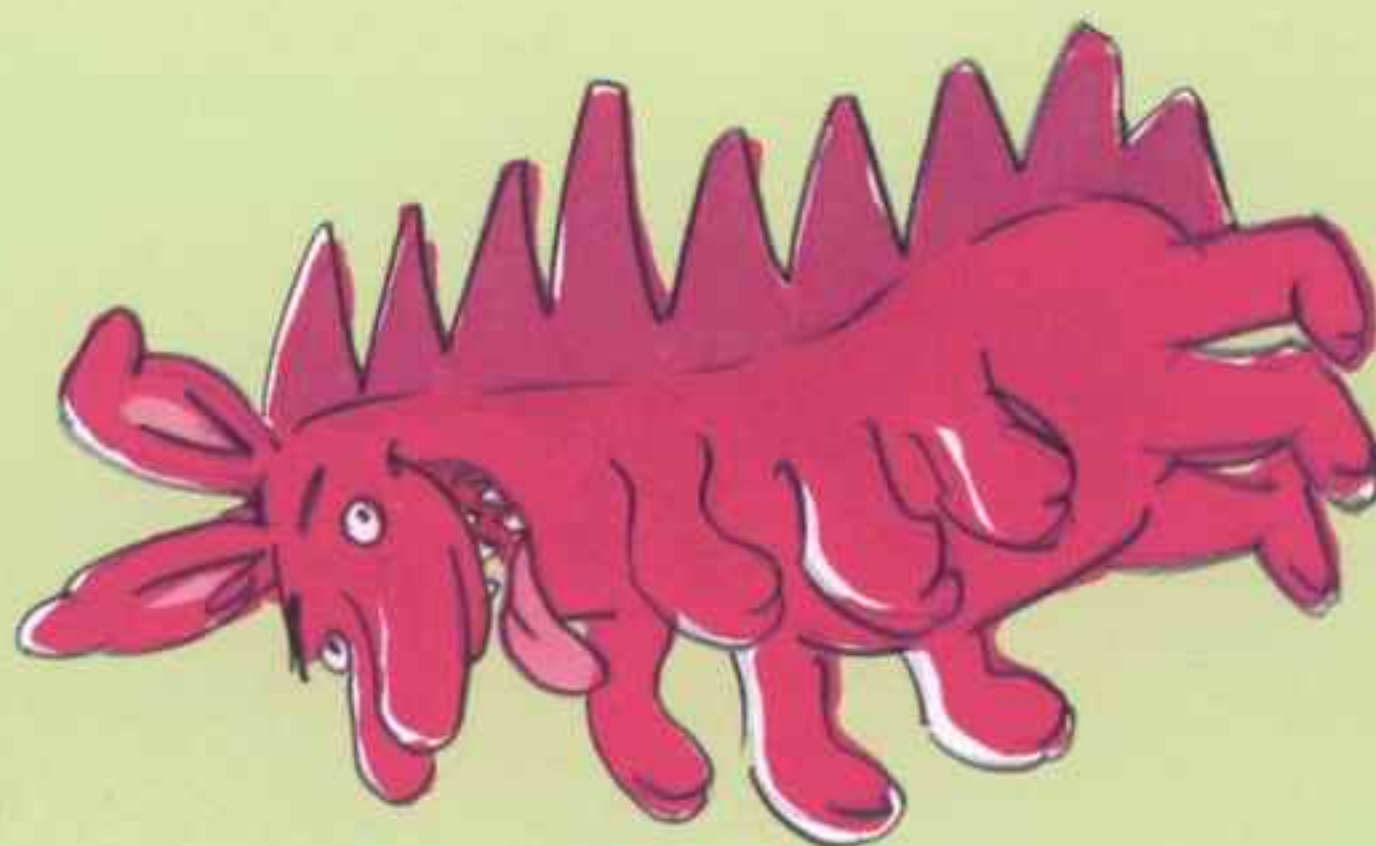
14. Open the box.



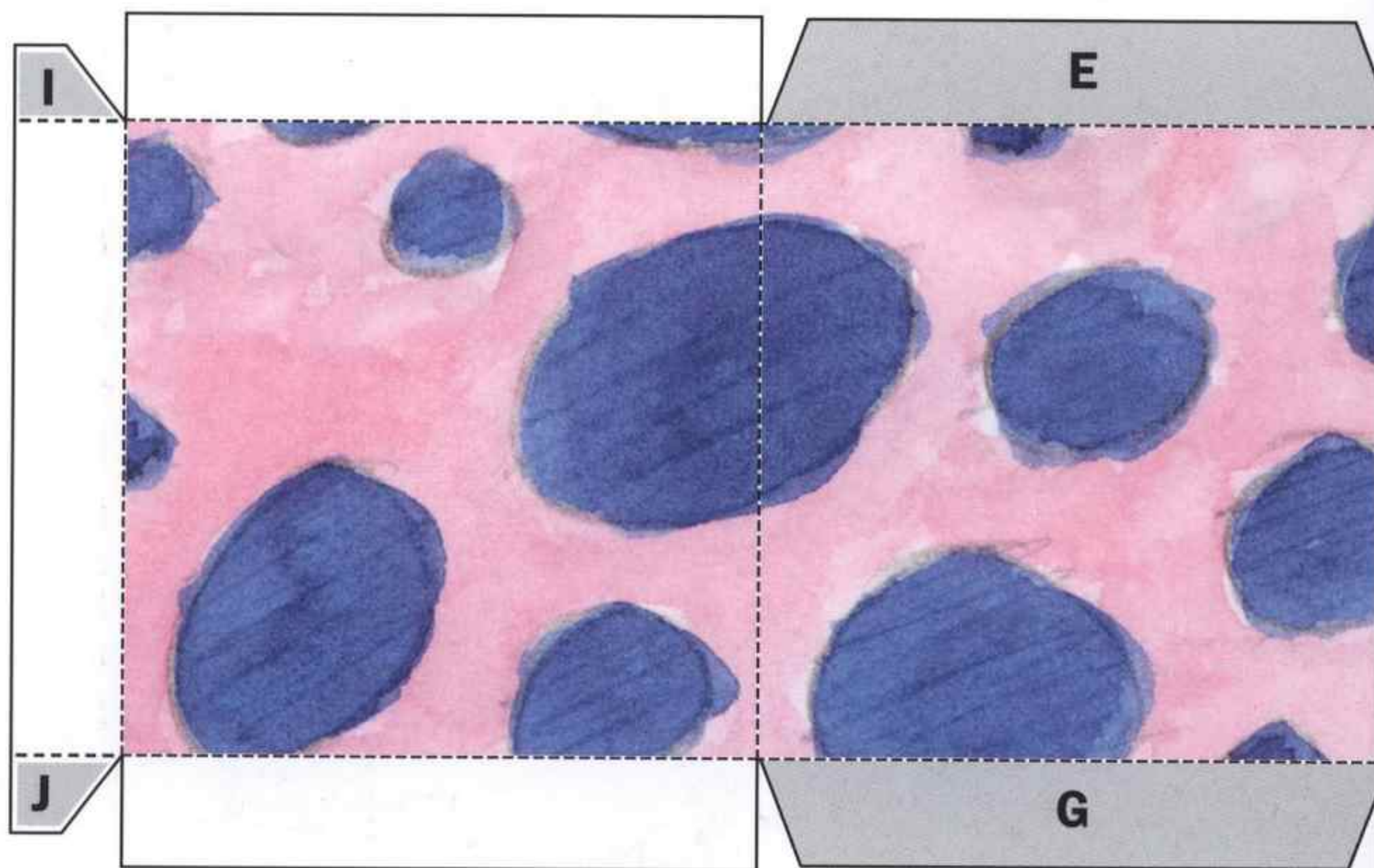
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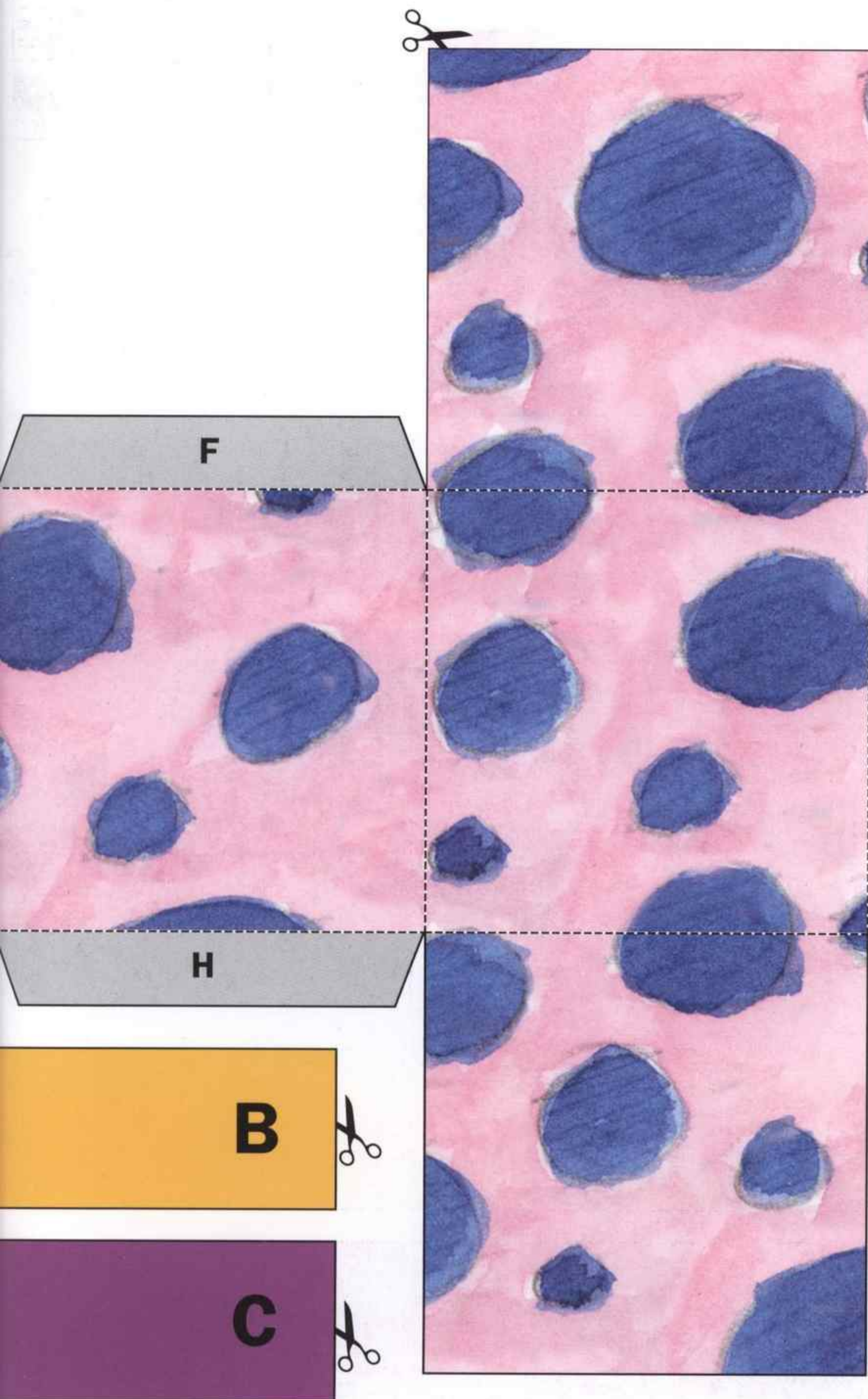
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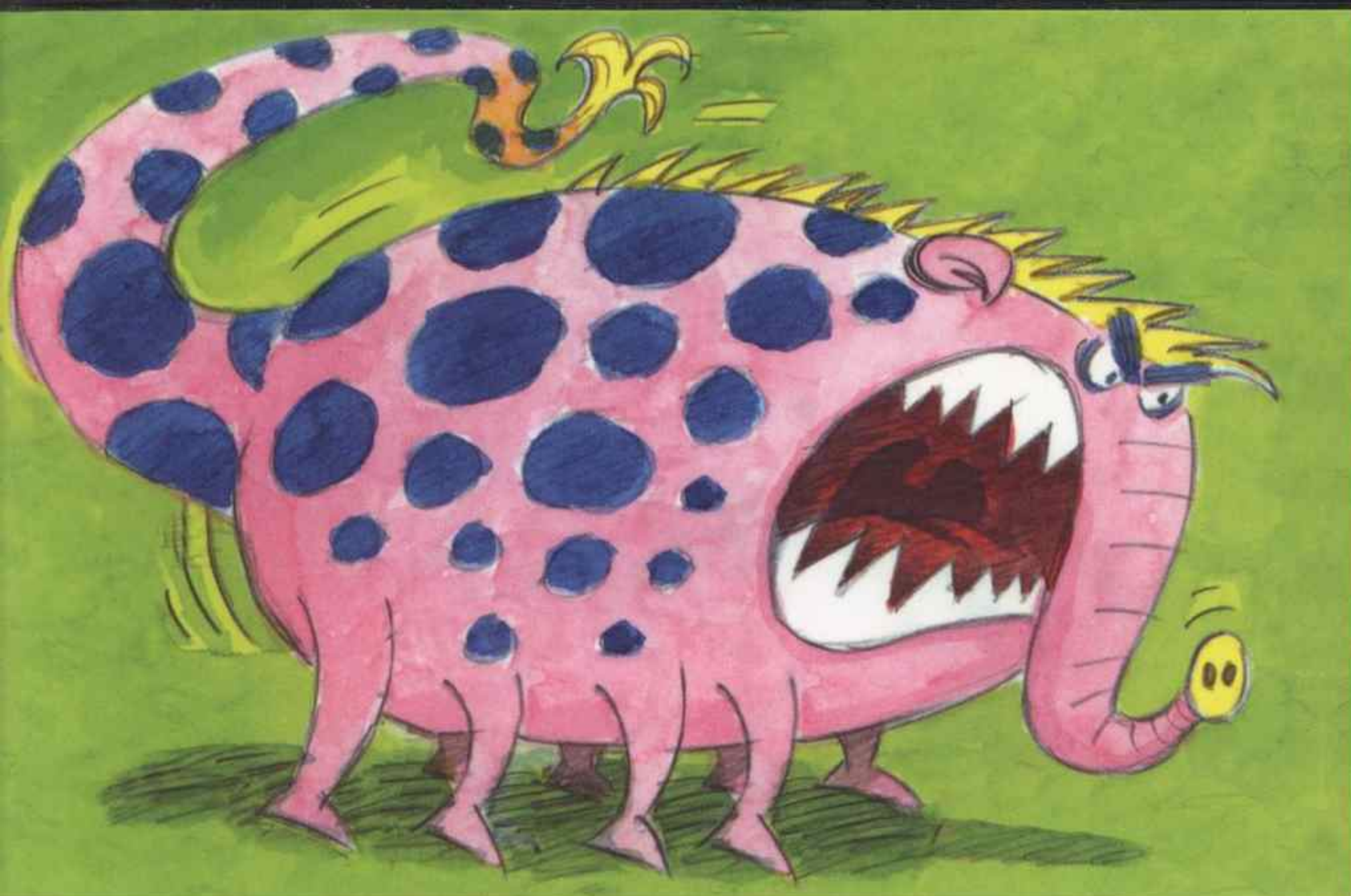
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