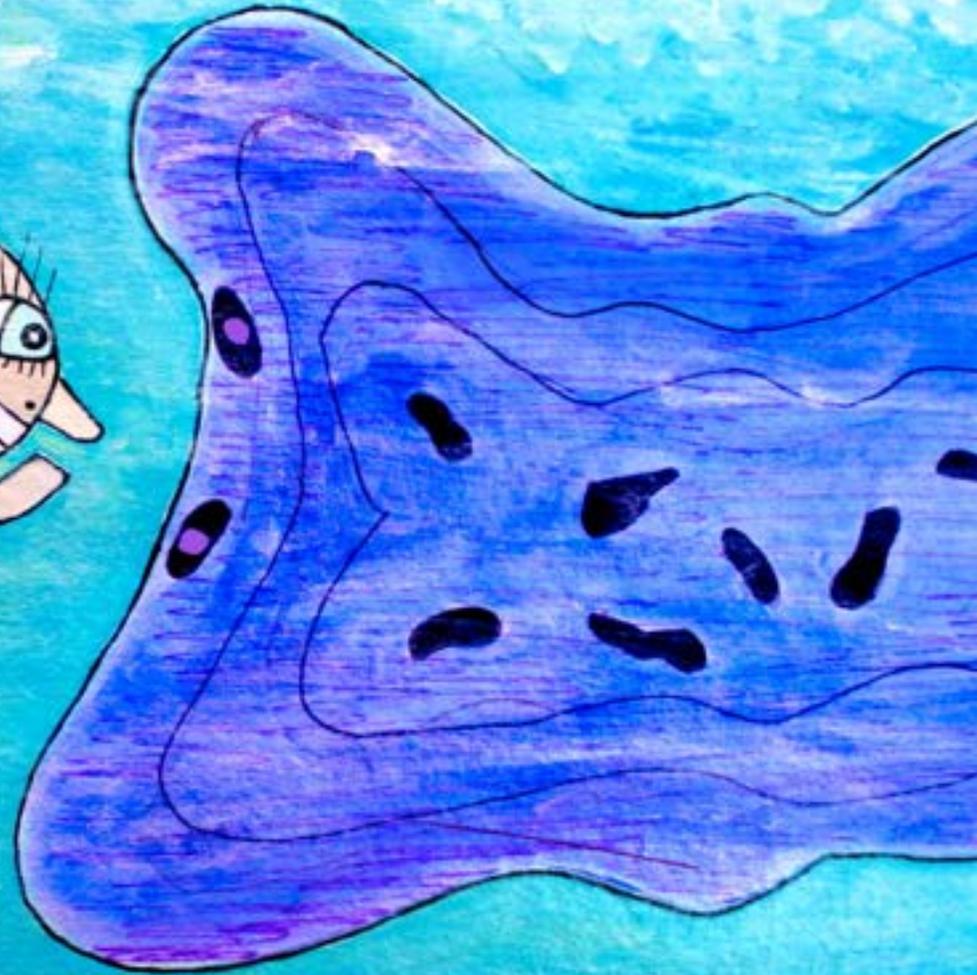


# Gert the SEE Turtle



in

**COLORS**  
**COLORS**  
**EVERYWHERE**



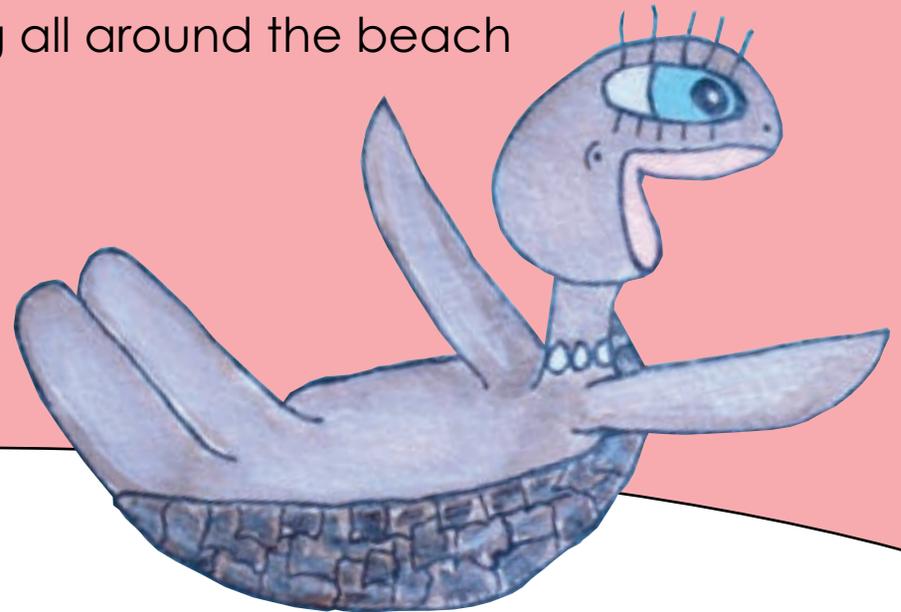
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Gert is a SEE turtle from the sea. Gert hatched on Seegrove Lane in Mild Dunes, SC, to a family of loggerhead sea turtles. Instead of joining her brothers and sisters as they were swimming out to sea, she decides to follow her dream to stay on the beach and learn all she can while living on the coast. Gert's mother gave her a "pearls of wisdom" necklace to wear as a reminder to make wise choices as she explores her new world.

This is the second book of the  
**"Gert the SEE Turtle"** series.

# Gert's Song

Gert is a little turtle from the sea  
Doing things her own way  
Jumps into her conch shell and sails all around  
Exploring throughout the day  
She's a SEE turtle, from the sea turtle  
Learning everything within her reach  
She's a SEE turtle, from the sea turtle  
Exploring all around the beach

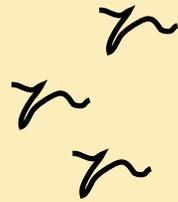


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# General Education with Respect to Turtles



*Come rain or come shine, please help improve  
the lives of children and sea turtle kind*

**Thank you to my  
beautiful children:**

*Elizabeth Jean*

*Eric Chalmers*

*Lane Strom*

*and to my nephews:*

*Mitchell Reed*

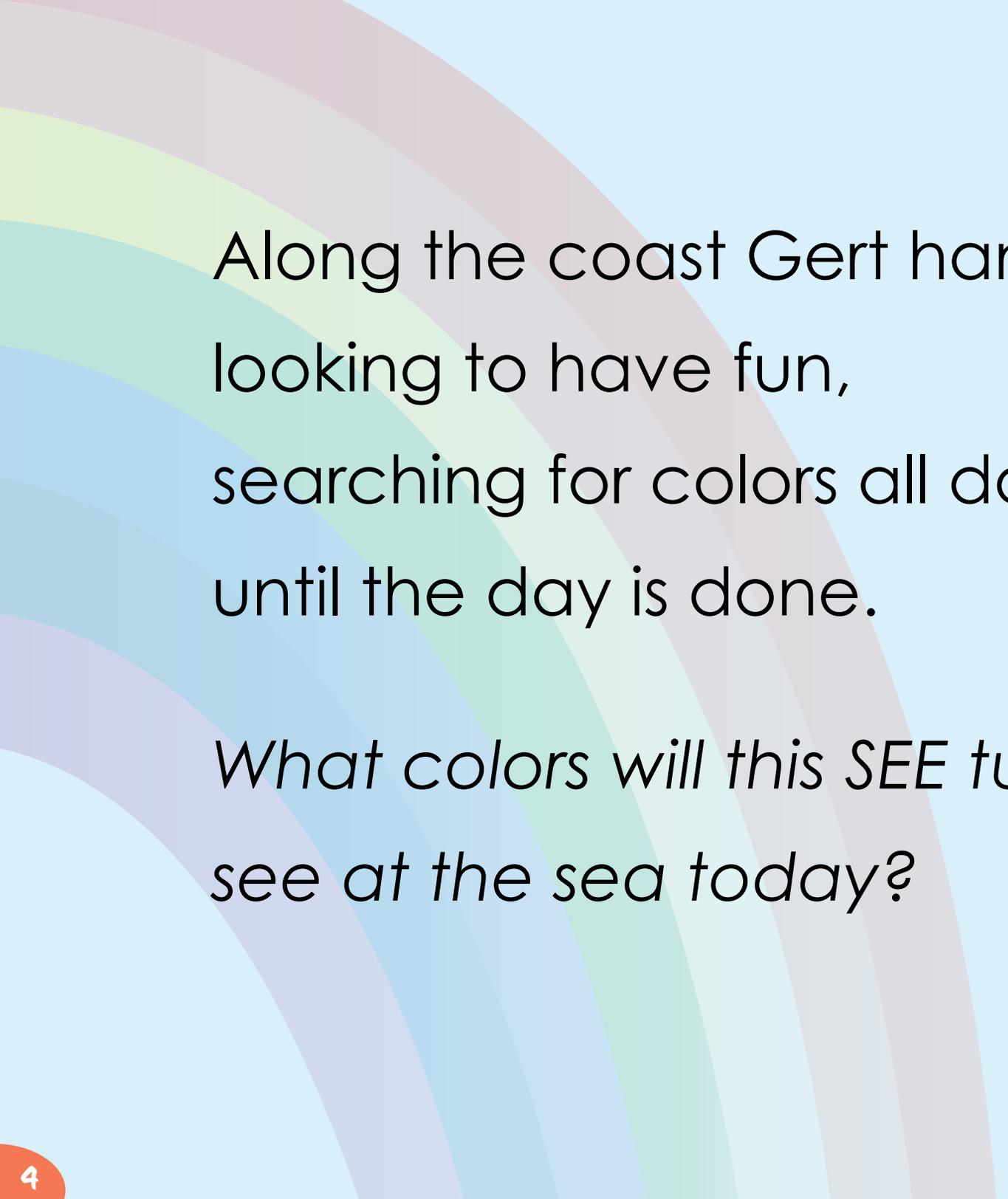
*Philip Reed*

*and Hugh Shirley*

**and to my husband**

*Hal*

**for their love  
and encouragement.**

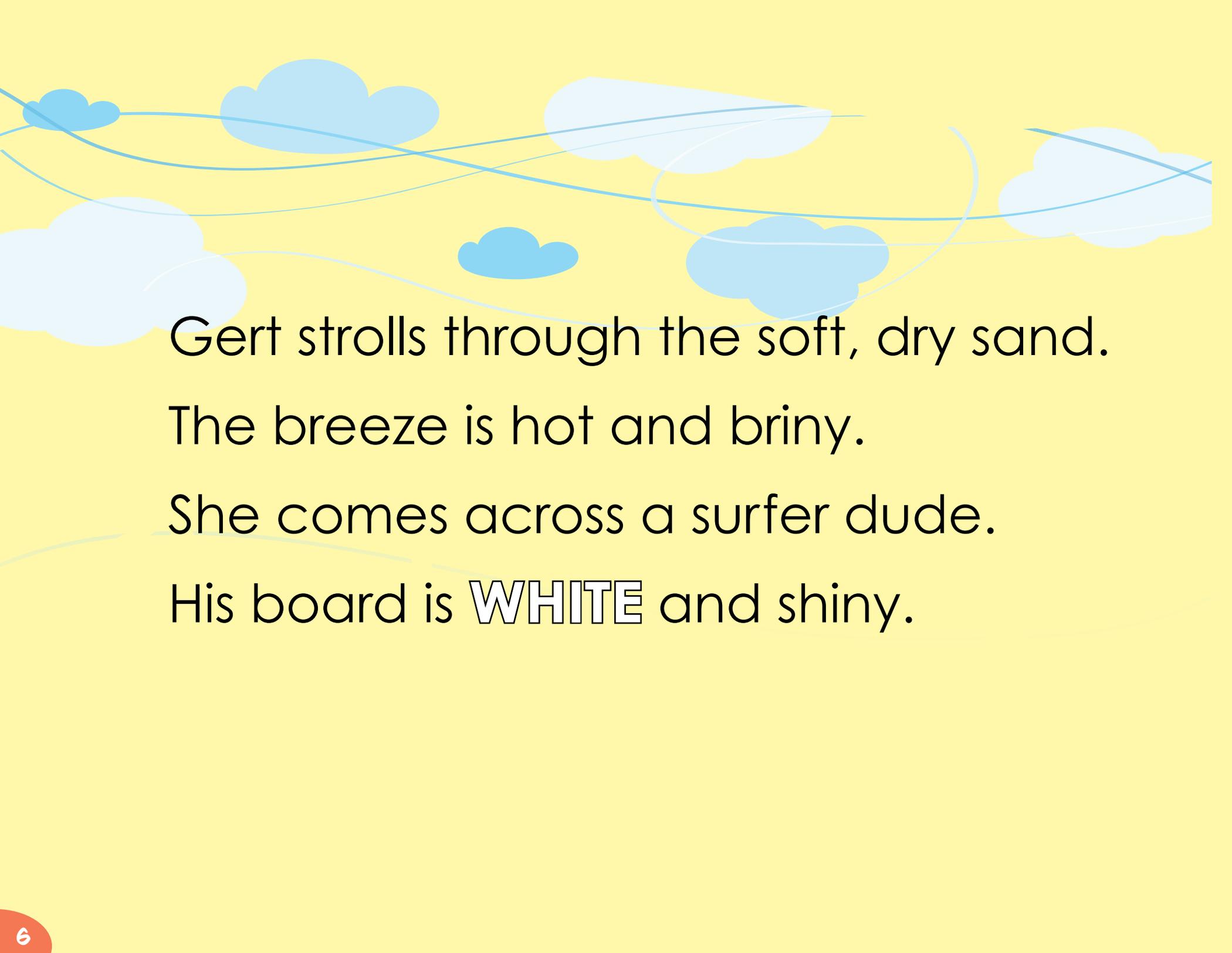


Along the coast Gert hangs around,  
looking to have fun,  
searching for colors all day long  
until the day is done.

*What colors will this SEE turtle  
see at the sea today?*



GERT  
The See  
Turtle



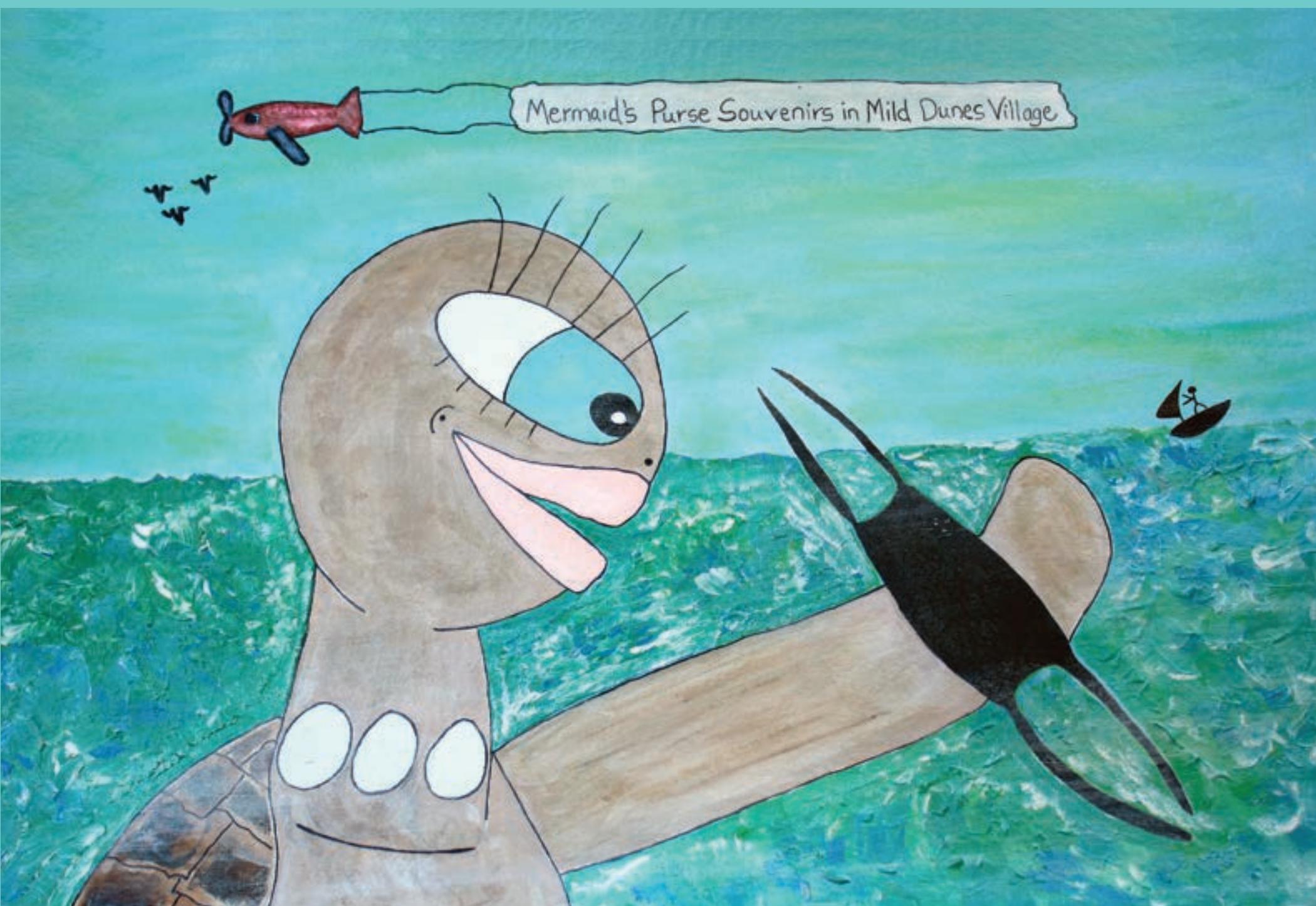
Gert strolls through the soft, dry sand.  
The breeze is hot and briny.  
She comes across a surfer dude.  
His board is **WHITE** and shiny.



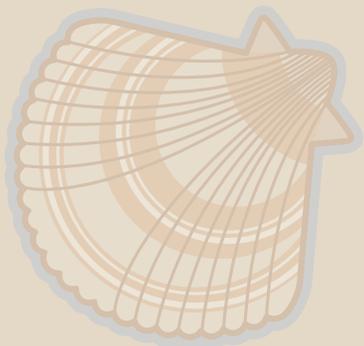
The background is a solid teal color. On the left side, there are stylized, layered waves in shades of light teal and white. A white hand is shown reaching out from the left, with fingers slightly spread. The text is centered in the middle of the page.

Gert spies beside the coastline  
an object smooth and **BLACK**.  
A mermaid's purse that held skate  
eggs is now an empty sack.

Mermaid's Purse Souvenirs in Mild Dunes Village



She skips on with excitement  
seeking other colors too.  
Gert soon meets two children  
who have buckets big and **BLUE**.







They play together for awhile,  
creating in the sand.

A **BROWN** bird passes overhead...

It's Pico Pelican!



“Glad to see you, Pico.”

“You too, Gert, but gotta fly.”

Gert jumps into her **PINK** conch shell  
and quickly waves good-bye.



The page features a light pink background with several large, stylized green leaves scattered across it. The leaves are simple, rounded shapes in various shades of green, some pointing upwards and others downwards.

Before continuing her colors trip,  
Gert must find lunch to eat.  
While floating by, she suddenly  
sees a dark **GREEN** seaweed treat.

*YUM! YUM! YUM!*

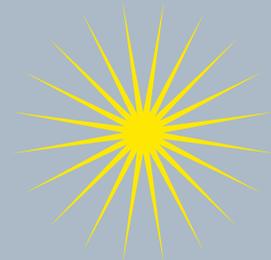




Without warning, clouds roll in,  
darkening the sky.

CRACK! BAM! **YELLOW! YELLOW!**

Lightening flashes by.....oh my!



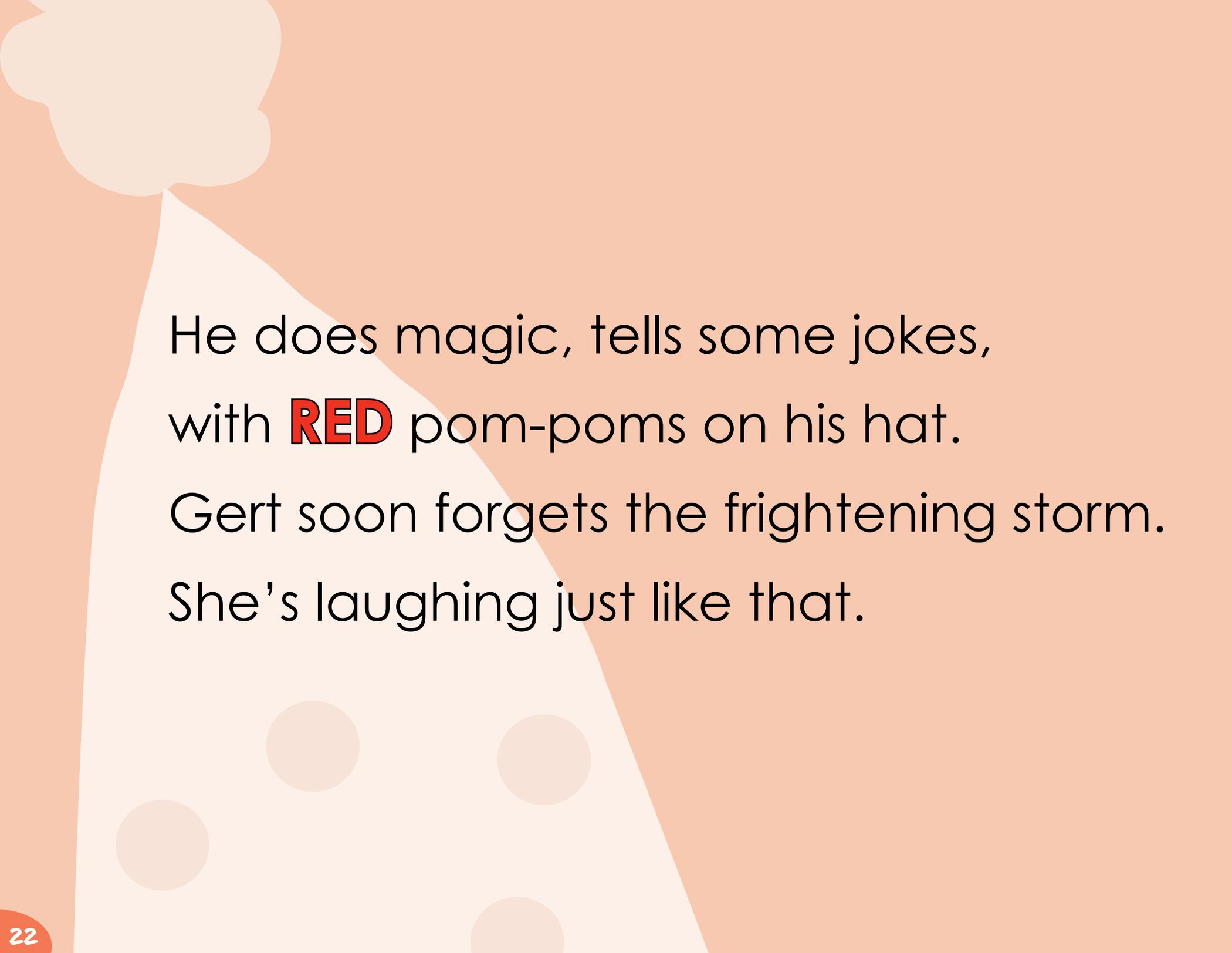


Gert is filled with fear as  
her heart begins to pound.  
She hears a giggle from behind...  
It's a fish dressed like a clown!

***SURPRISE!***







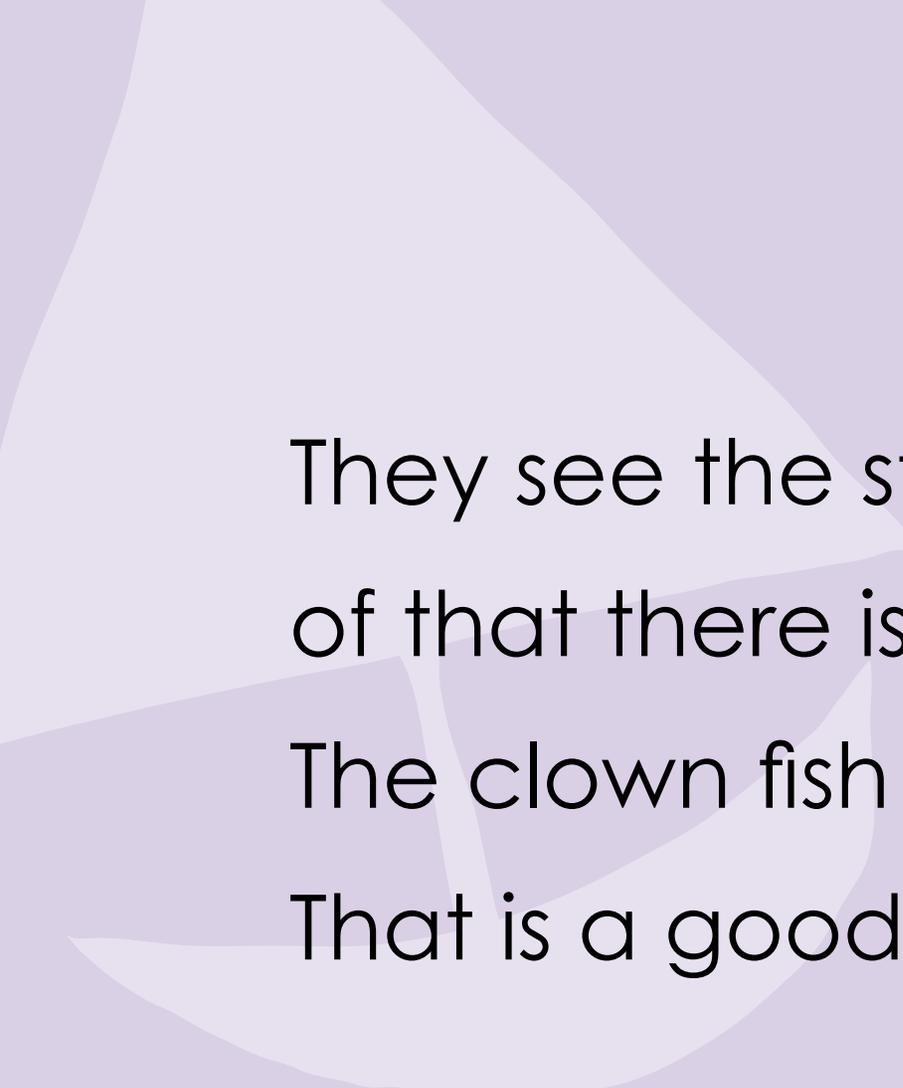
He does magic, tells some jokes,  
with **RED** pom-poms on his hat.  
Gert soon forgets the frightening storm.  
She's laughing just like that.

Comedy Club: Open Tonight

Did you hear  
the one about  
the green sea  
turtle?

GERT  
The Sea  
Turtle





They see the storm is passing on,  
of that there is no question.

The clown fish says, “You must sail on.”  
That is a good suggestion.

Good-bye



GERT  
The Sea  
Turtle

Good-bye!



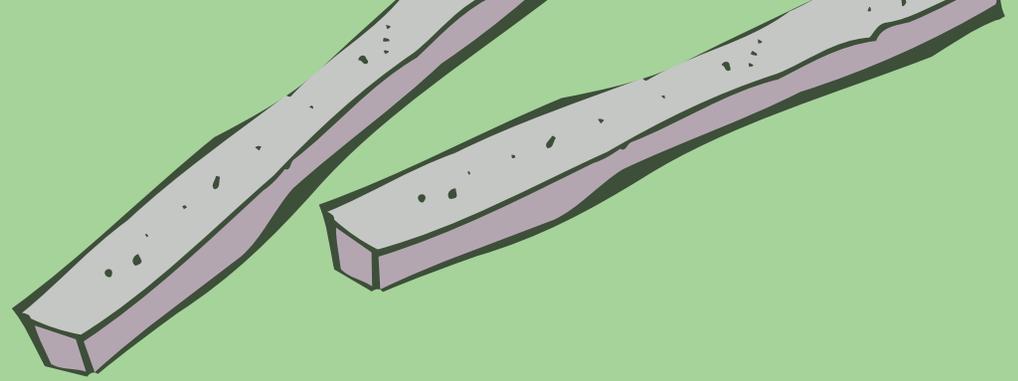
Now Gert is feeling rather hot  
and wants to take a swim.

She dives into the salty waves  
and runs right into him.

***OOPS!***



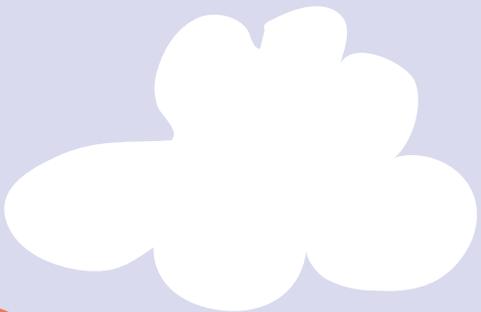


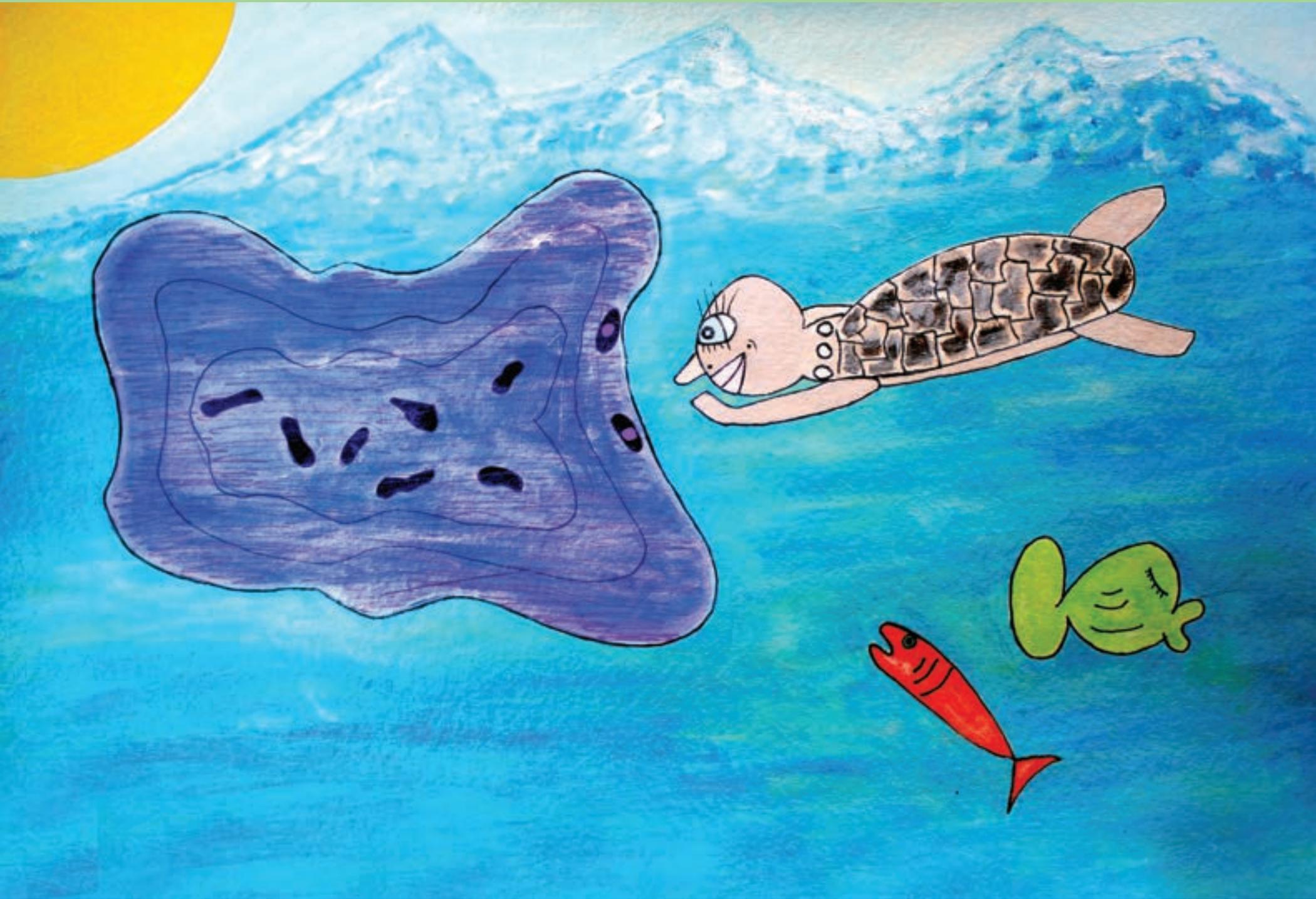


Oh my goodness, a huge sea slug with **PURPLE** skin and eyes.

His diet must consist of

**PURPLE** fries and **PURPLE** pies.





Gert sails away to head for shore  
before it gets too dark.

She looks behind, and just in time  
to escape a chasing shark!



GERT  
The See  
Turtle



That long, **GRAY** shark had snapped his teeth and glared with beady eyes. Gert's thankful to reach shoreline—when—look! What a delightful surprise!



Boat Races at Gullivans Island !!





She loves all colors on the earth  
but has her favorite one.

Nothing pleases Gert more than  
a bright **ORANGE** setting sun.





The day is over now and  
her colors trip must end.



Gert will return tomorrow  
to explore her world again.





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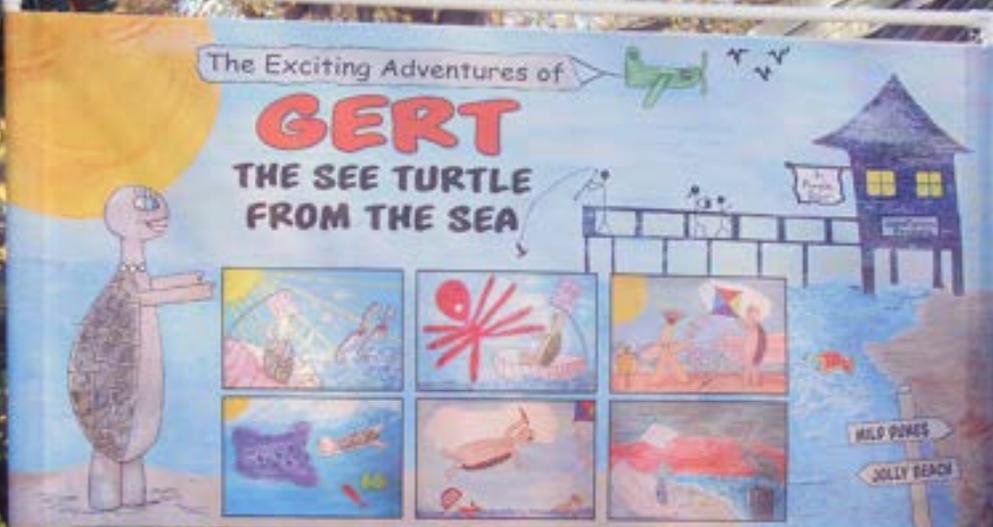
*Maxine Moody Poston*

Though I grew up an army brat, I lived a large part of my childhood in my father's hometown of Lake City, SC, while he did tours of duty in Korea and Vietnam. I married my high school sweetheart, Hal, on July 4, 1976. We have 3 grown children: Elizabeth, Eric, and Lane. My husband and I now reside in Flat Rock, NC. In 1991, when my sons were 1 and 4, I created the "Gert the SEE Turtle" books to help my sons learn to read, count numbers, know their colors, understand emotions, etc. My then twelve-year-old daughter was the inspiration for Gert (an acronym for General Education with Respect to Turtles).

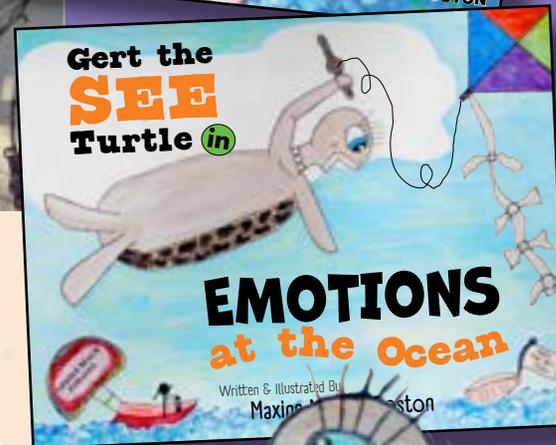
Gert wants to encourage children to enjoy observing and learning about their world every day. After all, Gert's first love is learning and she wants all young people to want, and be able, to learn as much as she does.



*I had the honor to meet Briar, one of the patients at the SC Aquarium Sea Turtle Hospital in Charleston, SC, on May 15, 2014 and to be there for her release back into the ocean on July 15, 2014*



**MAKE SURE TO PICK UP ALL OF GERT'S ADVENTURES!**



I want to give a heartfelt thank you to Manon Houle, from Imagewerks Productions, for all her hard work and patience with me while designing the "Gert the SEE Turtle" books.

*"Thank you, my friend, for bringing your artistic giftedness, laughter, and fun to our work sessions in putting the Gert books together. Thank you, especially, for making a dream of mine come true"*

*With love, Maxine*





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