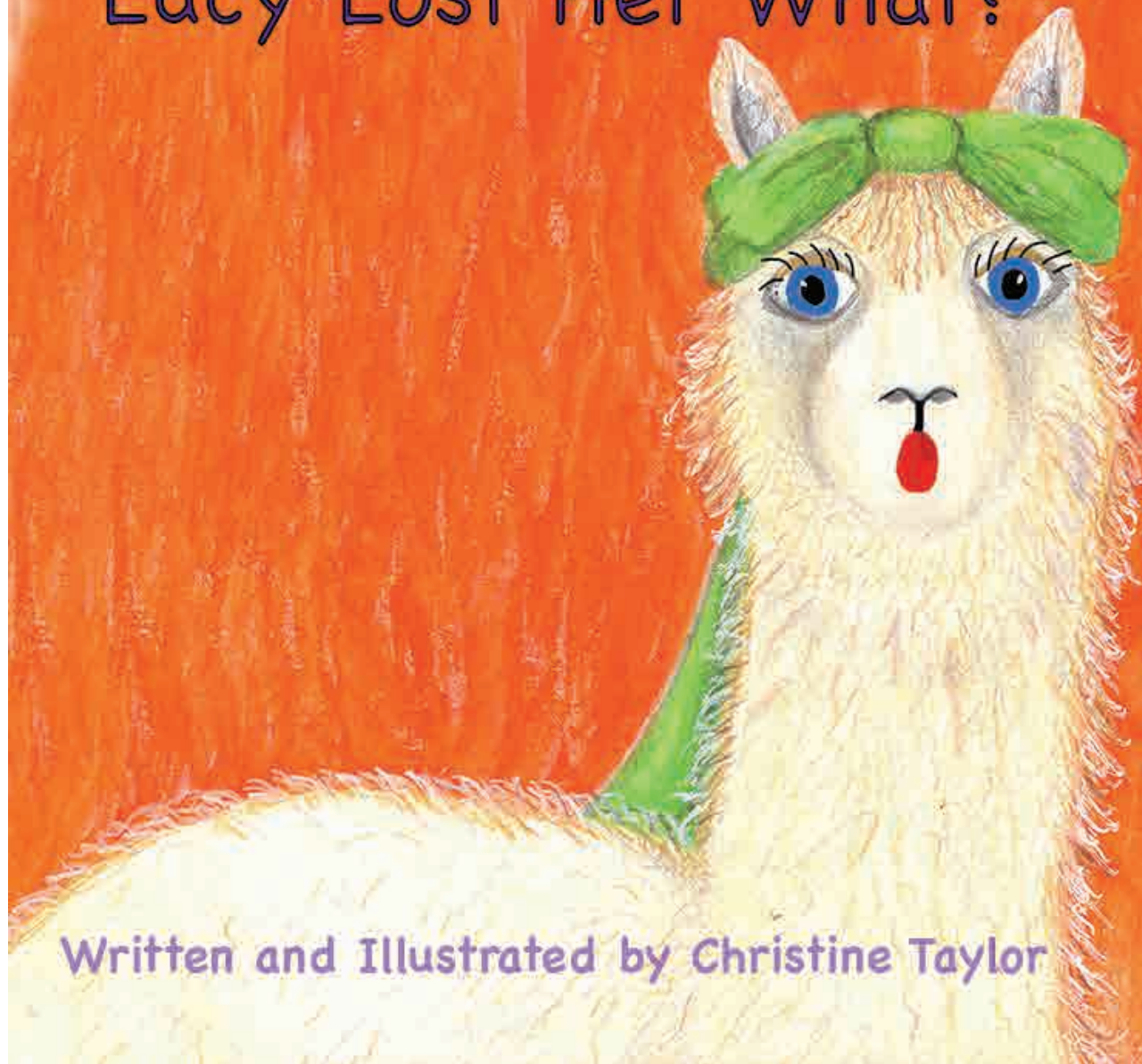


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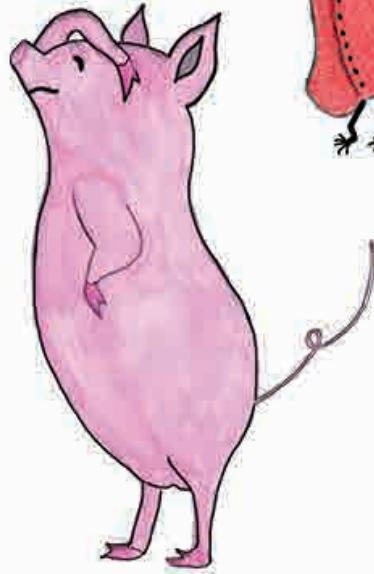
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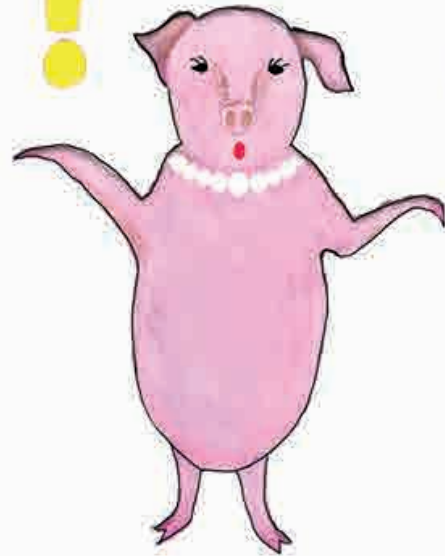
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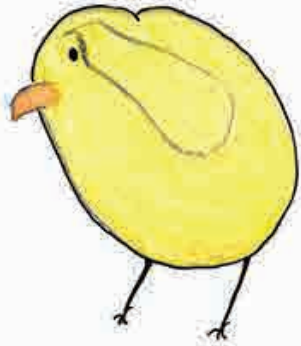
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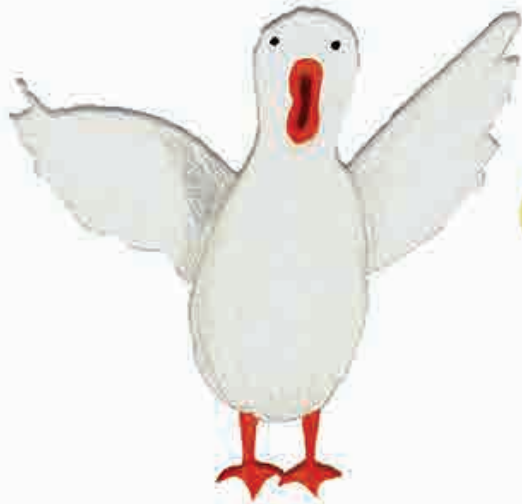
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For my loves:

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William, Veronica, Aurora, Ellie,
Gracie, Bailey, Remi, and Joey.

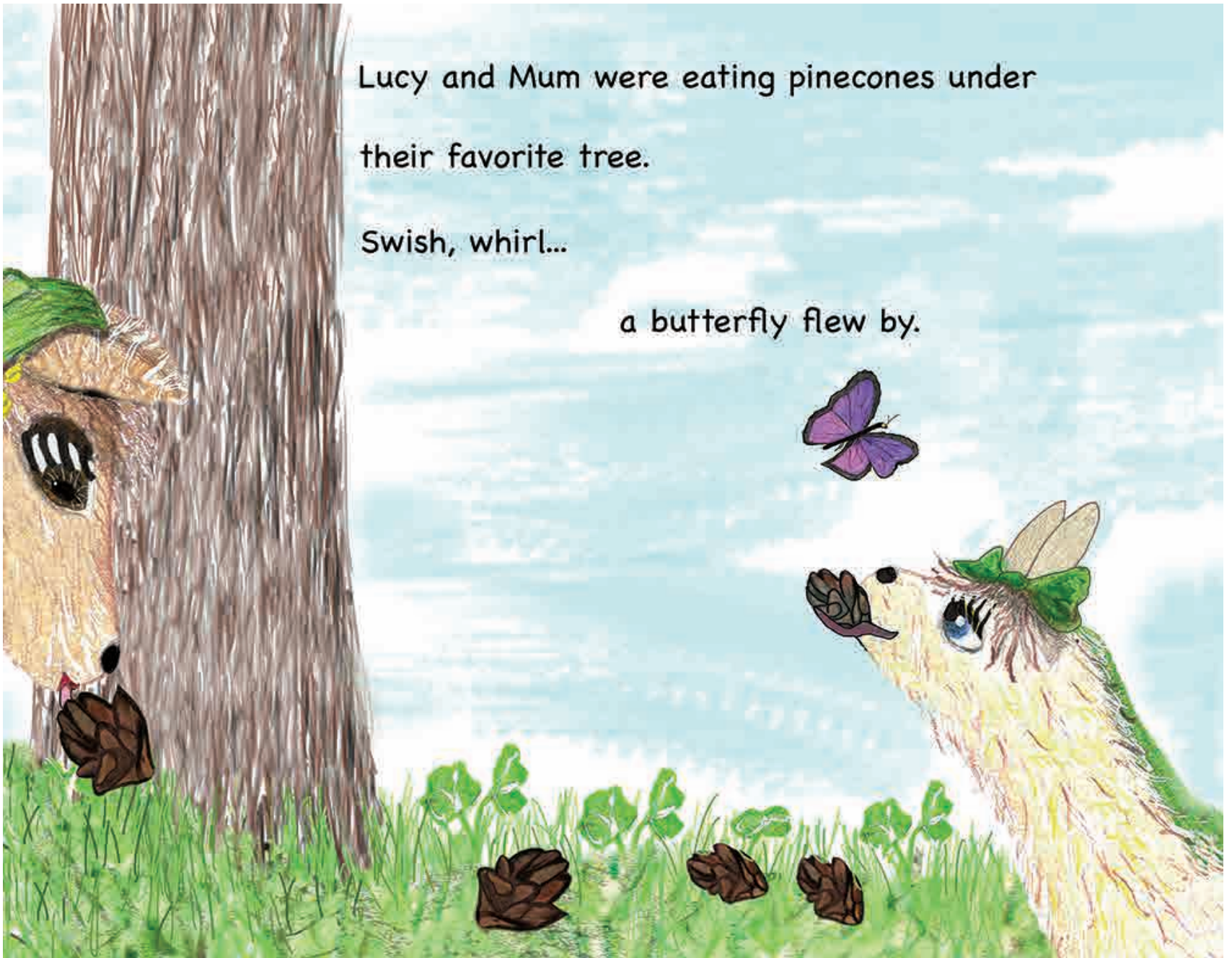
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Lucy and Mum were eating pinecones under
their favorite tree.

Swish, whirl...

a butterfly flew by.



Lucy thought the chase would be fun.



But where was her alpaca mum?





Something was hobbling through a field.

Lucy squealed, "It must be my Mum."

But it was just ONE old cat.

"That's not Mum. She wears a green hat.

Can you help me find my Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat



followed Lucy.

Something caught Lucy's eye. "Mum...?"

It was TWO pigs on a trampoline!

"That's not Mum. She wears blue jeans.

Can you help me find my Mum?"

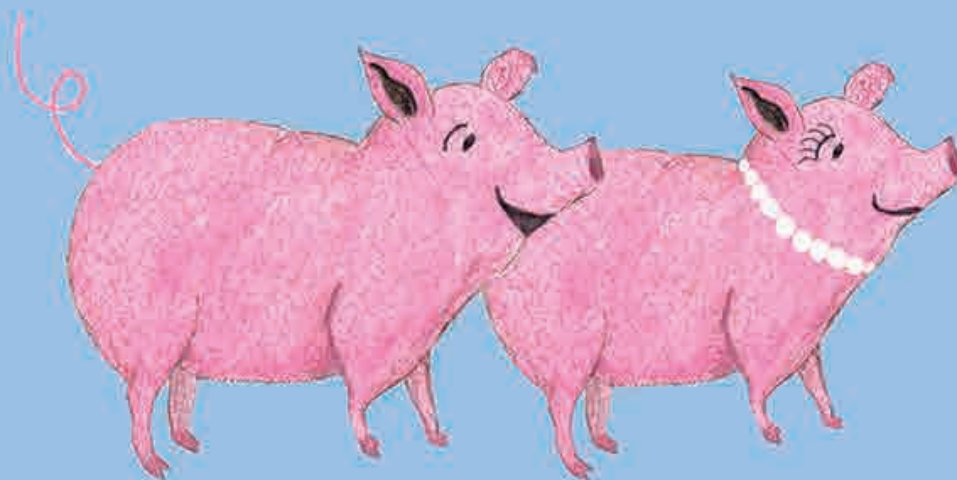


And with that...

ONE cat

and

TWO pigs



followed Lucy.

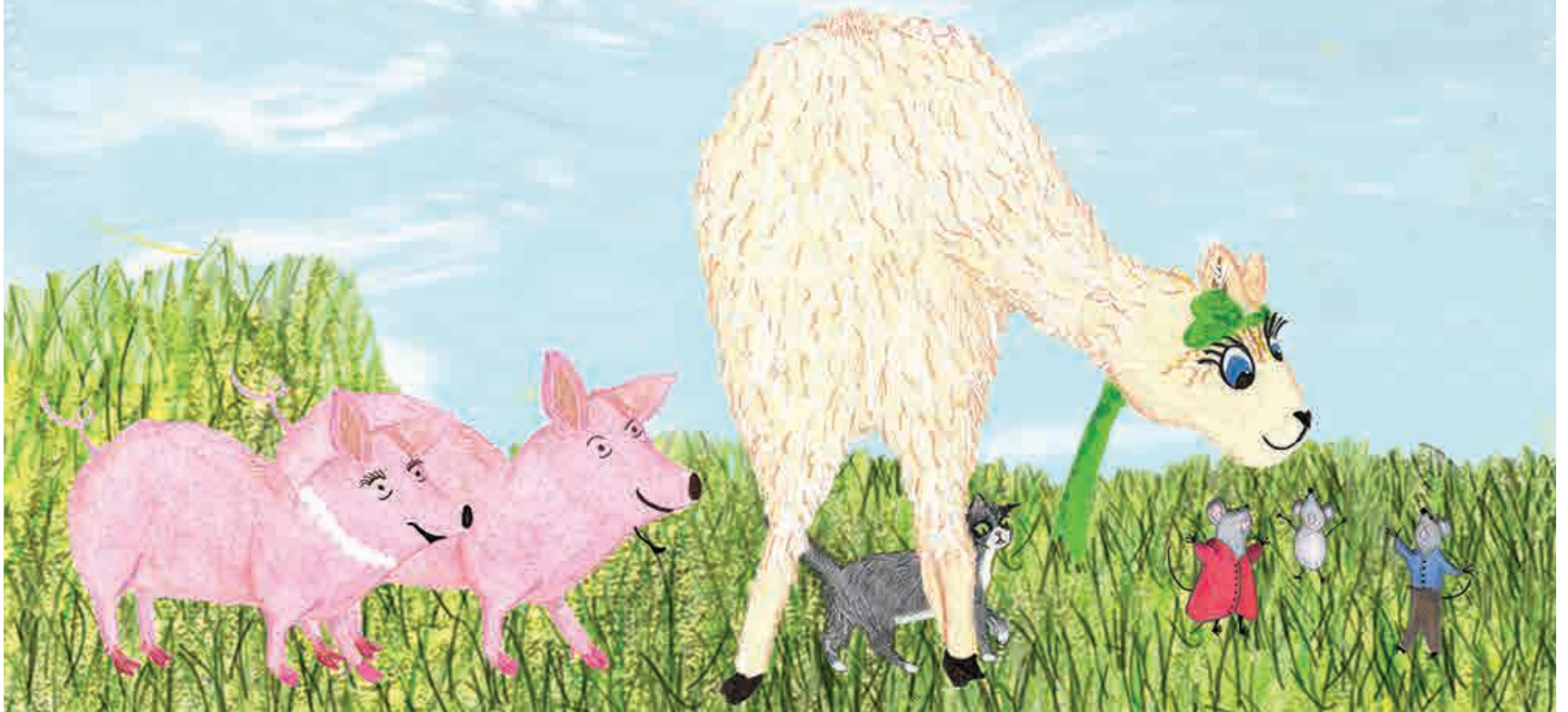
Squeaky, squeaky, squeal, and squeal!

Lucy heard THREE mice singing in a field.

A papa, a mama, and a baby mouse.

"That's not Mum. She wears a red blouse.

Can you help me find my Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



TWO pigs,



and

THREE mice



followed Lucy.

Lucy was getting very cranky.

She saw FOUR rabbits eating roots.

"That's not Mum. She wears purple boots.

Can you help me find my Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



Two pigs,



THREE mice,



and

FOUR rabbits



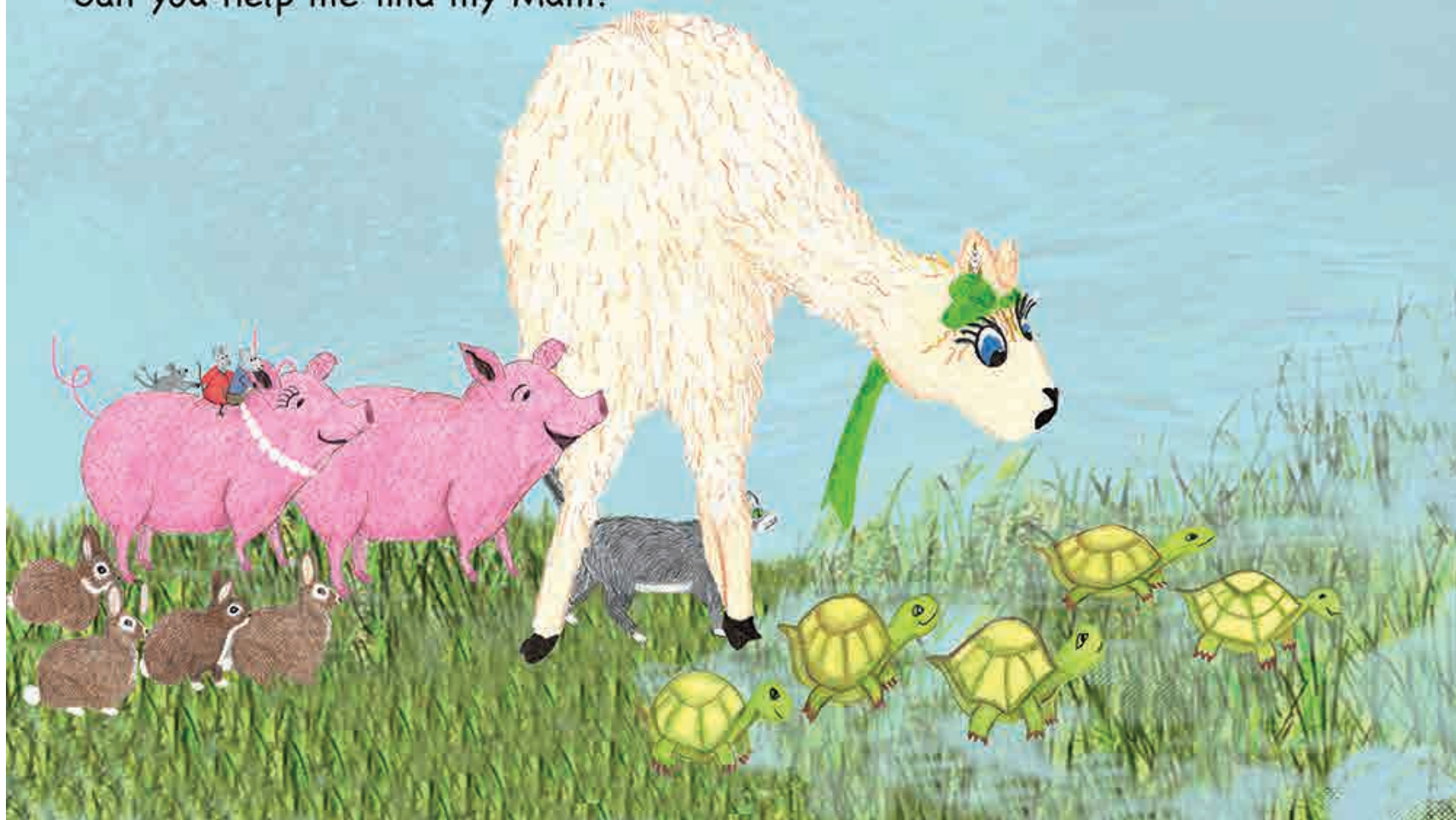
followed Lucy.

Just then FIVE turtles waddled by.

Lucy thought the day couldn't get any worse.

"That's not Mum. She has a yellow purse.

Can you help me find my Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



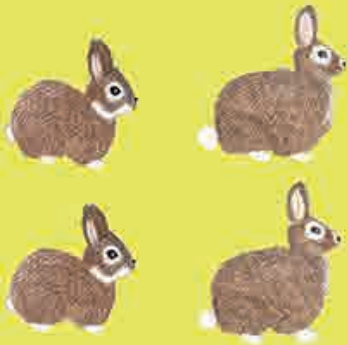
TWO pigs,



THREE mice,



FOUR rabbits,



and

FIVE turtles



followed Lucy.

Chirp, chirp, chattered SIX chicks.

"Oh no, that's not Mum.

She wears LOTS of lipstick.

Can you help me find my Mum?"

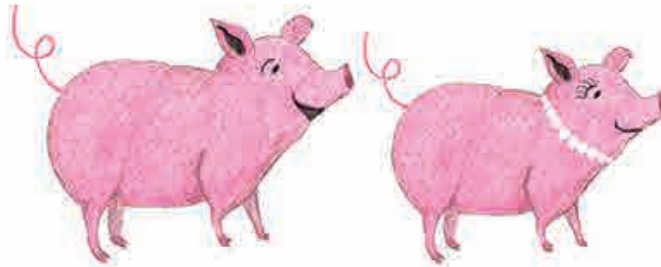


And with that...

ONE cat,



TWO pigs,



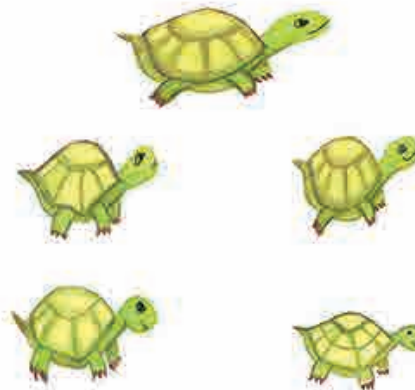
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FOUR rabbits,

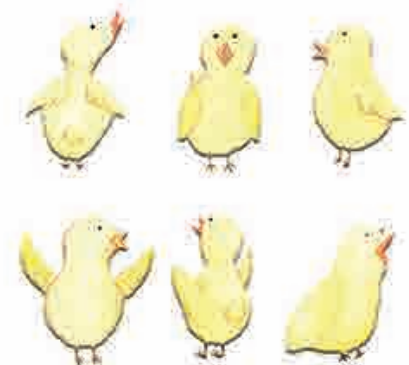


FIVE turtles,



and

SIX chicks



followed Lucy.

Quack, quack, "What's that?" asked her friends.

They saw SEVEN ducks. They were loud and bold.

"That's not Mum. She wears earrings of gold.

Can you help me find my Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



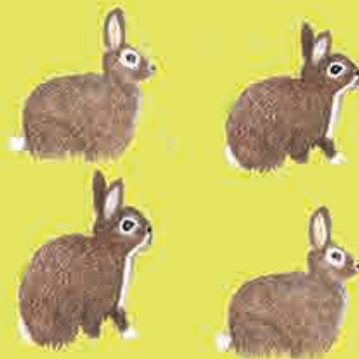
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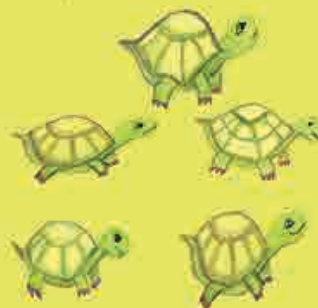
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FIVE turtles,

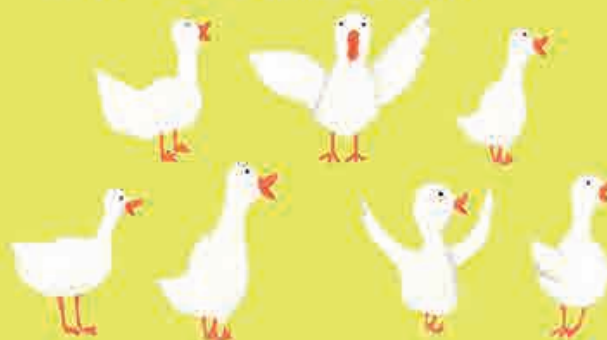


SIX chicks



and

SEVEN ducks



followed Lucy.

Lucy's tail began to twitch.

She saw EIGHT iguanas and started to cry.

"That's not Mum. She has a polka-dot tie.

Can you help me find my mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



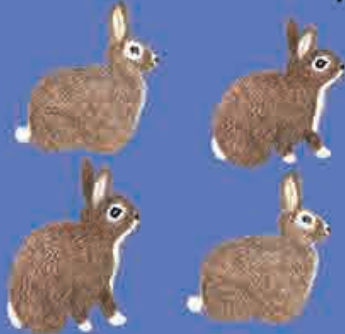
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FOUR rabbits,



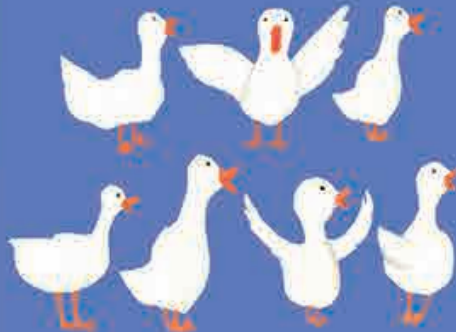
FIVE turtles,



SIX chicks,



SEVEN ducks,



and

EIGHT iguanas



followed Lucy.

Lucy saw NINE alpacas. "Mum must be here!"

Lucy looked but Mum was not there.

"She has tissues for my nose," Lucy wailed.

"Can you help me find my M-Mum?"



And with that...

ONE cat,



TWO pigs,



THREE mice,



FOUR rabbits,



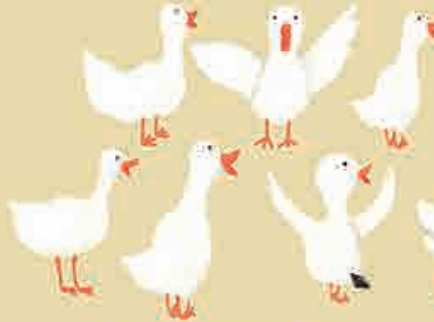
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and NINE alpacas



followed Lucy.

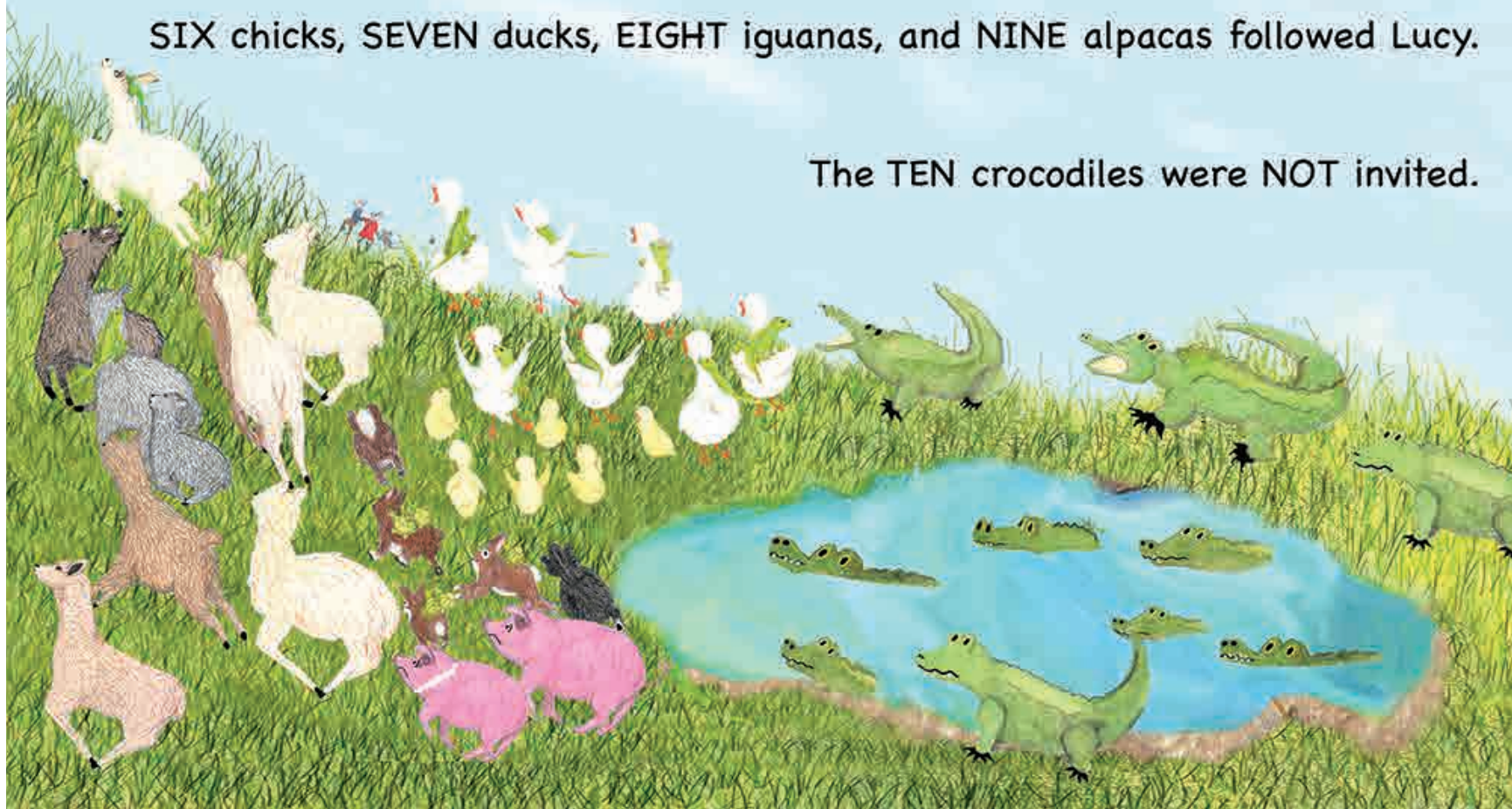
They stopped by a lake. There were TEN crocodiles.

Some were swimming. Others crawled closer to Lucy and her friends.

"We're out of here!" they yelled.

And with that ONE cat, TWO pigs, THREE mice, FOUR rabbits, FIVE turtles, SIX chicks, SEVEN ducks, EIGHT iguanas, and NINE alpacas followed Lucy.

The TEN crocodiles were NOT invited.





The moon was up and tears rolled down her furry face.

Lucy thought about her pinecone and the beautiful butterfly.

"YAHOO!" she yelled. "I know where Mum is—

under our favorite tree. Follow me!"



Lucy found her Mum. She was right where she left her.

In a green hat, blue jeans, red blouse, purple boots,
gold earrings, polka-dot tie, yellow purse, red lips...
with her hands on her hips!

She was munching sweet clover but the look
on her face was SOUR.

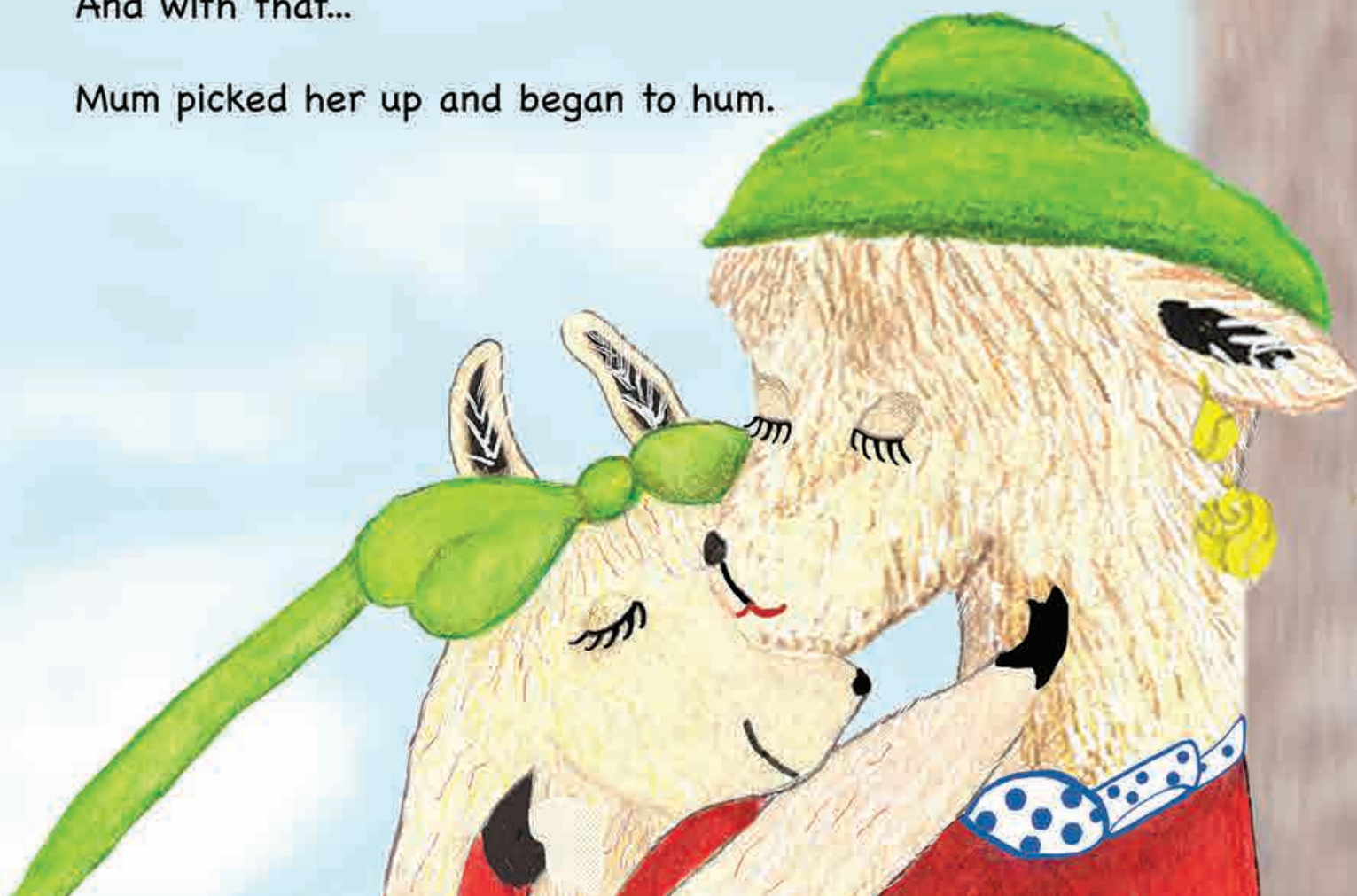
"I looked for you all day
and I was VERY scared," Mum said.



"I'll never wander away again."

And with that...

Mum picked her up and began to hum.



Did you know that
alpacas hum when they
are happy and content?

Did you know
alpacas scream when
they are scared? The
sound is a high-pitched
wail.

Did you know
alpacas drink a lot
of water? They usually
drink two to five gallons
every day. No sippy
cups for these
guys!

Did you know
alpacas run very fast?
35 MPH

Did you know
alpacas have a wild
cousin called a
vicuna?

Did you know that
alpacas are timid,
gentle animals and are
very intelligent? They
make good pets.

Did you know that
alpacas are not llamas.
Just like crocodiles are
not alligators.

Did you know
alpacas love living
with a family or herd?
Some are as big
as a large dog.

About the author: I grew up in the northwestern
part of New Jersey. A place with rolling hills and
beautiful farms. It's not unusual to see alpaca farms,
cows by the side of the road, sheep, pigs, ostriches,
or horses. The story of Lucy was inspired by the day
my daughter was lost for a few hours and my love
for adventure.

Did you know
that iguanas climb
trees, can swim and
have great eye-sight?

Did you know
that 200 or more
cats roam Disney World
and Disneyland? They
do a great job getting
rid of mice and
other rodents.

Did you know
that pigs are very
intelligent, very clean,
and can jump?

Did you know
that mice can sing?
A mouse song is too
high-pitched for humans
to hear.

Did you know
that a rabbit's teeth
never stop growing?
They never get too long
because rabbits munch
on grass, wildflowers,
and vegetables.

Did you know
that a turtle's shell is
its skeleton and has over
50 bones?

Did you know
that chickens have great
great memories and can
recognize people?

Did you know
that ducks lay more
eggs than chickens?

This book belongs to:

**With fun facts
about Lucy's
friends!**

