

A BEASTY STORY

Bill Martin Jr
&
Steven Kellogg



Take a look

inside this
book.

Between
the covers

a strange
beast hovers!



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Don't dare look ahead.
Don't dare look around.
Don't dare look behind.
In a dark, dark wood,
in a dark, dark house,
lurks a beastly beast.

BEWARE—
You're in for a big, big,
beasty surprise!

BILL MARTIN JR and
STEVEN KELLOGG's
long-awaited first
collaboration is part
scary, part beasty—
and lots and lots of fun.
An exuberant tribute to
a friendship between
two of the most beloved
creators of children's
books, *A Beastly Story*
is a book sure to make
many friends of its own.

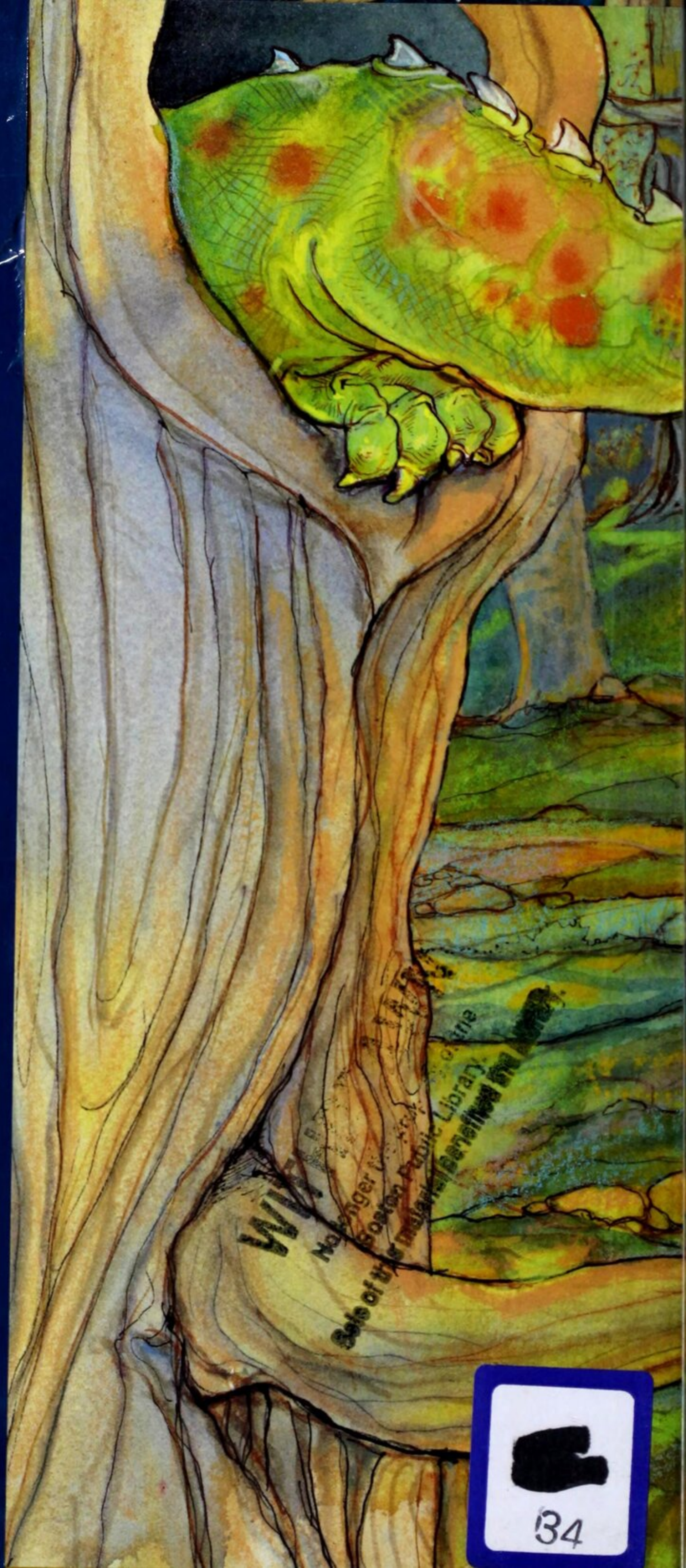
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In the dark brown house
there is a dark, dark stair.



This is strange:

a color change.

The stair ahead

is DARK, DARK
RED.

Down the dark red stair



there is a dark, dark cellar.

changes, too!

The cellar is

DARK, DARK
BLUE.



In the dark blue cellar

What color is it?

Can you guess?

DARK, DARK
PURPLE!



there is a dark, dark cupboard.



YES! YES! YES!



In the dark purple cupboard



I've never seen a

DARKER

GREEN.

there is a dark, dark bottle.



There is something inside



the dark green bottle.



A BEAST!







It floats out of the dark green bottle,



through the dark purple cupboard,



A BEAST THAT
FLIES!

WITH **YELLOW** EYES!



across the dark blue cellar,

FOLLOW THAT BEAST!



up the dark red stair,



out of the dark brown house,



into the dark, dark night,



It disappeared
and left
no track.

It's up
above the
chimney stack!

through the dark, dark wood,

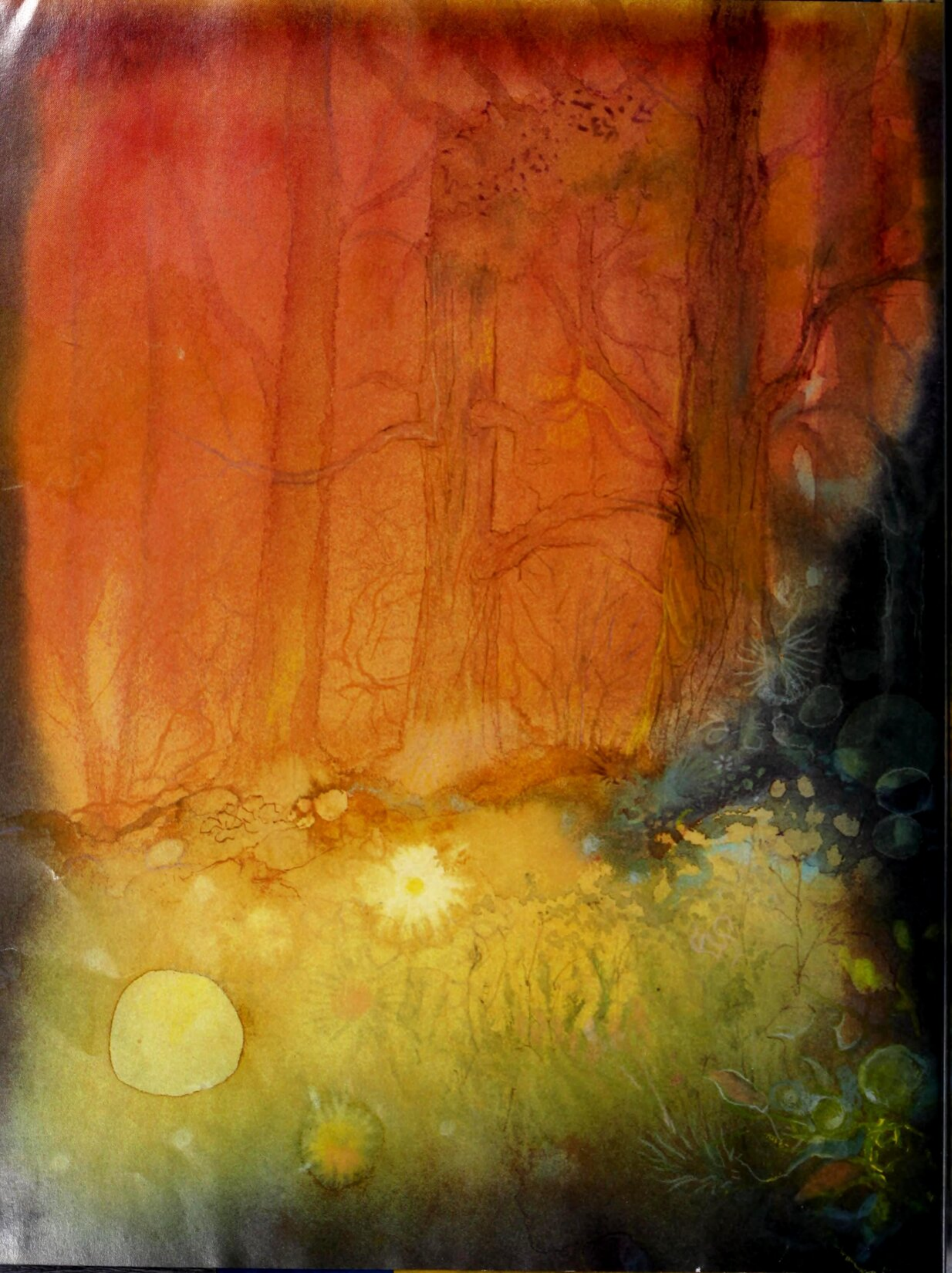


toward an even **DARKER** house,



into a dark orange room,





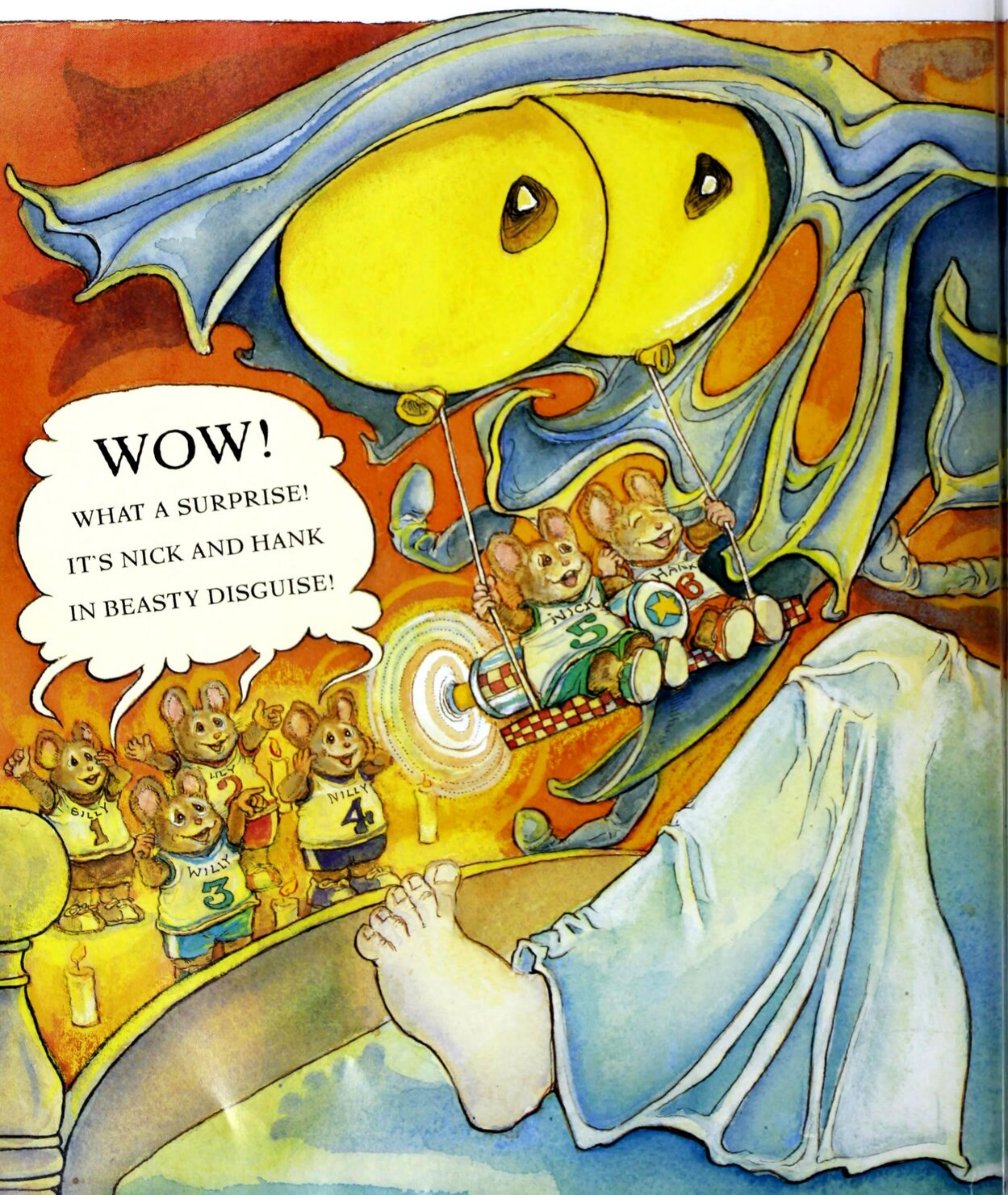
where a white beast rises



and GRABS HIM!

WOW!

WHAT A SURPRISE!
IT'S NICK AND HANK
IN BEASTY DISGUISE!



There is a flash of light!



The room is filled with the



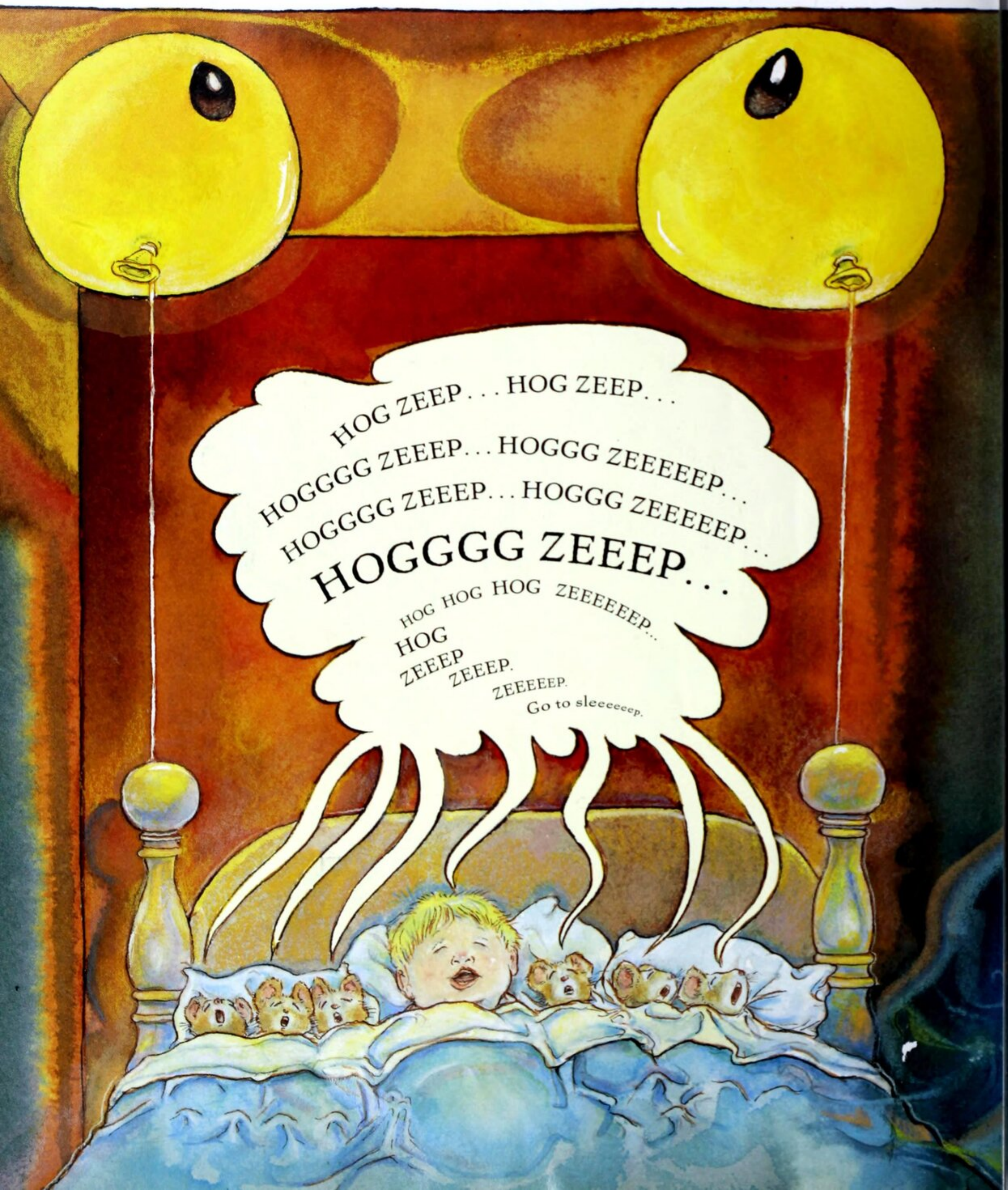
HEE! HEE!
IT WAS ONE OF
NICK'S TRICKS!

HA! HA!
IT WAS ONE OF
HANK'S PRANKS!

sounds of beastly laughter,



followed by beastly snores.



HOG ZEEP... HOG ZEEP...

HOGGGG ZEEEP... HOGGGG ZEEEEEP...

HOGGGG ZEEEP... HOGGGG ZEEEEEP...

HOGGGG ZEEEP...

HOG HOG HOG ZEEEEEP...

HOG

ZEEEP

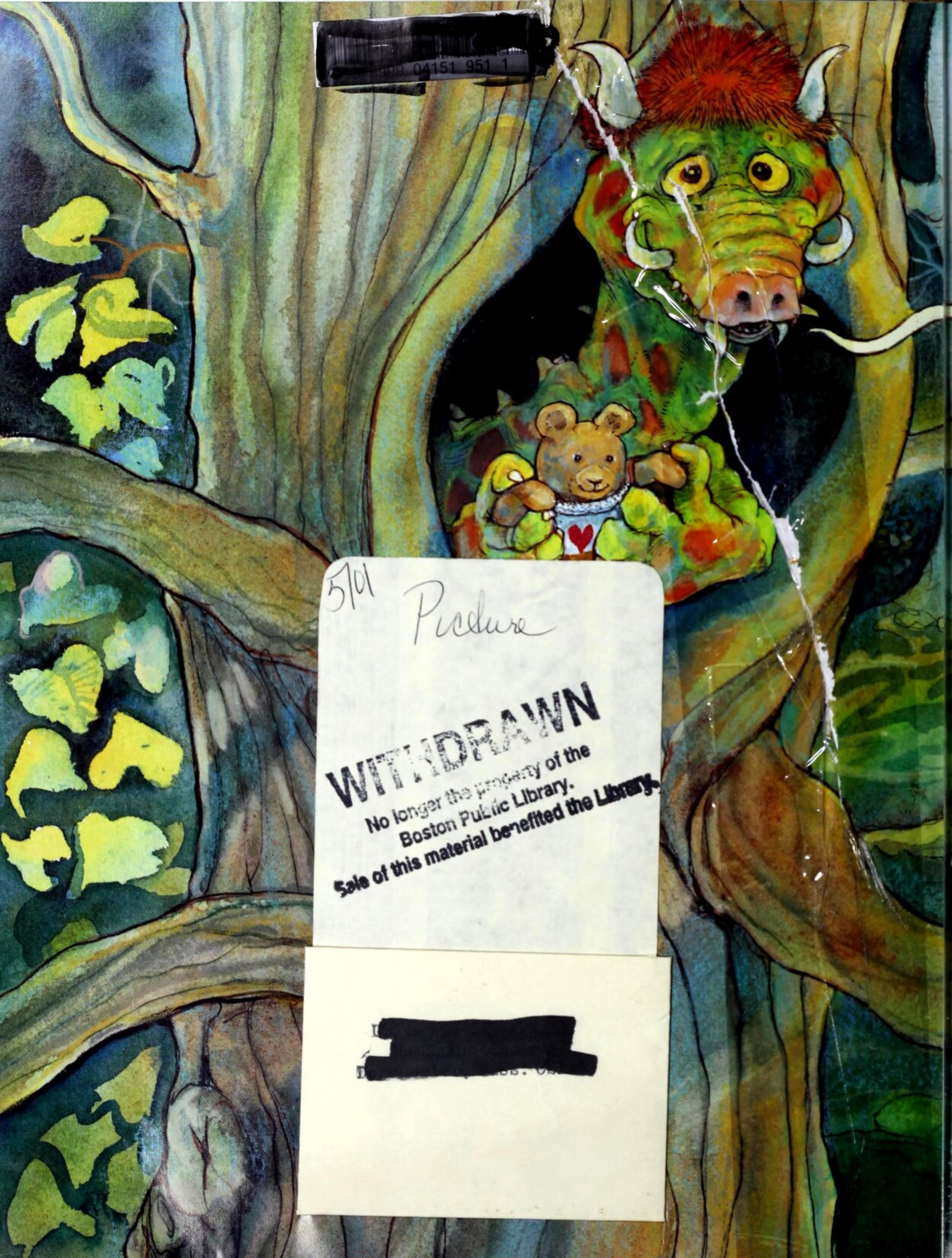
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ZEEEEEP.

Go to sleeeeeeep.



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Good night.
I love you.

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between two beloved
creators of children's
books!

BILL MARTIN JR is known
worldwide for his classic picture
books, including *Brown Bear*,
Brown Bear, What Do You See?
and *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What
Do You Hear?*, both illustrated
by Eric Carle, and *Chicka Chicka
Boom Boom*, illustrated by Lois
Ehlert. Mr. Martin lives in Texas.

STEVEN KELLOGG has
illustrated more than a hundred
dearly loved books for children,
including, most recently,
A-Hunting We Will Go! and his
own versions of the ever-popular
tall tales *Johnny Appleseed*,
Pecos Bill, and *Paul Bunyan*.
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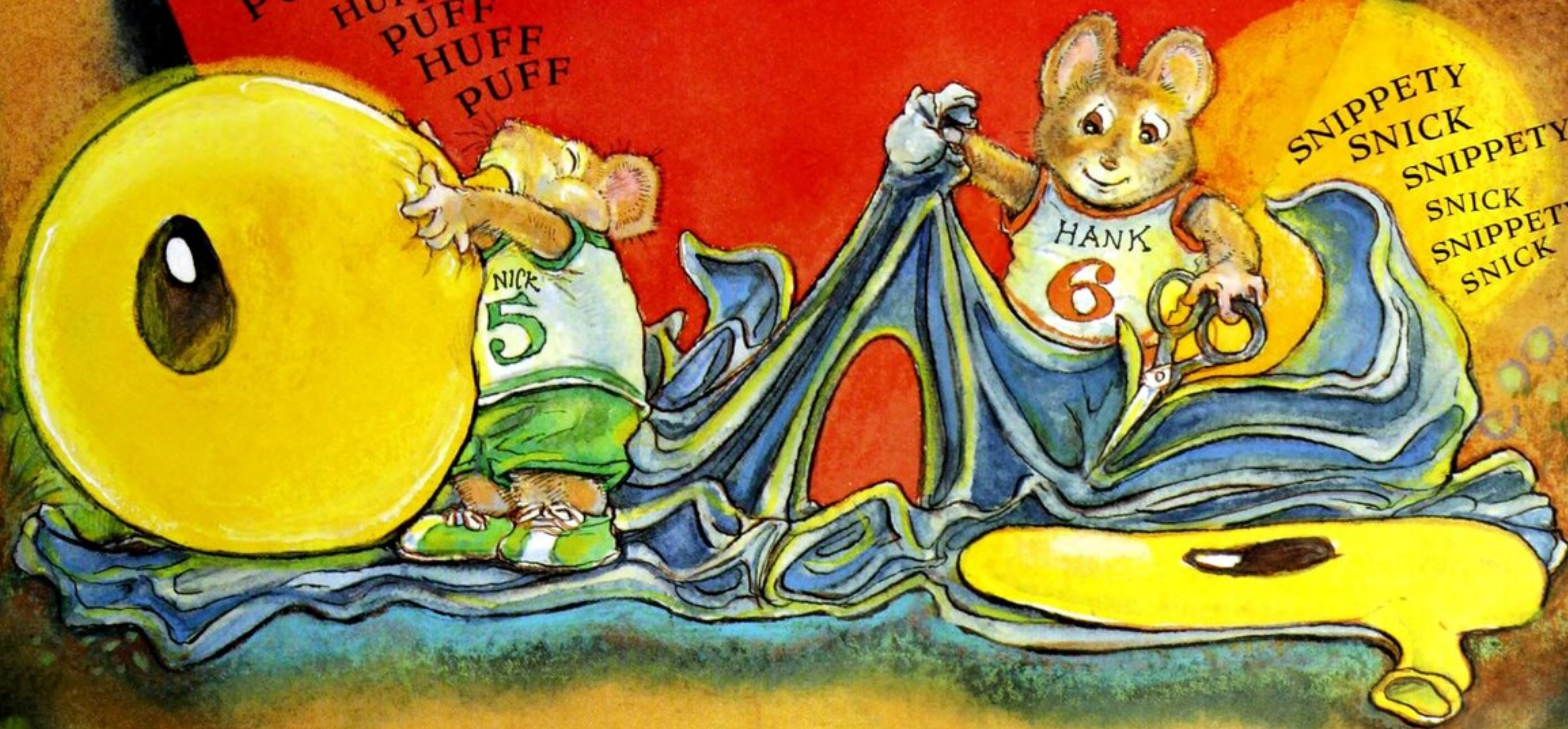
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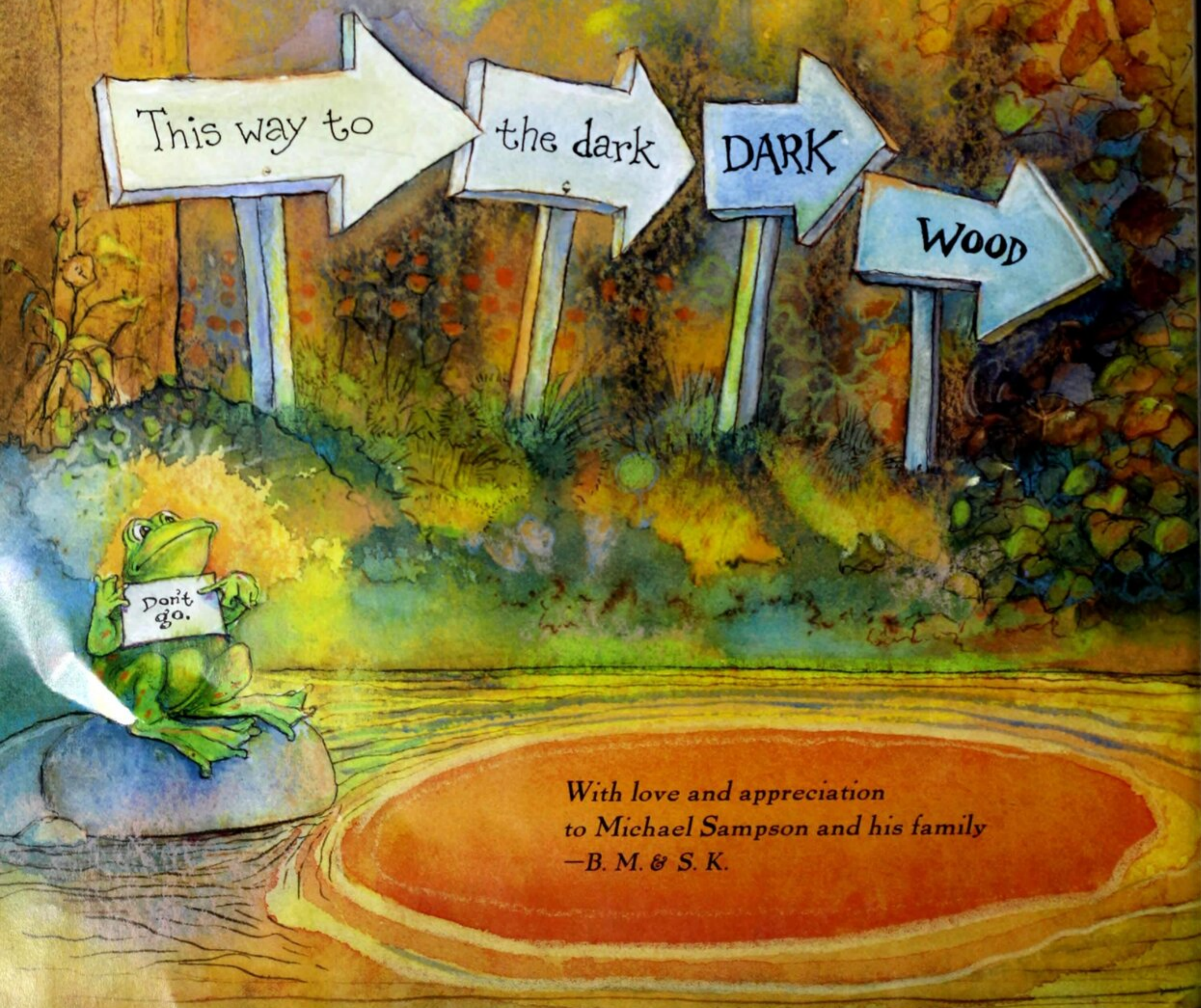
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*With love and appreciation
to Michael Sampson and his family
—B. M. & S. K.*

An illustration of three mice in a dark, spooky forest. The mice are wearing basketball jerseys: one with 'NILLY 4' in purple, one with 'WILLY 3' in blue, and one with 'LILY 2' in red. They are holding lit candles. The forest is dark with large trees and colorful autumn leaves on the ground. The scene is lit by the light from the candles and a faint light from above.

It's getting
DARKER.

And
DARKER.

And
DARKER!

Let's
light our
candles!

In a dark, dark wood
there is a dark, dark house.





The
house is dark
BROWN.

I'll write
that down.



