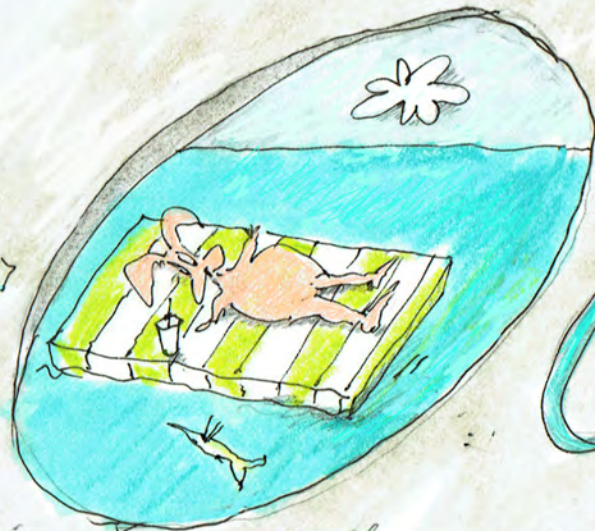


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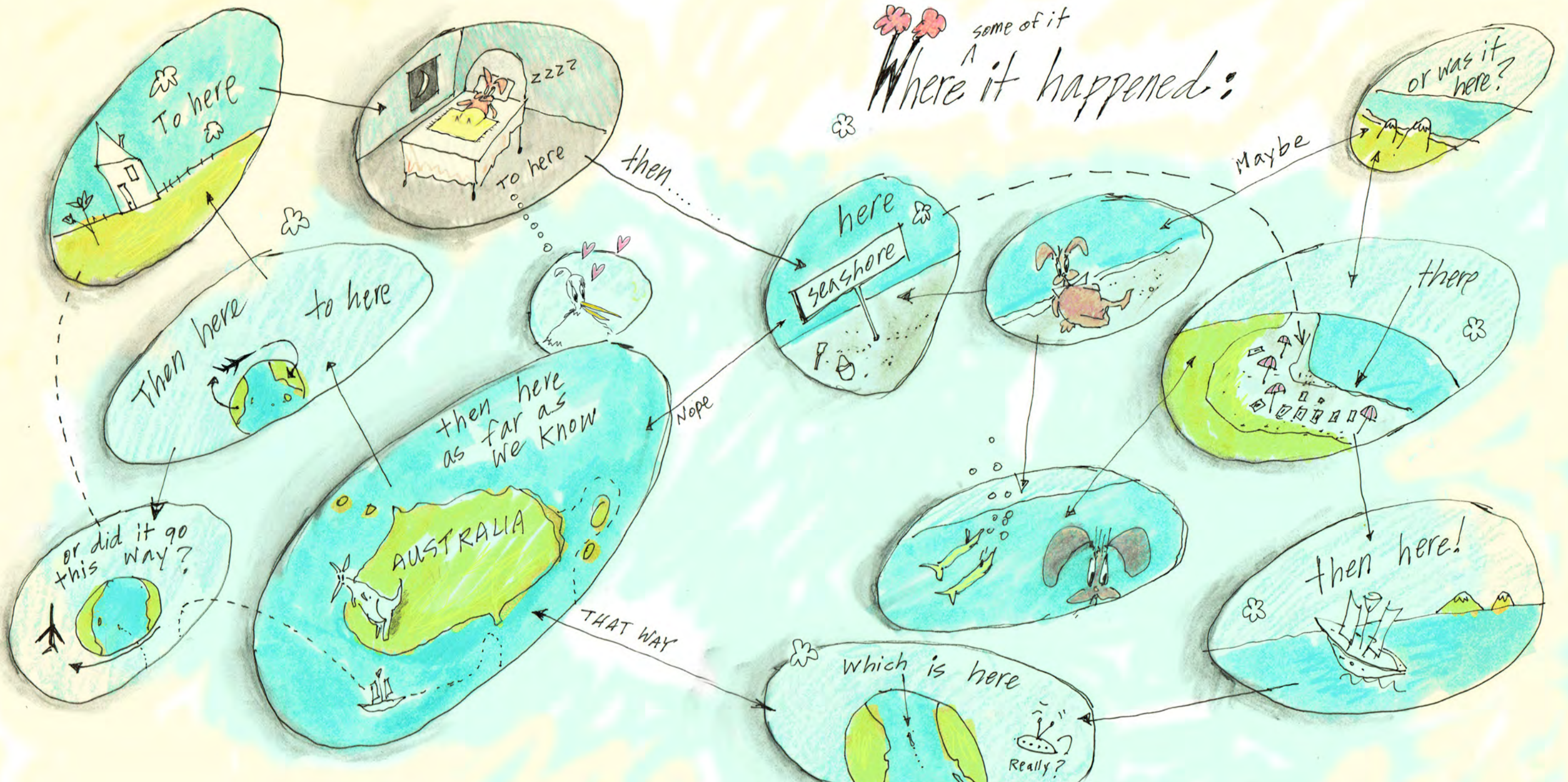
LIES OVER THE



CEAN

by BILL RICHARDSON & BILL PECHET

Where it happened:



My Bunny Lies Over the Ocean

written by **Bill Richardson**
&
illustrated by **Bill Pechet**

Award-winning duo Bill Richardson and Bill Pechet are back with another brilliantly funny and charmingly quirky picture book—*My Bunny Lies Over the Ocean*. When a beloved stuffed toy gets left at the beach and swept out to sea, all hands pitch in to see that poor bedraggled Bunny gets safely home. With its super starfish rescue operation, accommodating whale, kind kangaroo, round-about postal adventure, chorus of Bunny-smitten seagulls, and more, this hilarious romp will delight readers young and old.

A former radio/television presenter, BILL RICHARDSON writes for children and adults. His books include *Bachelor Brothers' Bed & Breakfast*, *Waiting for Gertrude*, *The Alphabet Thief*, and *Last Week*. Awards include the Leacock Medal for Humour, the Silver Birch Award, and a BC Book Award. He and Bill Pechet have collaborated on two award-winning picture books—*Hare B&B* and *Lola Flies Alone*. He lives in Vancouver, BC.

BILL PECHET is an artist and designer living in Vancouver, BC. His work explores the spaces between art, architecture, public space, and landscape. His previous children's book illustrations include his two collaborations with Bill Richardson and Barbara Nicol's *The Lady from Kent*. In 2018, Pechet received the Carter Wosk Award, the highest award in the province, for his creative achievements in local, national, and international milieus.

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- This rollicking rhyming tale recounts the adventures of a stuffed toy mistakenly left at the beach as all sorts of creatures aid in its rescue.
- The book is a delightfully zany re-imagining of a popular folksong—great for reading or singing aloud!
- Perfect for young listeners and their parents, the book deals with an experience almost every parent dreads... a lost beloved toy.
- Previous collaborations by author and illustrator have been highly praised and award winning.

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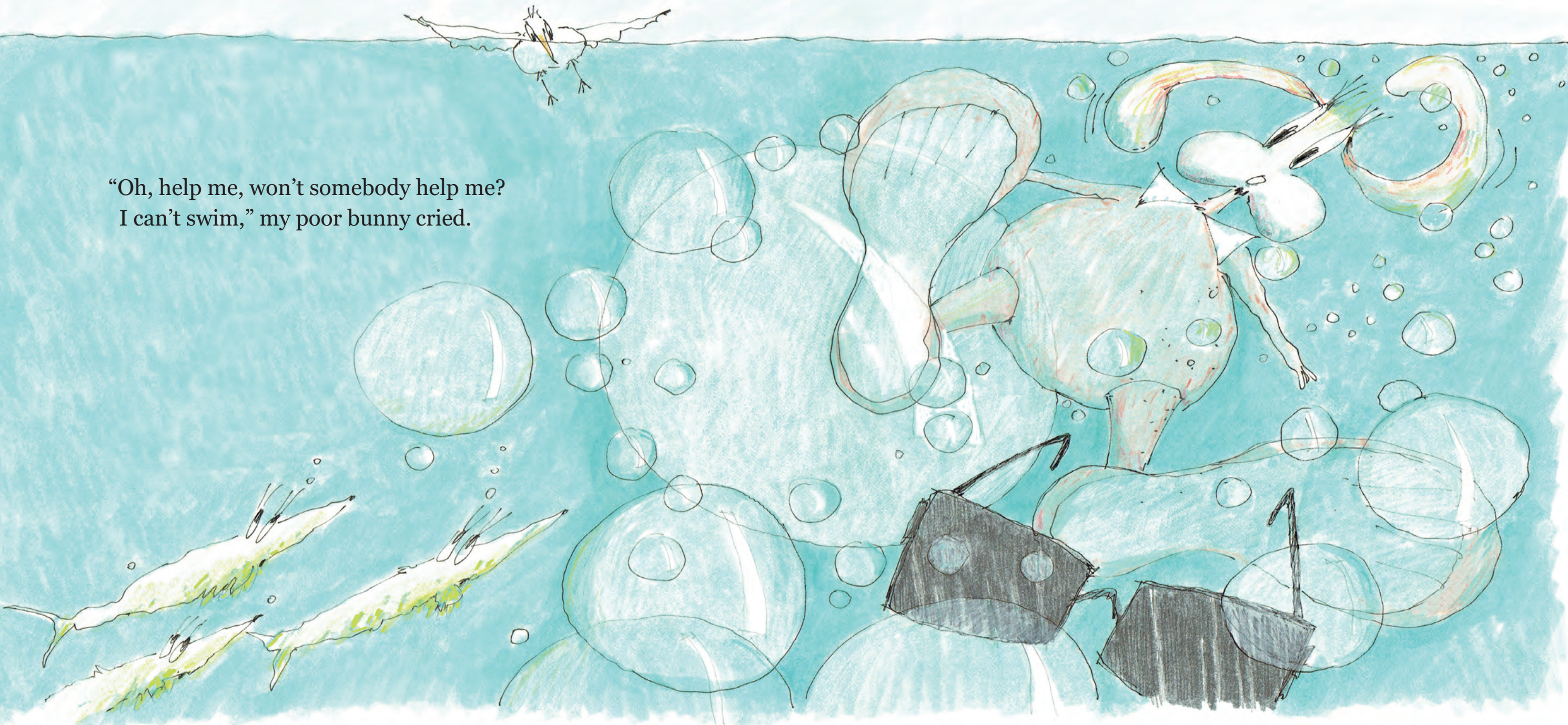
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My bunny was left at the seashore,
My bunny washed out with the tide,



“Oh, help me, won’t somebody help me?
I can’t swim,” my poor bunny cried.





My bunny lies over the ocean,



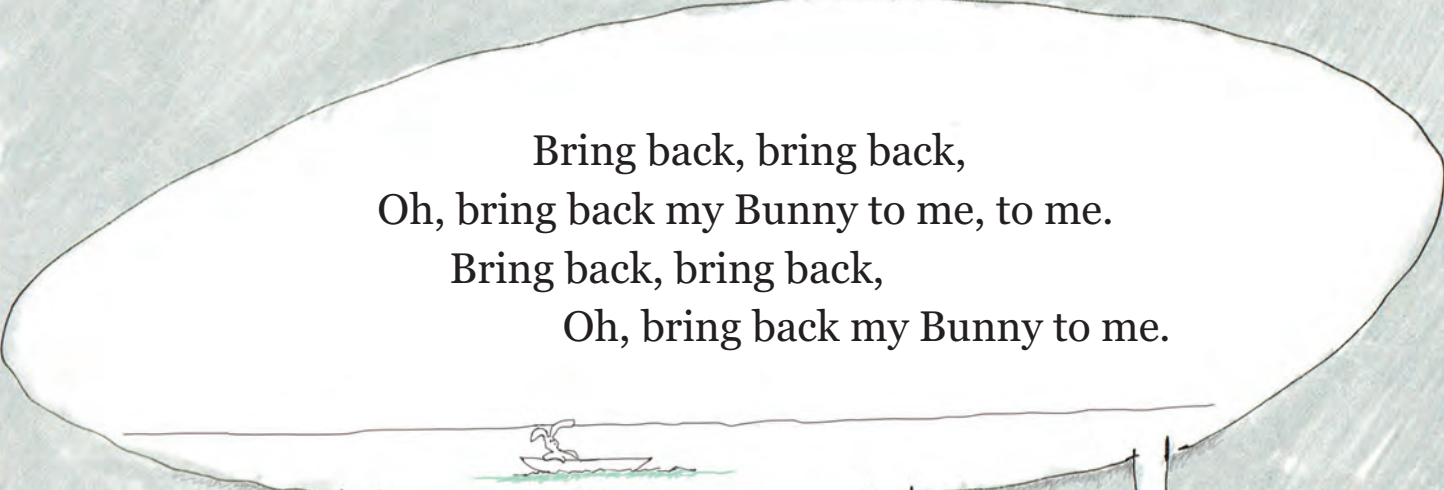
My bunny lies over the sea,



My bunny lies over the ocean



Oh, bring back my bunny to me.



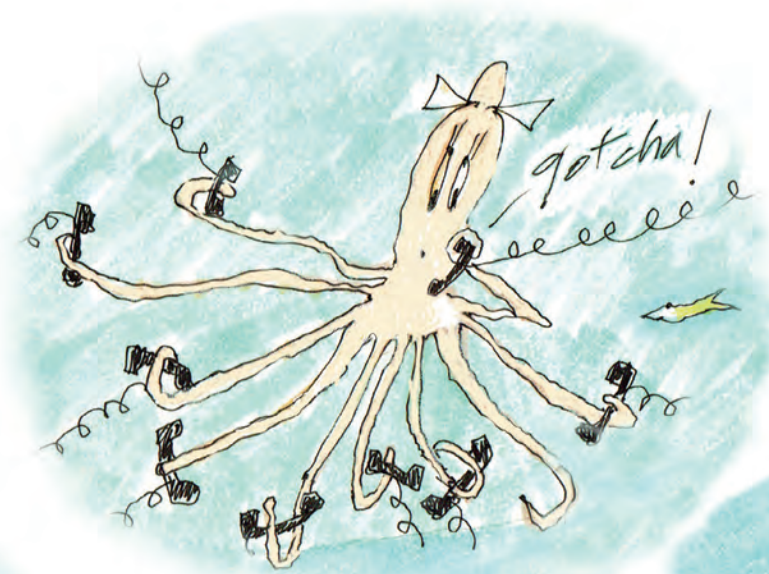
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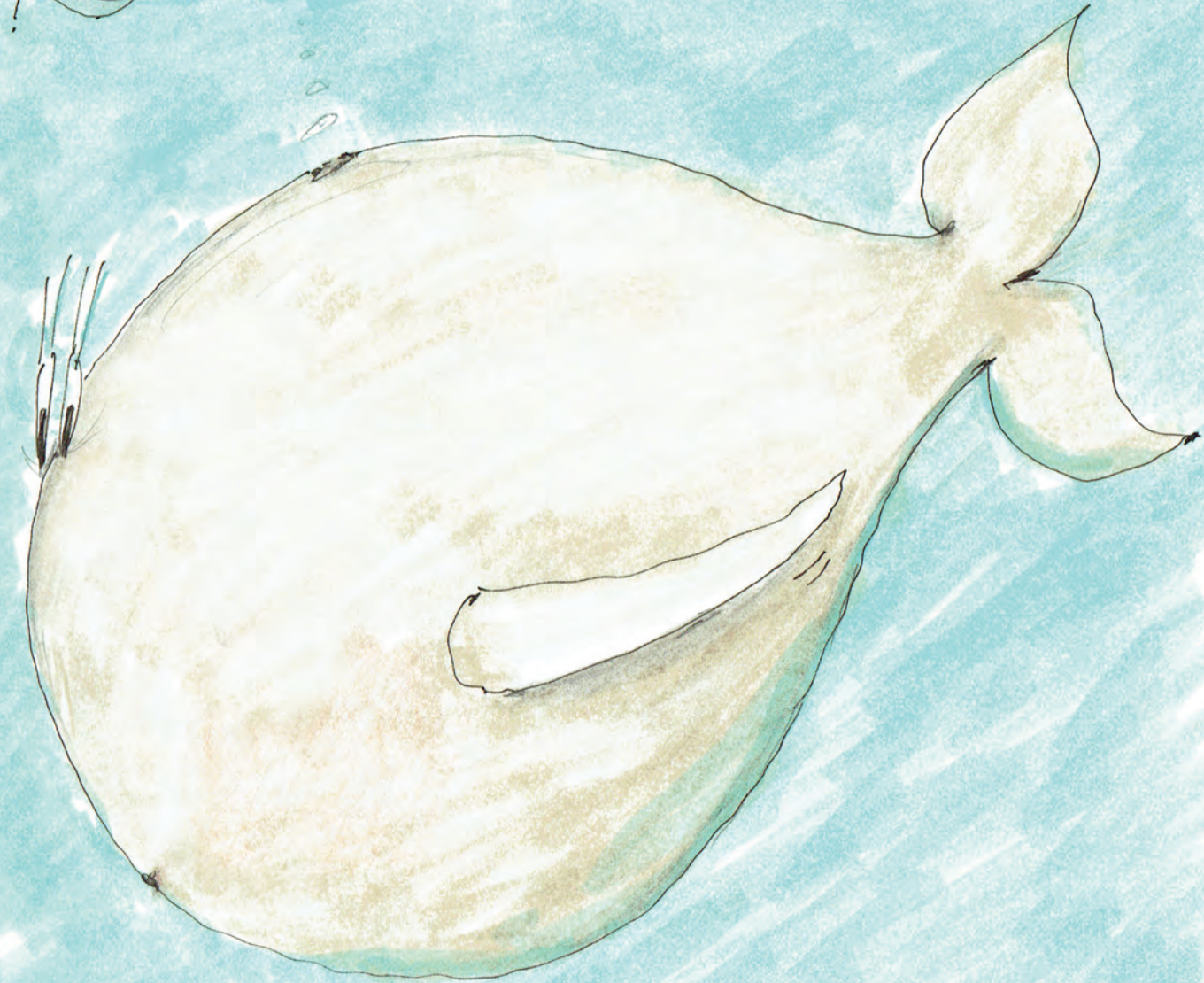
My Bunny was wet and bedraggled,
My Bunny was dashed by the waves,
My Bunny was found by a starfish,
And that's how my Bunny was saved.

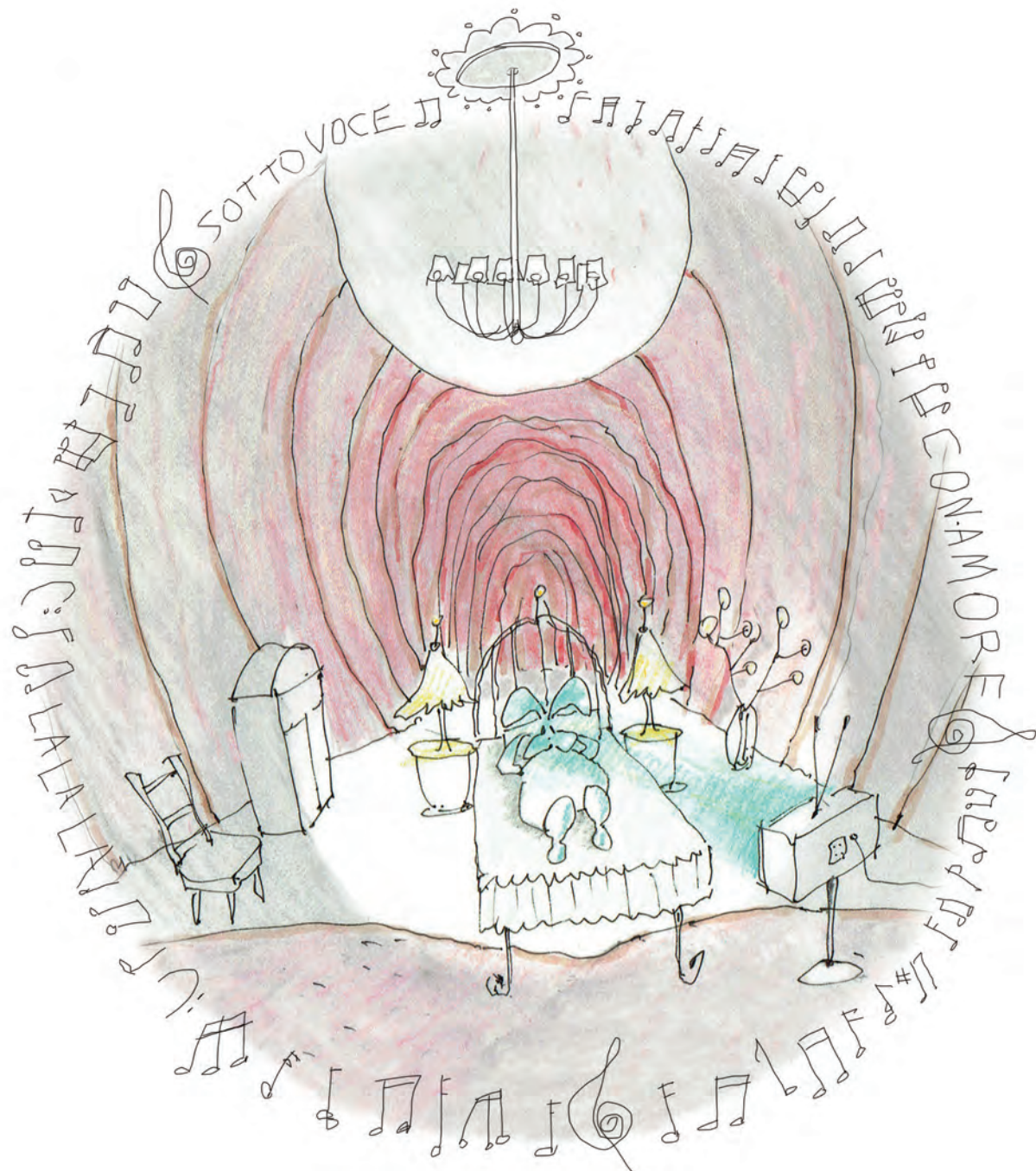


The starfish alerted a tuna,
The tuna, in turn, called a squid.
The squid waved a leg at a porpoise,
And onto her back Bunny slid.



The porpoise was busy with schoolwork,
So asked for some help from her chums.
A whale said, "I'll gladly take Bunny
If Bunny can ride in my tum.
There isn't a reason to worry,
There isn't a reason to frown,
It's cozy and warm in my belly."
That whale swallowed poor Bunny down.





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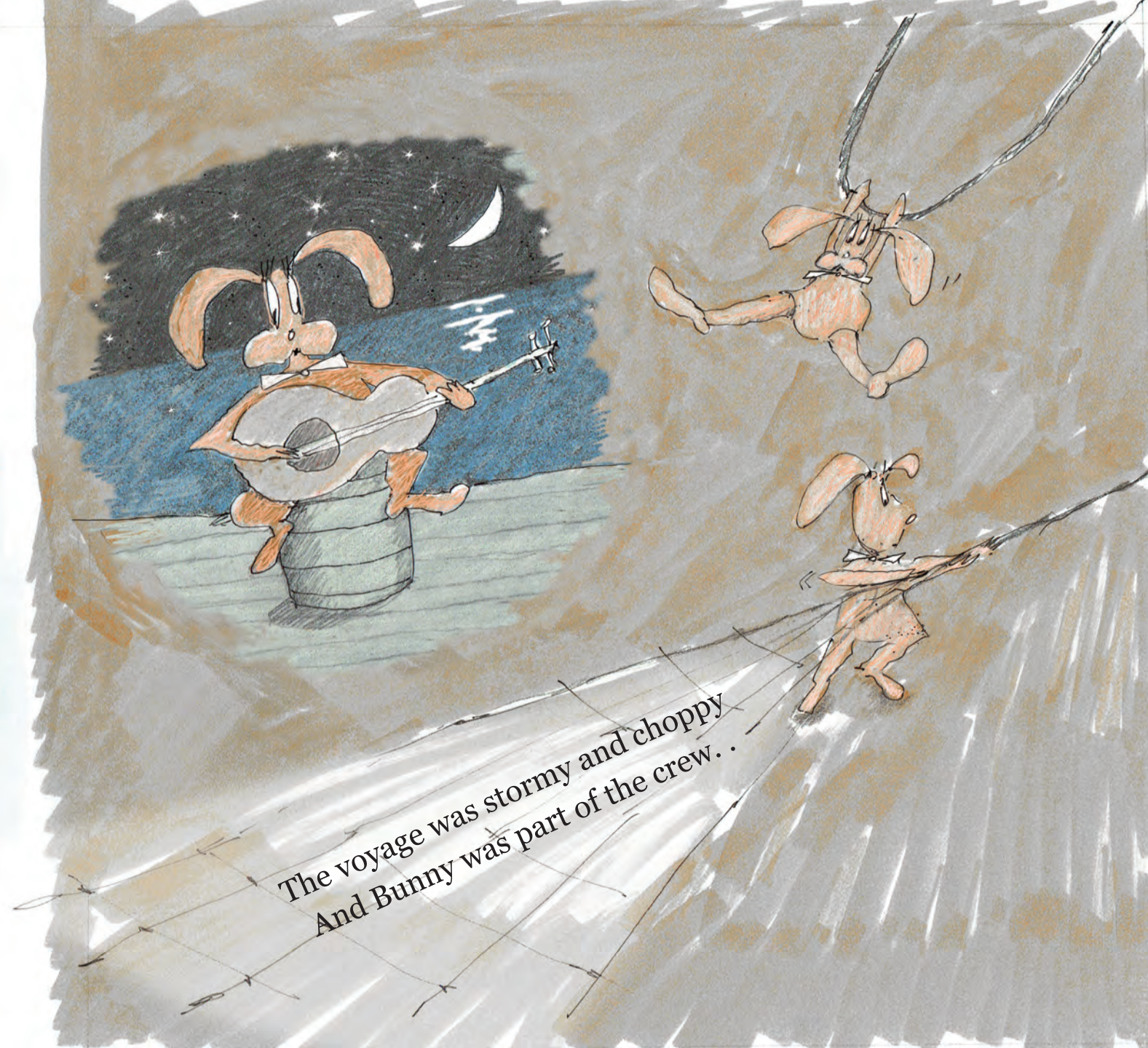




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Oh, bring back my Bunny to me.

The whale swam away to a tallship,
The sea-breeze was filling its sails.
She breached, belched, then brashly barfed Bunny,
And hit Bunny hard with her tail.
The whale called, "I wish you good fortune,
I pray that your voyage is fast."
My Bunny fell *whump* in the crow's nest,
Attached to the top of the mast.

“Ahoy,” said the Captain and Bosun,
“Avast,” said the Purser and Mate,
“We’re bound for the shores of Australia,
And can’t turn around, we’ll be late.”



The voyage was stormy and choppy
And Bunny was part of the crew...

When finally they landed in Brisbane
They flagged down a kind kangaroo.

Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me, to me.
Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me.

The roo had some room
in her pocket,

As dry as the ship
had been damp.



She hopped till she came to a mailbox,



Where Bunny got plastered with stamps.

So Bunny got into a mail van,



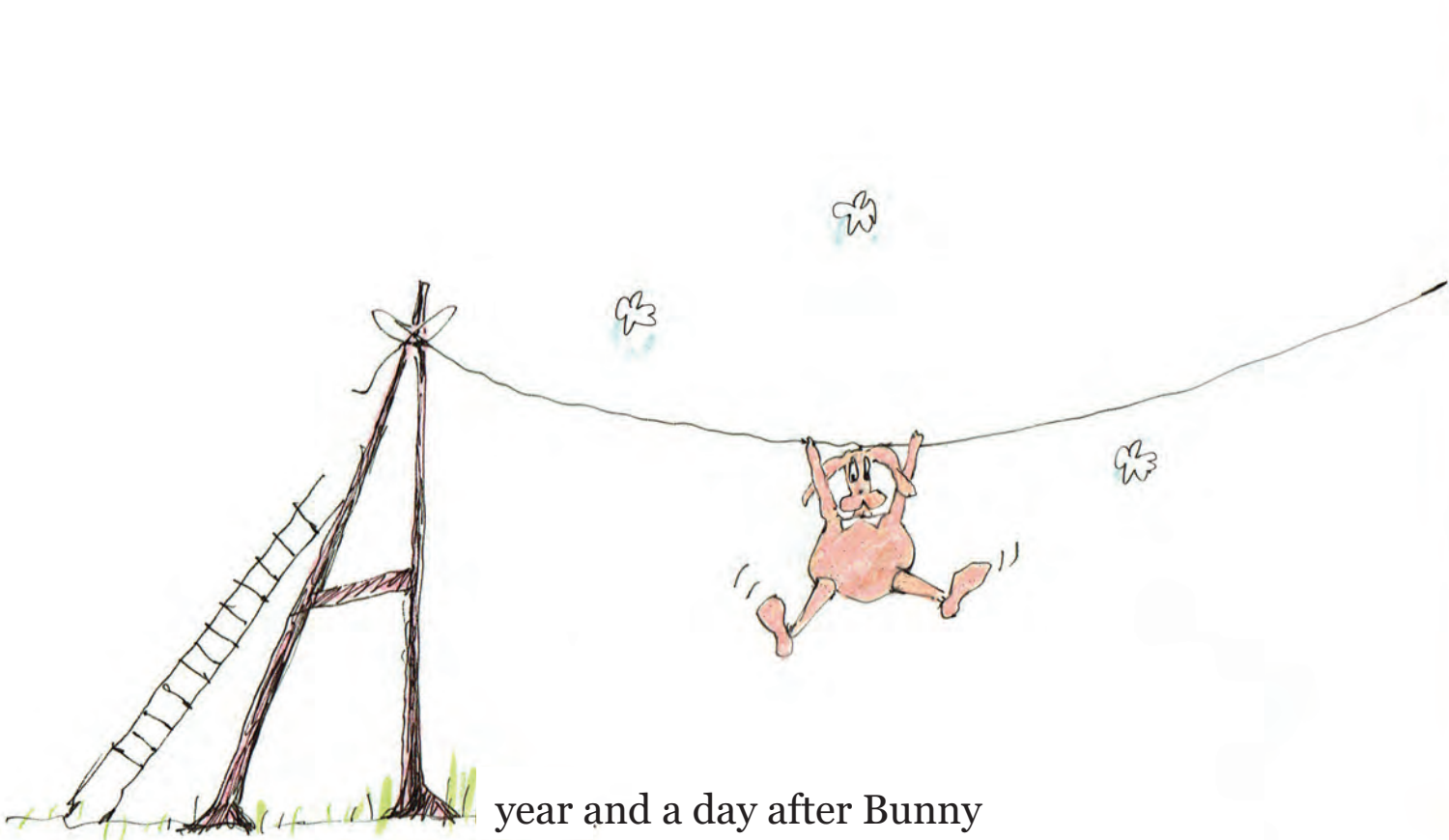
Then Bunny got into a train,

And then with a passel of parcels

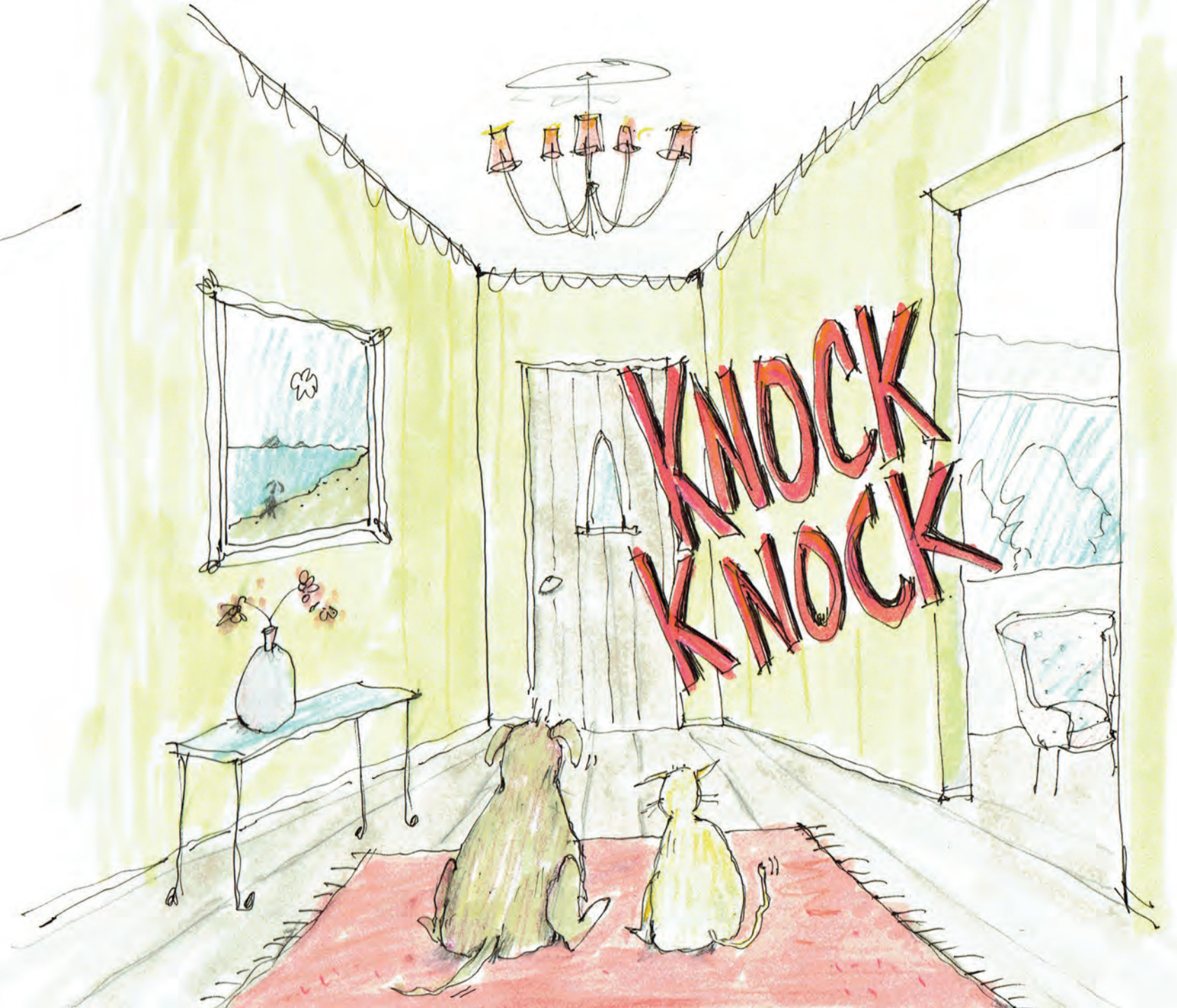
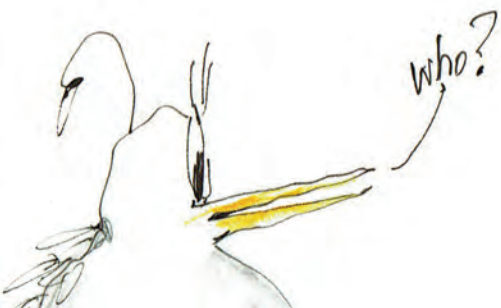
My Bunny got onto a plane.

Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me, to me.
Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me.





year and a day after Bunny
Was lost to the sea and the shore,
I heard a loud knock, and I answered,
And guess who was there at the door?



Oh Bunny, oh Bunny, oh Bunny,
I beg and implore and beseech
Please promise
you'll try
to be careful

Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me, to me.
Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my Bunny to me.

Next week
when we go
to the beach.



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