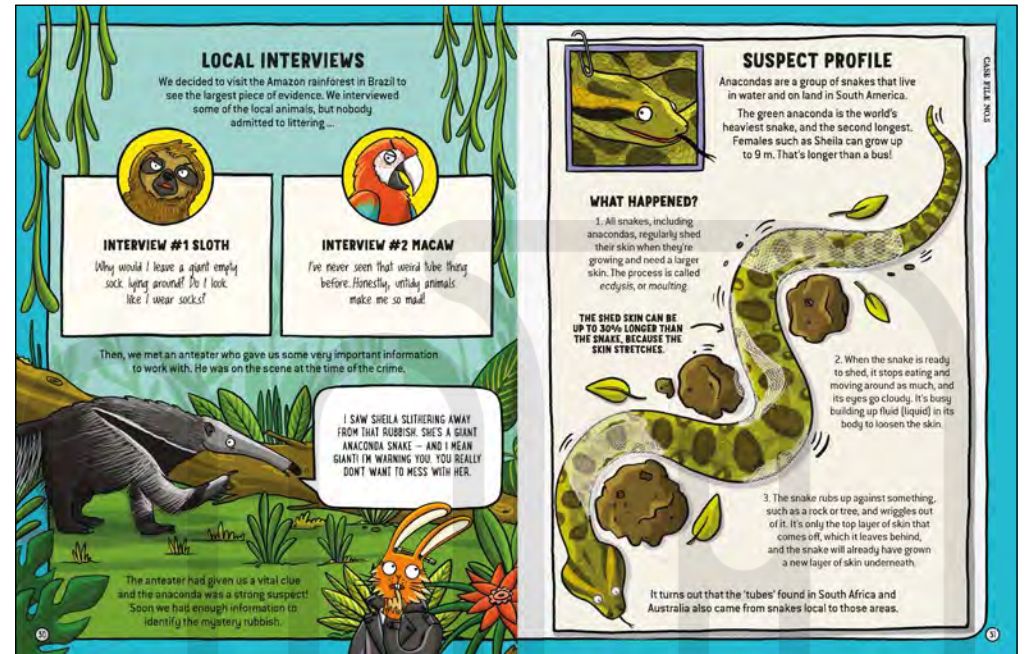
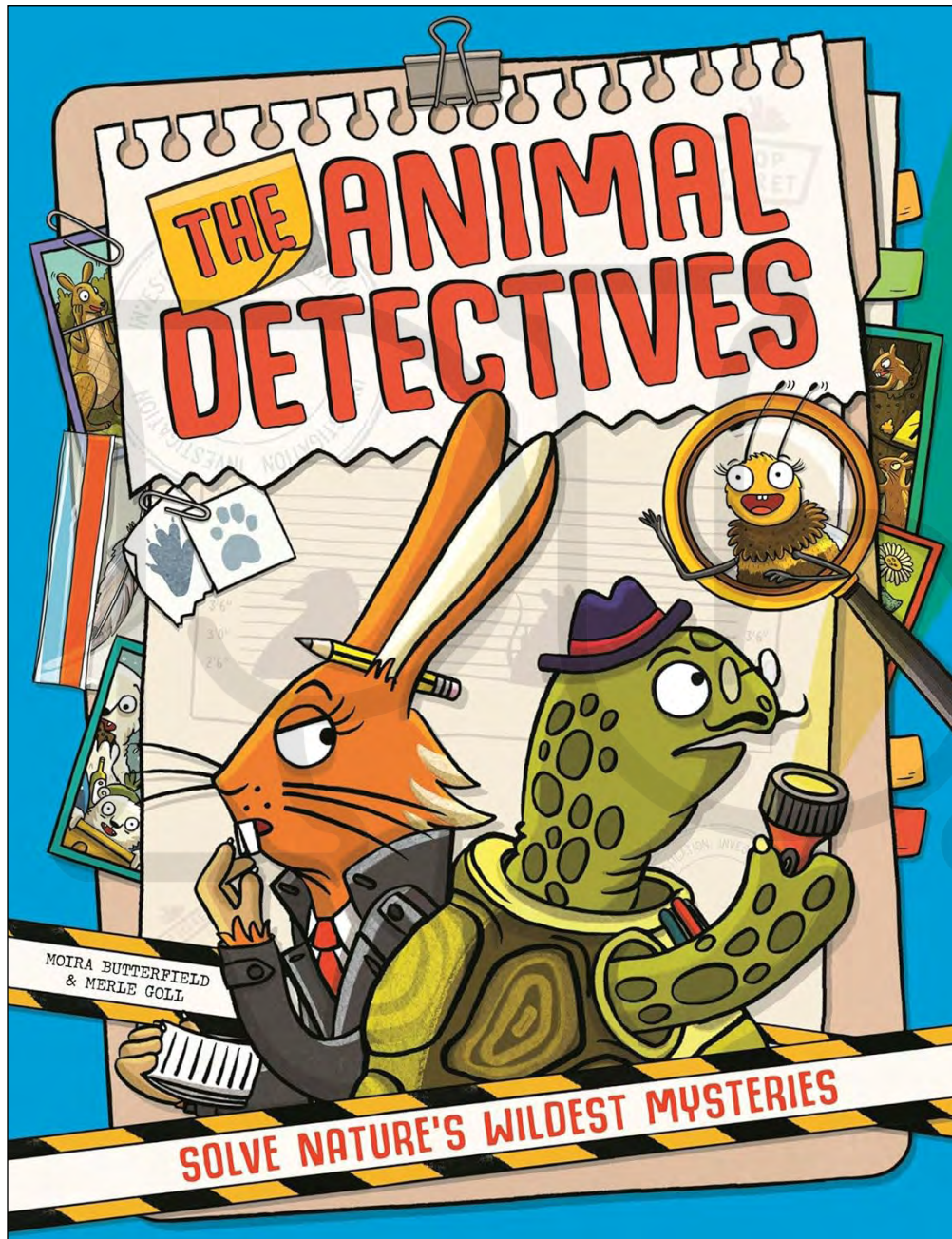




THE SUSPECTS



HERE'S WHAT HAPPENED

The egg we found was in lots of small pieces with a smear of yolk left behind, but the egg membrane destroyed. It was also far from any nest site, such as a tree or hedge. A creature must have found it in a low-lying nest, carried it away and crushed it into tiny pieces to eat the insides.



BASED ON ALL OF THE EVIDENCE THE FOX IS ...

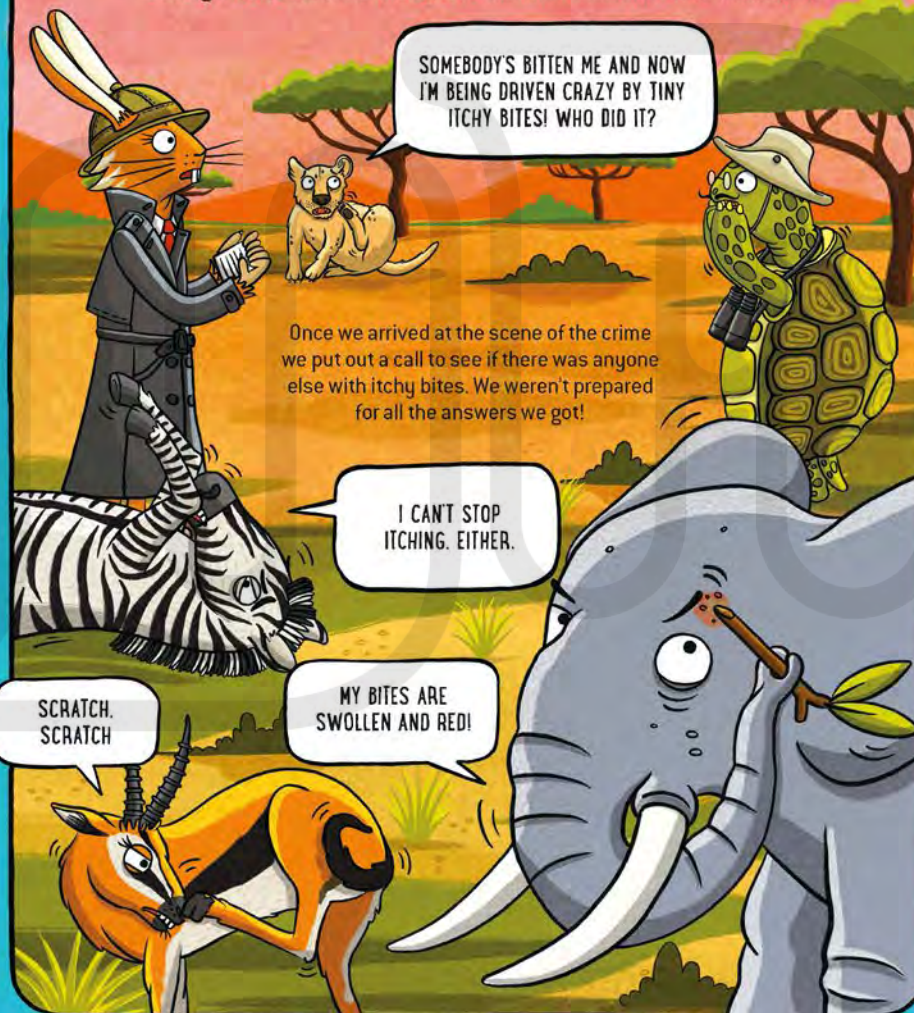
GUILTY

I'M OUT OF HERE!



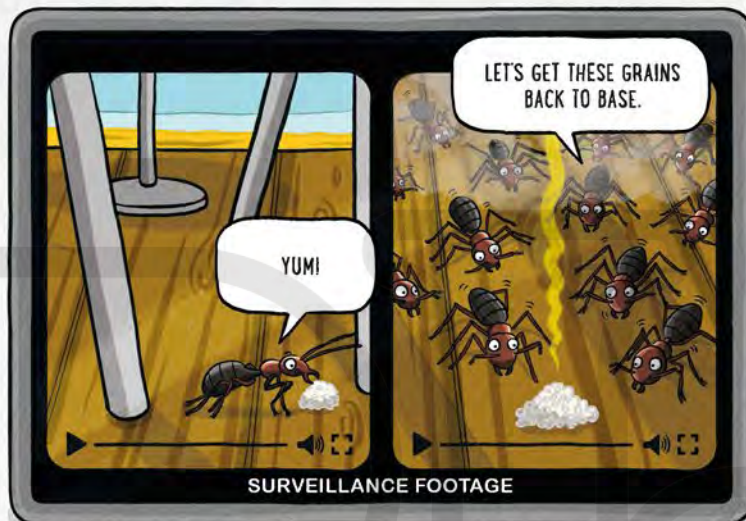
SCRATCHING SAFARI

One case we investigated had a whole crowd of victims! It began when we got a call from Luna, a baby lioness. She was being bothered by lots of itchy bites. We knew we had to help, so we set off on safari to southern Africa! So began our search for an elusive criminal nicknamed the itchmaker.



We put a small pile of sugar under one of the tables and soon enough, a scout ant arrived to taste it.

It took a piece back to its nest and after a short while, there was a swarm of ants coming our way!



**NOW IT WAS CLEAR WHO STOLE THE SUGAR.
THE GANG OF ANTS WERE GUILTY!**

CASE CLOSED

But let's hand it to the ants.
They really are clever at
finding food.



NOW WE FEEL
A BIT SILLY ...



I STILL BELIEVE
IN GHOSTS!



MASTERS OF DISGUISE

In a dark corner of our crime library there's a worldwide list of truly impressive villains. It's where we keep reports we've collected on animals who are deadly disguise experts. We're talking about tricksters who are so clever, it's scary – especially for their prey!

Join us as we examine our files on these fiendish fakers.

You might find some of them as shocking as we do!



LOCAL INTERVIEWS

We decided to visit the Amazon rainforest in Brazil to see the largest piece of evidence. We interviewed some of the local animals, but nobody admitted to littering...



INTERVIEW #1 SLOTH

Why would I leave a giant empty sock lying around? Do I look like I wear socks?



INTERVIEW #2 MACAW

I've never seen that weird tube thing before. Honestly, untidy animals make me so mad!

Then, we met an anteater who gave us some very important information to work with. He was on the scene at the time of the crime.

I SAW SHEILA SLITHERING AWAY FROM THAT RUBBISH. SHE'S A GIANT ANACONDA SNAKE — AND I MEAN GIANT! I'M WARNING YOU. YOU REALLY DON'T WANT TO MESS WITH HER.

The anteater had given us a vital clue and the anaconda was a strong suspect! Soon we had enough information to identify the mystery rubbish.

SUSPECT PROFILE

Anacondas are a group of snakes that live in water and on land in South America.

The green anaconda is the world's heaviest snake, and the second longest. Females such as Sheila can grow up to 9 m. That's longer than a bus!



WHAT HAPPENED?

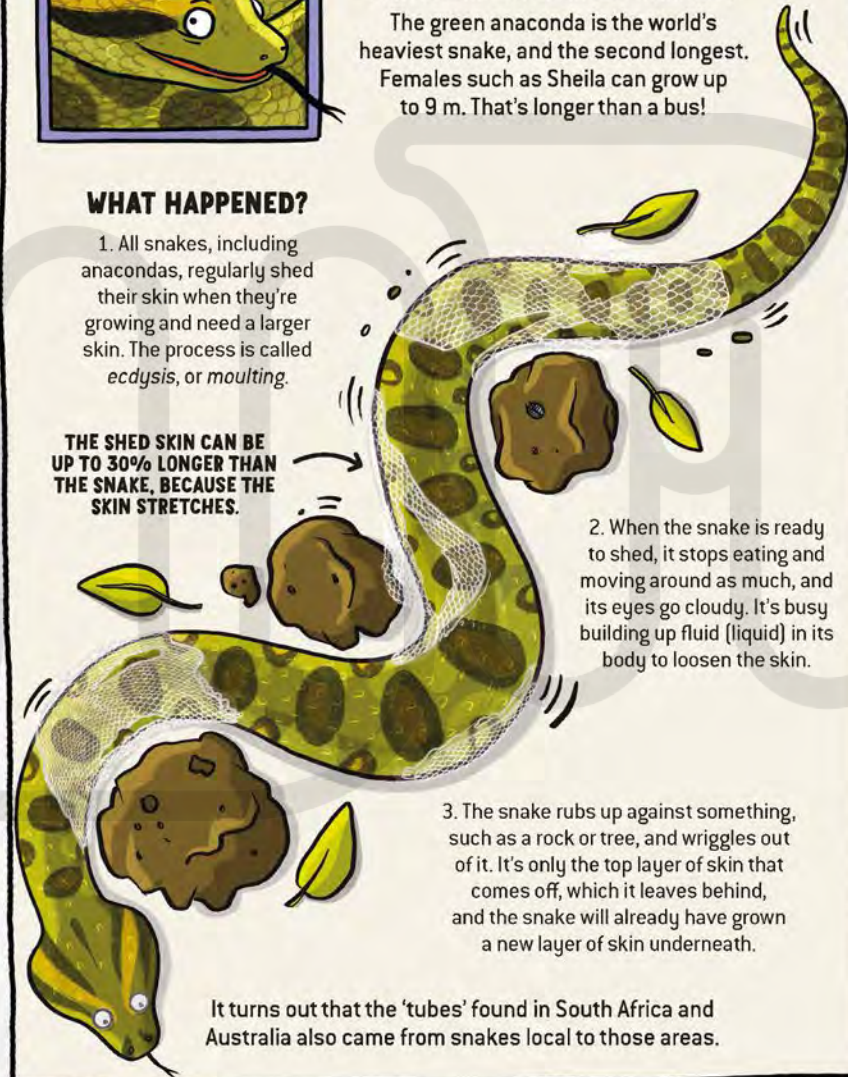
1. All snakes, including anacondas, regularly shed their skin when they're growing and need a larger skin. The process is called *ecdysis*, or *moulting*.

THE SHED SKIN CAN BE UP TO 30% LONGER THAN THE SNAKE, BECAUSE THE SKIN STRETCHES.

2. When the snake is ready to shed, it stops eating and moving around as much, and its eyes go cloudy. It's busy building up fluid (liquid) in its body to loosen the skin.

3. The snake rubs up against something, such as a rock or tree, and wriggles out of it. It's only the top layer of skin that comes off, which it leaves behind, and the snake will already have grown a new layer of skin underneath.

It turns out that the 'tubes' found in South Africa and Australia also came from snakes local to those areas.



CLOSE LOOK AT THE CRIME SCENE

There's a type of gastropod called a whelk hanging around on the beach. The whelk is a sea snail with a whirly shell. It hunts other molluscs ...



HERE'S WHAT HAPPENED

The clam was busy feeding when, suddenly, the whelk slid on top of it. The whelk sent out some body chemicals to soften a spot on the clam's shell. Then, it used its deadly radula to drill a hole. Once through, it sent in chemicals to dissolve the clam into a soup it could suck up.

THE WHELK IS ...

GUILTY

WHAT CAN I SAY? I WAS HUNGRY!



WHO DEALT THAT SMELL?

We were in town one day wandering happily along when PHWOAR! An unbelievably awful smell filled our noses. It was like all sorts of yucky things mixed up into a smelly soup. Who or what had made such a horrible pong? We decided to investigate.



EVIDENCE

The bins were in front of a restaurant and were full of food waste. We decided to collect some evidence as part of our investigation. Carefully, we removed a mushy-looking cucumber and bagged it up to send to the forensics laboratory!







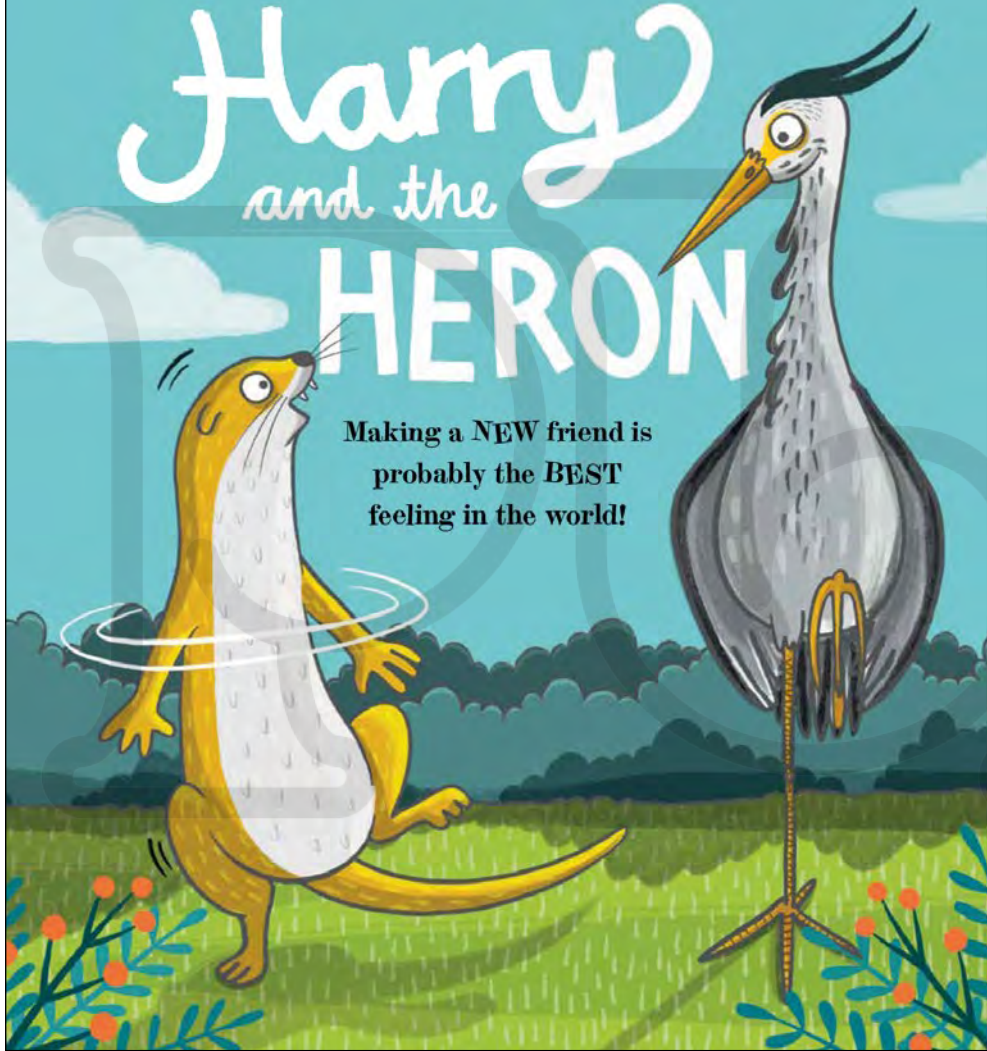


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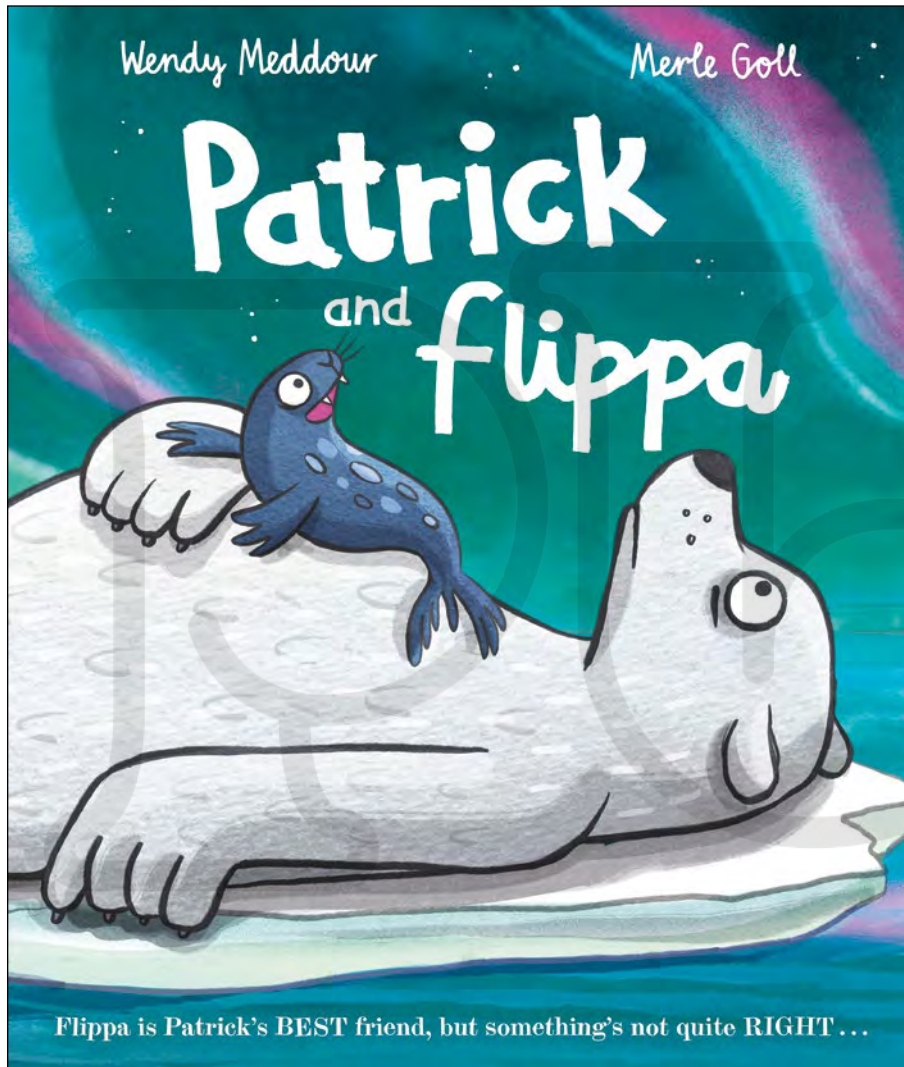
Harry and the HERON

Making a NEW friend is
probably the BEST
feeling in the world!



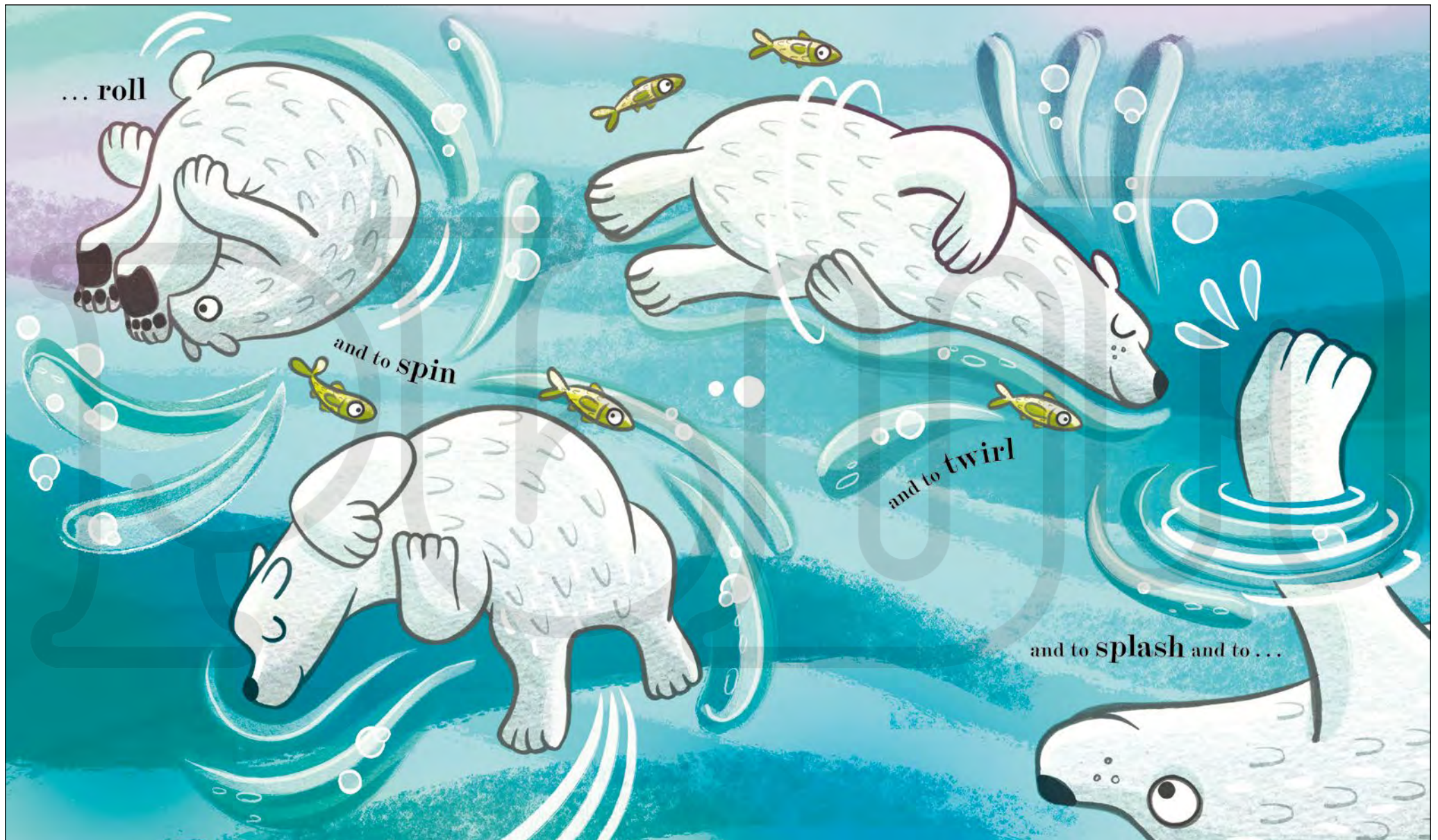


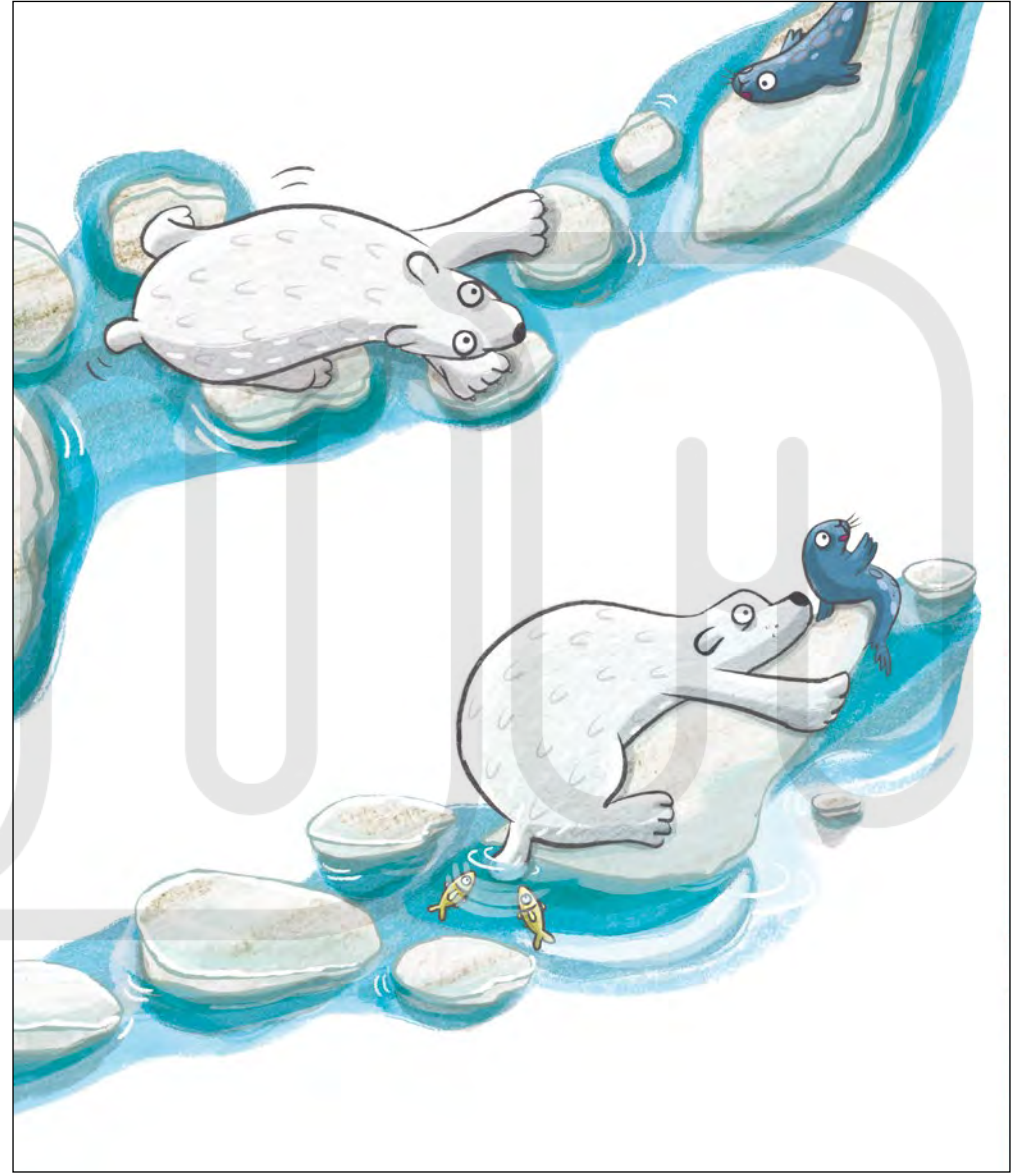


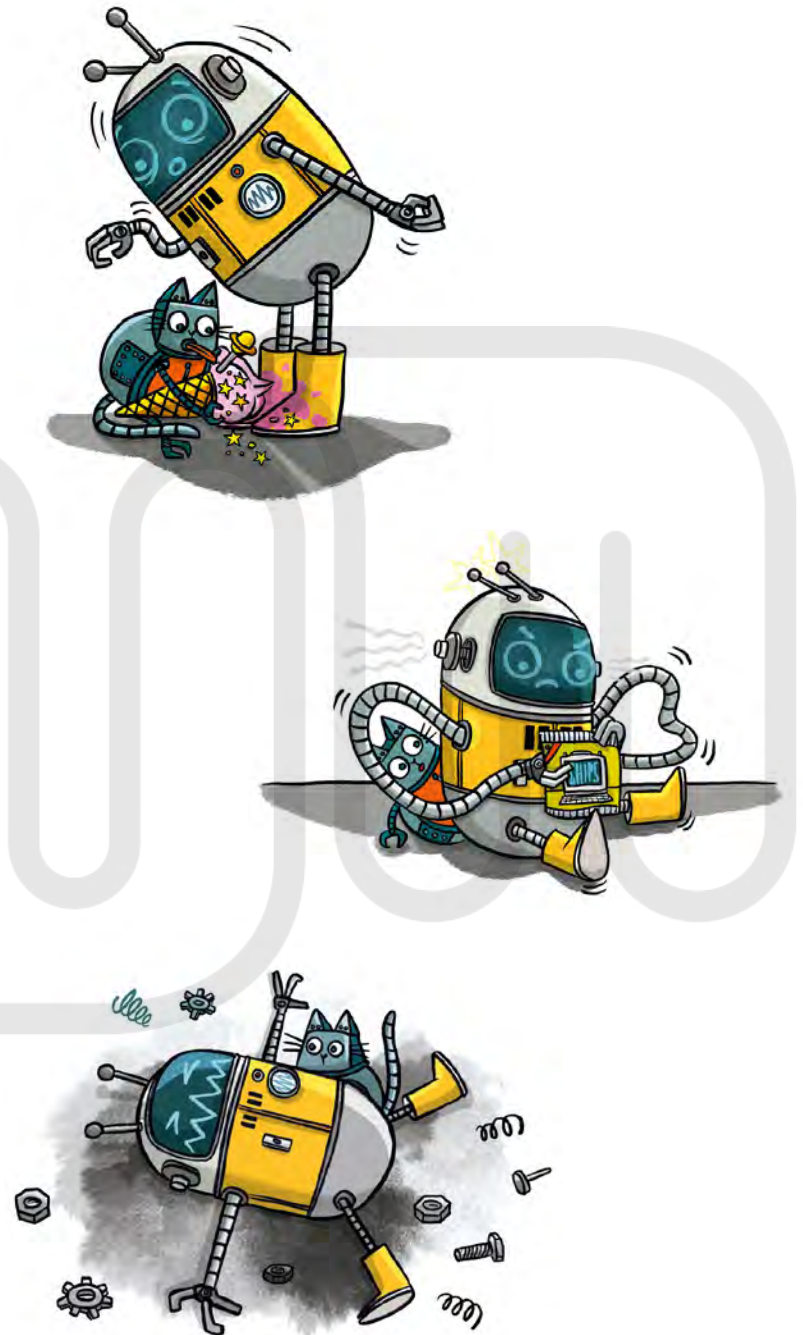
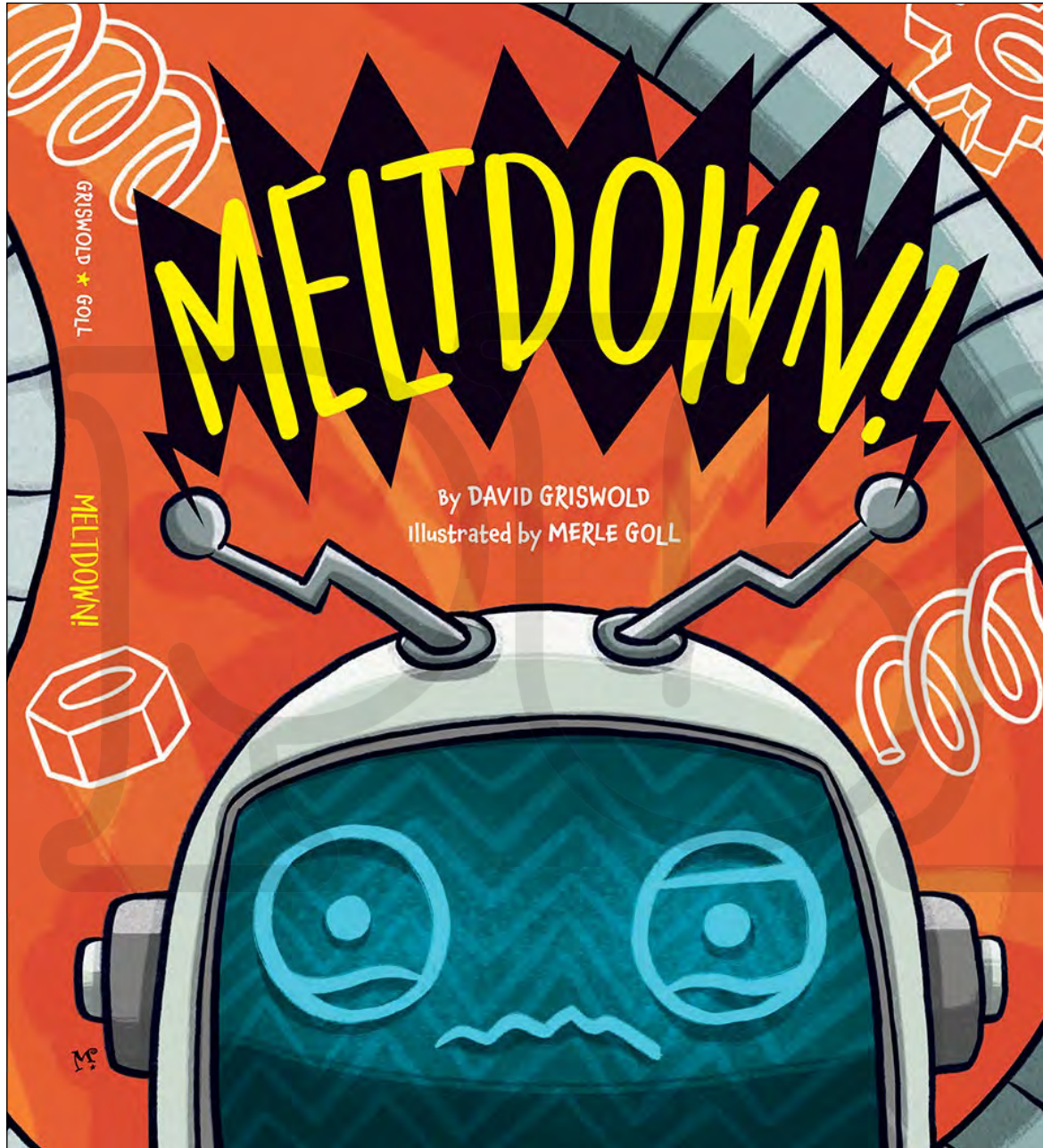


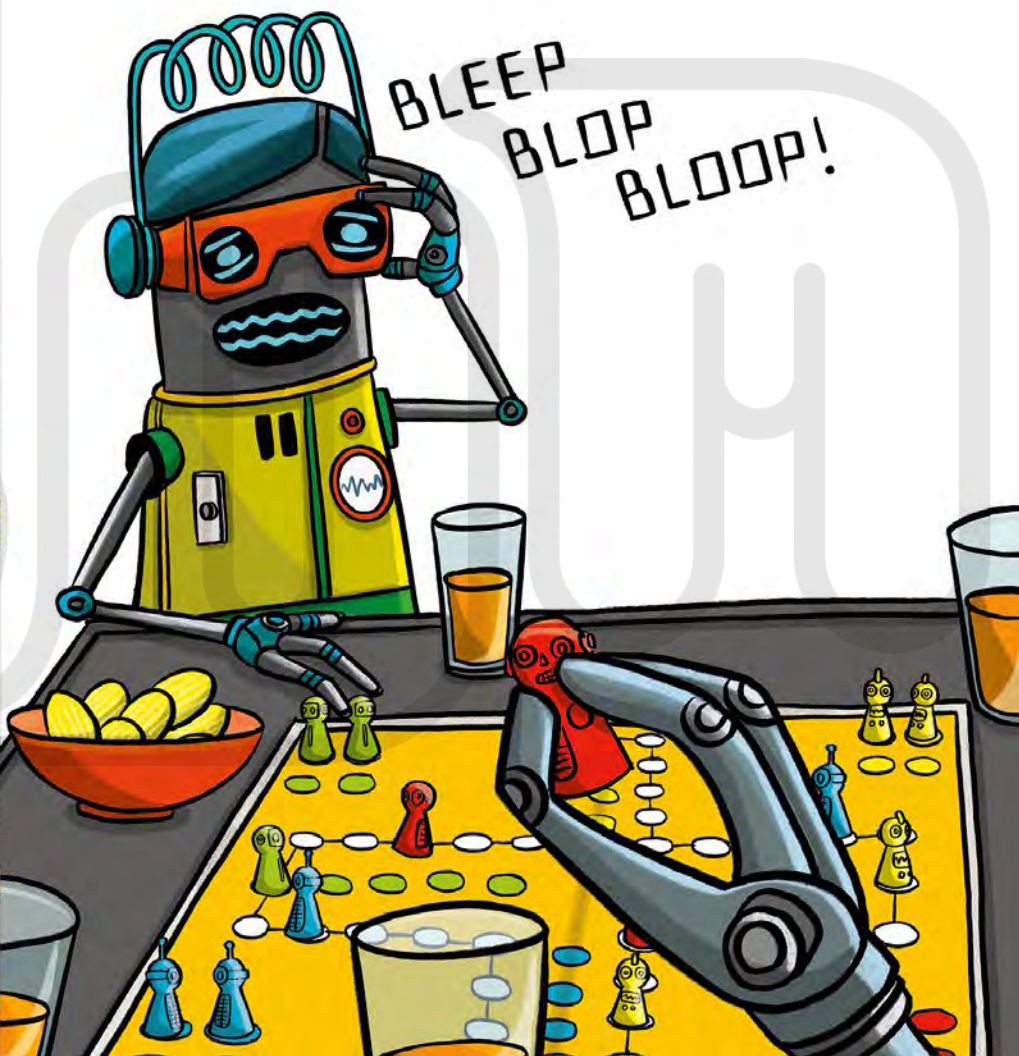


Even an empty bear knows that
this is true. So, very carefully,
Patrick lowered himself into
the water and started to . . .









BLEEP
BLOP
BLOOP!

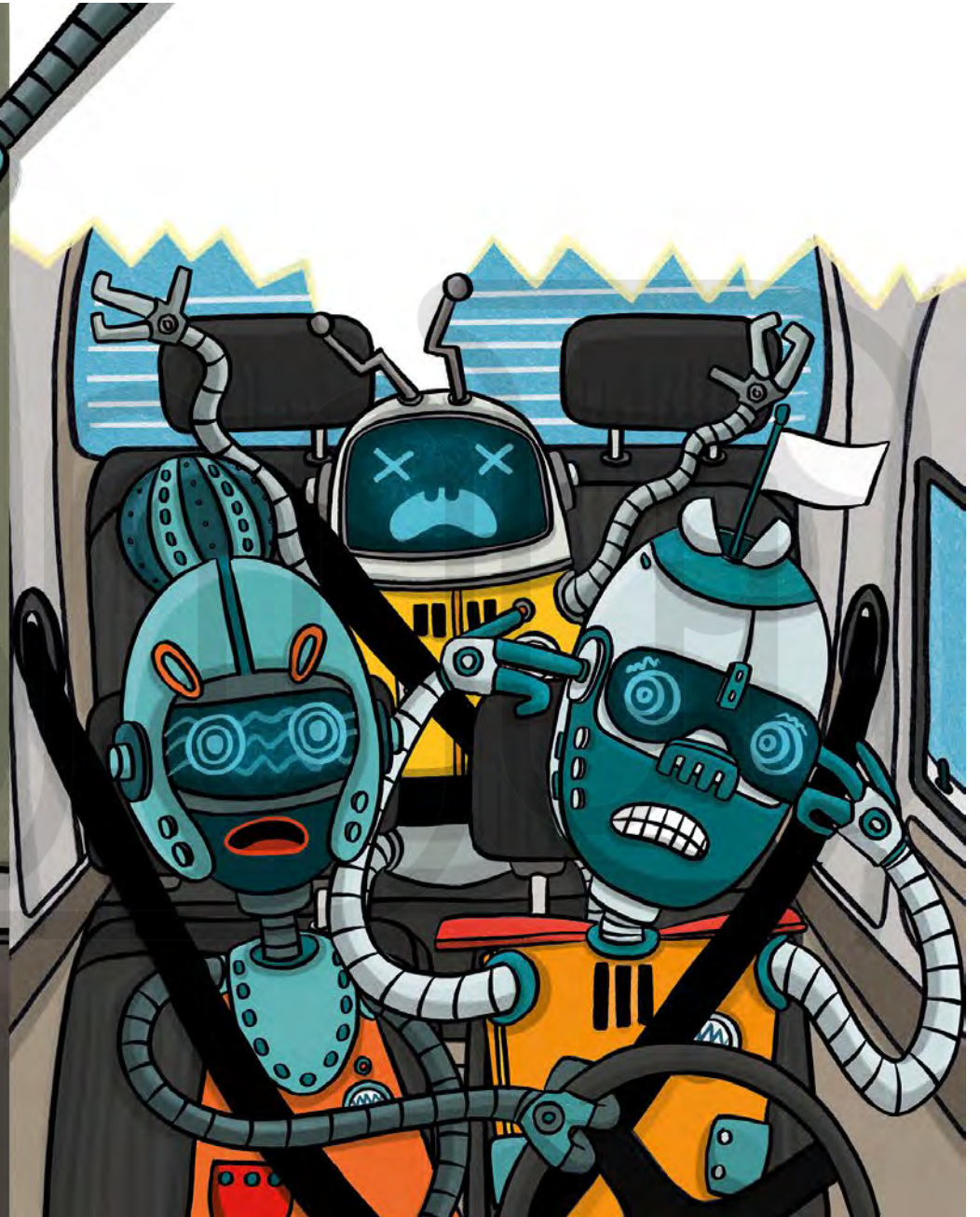
















Fig. 2 - BEE / BIENE

bear
BÄR



Fig. 12 - LEMUR / LEMUR

llama
LAMA



Fig. 3 - CAPYBARA / CAPYBARA

chameleon
CHAMÄLEON



Fig. 7 - GECKO / GECKO

giraffe
GIRAFFE



Fig. 18 - RAT / RATTE

raven
RABE

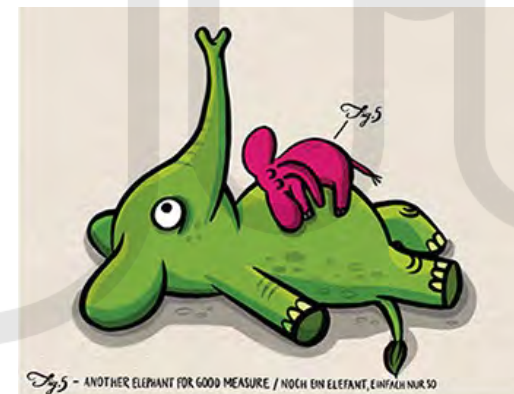


Fig. 5 - ANOTHER ELEPHANT FOR GOOD MEASURE / NOCH EIN ELEFANT, EINFACH NUR SO

elephant
ELEFANT

