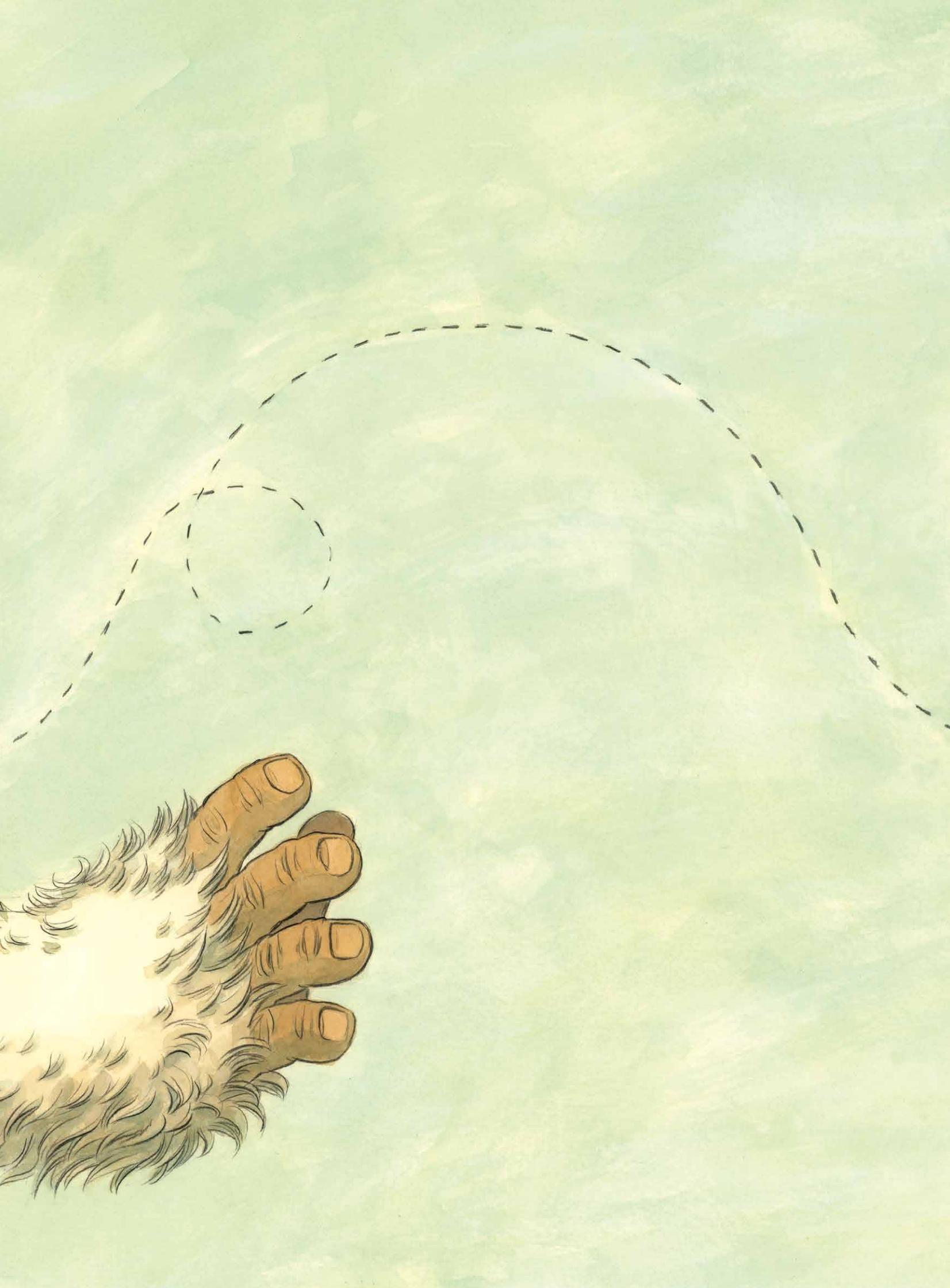


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PIQO-PIQO AND THE TERRIFYING GIANT SQUID OF INDOCHINA



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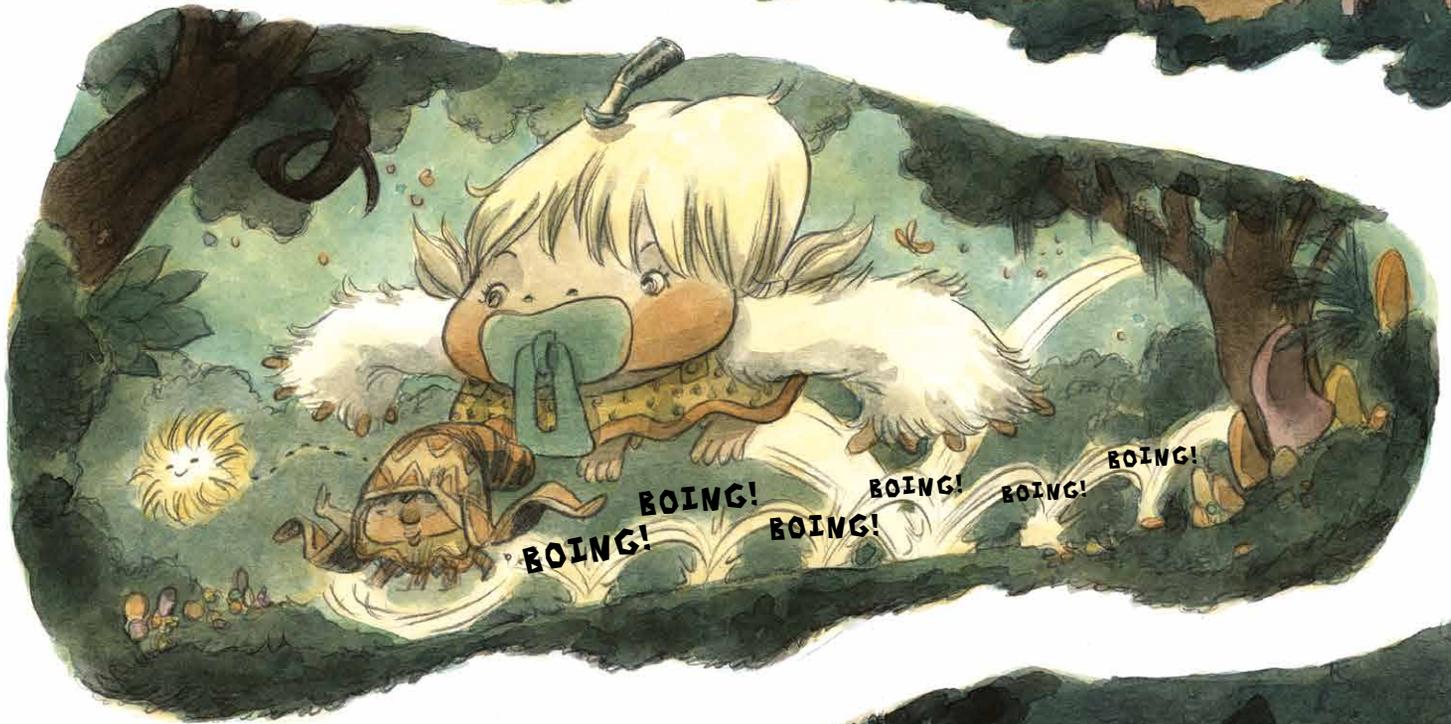






CHAPTER 1

**AN ISLAND FULL
OF SURPRISES...
SURPRISES
WITH TEETH!**





TROM!
TROM!

TROM!
TROM!
TROM!



CRACK!

CRAACK!



BLAM

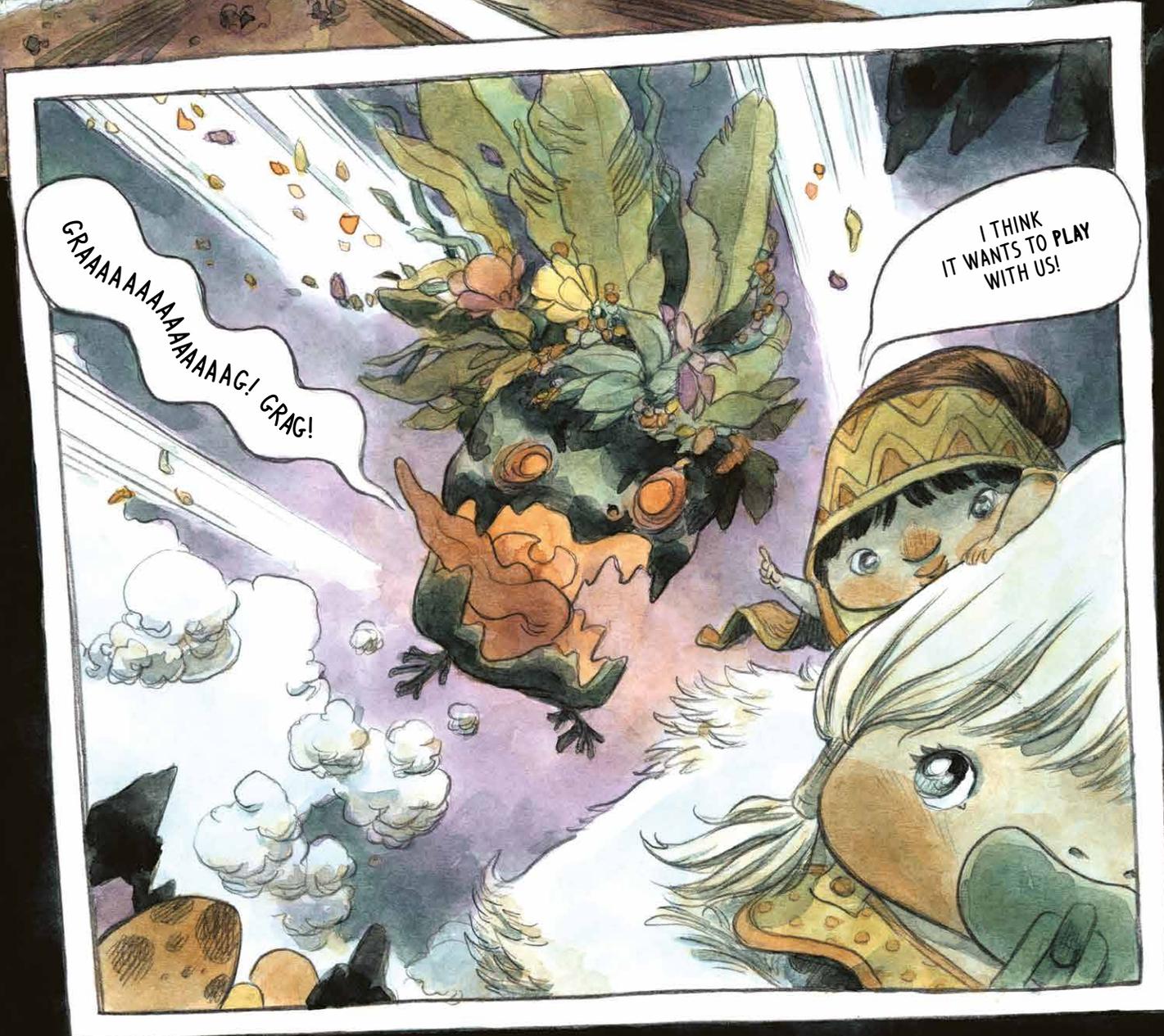








BLAM



I THINK
IT WANTS TO PLAY
WITH US!

GRAAAAAAAAAAAAAAG!
GRAG!



HA, HA! WHAT FUN!

TOING!



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BLL-BLL-BLL-BLL-BLLH!

TROM! TROM! TROM!



OH! YOU'RE SO FAST!

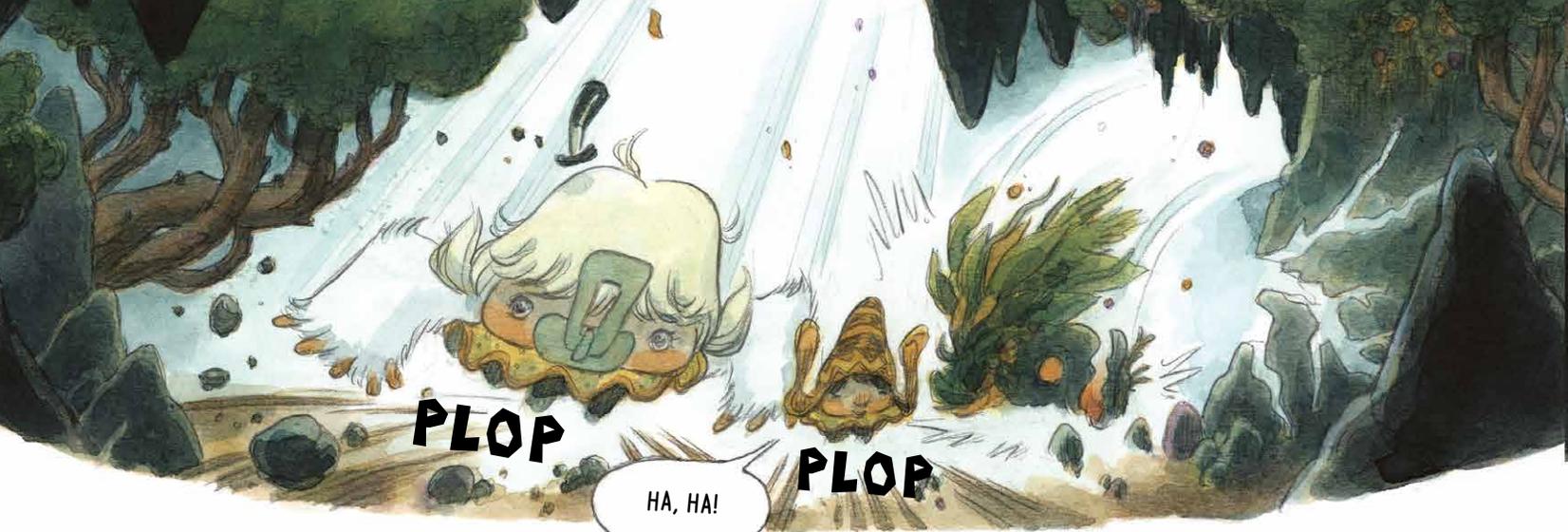
GOO!

TROM! TROM! TROM! TROM! TROM!



BOING!

PLOP!



PLOP

PLOP

HA, HA!



GOOCHIE GOO
GOOCHIE GOO
GOOCHIE GOO
GOO



GOOCHIE GOOCHIE GOO

YOU'RE A VERY FUNNY MONSTER!



CRUNCH

CUCKOOOO!

GOO, GAAAH!

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WHOA!



AH!

THERE IT IS!

CAREFUL!

BLAM!

GOO!

PLAF!

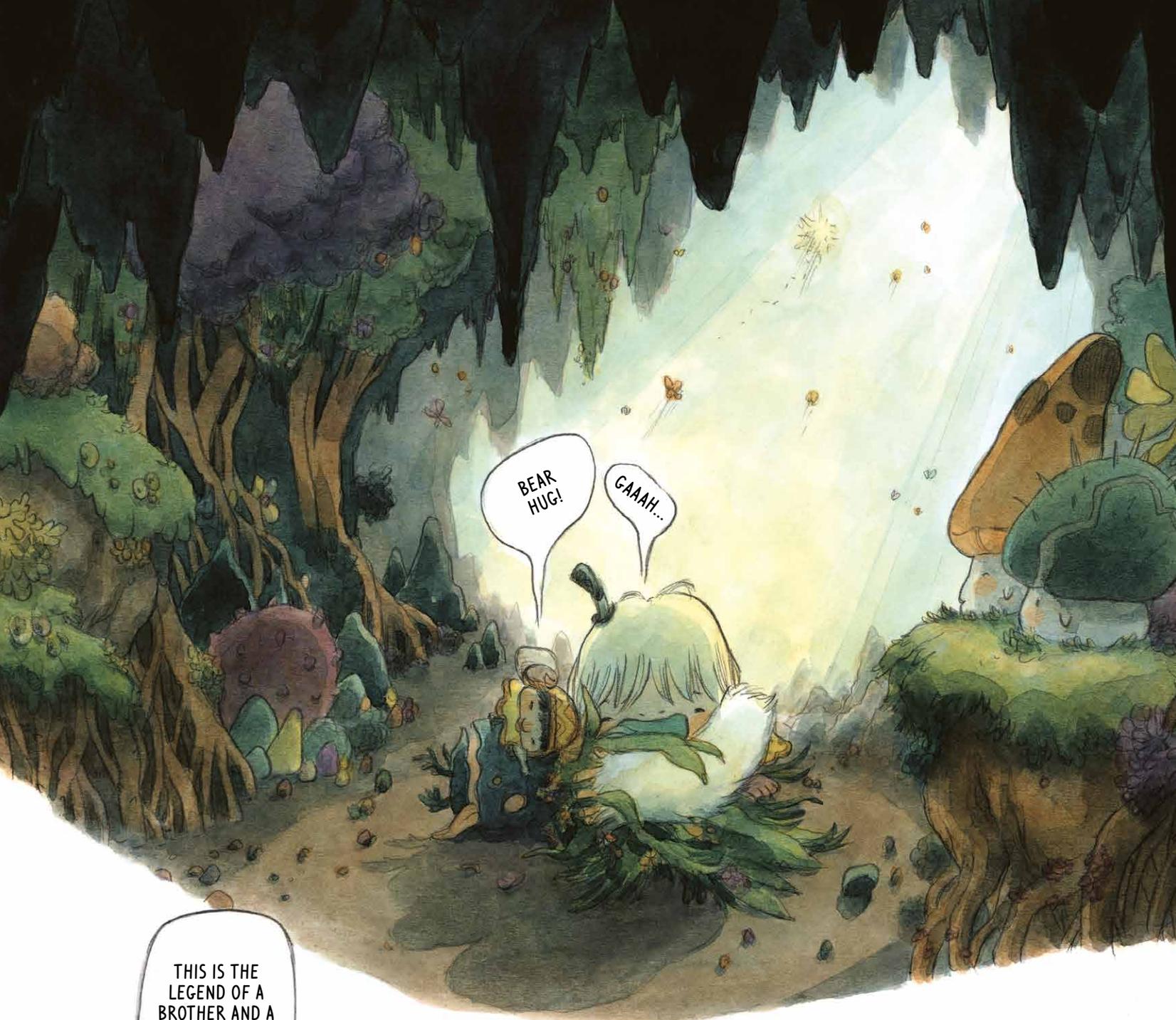
CRACK!

CRAM!

TONG TOIM TOIM

DON'T WORRY,
THE LIE-NEEN BUG
IS OK!





THIS IS THE
LEGEND OF A
BROTHER AND A
SISTER WHO HAD
A VERY SPECIAL
PASSION FOR...
MONSTERS!



SERIOUSLY?
BUT MONSTERS
ARE SO...
MONSTROUUUS!



YES, BUT
LET ME TELL IT
TO YOU...



OUR FRIENDS ARE CALLED PIQO-PIQO
AND BA-BY YETI AND THEY LIVE ON A VERY
MYSTERIOUS ISLAND...

THE IMPOSSIBLE ISLE!

IT'S THE ONLY
PLACE IN THE WORLD
WHERE SOMETIMES, IF
YOU'RE LUCKY, YOU
CAN SEE THE SUN BEHIND
THE CLOUDS.



ON THIS ISLAND, THERE ARE
RETIRED PIRATES, LIVING LEGENDS,
AND A FEW MONSTERS...

...NOT TO MENTION A FABULOUS
HIDDEN TREASURE AND A VERY
KINDLY TOADSTOOL!

AND A CACTUS!

FAMILY TREE

PICQ-PICQ AND
BA-BY YETI DESCEND FROM A
LONG LINE OF GODS, MONSTERS,
WARRIORS, AS WELL AS
ABSOLUTELY NORMAL PEOPLE.

BE-BÉ YETI

PICQ-PICQ

BIG DADDY

MA-MA PIRATE

THE GREAT PIRATE

BIG GRANDPOPS

FANCY NANA





THIS MIXTURE MEANT THAT THEY WERE BORN WITH OUT-OF-THE-ORDINARY CHARACTERISTICS. THEY ARE BASICALLY SUPER INCREDIBLE CHILDREN!

...BUT ALL OF THIS IS JUST A LEGEND,
A STORY THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH REALITY...

OH YEAH?

YEAH!

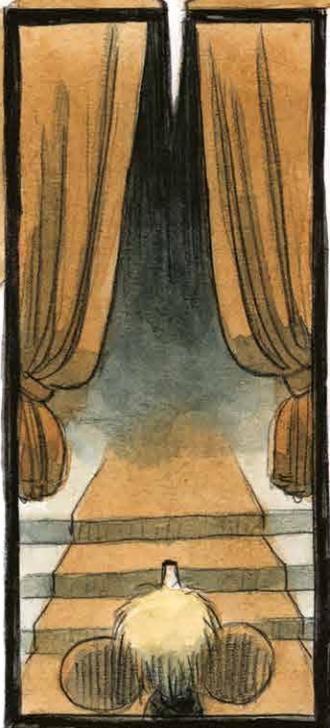
THE IMPOSSIBLE
ISLE EXISTS!

AND I'LL TELL
YOU SOMETHING
ELSE, YOUR
MAJESTY...



I CAN TELL YOU WHERE TO FIND IT!

IMPOSSIBLE!



EXACTLY, THAT'S THE NAME, YOUR MAJESTY: IMPOSSIBLE ISLE.



I MEANT THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO FIND THE IMPOSSIBLE ISLE.



NEVER BEFORE HAS ANYONE ACHIEVED THIS FEAT! IT'S...

IMPOSSIBLE!

OF COURSE!

AND THAT IS PROBABLY WHY THEY GAVE IT THE NAME!

BUT AS I WAS TELLING YOU, THIS ISLAND IS QUITE DIFFICULT TO FIND BECAUSE IT MOVES. STRANGE, DON'T YOU THINK?

WHOA!

ACT NATURAL!

BLA...

BLA...

WHAT WAS I SAYING...?

OH, YES! THAT LUCKILY FOR US, IT DOES SO VERY SLOWLY.

AND LAST NIGHT WHILE I WAS FISHING, I COULD SEE IT FROM MY SHIP!

IF YOU LEAVE NOW, YOU CAN CATCH IT BEFORE IT GETS TOO FAR!

MMM... IS IT TRUE THAT THE LARGEST-KNOWN DIAMOND IS HIDDEN THERE?

YES!

A DIAMOND KNOWN AS THE "WATERMELON DIAMOND"!

AND THE REASON THEY GAVE IT THAT NAME IS BECAUSE IT'S AS BIG AS A...

HA! HA!

OW!

HA! HA!



SILENCE!

**GO, FIND THE IMPOSSIBLE ISLE, CONQUER IT
IN MY GLORIOUS NAME AND AFTERWARDS, BRING ME
THE WATERMELON DIAMOND!**

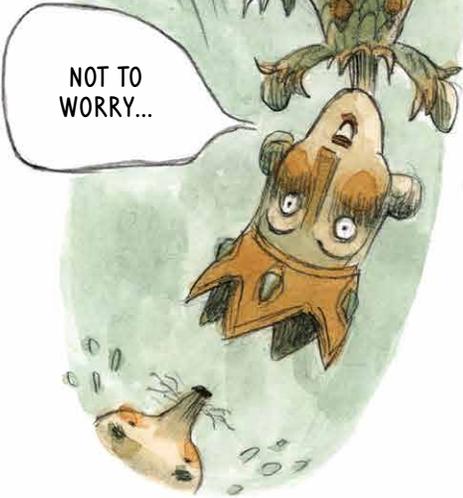


**YOU KNOW
WHAT?**

GO!



**BU-BU-BUTTT YOUR MAJESTY...
HO-HOW CAN I DO SOMETHING LIKE
THAT? I'M MERELY A HUMBLE FISHERMAN!**



NOT TO WORRY...

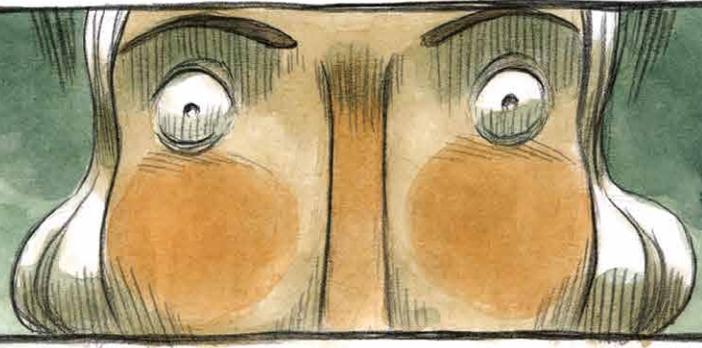


MY GUARDS WILL ACCOMPANY YOU!
AND IF YOU DO NOT SUCCEED IN COMPLETING THE MISSION, YOU WILL ALL FIND YOURSELVES IN THE DUNGEON!... FOREVER!



WAIT!... COULD YOU PLEASE REPEAT THAT LAST BIT, IF YOU WOULD BE SO KIND?

NO.
AND NOW...
OFF WITH YOU!



I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING, FISHERMAN...

YOU SAW THE ISLAND... BUT DID YOU SEE THE DIAMOND TOO?



NOT EXACTLY... I WAS PRETTY FAR OFF, SO...



I THINK I...



I FOUND ONE!



???



SHHH!

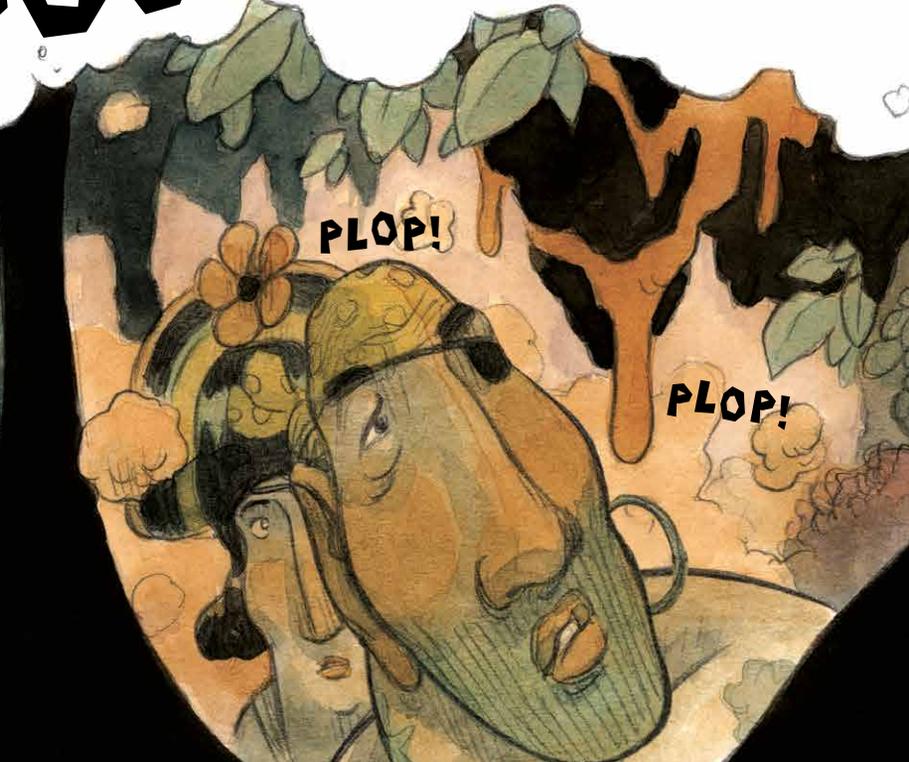
VRRROOOOOOOOOOOH...



FSSH!

FSSH!

FSSH!



PLOP!

PLOP!



PSSSSSSSSSH... PSSSSSSSH...



PHEEW!

I ALMOST PUT MY FOOT IN IT!

DOWN HERE, YOU HAVE TO SPEAK SOFTLY, SINCE THE ISLAND CAN HEAR US...



I'LL PUT UP SOME SIGNS BECAUSE I'M ALWAYS FORGETTING!

SO THEN, WHAT DID YOU FIND?

A WATER-MELON.

A BIG ONE?



YES! ONE
THE SIZE OF A
DIAMOND.

A SMALL ONE,
AT LEAST.

EXCELLENT!



THE CHILDREN DON'T STOP GROWING AND EAT MORE AND MORE EVERY DAY.

WE SHOULD HAVE GONE WITH THEM TO SCHOOL TODAY.

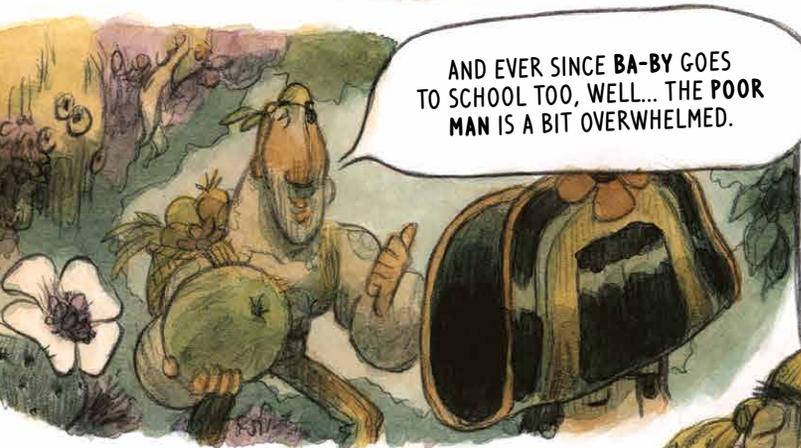


THE TEACHER SAYS THEY'RE ALWAYS ARRIVING LATE.

THAT GUY DOES NOTHING BUT COMPLAIN! HE'S ALREADY STARTING TO...



HE'S AN EXCELLENT TEACHER. IT'S JUST THAT PIQO HAS ANTS IN HIS PANTS AND SOMETIMES DRIVES HIM CRAZY.



AND EVER SINCE BA-BY GOES TO SCHOOL TOO, WELL... THE POOR MAN IS A BIT OVERWHELMED.

YES. IN ANY CASE, DON'T WORRY. I WOKE THEM UP EARLIER TODAY SO THEY WOULD BE ON TIME. BESIDES, PIQO KNOWS THE ROUTE PERFECTLY.

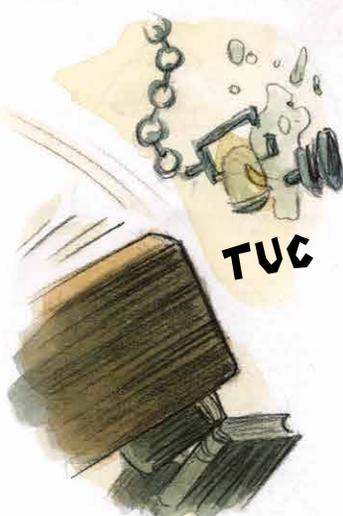
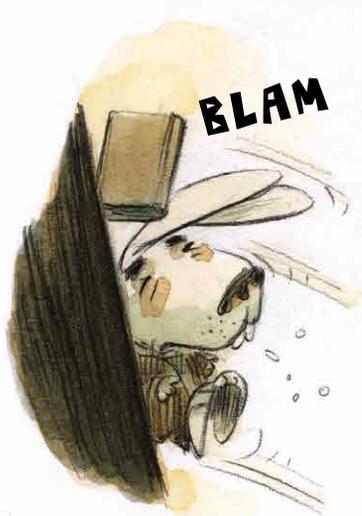
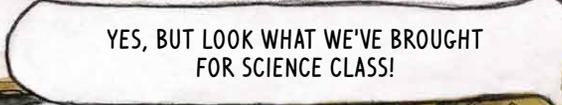
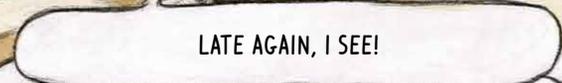
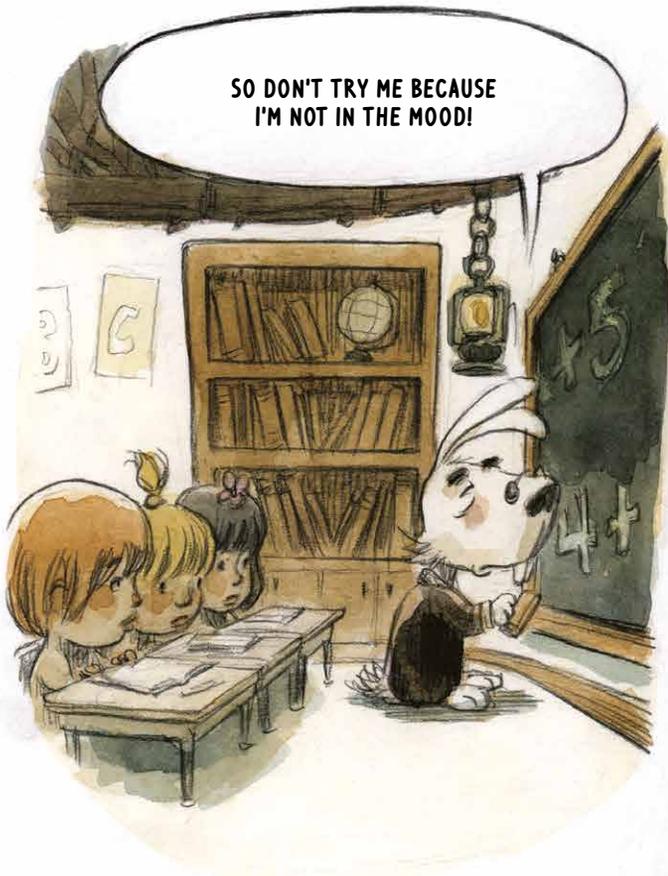


THAT'S TRUE.



IT'S JUST THAT THEY'RE ALWAYS GETTING DISTRACTED BY SOMETHING...







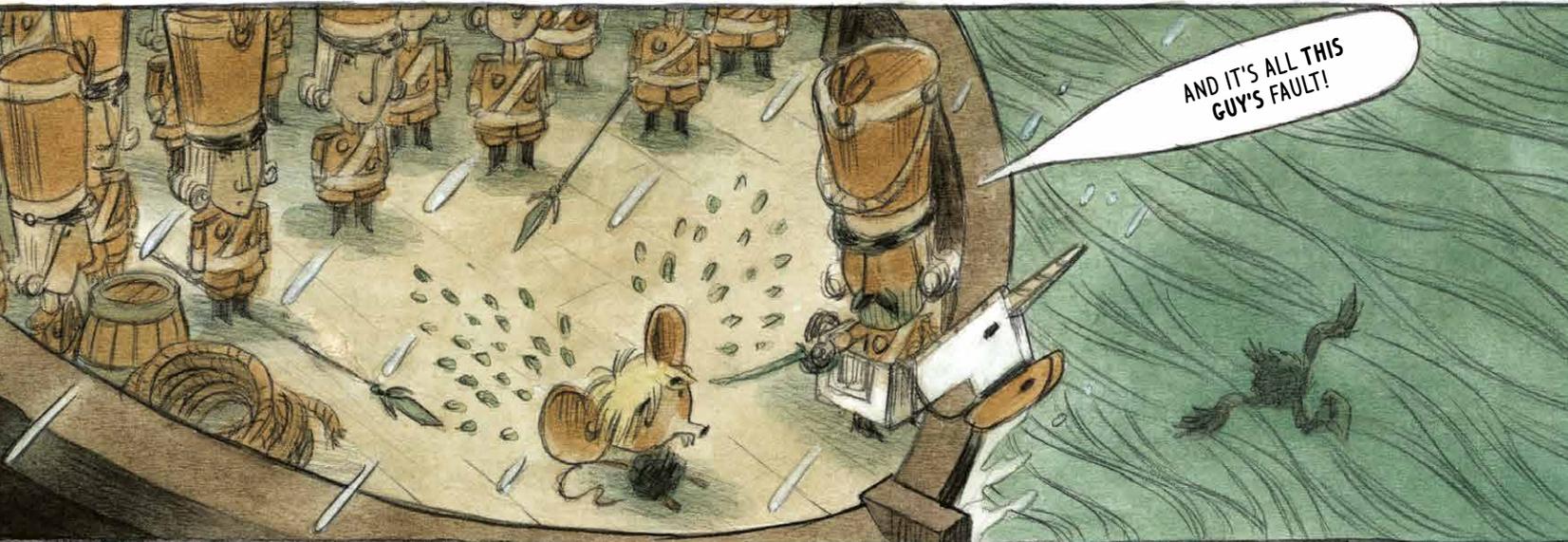


DID WE FRIGHTEN YOU,
TEACH?



IMPOSSIBLE ISLE!

ONWARD!



AND IT'S ALL THIS GUY'S FAULT!



A BIT LATER ON...

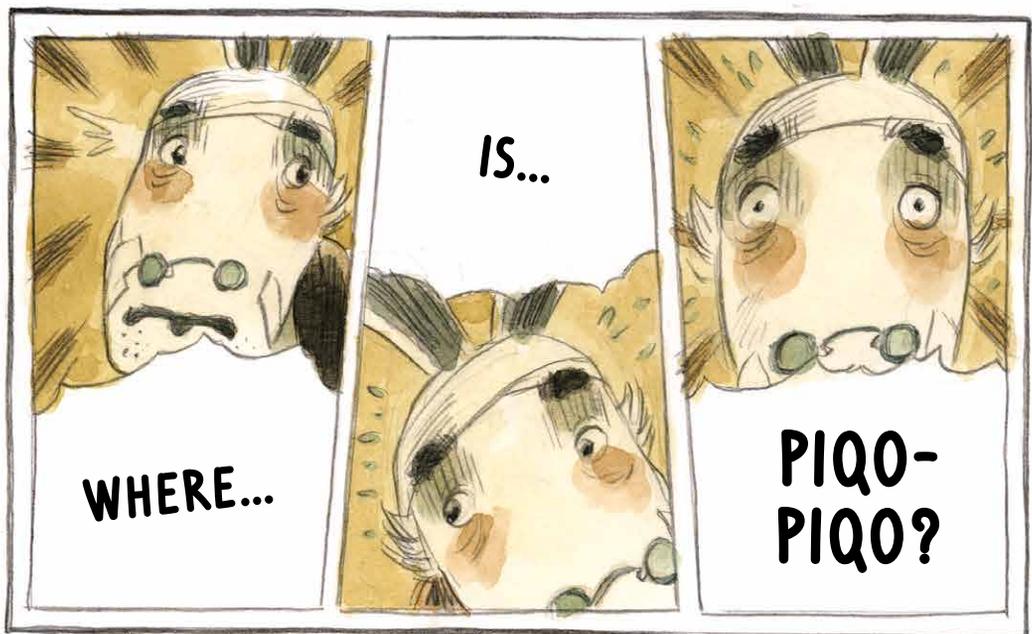
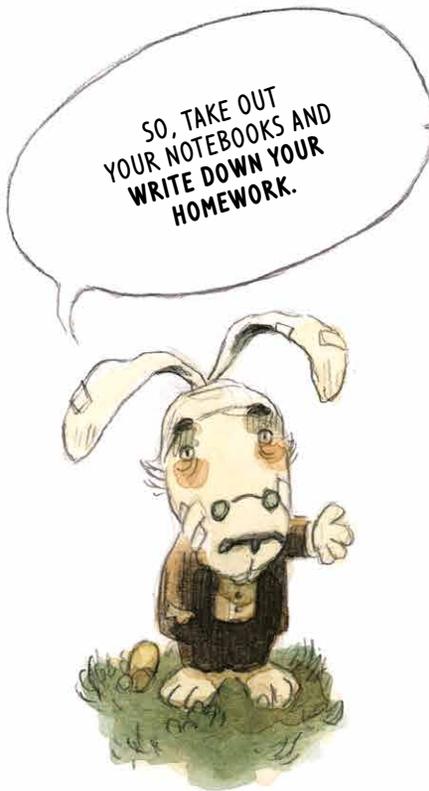
SQUIDS ARE THE SUBJECT OF MANY RIDICULOUS STORIES.

FOR EXAMPLE, A LEGEND EXISTS THAT SAYS IN THE INDO-CHINESE SEA, THERE LIVES A TERRIFYING GIANT SQUID...

CAPABLE OF DESTROYING ENTIRE PORTS WITH THE MERE STRIKE OF ONE OF ITS TENTACLES!

IN OUR NEXT NATURAL SCIENCE CLASS, WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO STUDY THESE GIANT MARINE ANIMALS.

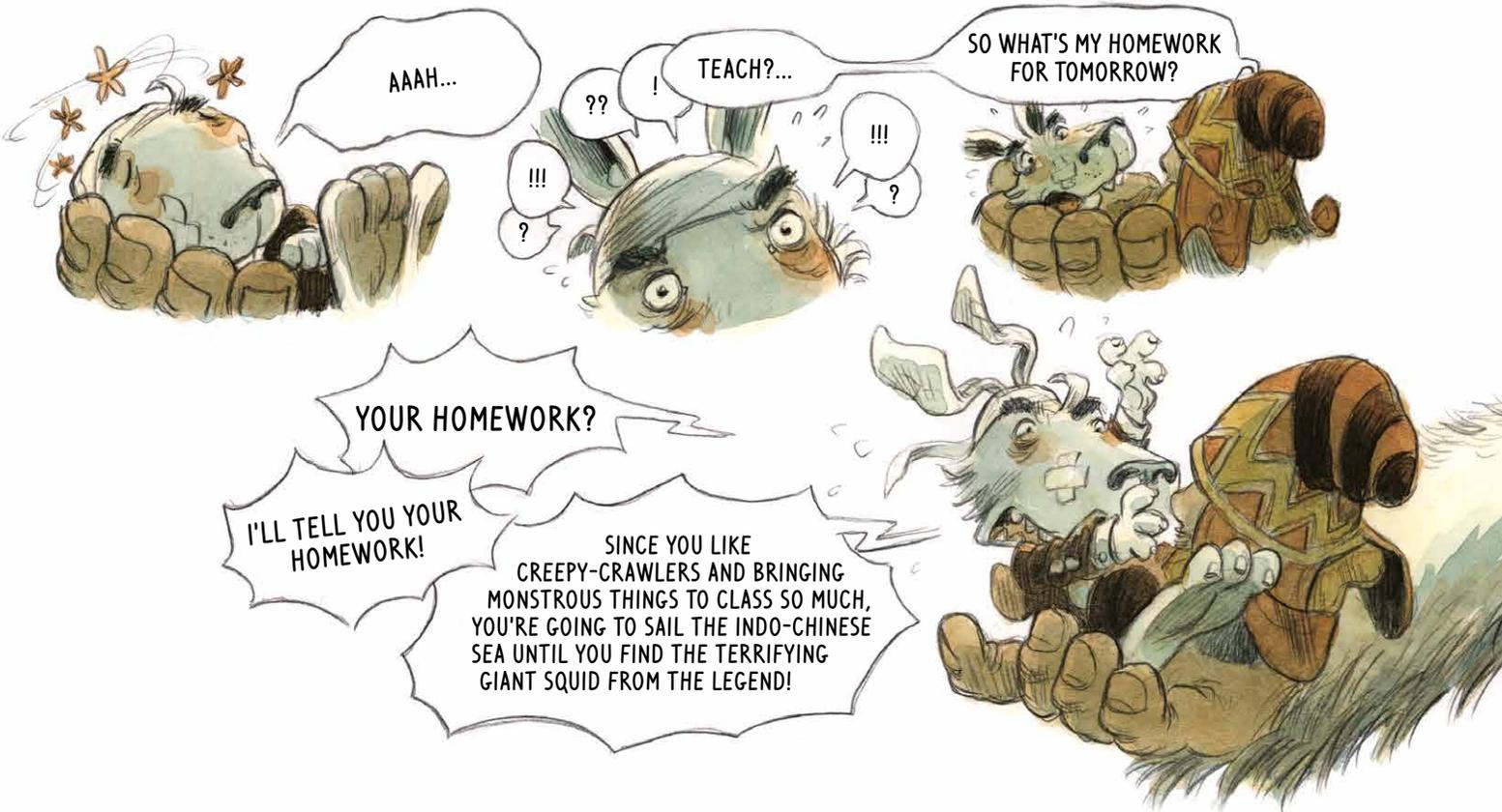








THE PAINNNNN...



AAAH...

TEACH?...

SO WHAT'S MY HOMEWORK FOR TOMORROW?

YOUR HOMEWORK?
I'LL TELL YOU YOUR HOMEWORK!
SINCE YOU LIKE CREEPY-CRAWLERS AND BRINGING MONSTROUS THINGS TO CLASS SO MUCH, YOU'RE GOING TO SAIL THE INDO-CHINESE SEA UNTIL YOU FIND THE TERRIFYING GIANT SQUID FROM THE LEGEND!