The book cover features a whimsical illustration of a young llama standing in a forest. The llama is light brown with a darker greyish-brown patch on its lower leg. It is looking towards a small, fluffy owl chick perched on a tree branch. In the upper left corner, a larger owl is visible in a tree hollow. The background shows a stone wall, a stream, and rolling hills under a blue sky. The title 'Is Your Mama a Llama?' is written in a large, dark blue, serif font. Below the title, the author's name 'Written by DEBORAH GUARINO' and the illustrator's name 'Illustrated by STEVEN KELLOGG' are printed in a smaller, black, sans-serif font.

# Is Your Mama a Llama?

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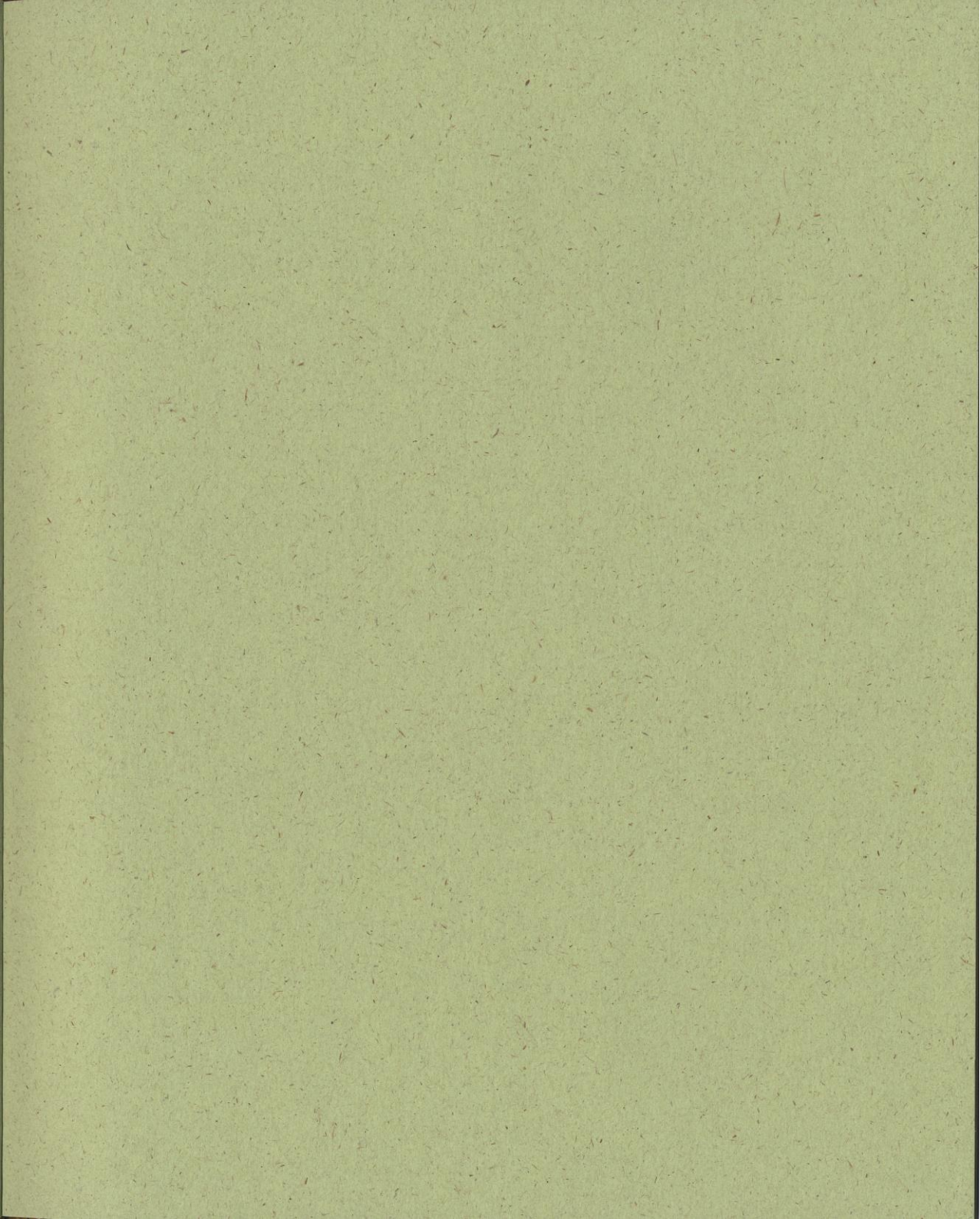
**I**s your mama a llama? Lloyd the baby llama asks his different animal friends in turn.

In zany riddle rhymes, each animal gives Lloyd some hints that will help him and readers to guess what everyone's mama really is. But it's his friend Llyn the Llama that finally leads Lloyd to the answer he longs most to hear.

Deborah Guarino's whimsical verse and Steven Kellogg's endearing illustrations will charm and amuse every child who loves riddles, baby animals, and good fun!

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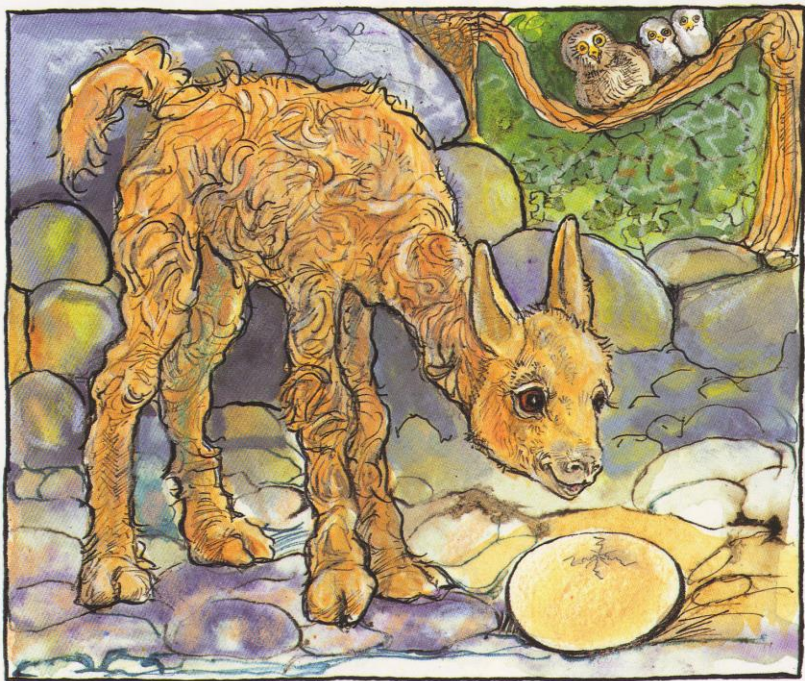








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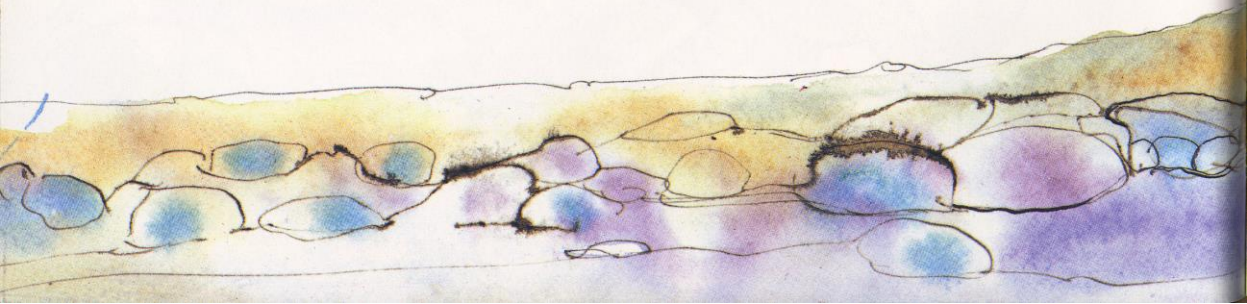
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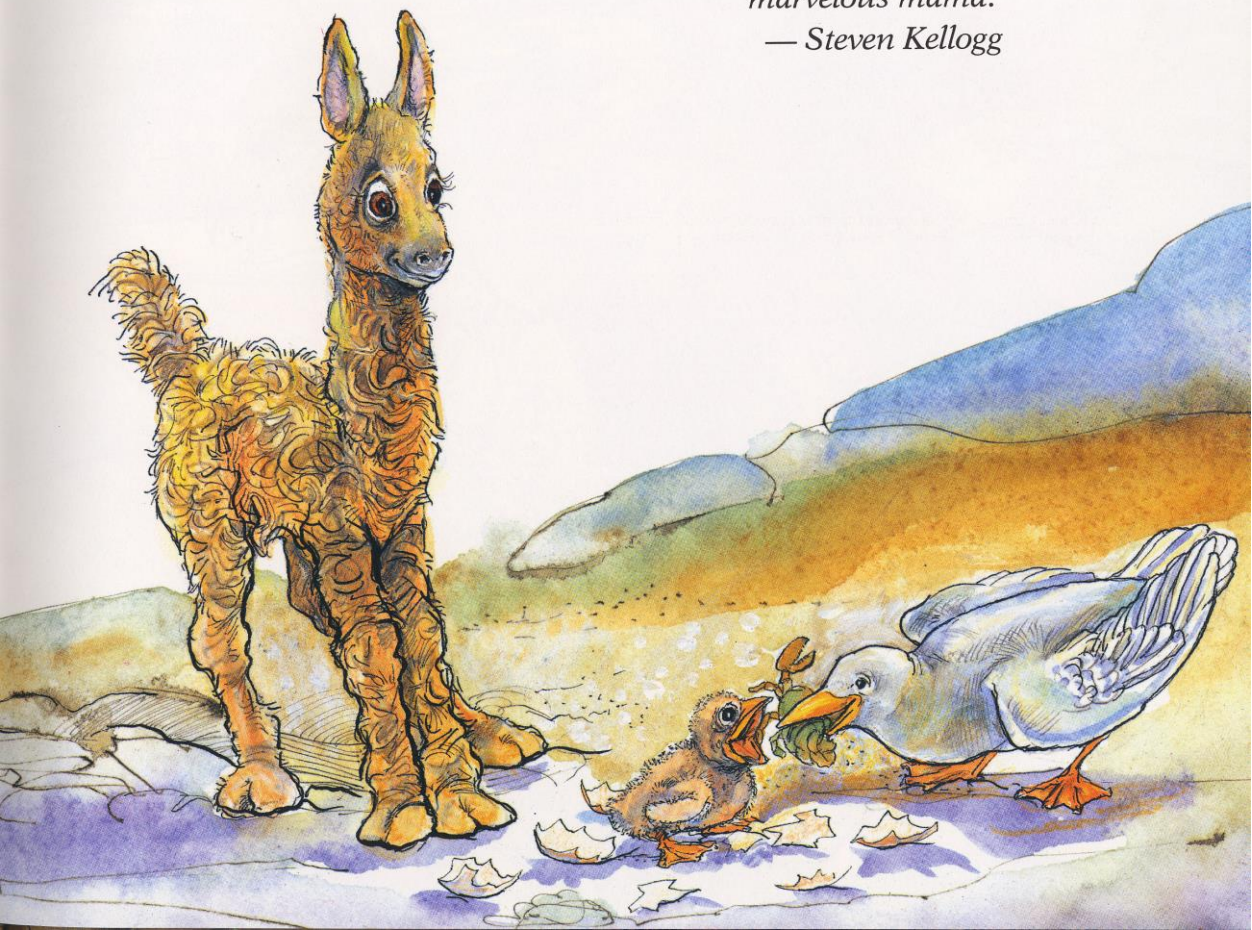
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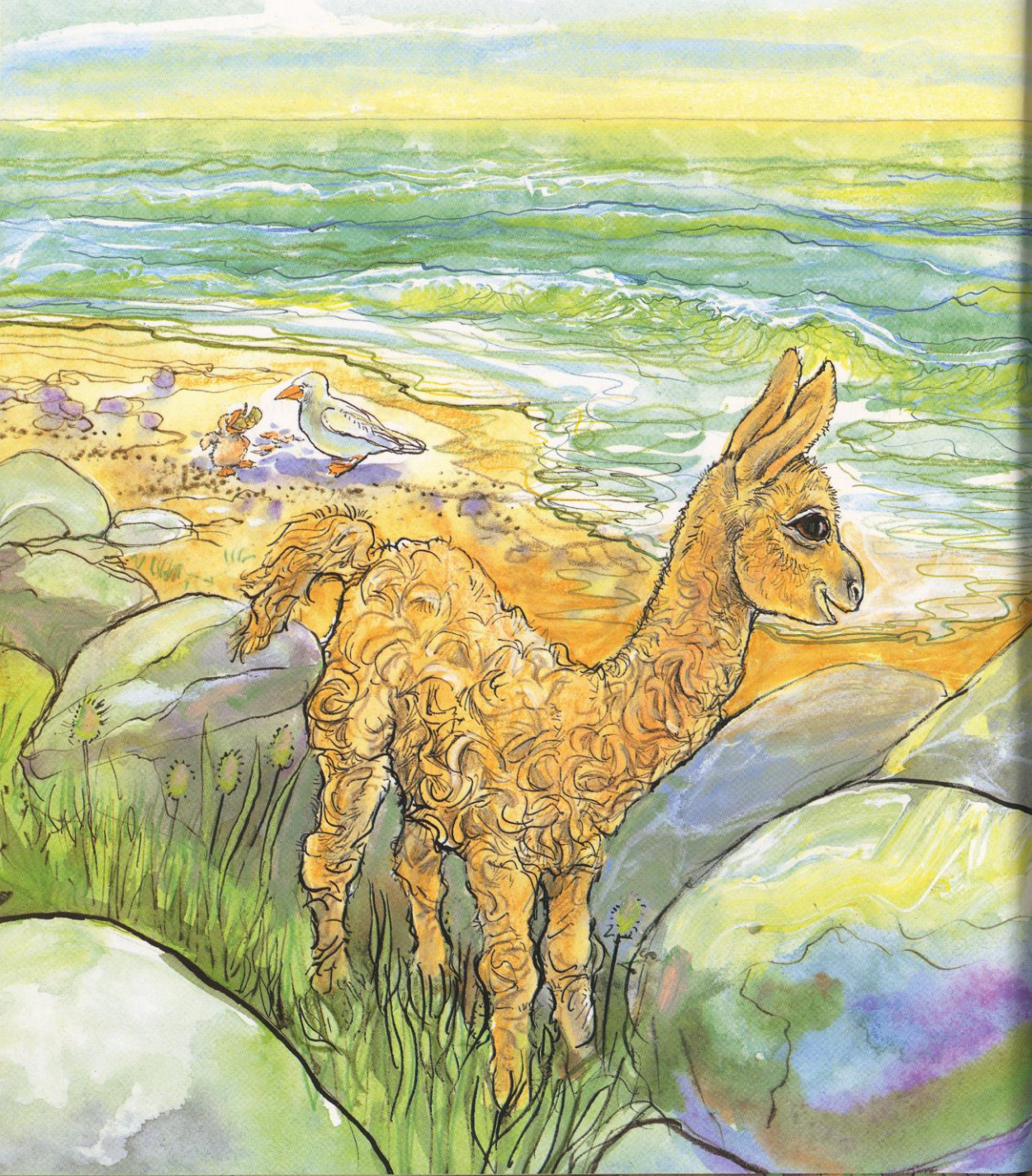
*For my son, Joshua,  
My Papa and Mama,  
My friends Star and Luci . . .  
And that one special llama!  
— D.G.*

*Love to  
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Tremaine,  
and to their  
marvelous mama.  
— Steven Kellogg*



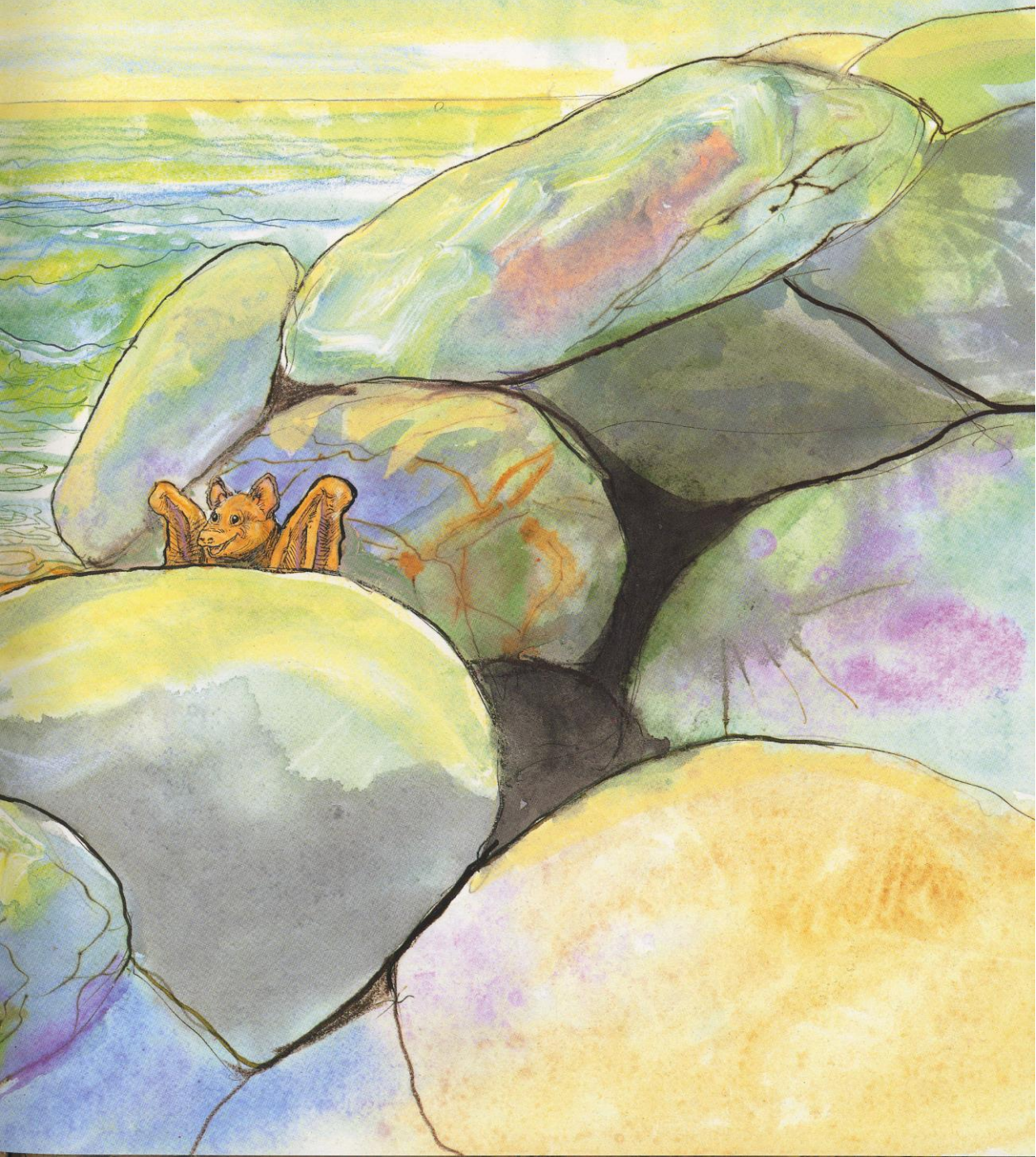


“Is your mama a llama?” I asked my friend Dave.





“No, she is not,” is the answer Dave gave.

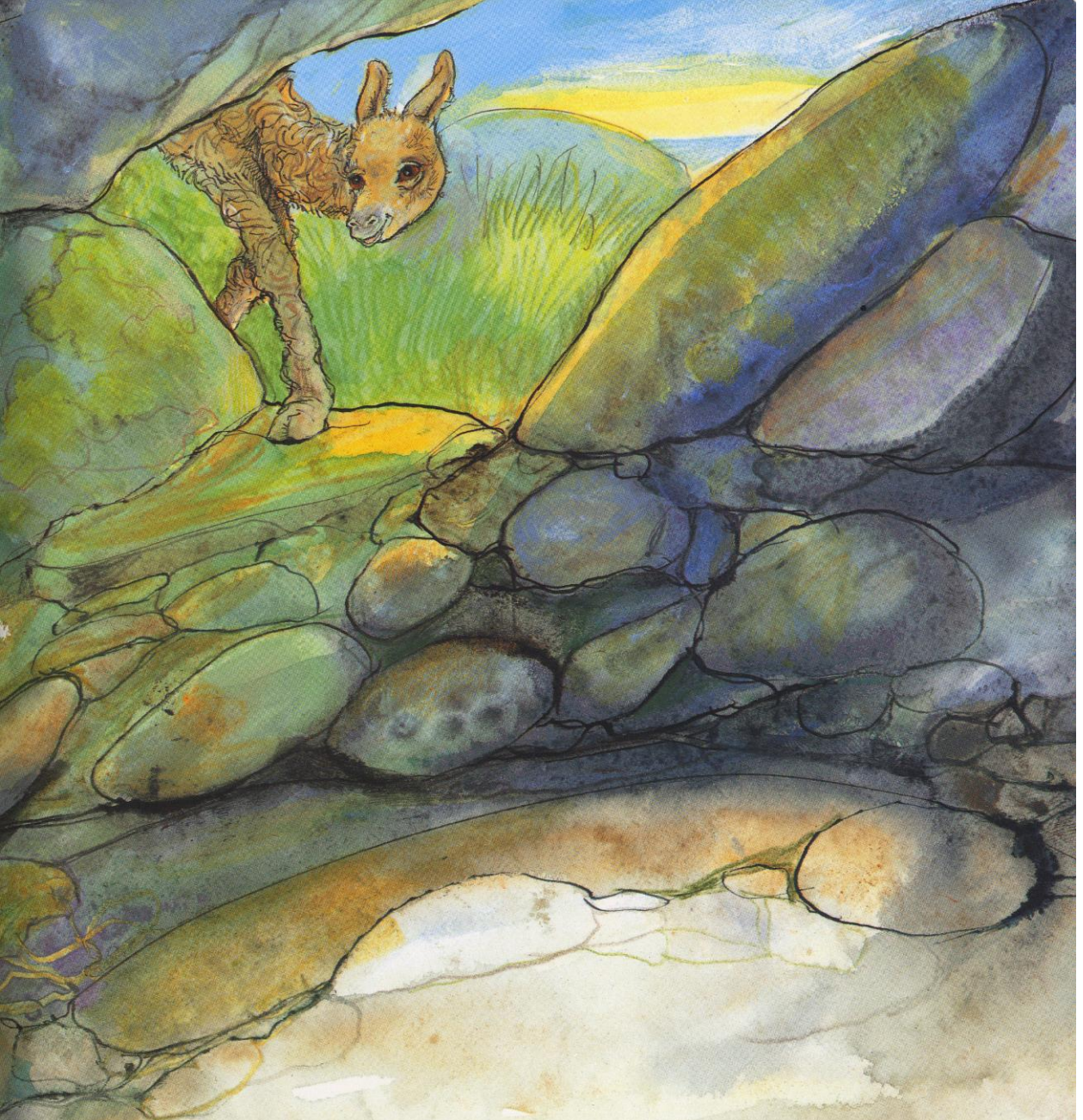




“She hangs by her feet, and she lives in a cave.  
I do not believe that’s how llamas behave.”



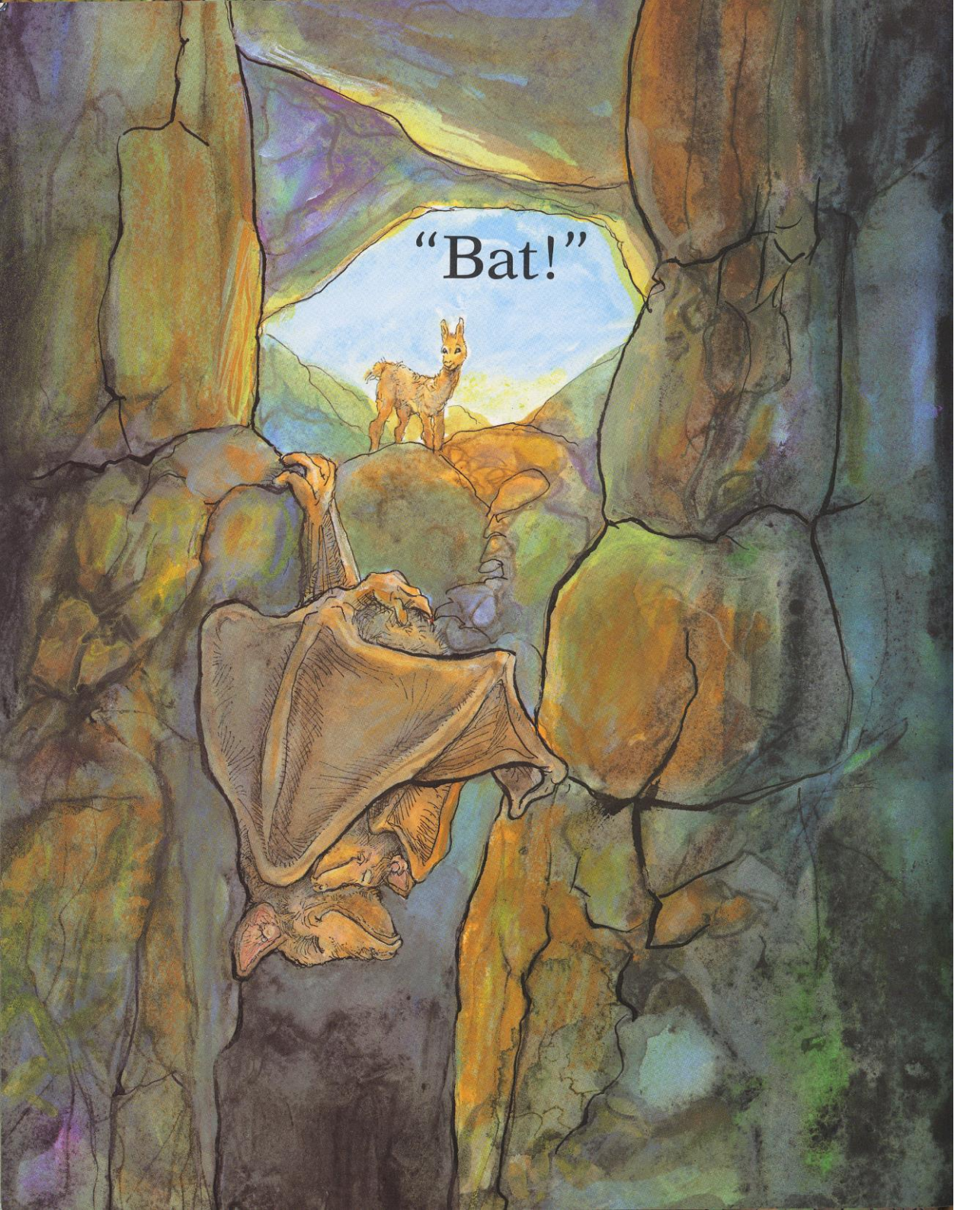




“Oh,” I said. “You are right about that.  
I think that your mama sounds more like a . . .

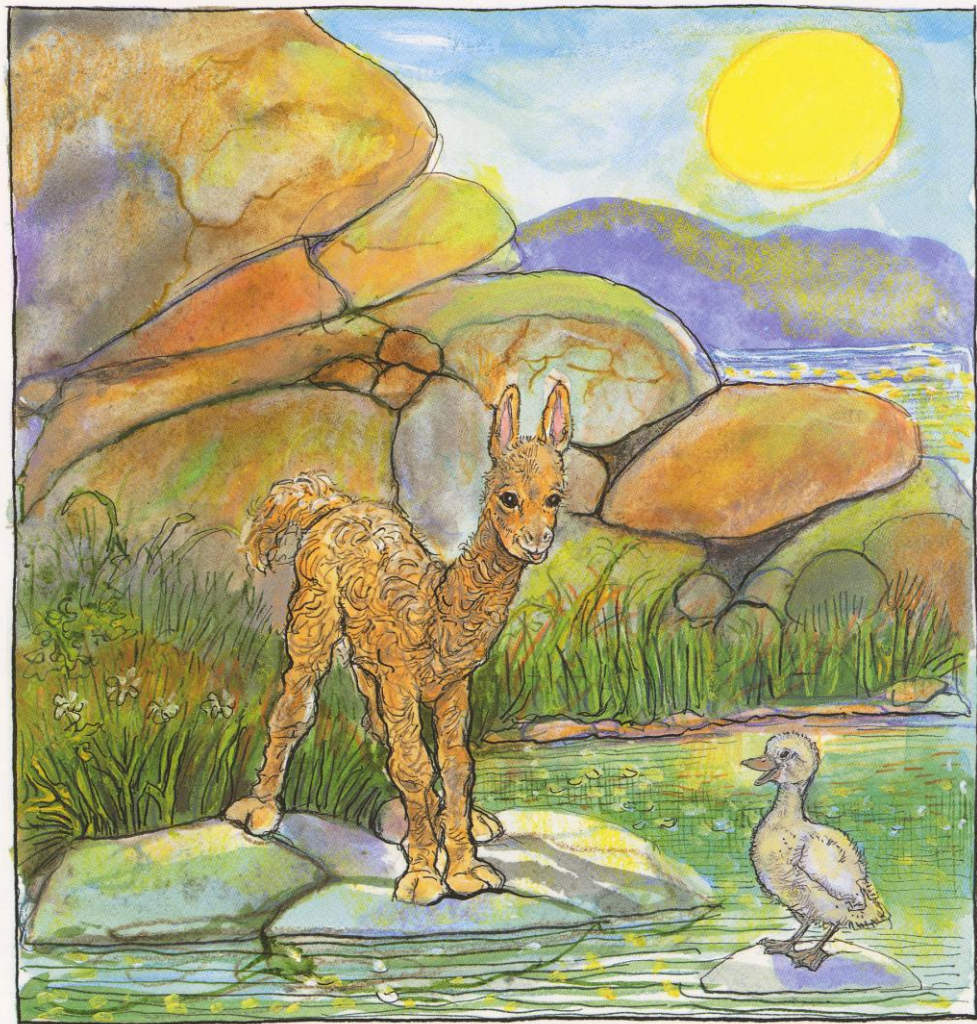


“Bat!”





“Is your mama a llama?” I asked my friend Fred.



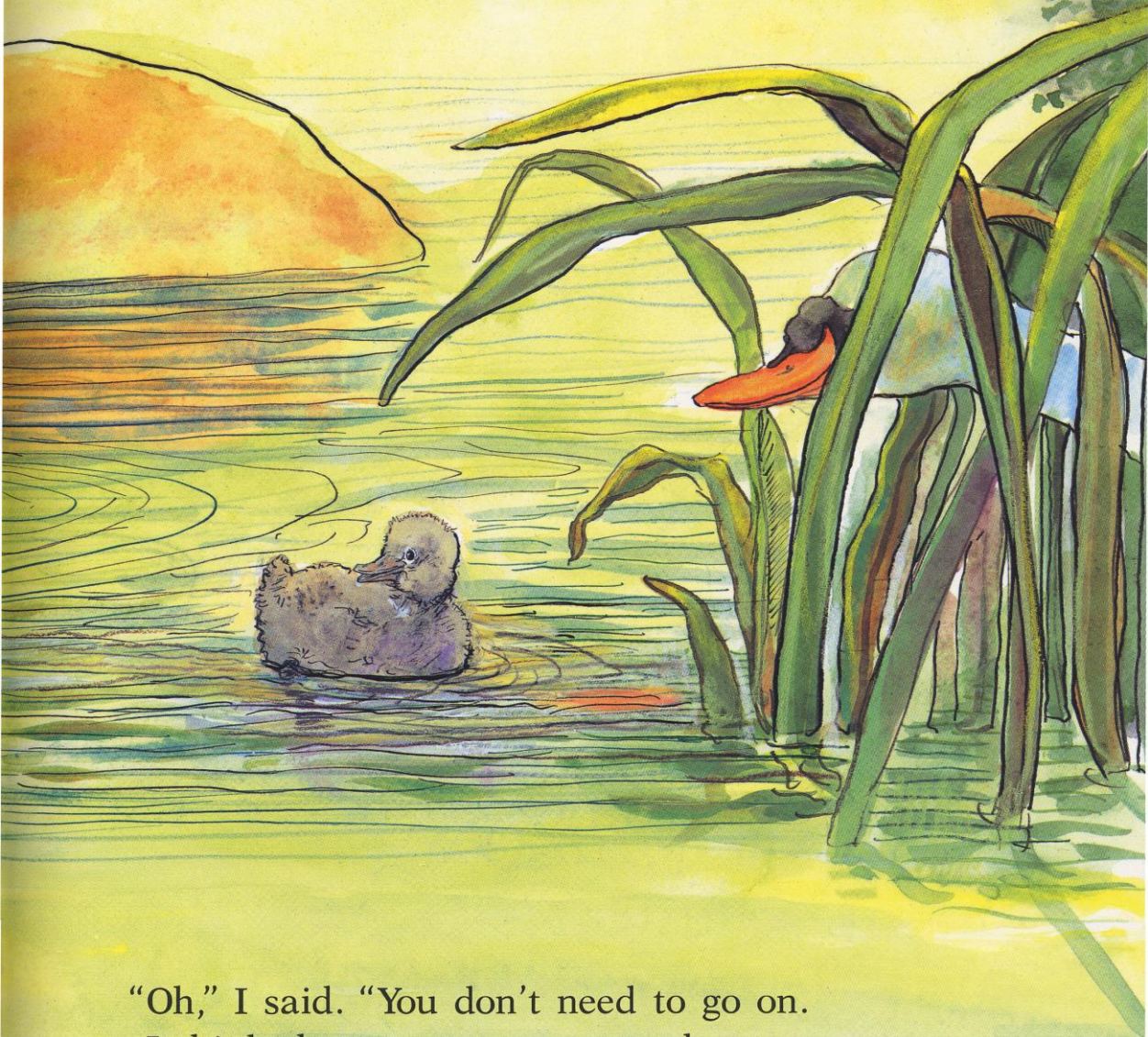
“No, she is not,” is what Freddy said.







“She has a long neck and white feathers and wings.  
I don’t think a llama has all of those things.”



“Oh,” I said. “You don’t need to go on.  
I think that your mama must be a . . .

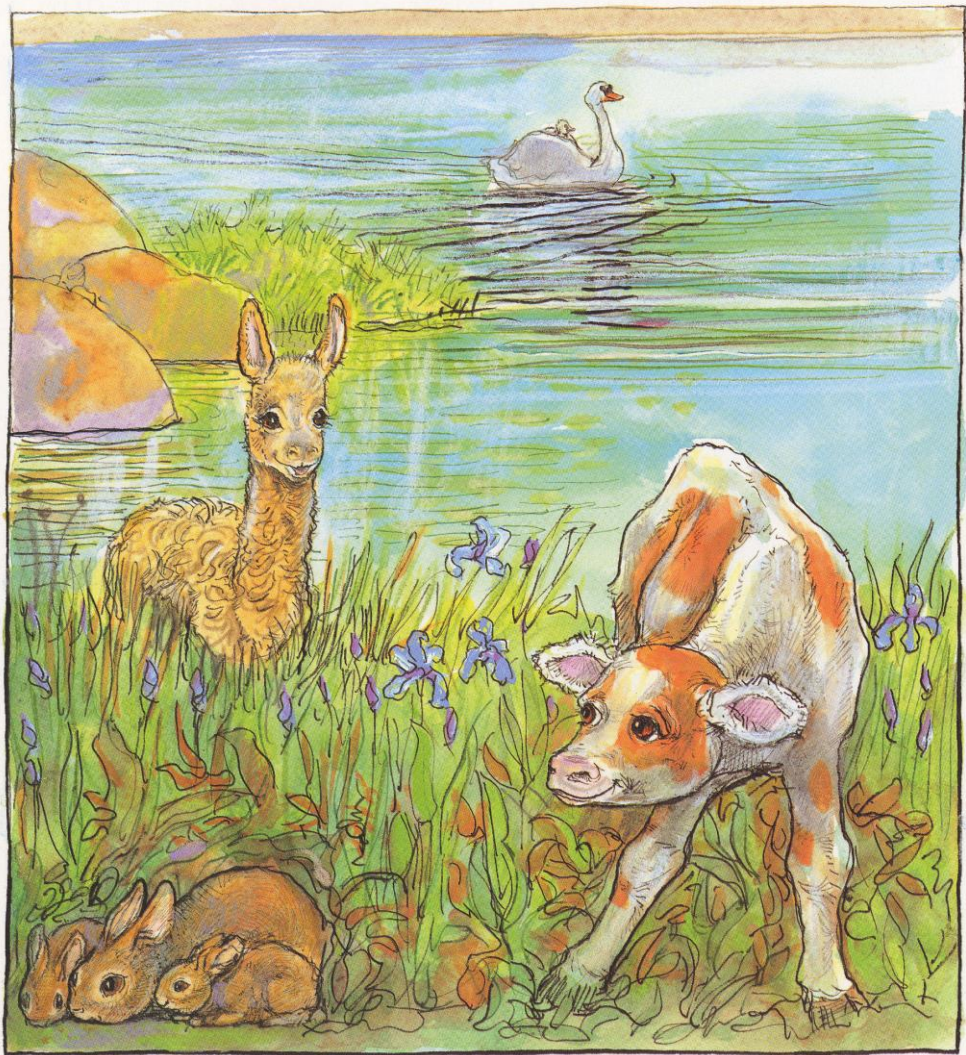


“Swan!”





“Is your mama a llama?” I asked my friend Jane.



“No, she is not,” Jane politely explained.







“She grazes on grass, and she likes to say, ‘Moo!’  
I don’t think that is what a llama would do.”



“Oh,” I said. “I understand, now.  
I think that your mama must be a . . .

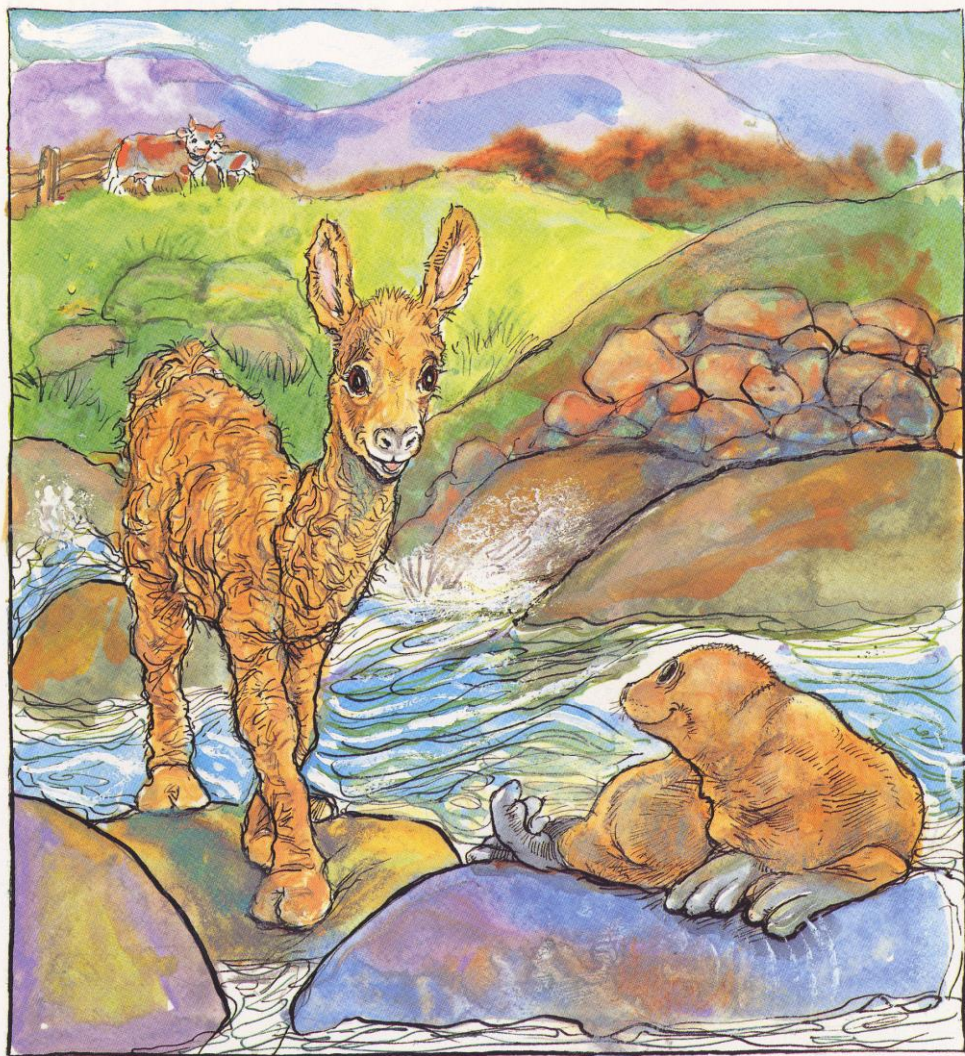


“Cow!”





"Is your mama a llama?" I asked my friend Clyde.



"No, she is not," is how Clyde replied.







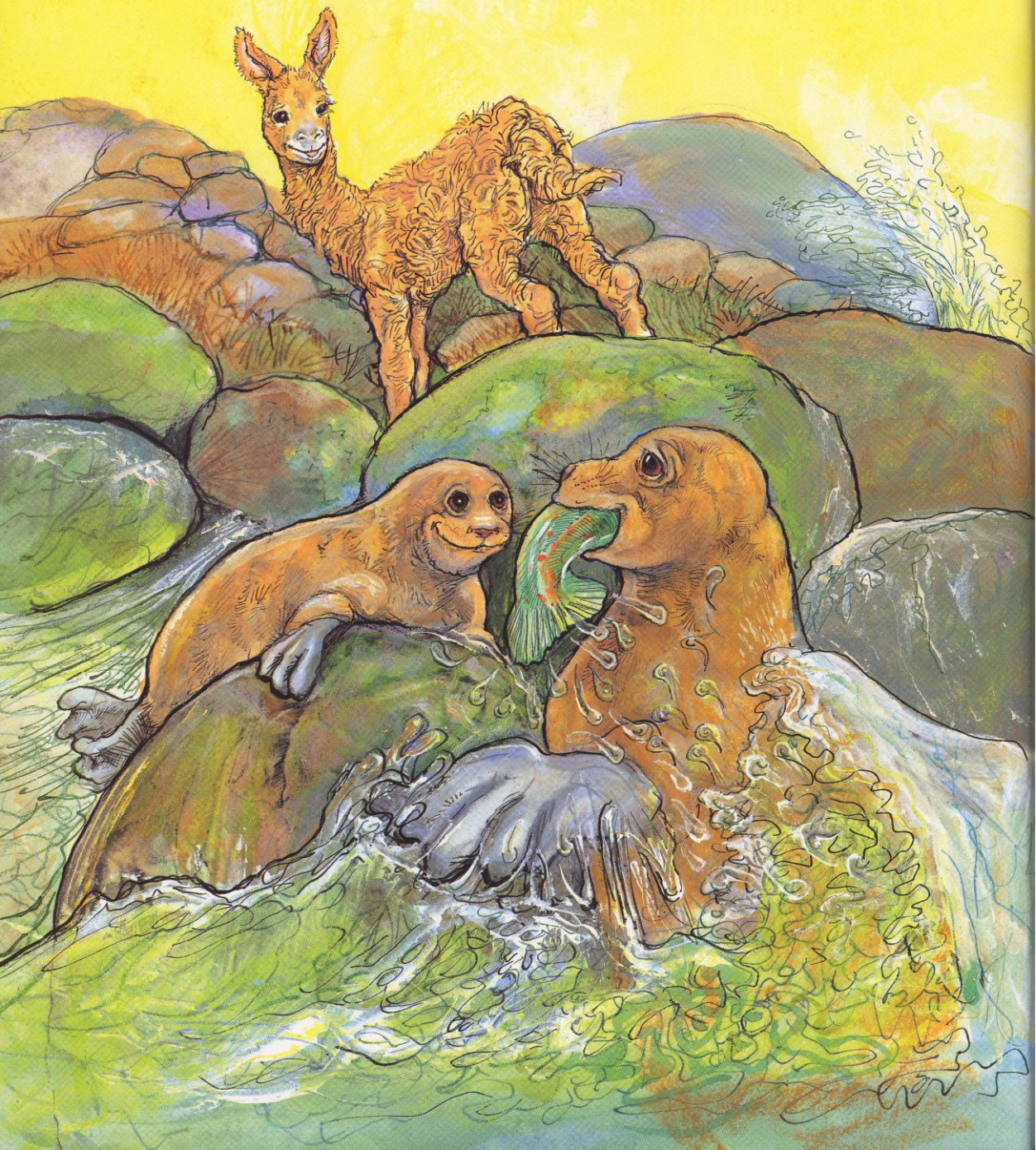
“She’s got flippers and whiskers and eats fish all day . . .  
I do not think llamas act quite in that way.”



“Oh,” I said. “I’m beginning to feel  
that your mama must really be a . . .

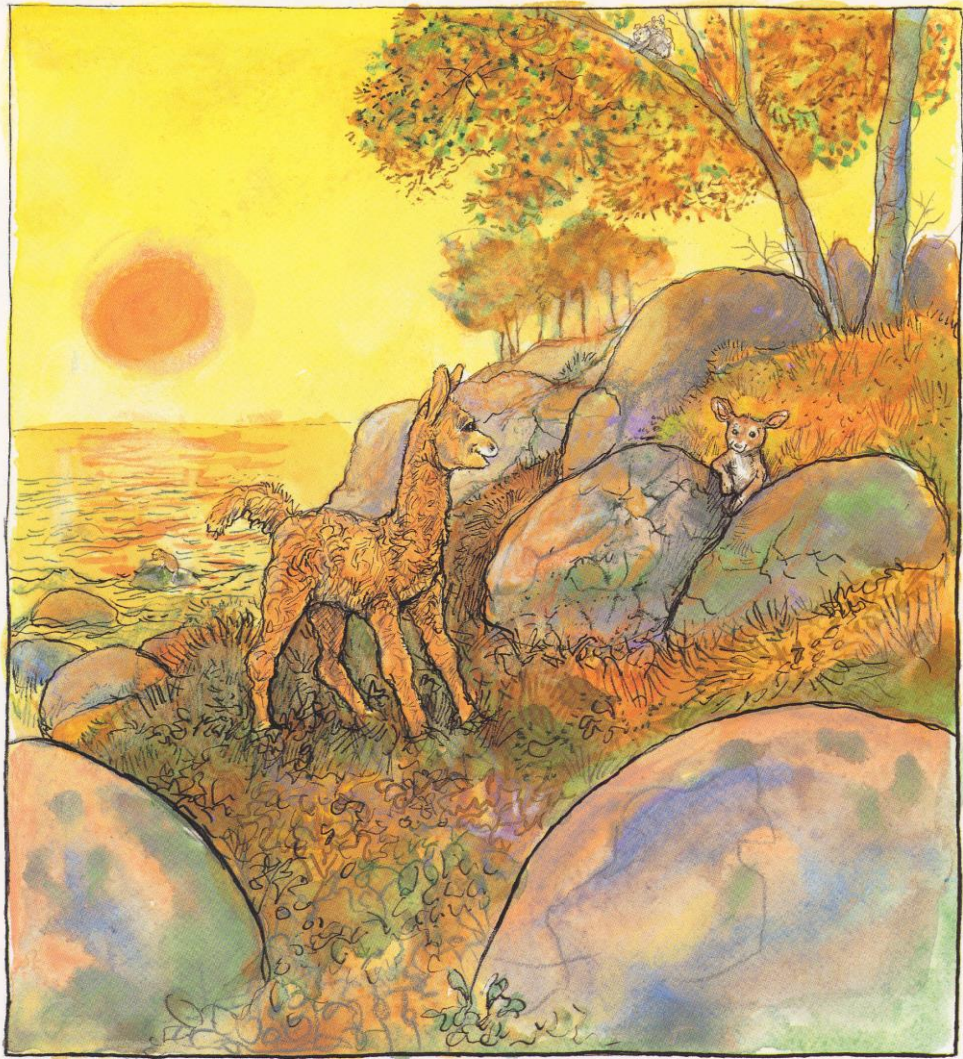


“Seal!”





“Is your mama a llama?” I asked my friend Rhonda.



“No, she is not,” is how Rhonda responded.







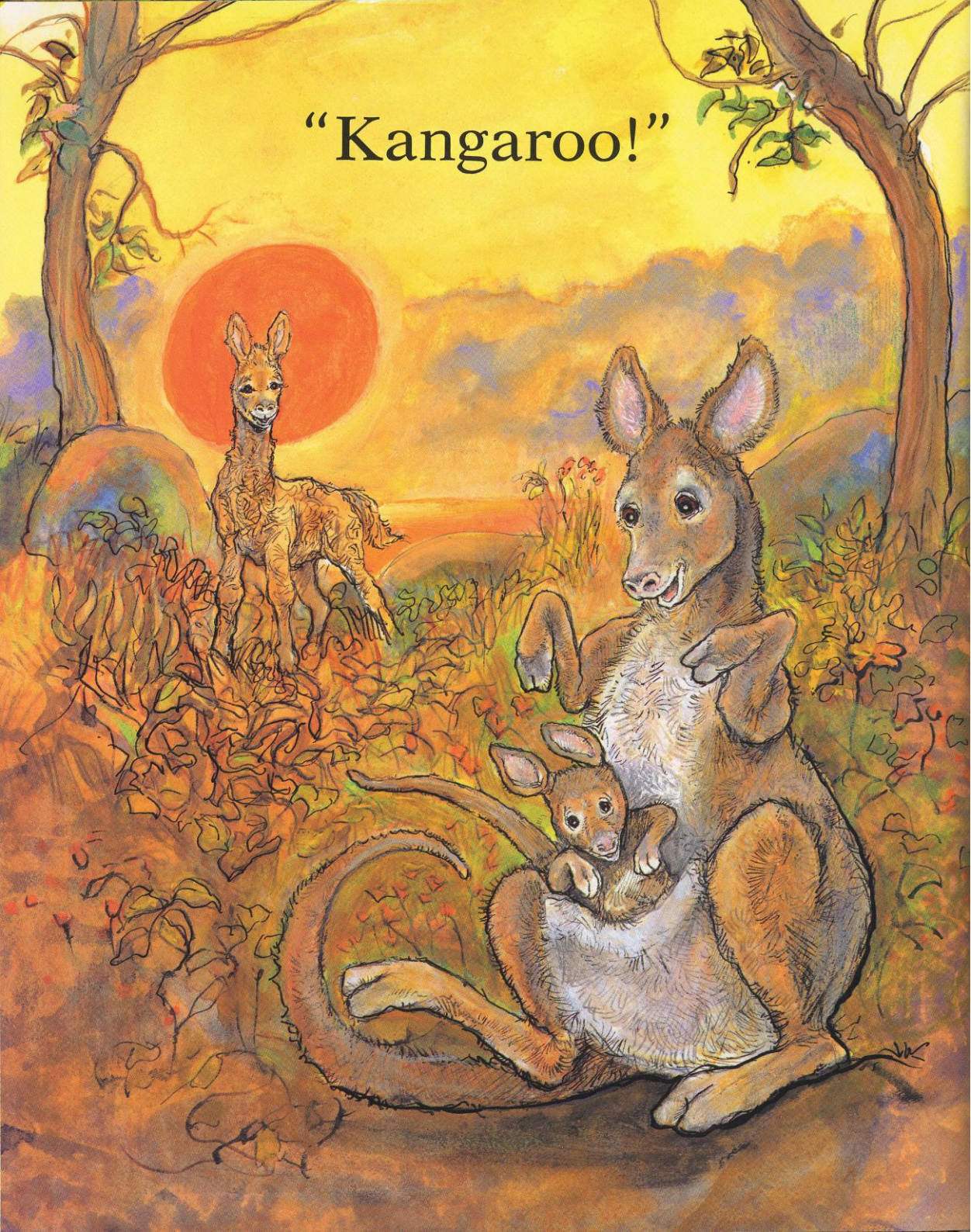
“She’s got big hind legs and a pocket for me . . .  
So I don’t think a llama is what she could be.”



“Oh,” I said. “That is certainly true.  
I think that your mama’s a . . .”



“Kangaroo!”



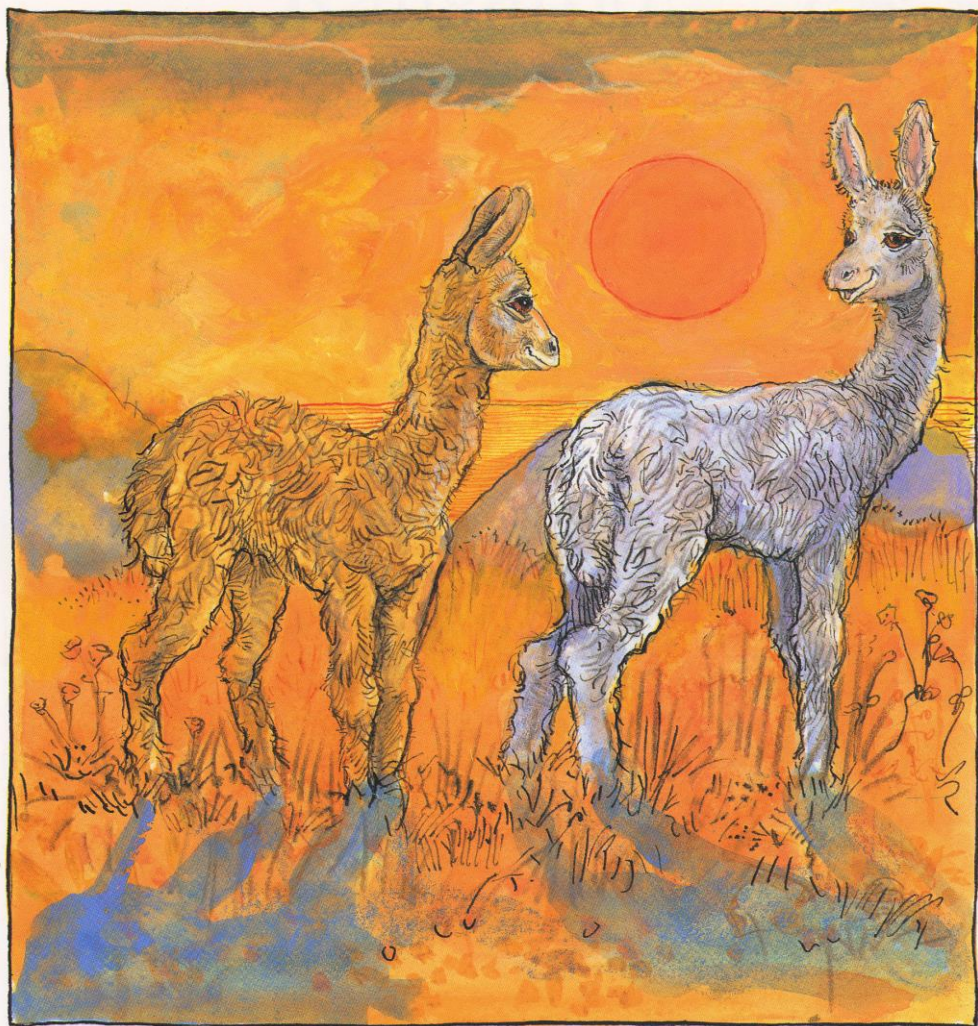


“Is your mama a llama?” I asked my friend Llyn.





“Oh, Lloyd, don’t be silly!” Llyn said with a grin.



“My mama has big ears, long lashes, and fur . . .  
And you, of all people, should know about her!”



“Our mamas belong to the same herd, and *you*, know all about llamas, 'cause you are one, too!”



“Yes, you are right,” I said to my friend.  
“My mama’s a . . .

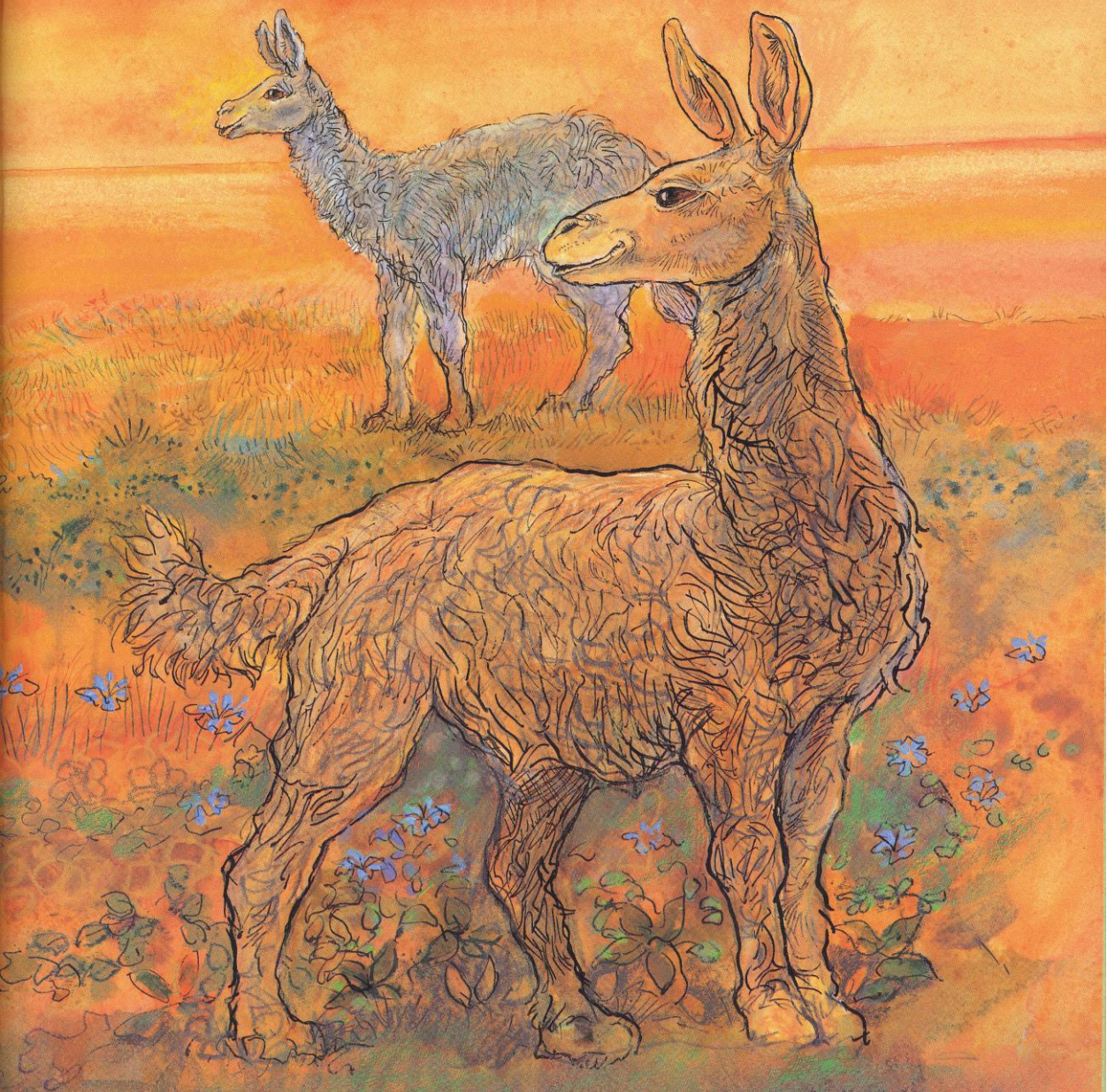


“Llama!”

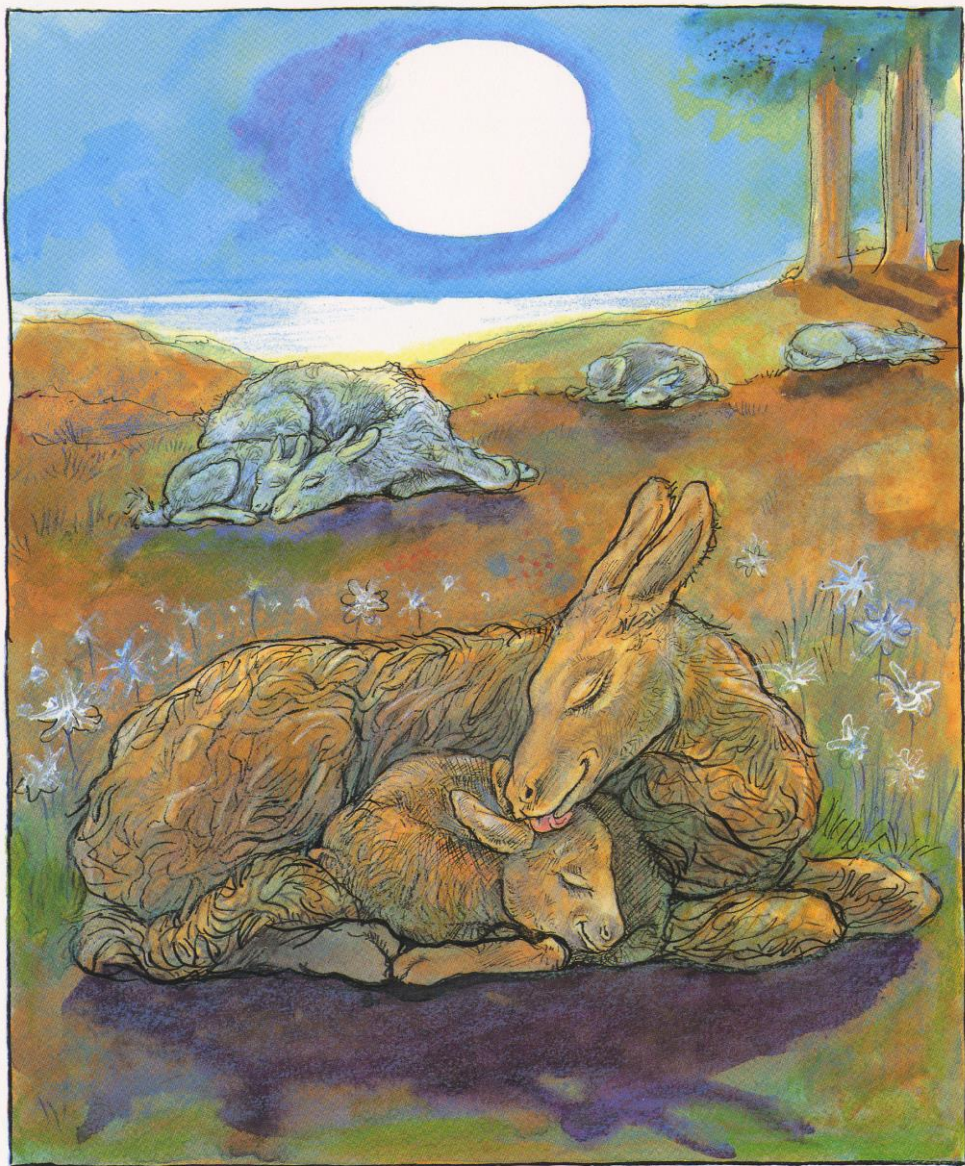




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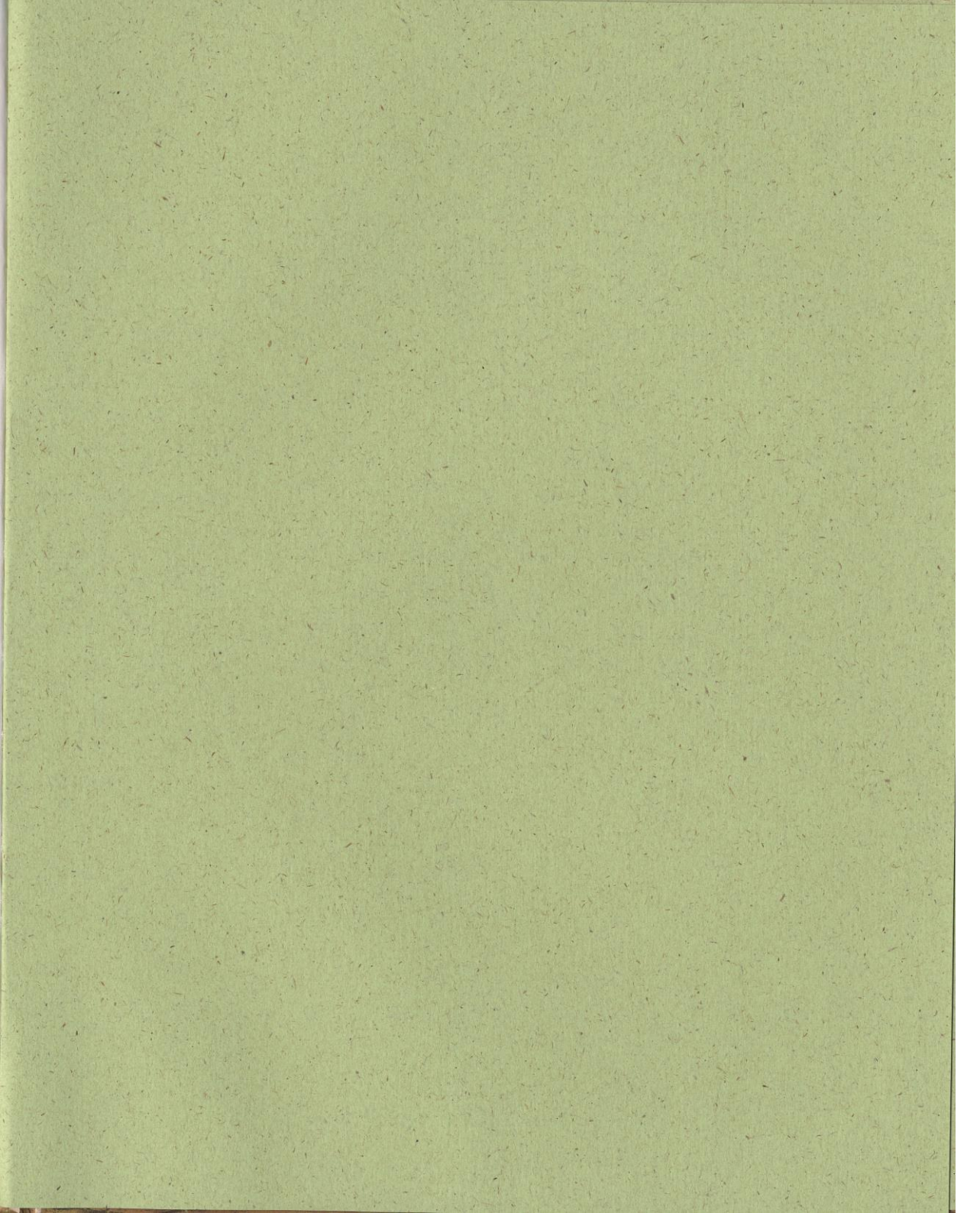




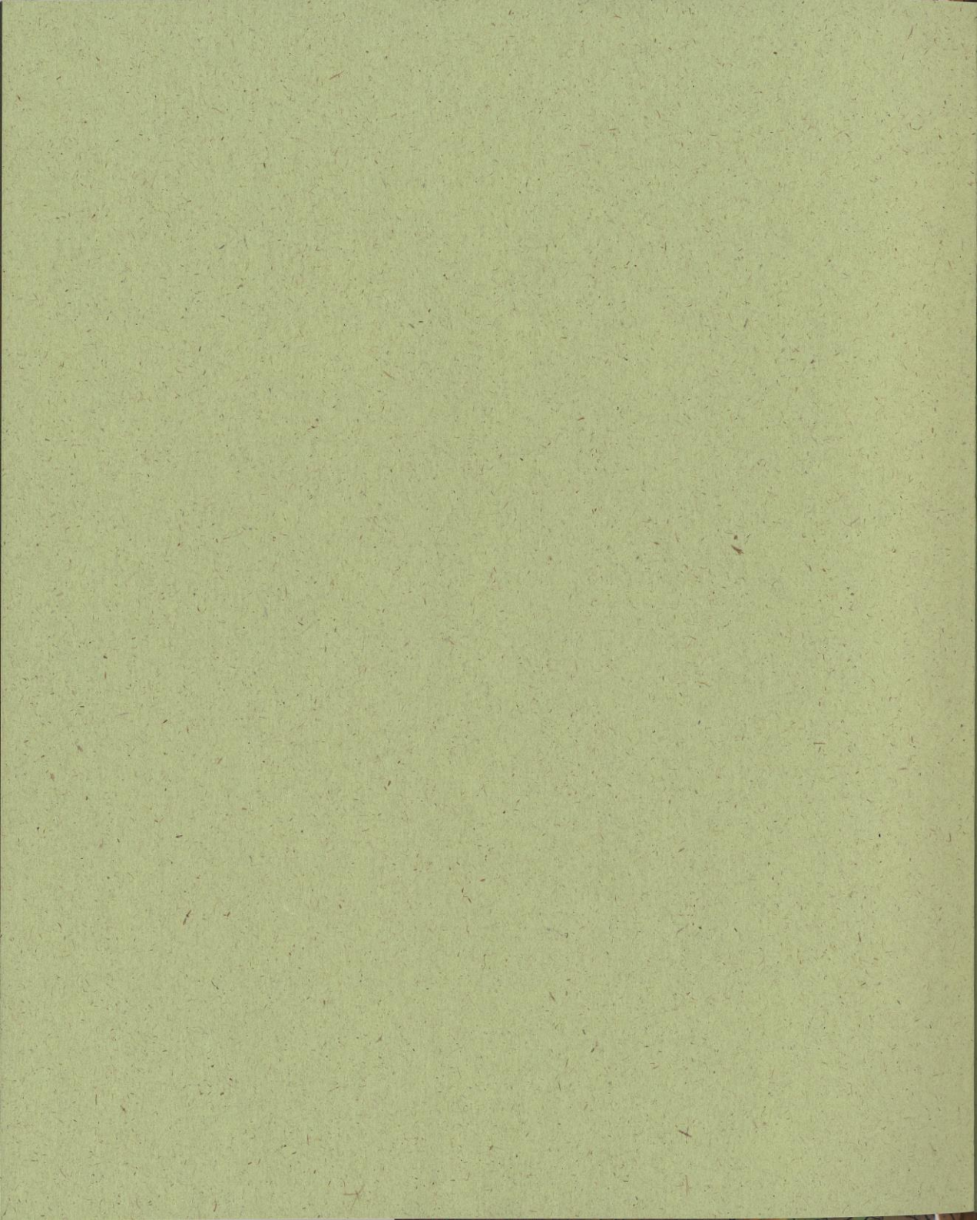


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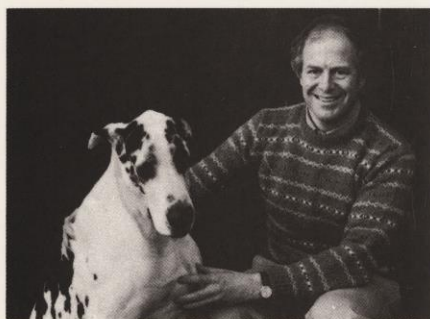






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