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The game was called 'Sneaking Up
in the Jungle'.



Flora the Elephant sometimes
played a game with her friends.

He walked through the trees so softly that he didn't break a twig.



Spots the Leopard was good at playing 'Sneaking Up in the Jungle'.

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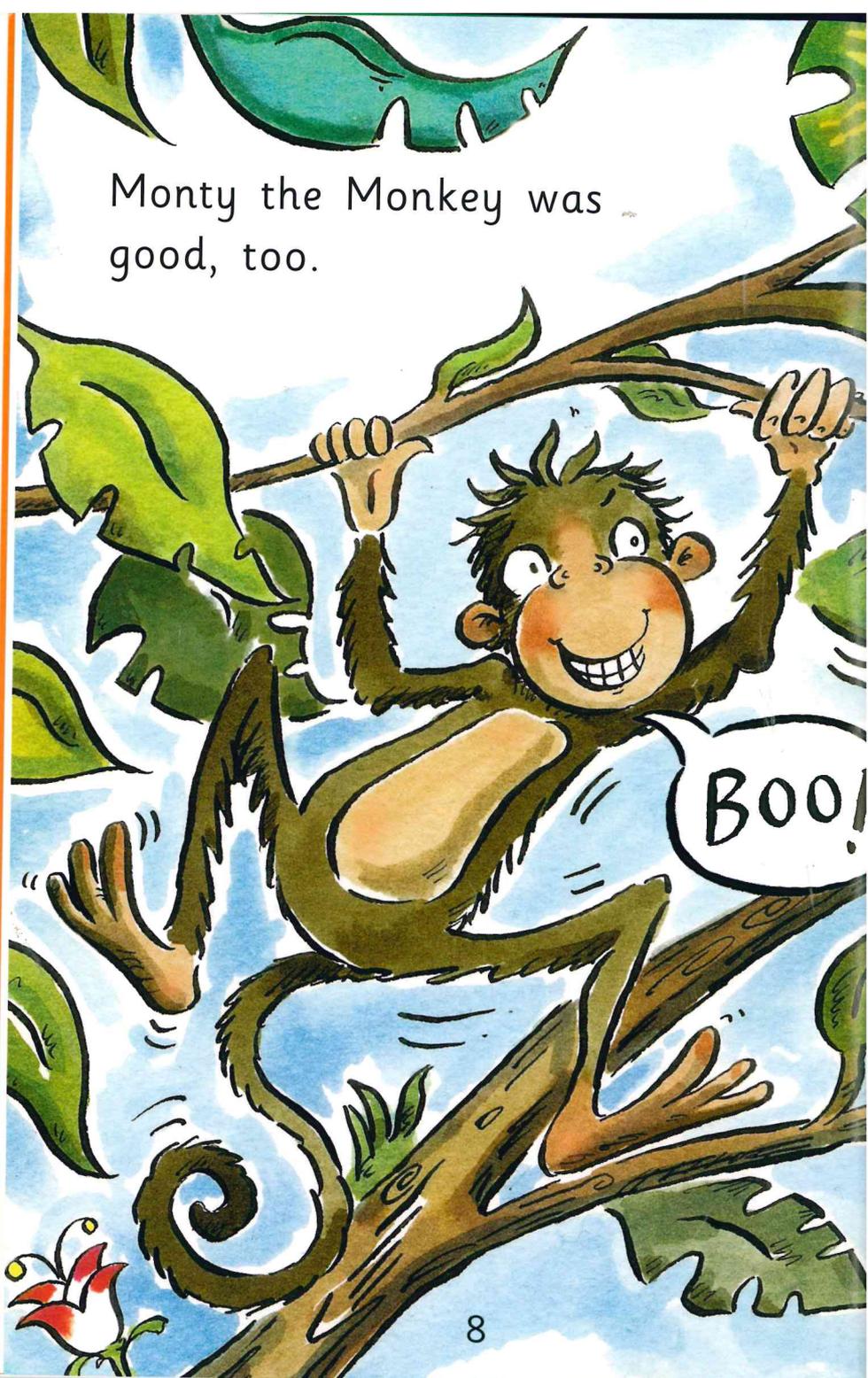
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It was fun sneaking up on the other animals and surprising them!

Monty the Monkey was good, too.



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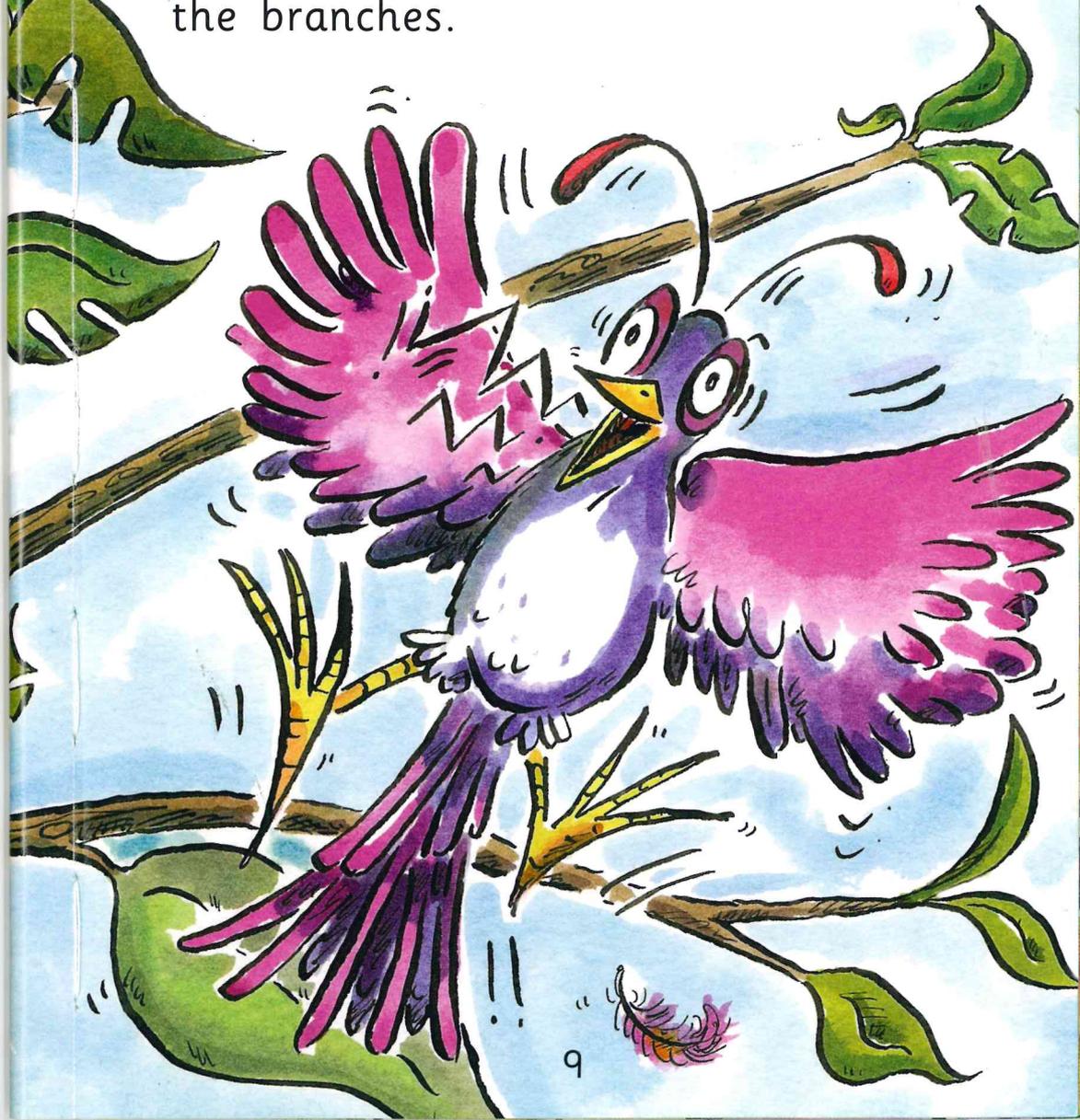
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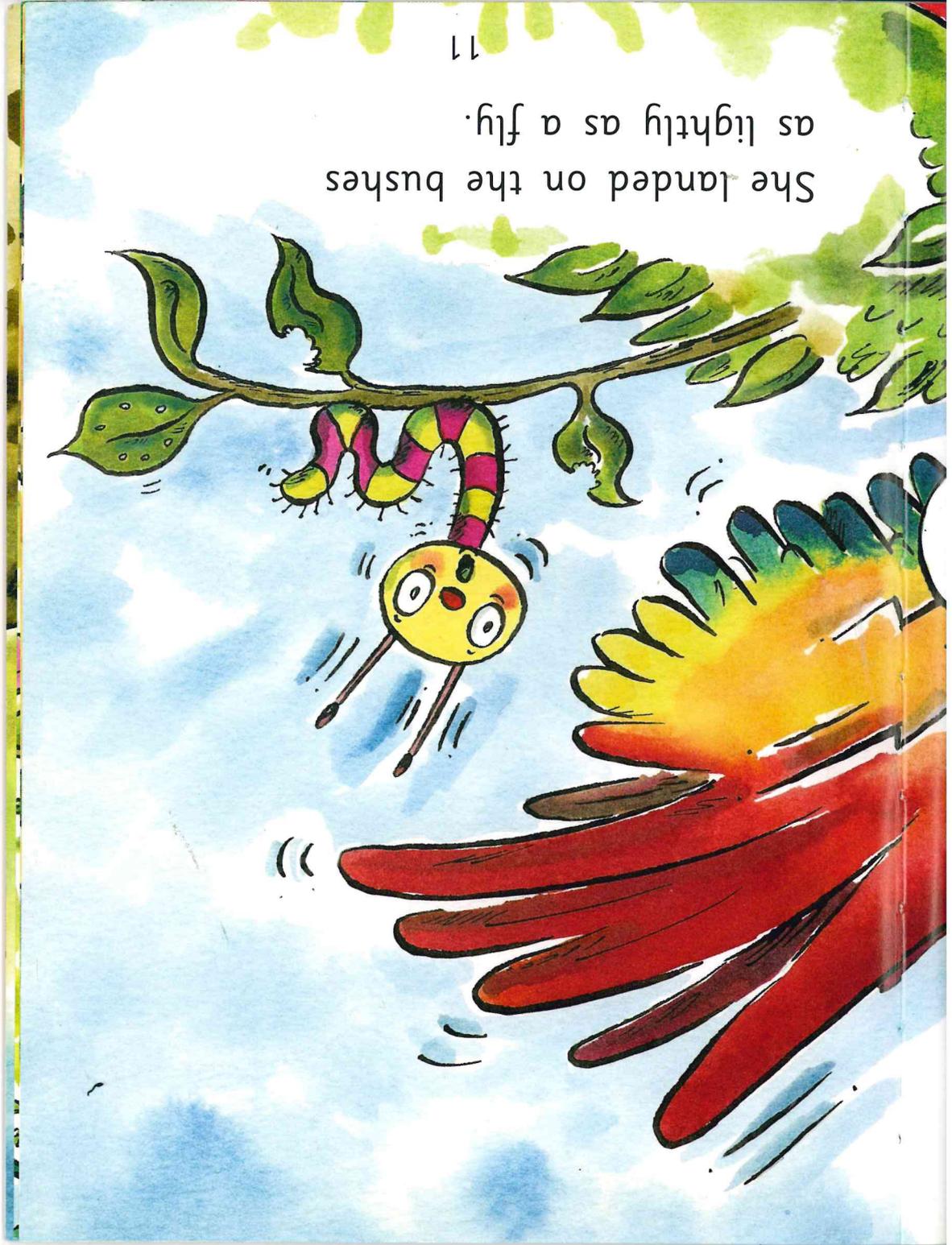
He went swinging through the trees
so quietly that he didn't shake
the branches.



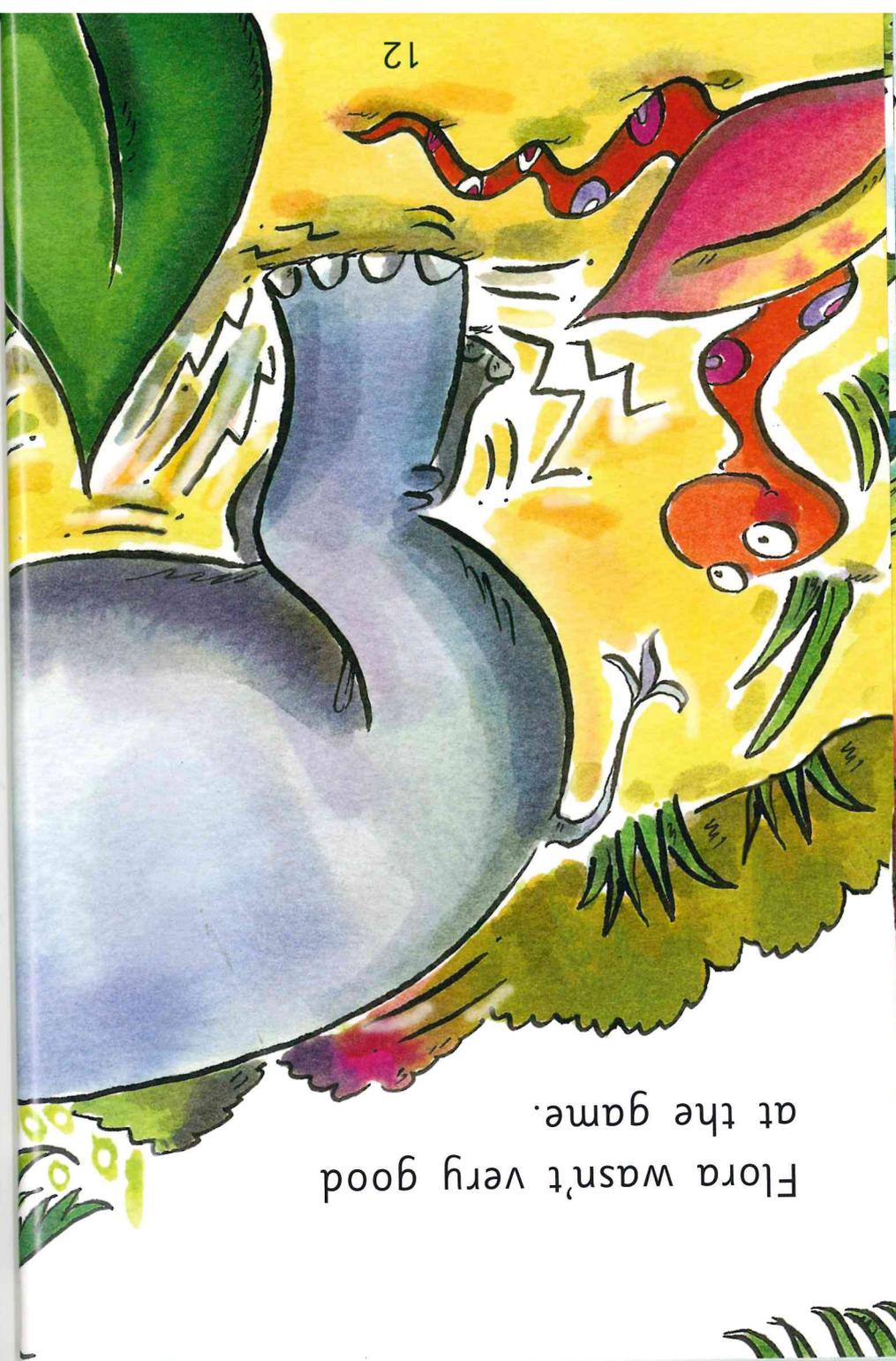
Lulu the Parrot was very good indeed at playing 'Sneaking Up in the Jungle'.



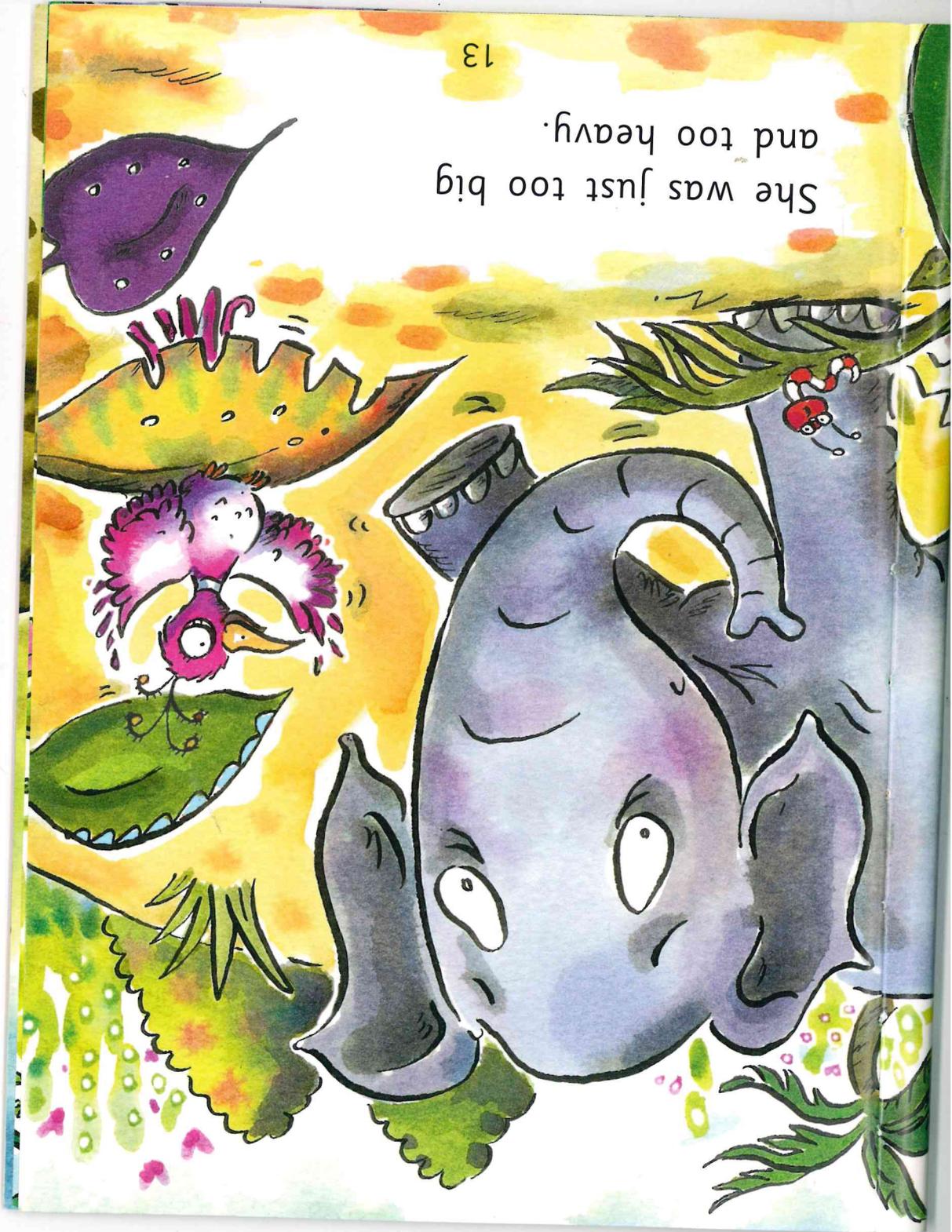
She landed on the bushes
as lightly as a fly.



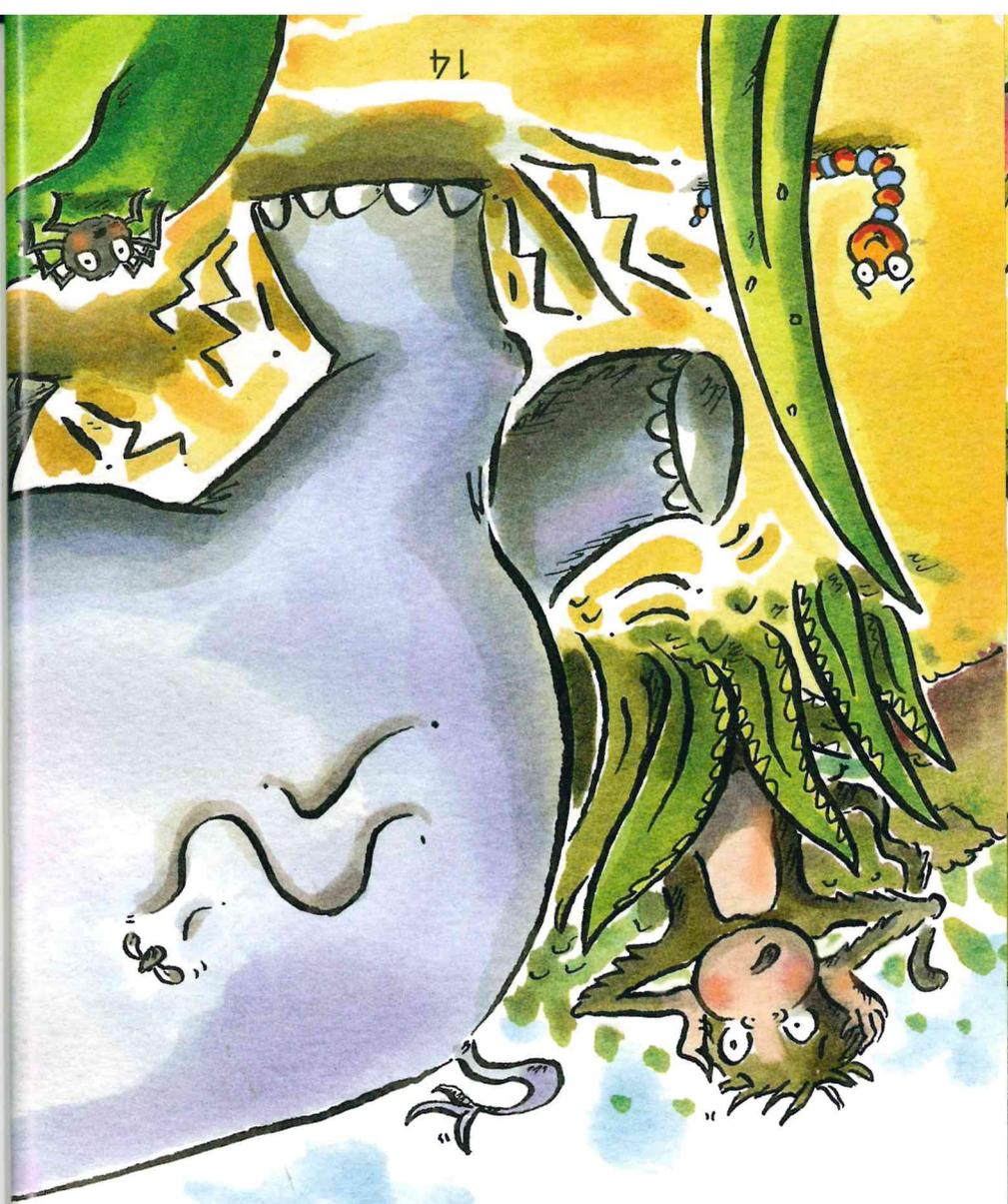
Flora wasn't very good
at the game.



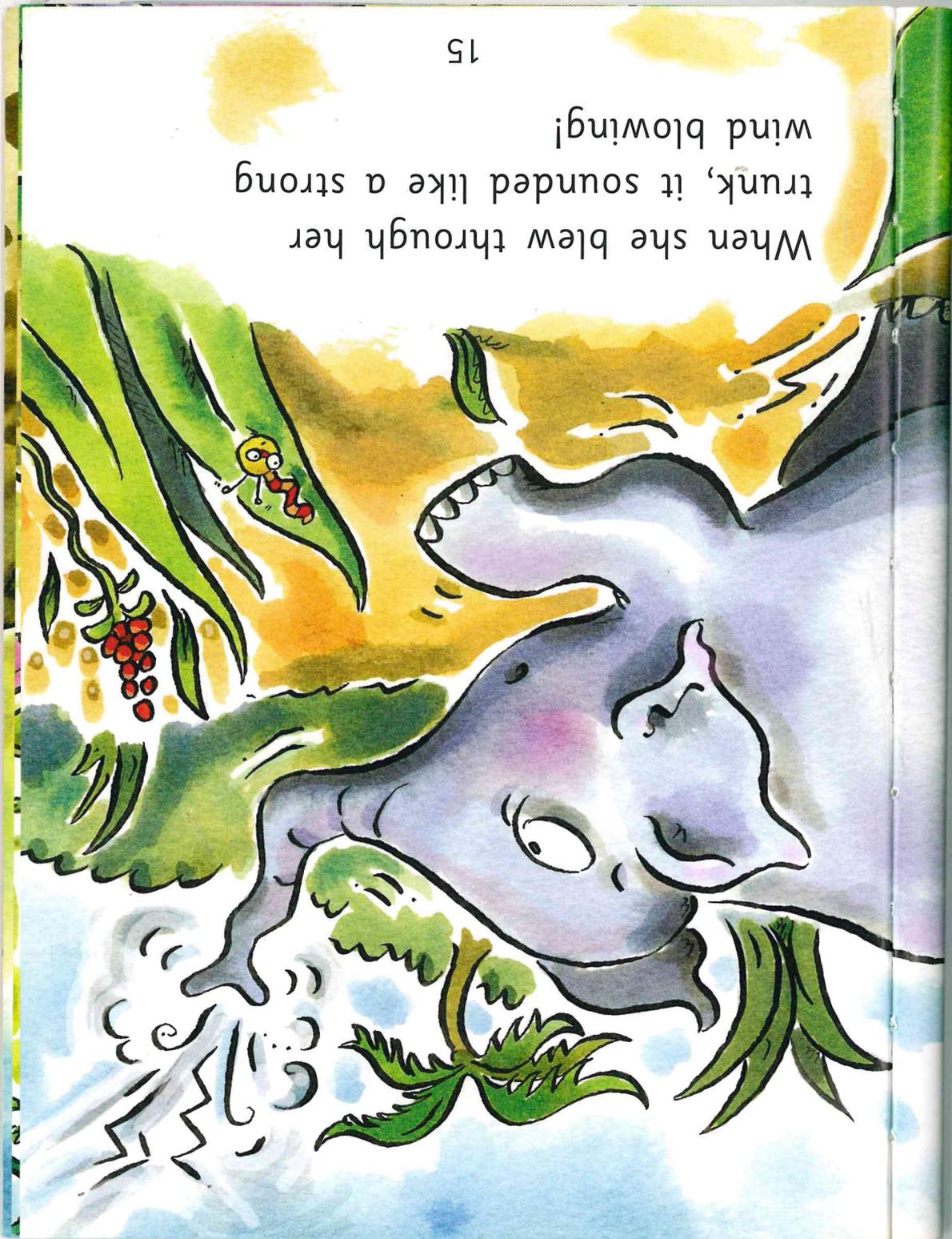
She was just too big
and too heavy.



When she walked, she made
too much noise.



When she blew through her
trunk, it sounded like a strong
wind blowing!



“Let’s play our game,” said Monty.
“We can sneak up to the river.
When we get there, we can all
go swimming.”

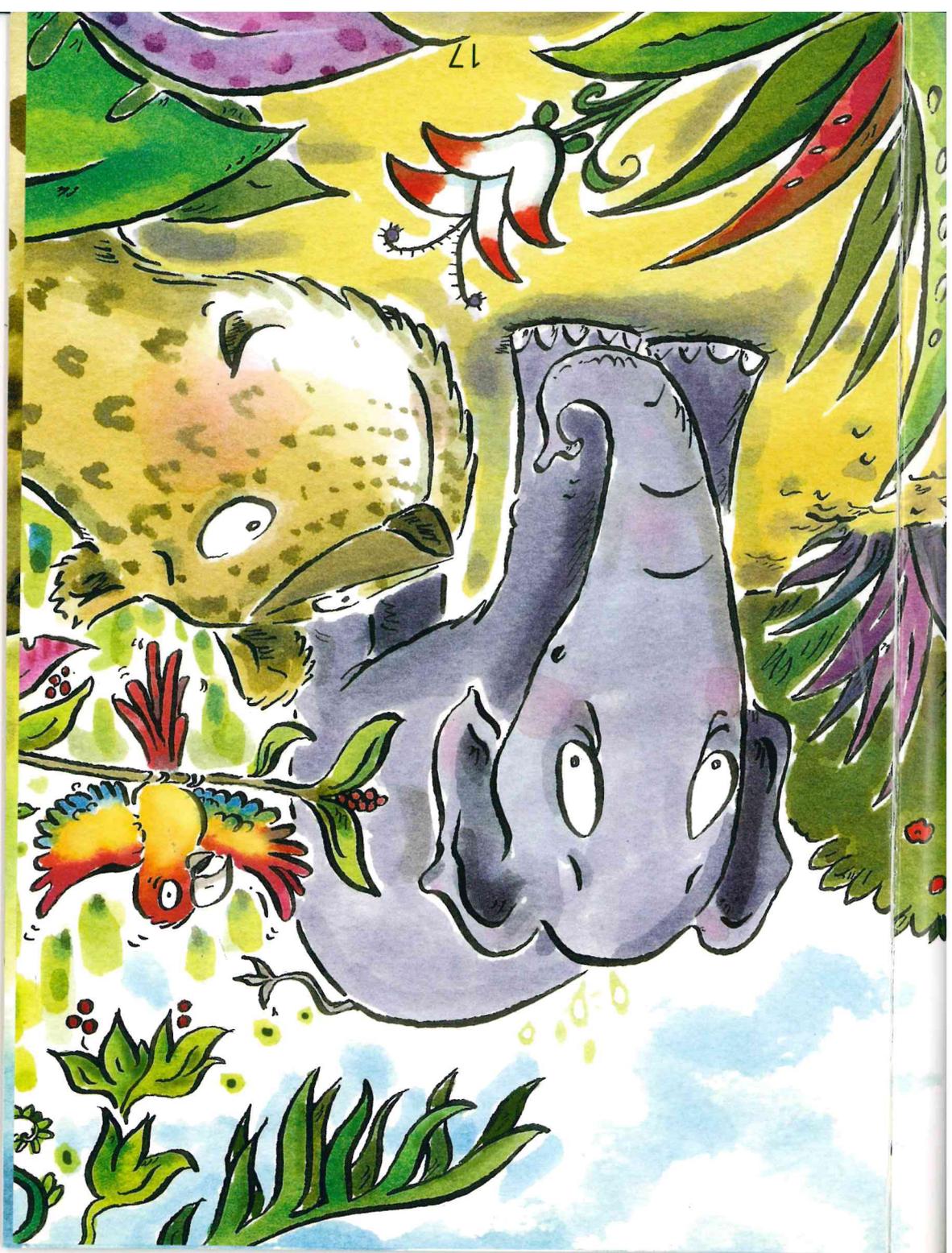


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Spots laughed. "Great idea! We can surprise the frogs. It's fun to watch them jump in the water."



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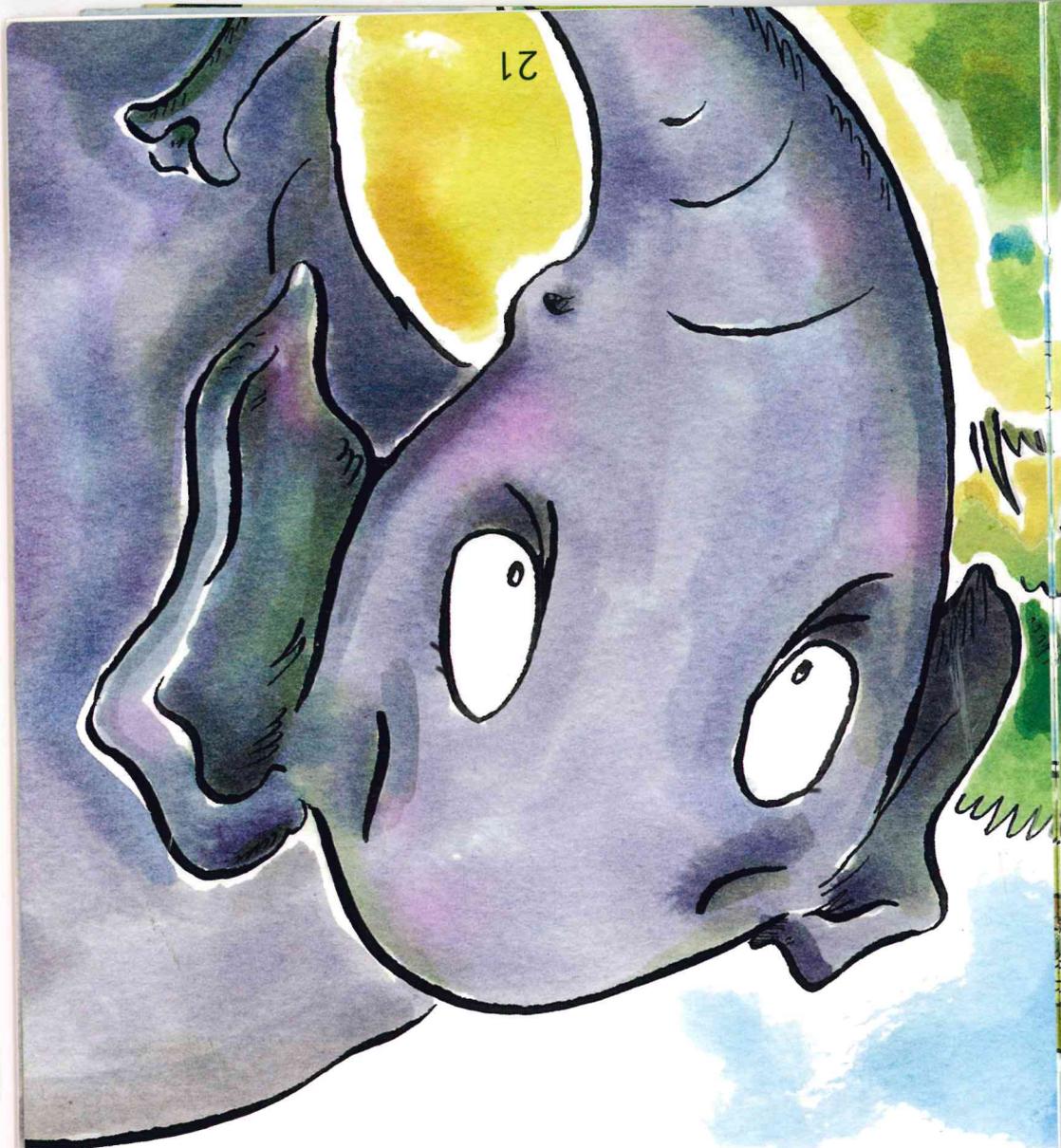




“Will you play with us, Flora?”
asked Lulu.



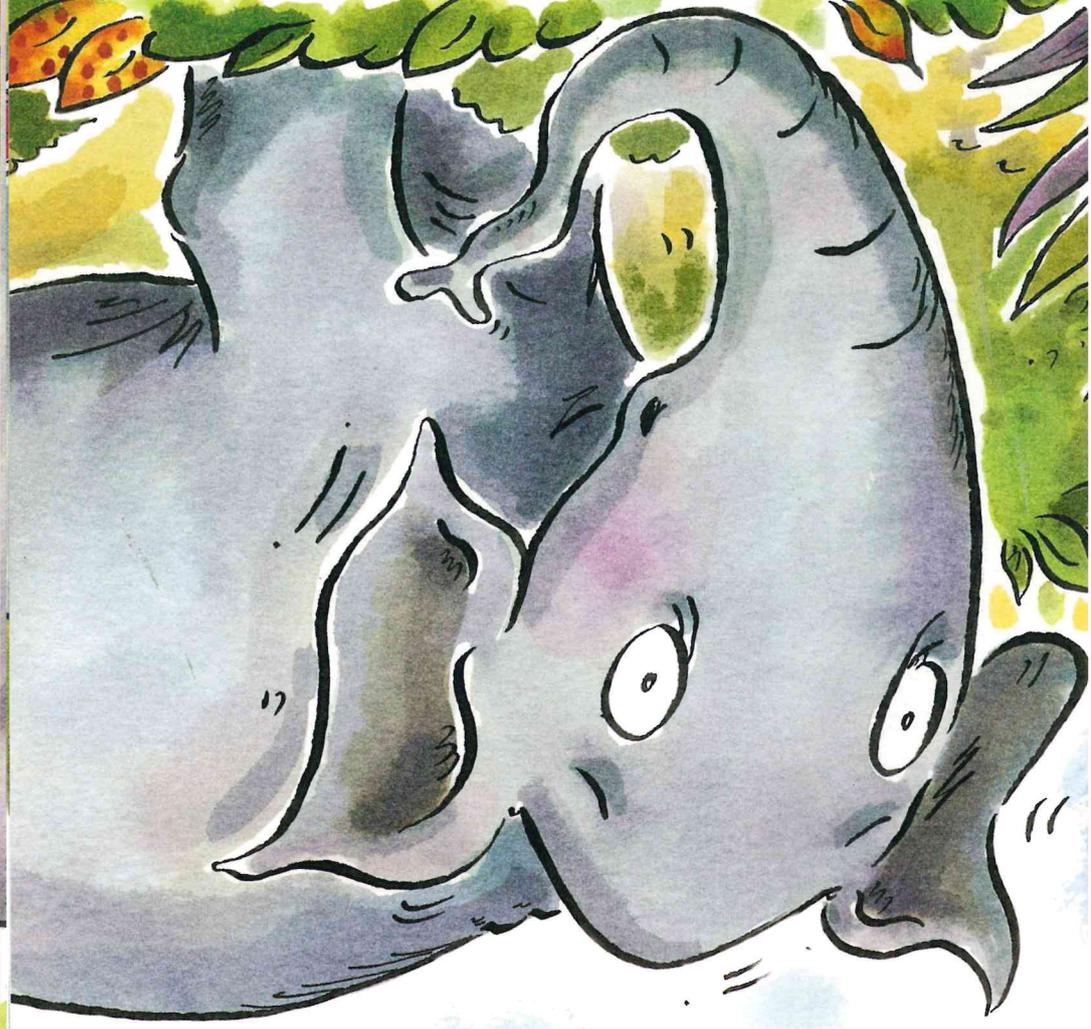
But Lulu knew that Flora didn't
really like the 'Sneaking Up' game.





Flora shook her head.

“No thanks,” she said. “But I LOVE swimming. I’ll wait for you down by the river bank.”





“I wish I wasn’t so noisy,” thought
Flora sadly as she plodded through
the jungle.

When she came to the river,
she sat down and looked out
at the water.

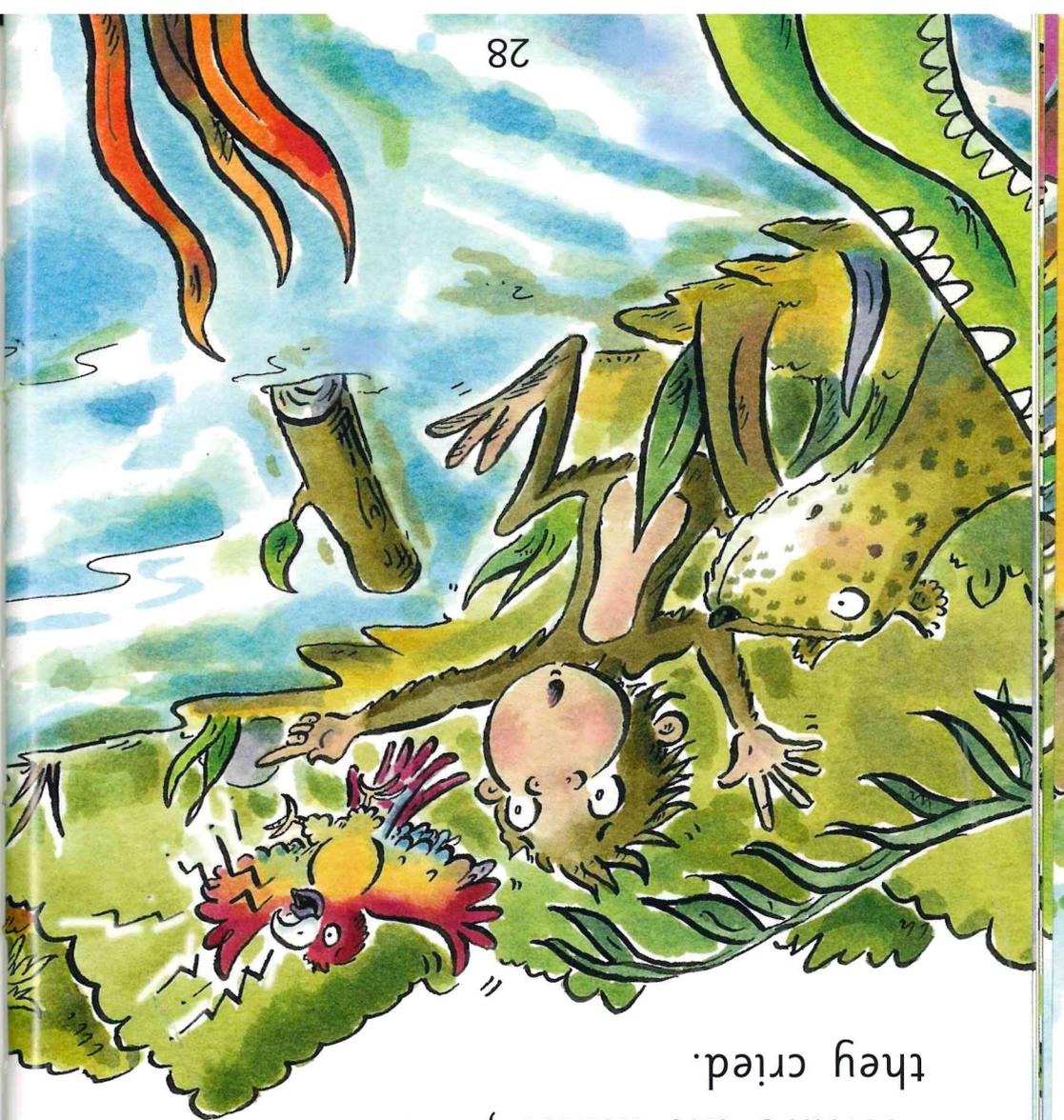


Suddenly, Flora saw a crocodile
hiding under a log. She knew
that crocodiles liked to gobble up
other animals!



Flora had to save her friends!
She blew through her trunk so
loudly that all the leaves rattled
on the trees.

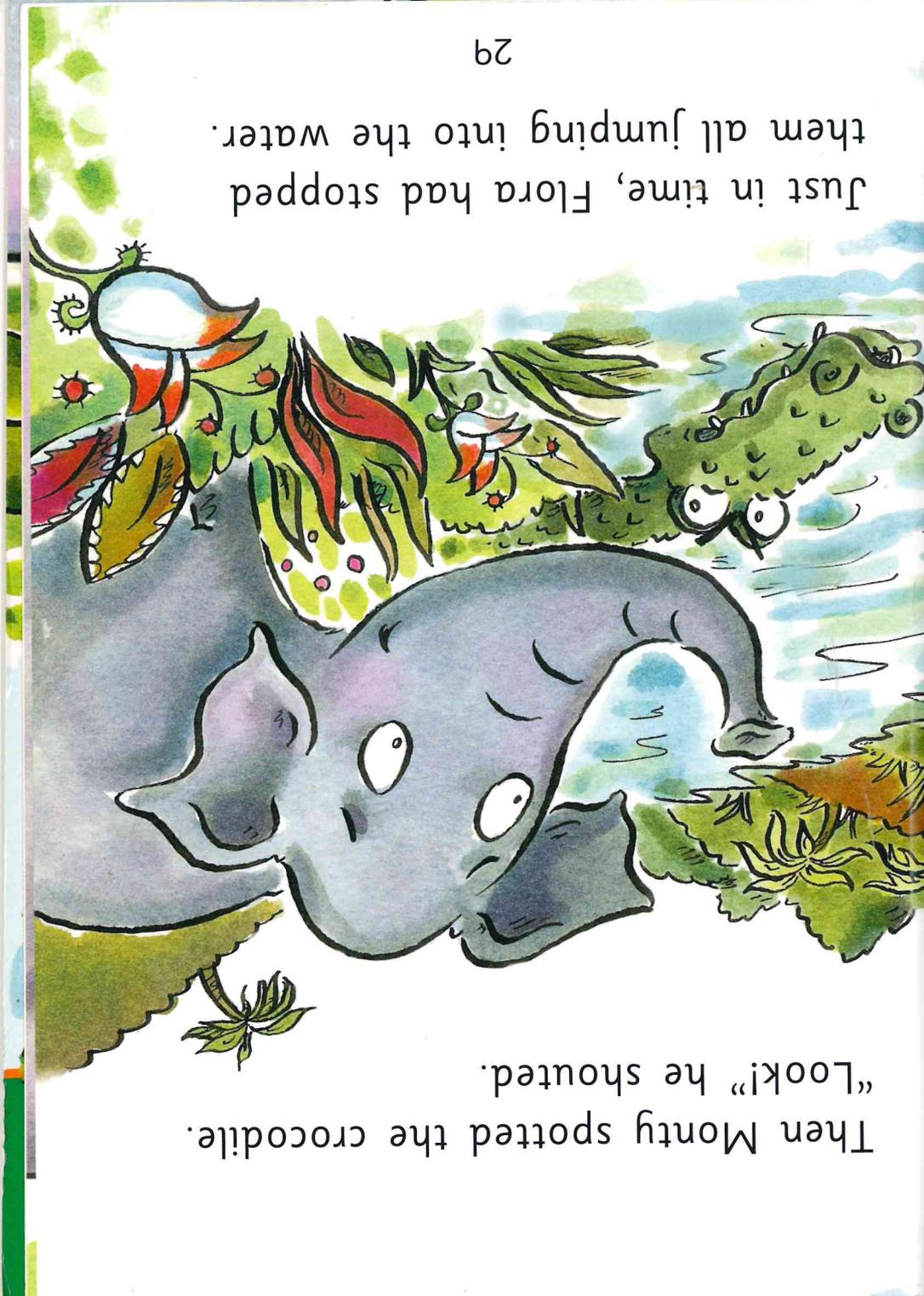




At that moment, Monty, Spots
and Lulu rushed out of the bushes.
"What's the matter, Flora?"
they cried.

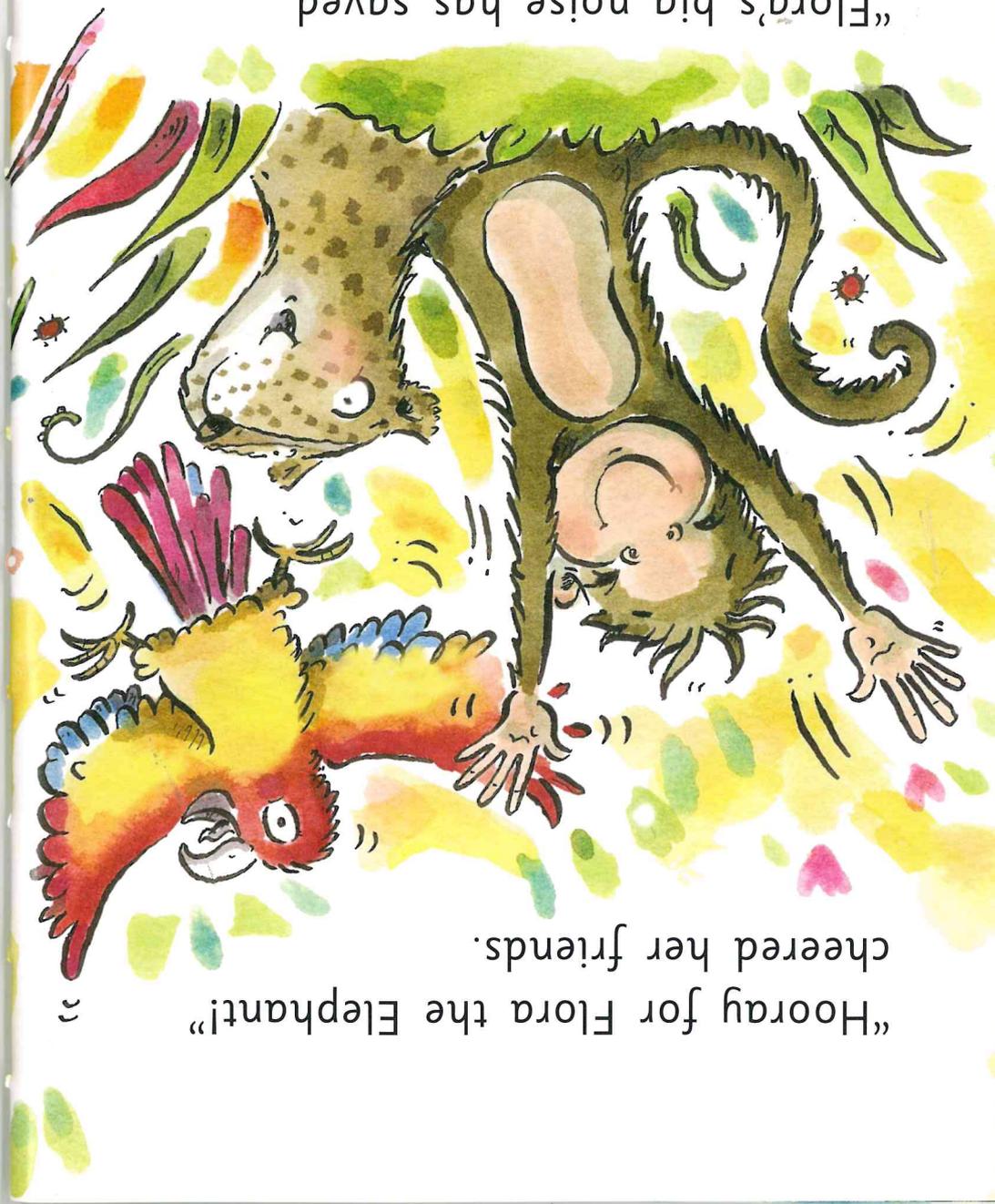


Then Monty spotted the crocodile.
"Look!" he shouted.



Just in time, Flora had stopped
them all jumping into the water.

“Flora’s big noise has saved us all!”



“Hooray for Flora the Elephanti!”
cheered her friends.

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Lisa Williams did her first drawing at 15 months old – it was a worm! She told her mum to write 'Worm' underneath the picture. When she was five, she decided that she wanted to be an illustrator when she grew up. She has always loved drawing animals and hopes that you will enjoy this book...

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Down in the Jungle



Flora's Big Noise

Flora was too big and heavy to join in her friends' favourite 'sneaking up' game. She made far too much noise. But, then, when Flora spotted danger in the jungle, her noisiness saved the day!

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