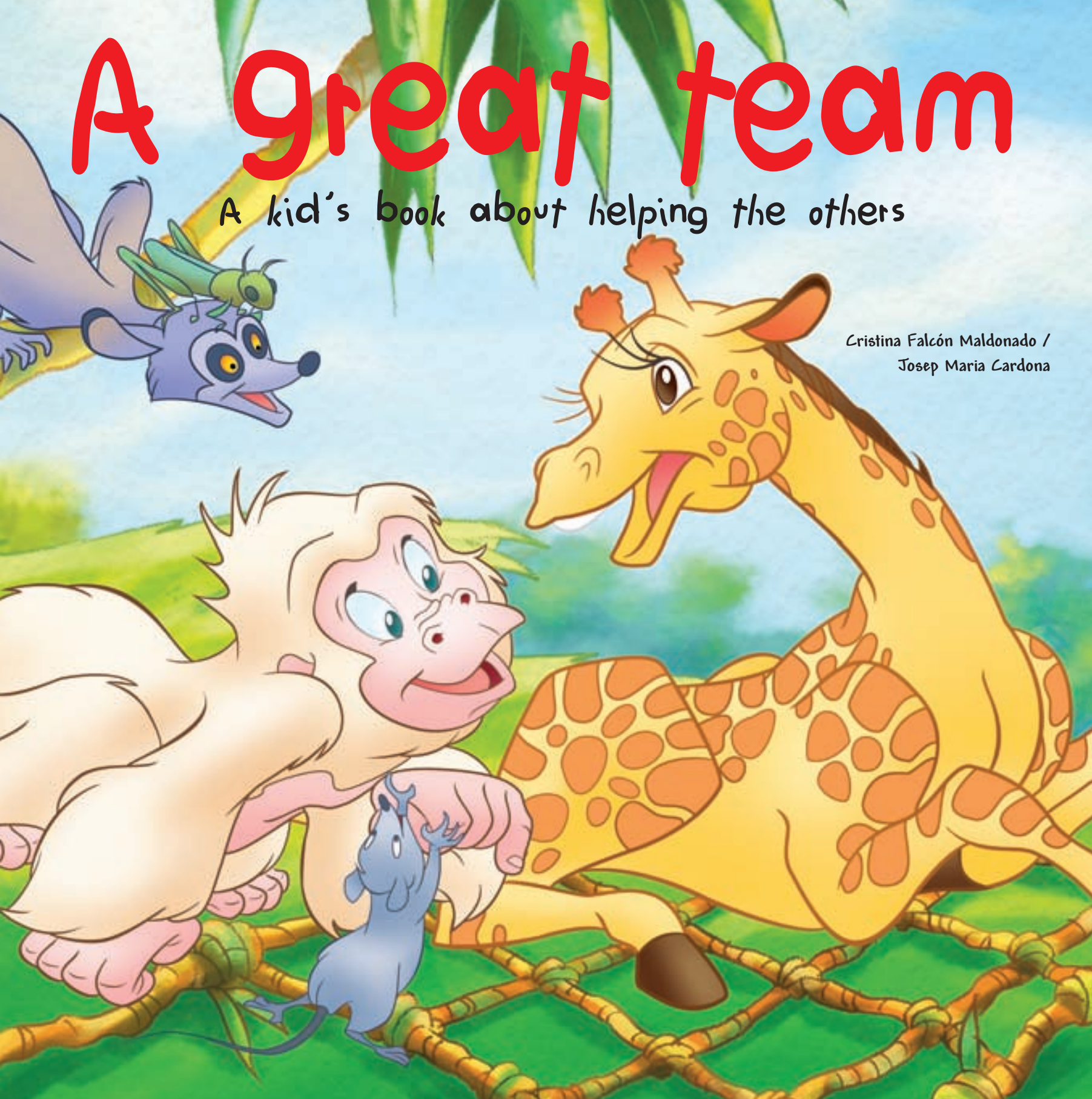


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"Time for the afternoon nap, how boring!"
Complained Floky. "Snoring and more snoring..."
"Let's play at counting animals?" Suggested his
cousin Gor. "Whoever finds the most of their chosen
animal is the winner. We have enough time until
the end of nap time."
"I choose the lemur," said Gor.



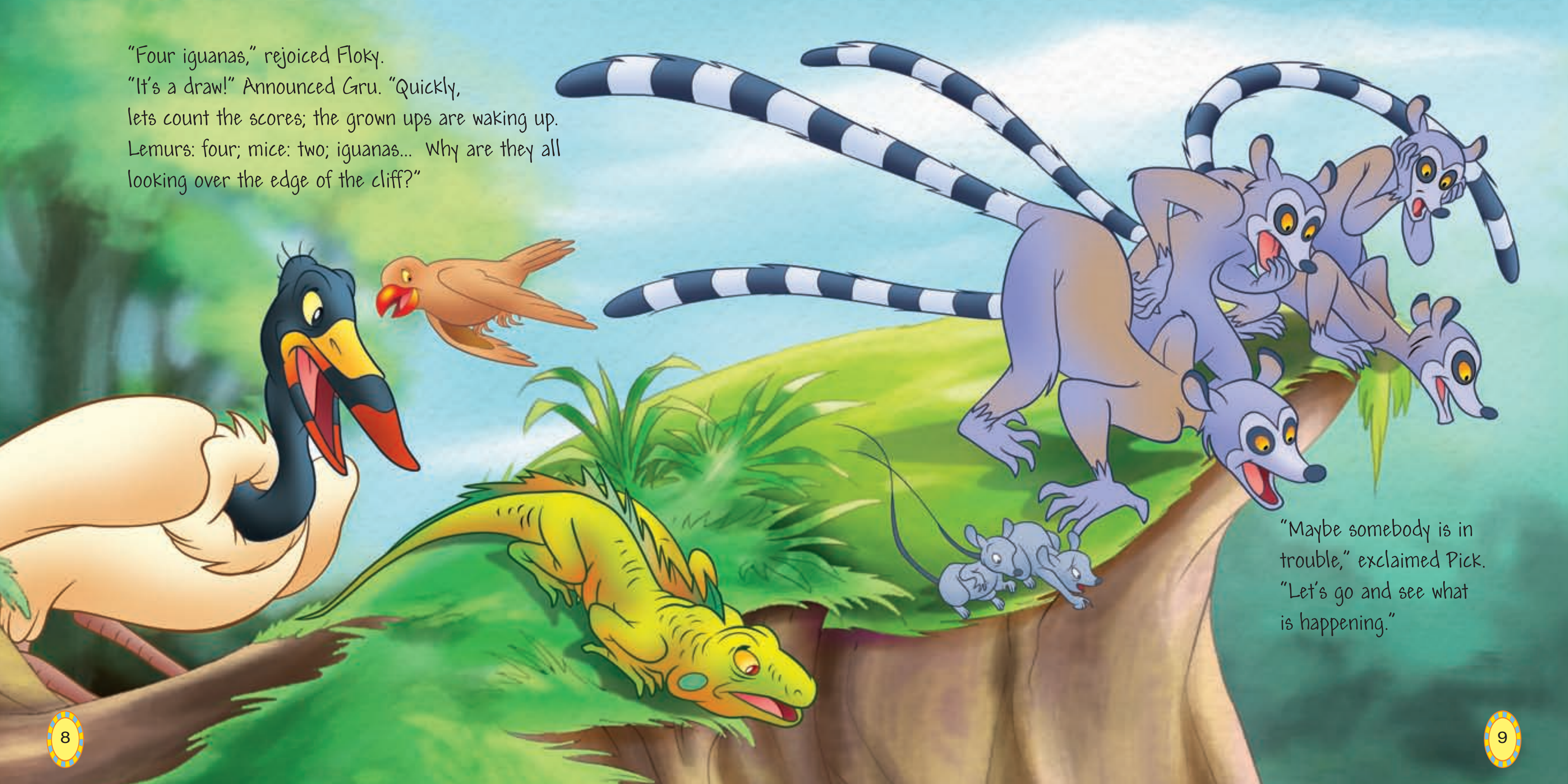


"I'll take the iguana,"
replied Floky.
"I'll have the mouse,"
said Pick. "I love chasing them."
"And I'll take the grasshopper!"
Croaked Gru.

"Iguana, iguana. I can see two iguanas! Shouted Floky.
"Four lemurs," exclaimed Gor, feeling that he had won already.
"Well, I can only see one grasshopper. Where have they
all got to?" Said Gru.
"I can see... two mice," said Pick.



"Four iguanas," rejoiced Floky.
"It's a draw!" Announced Gru. "Quickly,
lets count the scores; the grown ups are waking up.
Lemurs: four; mice: two; iguanas... Why are they all
looking over the edge of the cliff?"



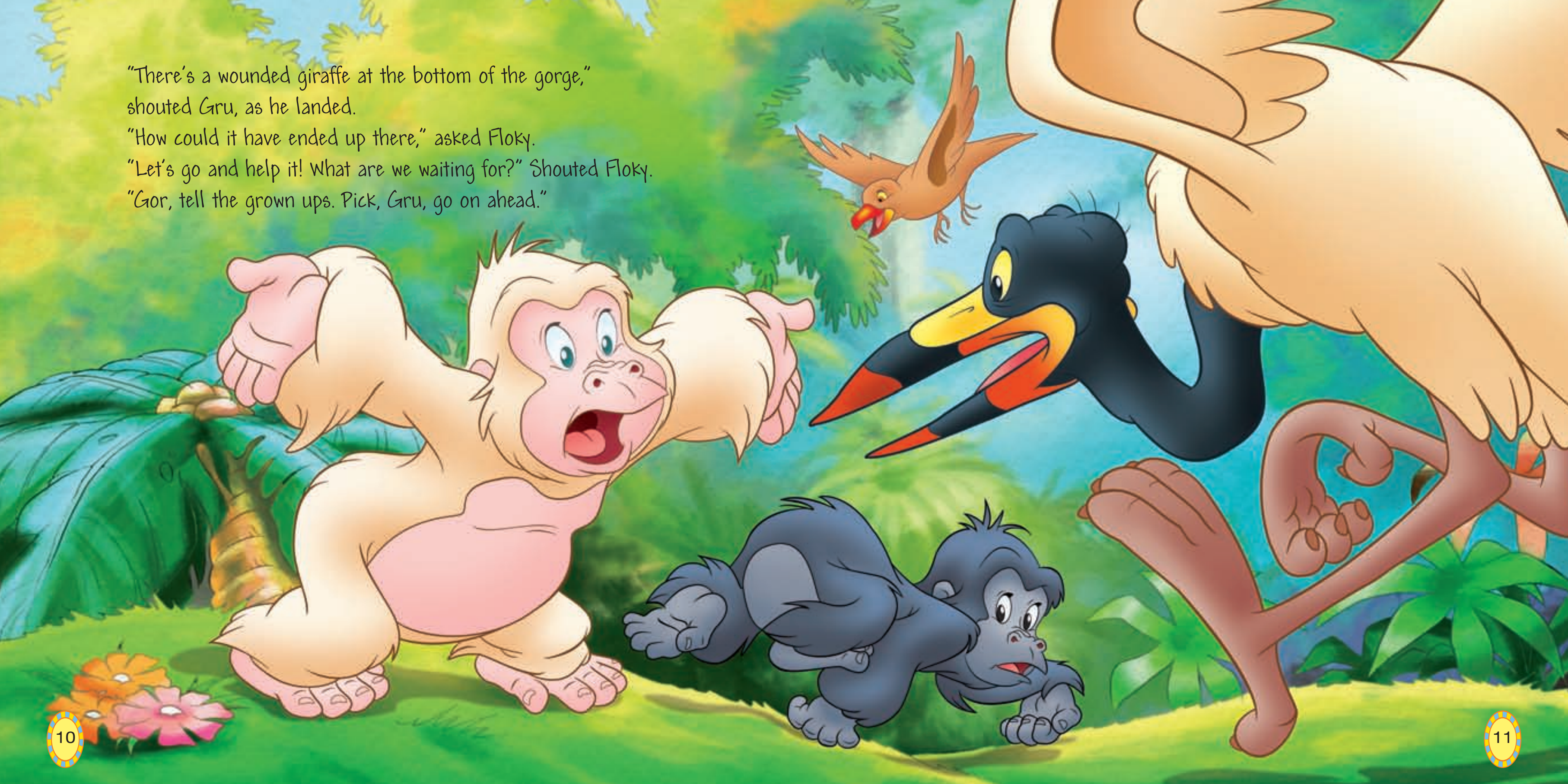
"Maybe somebody is in
trouble," exclaimed Pick.
"Let's go and see what
is happening."

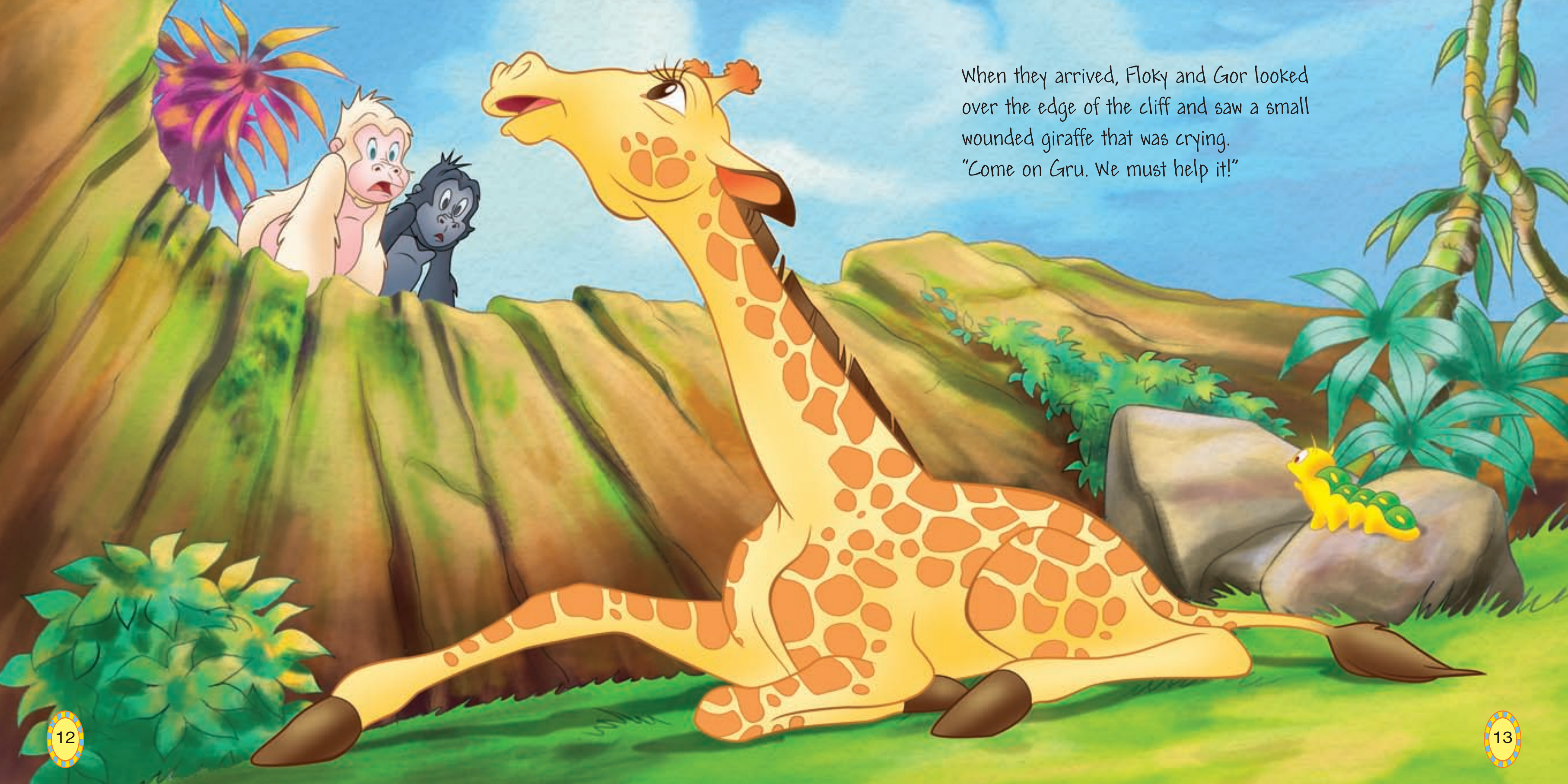
"There's a wounded giraffe at the bottom of the gorge," shouted Gru, as he landed.

"How could it have ended up there," asked Floky.

"Let's go and help it! What are we waiting for?" Shouted Floky.

"Gor, tell the grown ups. Pick, Gru, go on ahead."





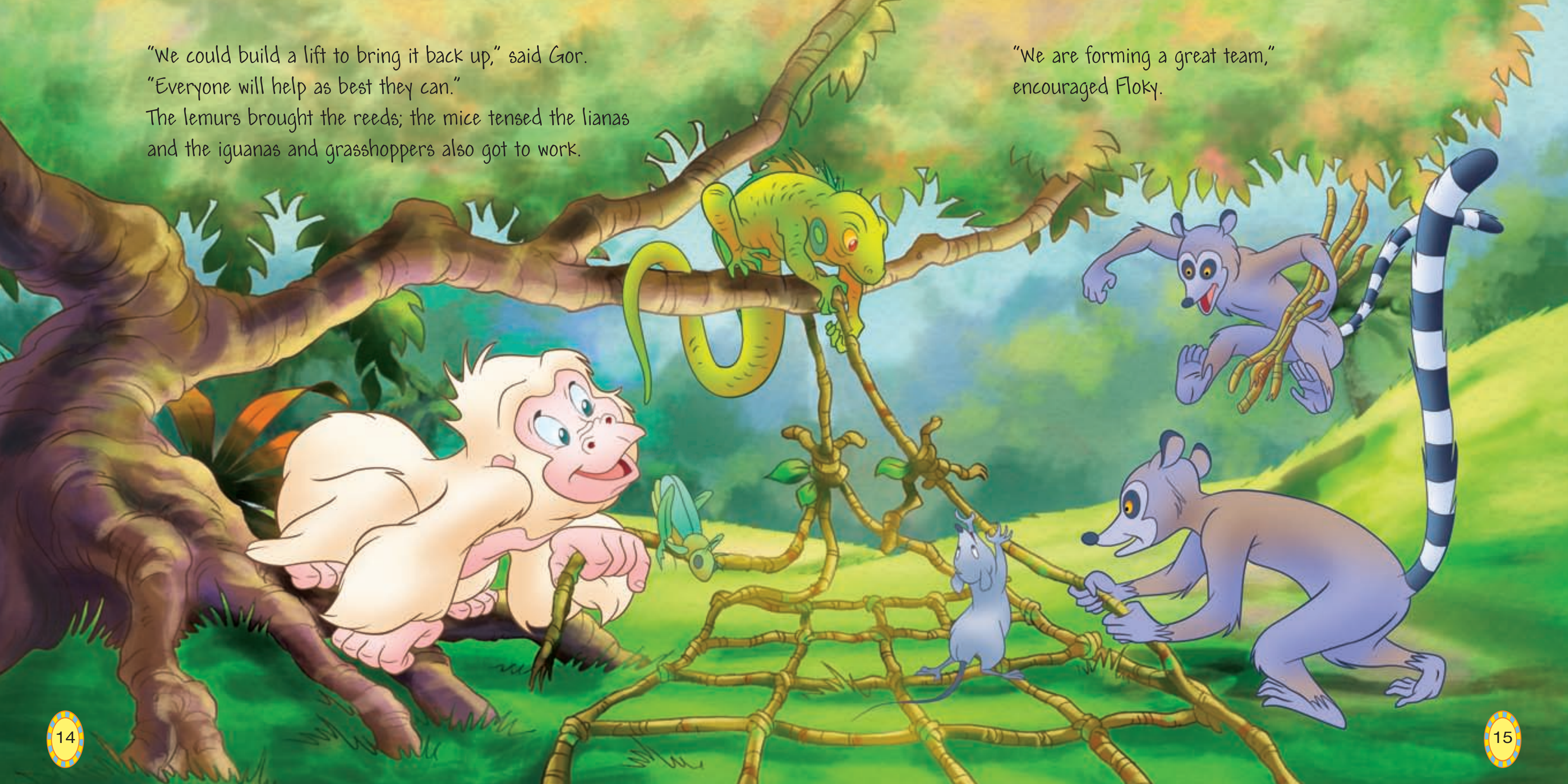
When they arrived, Floky and Gor looked over the edge of the cliff and saw a small wounded giraffe that was crying.
"Come on Gru. We must help it!"

"We could build a lift to bring it back up," said Gor.

"Everyone will help as best they can."

The lemurs brought the reeds; the mice tensed the lianas and the iguanas and grasshoppers also got to work.

"We are forming a great team," encouraged Floky.



"On the count of three!" Announced Gru, as he flew over, making sure that everybody was ready.
"A bit more, come on, we've nearly done it," encouraged Floky.
Suddenly one of the lianas broke and the swing was hanging dangerously.
"We need reinforcements!" Shouted Pick.



Fortunately, Floky's father, the Great Silverback arrived and he went down to rescue the little giraffe.

"Naughty little thing. What were you looking for down there?"

The little giraffe lowered her head and closed her eyes.

"I slipped," she said sobbing.

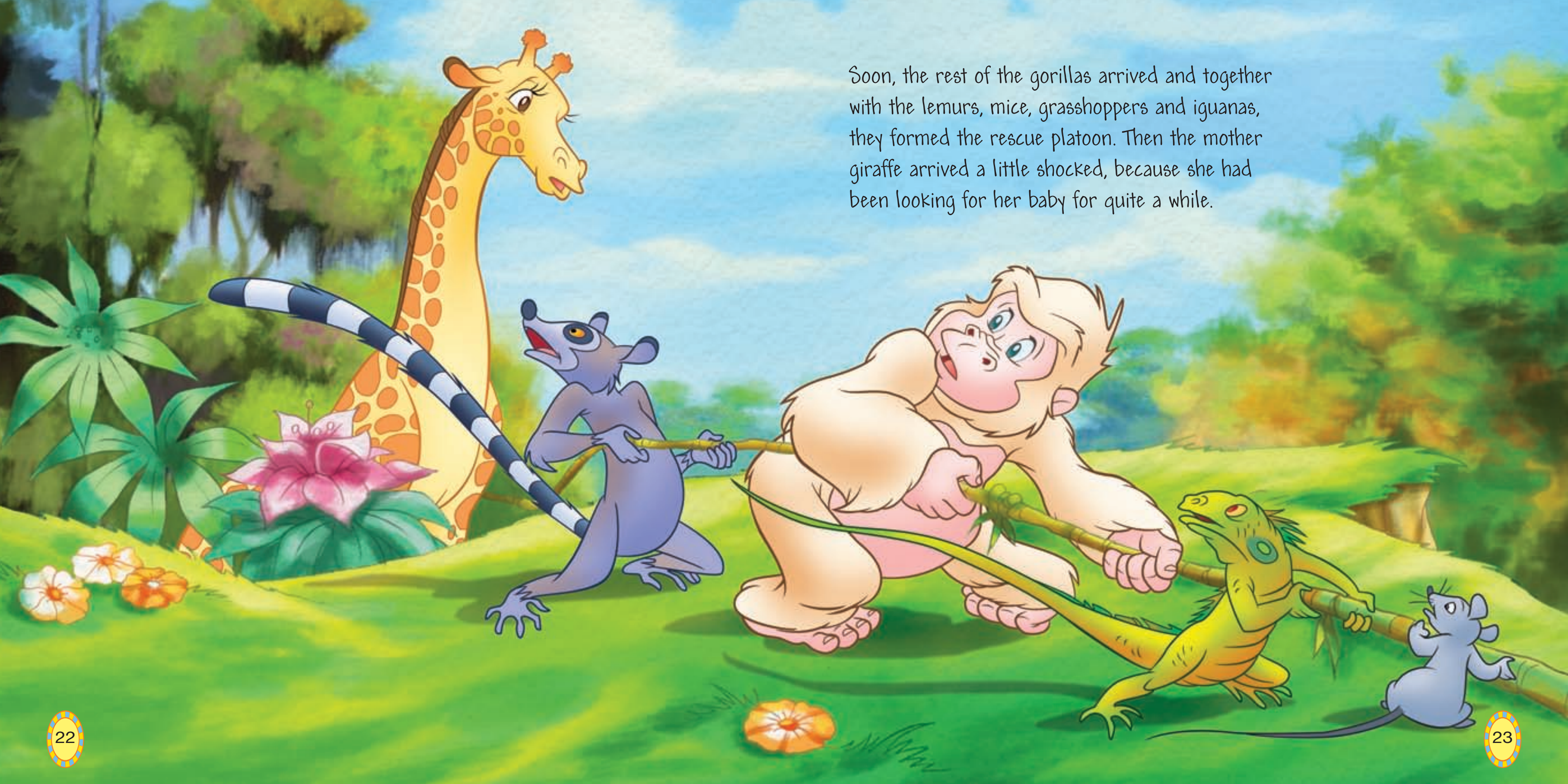
"Don't worry. We're all going to save you."

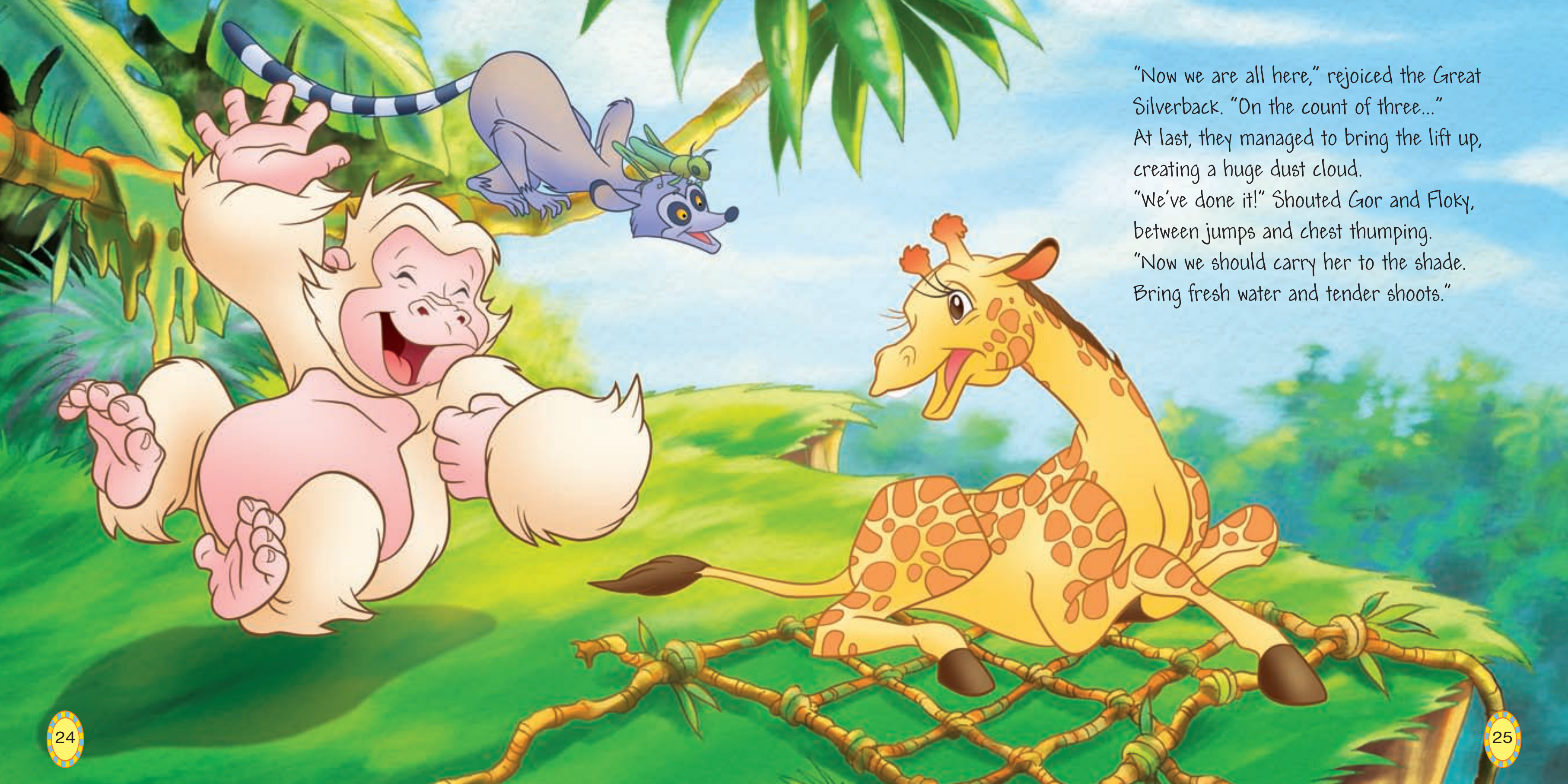


The Great Silverback glared furiously at the hyenas and vultures that were looking hungrily at the little giraffe, as he said to them: "What are you waiting for, lazybones?" They all looked at him in surprise. It was clear that the Great Silverback was not joking...



Soon, the rest of the gorillas arrived and together with the lemurs, mice, grasshoppers and iguanas, they formed the rescue platoon. Then the mother giraffe arrived a little shocked, because she had been looking for her baby for quite a while.

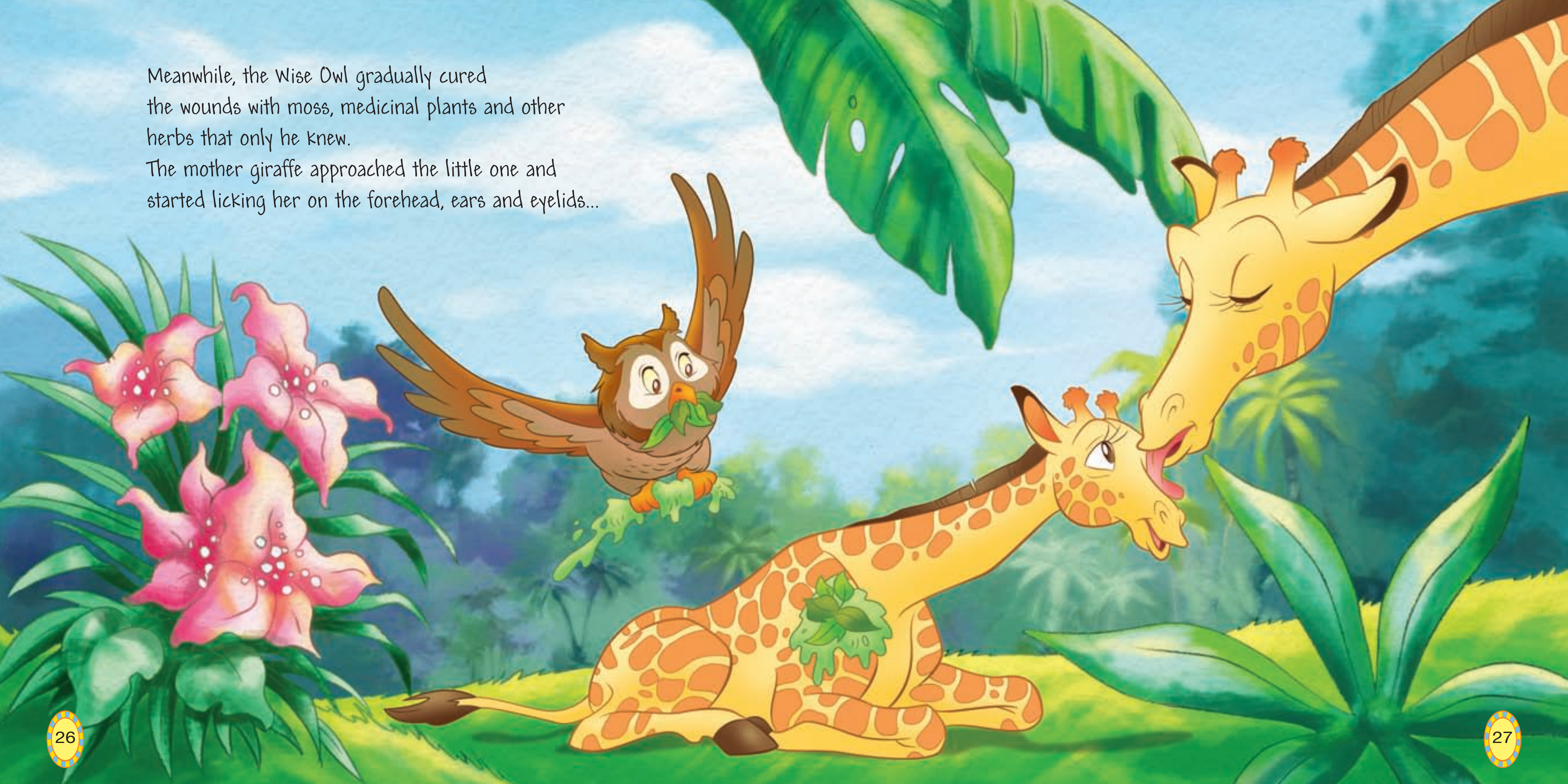




"Now we are all here," rejoiced the Great Silverback. "On the count of three..." At last, they managed to bring the lift up, creating a huge dust cloud. "We've done it!" Shouted Gor and Floky, between jumps and chest thumping. "Now we should carry her to the shade. Bring fresh water and tender shoots."

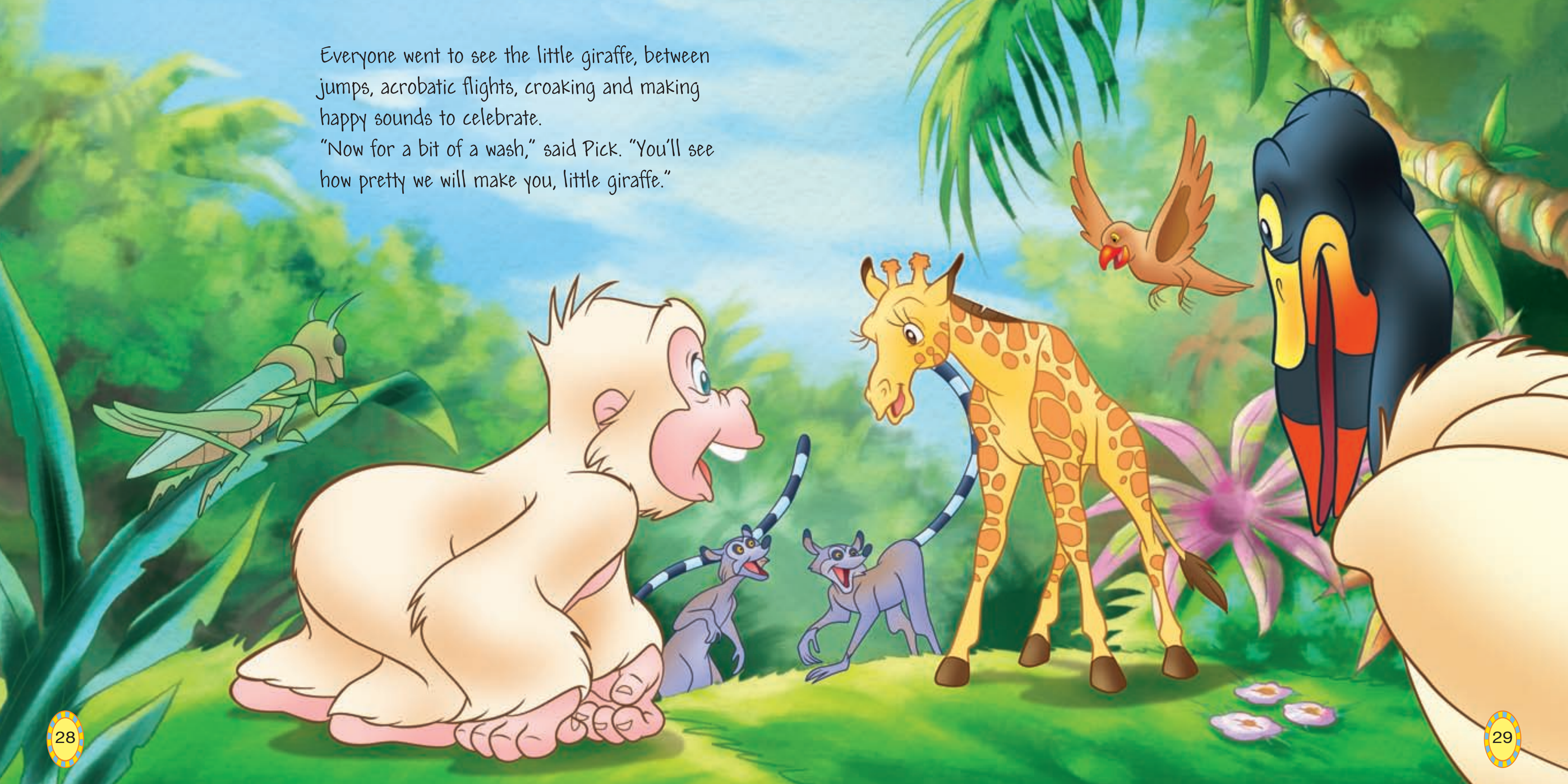
Meanwhile, the Wise Owl gradually cured the wounds with moss, medicinal plants and other herbs that only he knew.

The mother giraffe approached the little one and started licking her on the forehead, ears and eyelids...



Everyone went to see the little giraffe, between jumps, acrobatic flights, croaking and making happy sounds to celebrate.

"Now for a bit of a wash," said Pick. "You'll see how pretty we will make you, little giraffe."



"One, two, three, four, five, six!" Rejoiced Floky, counting the group of iguanas gathered together with his fingers. "You've won!" Said Gor.

"No. It's better that: We've all won!" Declared Floky with great enthusiasm.

"And as the game referee, I say that this deserves a great party!" Announced Pick. "You are all invited."



WORKING IN A TEAM: we can all help!

By joining forces as a great team, we can achieve almost anything that we put our minds to: A goal, a common objective or a great dream. Because we can all help, it is simply a question of always taking into account something very important: You must be able to organize yourselves. Thus, just like in sporting teams, each person occupies a place, while acknowledging that we are all important and we all matter, because we complement each other if we divide the tasks up well, if we listen to other people's ideas and make decisions together. Making use of the differences and abilities of each person will enable us to better organize our tasks and by adding one plus one, plus one, we can be a great team.



Manual for the Perfect Adventurer

Choose your backpack carefully: It should be light, strong, have a lot of compartments and inside it, you should always have...

A compass:

So that you always know where you are.



A jacket:

With a lot of pockets so that you have everything at hand!



Old and comfortable boots, trainers and sandals:

Your best allies on long hikes.



A fleece jumper:

For cool nights and cold seasons.



A first aid kit:

With everything you need for first aid (bandages, plasters and surgical tape).



A torch:

Your best friend for exploring during the night, in dark places, caves and tunnels...



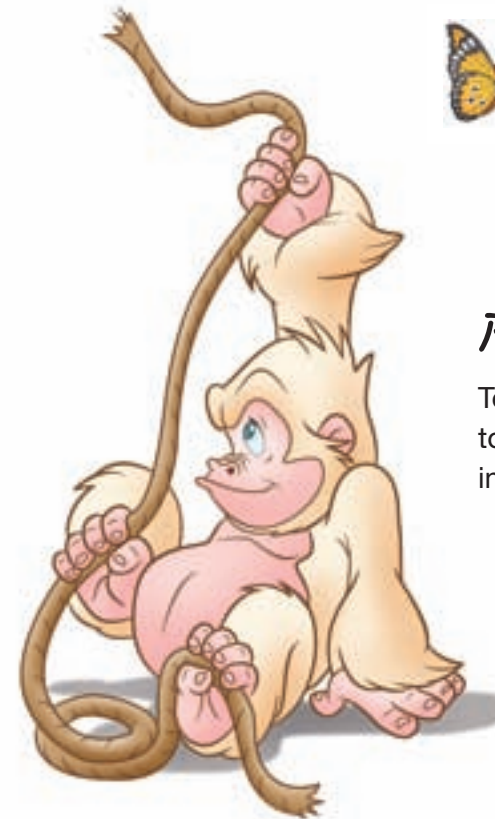
Insect repellent:

Very important. It will save you from bothersome and unpleasant bites.



Rope:

To help you during a descent, to fasten your luggage or improvise a tent...



Sleeping bag:

So that you can rest sheltered wherever you are.



... Lastly and very importantly, **follow this piece of advice:** "Real travelers use their eyes for seeing and their hearts for understanding," that is when we travel, we should be very observant and also value and respect everything that we discover.

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