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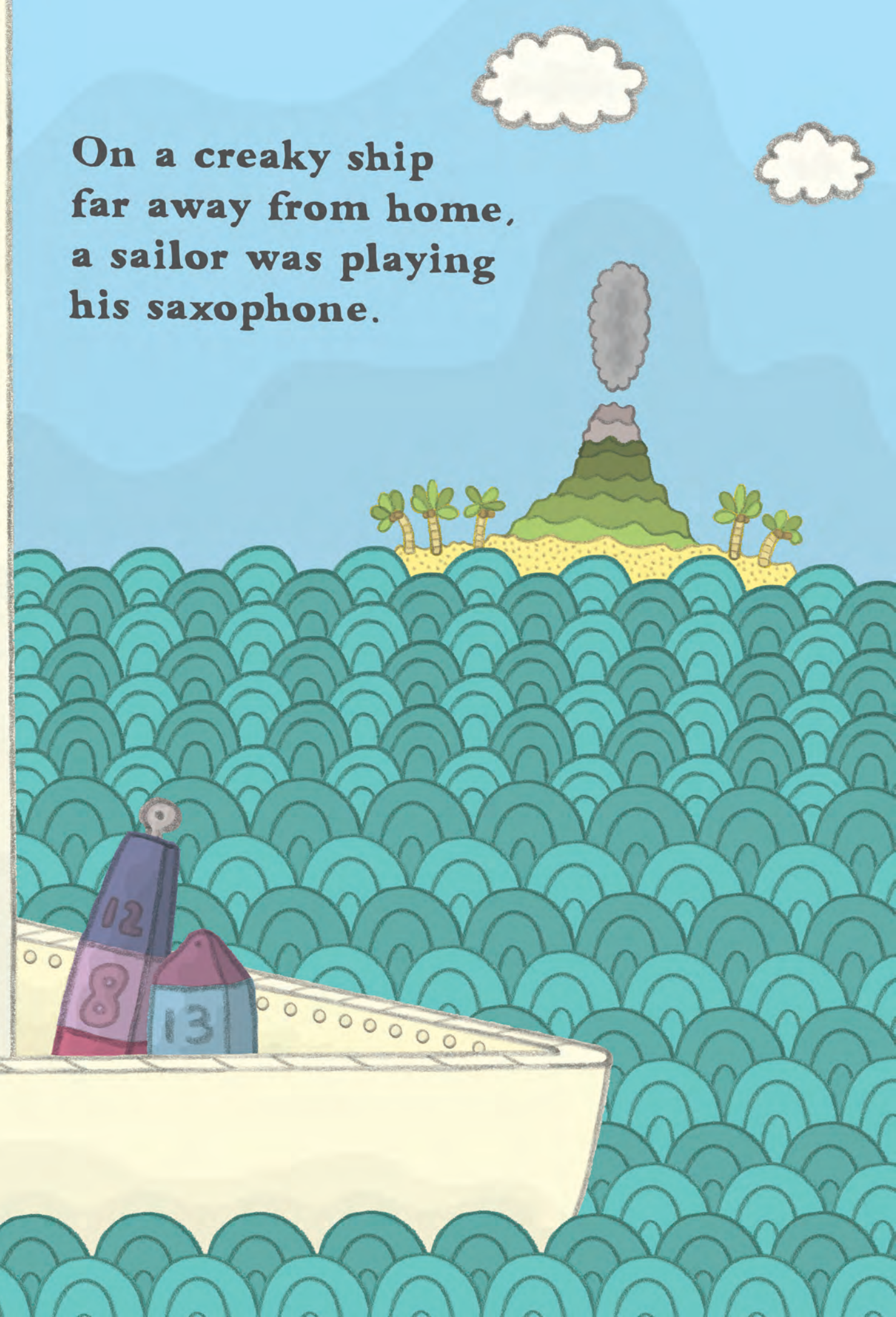
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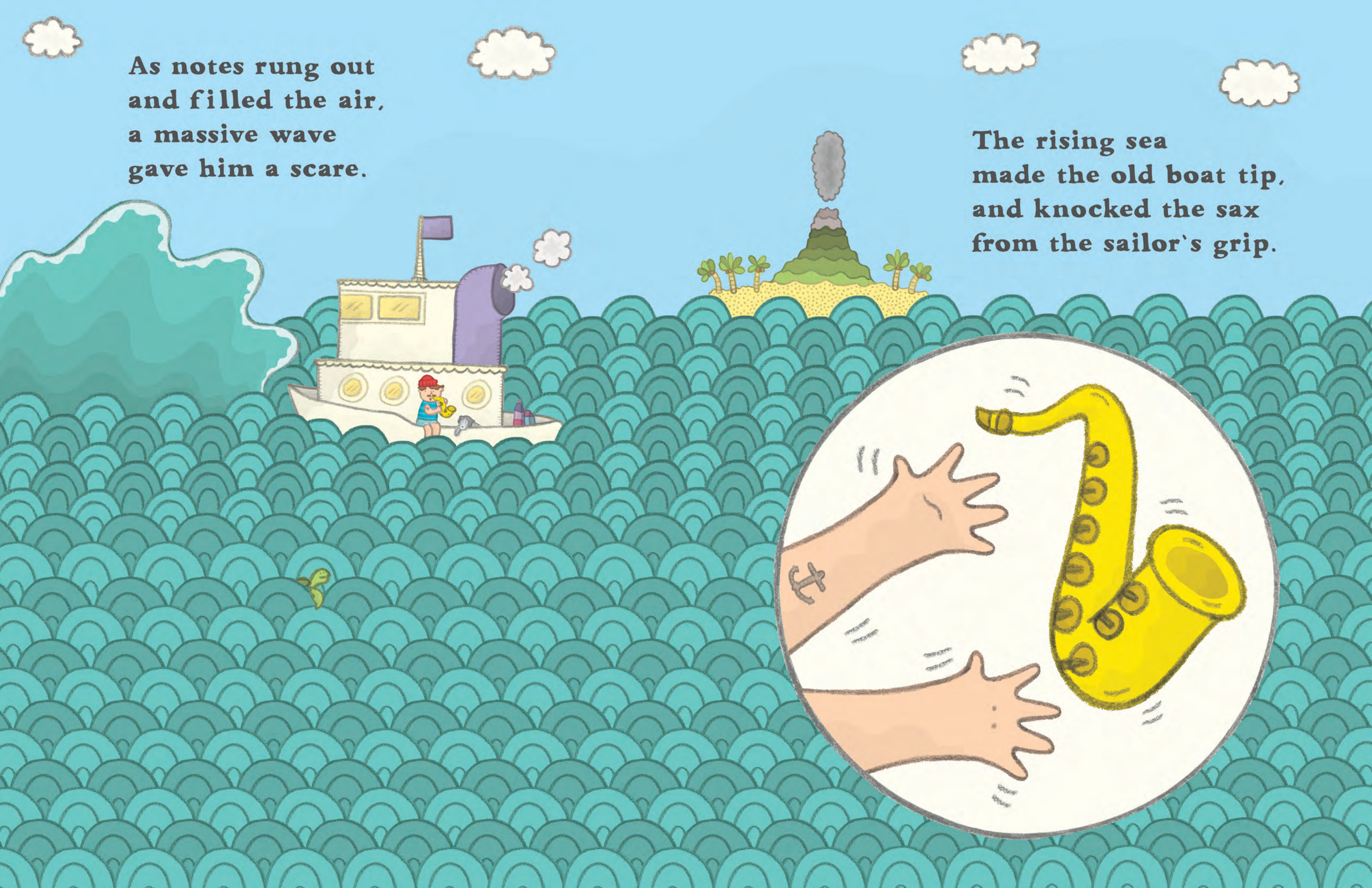


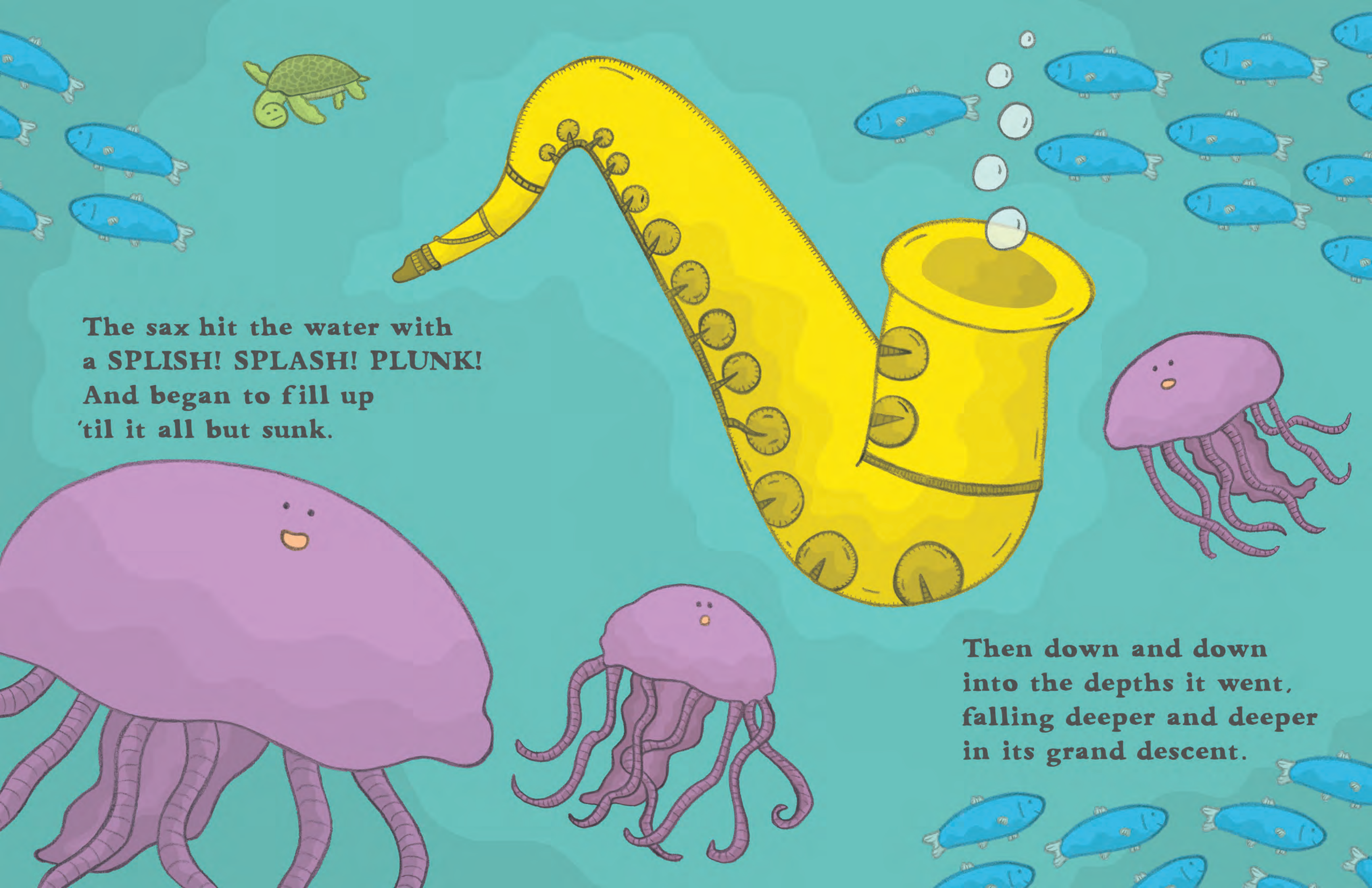
On a creaky ship
far away from home,
a sailor was playing
his saxophone.



As notes rung out
and filled the air,
a massive wave
gave him a scare.


The rising sea
made the old boat tip,
and knocked the sax
from the sailor's grip.





**The sax hit the water with
a SPLISH! SPLASH! PLUNK!
And began to fill up
'til it all but sunk.**

**Then down and down
into the depths it went,
falling deeper and deeper
in its grand descent.**

A red squid with a blue hat and a mustache is holding a yellow saxophone. The scene is set on a sandy ocean floor with various sea creatures and coral. The background is a deep blue sea with more fish.

**The sax hit the floor
of the deep blue sea,
where Simon the Squid
just happened to be.**

**It was shiny, gold
and curved at the end.
"What is this thing?"
He could not comprehend.**



**"Psssst," said the flounder,
"Hey, I'm down here.
That's a shovel to hide me
from the shark swimming near."**

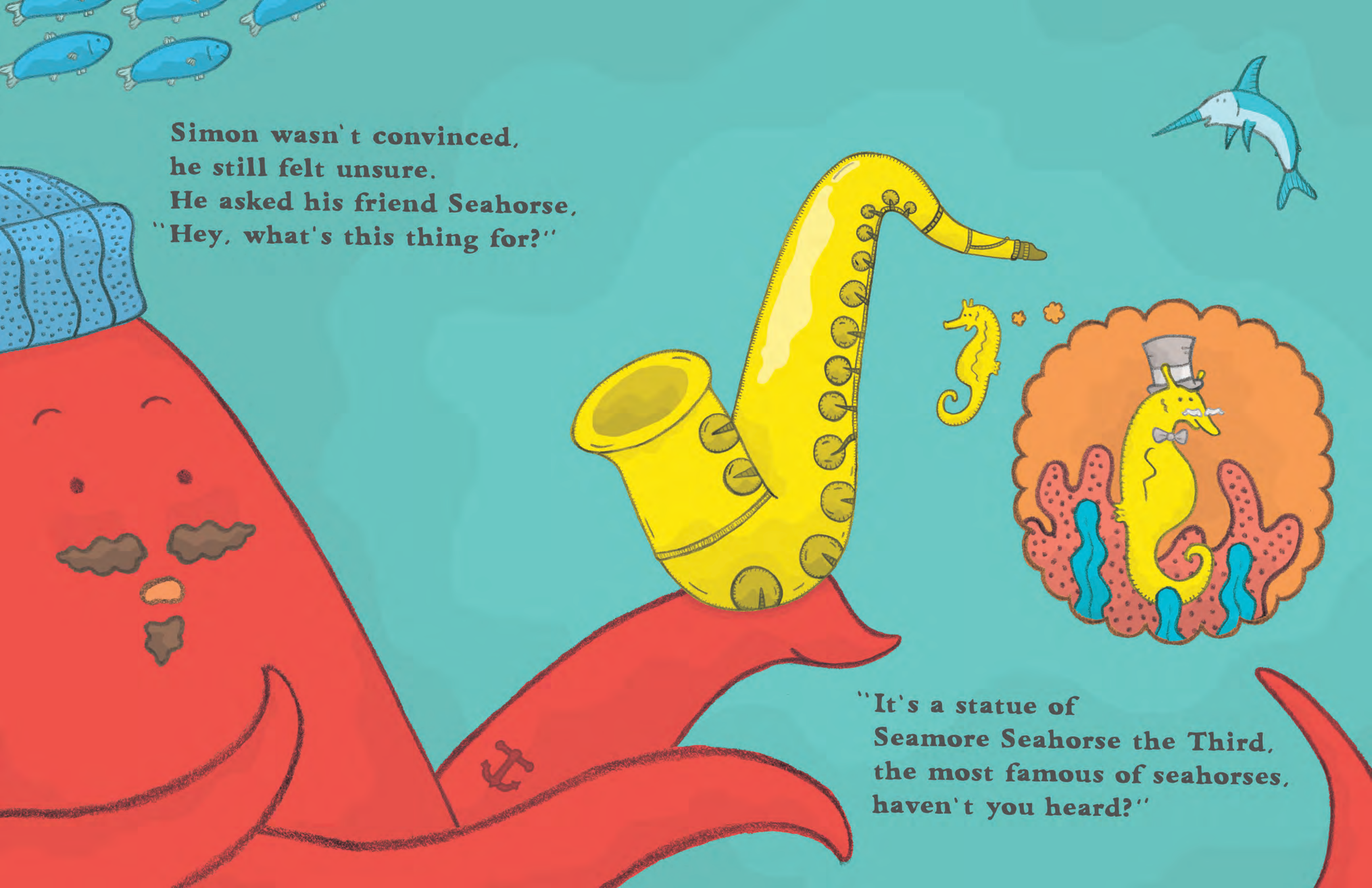


A shark swam by
in Simon's direction.

"What is this thing, shark?
Do you have a suggestion?"

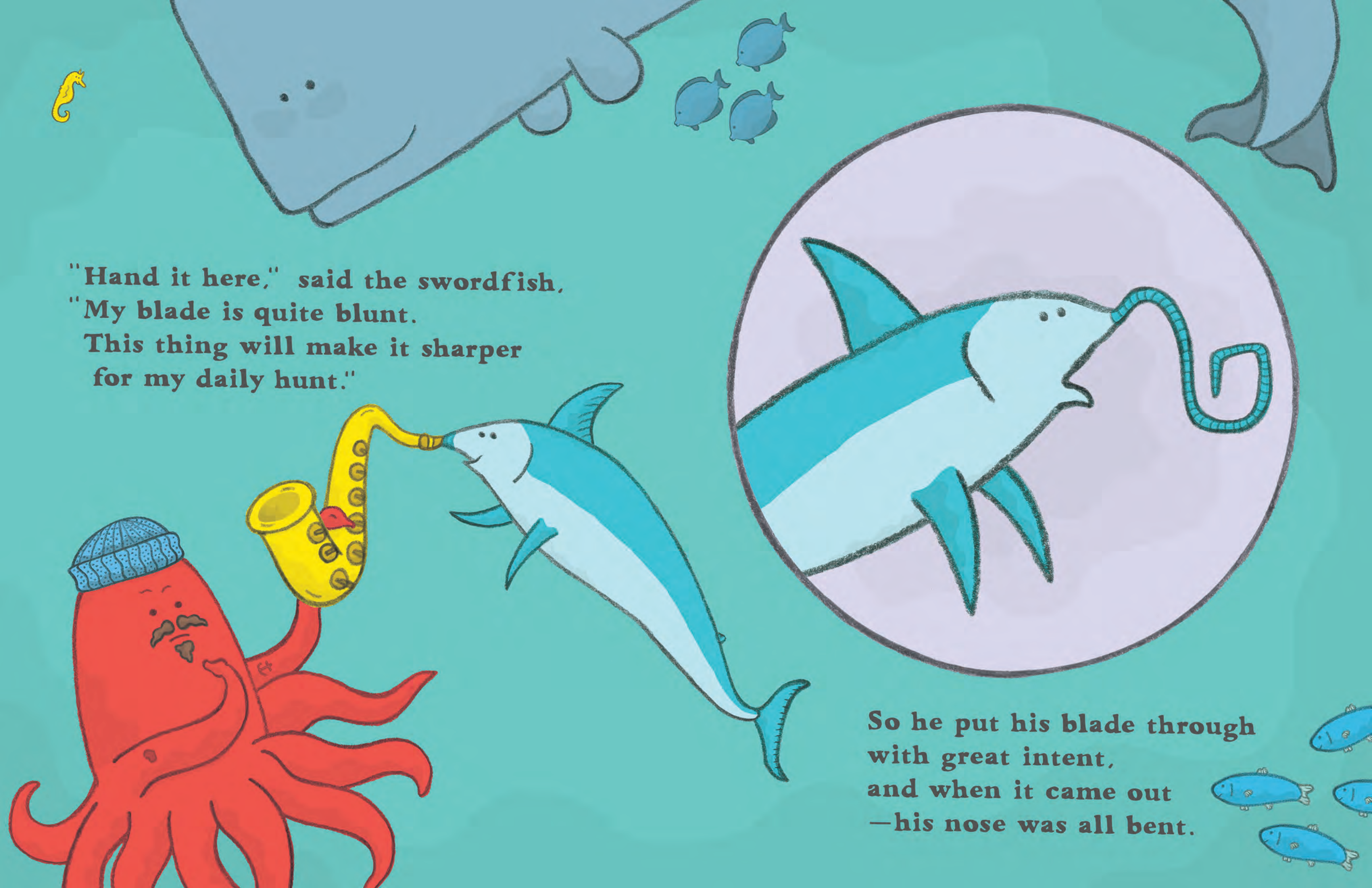
"Oh that? It's a toothpick,
that's what I think.
It keeps my teeth clean
so my breath doesn't stink!"



A large red fish with a blue hat and a yellow saxophone is the central focus. The fish has a brown mustache and a small anchor tattoo on its side. The saxophone is yellow with silver keys and a long, curved neck. In the background, there are several blue fish and a blue and white shark. A thought bubble shows a yellow seahorse wearing a top hat and a bow tie, standing on coral.

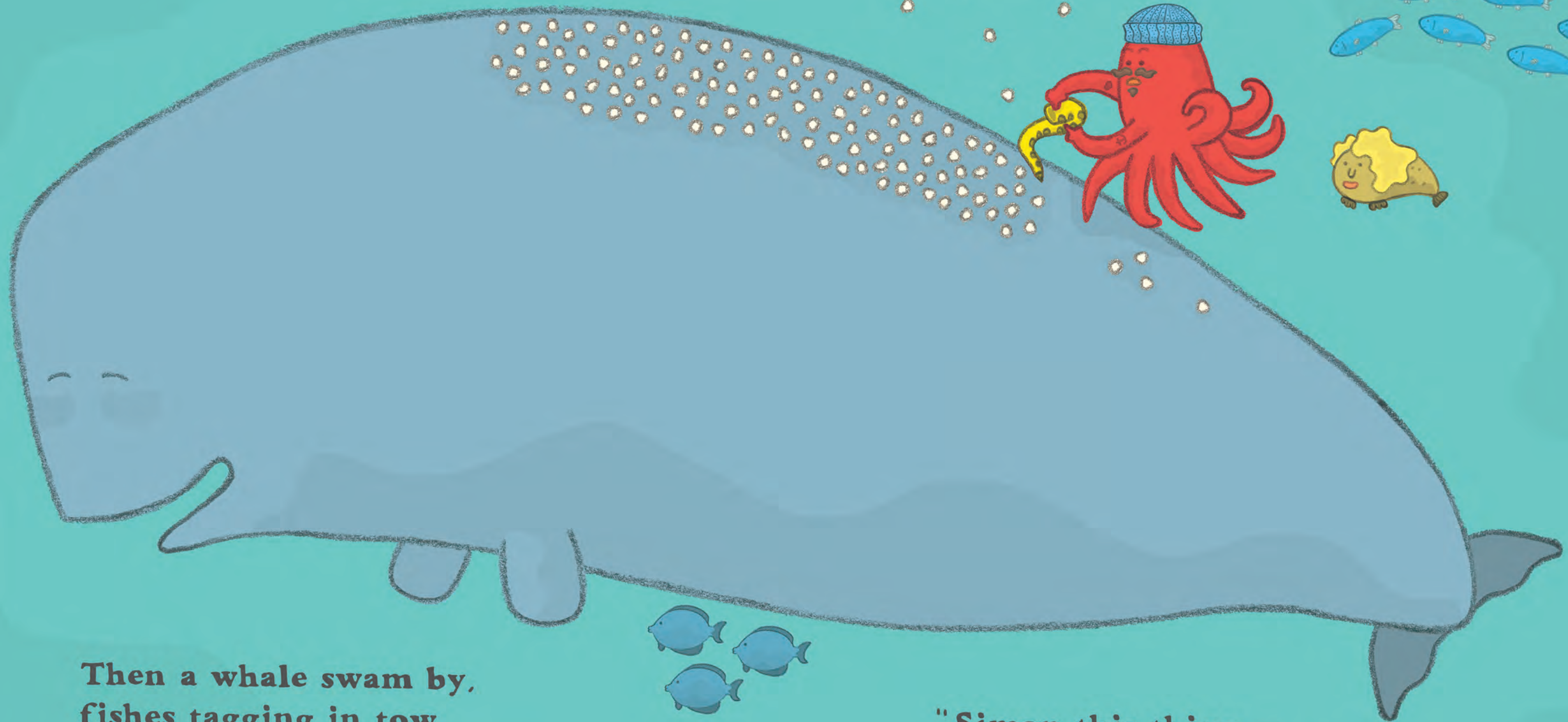
Simon wasn't convinced,
he still felt unsure.
He asked his friend Seahorse,
"Hey, what's this thing for?"

"It's a statue of
Seamore Seahorse the Third,
the most famous of seahorses,
haven't you heard?"



**"Hand it here," said the swordfish,
"My blade is quite blunt.
This thing will make it sharper
for my daily hunt."**

**So he put his blade through
with great intent,
and when it came out
—his nose was all bent.**



**Then a whale swam by,
fishes tagging in tow.
With one look at the object
the whale said, "Whoa!"**

**"Simon this thing —
it's simply remarkable!
I bet it's a backscratcher
to remove all my barnacles."**

**"Now wait just a minute,"
the lady lumpfish said.
"This thing is for beauty
and it goes on your head."**



**She showed them just how,
then closed her big eyes.
And when she was done,
her hair doubled in size!**



He clambered inside
and let out a yelp.
"I'm trapped!" he shrieked,
asking Simon for help.

As the lady fish fixed
her new hair with a comb,
a hermit crab crawled by
in search of a home.



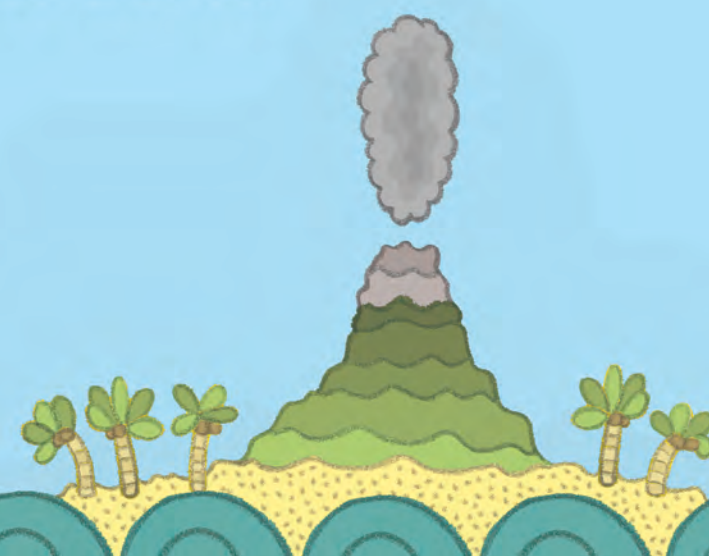
**Simon took a huge breath
- blew with all of his might -
and the hermit crab flew
completely out of sight!**



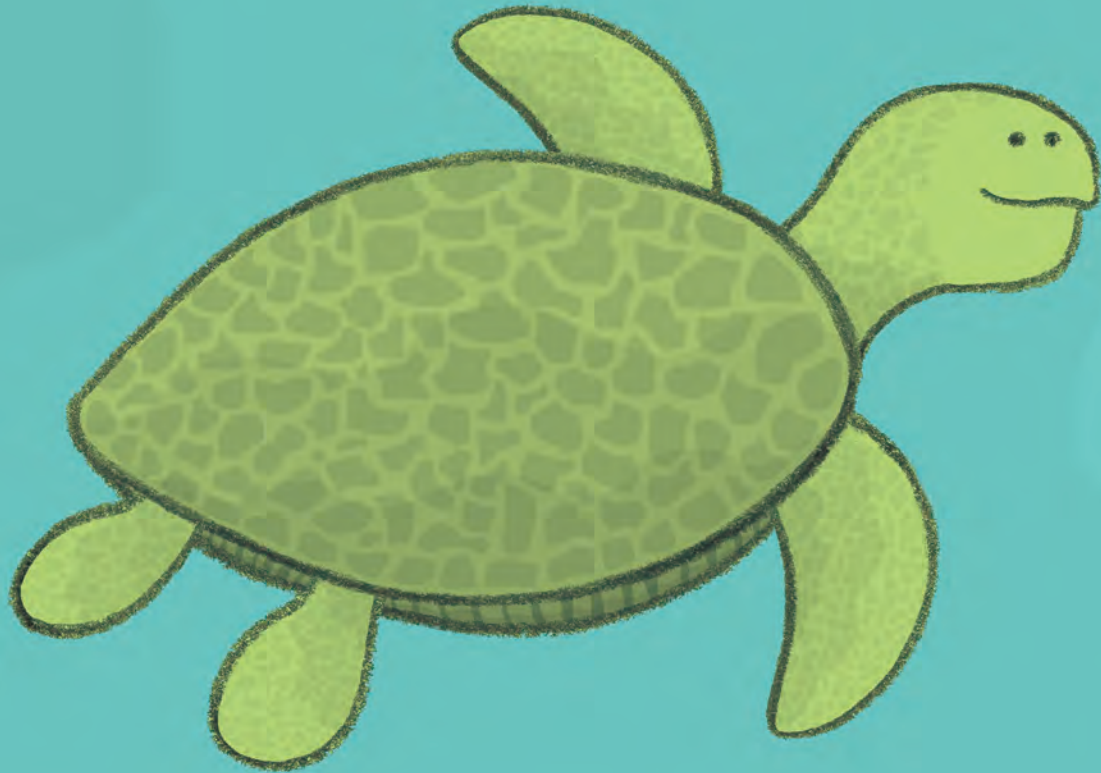
**And that's when he knew it,
the truth had been found.
For when Simon blew it,
the thing made a sound.**

A sound that went DWAHHHHH
and DOO-BI-DI-DOO.
Simon figured it out,
and his friends helped him, too.

He continued to play it
with more and more notes,
'til the sea filled with sounds,
reaching up to the boats.



**Then a wise turtle came,
and said in a soft voice,
"You've found the answer,
it's time to rejoice!"**



**"That gold shiny object,
the one you've just blown,
is known on land
as a saxophone."**





**"A saxophone? Wow!
This really is fun!
I'll play for you all
—gather 'round, everyone!"**



Simon's tentacles whirled and the keys went CLINK. Then he began to change color, from deep red to pink!

He played sounds like DOO BOP and JIGGITY DINK. Then he hit a high note...



and lost all his ink!



The Squid Song

Verse 1

Well, the sailor's boat it went
round & round & round
And the sax-oh-phone it went
down & down & down
To the deep blue sea where it was
found & found & found
By Simon the squid

Chorus

Oh Simon the saxophone-playing squid
Oh Simon the saxophone-playing squid
Oh Simon

Verse 2

Well, he did not know what it was
for & for & for
When he saw it shining
on the ocean floor
And his ocean friends heard
the call, the call, the call
Of Simon the squid

Chorus

Bridge

Do you know, do you know
what it could be?
I think I might, but it's a mystery
It's shiny and it's gold,
it's got the curiosity
Of Simon the saxophone-playing squid

Verse 3

And when there was trouble,
Simon knew just what to do
Took a deep breath in, and then
he blew & blew & blew
And that, my friends,
was the final clue
For Simon the squid
And it went...

[Simon the Squid's
sax solo]

Chorus



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