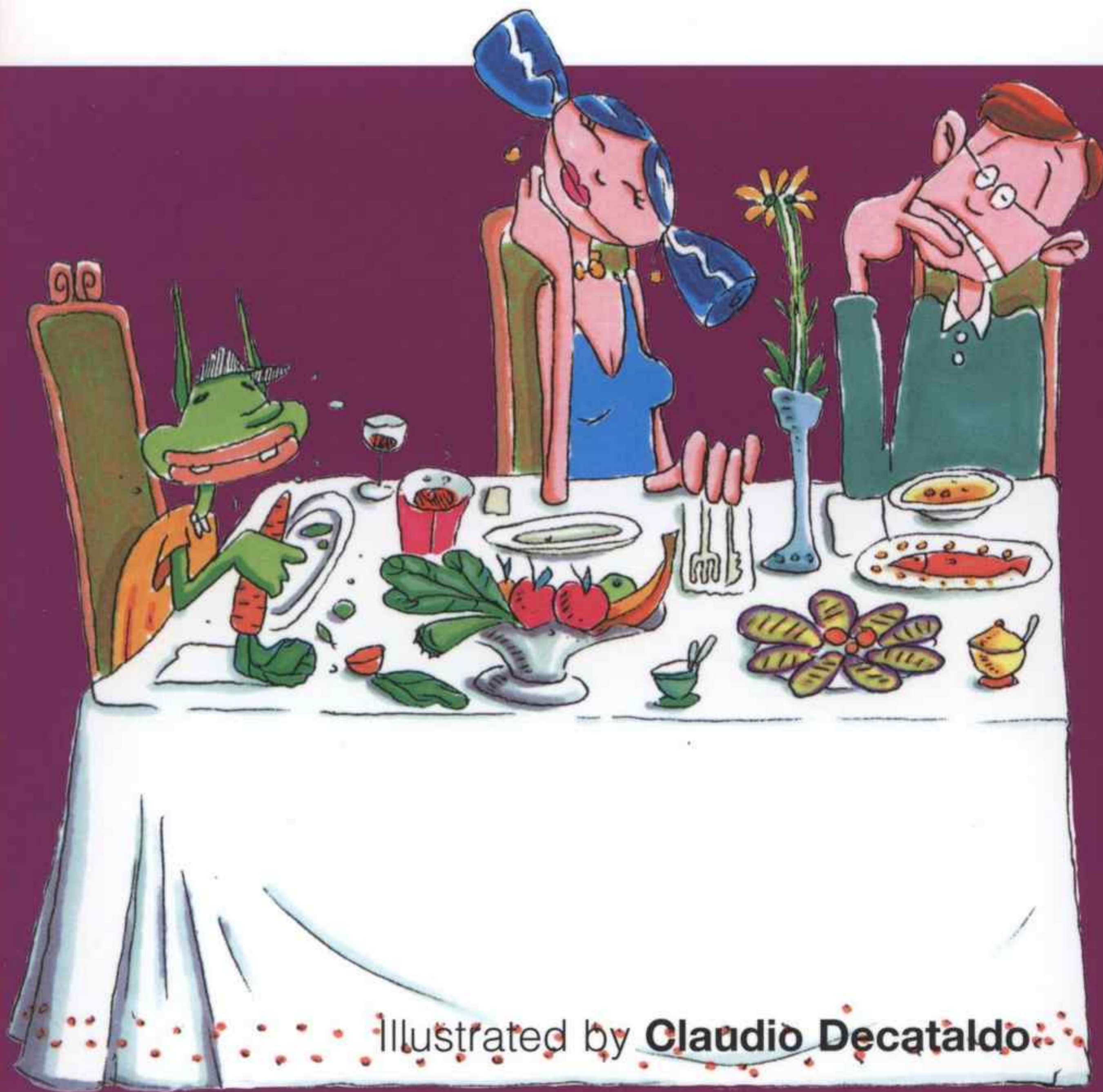


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Level
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Cristina Ivaldi

Two Monsters



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AUDIO CD



The house of a bogey man must be dark and dirty.

But Slimey is a naughty bogey boy.

He is always clean and tidy.

Humans like a clean house.

But Candid is a naughty boy.

He is always dirty and messy.



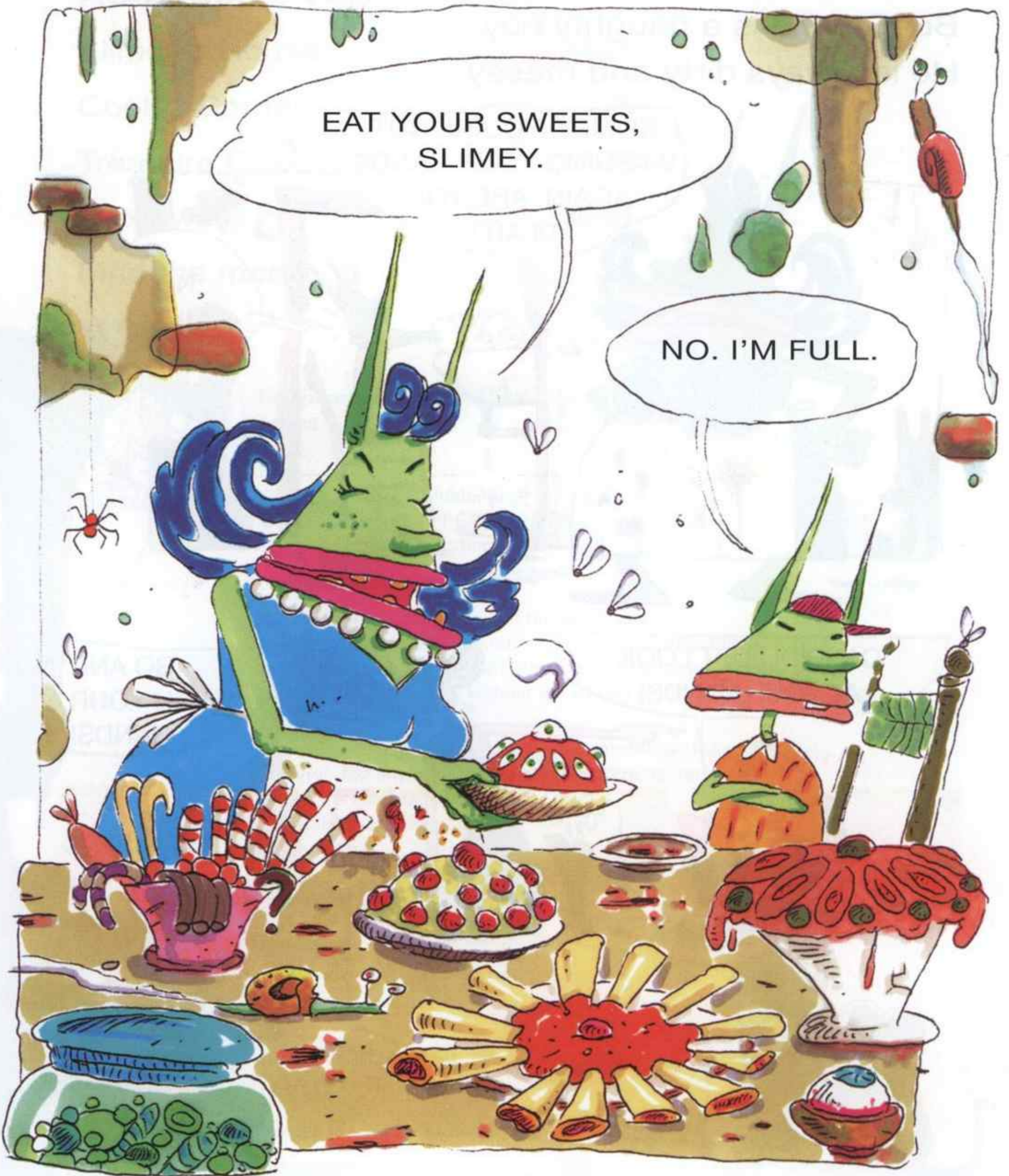
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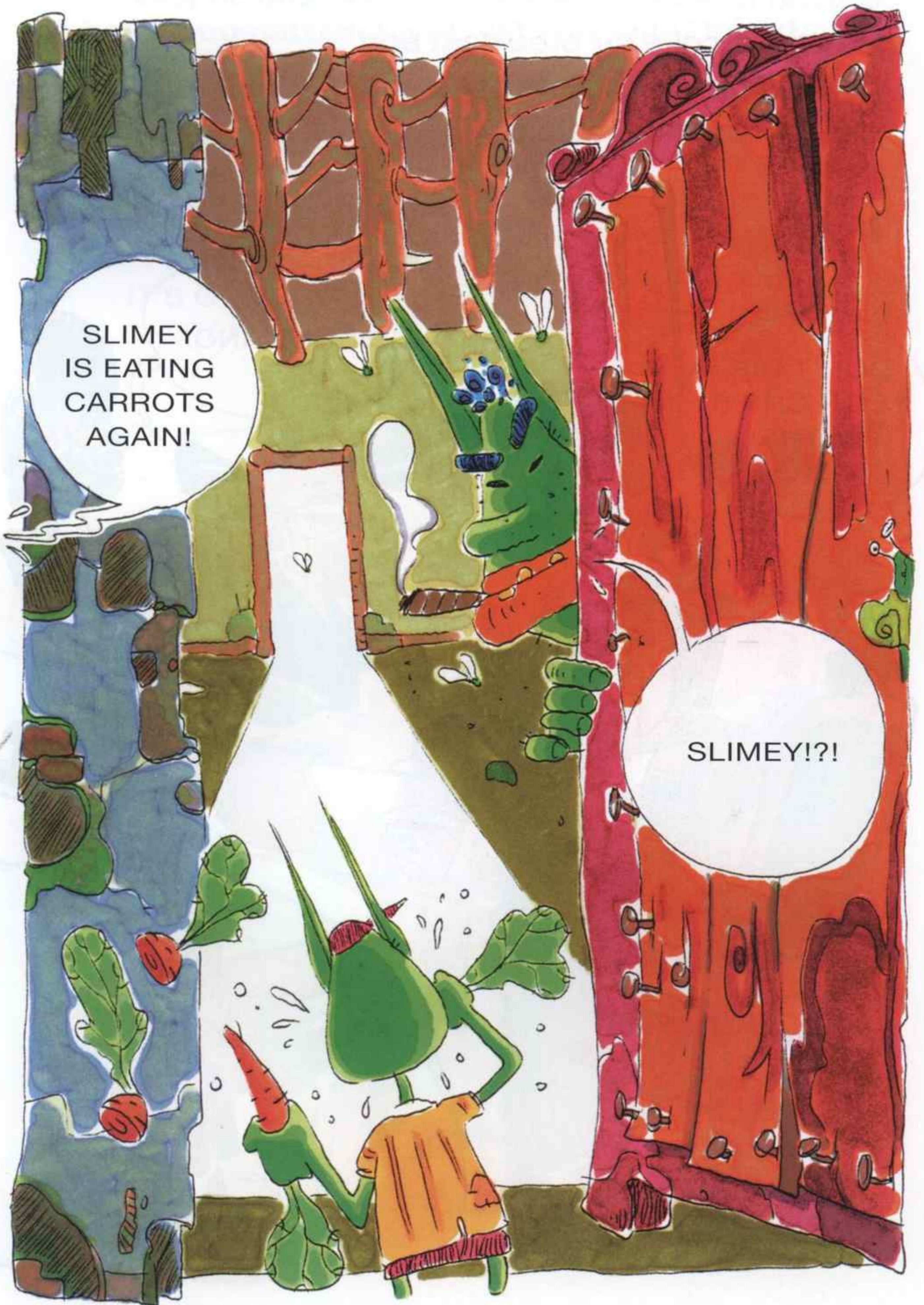


*human family:
mother, father, boy.*



Slimey likes vegetable soup, peas, carrots and spinach.
He likes milk, tea and fresh water.
He doesn't like chips, crisps or chocolate.
His mum is angry.
Very angry!







SLIMEY
IS EATING
CARROTS
AGAIN!

SLIMEY!?!

Candid loves all types of junk food and snacks. He wants coke for breakfast and he likes pizza with lots of ketchup, mayonnaise and salami.



He loves chocolate spread  on his chips. 
He hates vegetables, meat, fish, milk and bread.
He hates all healthy food.



One day Slimey refuses to mud his hands before supper. His mother is angry.

He runs away and hides in the loft.

He likes the loft.

The house is always damp but the loft is not.





NO!

LOFT

NO!

SLIMEY'S
BEDROOM

NO!

BEDROOM

SITTING
ROOM

KITCHEN

HALL

BATHROOM

It's bathtime.

Candid runs away.

He runs into the cellar and locks  the door.

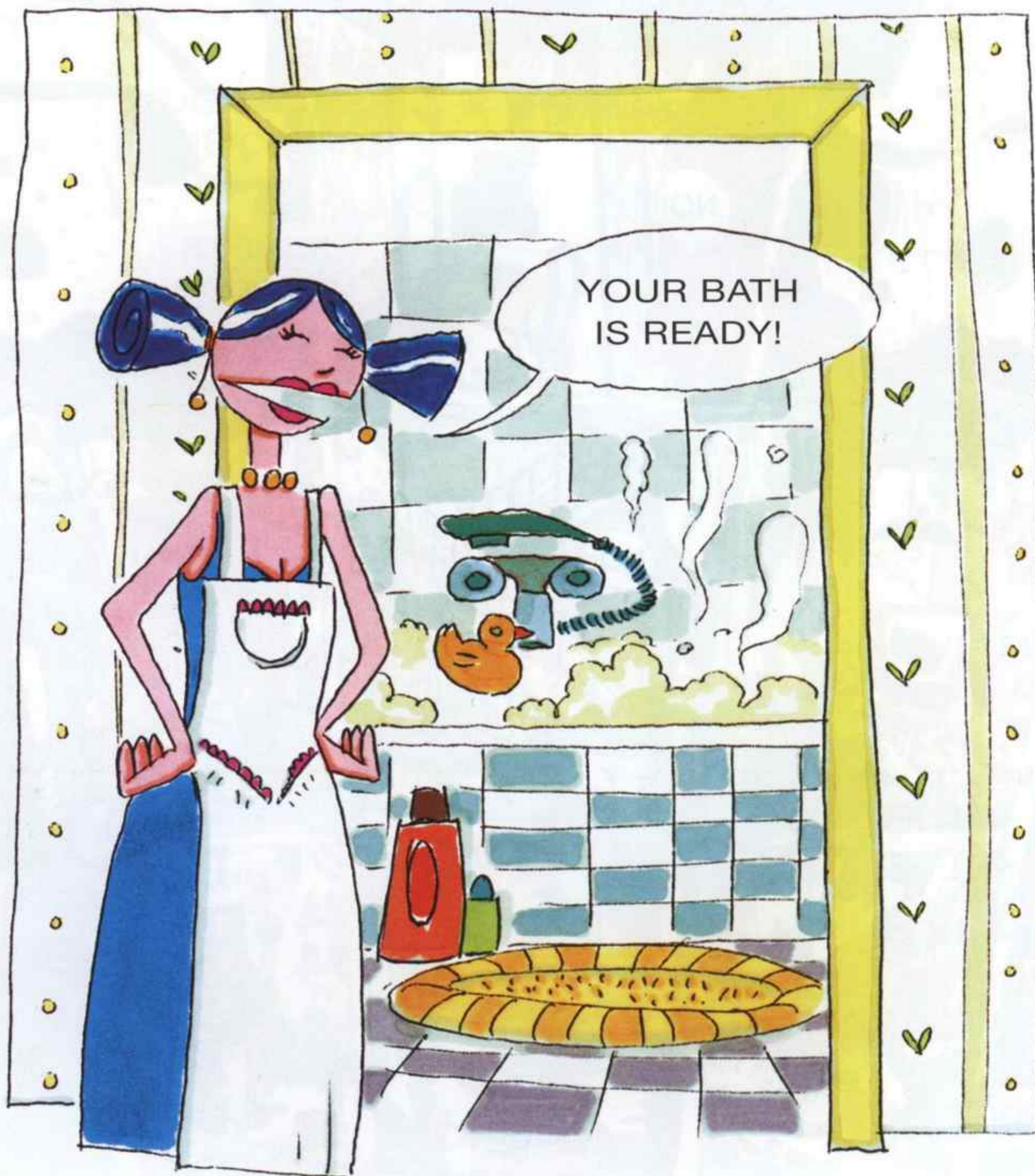
He likes the cellar.

The house is always tidy,

but the cellar is a bit damp



and dusty





CANDID'S
BEDROOM

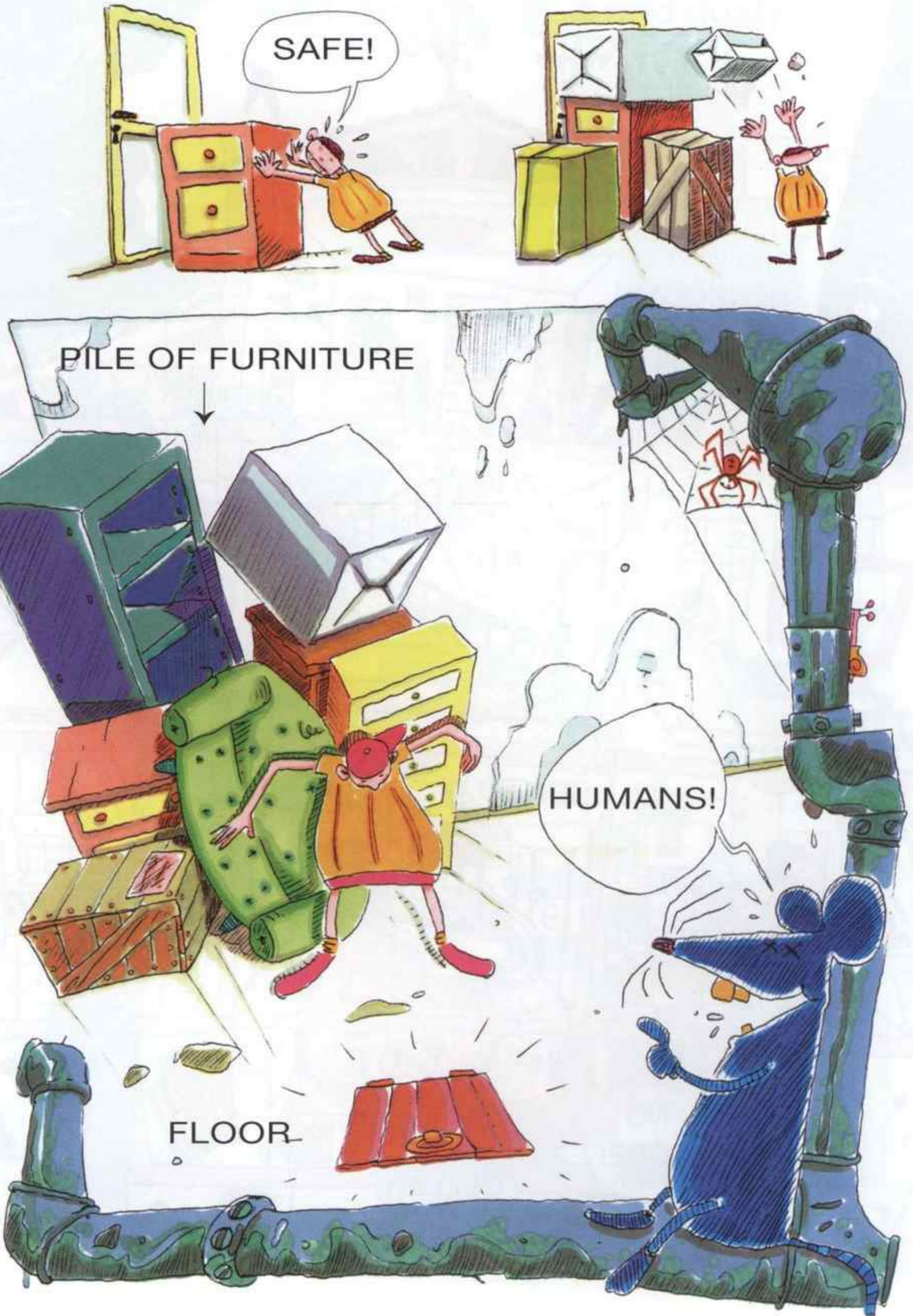
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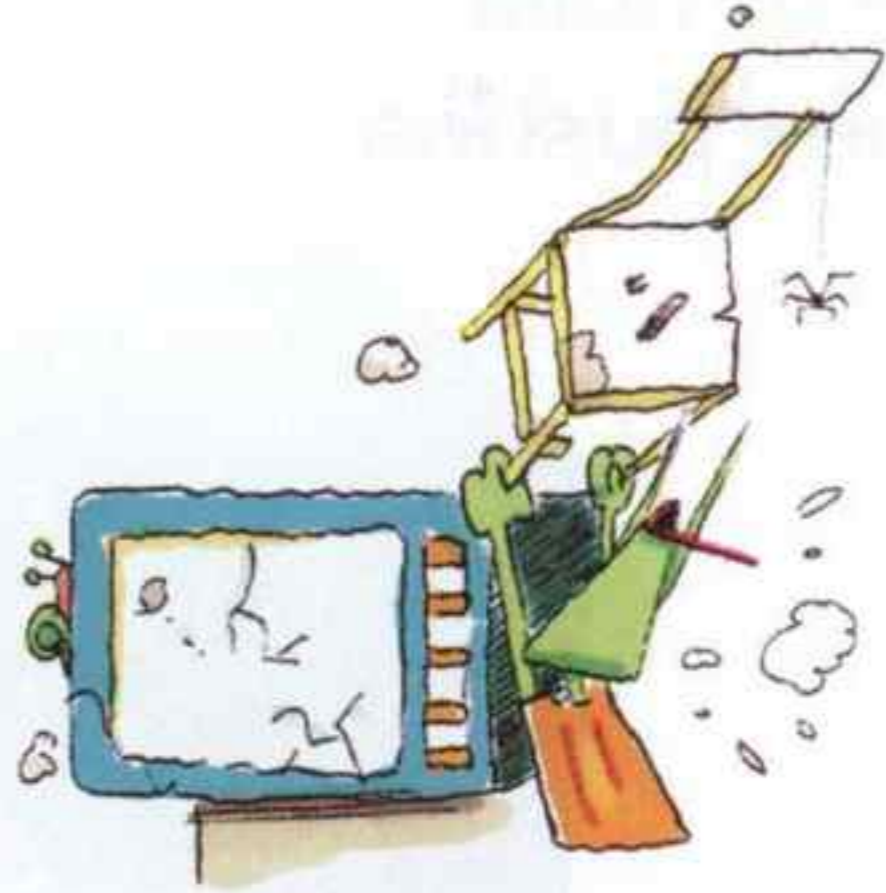
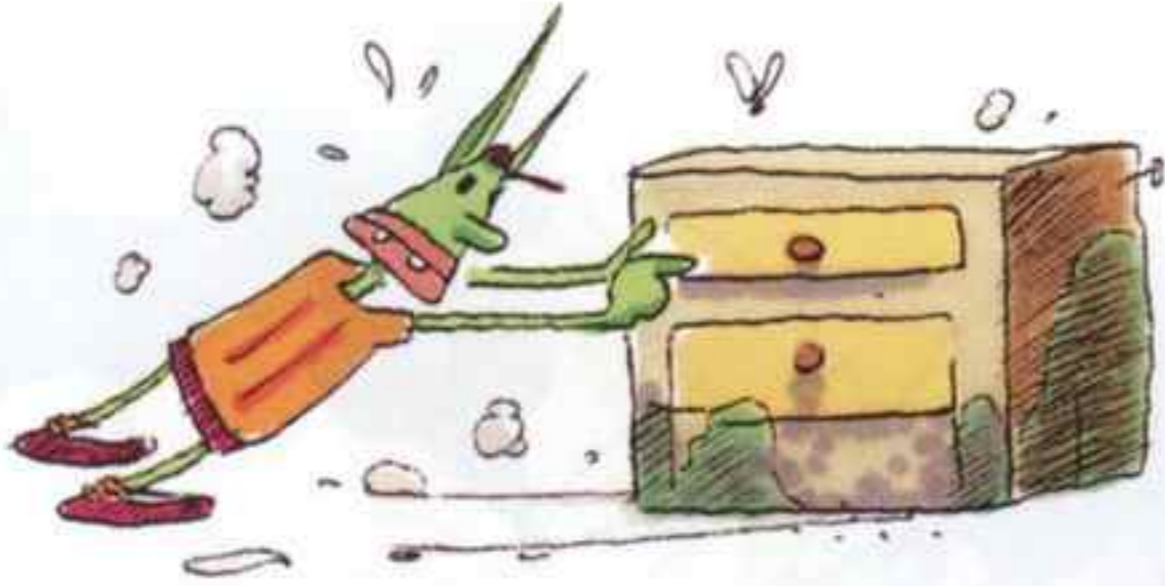
NO
MORE!

CELLAR

Candid wants to live in a messy place.
He puts some furniture in a pile
against the door.
Now he is safe.
He looks at the empty floor of the cellar.



Slimey wants to live in a clean place.
He puts some old furniture in a pile.
He puts a chair on top and sits down on it.
He looks up at the ceiling.



That's how Candid notices a ring in the floor.

That's how Slimey notices a trapdoor



in the ceiling.

Candid pulls.

Slimey pushes.



The trapdoor opens.
Candid screams.
Slimey screams.
They both scream.
Slimey falls.



Candid peeps
through the trapdoor.



The bogey boy is lying on his front,
but he is not hurt.

Candid climbs down the pile of furniture.

Slimey's loft is very dirty!

The two boys start talking.





OH,
IT'S DIRTY!
I LIKE IT!

DO YOU
REALLY?



...AND
A BATH...
EVERY DAY!

REALLY?
EVERY
DAY?
WOW!

Slimey doesn't like his house,
the food or the rules –
“Do this!”, “Don't do that!”
Candid hates his house,
the food and the rules –
“Do this!”, “Don't do that!”



So they decide to change families.
Slimey puts on Candid's clothes.
Candid puts on Slimey's clothes.



Slimey is very happy with his new family.
He has a bath every day and he eats healthy food.
He has a tidy bedroom
with white walls and yellow furniture.

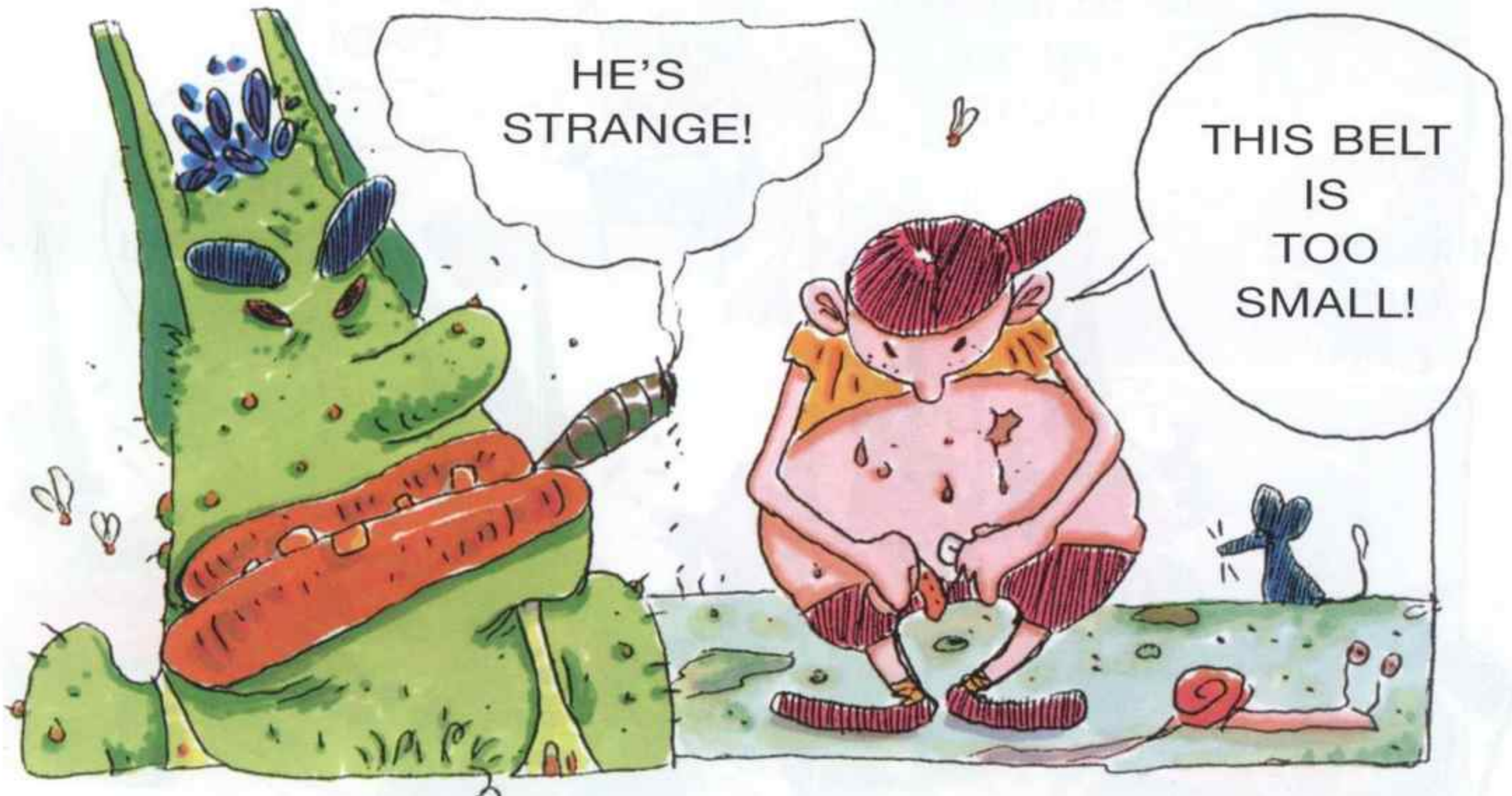


Candid is happy in his dirty and damp bedroom,
green with moss.

He never washes and he eats lots of junk food.

The families are happy and surprised.

Very surprised!



Slimey washes himself too much.
He catches a terrible cold.
Candid eats too much junk food.
He is very sick.
They both miss their parents.



During the night
Slimey goes to the cellar.
The trapdoor is open.
Candid climbs out.
He wants to go home.
Slimey wants to go home too.
But they promise never to lock the trapdoor.
You never know!

