

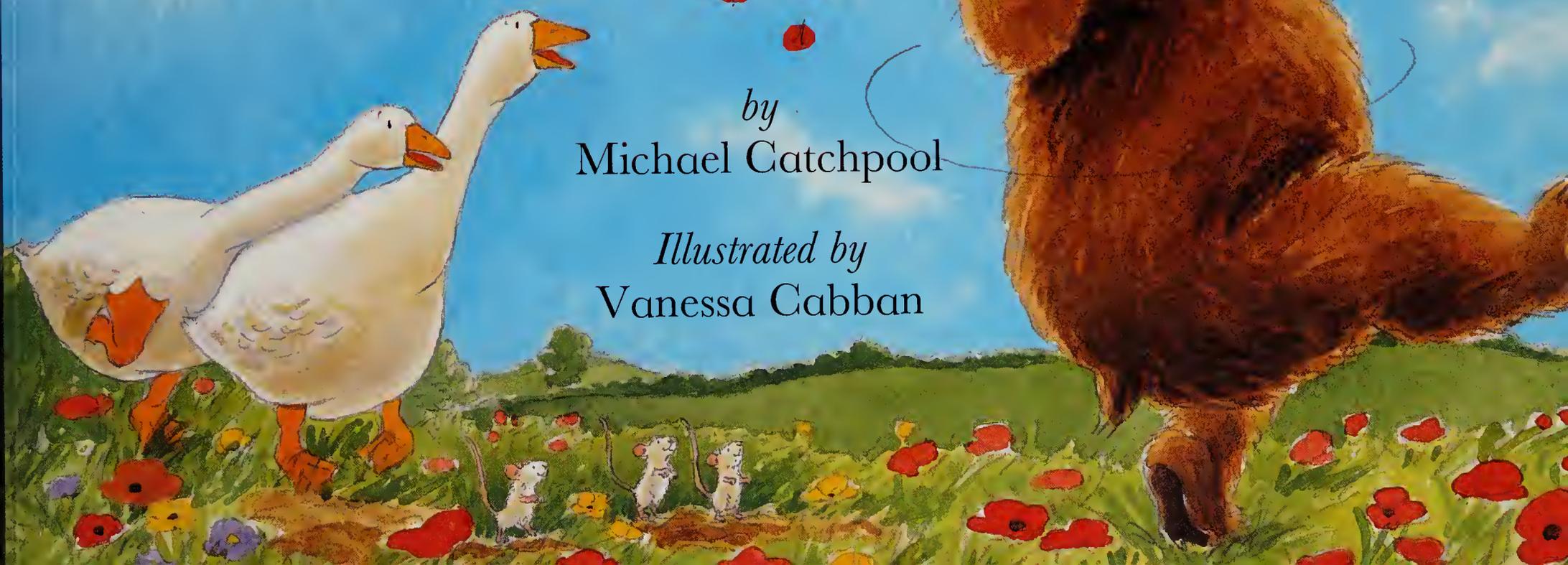
Tiger
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Where There's a Bear, There's Trouble!

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One brown bear saw one
yellow bee. And one yellow
bee saw one brown bear.



One brown bear thought, “Where there’s a bee there’s honey . . . sticky honey, yummy honey, drippy honey, gummy honey. I’ll follow this bee as quietly as can be.”



One yellow bee thought, “Where there’s
a bear there’s trouble. I’ll buzz off home
as quickly as can be.”

So one yellow bee buzzed off over the
stone wall . . .



followed by one brown bear,
as quietly as could be on his
softest tip-toes.





Buzz! Buzz! Growl! Growl! Shh!



Two greedy geese spotted one tip-toeing bear.
“Ah-ha,” they thought. “Where there’s a bear
there are berries . . . ripe berries, juicy berries,
plump berries, squishy berries. Let’s follow that
bear as quietly as can be.”







So two greedy geese followed
one brown bear, and one brown
bear followed one yellow bee . . .

Buzz! Buzz! Growl! Growl! Honk! Honk! Shh!



all going along as quietly as can be.

Three shy mice spied two flapping geese.
“Ah-ha,” they thought, “where there are
geese, there’s corn . . .



yellow corn, yummy corn, delicious corn,
tasty corn. Let's follow those geese as
quietly as can be."





Buzz! Buzz! Growl! Growl! Honk! Honk! Squeak!

So one yellow bee buzzed over the
bramble bush, and one brown bear
followed one yellow bee, and two greedy
geese followed one brown bear, and three
shy mice followed two greedy geese, all
going along as quietly as could be!

Then one yellow bee buzzed right into
its nest...

queak! Shh!





and one hundred yellow
bees buzzed out!



One brown bear saw one hundred
yellow bees, and one hundred yellow
bees saw one brown bear.





“HELP!” growled one brown bear. “Where there’s a swarm there must be

TROUBLE!

I’ll run back home as quickly as can be!”

And off he raced, back through the prickly bramble bush.



“Help!” squawked the two greedy geese. “The bear is after us!” And off they flapped across the muddy field.



“Help!” squeaked the three shy mice. “The geese are after us!” And off they scrambled through a crack in the stone wall, until . . .



Growl! Ouch!

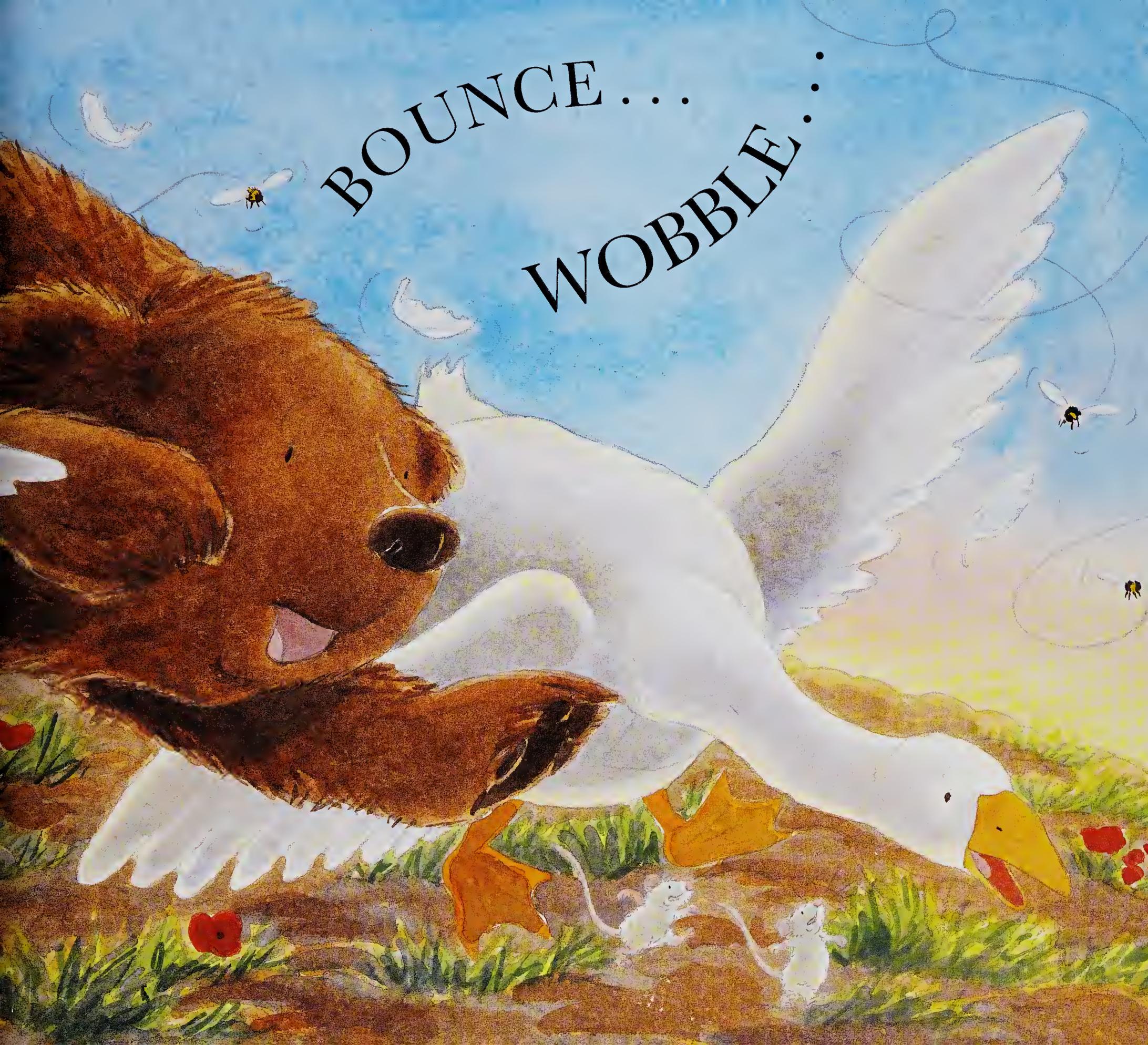
Squawk! Hiss!

Squeak! Eek!



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WOBBLE . . .

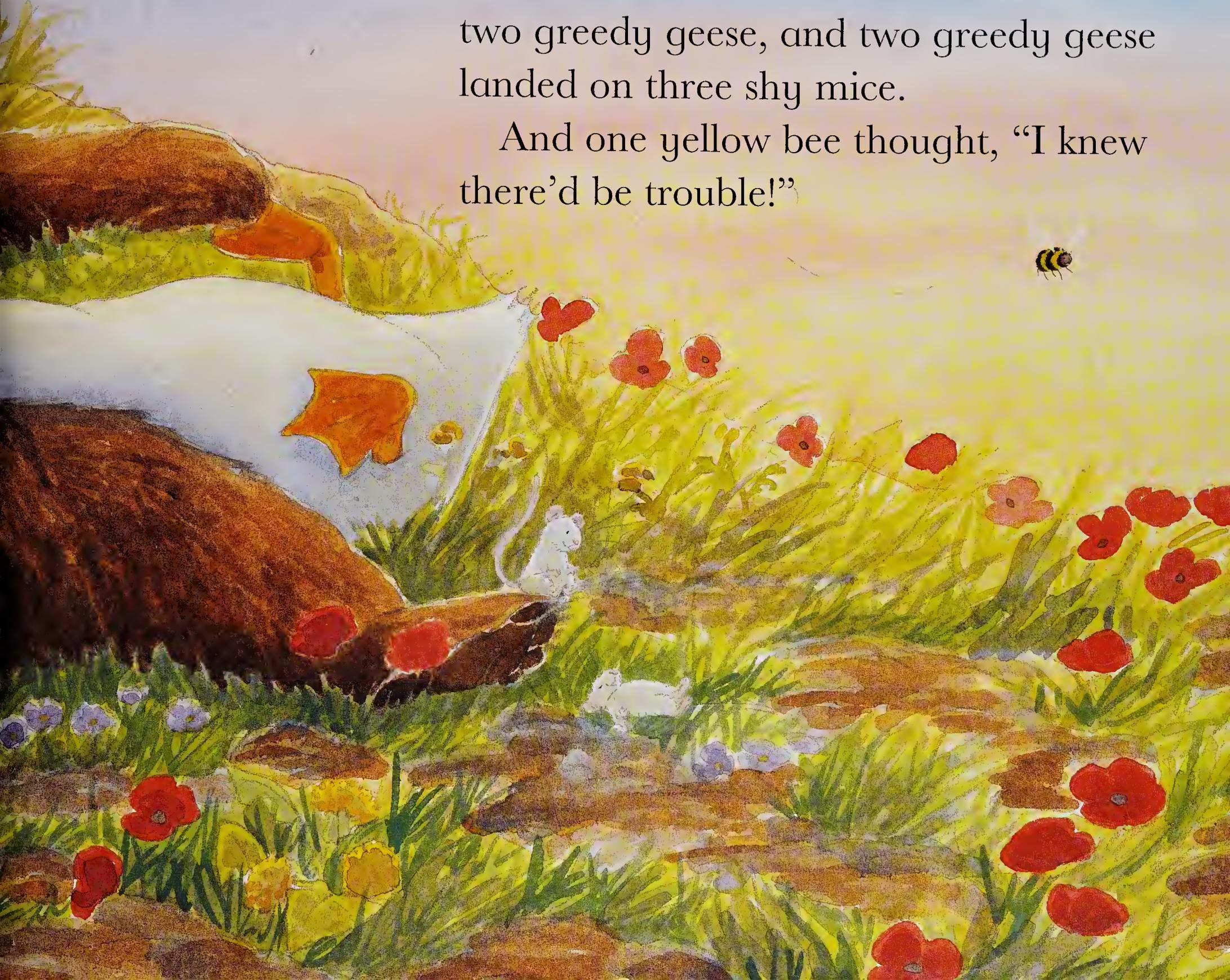


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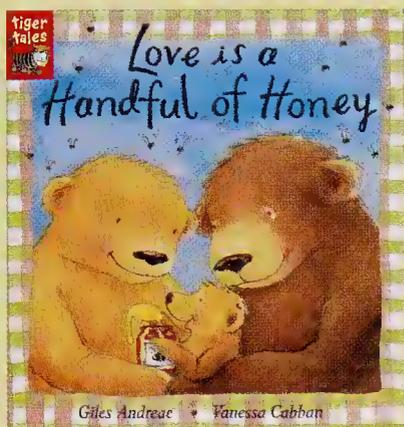
One yellow bee landed on one brown bear, and one brown bear landed on two greedy geese, and two greedy geese landed on three shy mice.

And one yellow bee thought, "I knew there'd be trouble!"

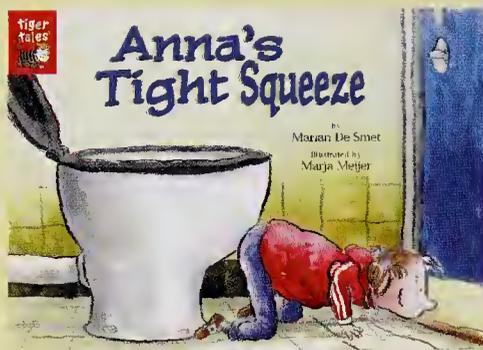








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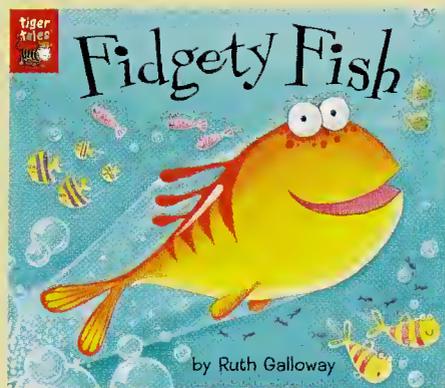


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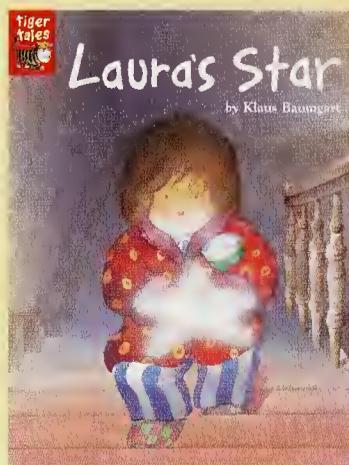
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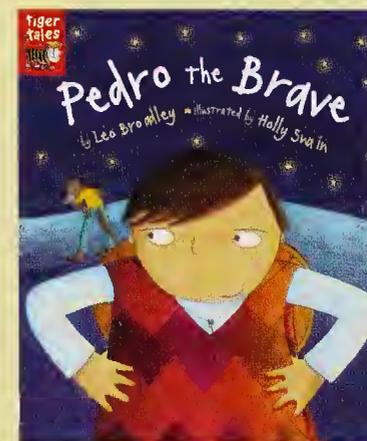
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