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and
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Dad!

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For daddy bears everywhere

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For Jeff, for your love and encouragement

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My dad wakes me up
every morning, like this –
He tickles my nose and
gives me a kiss.

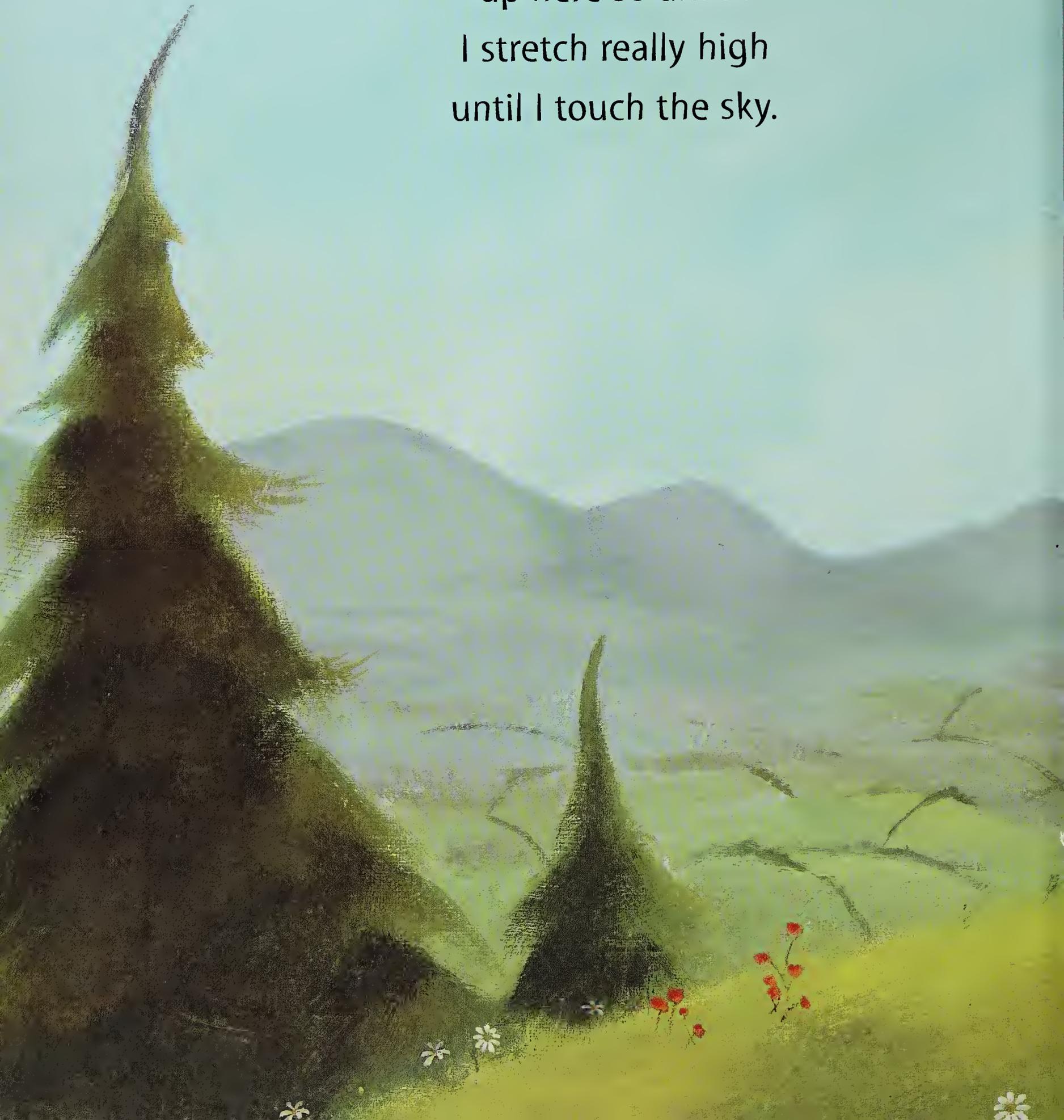




We go out exploring,
there's so much to see.
My dad knows where all
the best secrets will be!



My dad is a giant –
up here so am I!
I stretch really high
until I touch the sky.







We find sticky honey,
our favorite snack.
Watch my dad run when the
bees want it back!

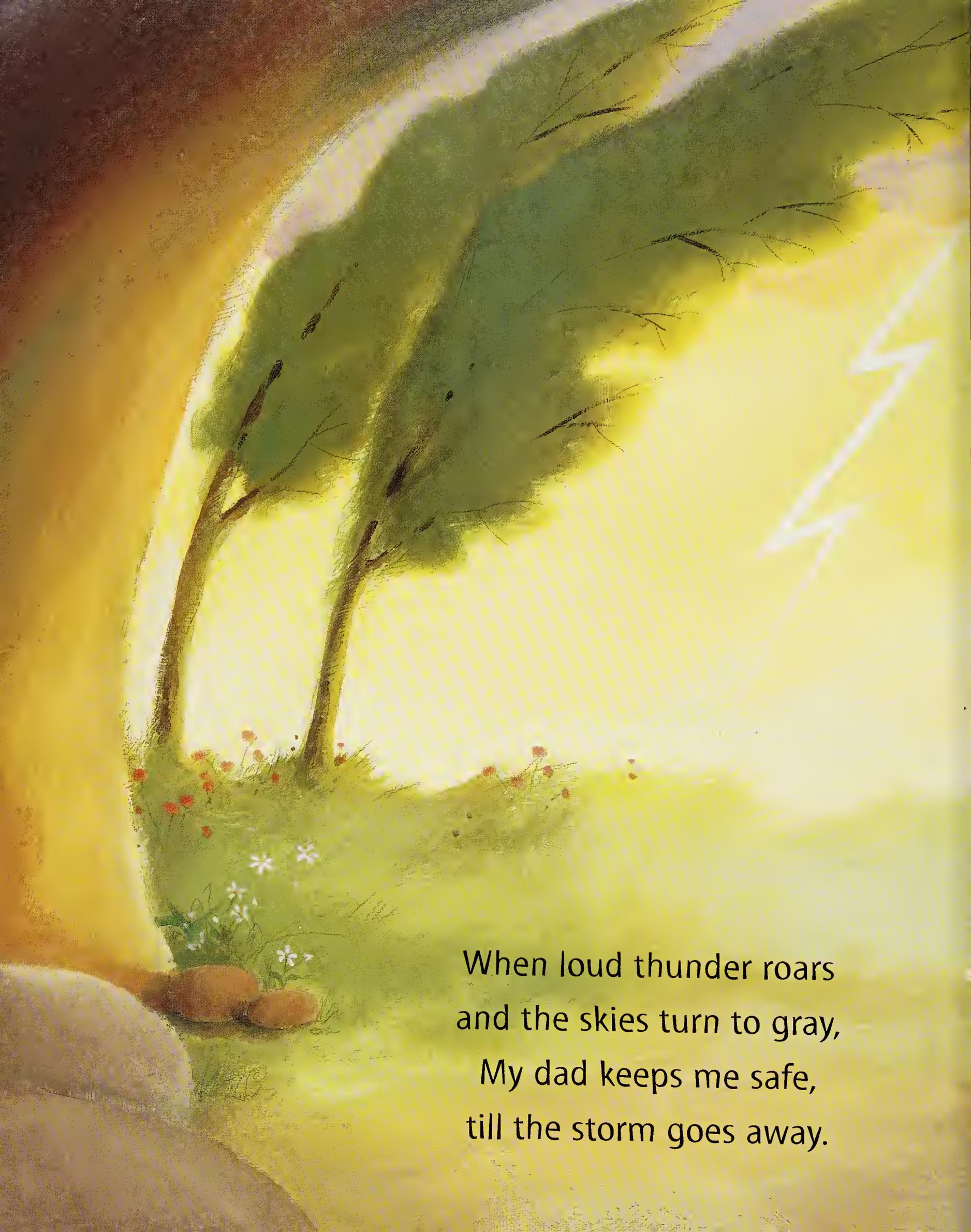




My dad twirls me 'round
and the world whizzes past.

My head gets all dizzy,
I'm spinning so fast!





When loud thunder roars
and the skies turn to gray,
My dad keeps me safe,
till the storm goes away.



Dad does a rainy-day,
staying-dry trick –
To dodge all the raindrops
we have to be quick!





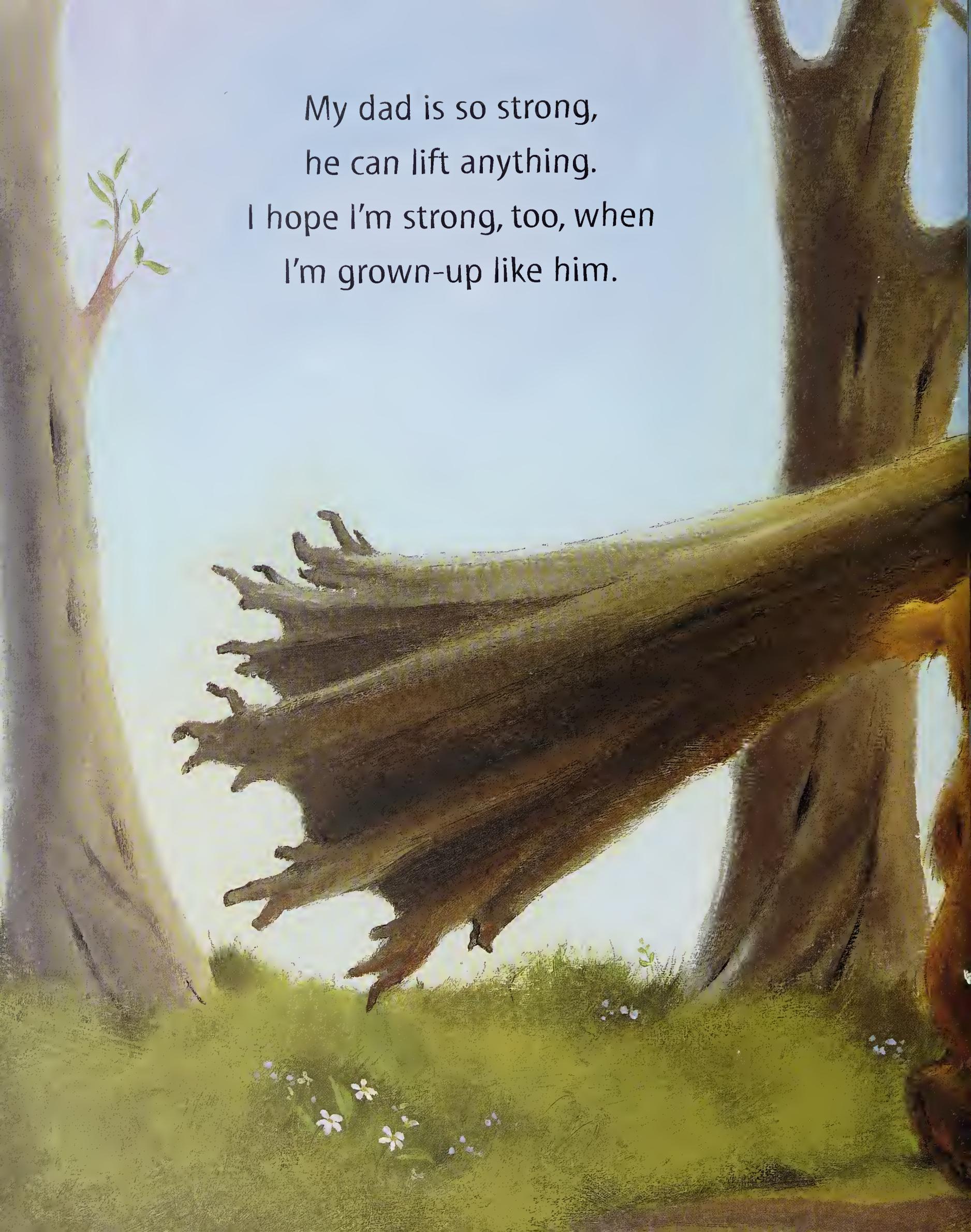
We race to the river
and Dad jumps straight in.

I climb on his back
and we go for a swim.





My dad is so strong,
he can lift anything.
I hope I'm strong, too, when
I'm grown-up like him.



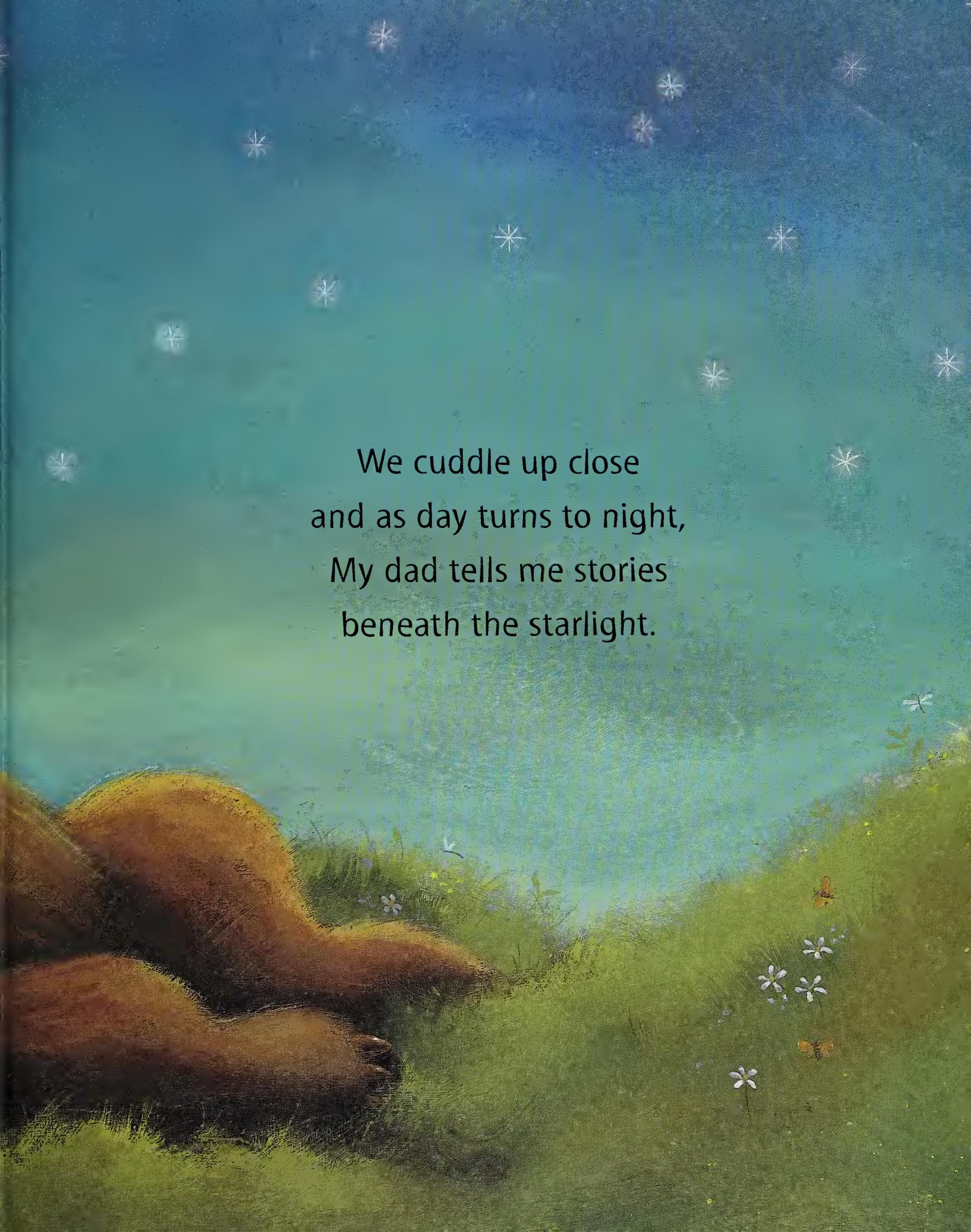


When I get sleepy,
Dad gives me a hug
And carries me home,
all cozy and snug.





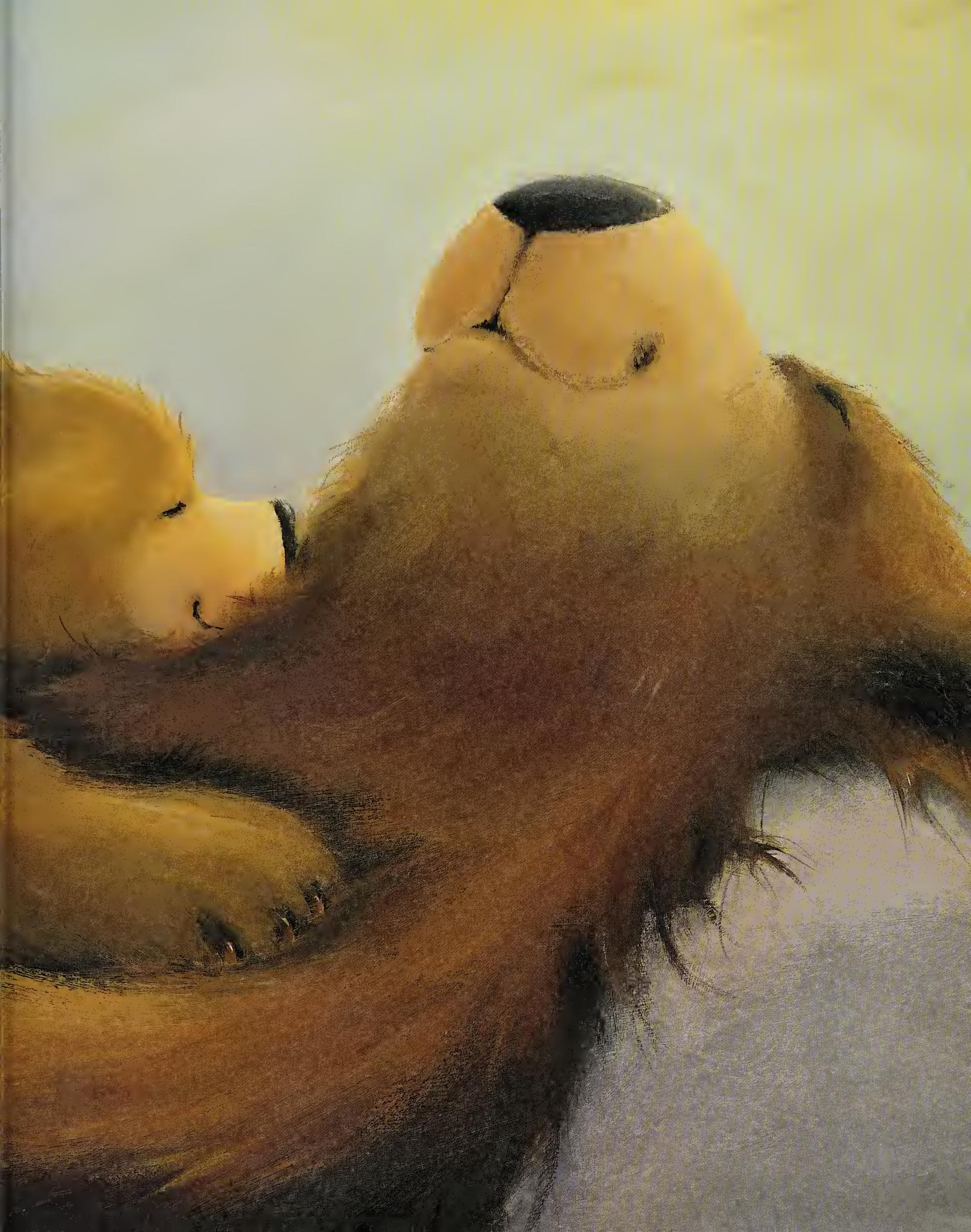


The background of the page is a soft, painterly illustration of a night scene. The sky is a deep, dark blue, filled with numerous small, white, star-like specks of varying sizes. Below the sky, the landscape is a mix of dark, earthy tones and vibrant greens. On the left, there are dark, rounded mounds of earth or rocks. To the right, a grassy field is depicted with various shades of green and yellow, interspersed with small white flowers and a few tiny, delicate insects. The overall mood is peaceful and serene, evoking a sense of being outdoors at night.

We cuddle up close
and as day turns to night,
My dad tells me stories
beneath the starlight.

My dad is the best
daddy bear there could be.
We're together forever –
my dad and me.







From a good-morning kiss to a bedtime story, Little Bear and his dad find true pleasure in being together. A liting and affection-filled book!

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