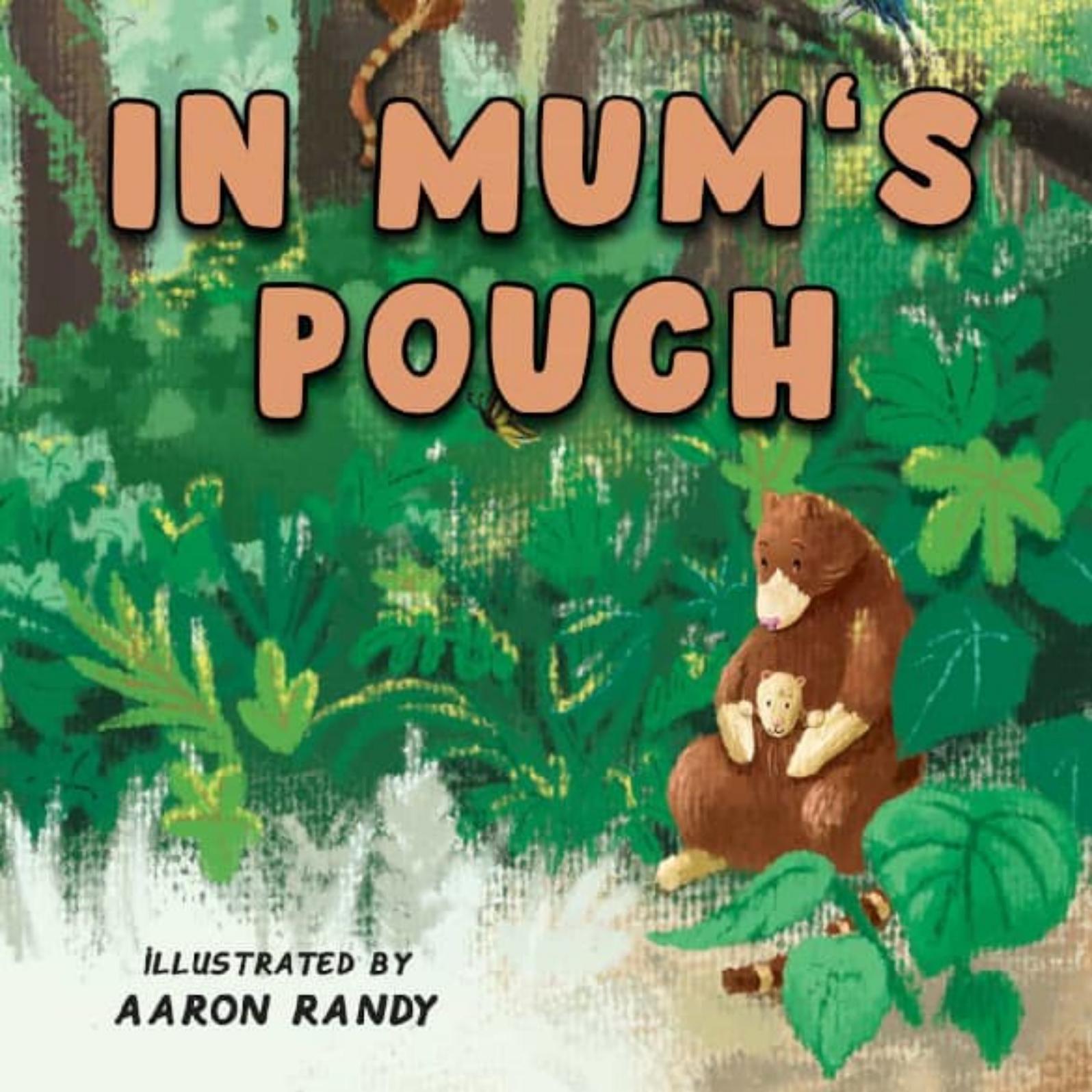
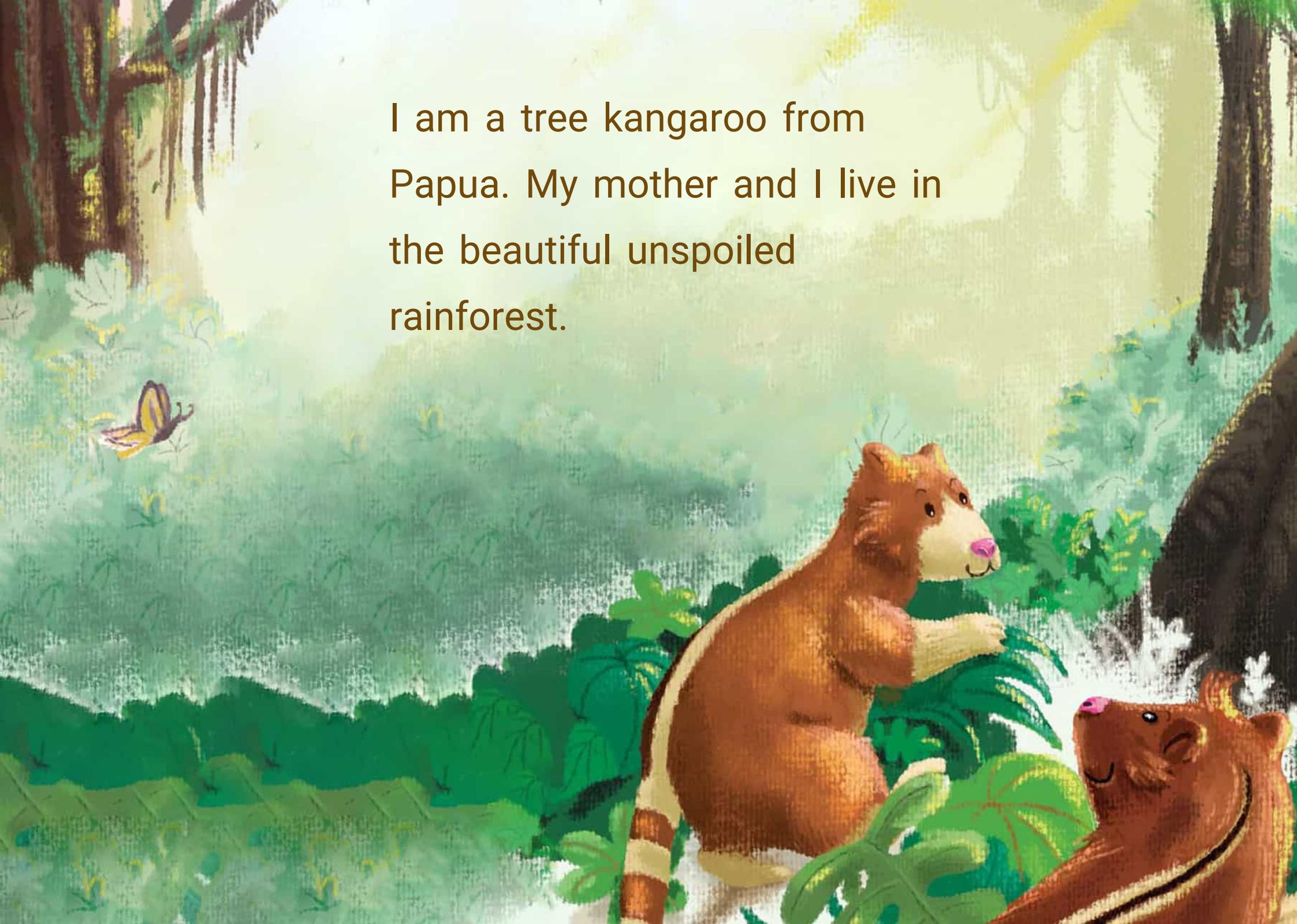


IN MUM'S POUCH



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I am a tree kangaroo from
Papua. My mother and I live in
the beautiful unspoiled
rainforest.





I look out at the world
from the safety of
Mum's pouch.

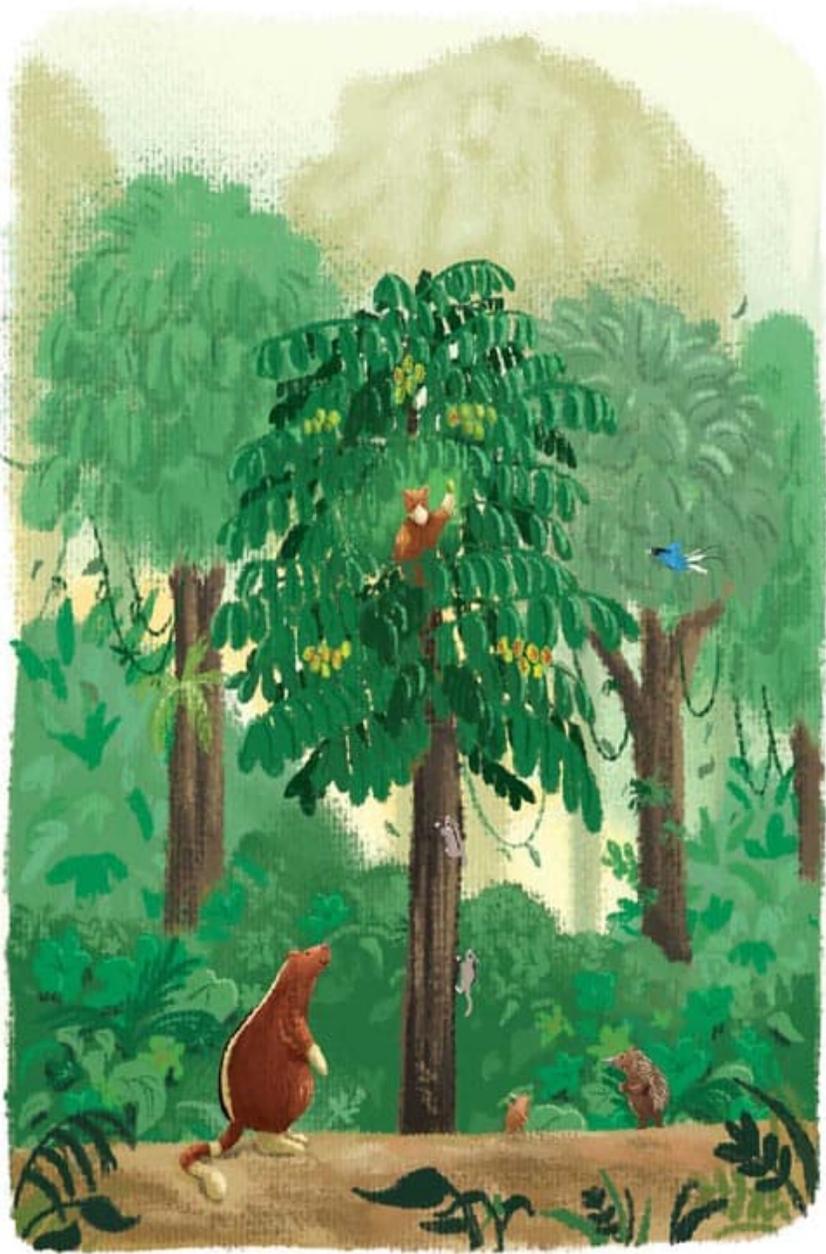
I see the echidna
family who forage in
the undergrowth.



When I go exploring, I find a
bird of paradise feather in a
wonderful blue.

Mum let's me keep it tucked up safe in her pouch.





Tree Kangaroos can climb
very high.

I find a delicious berry!



I will keep it for later, safe in Mum's pouch.

Then the beautiful kapok
flowers fall in a pretty
curtain.



And I keep some safe in Mum's
pouch.

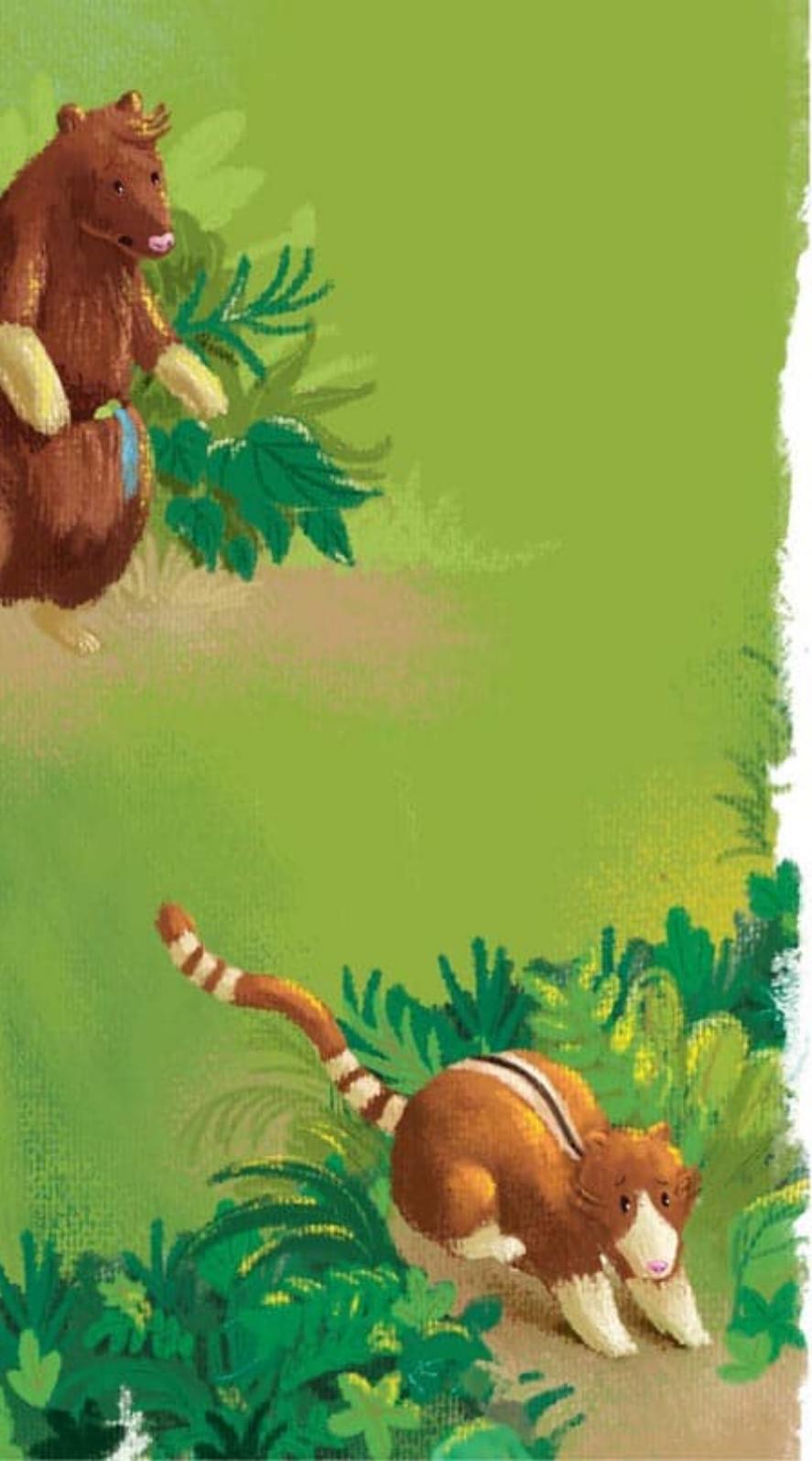


It has been a busy morning and
now I want a nap.



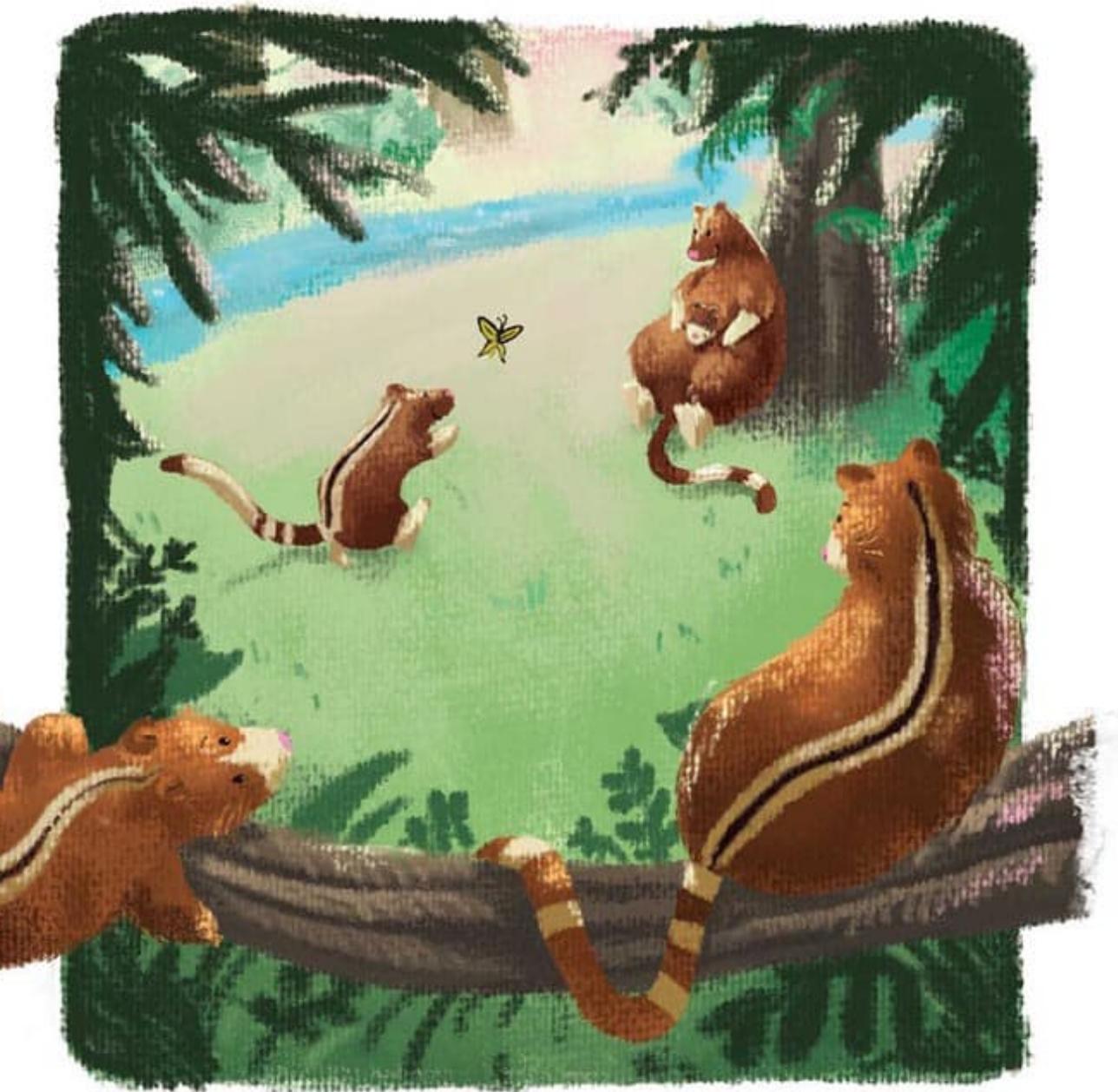
But Mum won't let me get in.





I am so confused.

I run away.



Then I see another tree kangaroo family.

There is a new baby in the mother's pouch and the older brother can no longer fit in.



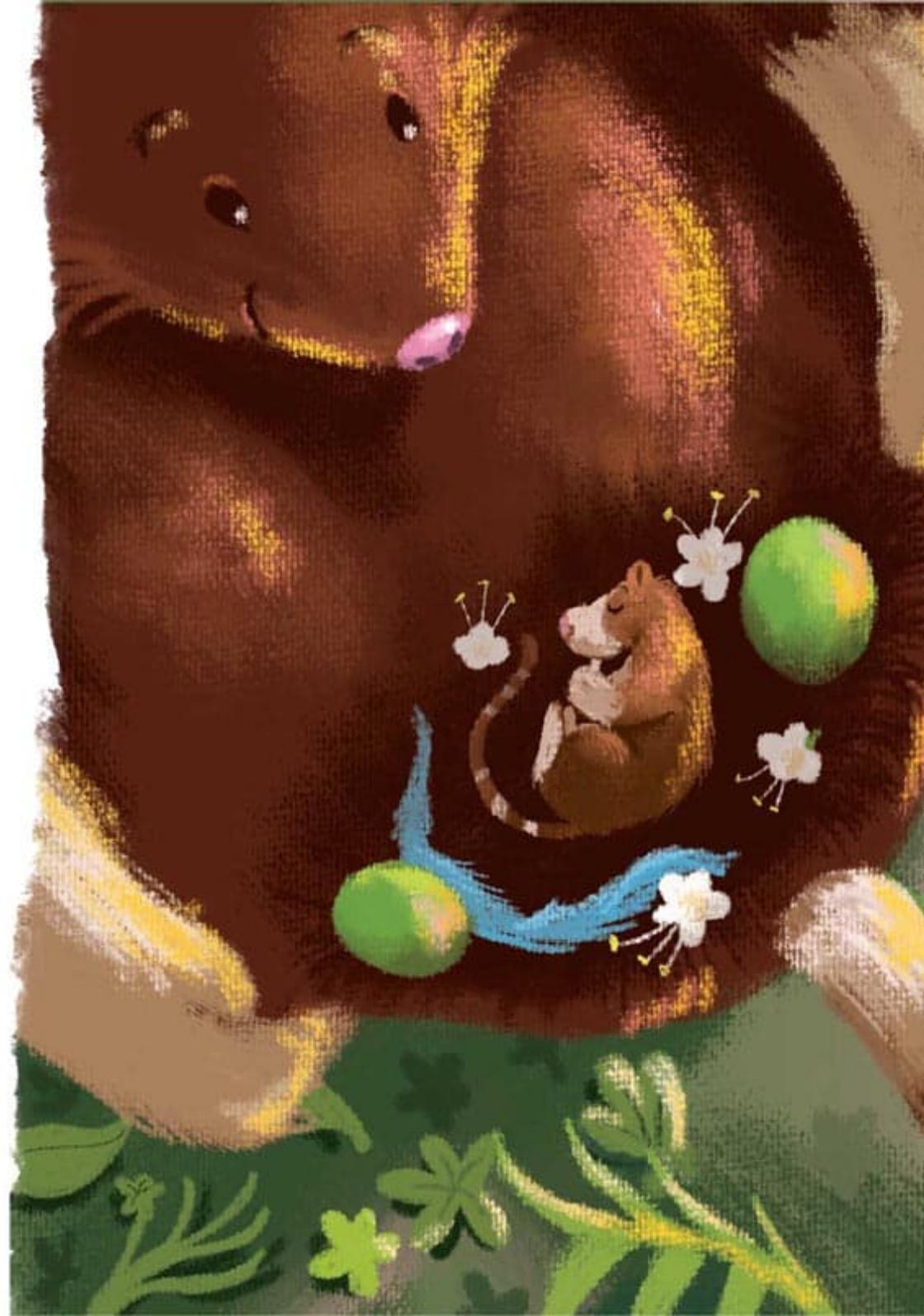
I think about this for a while.
Could it be that Mum has a
new baby?





I go back home and I ask her. 'Mum, do you have a new baby in your pouch?'

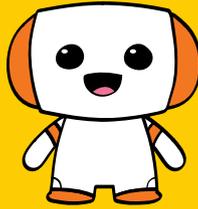
There she is, so
precious and surrounded
by all the gifts I gave
her.



I am a big brother!

I need to let the new
baby stay safe in Mum's
pouch.





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