

My Tail's Too Long!

CRASH



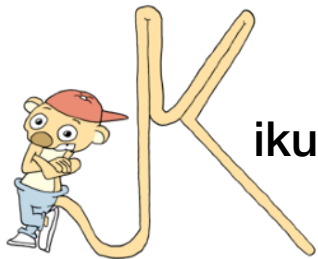
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**Another book made
just for Wade!**

**Love,
Grandpa**

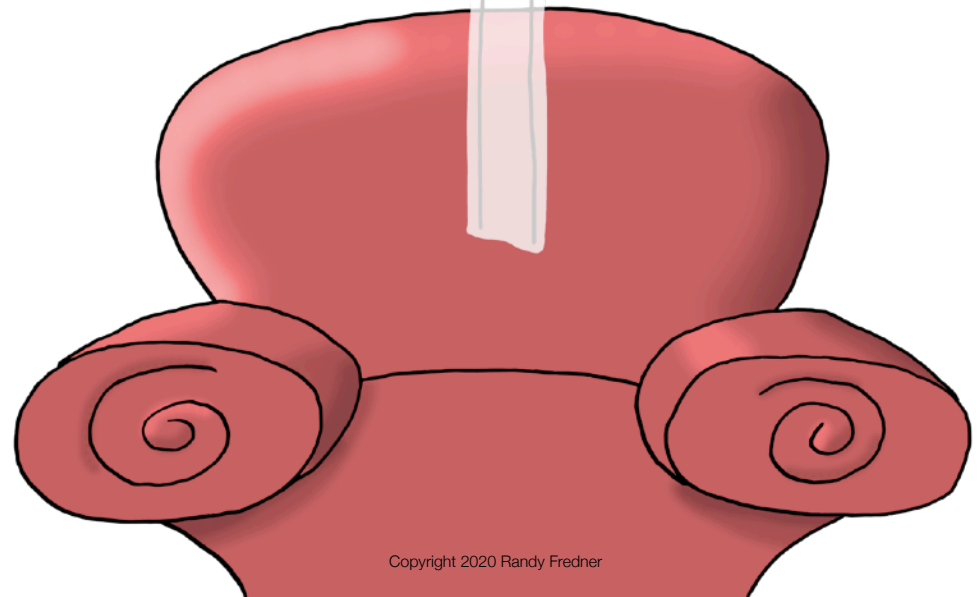
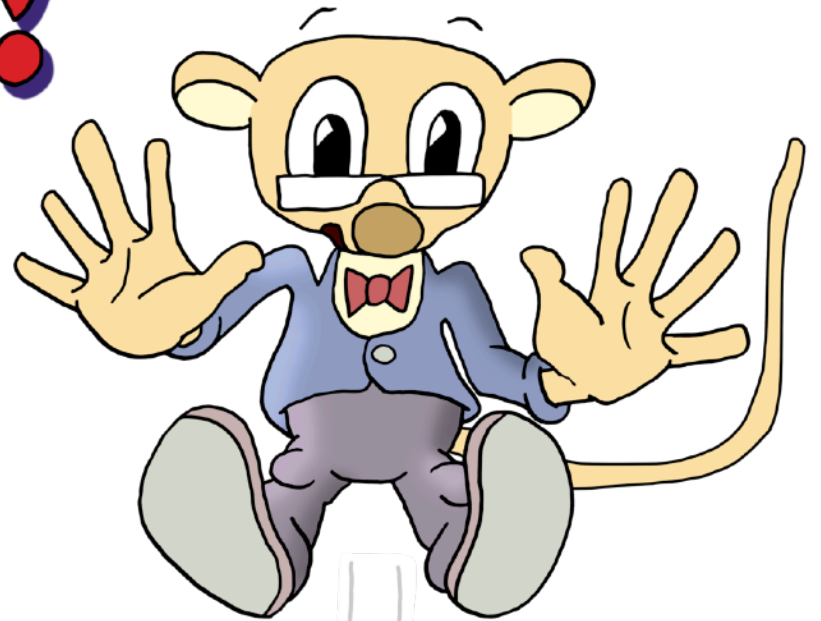
WAAAAAH!



Kiku Kinkajou was visiting
his Grandpa.

Suddenly Grandpa
heard loud crying!

“What’s wrong, Kiku?”
He asked.



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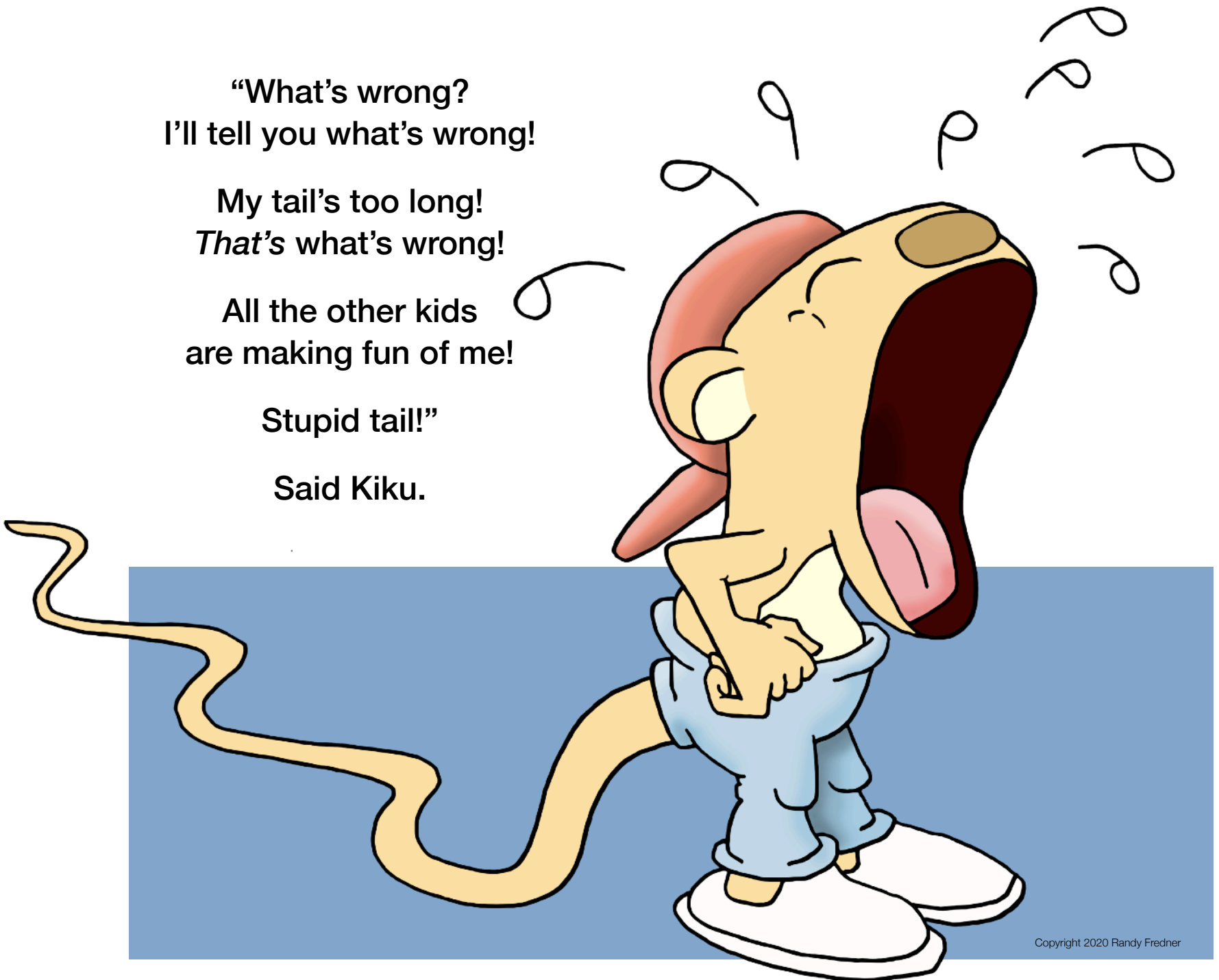
“What’s wrong?
I’ll tell you what’s wrong!

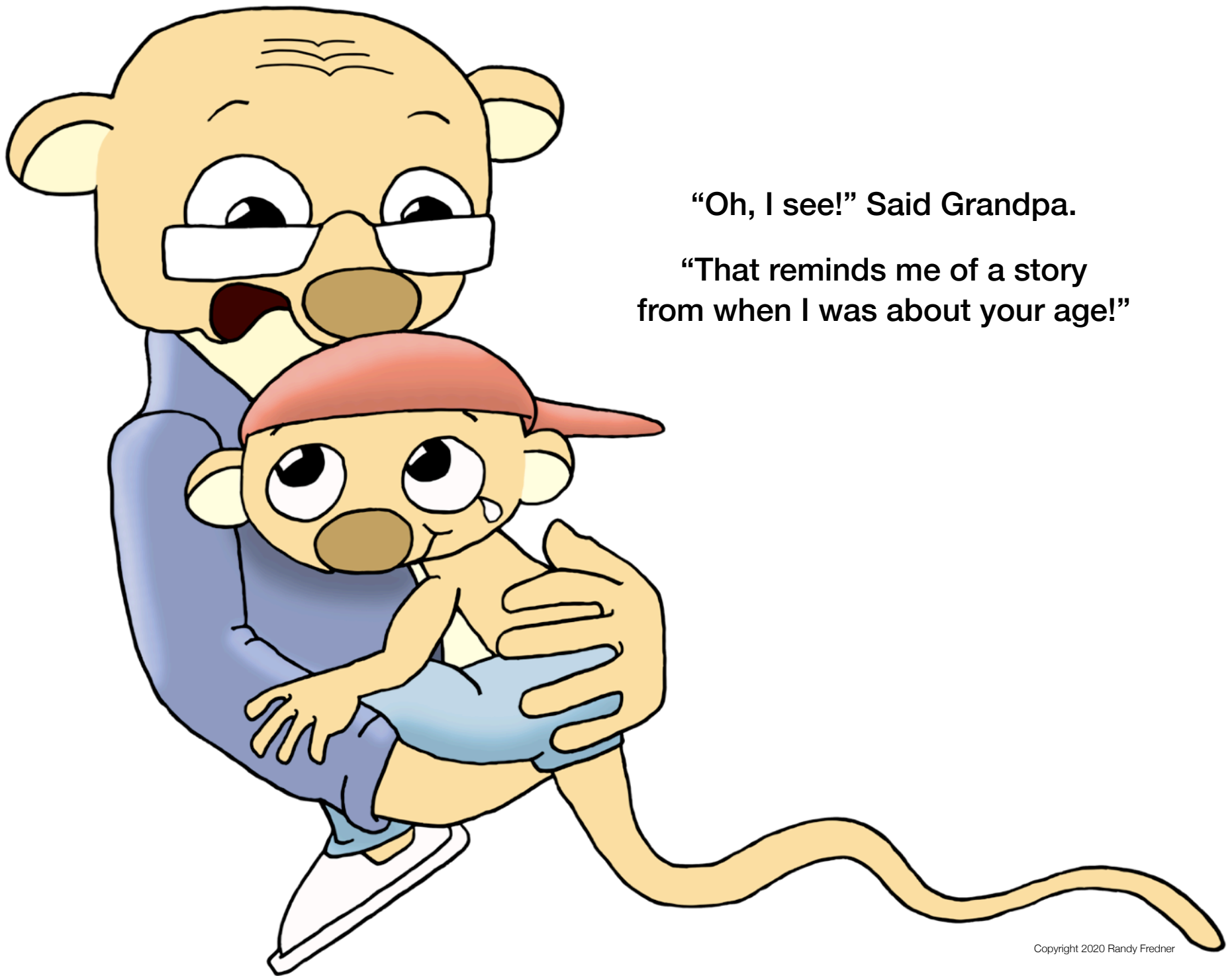
My tail’s too long!
That’s what’s wrong!

All the other kids
are making fun of me!

Stupid tail!”

Said Kiku.

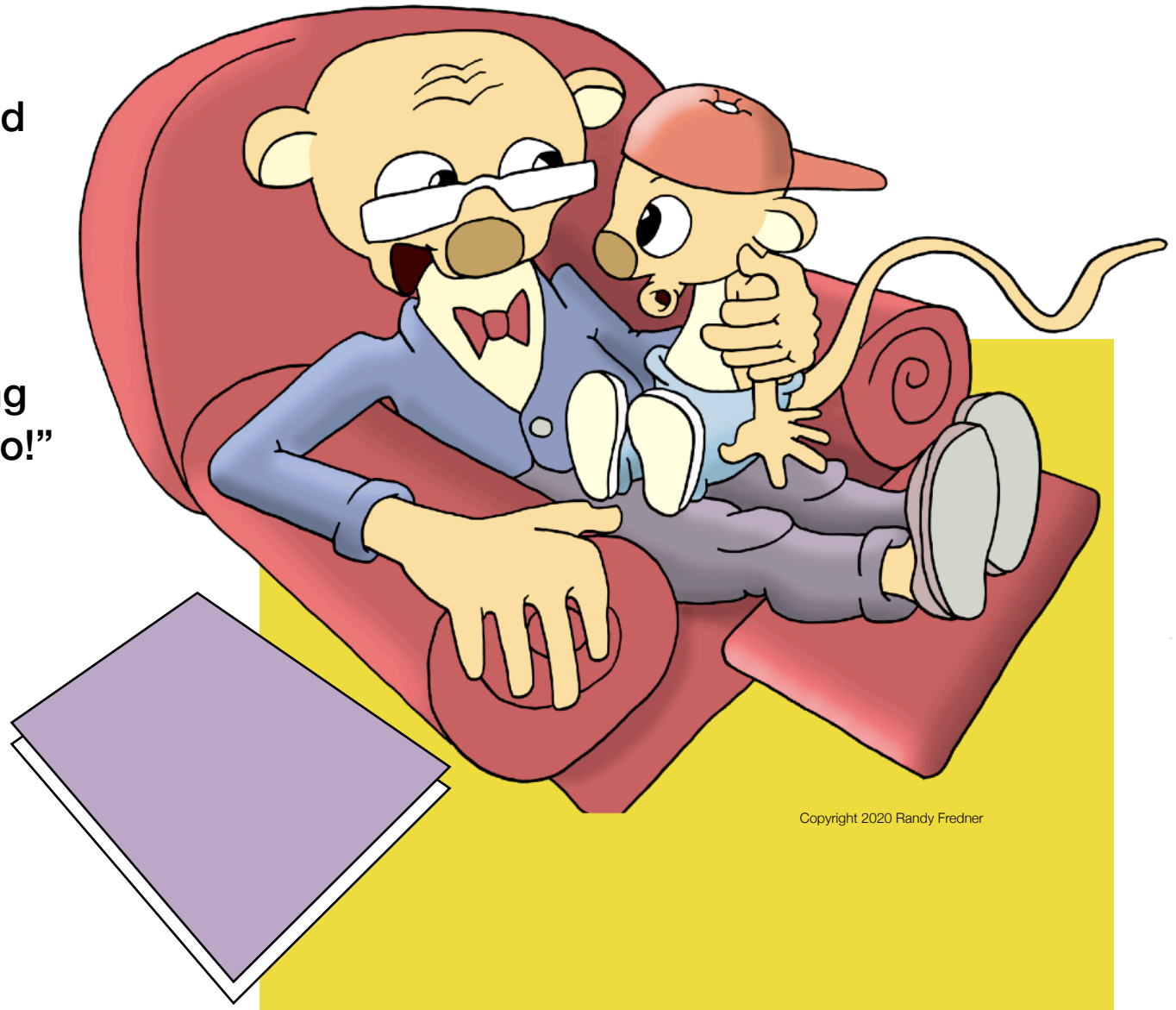




“Oh, I see!” Said Grandpa.

“That reminds me of a story
from when I was about your age!”

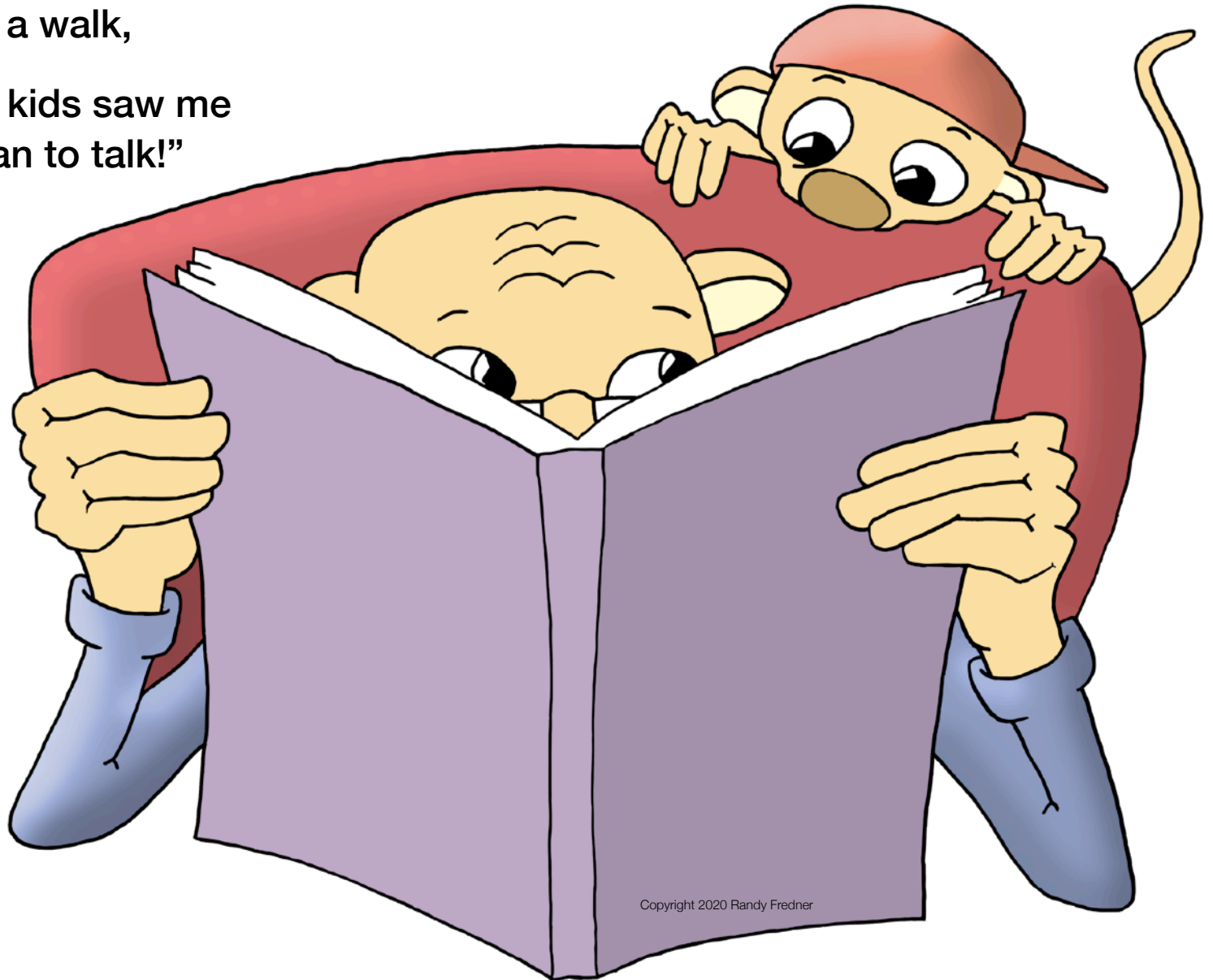
**“As you know,
at that time,
everything you said
had to rhyme!
When I was new
in the zoo,
the very same thing
happened to me, too!”**



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“Now, let’s have a look
in my scrapbook!

My first day in the zoo,
I took a walk,
when other kids saw me
and began to talk!”



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Who's that I see,
here in the zoo?

With a
baby sister, too!

Could it be
a kinkajou?

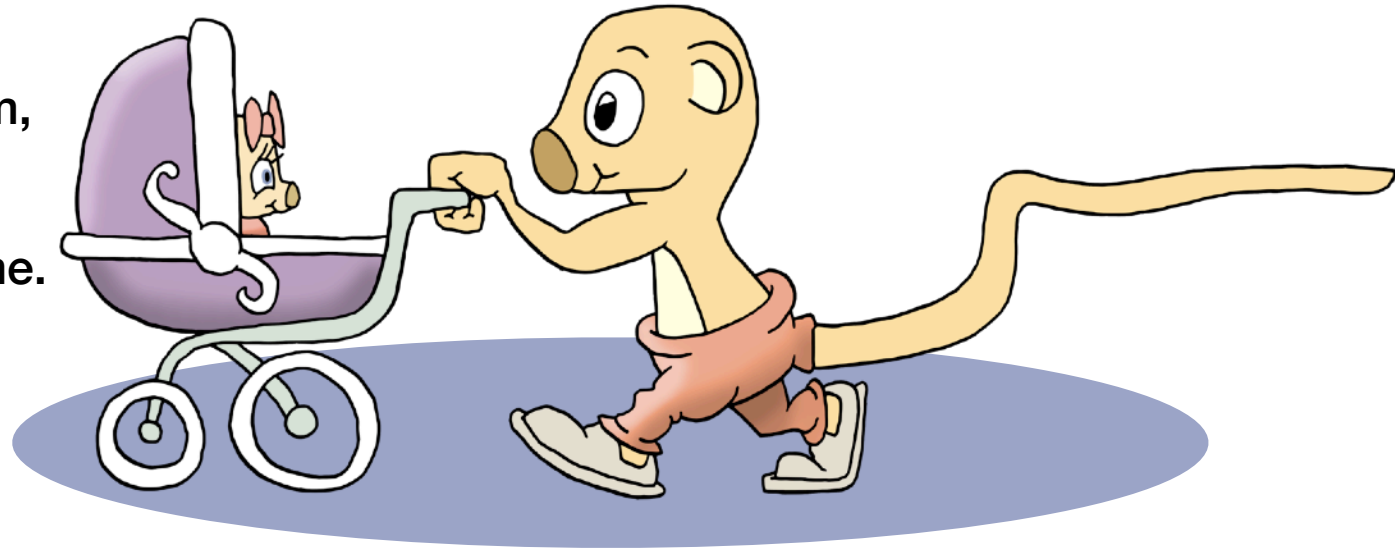
Kink-a-jou?
Is that right?

Kink-achoo?
Gesundheit!



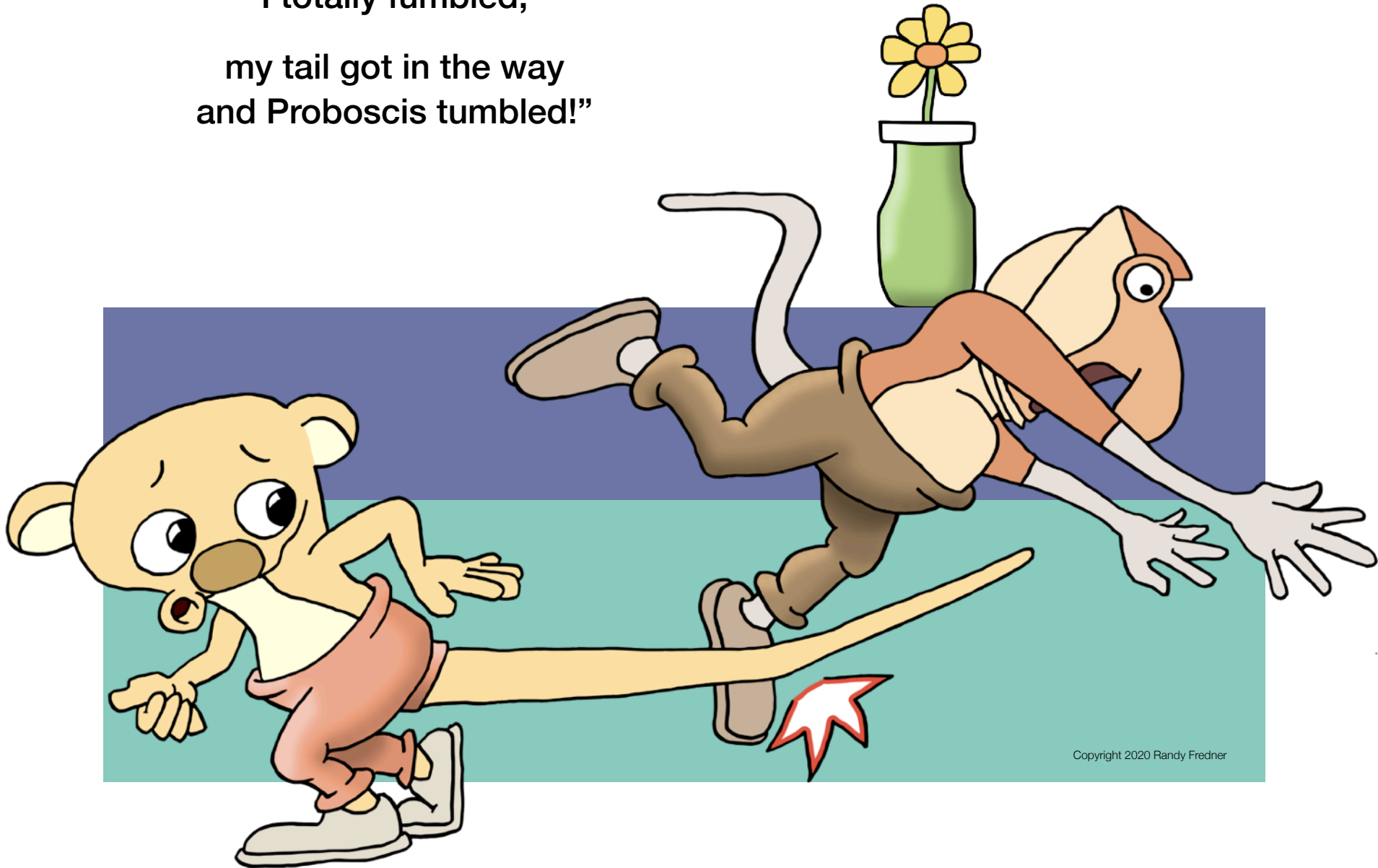
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**“For a while
I continued to roam,
then I took
my baby sister home.”**



**I was nervous
as I went back to the wall,
to introduce myself
to them all.”**

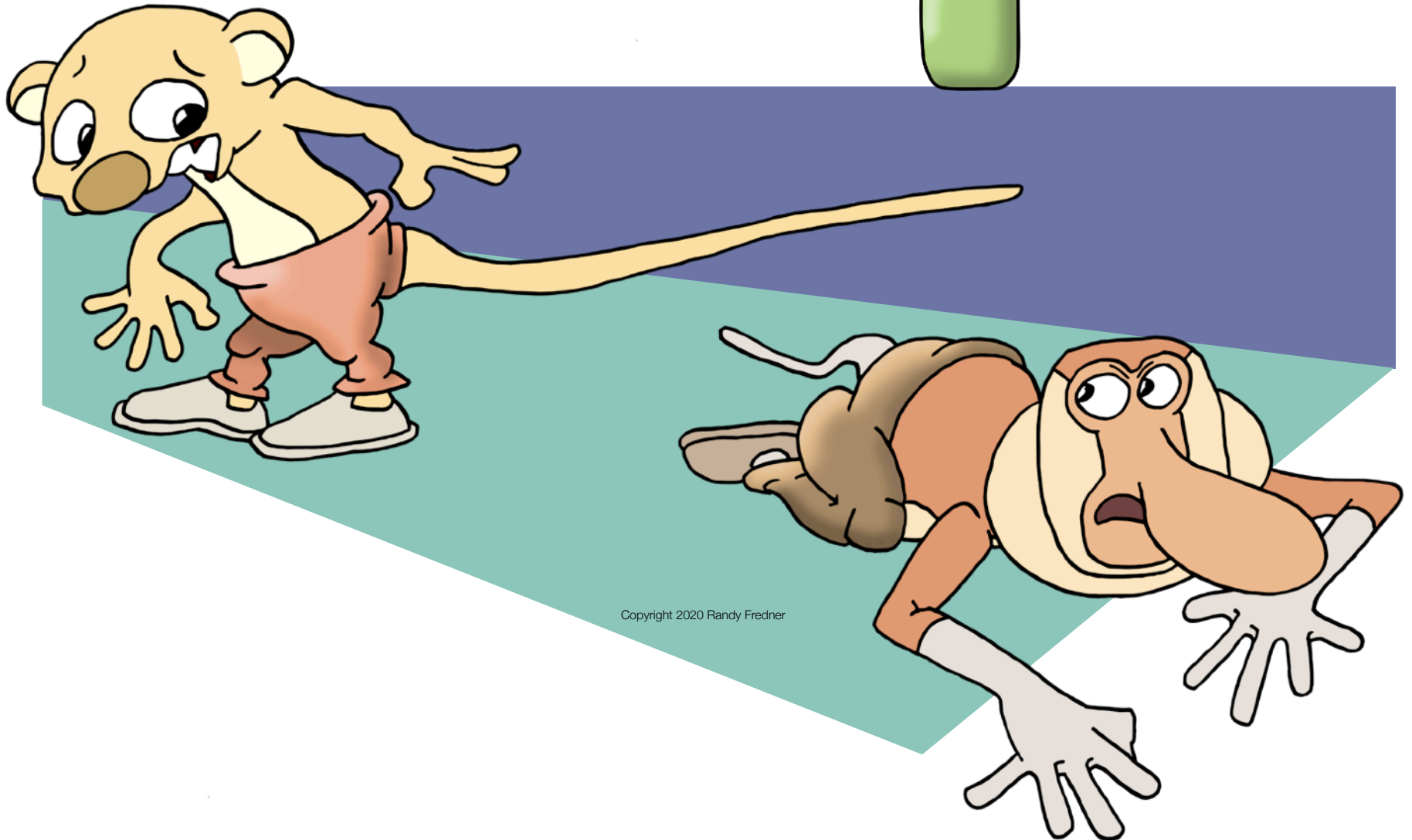
“As I approached them
I totally fumbled,
my tail got in the way
and Proboscis tumbled!”



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“He hit the ground
and he did say:

‘Keep that tail
outta my way!’”



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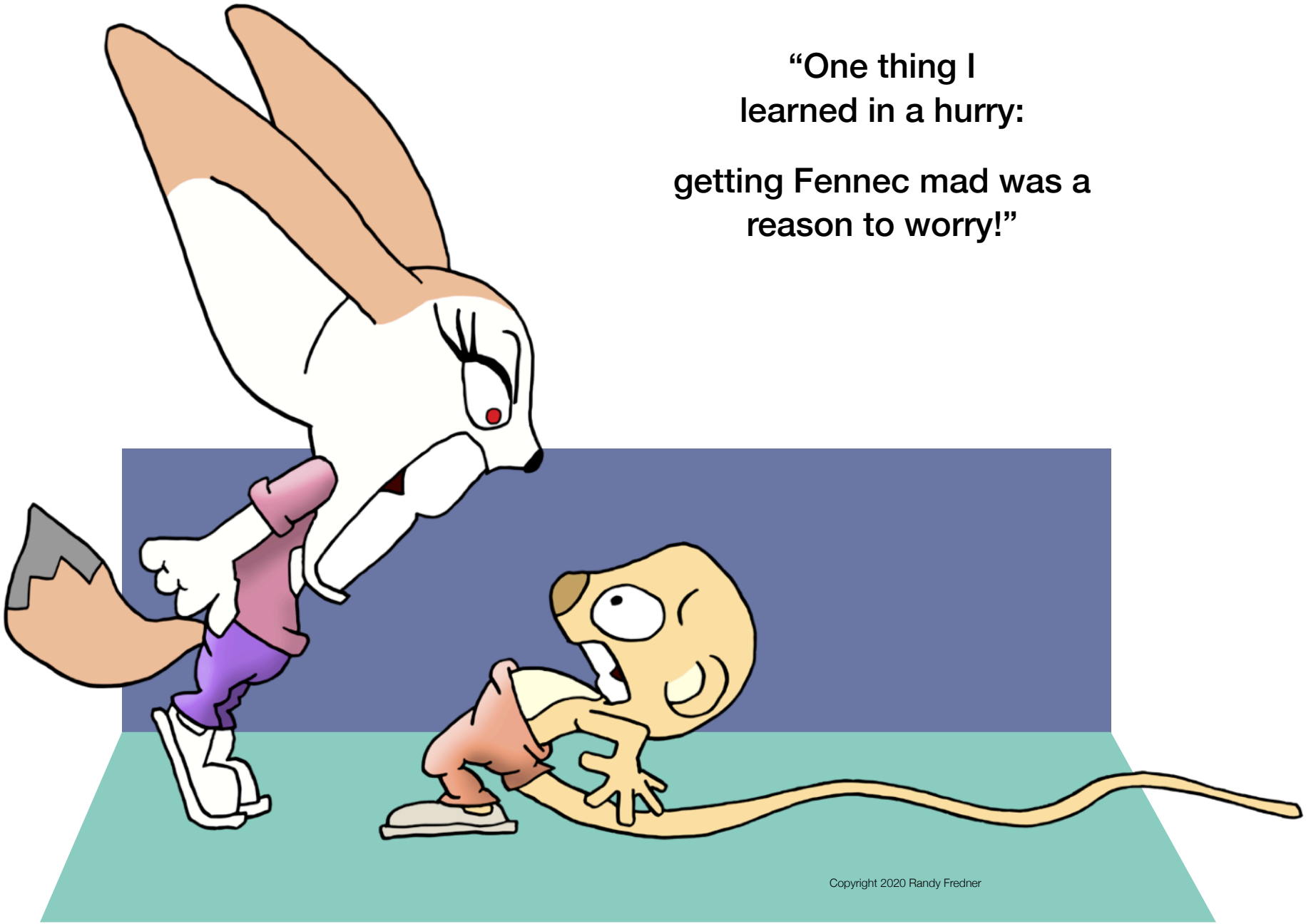
“As I turned around in
kind of a daze,
my tail hit and broke
Fennec’s new vase!”

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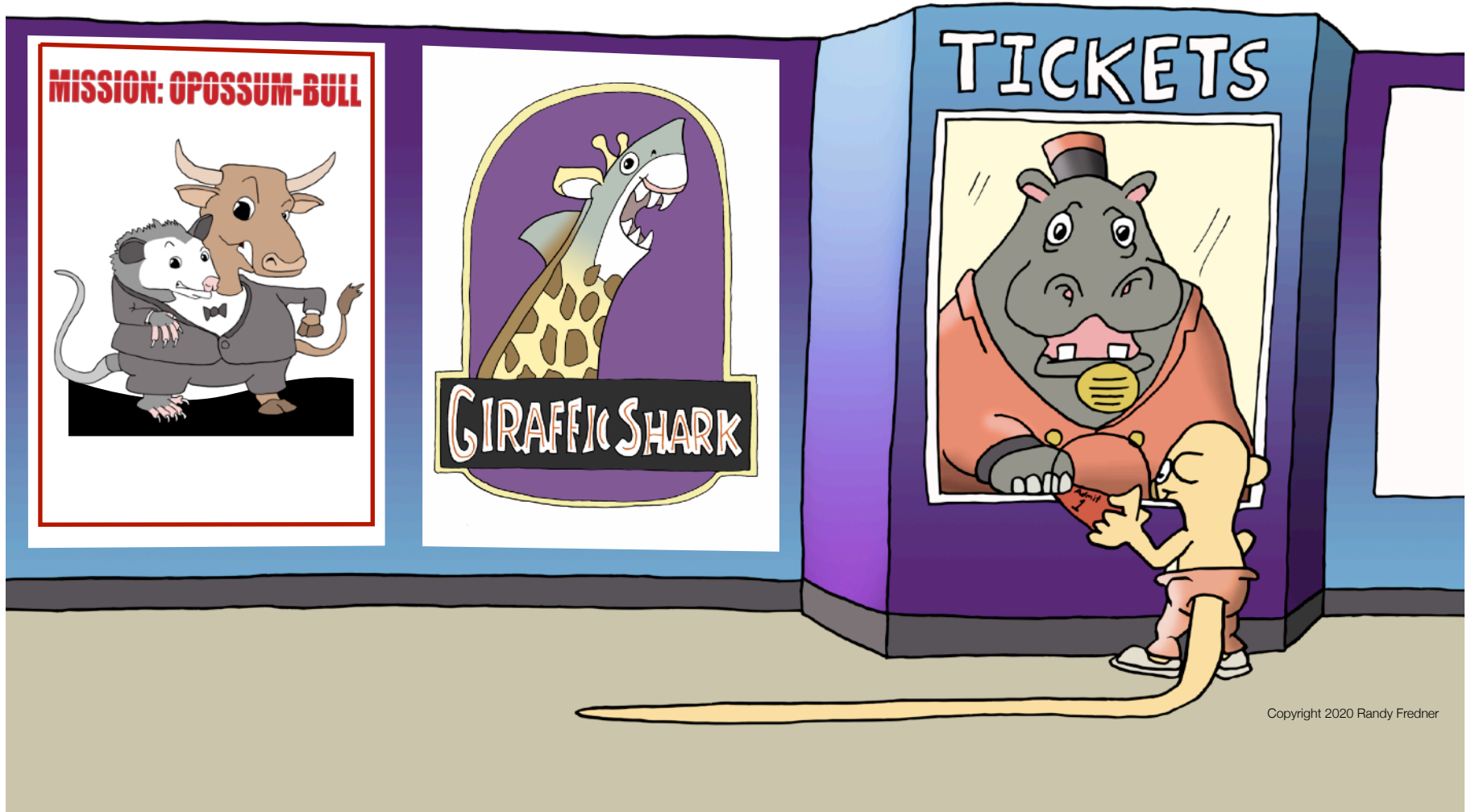
**“One thing I
learned in a hurry:
getting Fennec mad was a
reason to worry!”**



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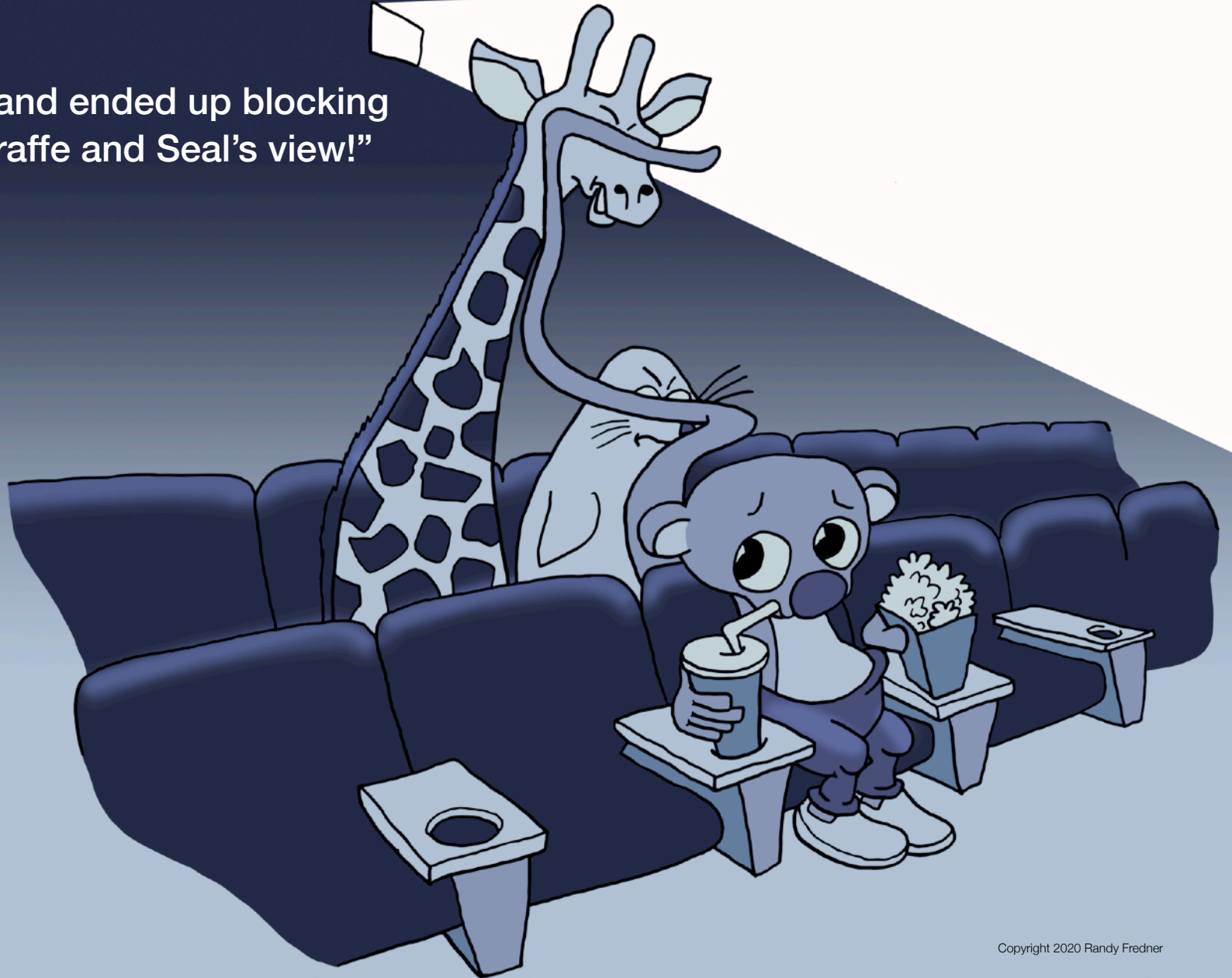
“Everyone was mad at me,
what could I do?”

So I went to the theater
to see a flick or two...”



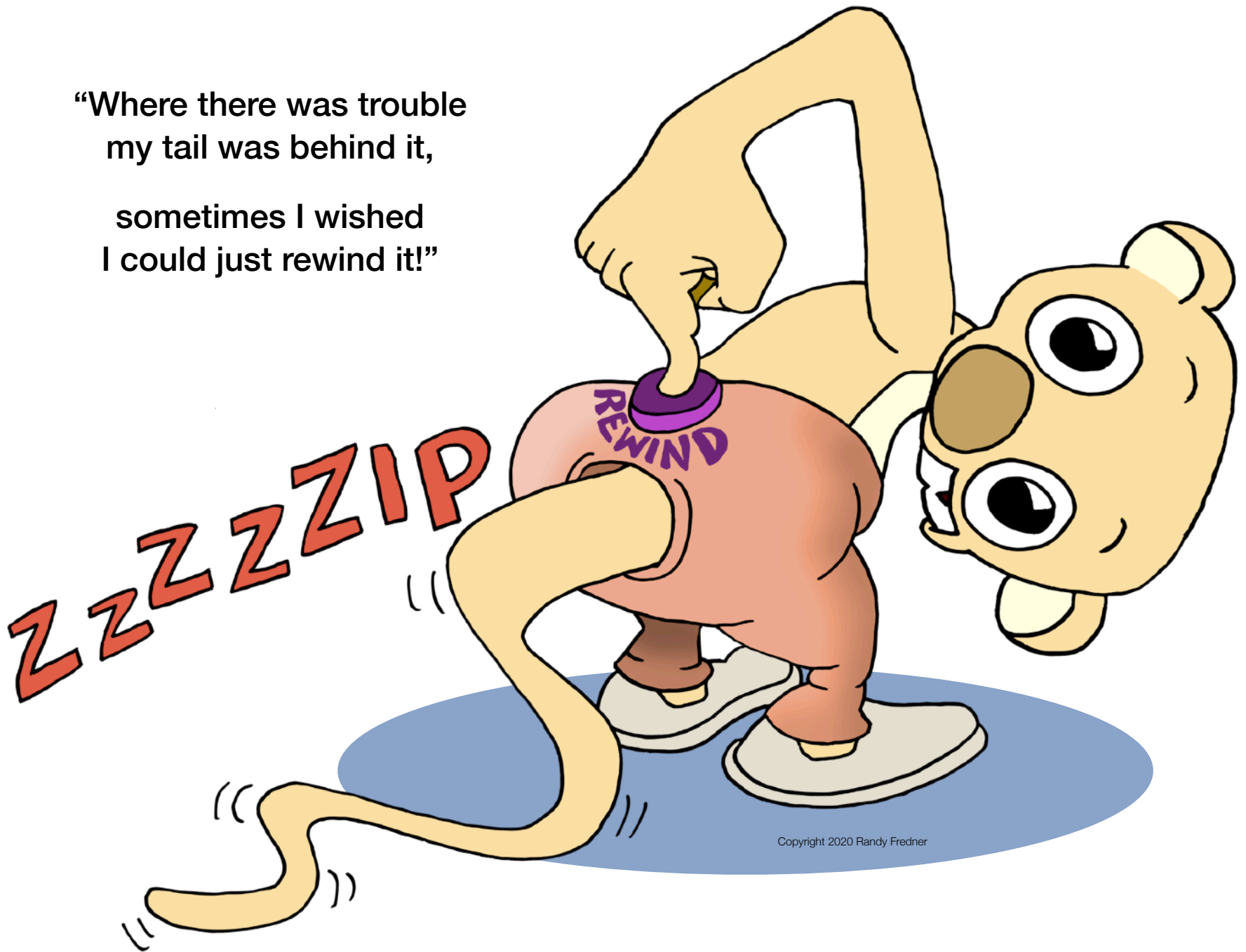
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“...and ended up blocking Giraffe and Seal’s view!”



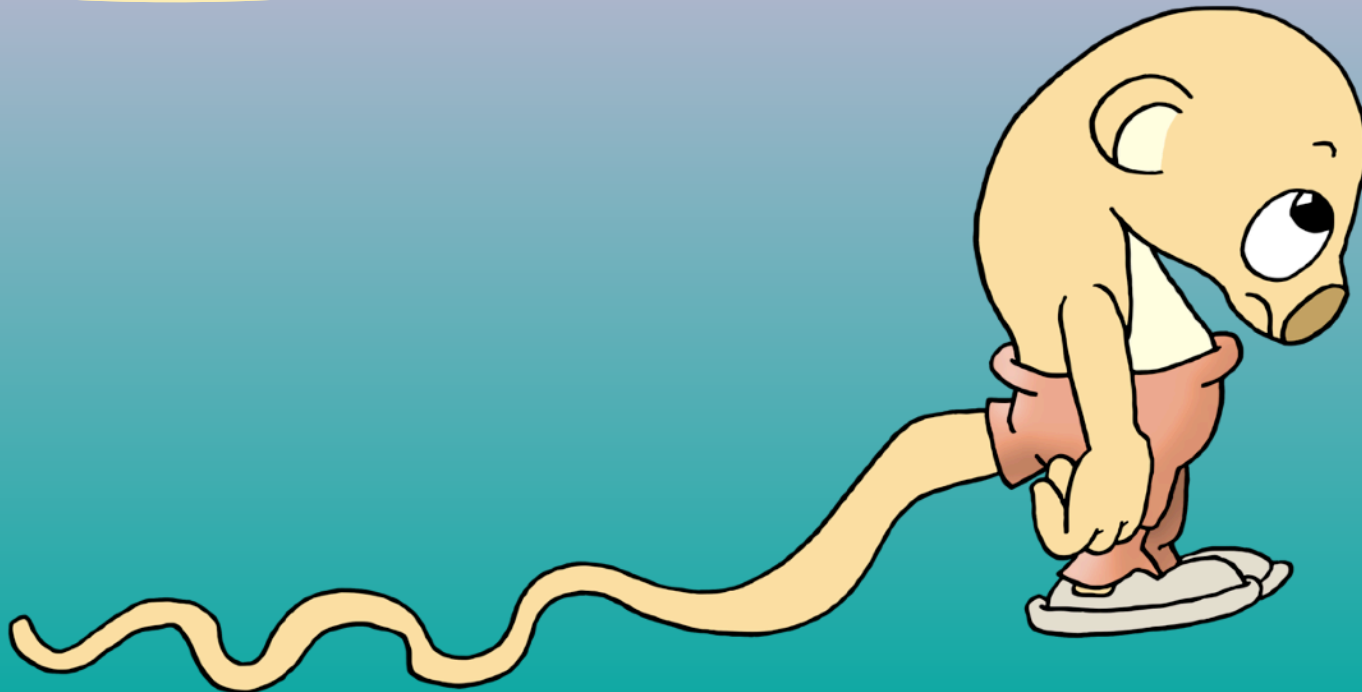
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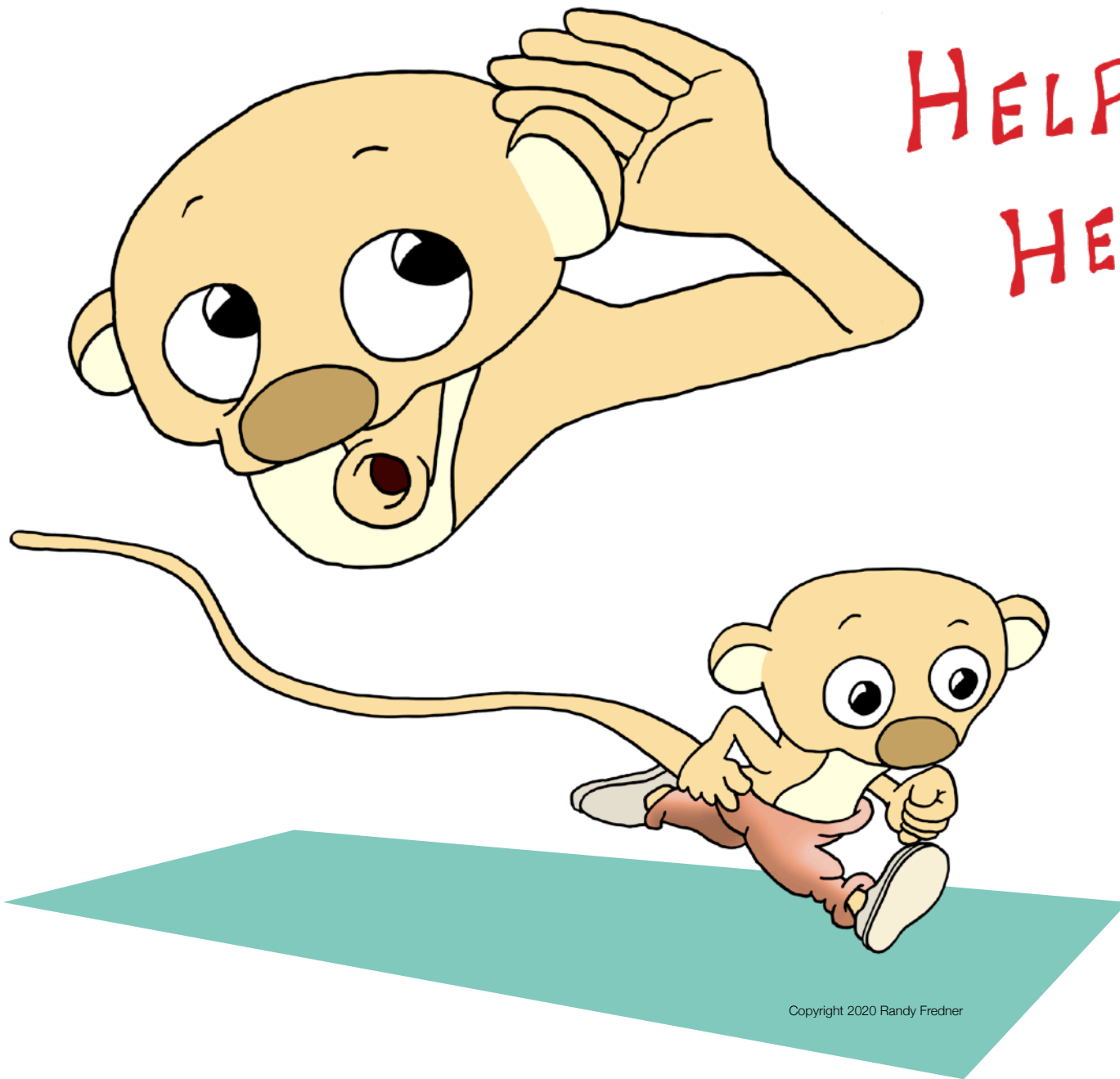
“Where there was trouble
my tail was behind it,
sometimes I wished
I could just rewind it!”



“What else could go wrong?
There was no telling!

Then off in the distance
I heard some yelling!”





HELP!
HELP!

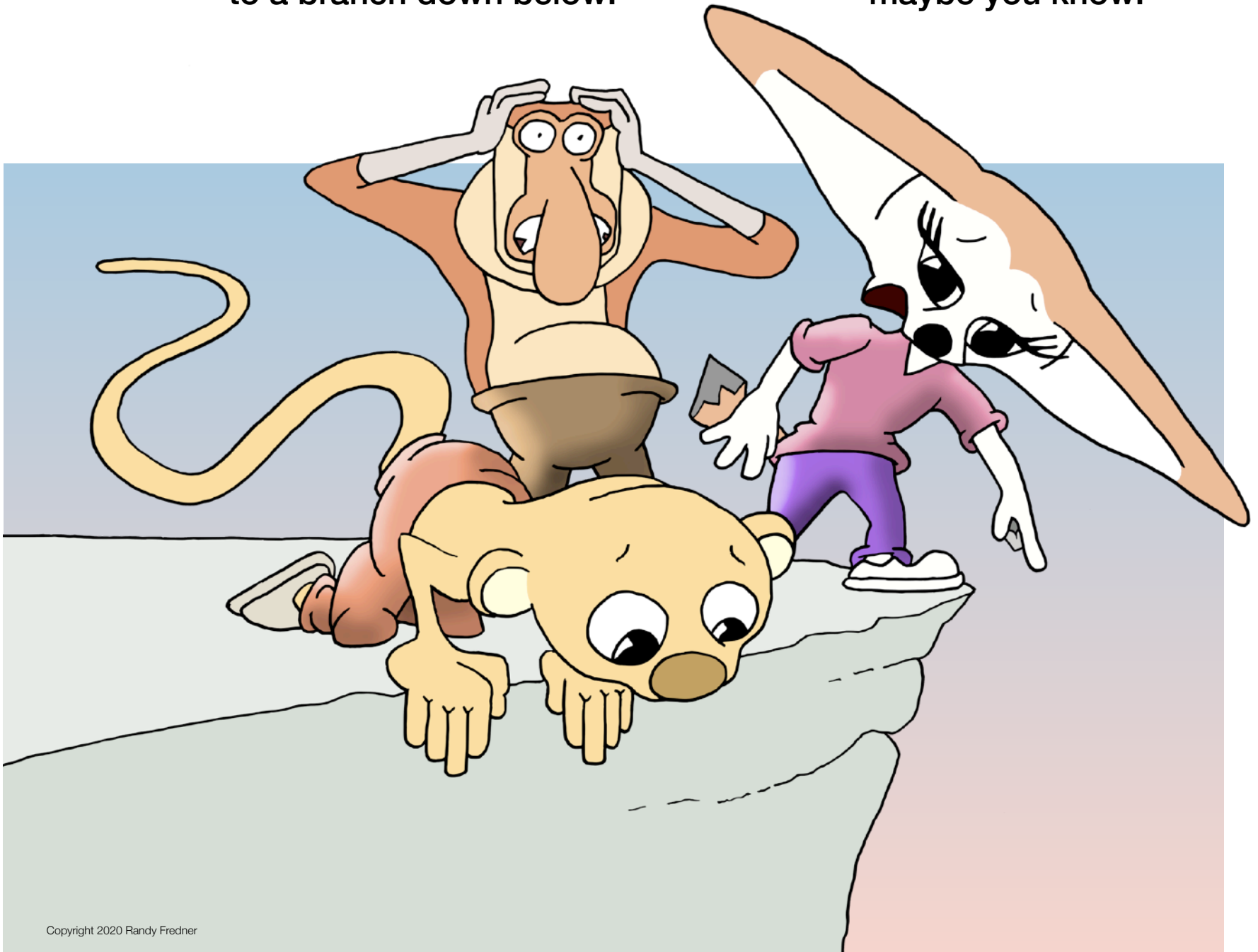
“Someone was
in serious trouble,

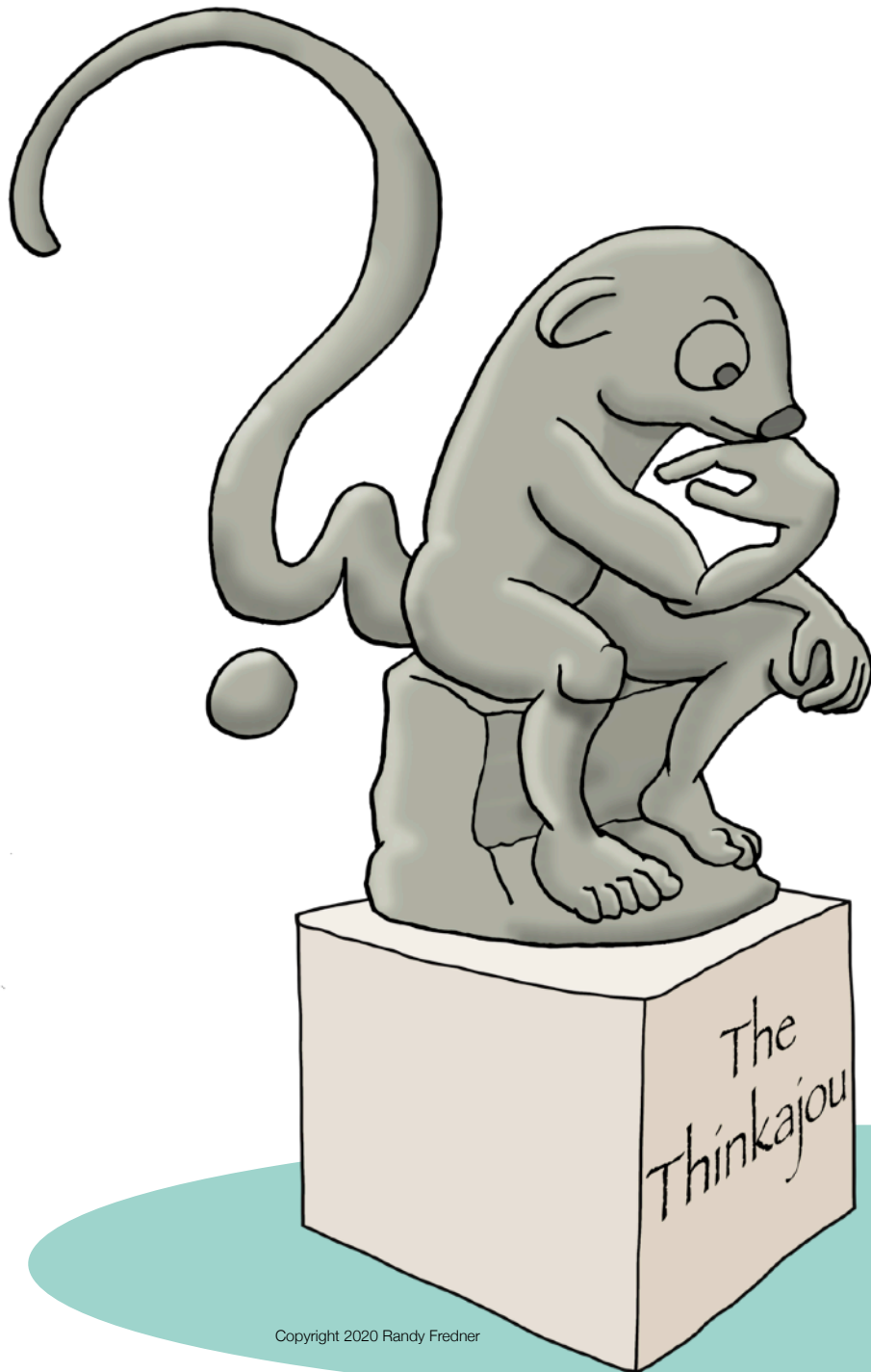
I headed over
on the double!”

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“Fennec said: ‘A kid’s fallen over to a branch down below!’

We’re not sure what to do, maybe you know!”





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“I said to myself:

**’Think it through,
Kinkajou!**

**What’s the best solution,
what should we do?’**

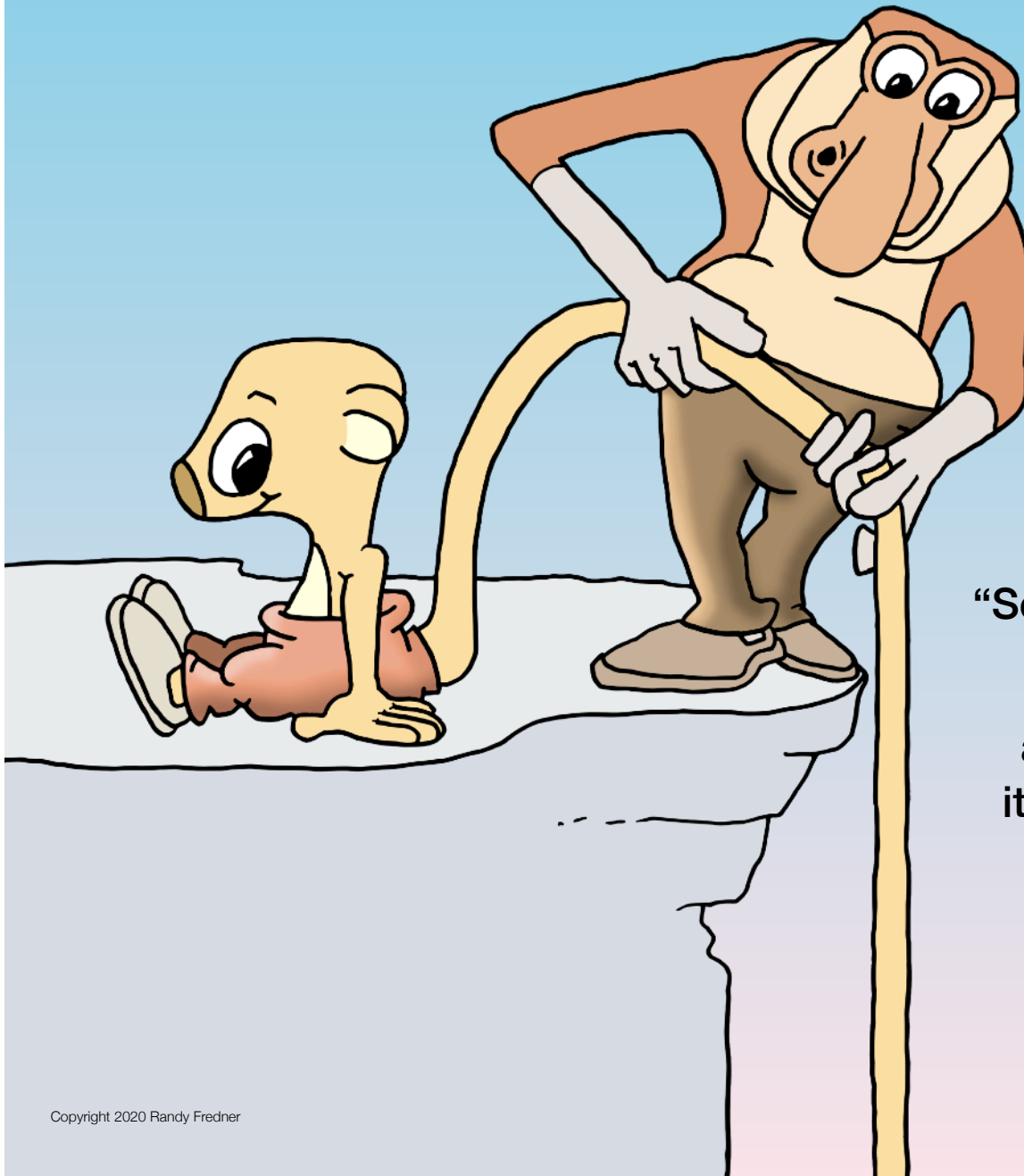
**I thought and thought
and after a while,**

**I looked at them
and said with a smile:**

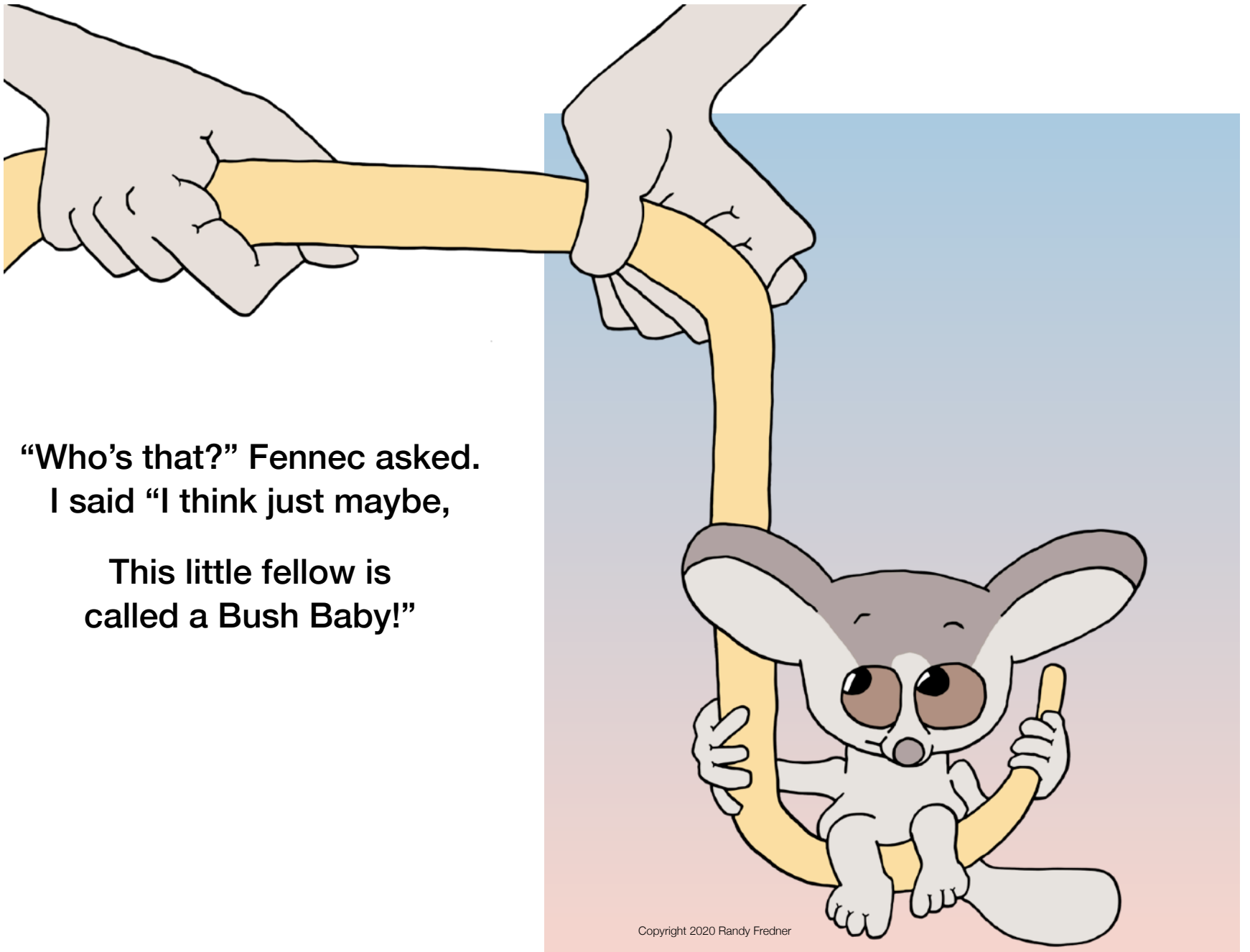
**‘In this situation,
there’s one hope!**

Let’s use my tail...

“....as a rope!”



“So Proboscis lowered it down
to the kid in distress,
and my tail saved the day,
it got him out of that mess!”



**“Who’s that?” Fennec asked.
I said “I think just maybe,
This little fellow is
called a Bush Baby!”**

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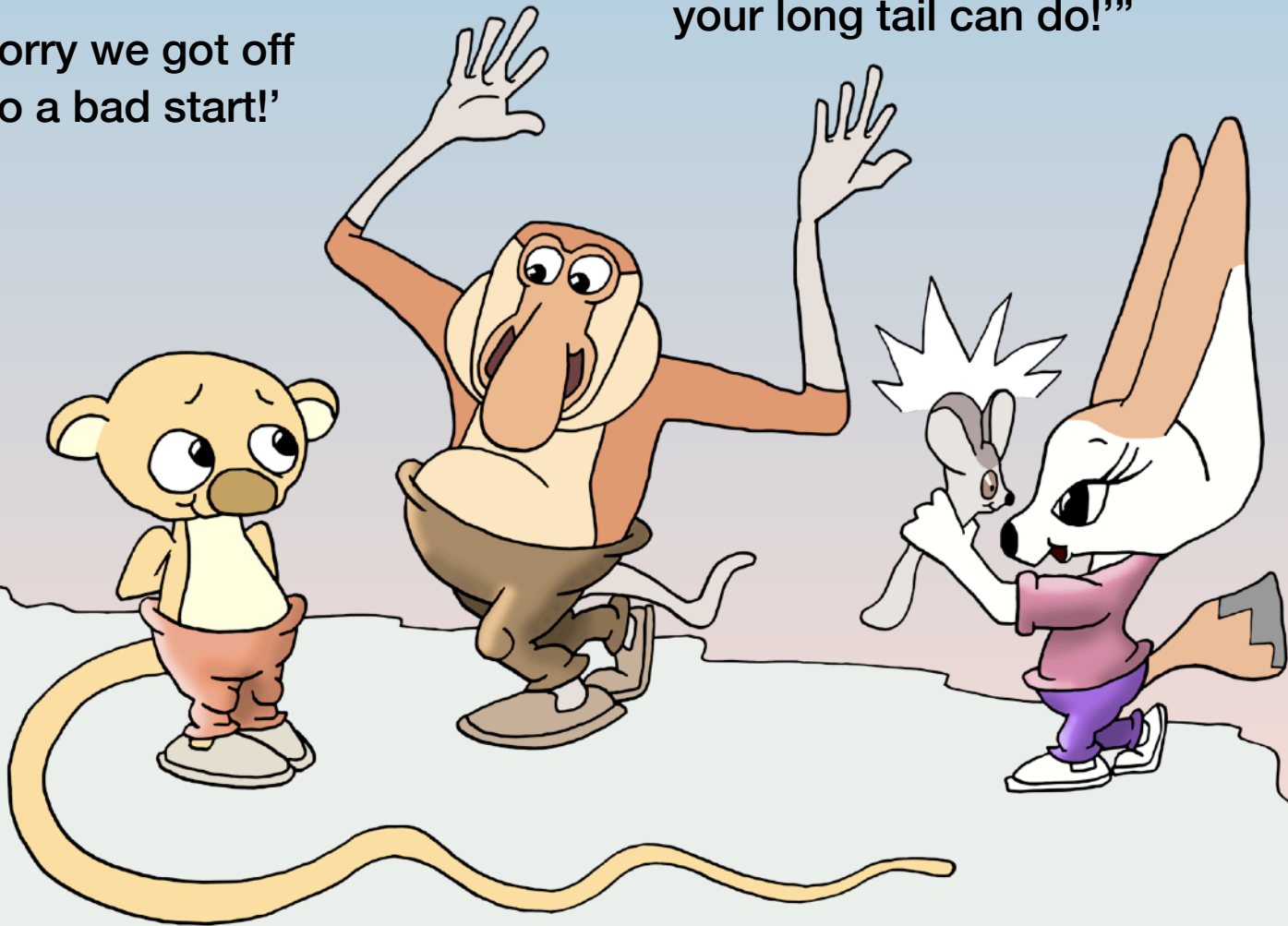
“Then Proboscis said:

‘Good thinking, Kinkajou!
Using your tail was very smart!’

Sorry we got off
to a bad start!’

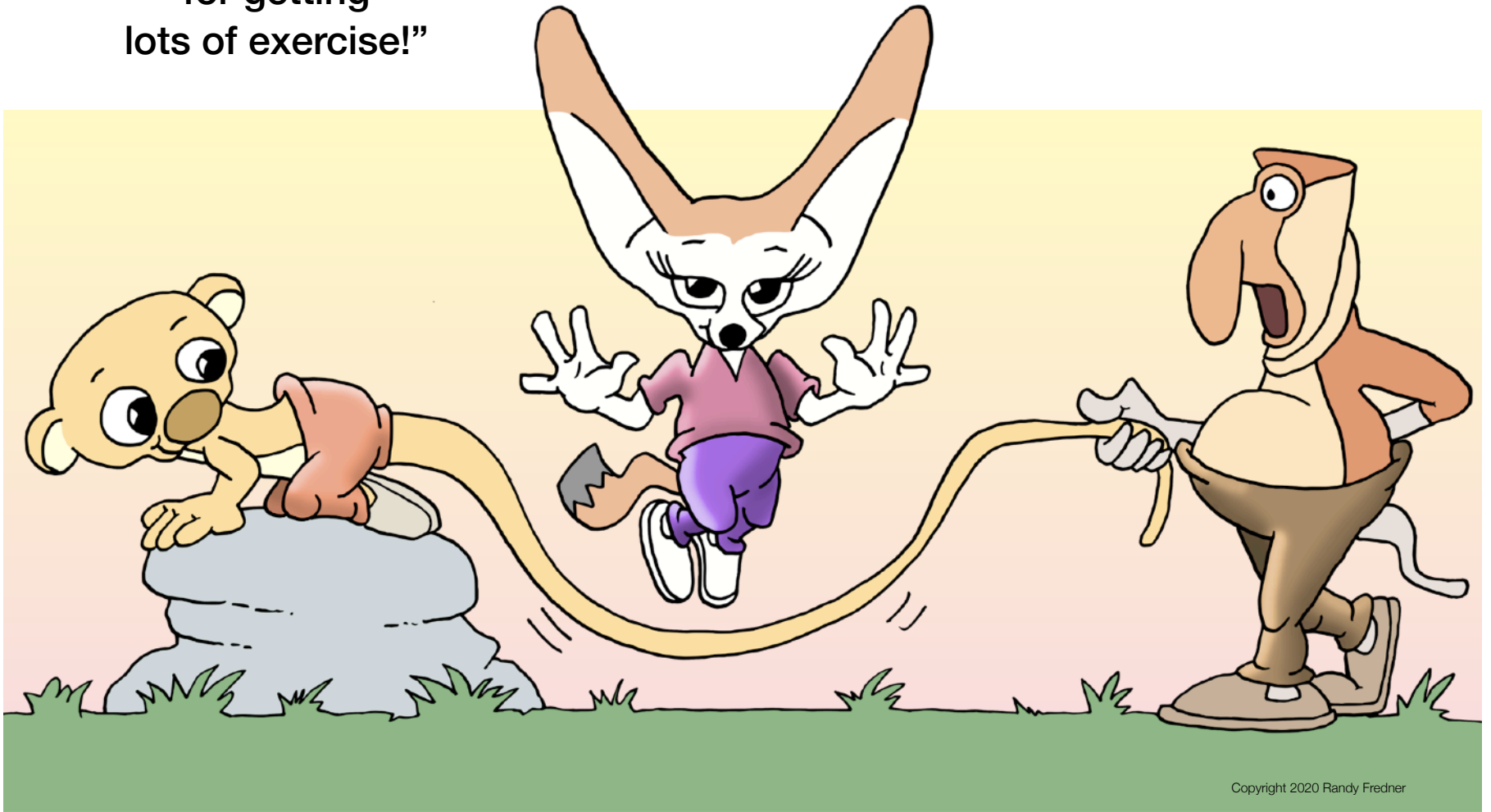
‘And by the way,’ added Fennec,
‘welcome to the zoo!’

Show us what else
your long tail can do!’”



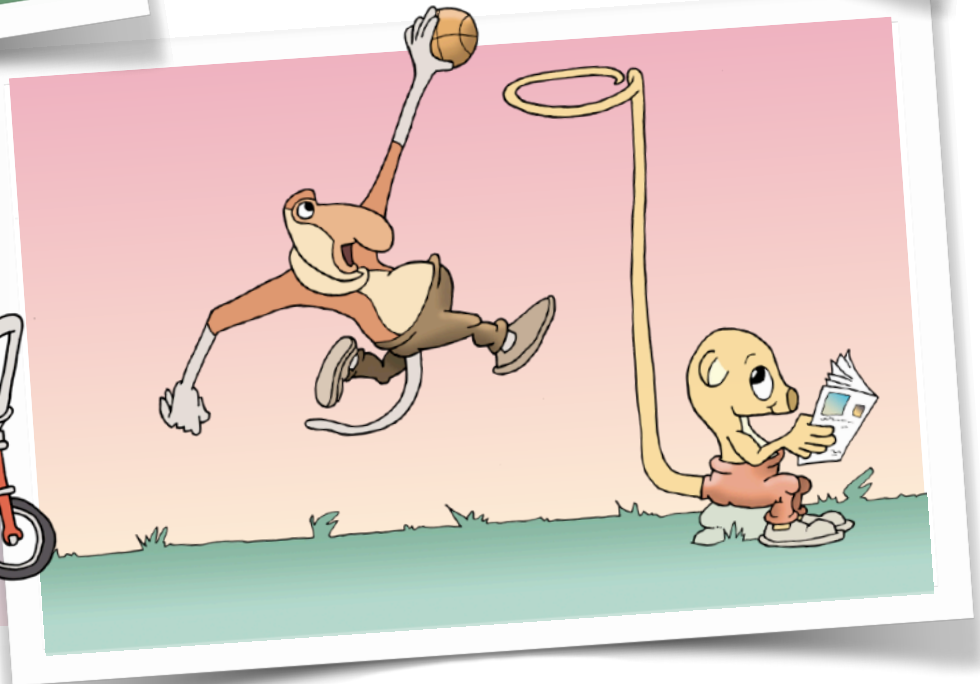
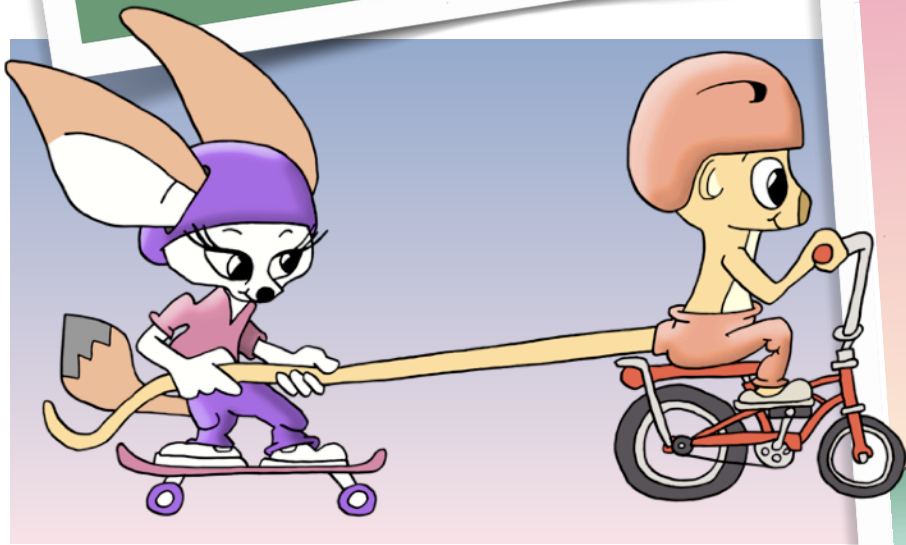
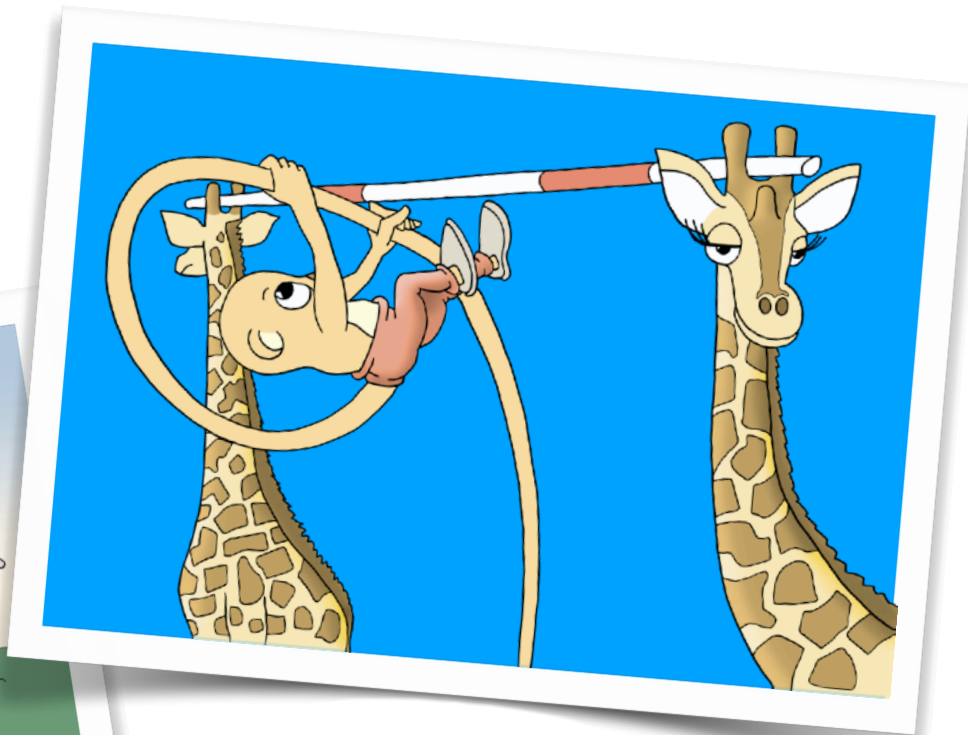
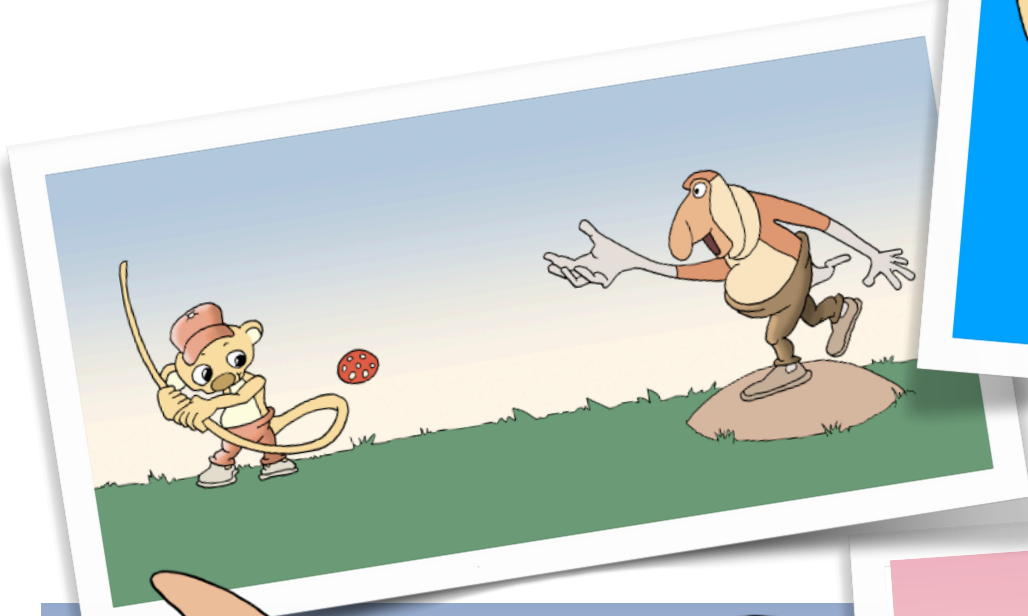
“It’s long enough,
don’t be surprised,

for getting
lots of exercise!”

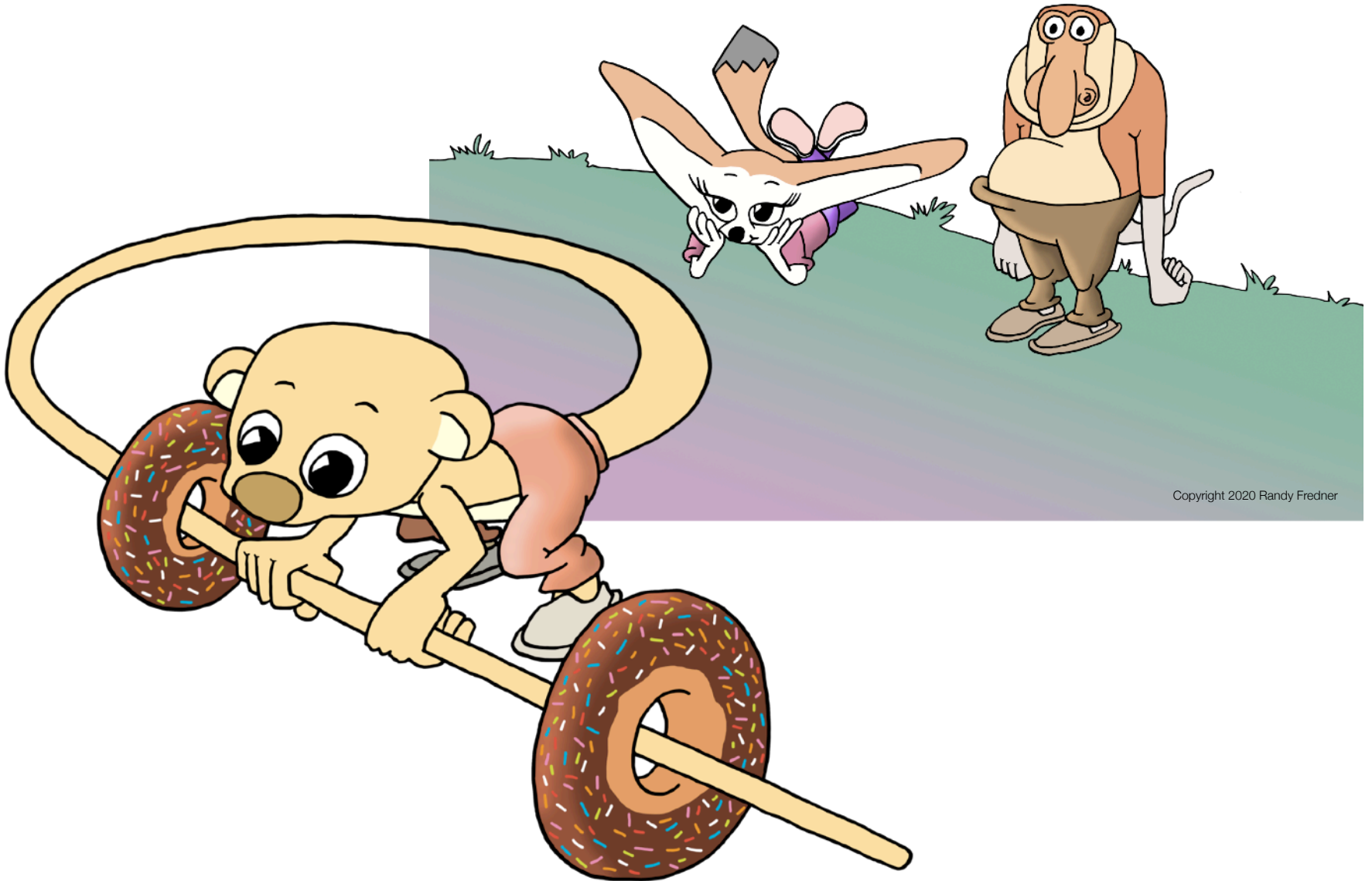


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“From baseball diamonds
to basketball courts,
it comes in handy
for all sorts of sports!”



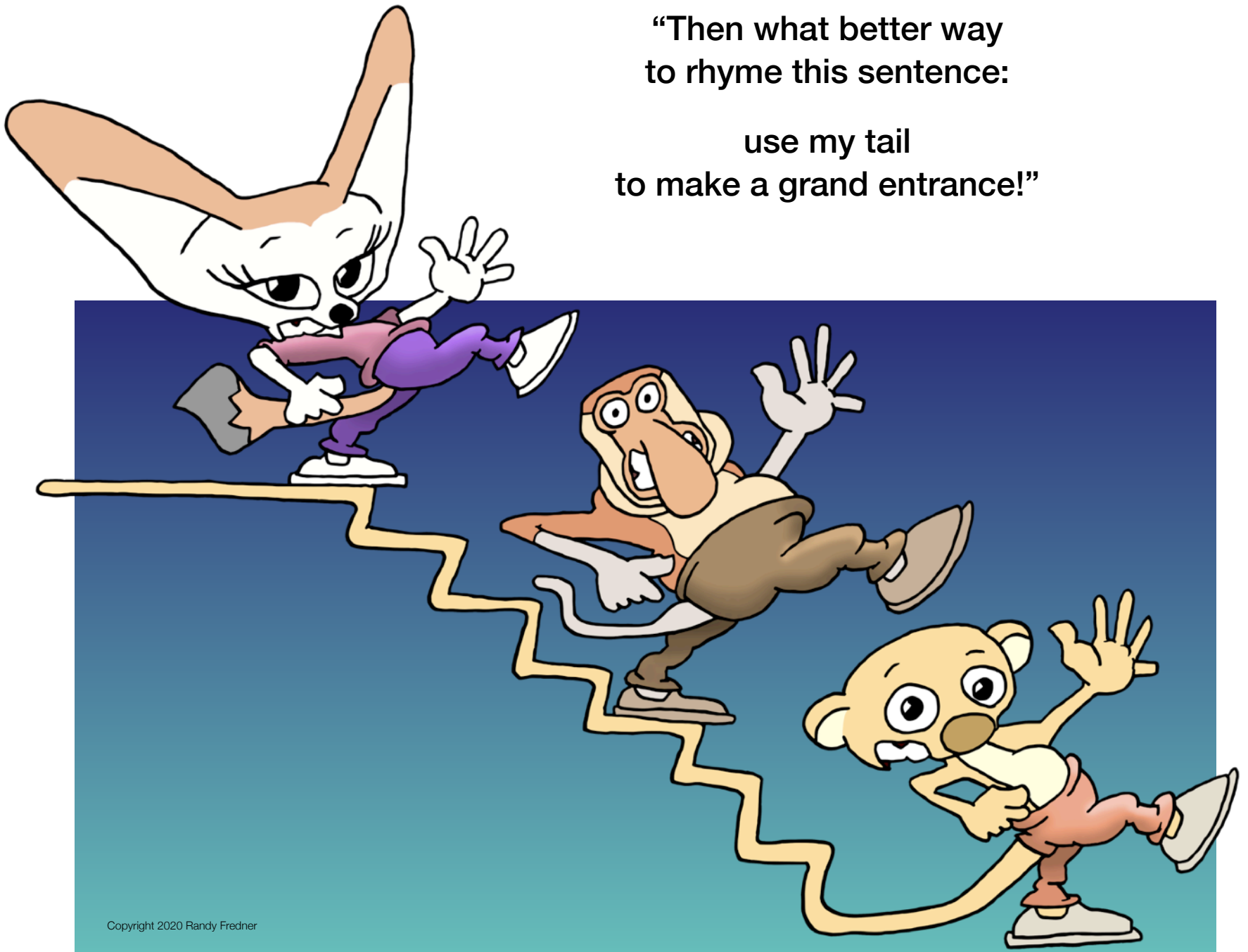
“And in the gym,
it wouldn't be so nuts
to get pumped up
lifting giant sprinkled donuts!”



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“Then what better way
to rhyme this sentence:

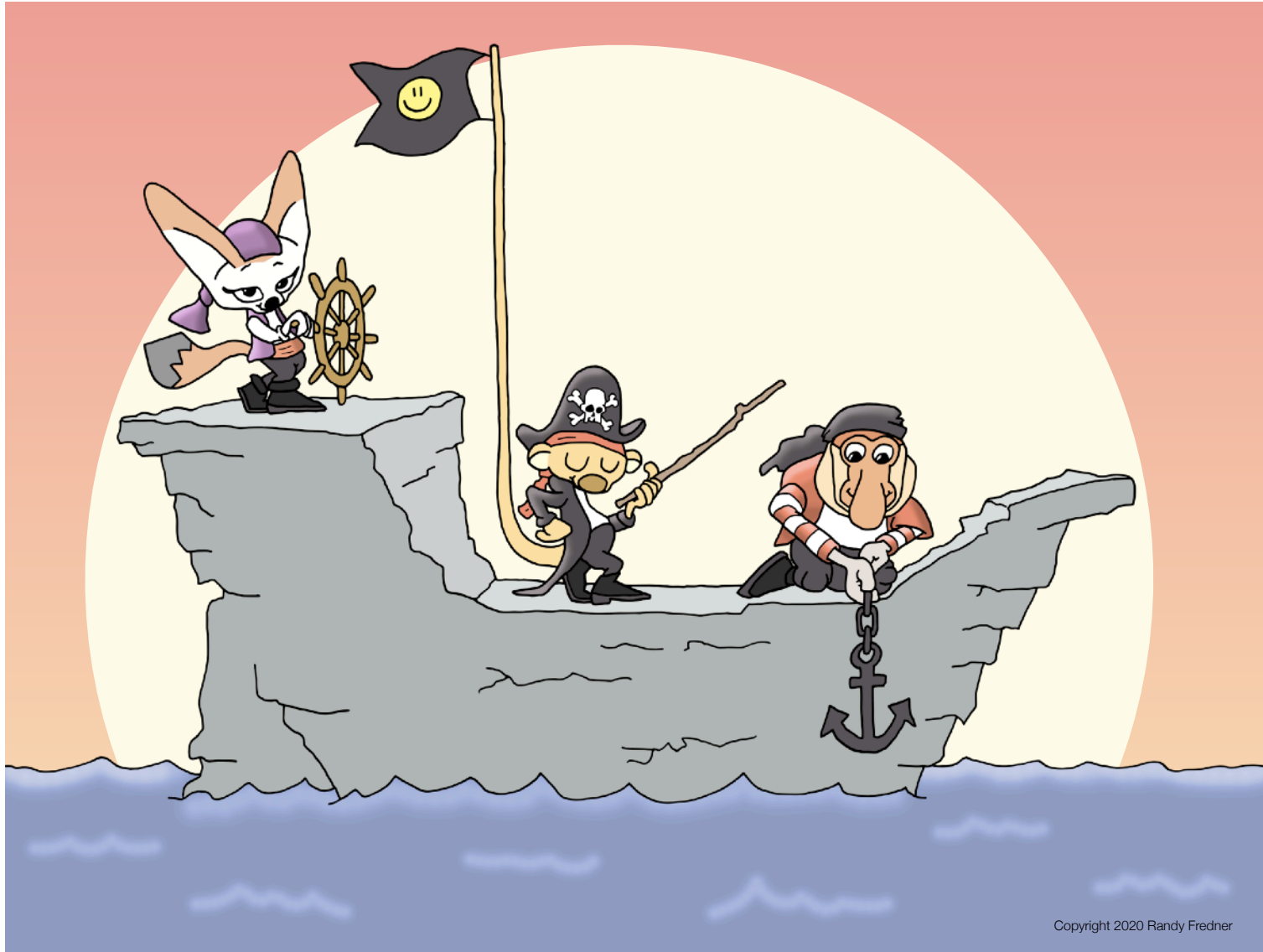
use my tail
to make a grand entrance!”



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“Then of course,
we could have a blast

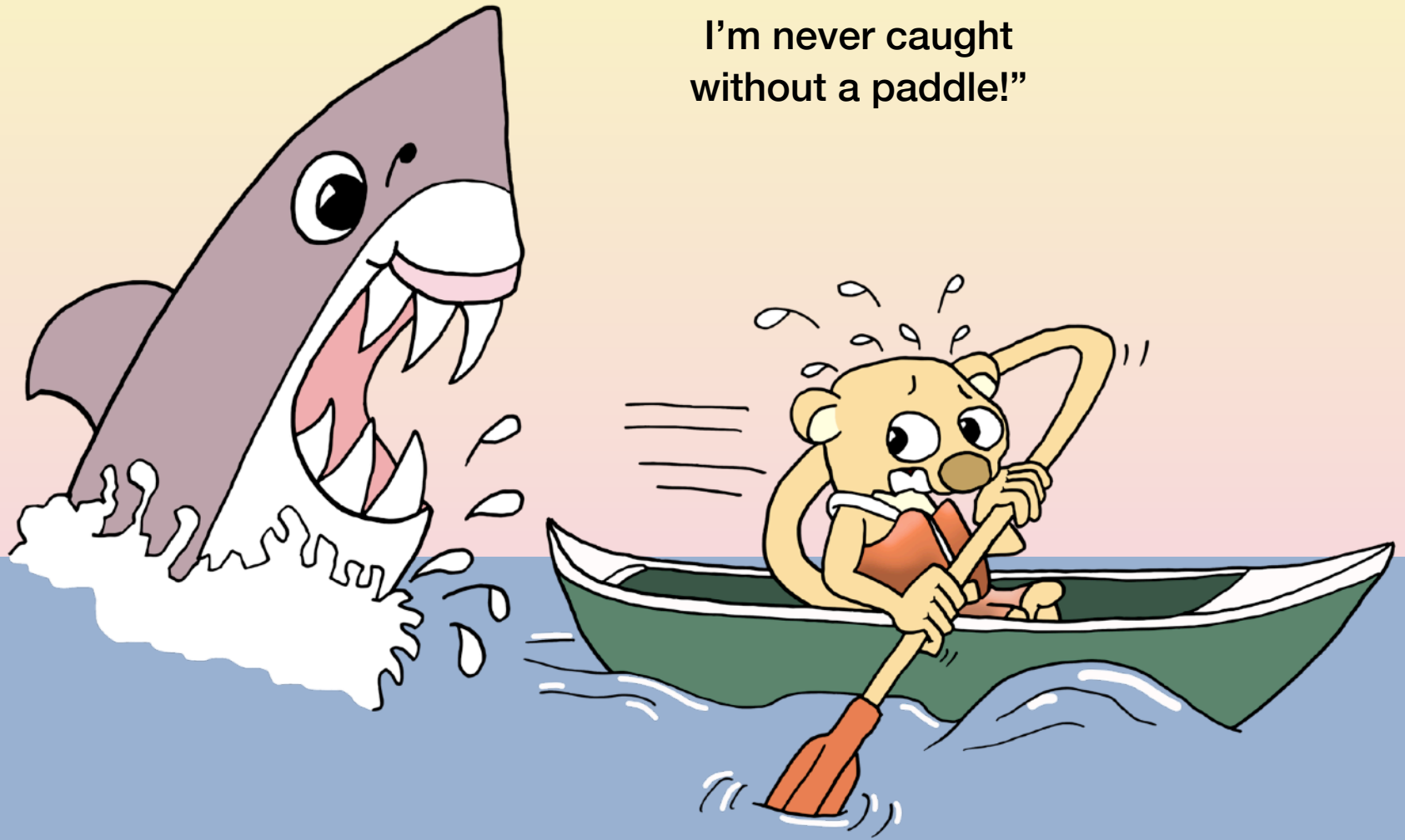
using my tail
as a pirate ship mast!”



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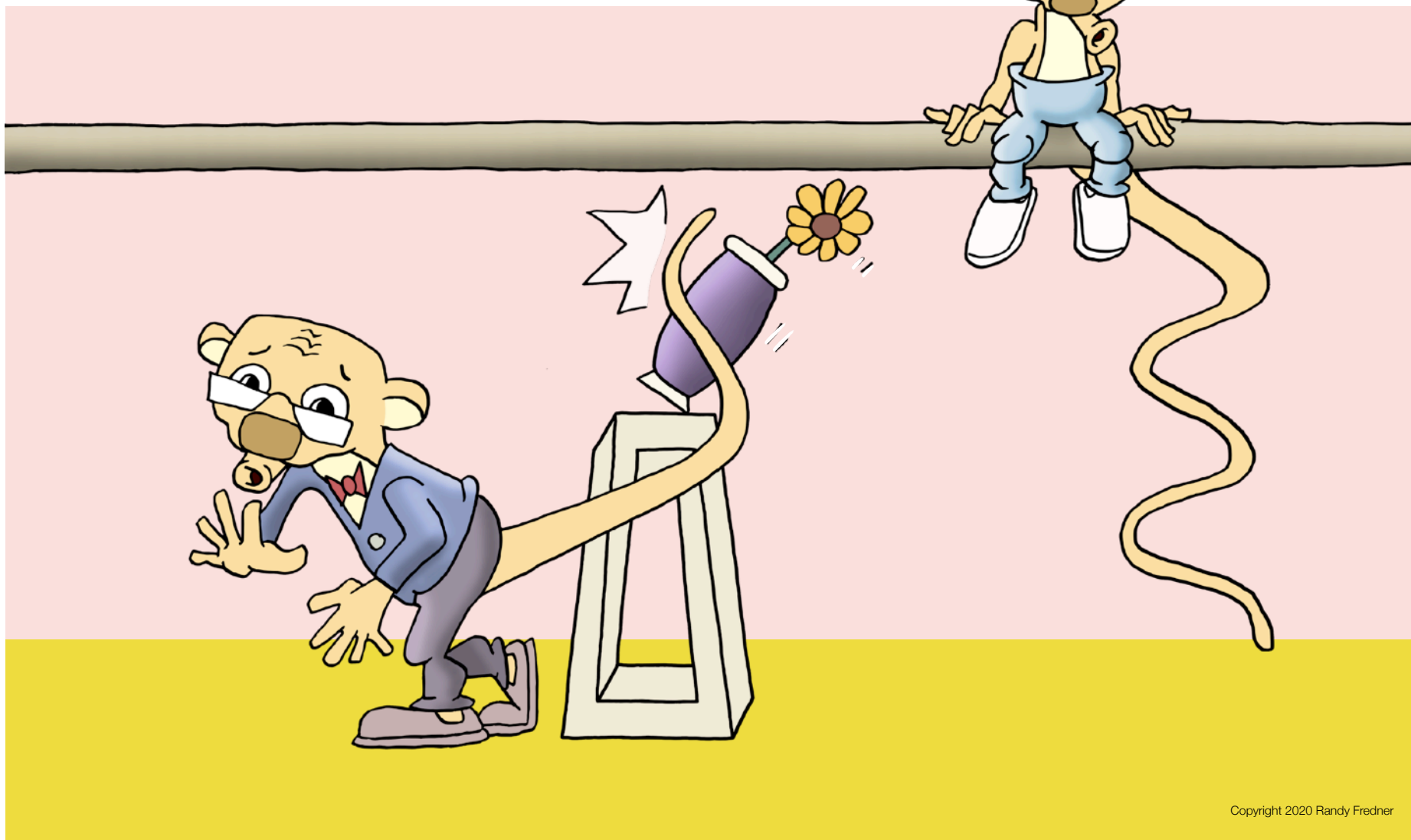
“And if across water
I have to skedaddle,

I’m never caught
without a paddle!”



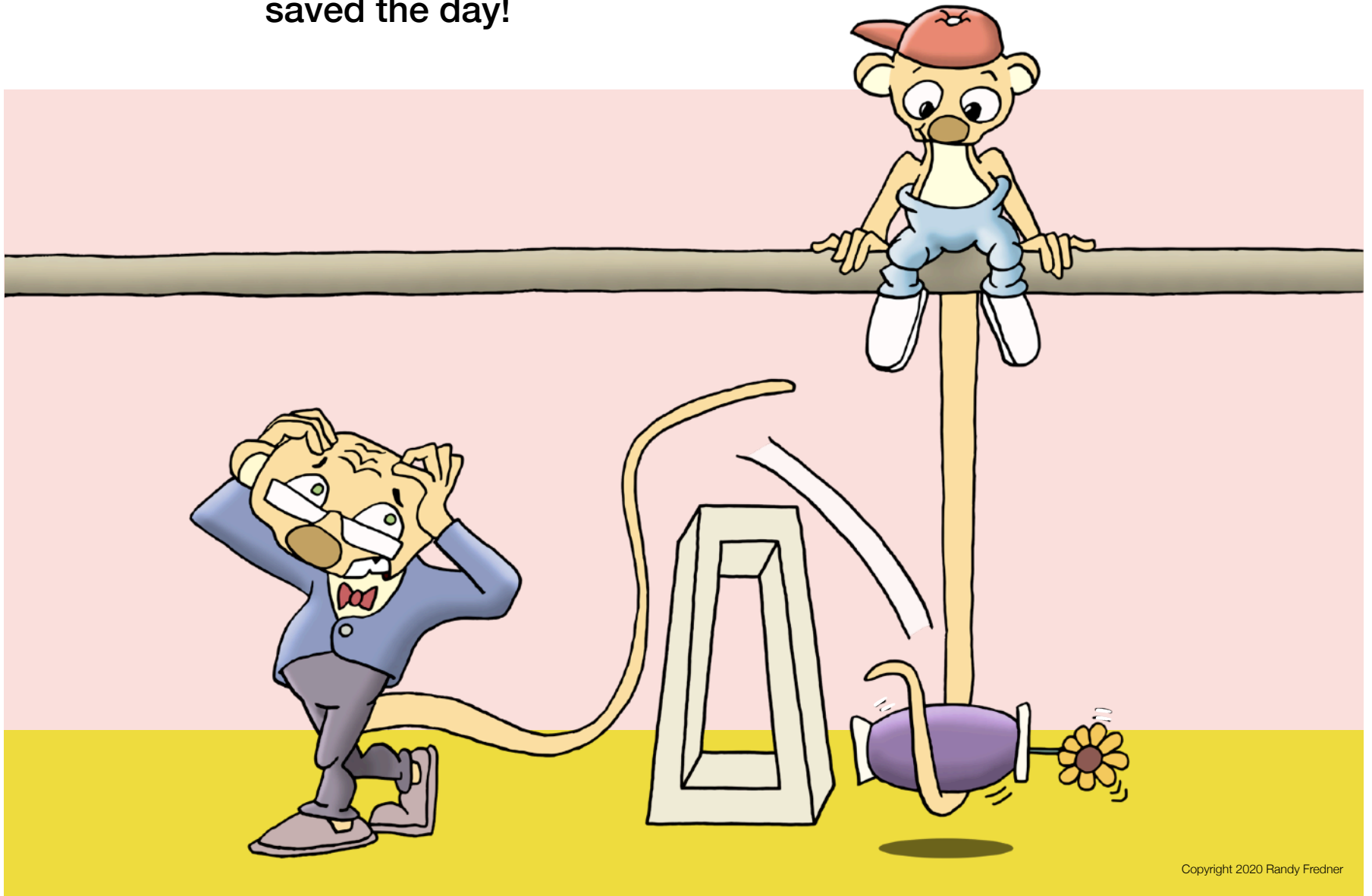
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Then Kiku said:
“Thanks for the story Grandpa,
now I see!
My tail’s *exactly* as long... OOPS!...”

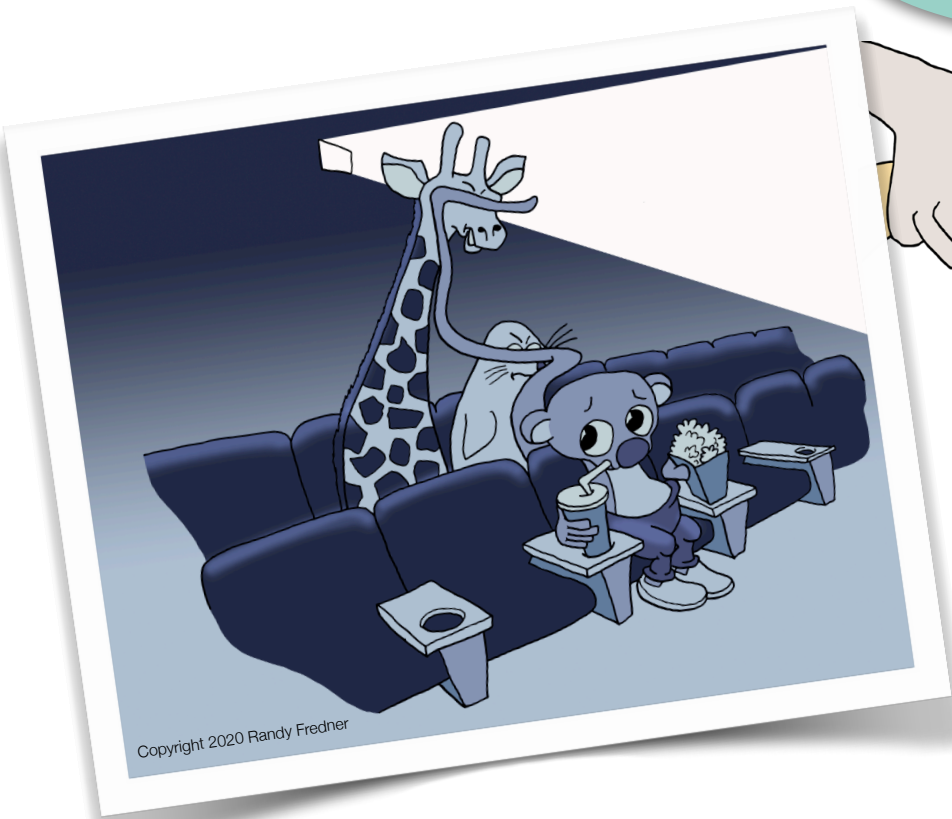
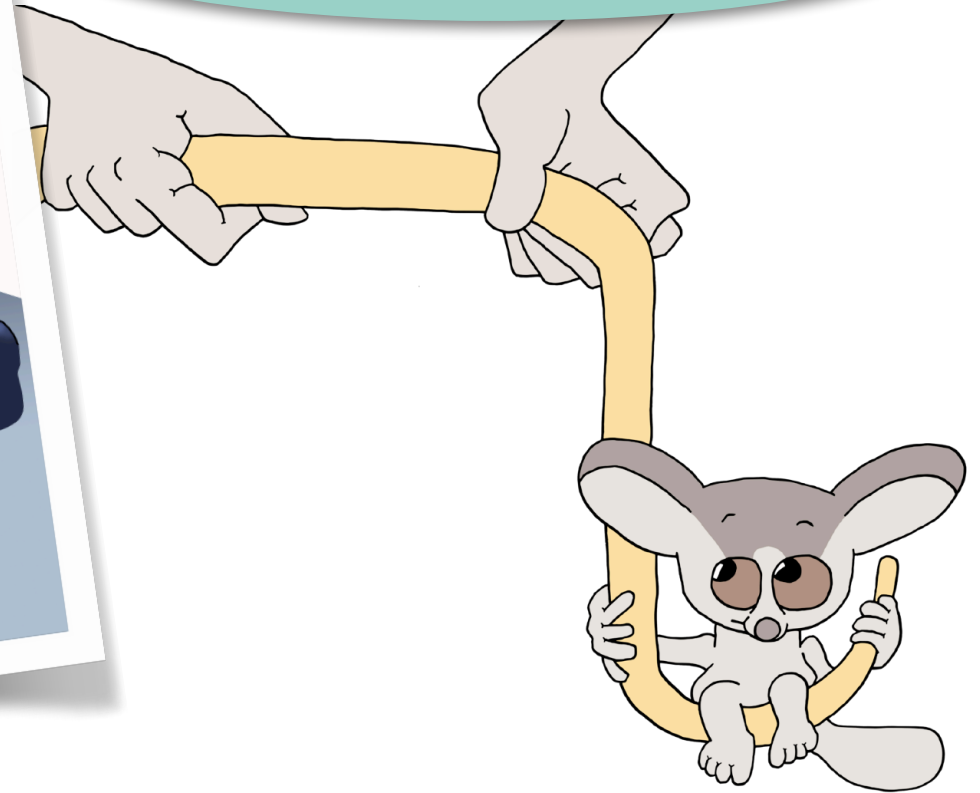
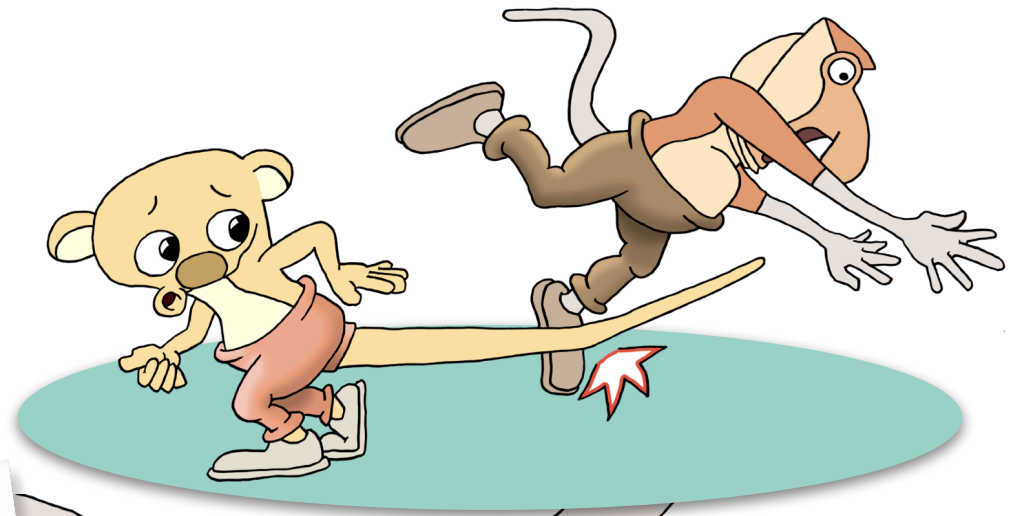


...as it needs to be!”

This time, Kiku’s tail
saved the day!



Kinkajou's long tail is causing nothing but trouble until one day when it comes to the rescue!



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