

Caroline Saves the Day!



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Enviro-Stories Education Program

Enviro-Stories is a competition based education program for Primary Schools that was developed by Peekdesigns.

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This program provides an education experience for kids through learning about the environment. The final product is a published story written about local issues, by local kids, for local kids and future generations.

In 2010, the Central West Catchment Management Authority, in conjunction with the Cotton Catchment Communities CRC, provided local kids with the opportunity to join in on this exciting and innovative competition.

Central West Catchment Management Authority

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www.cw.cma.nsw.gov.au

Cotton Catchment Communities CRC

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The Central West Catchment Management Authority 2010 “Fur & Fins, Feet & Beaks...What can you find at your local creek?” Enviro-Stories Competition consists of the following books:

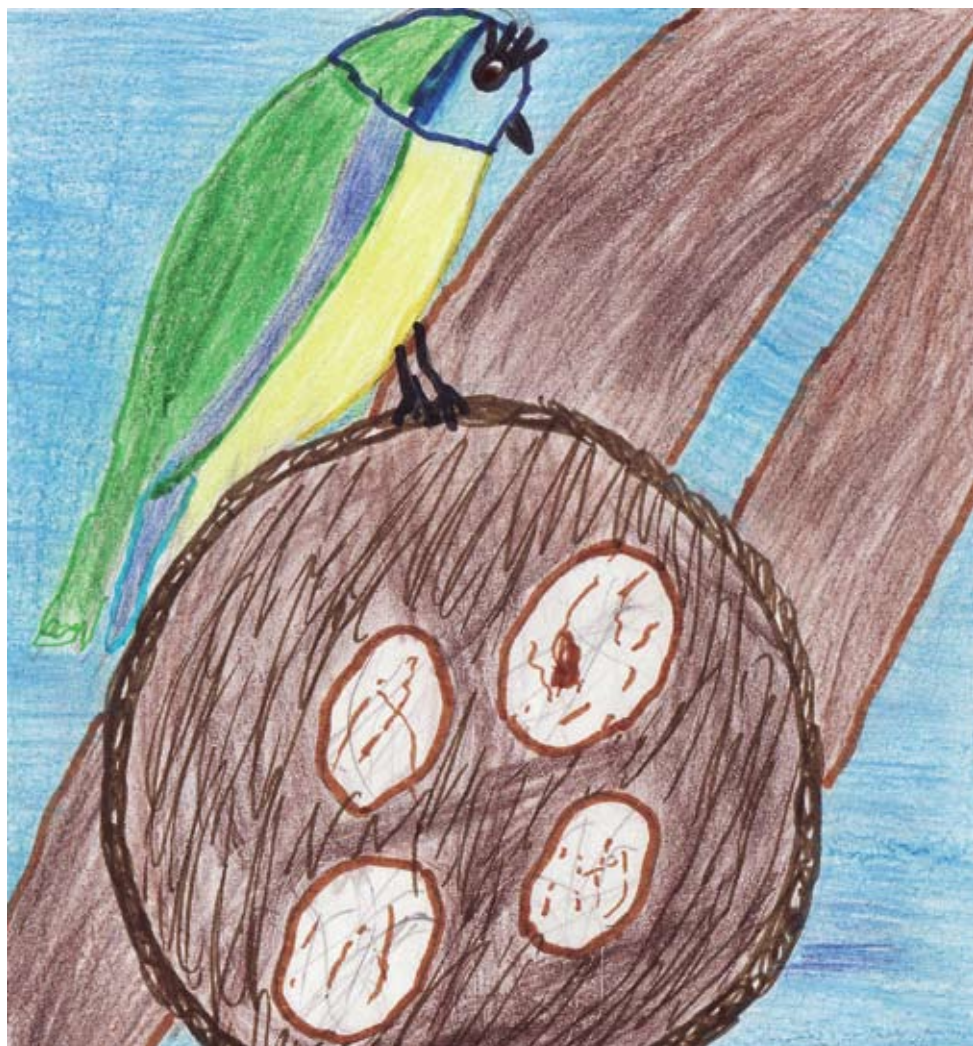
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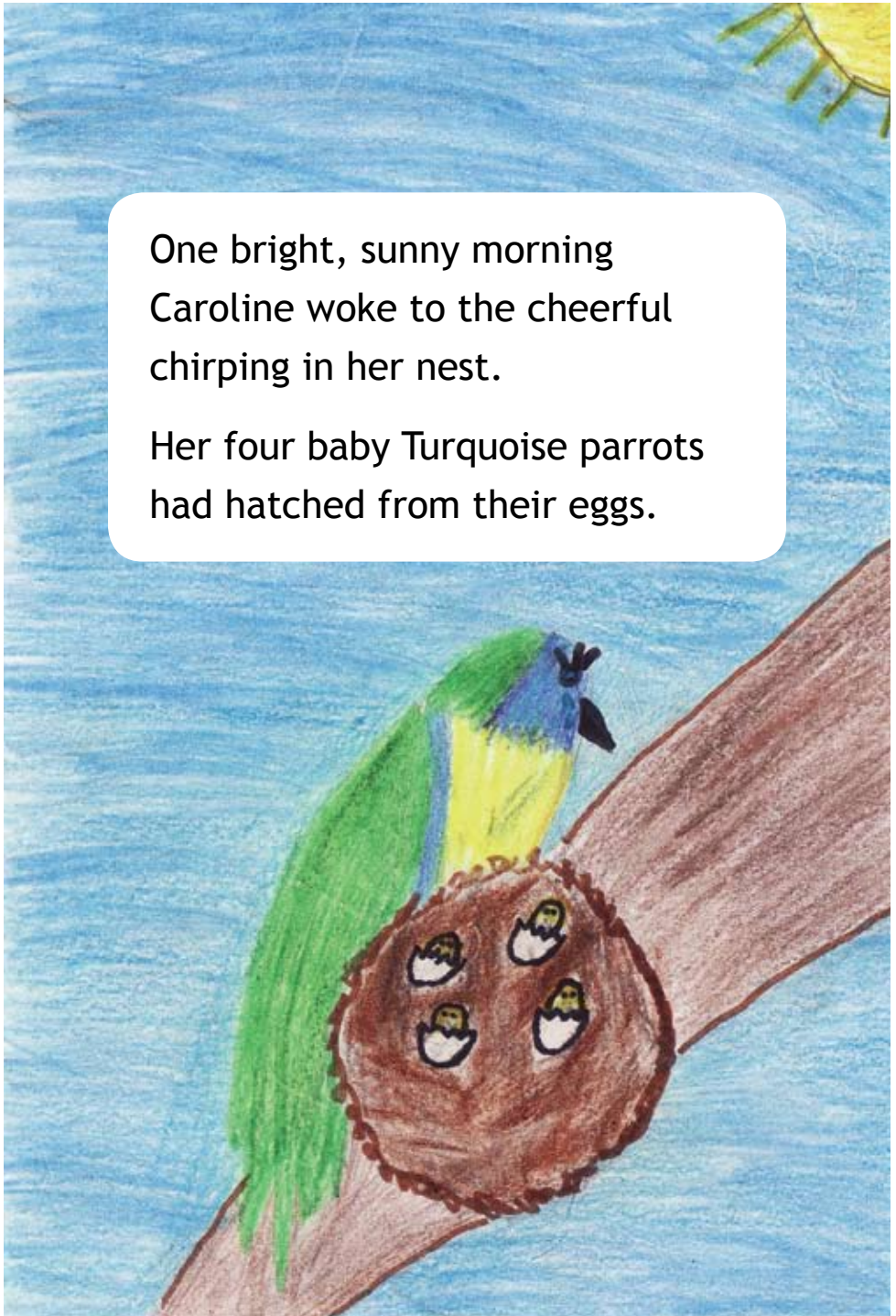


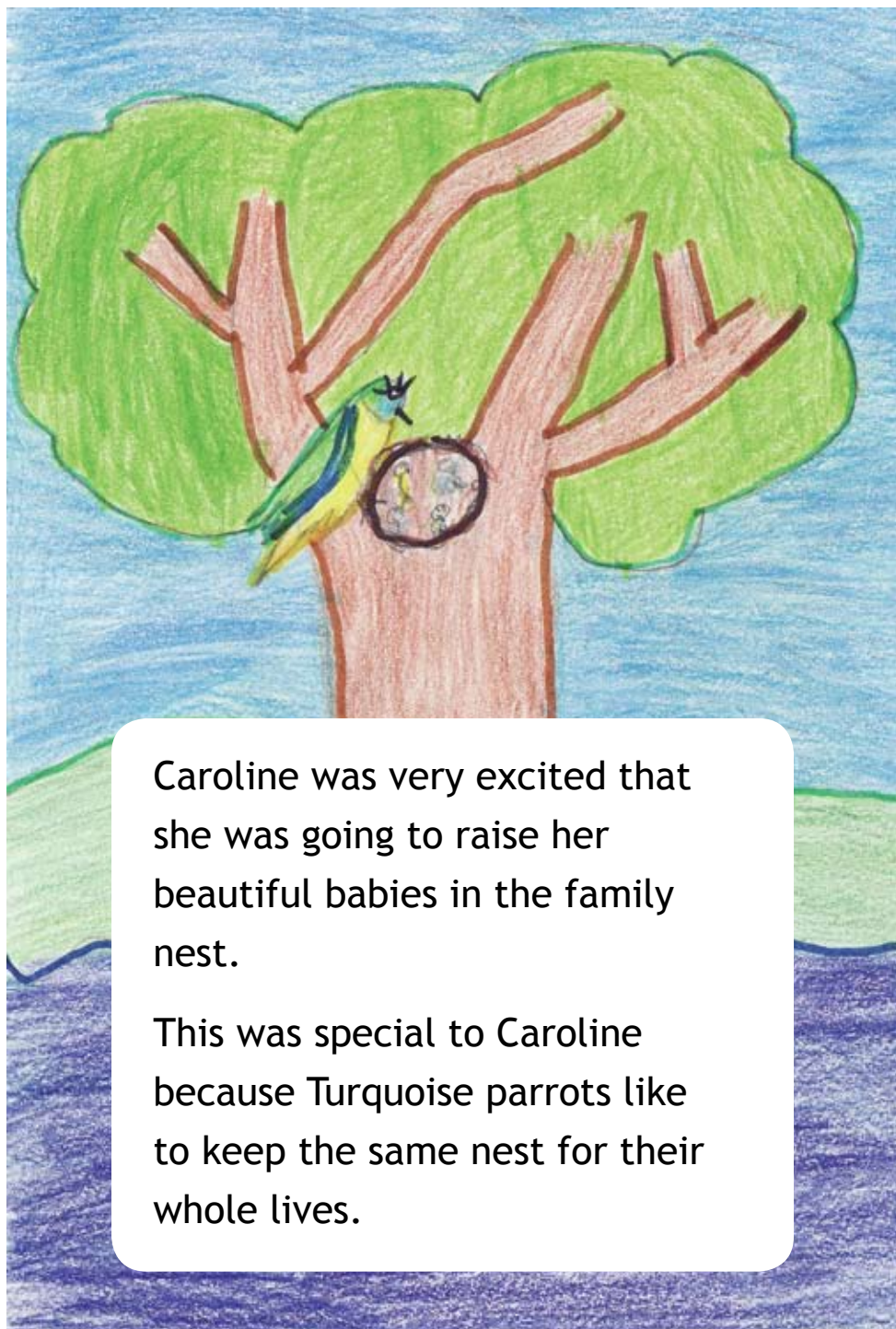
Caroline the spectacular Turquoise parrot lived in her nest, in the hollow of a huge old tree near the creek.

It was breeding season and she was waiting patiently for her four eggs to hatch.

One bright, sunny morning
Caroline woke to the cheerful
chirping in her nest.

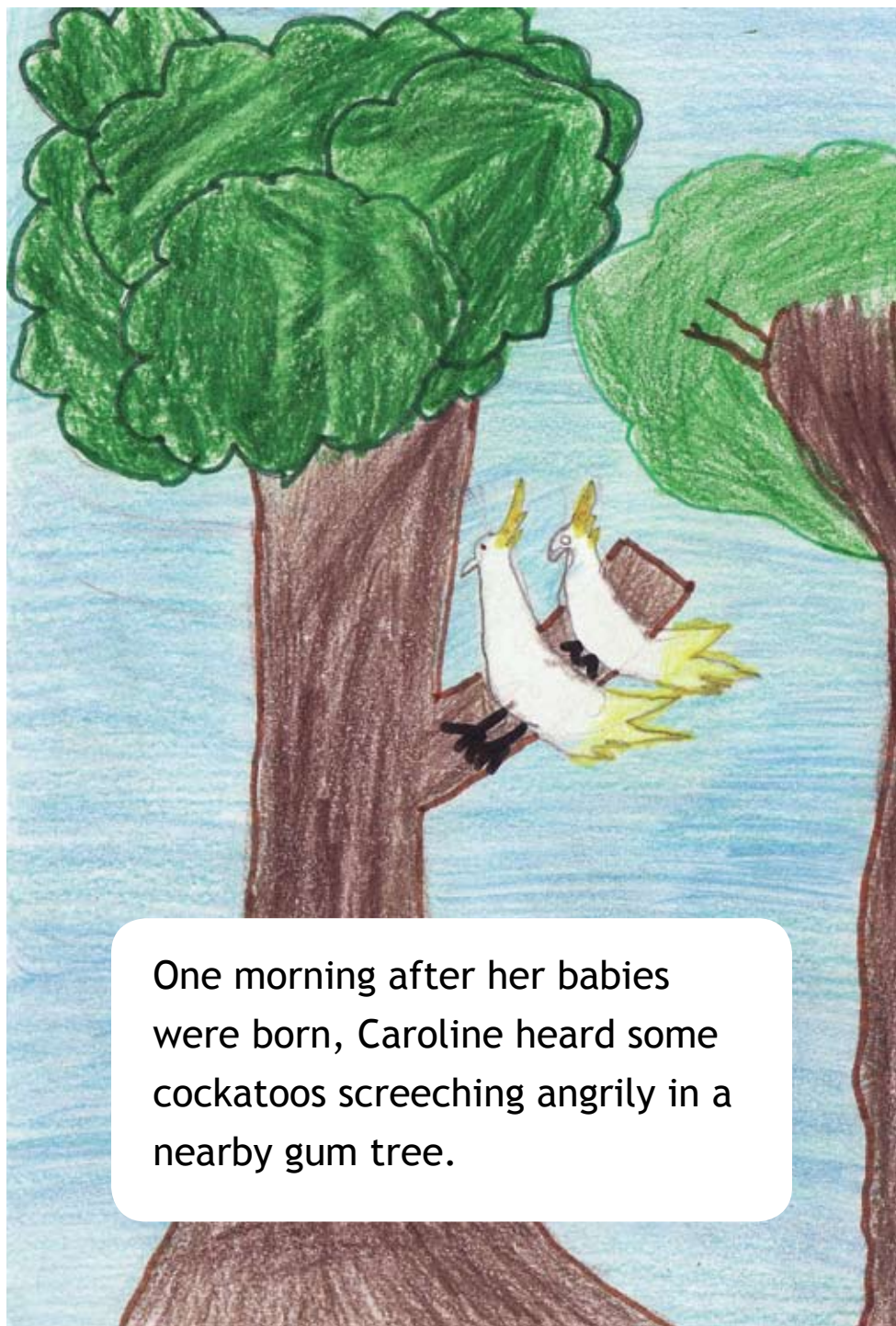
Her four baby Turquoise parrots
had hatched from their eggs.





Caroline was very excited that she was going to raise her beautiful babies in the family nest.

This was special to Caroline because Turquoise parrots like to keep the same nest for their whole lives.



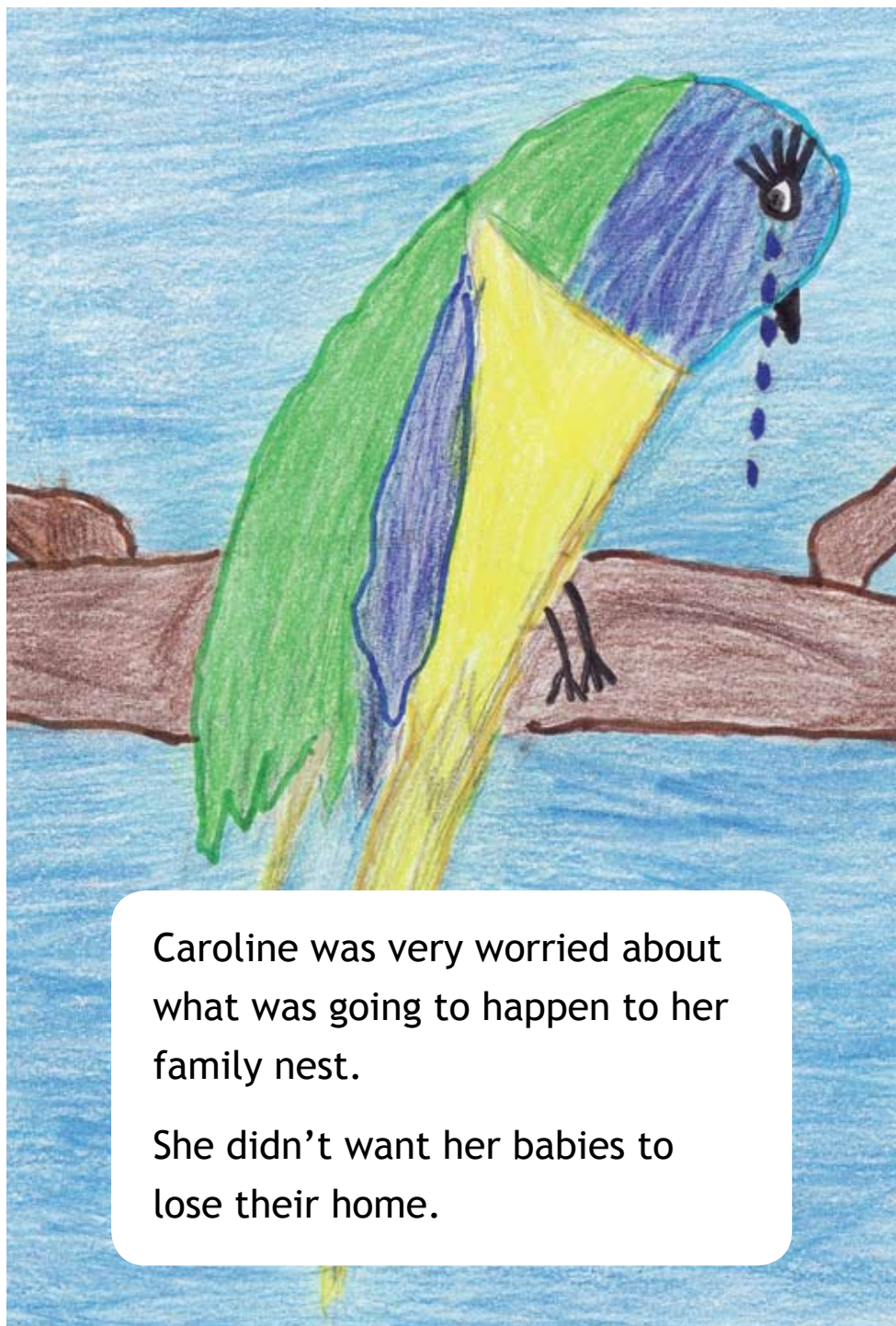
One morning after her babies were born, Caroline heard some cockatoos screeching angrily in a nearby gum tree.

Caroline flew over to the tree to see what was wrong.

“We’ve heard some terrible news”, screeched the cockatoos.

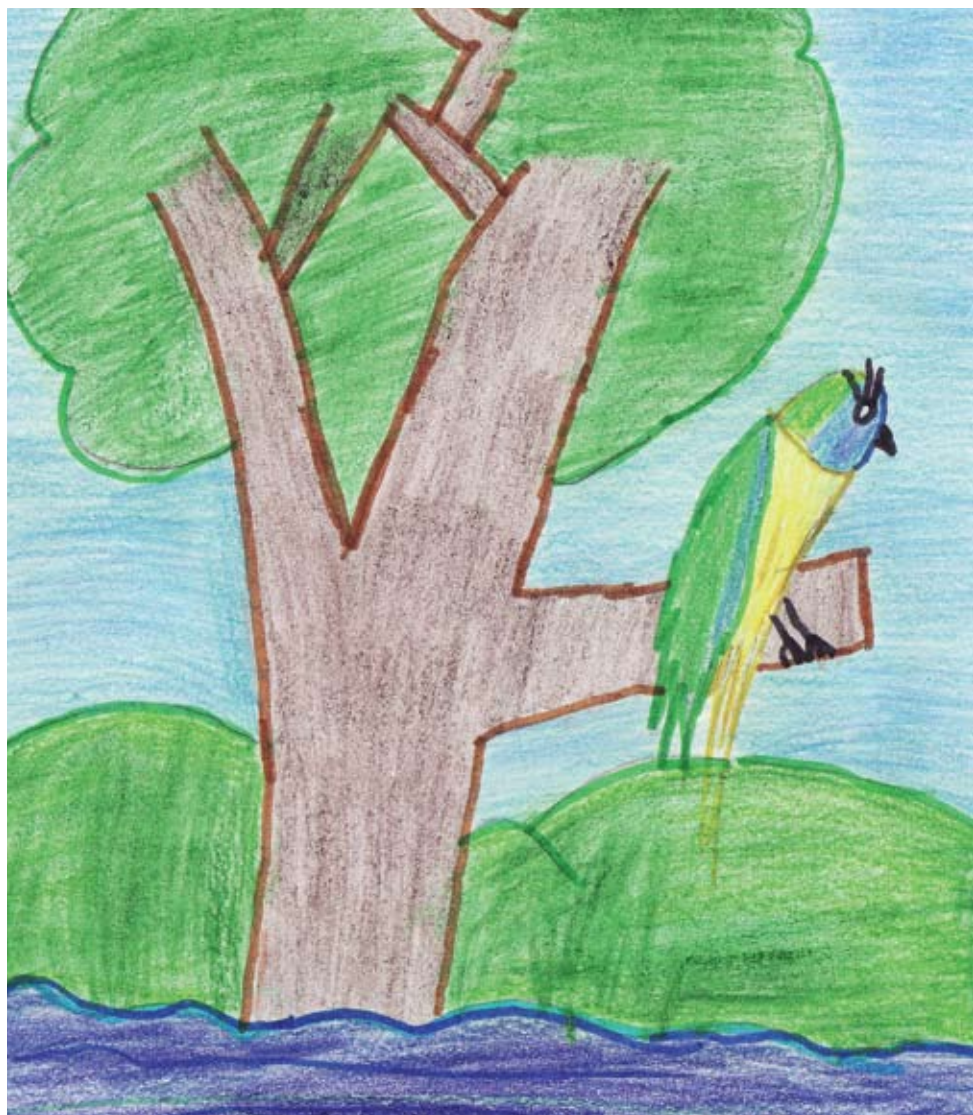
“This land is going to be cleared to build a big resort. All of our homes will be destroyed!”





Caroline was very worried about what was going to happen to her family nest.

She didn't want her babies to lose their home.



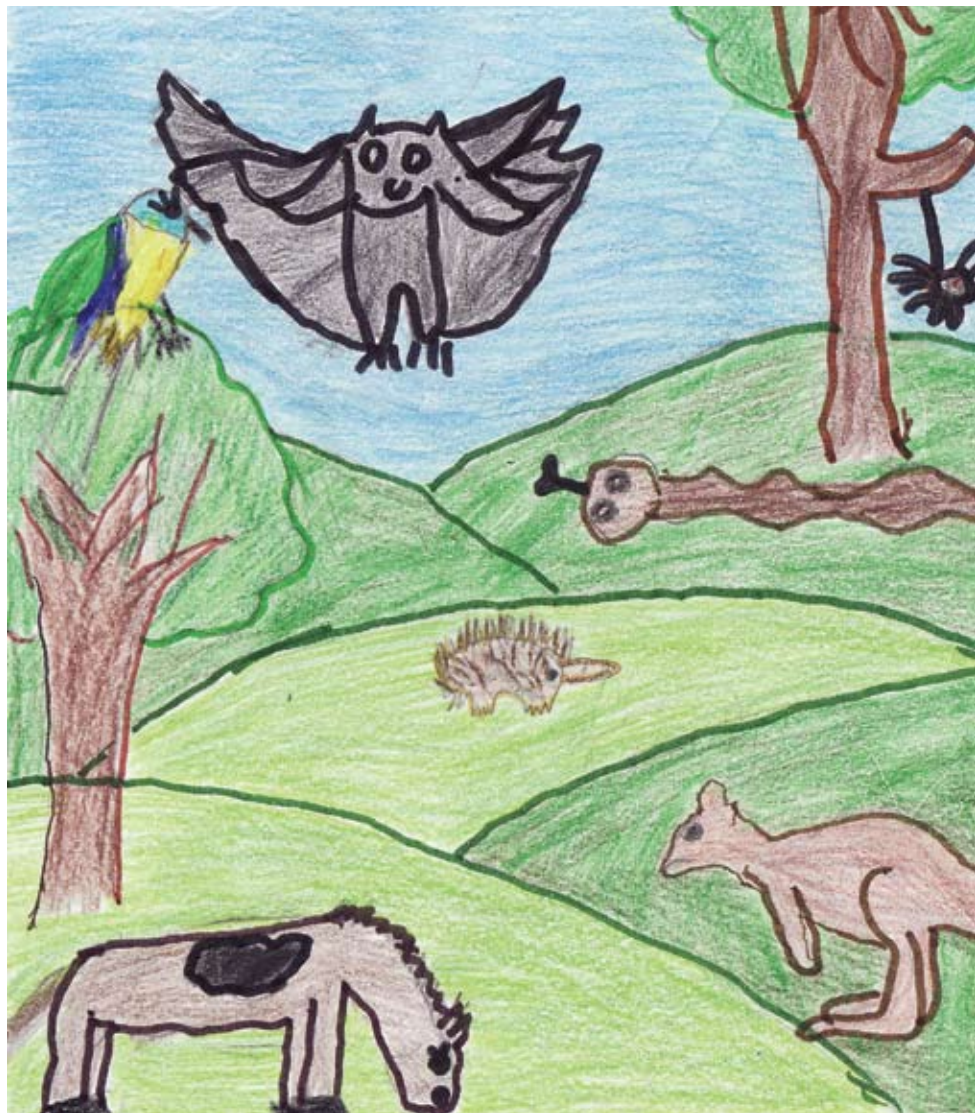
Caroline didn't know when her home
was going to be destroyed.

All she knew is that she couldn't let
this happen to her land.

She flew back to her nest,
making a soft metallic
sound to call the animals
and insects together for a
meeting.



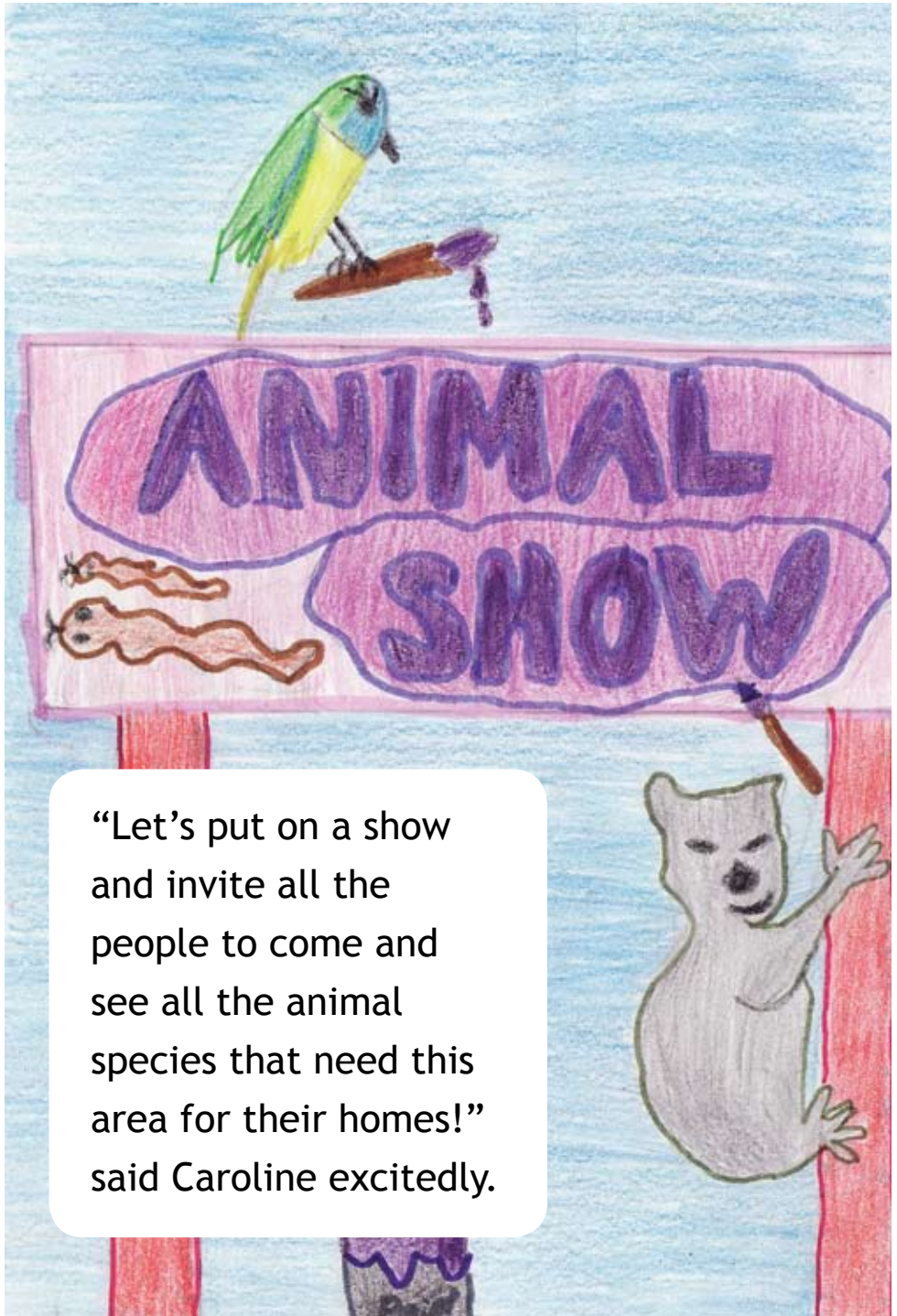
The animals of the woodland spent all afternoon trying to find a way to stop the builders from clearing their land.





After hours of thinking Caroline came up with a great idea.

“I’ve got it! I know how we can solve this problem,” she chirped.

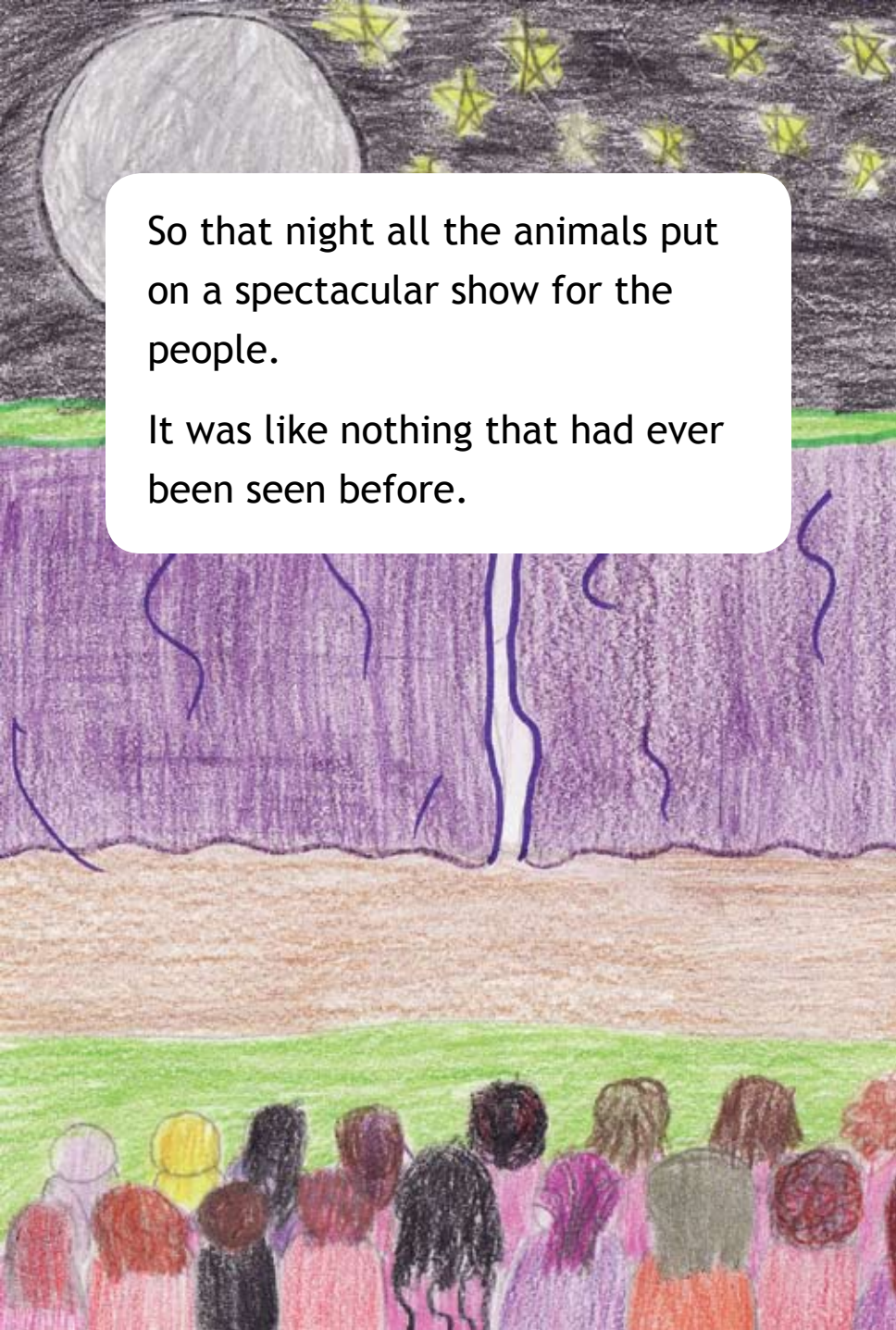


“Let’s put on a show and invite all the people to come and see all the animal species that need this area for their homes!” said Caroline excitedly.



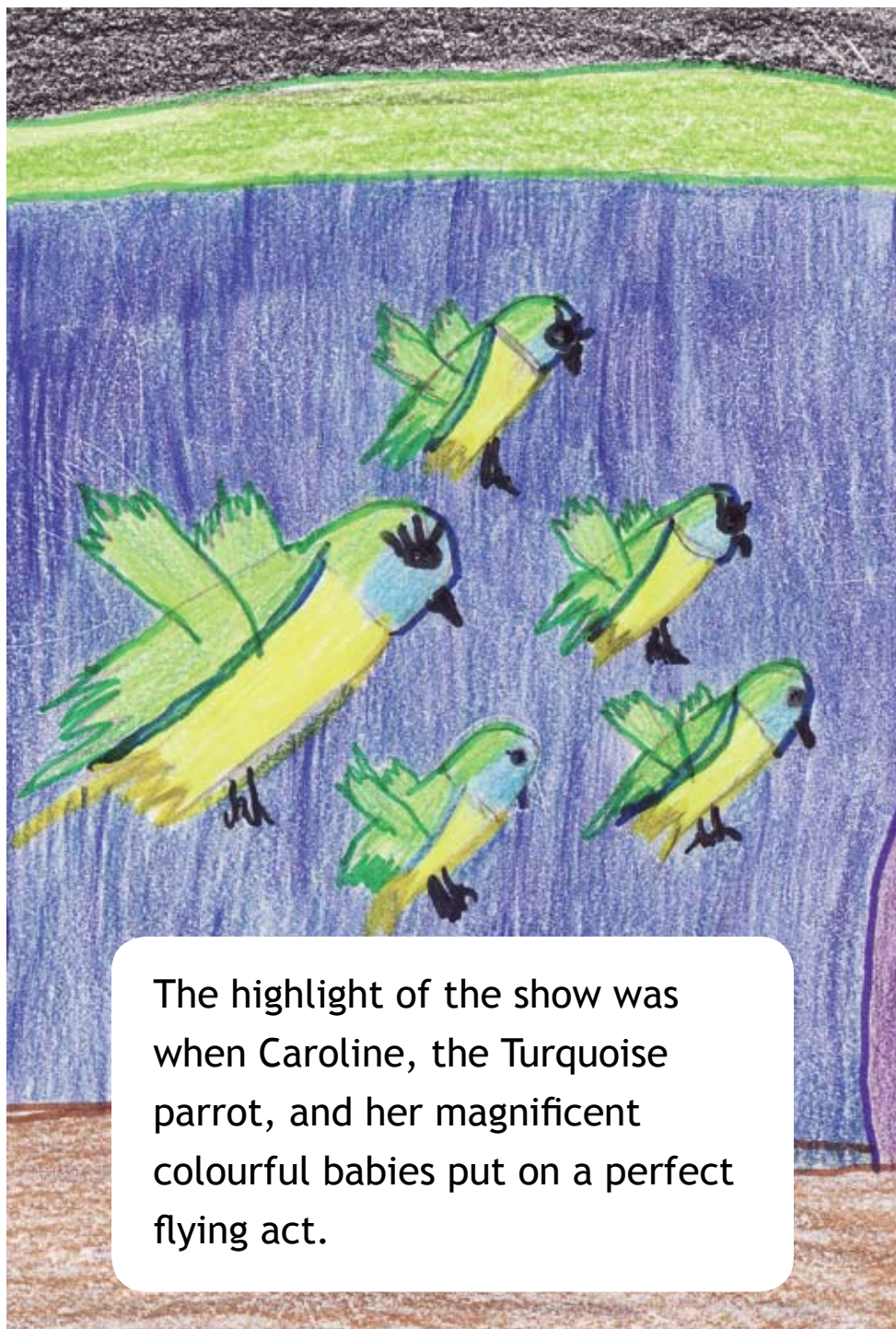
All of the animals agreed. A great performance for the people might show them what a special place their creek home was.

Nobody would ever want to destroy their home land then.



So that night all the animals put
on a spectacular show for the
people.

It was like nothing that had ever
been seen before.



The highlight of the show was when Caroline, the Turquoise parrot, and her magnificent colourful babies put on a perfect flying act.

All of the crowd clapped and cheered.

After such a wonderful show they decided to let the animals keep their homes.

Caroline, the Turquoise parrot, was the hero of all the animals in the woodland for ever after.





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