

Giggle Learns to Fly



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

Cotton Catchment Communities CRC

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

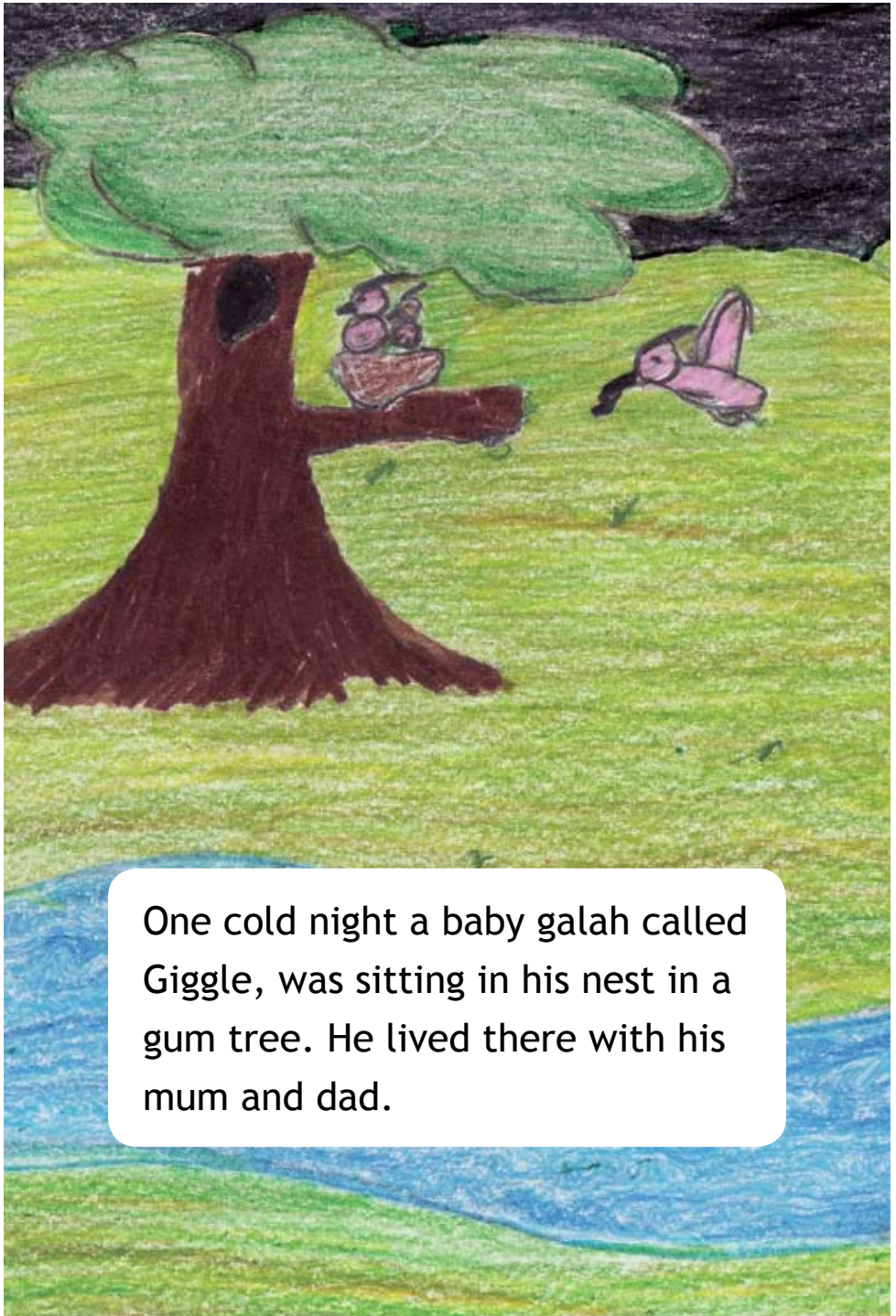
- A Duck’s Life
- Blue-Bell the Cow
- Collie the Champion Carp
- Giggle Learns to Fly
- Pippy the Platypus
- Stop the Spread
- The Fantastic Five Friends
- Trouble on Wee Waa Lagoon
- Pob’s Great Search

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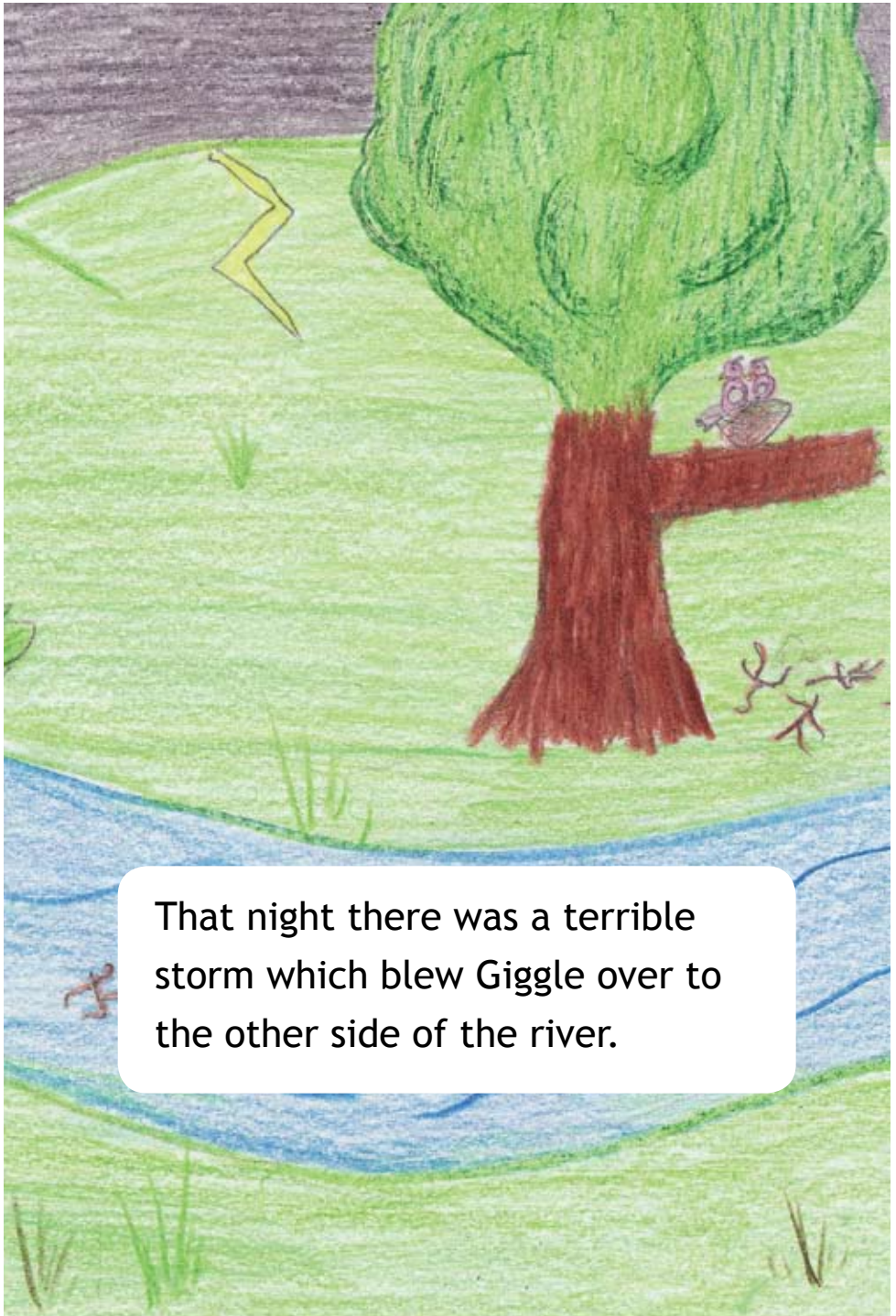
One cold night a baby galah called Giggle, was sitting in his nest in a gum tree. He lived there with his mum and dad.

They were looking forward to tonight
because they were expecting rain.

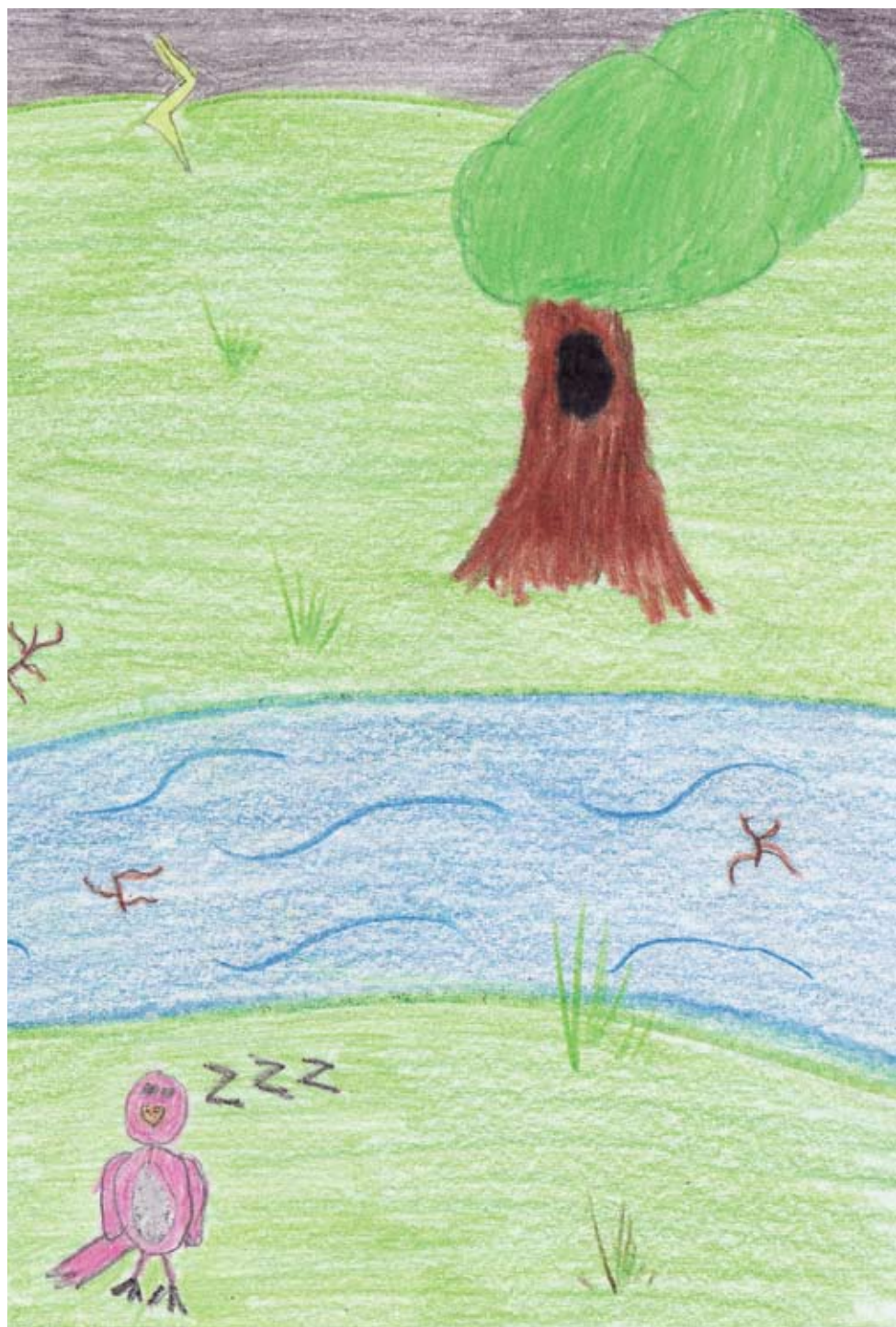
It had been very dry for months.

They were very excited.



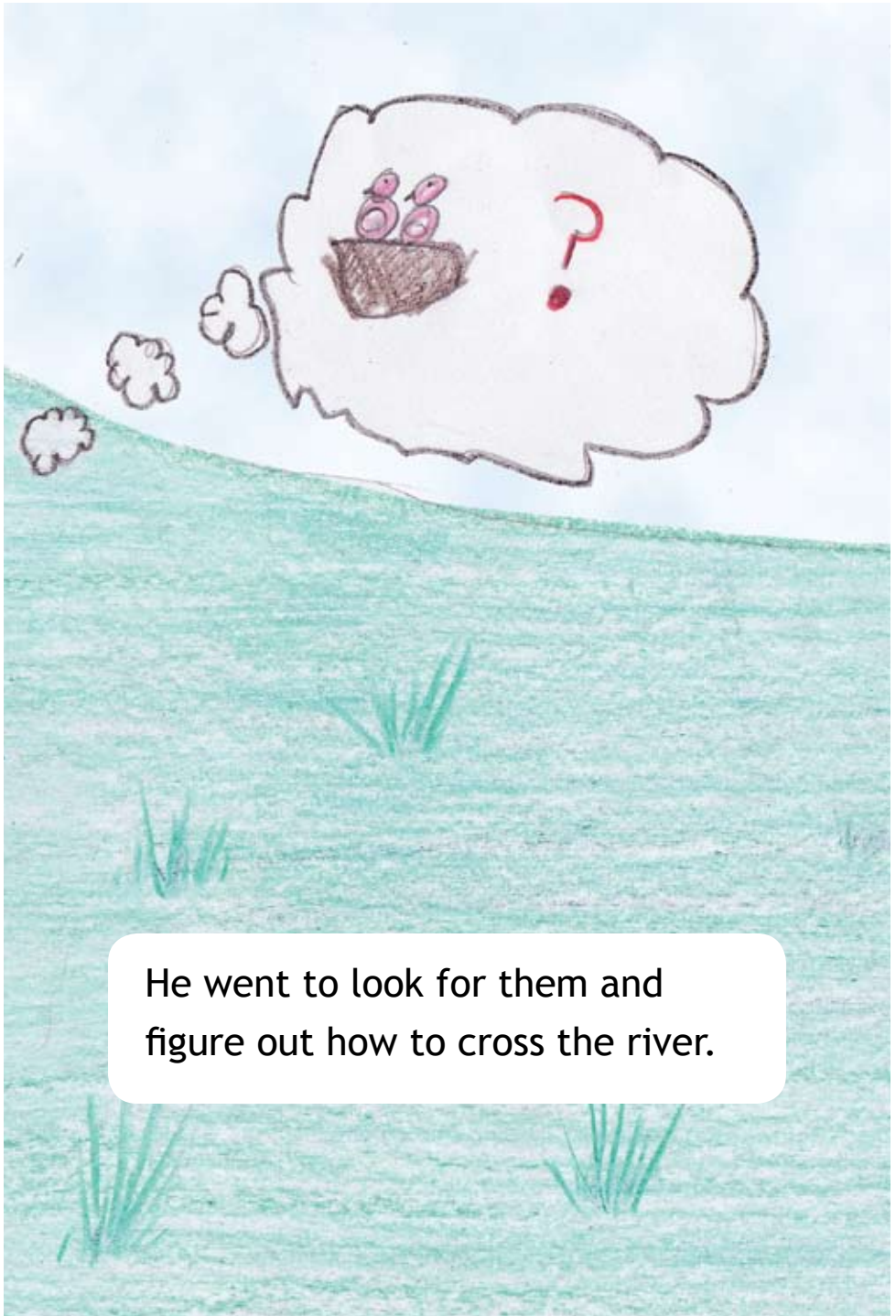


That night there was a terrible storm which blew Giggle over to the other side of the river.



When he woke up he couldn't find his mum and dad. They were gone and he was trapped on the wrong side of the river.





He went to look for them and figure out how to cross the river.



On his walk Giggle found Penny the platypus. He had heard his mum and dad mention that Penny was a nice platypus.



“Can you help me get across the river?” asked Giggle.

“Yes,” said Penny.

Penny showed him how she crosses the river. “What you do is simple, you just paddle with your feet,” she said.



HELP!

Giggle gave it a try. He started to sink and Penny had to save him. Penny brought him back to the safety of the river bank.

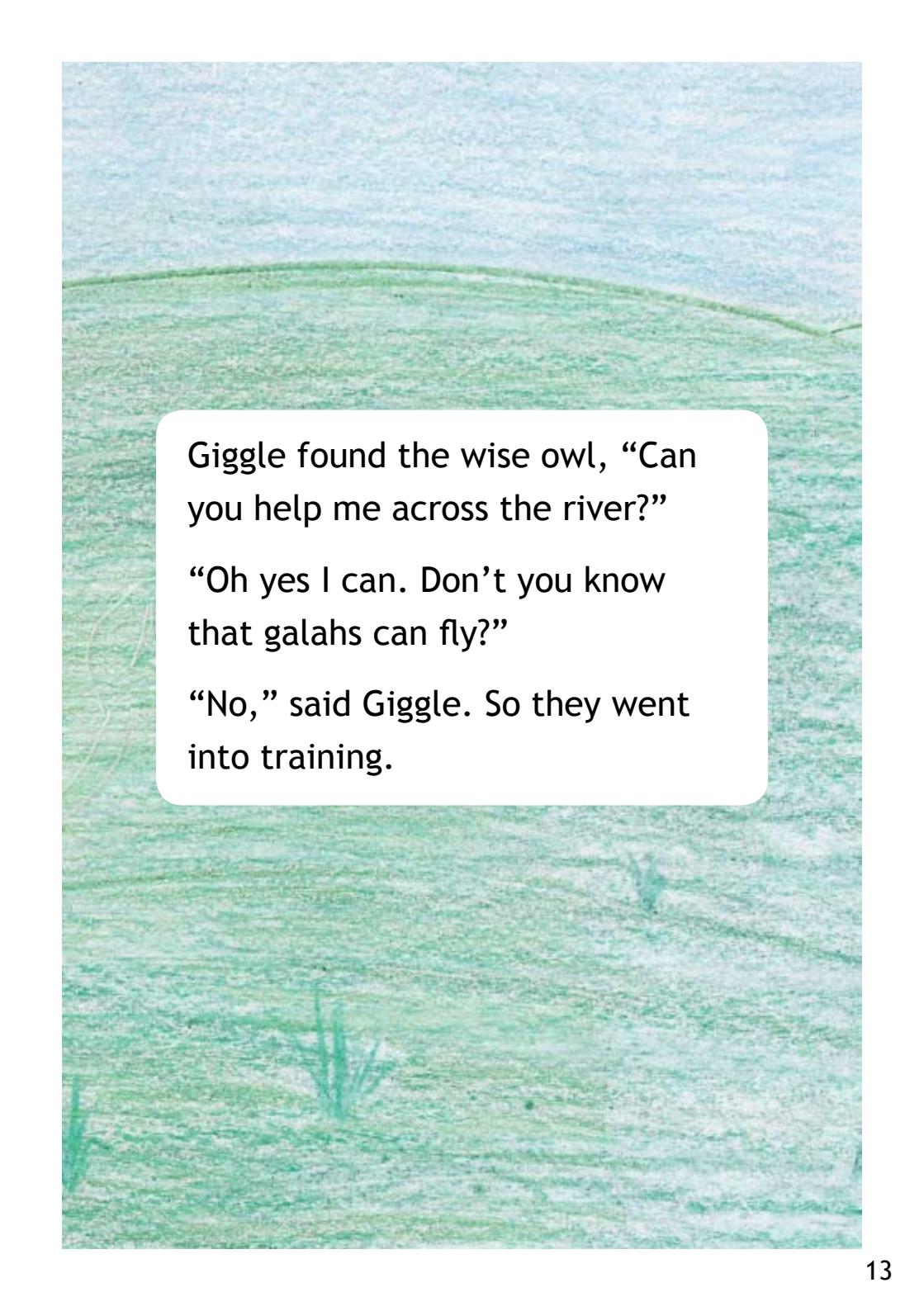
“You don’t have webbed feet like I do,” said Penny.

Penny said, “Go and find the wise owl and he’ll help you.”

“Ok” said Giggle.







Giggle found the wise owl, “Can you help me across the river?”

“Oh yes I can. Don’t you know that galahs can fly?”

“No,” said Giggle. So they went into training.



First they practiced running and then jumping and Giggle flapped his wings and started to fly.

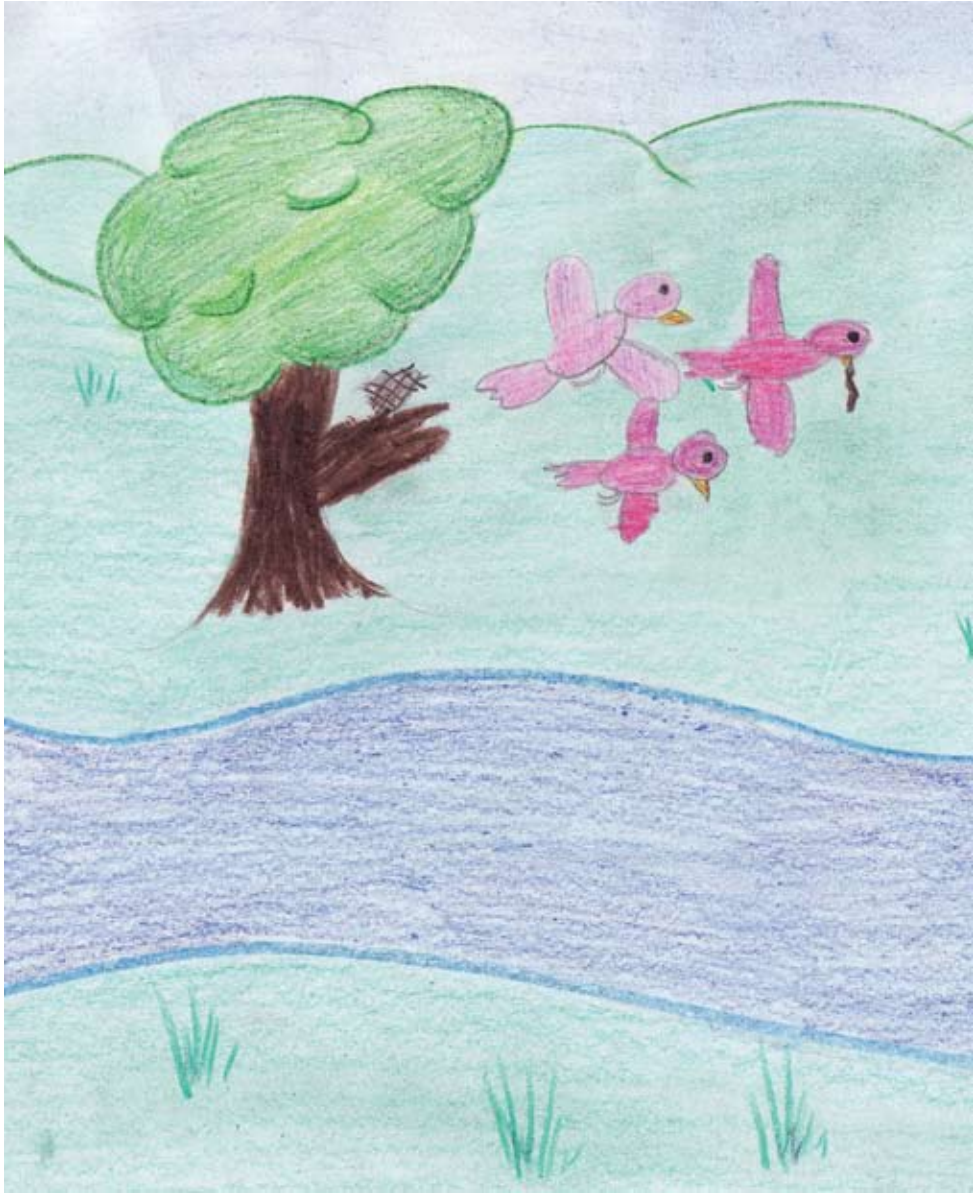
Owl said, “Now you can fly across the river to your nest.”



Giggle got a run up and flapped his wings taking off into the air.

He landed safely in his nest and found his mum and dad waiting for him.





From that day on Giggle was extremely happy as he knew how to fly.



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