

Trouble on Wee Waa Lagoon



Year 3 Class
Wee Waa Public School



Enviro-Stories Education Program

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

www.envirostories.com.au



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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www.cottoncrc.org.au

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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 hot, sunny afternoon Diana the duck was cruising along the Wee Waa Lagoon.

She came across a scrumptious looking patch of duck weed.

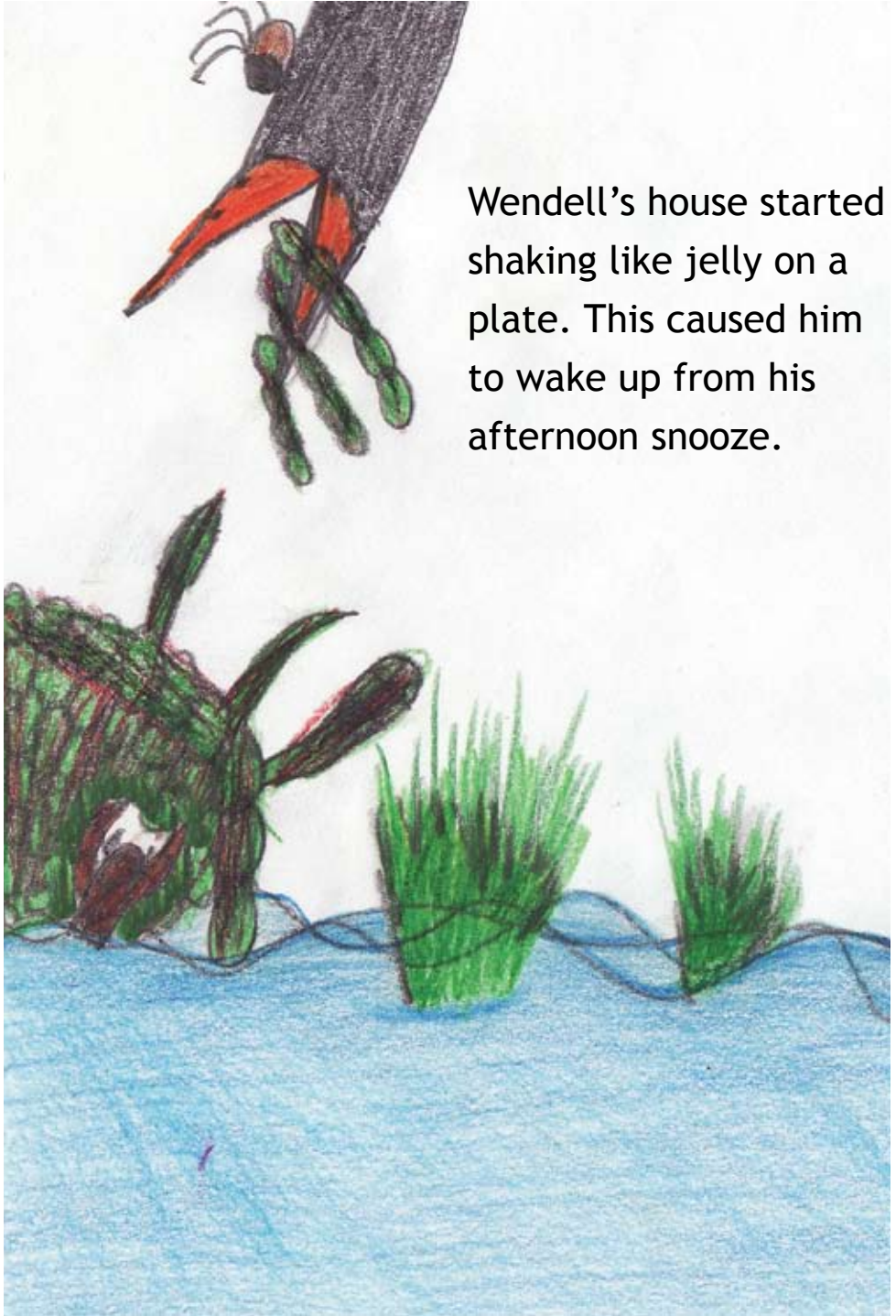


Diana did not know that the scrumptious looking duck weed was home to Wendell the water boatman's mansion.



Diana took a nibble of the delicious duck weed.

“Mmm mmm!!! That was delightful!” mumbled Diana, with her beak full of juicy duck weed.



Wendell's house started shaking like jelly on a plate. This caused him to wake up from his afternoon snooze.



Wendell was terrified!

He paddled out of his house as fast as his little legs would go.

To his surprise, a great monster was swallowing down beak-fuls of his home.



Diana the duck looked down to see the smallest creature she had ever seen in her life. She suddenly stopped eating and backed away.

Wendell was yelling his little water boatman heart out.

“Please stop eating my home!”

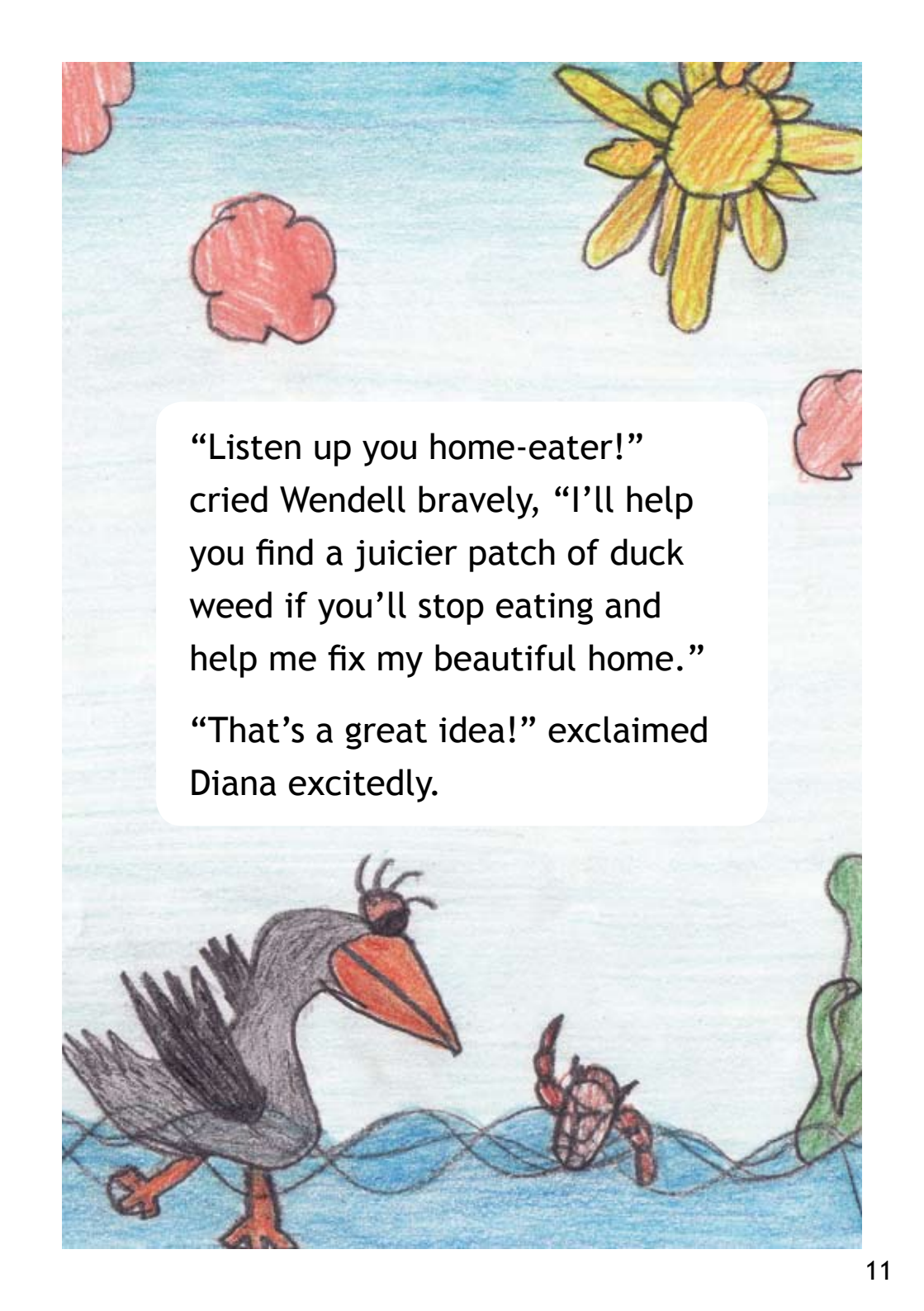




“Oh! I’m sorry, but it is so delicious!”
exclaimed Diana.

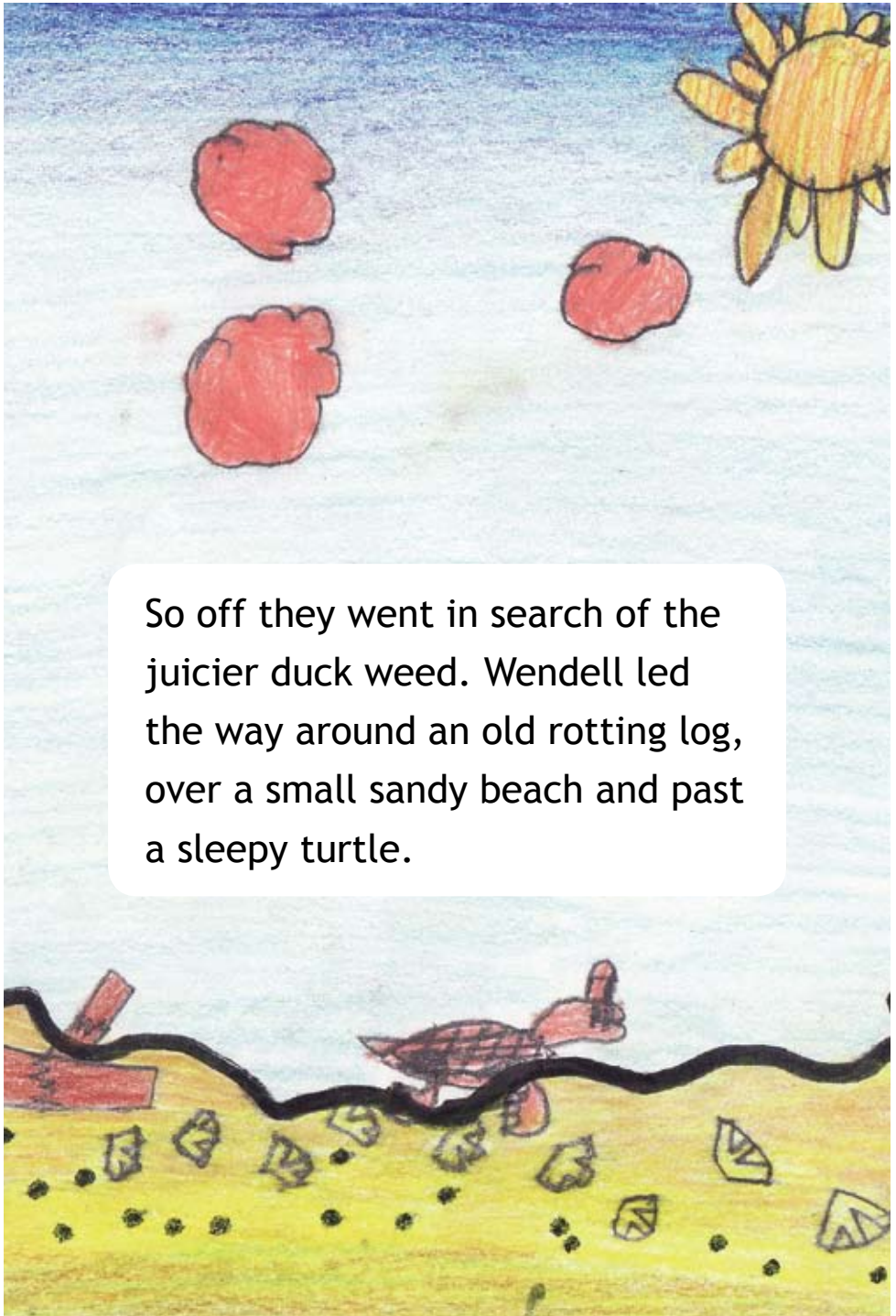
“But this is my home!” cried Wendell
desperately.

Diana felt embarrassed. She just
thought that it was an ordinary patch
of duck weed.



“Listen up you home-eater!”
cried Wendell bravely, “I’ll help
you find a juicier patch of duck
weed if you’ll stop eating and
help me fix my beautiful home.”

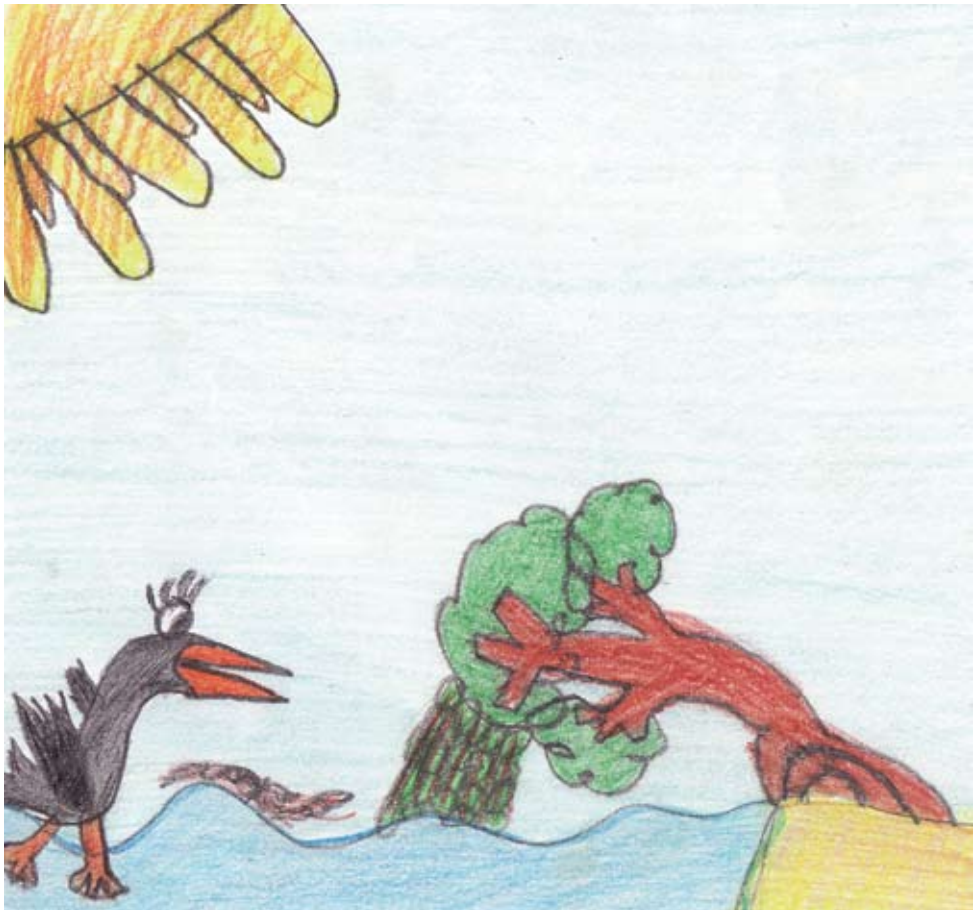
“That’s a great idea!” exclaimed
Diana excitedly.



So off they went in search of the juicier duck weed. Wendell led the way around an old rotting log, over a small sandy beach and past a sleepy turtle.

They stopped near a tree leaning into the water. Wendell pointed to a huge patch of reddish-green duck weed.

“There it is!” Wendell said proudly.

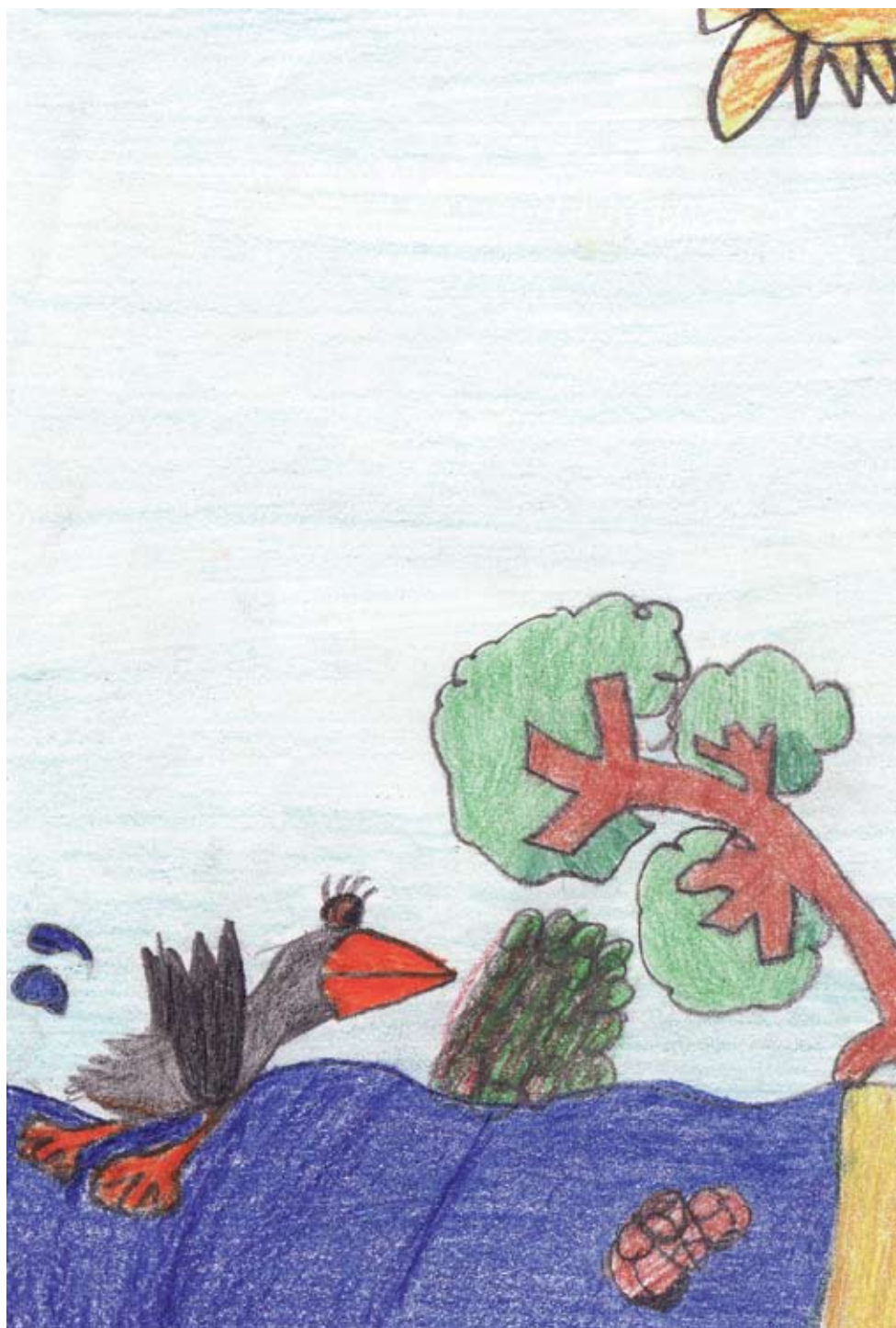


With excitement, Diana quickly went over to the duck weed. She started munching happily, looking at Wendell with big, brown eyes.

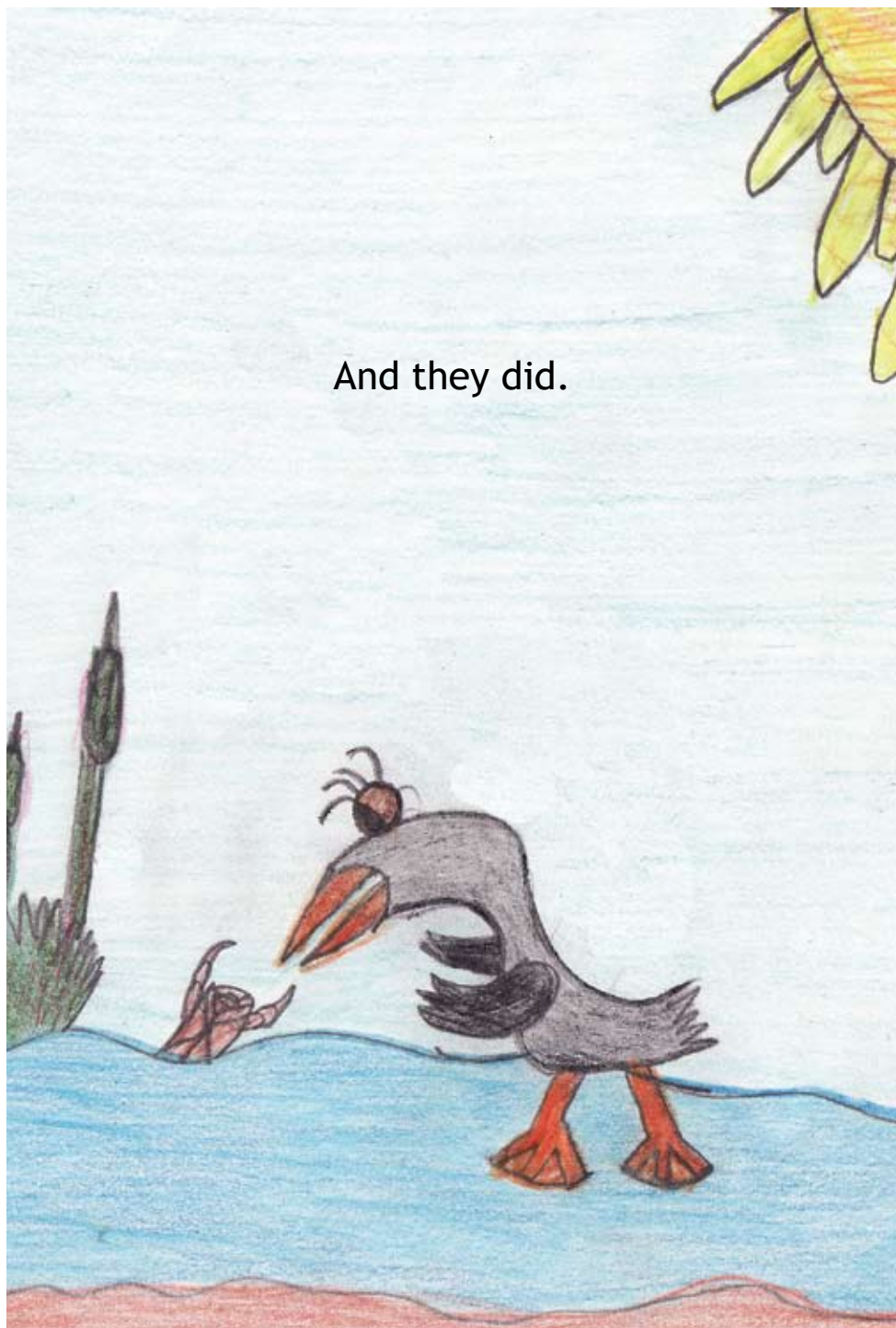
She knew that she would have plenty of food for the winter.

After a while, when Diana had eaten plenty of juicy duck weed, she smiled at Wendell.

“Let us go and fix your beautiful house,” she said.



And they did.





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