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For a teacher called Stuart, who started the day by getting Yellow Class to sing the old campfire "Hippo Song"... and gave me the idea for this story – ST

For all our imaginary animals that we dreamed of, who liked having their backs scratched – LC



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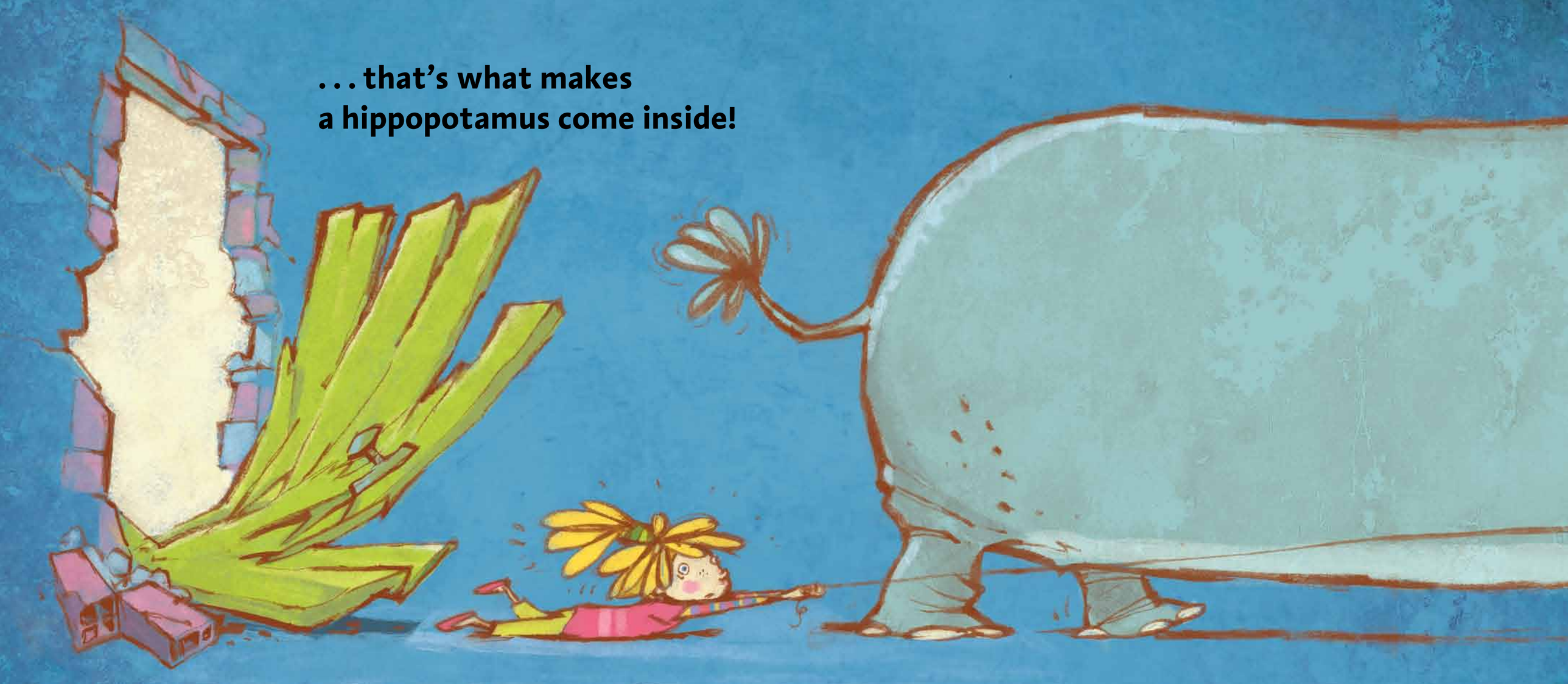
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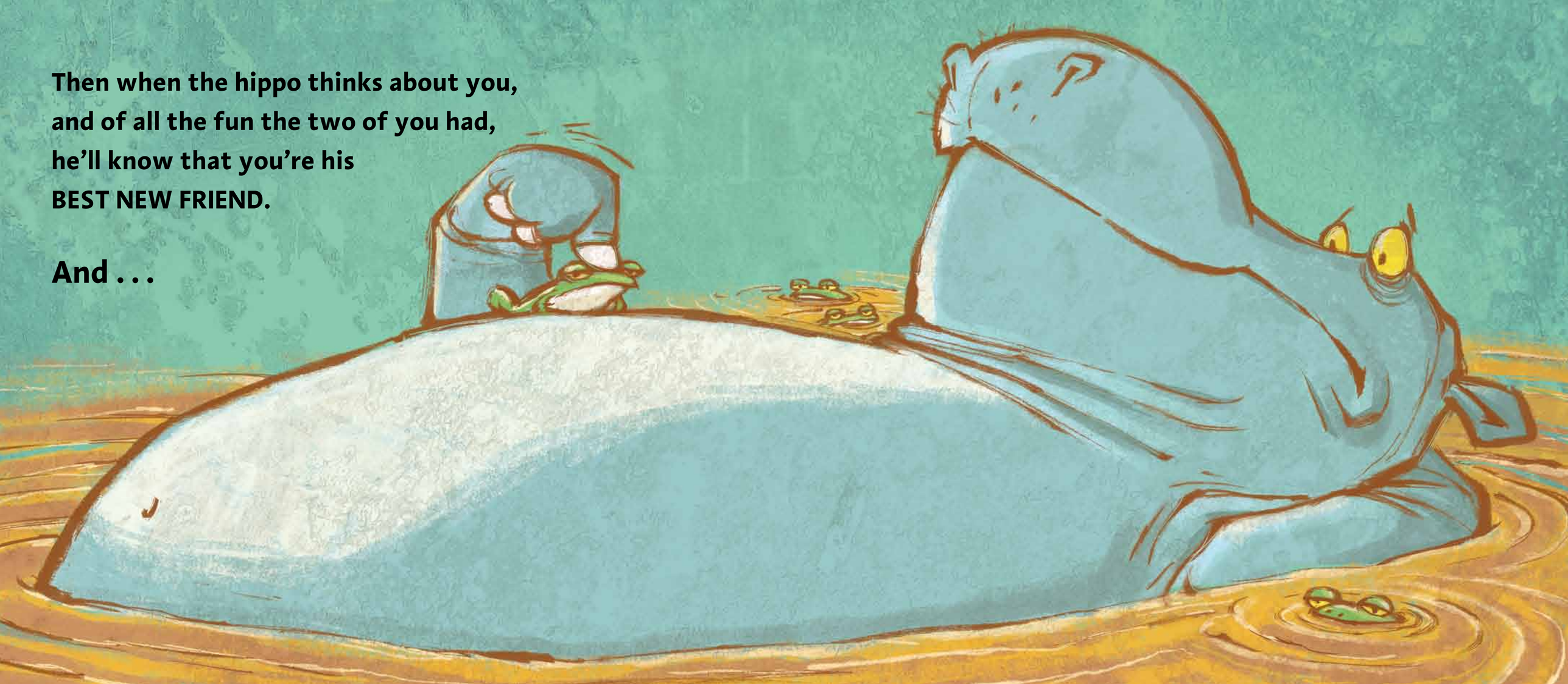
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. . . that's what makes
a hippopotamus come inside!


And when the hippo has to go home,
try not to be sad . . . even if you are.
Do a little dance.
Say goodbye in style.
Because . . .

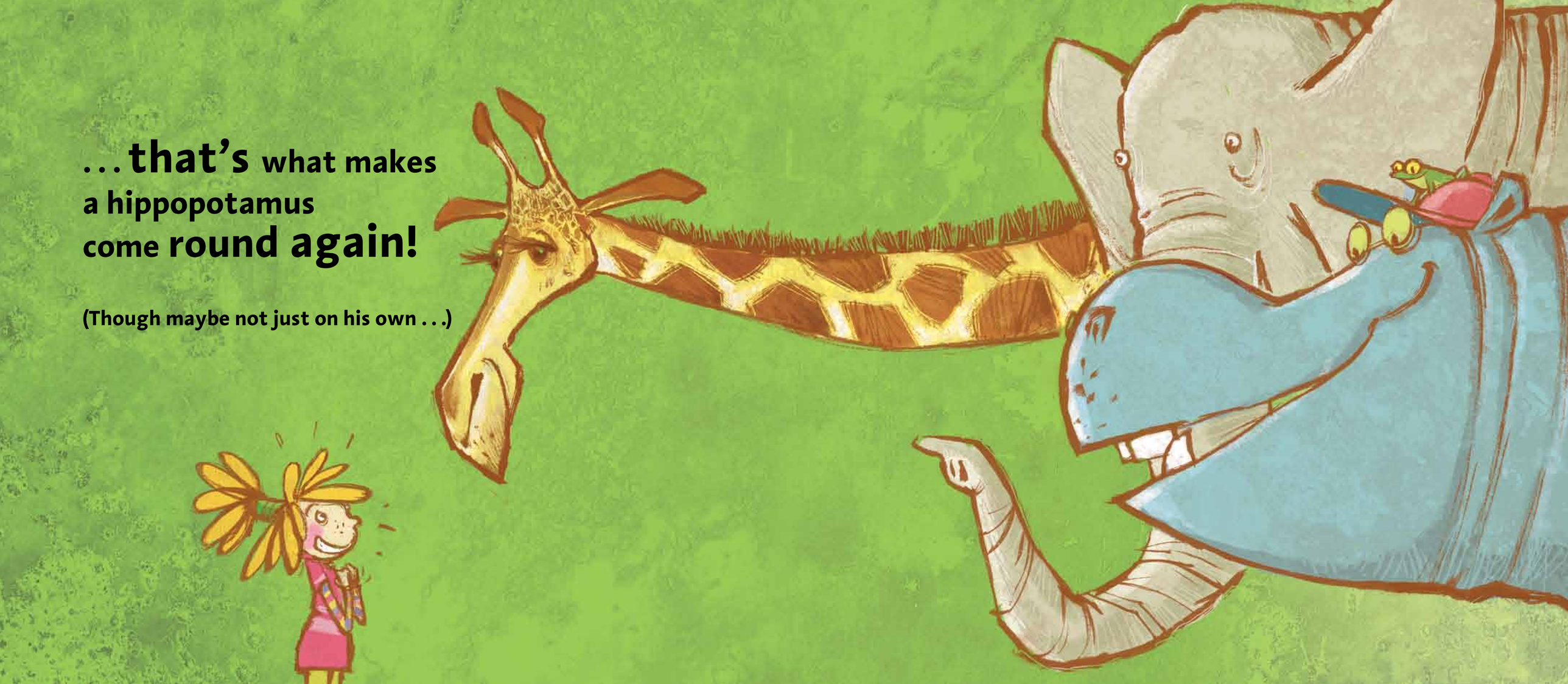
. . . that's what makes
a hippopotamus smile!





Then when the hippo thinks about you,
and of all the fun the two of you had,
he'll know that you're his
BEST NEW FRIEND.

And . . .


. . . that's what makes
a hippopotamus
come round again!
(Though maybe not just on his own . . .)