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## Opening extract from **Fabulous Pie**

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#### For Imogen, who can bake a properly fabulous pie – G.E.

### For Sarah, with love from Guy x – G.P.R.



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Deep in the forest Where the trees meet the sky A VETY bad bear Baked a very big pie.

He made a crust of pastry That was flaky, warm and wide, And he had a wicked plan To get a filling inside. So the bear stood in a clearing And he said with a sigh –

> "Fabulous pie! Fabulous pie! Who'll help to make the filling For my fabulous pie?"

"Me!" said a mouse. 1 will scramble!"

"I will scamper!

And he fetched the ripest berries From the blackberry bramble. The bear put in the berries And he stirred them with his paw... But still he thought the pie Needed something more.

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So he clambered on a tree stump And he asked the branches high –

"Fabulous pie! Fabulous pie! Who'll help to make the filling For my fabulous pie?"