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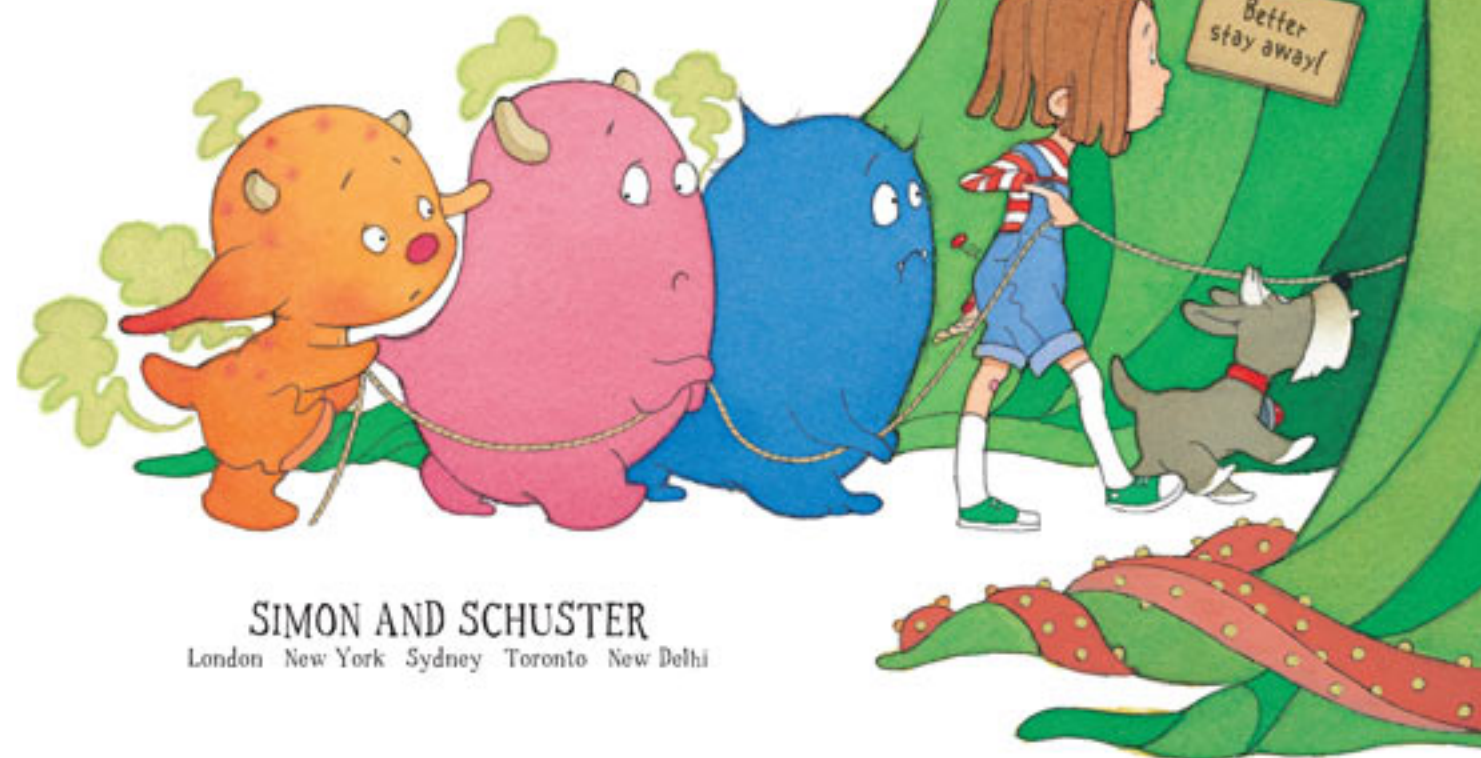
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It was early morning
in Smallsbury.

Molly Maybe was
up in her tree house
with her dog,
Waggy Burns.

They were taking it in
turns with a paintbrush
when they smelt
A TERRIBLE SMELL.

'Pooh! Was that you?' asked Molly.
'Woof, woof, woof!' said Waggy, pointing to Mr Buster-Pipe,
the drain cleaner, who was driving into town.
'Oh!' said Molly. 'The drains must be blocked.'



By the end of the day Mr Buster-Pipe was finished but the smell was worse than before.

'Maybe it's not the drains,' said Molly thoughtfully. She took down a large book and read for a few moments.

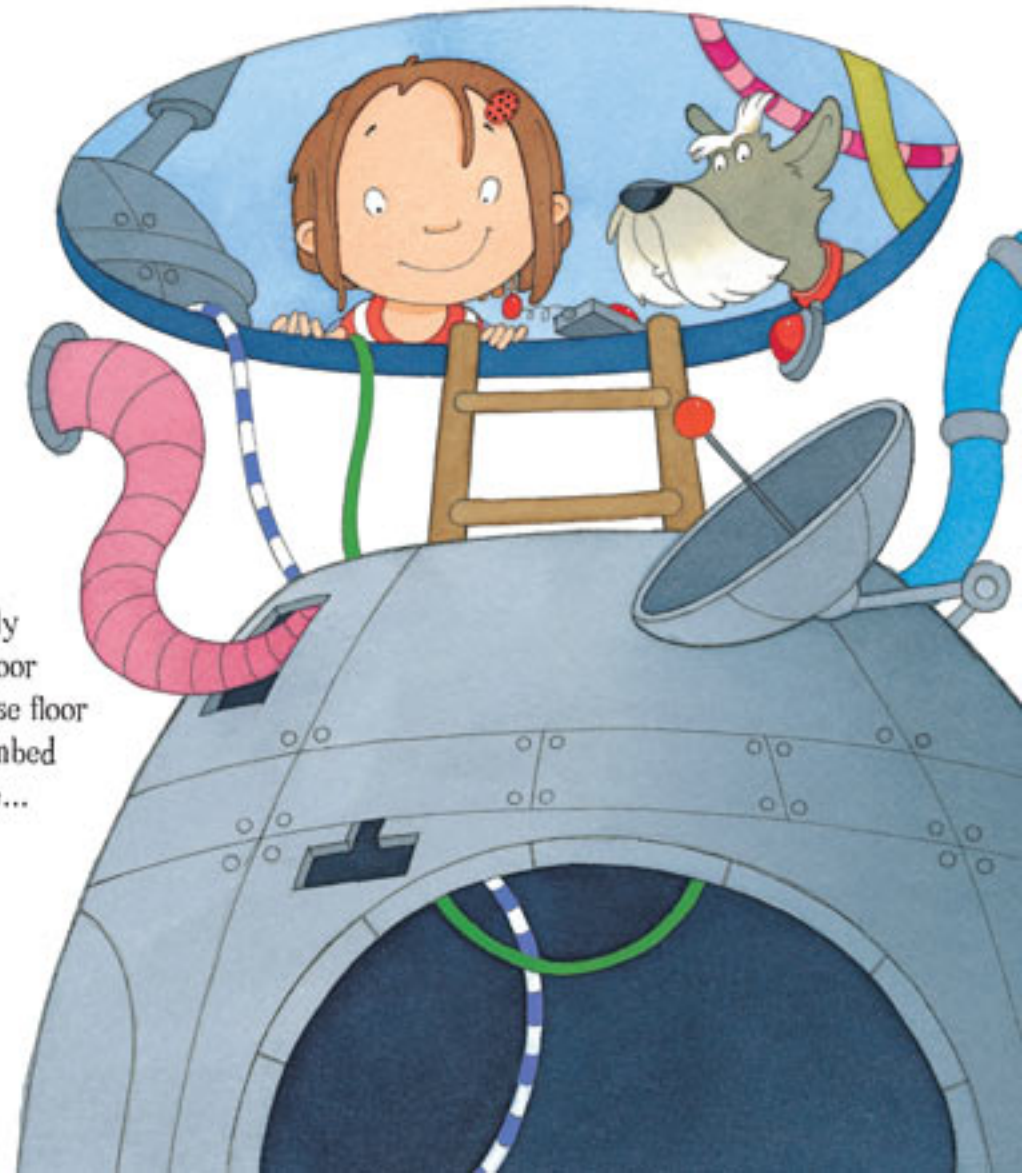
'Listen to this,' she said to Waggy Burns. 'When monsters are frightened they give off a pong.'

'If the monsters are scared,' said Molly, 'we need to find out why. It's time to go underground Waggy Burns.'

Waggy wiggled his wiry whiskers and wagged off to fetch his special Walkie-Talkie Collar.



Then Molly opened a door in the tree house floor and they climbed aboard the...





... MUNDERVATOR.

You see Molly had an amazing secret.
Her tree house led to a monster world
deep beneath the ground and this
marvellous, moving, mechanical machine
was the only way to get there.



Down,



down,



round the bend



and into...

Bumpity-
bump!

UNDERMUNDER!



THE HAUNTED HOLLOW

KEEP OUT!

DO NOT ENTER!

Better
stay away!

'I've come to the
canine conclusion,' said Waggy,
'we've found the source
of the smell.'

The Mundervator had arrived at the edge
of The Haunted Hollow where three
terrified little monsters were
pumping out a pong.

'Woof, woof, woof,' said Waggy
Burns, trying to tell Molly
something.

Molly switched on his
Walkie-Talkie Collar so
her clever companion
could speak.

