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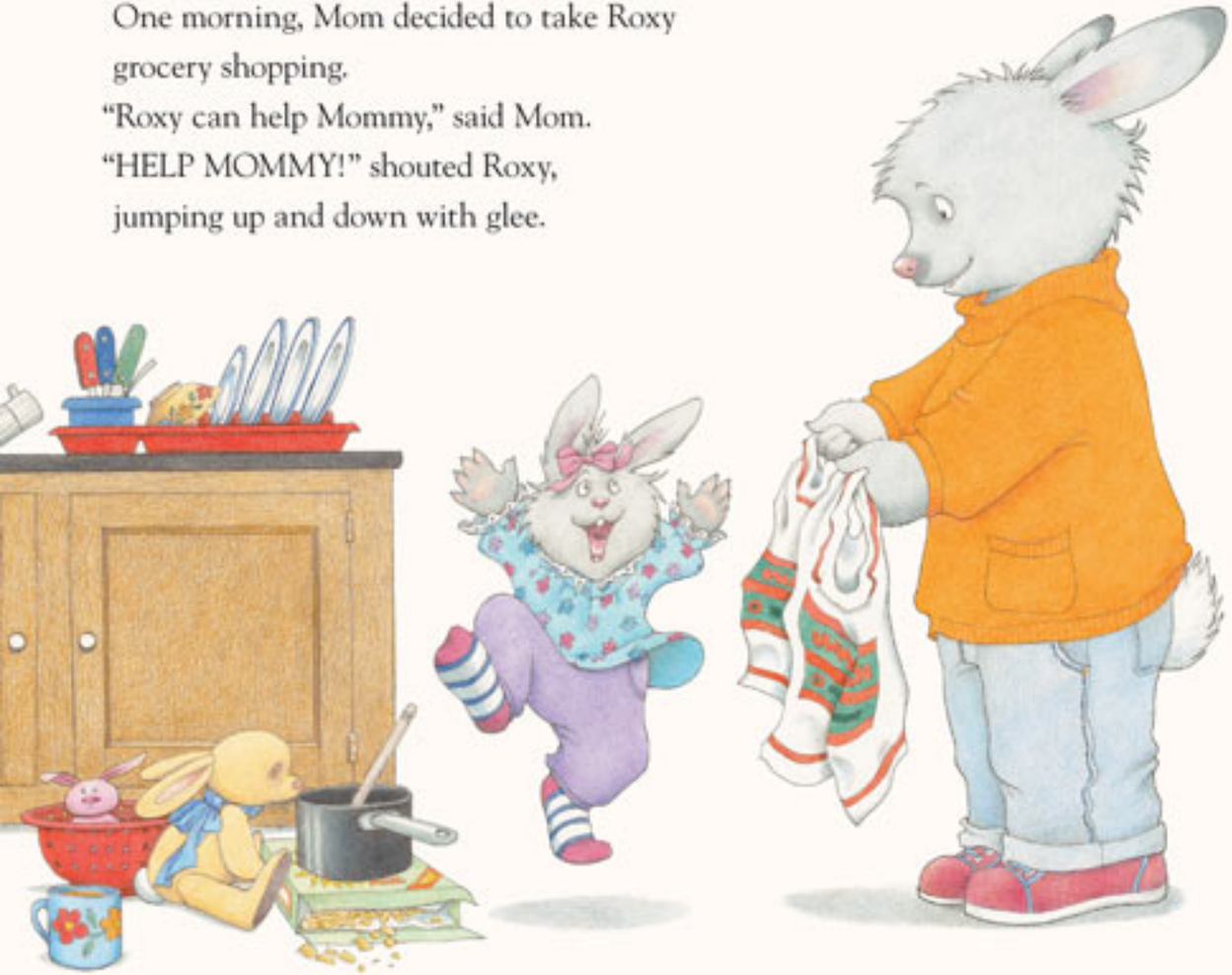
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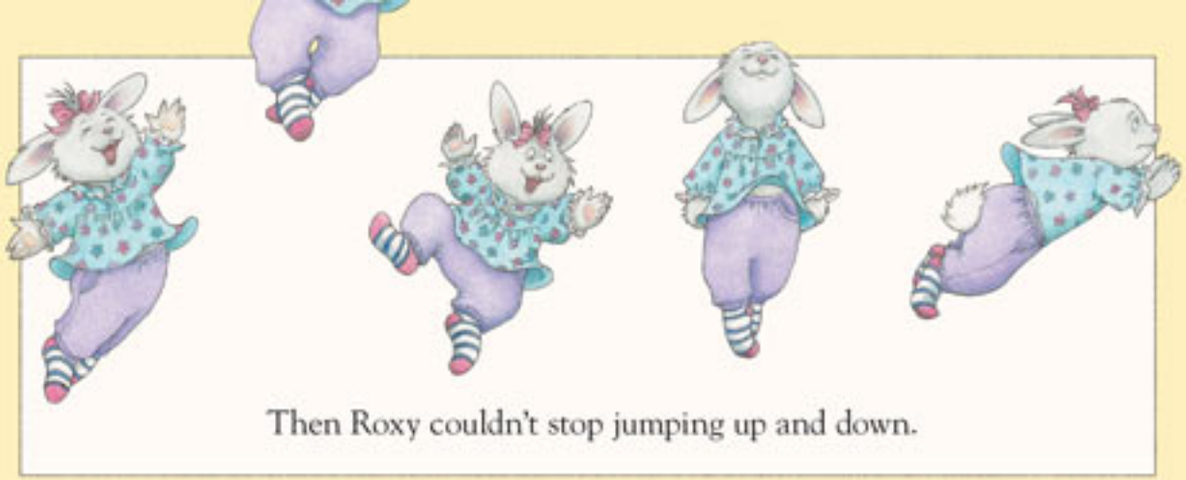
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One morning, Mom decided to take Roxy grocery shopping.
"Roxy can help Mommy," said Mom.
"HELP MOMMY!" shouted Roxy, jumping up and down with glee.





Then Roxy couldn't stop jumping up and down.

"That's enough jumping," said Mom.
"'Nuff jumping," agreed Roxy.



"Come on," said Mom.
"Into the stroller
and off we go."



"Off we go," said Roxy. "WHEEEEEE!"

Mom tried to lift Roxy out of the seat, but Roxy stuck her legs out straight and fell over backward.



Mom tried to grab the cake, but Roxy held on to it. EVERYONE WAS LOOKING!

Finally, Mom wrestled the squashed cake from Roxy's clutches and put what was left of it back into the cart.



Roxy was screaming her head off. "GIVE ME THE PIGGY CAKE! HAVE THE PIGGY CAKE! AAAAAAAH! WANT IT NOW!"