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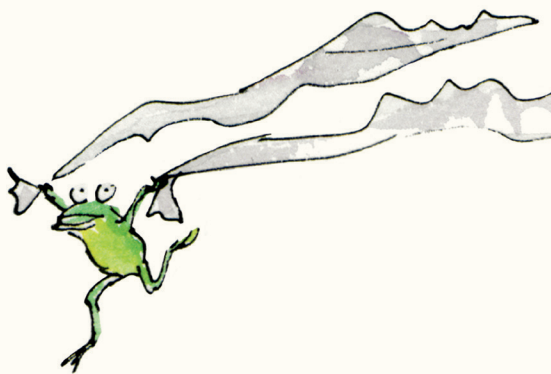
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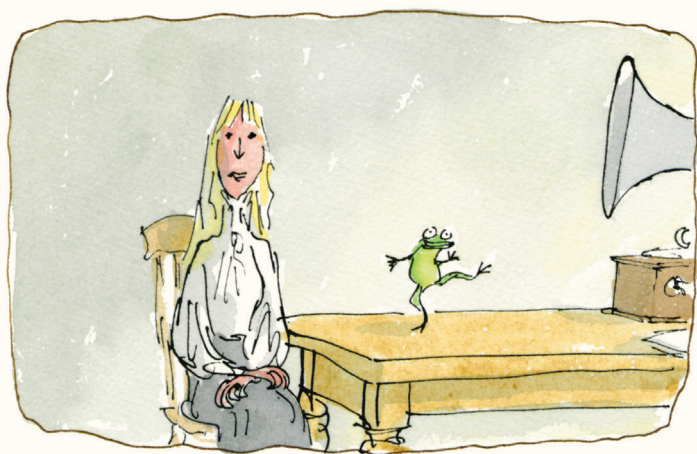
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“Tell me another story about our family,” said Jo.

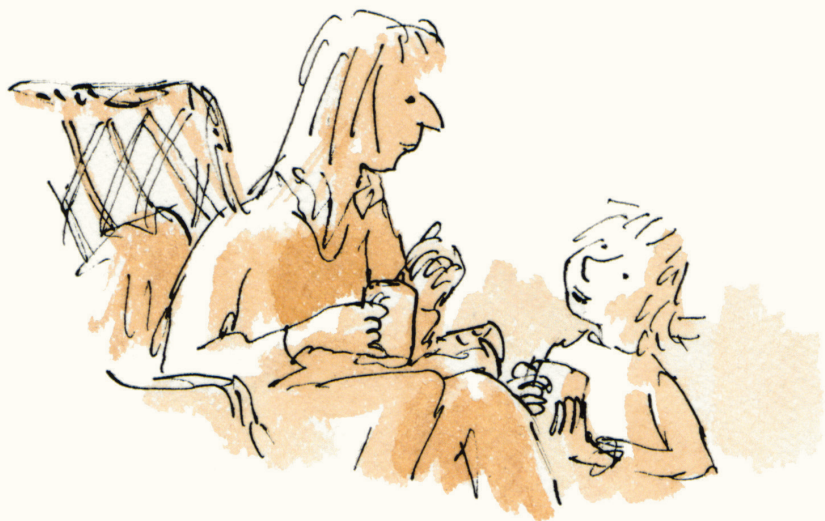
“I’m really too tired, lovey.”

“If I make the cocoa and the sandwiches.”

“Well – all right then. What have I told you? Uncle Geoffrey and the Iceberg. And Sarah and her Lions. Do you know about Great Aunt Gertrude Godkin and the Dancing Frog?”

“No. Can I have that, please?”

“You get the cocoa and I’ll see how much I can remember.



“When Gertrude was a young woman she married an officer in the navy. He was very handsome, with a black beard and a smart uniform.



“The trouble with being married to a sailor is that he has to go with his ship, so that a lot of the time you can’t be with the person you most want to be with. Anyway, they were happy when they were together, and they had a house by the sea and Gertrude would watch for his ship returning, and when he came home he brought her presents from abroad.”