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extracts from Hilda and the Runaway Baby

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Hilda lived in a small tin house at the foot of a hill.

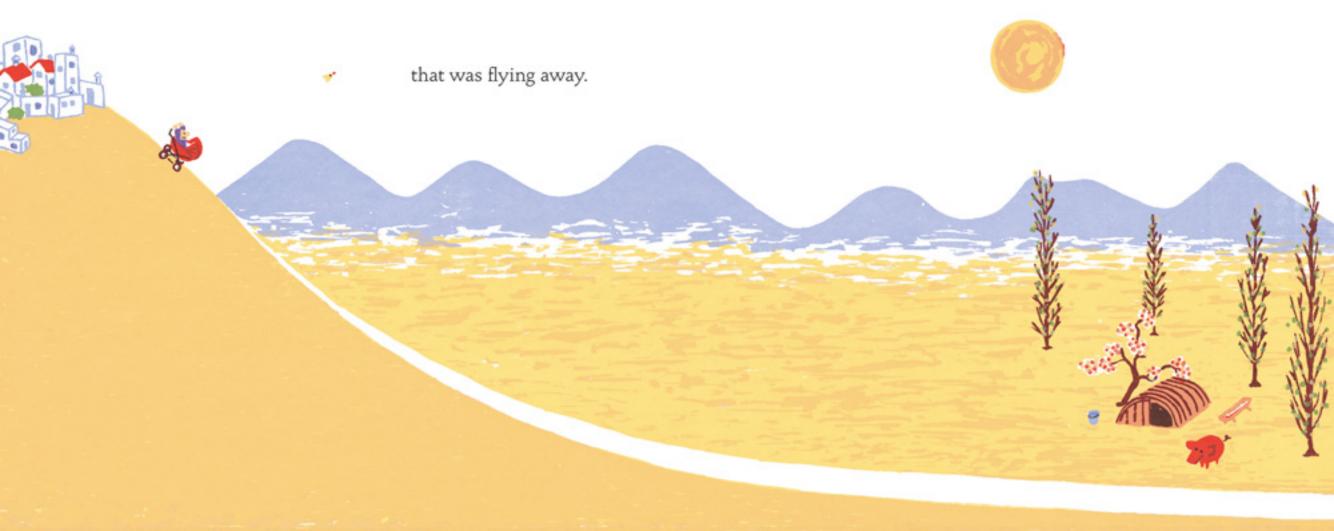
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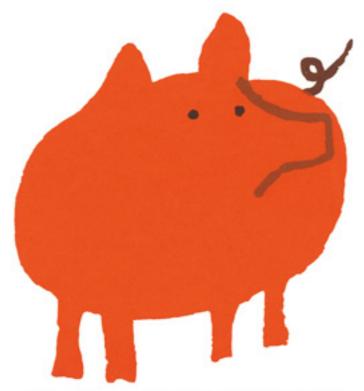
She had a trough, a bucket and an almond tree.

Sometimes she tried talking to them, but even the almond tree didn't say anything back.

I think I ought to be happy, thought Hilda. Life is peaceful. Nobody bothers me. I am always where I expect myself to be.







Hilda had never seen a baby go so fast.

She realized the Runaway Baby could not stop the pram!



Hilda ran and ran, the pram raced on and on,



the Runaway Baby stretched, Hilda leapt ...