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however big or small.



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Chapter 1

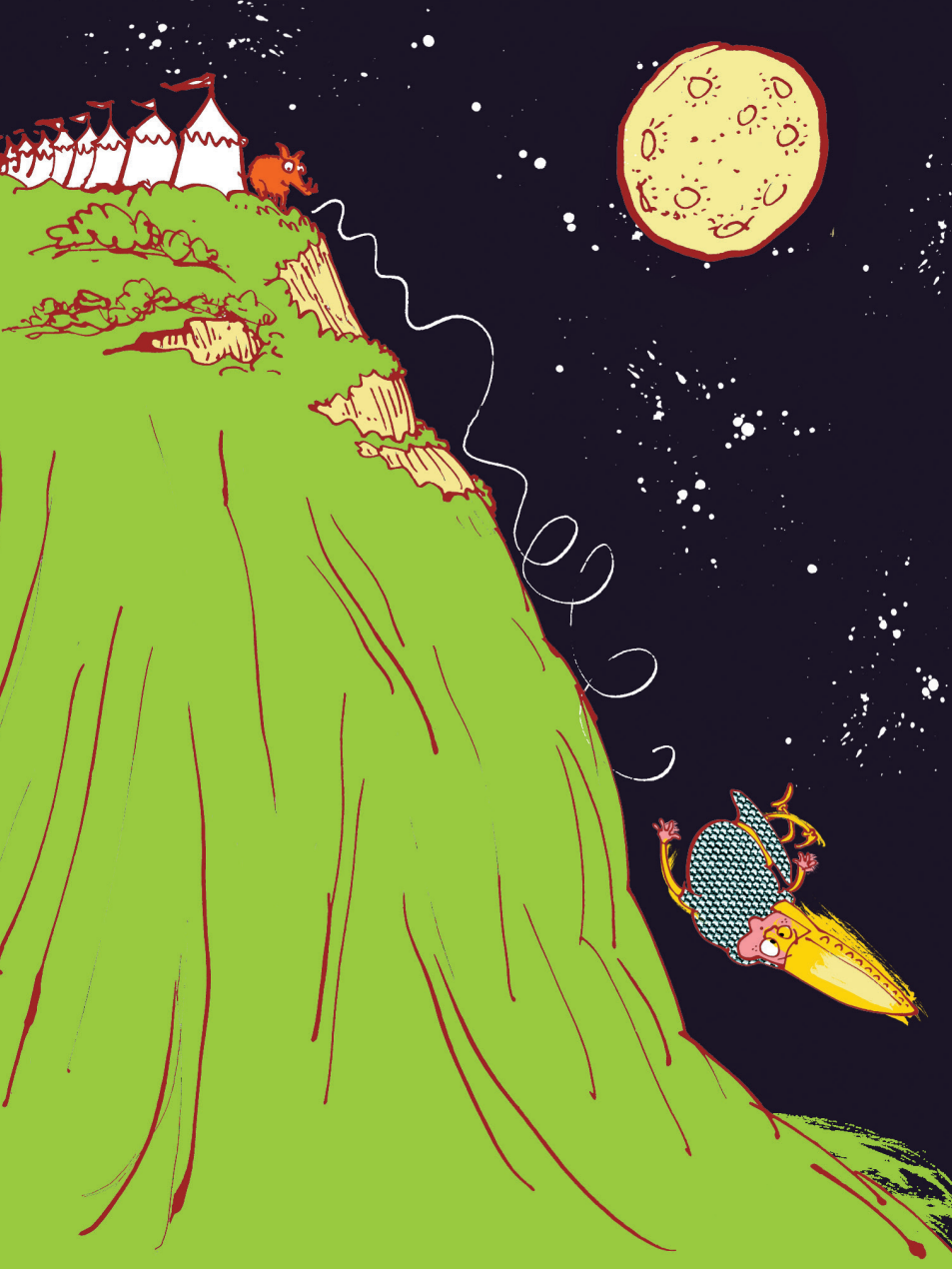
The Future Past

Norman the Norman from Normandy woke up with a big yawn and rolled over.

He kept rolling over and over and over and over. You get the picture.

And if you don't get the picture, here's a picture.

See? A LOT of rolling over. And eyes wide open in surprise.



The reason WHY Norman the Norman from Normandy was so surprised was because when he normally rolled out of bed, he normally hit his bedroom floor with a THUMP. And that was an end to it. So, this time around – and around and around – he didn't know why he was STILL rolling. And rolling.

Then he remembered. He hadn't gone to sleep in his bed the night before. He'd gone to sleep at the top of the hill.

If you're thinking 'WHY didn't he go to sleep in his bed?', that's a very good question. Which is why I am going to answer it.

