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With a great big thank-you hug
to the unstoppable Hannah Whitty
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The VERY BEST HUG



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Have you ever wondered who gives the **BEST** hug?
The kind that's warm and cosy and snug?
Extra squeezey, but never too tight,
The kind that fits you completely right?

Well, let's find out.
I wonder,
have you tried . . .



A Bear Hug?



Or a
Koala Cuddle?



How about . . .

a Seahorse
Smooch?



Or a
Hippo Huddle?

Not quite sure about those?
Ah, you think the bubbles
might get up your nose?

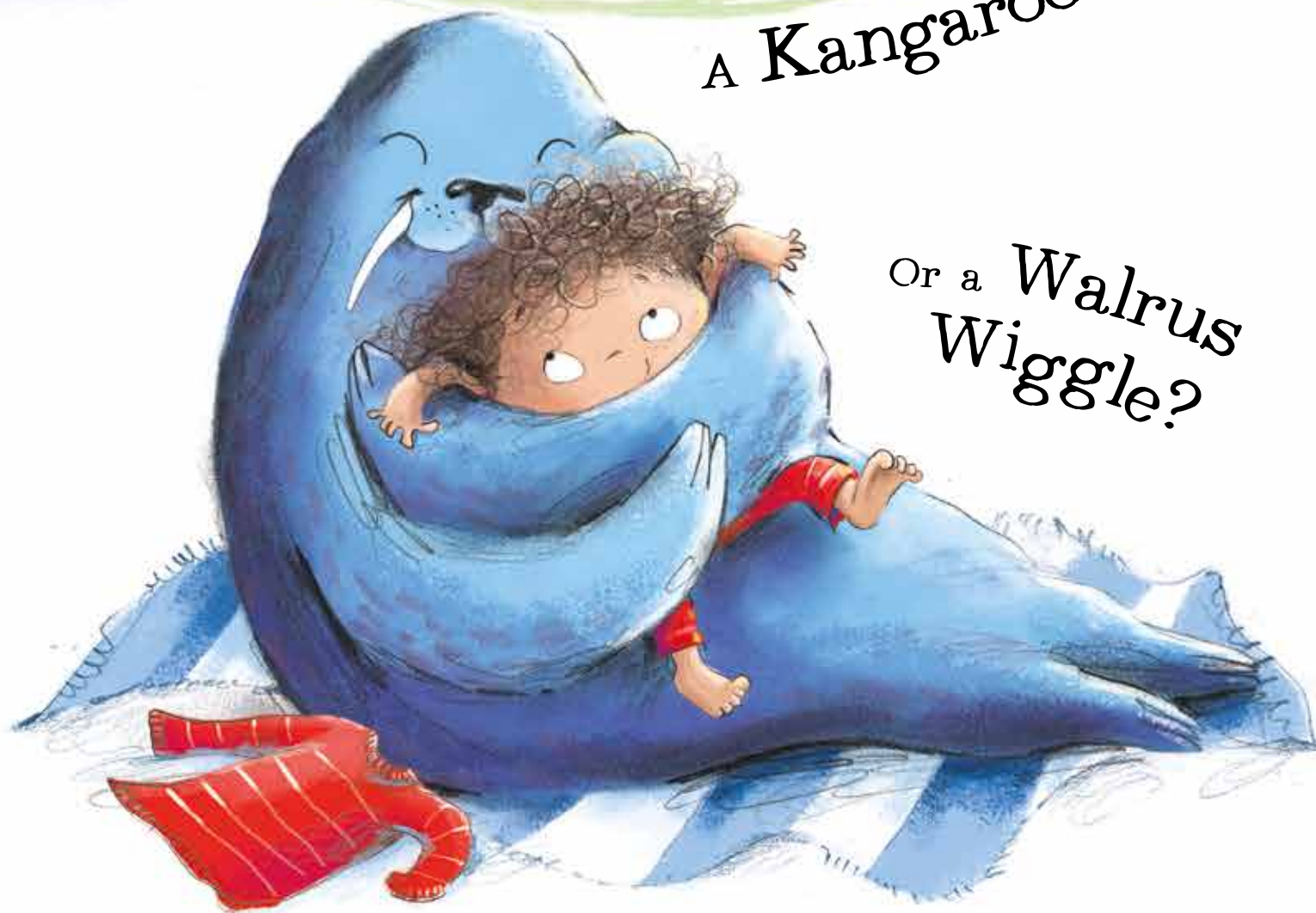
And hippos are quite heavy
I suppose . . .



Well then, how about . . .

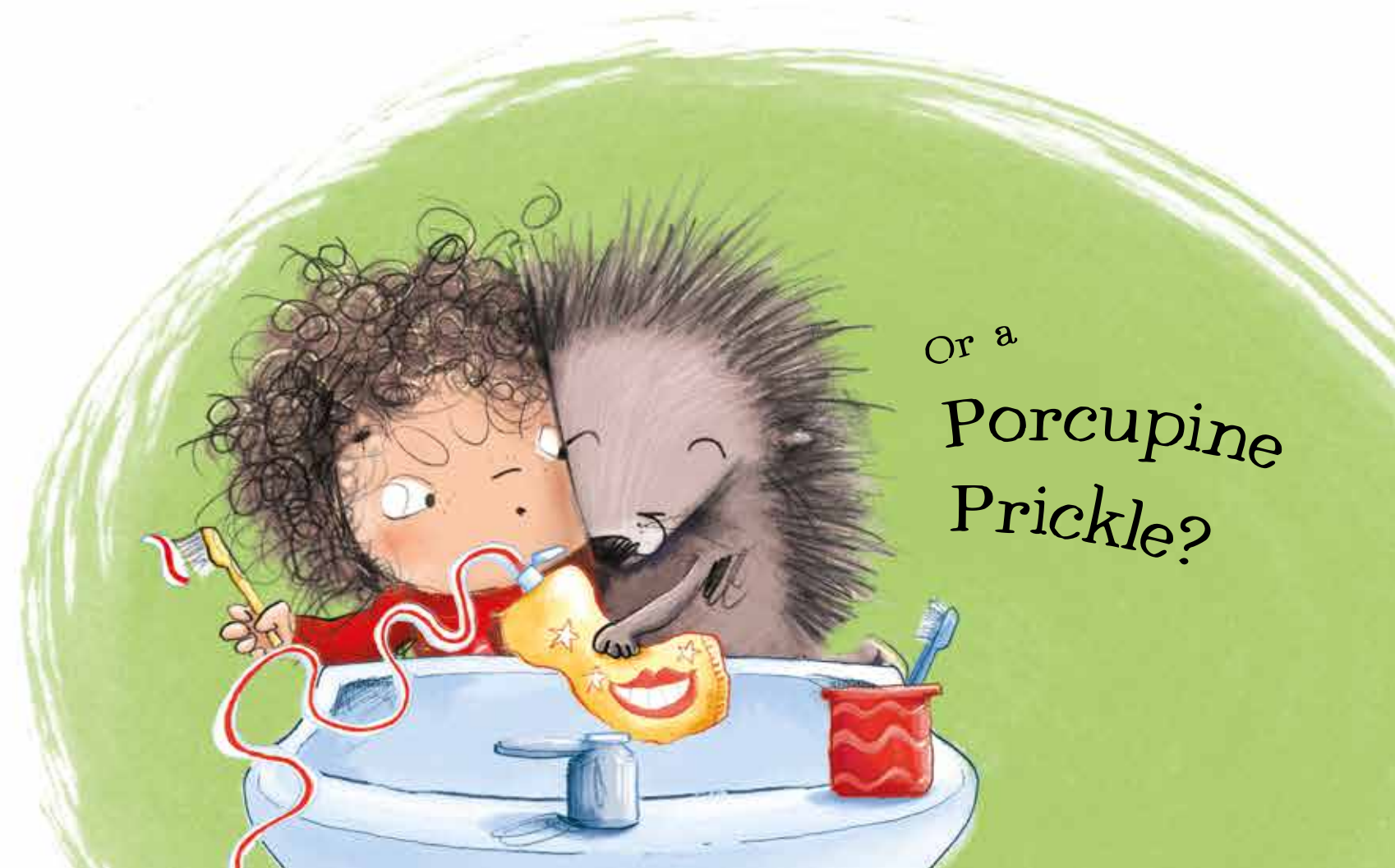


A Kangaroo Kiss?



Or a Walrus Wiggle?

A Penguin Peck?



Or a Porcupine Prickle?

I SEE . . .

You're right, there's not much room in that pouch.

And those beaks and spikes are quite an OUCH!

(And that walrus does look a bit of a grouch.)

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