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# GIGANTIC



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Five things to find in this book

- A pearl in an oyster shell ☐
- A tiny alien piloting a submarine ☐
- A pirate fish ☐
- A message in a bottle ☐
- A diamond ring ☐

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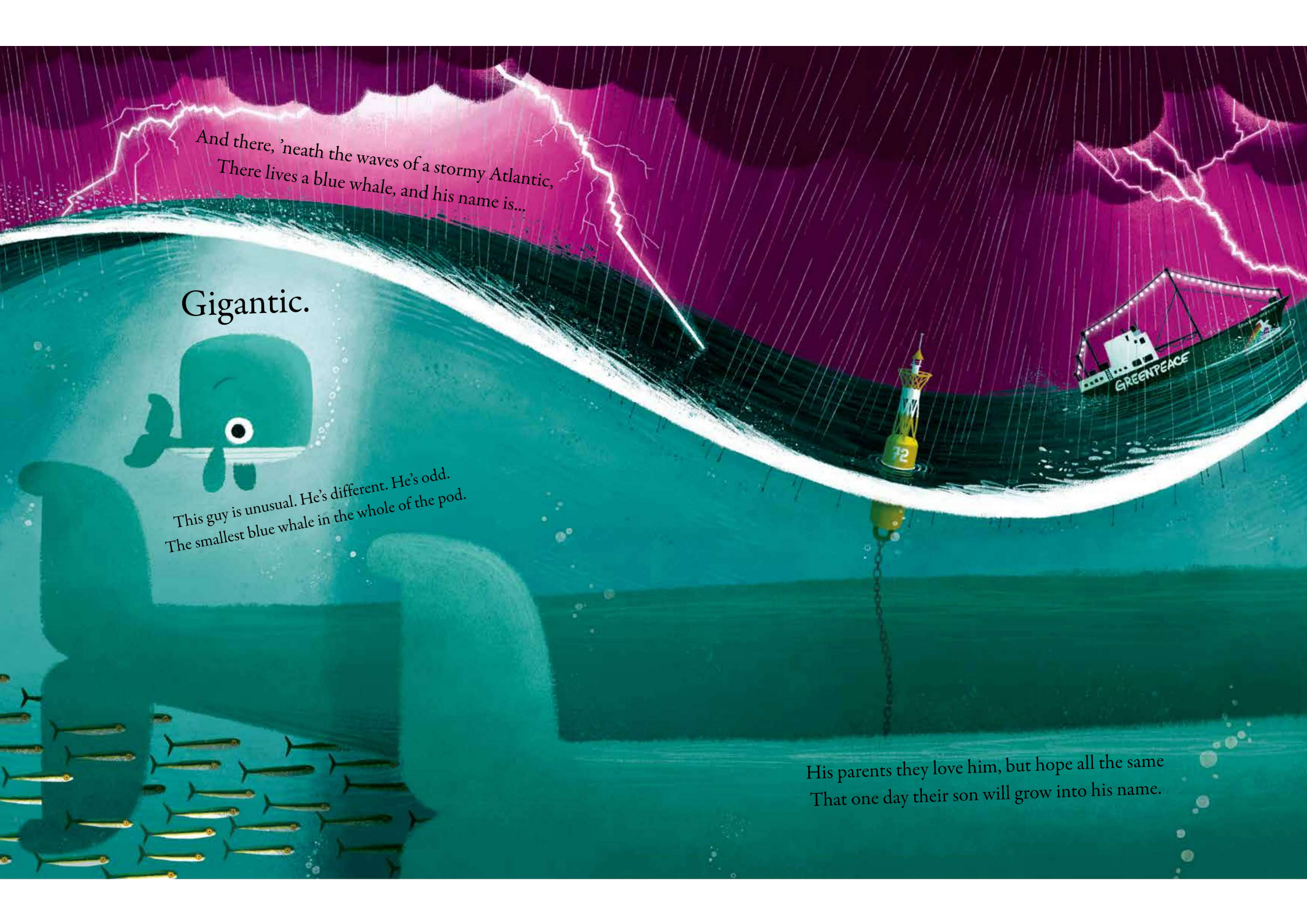


A mulberry sky  
full of flashes  
and rumbles.

An ocean alive

as it rises and tumbles.





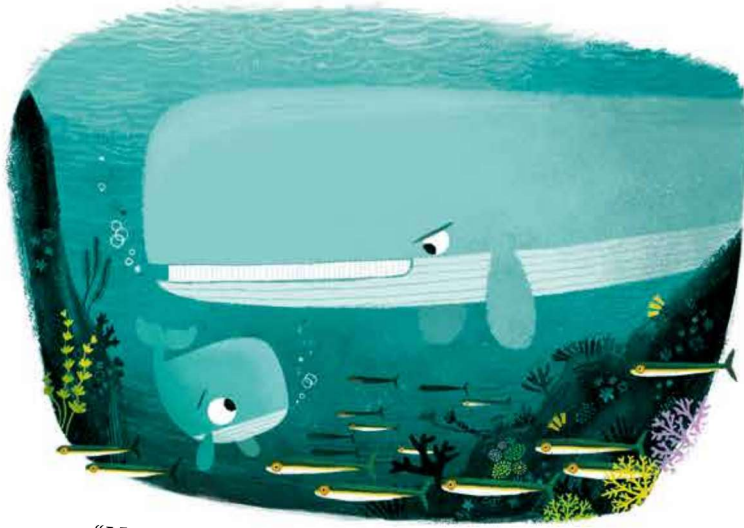
And there, 'neath the waves of a stormy Atlantic,  
There lives a blue whale, and his name is...

Gigantic.

This guy is unusual. He's different. He's odd.  
The smallest blue whale in the whole of the pod.

His parents they love him, but hope all the same  
That one day their son will grow into his name.

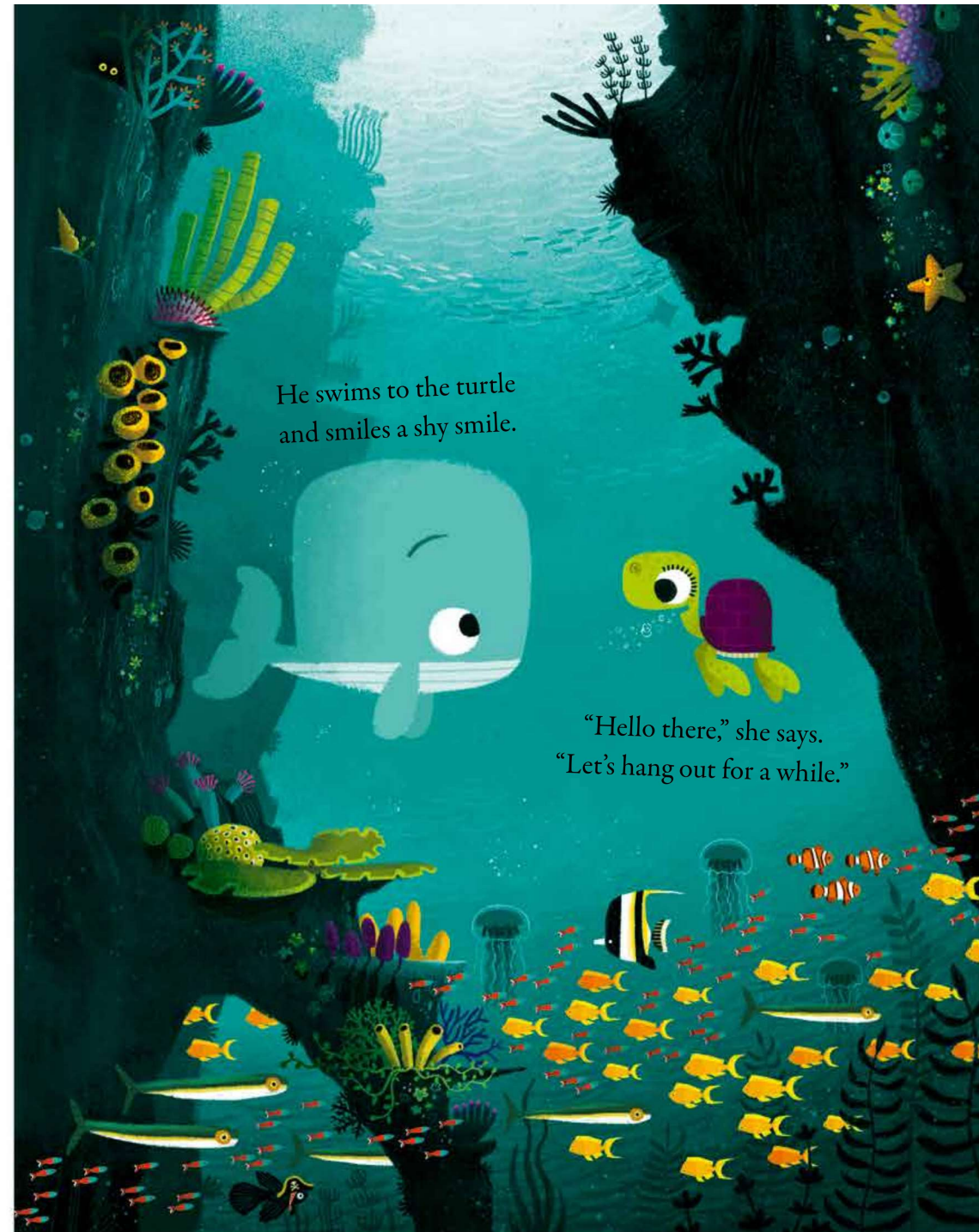




"Hey, titchy," taunts Titan. "If I were that small,  
I'm not sure I'd feel like a whale at all!"



"In fact, little brother, I think you'd be wise  
To make friends with Myrtle. She's much more your size."



He swims to the turtle  
and smiles a shy smile.

"Hello there," she says.  
"Let's hang out for a while."

So...



and they dance...



and they play.



Big fun for small friends in the mouth of the bay.





"Oh, wow," says Colossus, a smile on her chops,  
"Gigantic's so good at those flippety flops!"



"Your brother," says Hulk, "is a talent, for sure!  
I've not seen a whale do a tailspin before!"