

*For Matilda,
who enchants us with her smile.*



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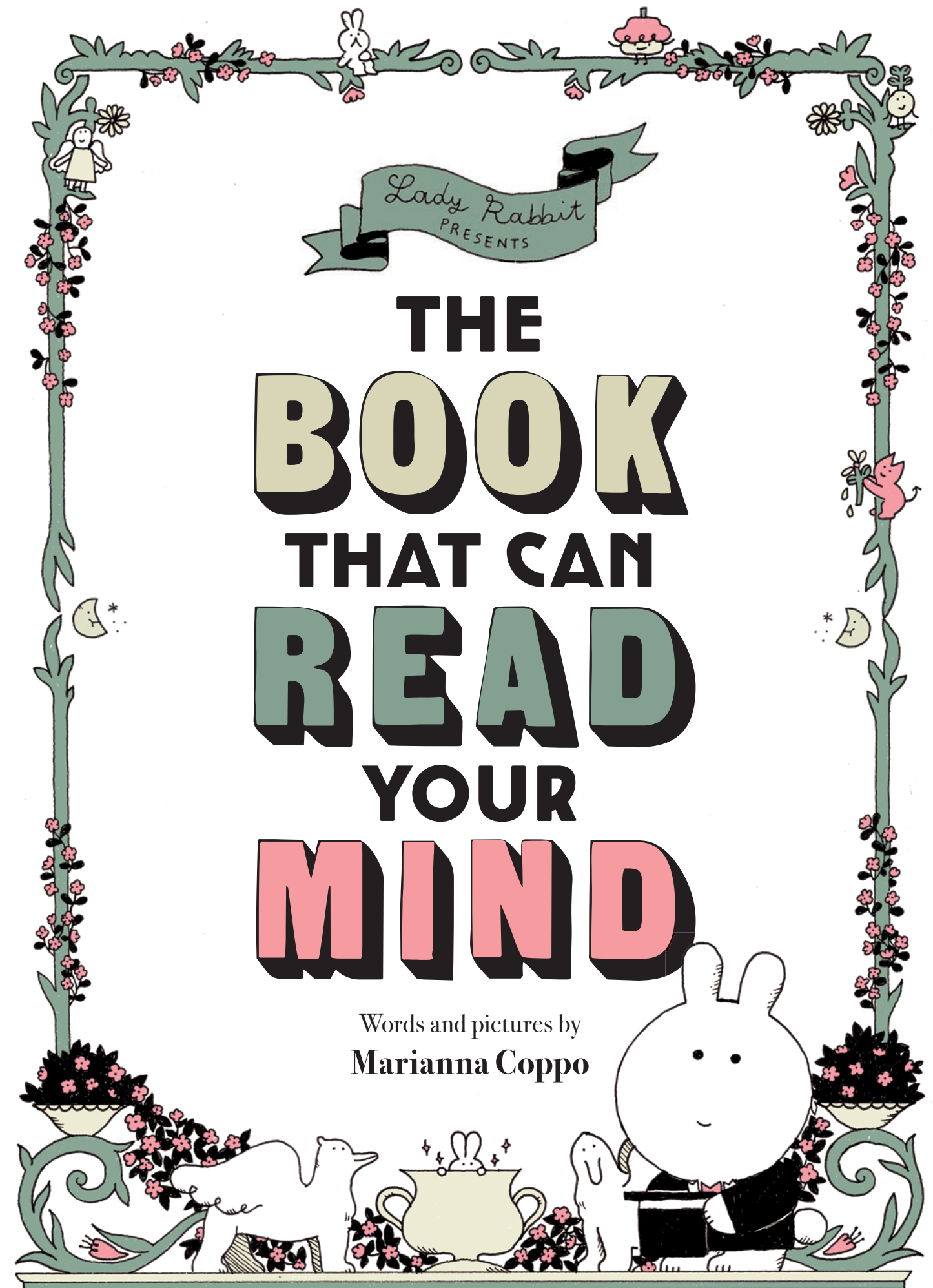


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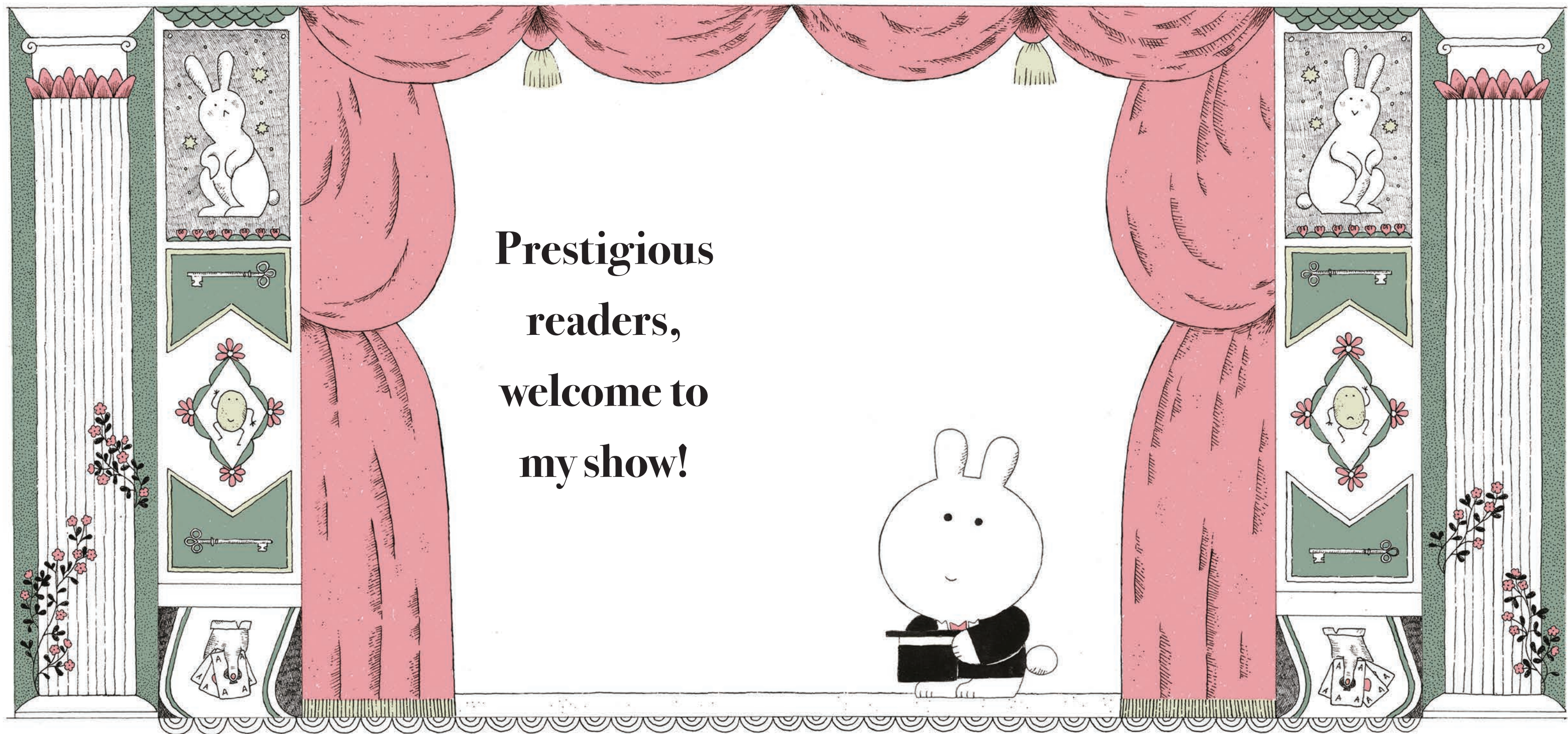
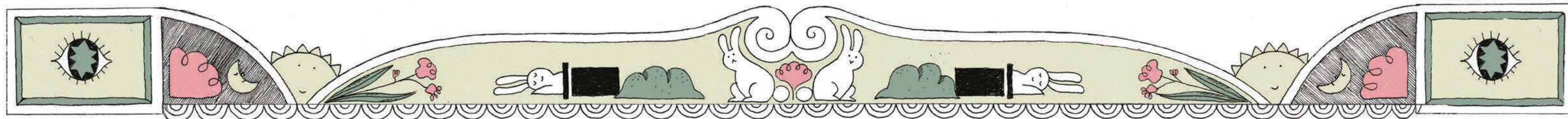
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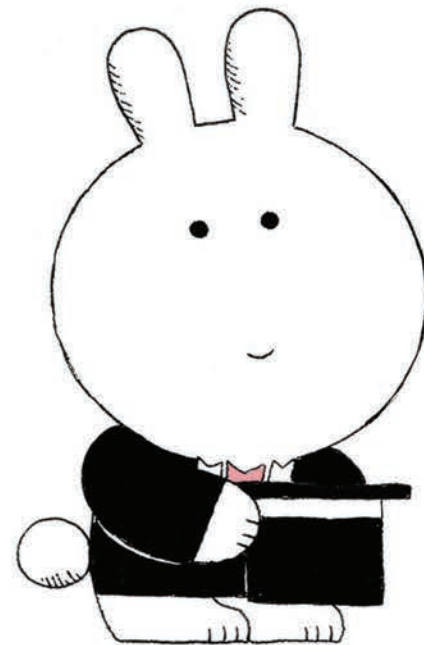


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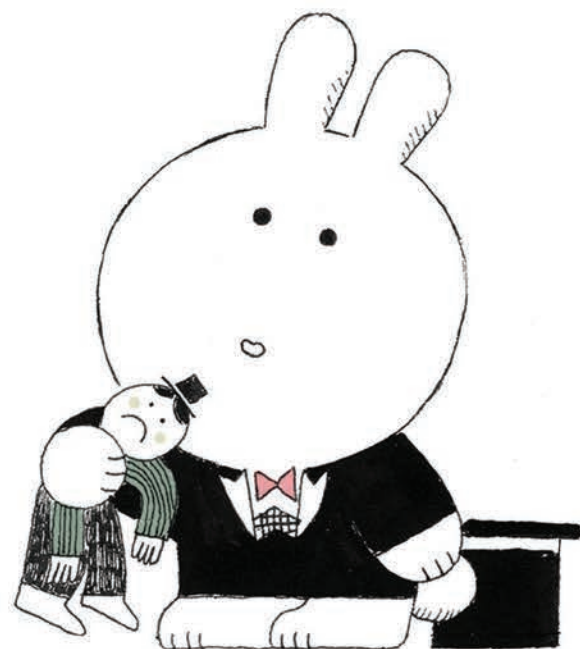


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readers,
welcome to
my show!

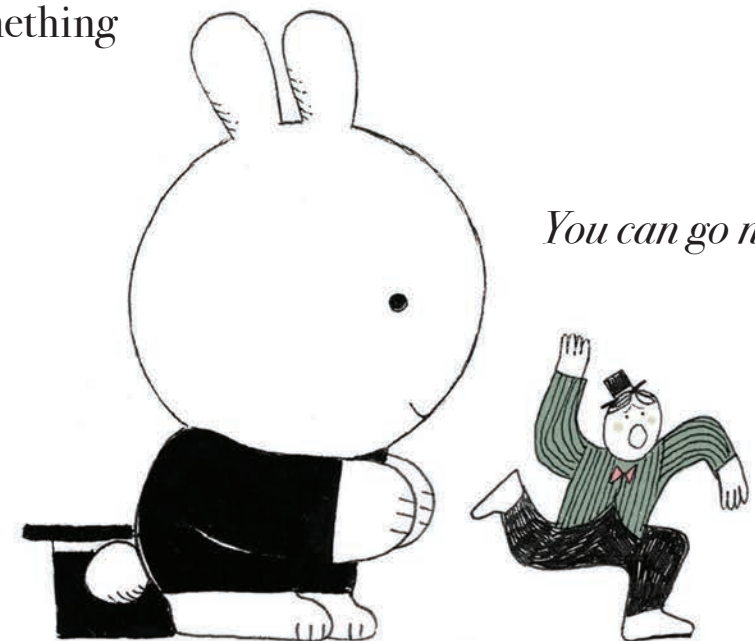
First of all, I have to tell you a secret:
This book is NOT a normal book.
This book is, in fact, magical.
Let me show you.



I could pull
the same old guy
out of my hat.
But it wouldn't
be enough
to convince you,
would it?

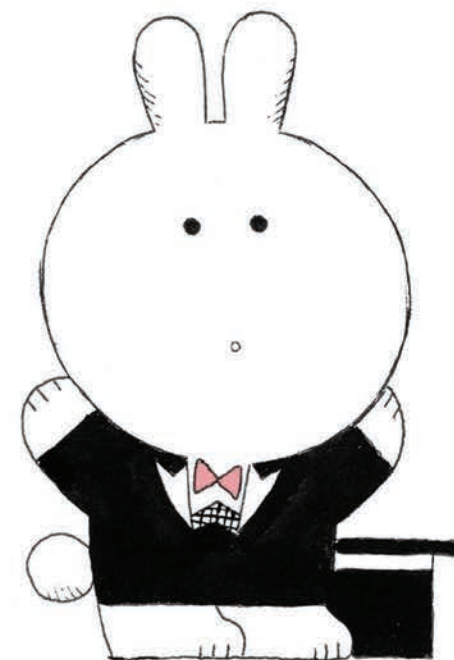


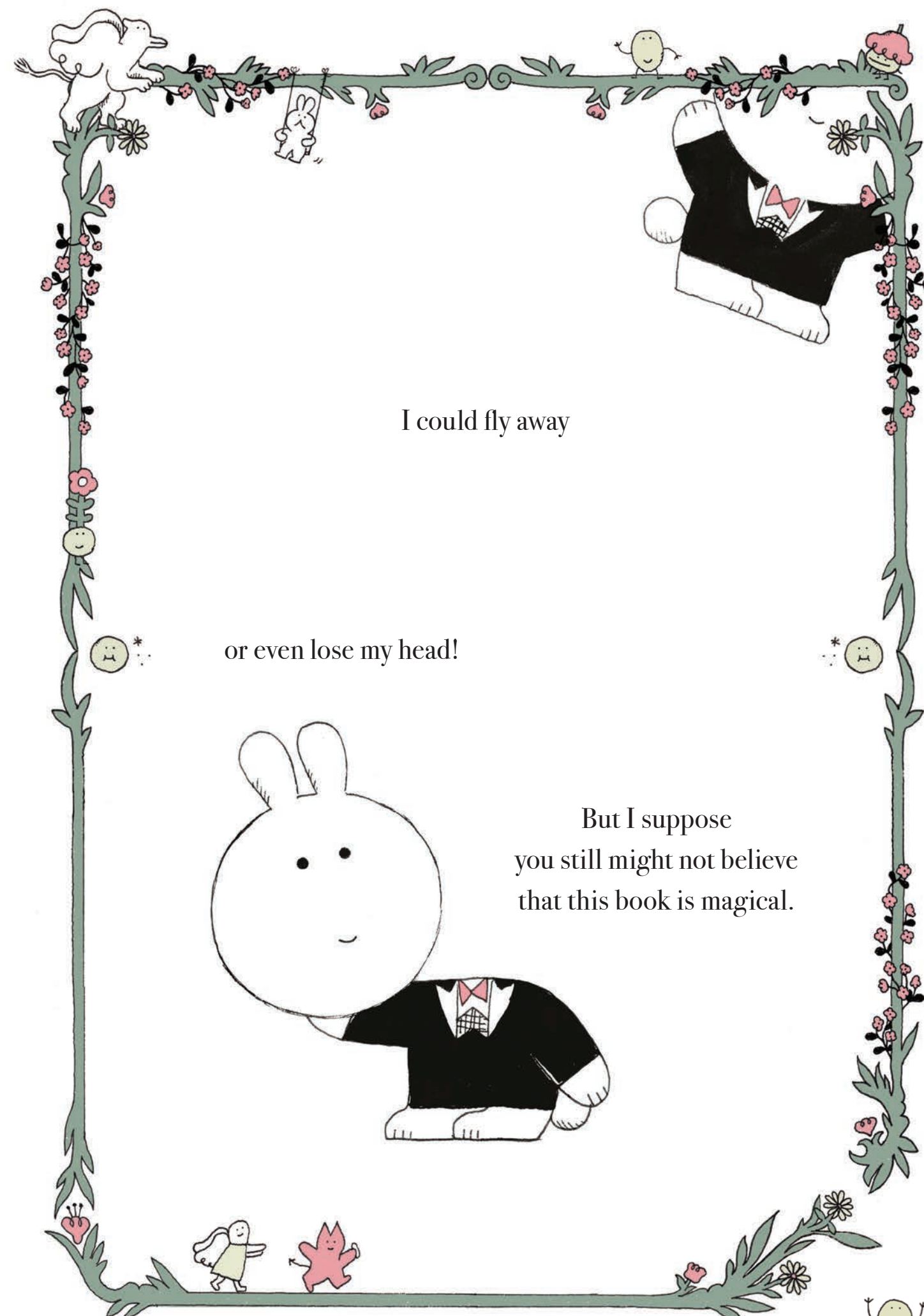
I don't blame you.
What does it take
to make something
appear out
of nowhere
in a book?

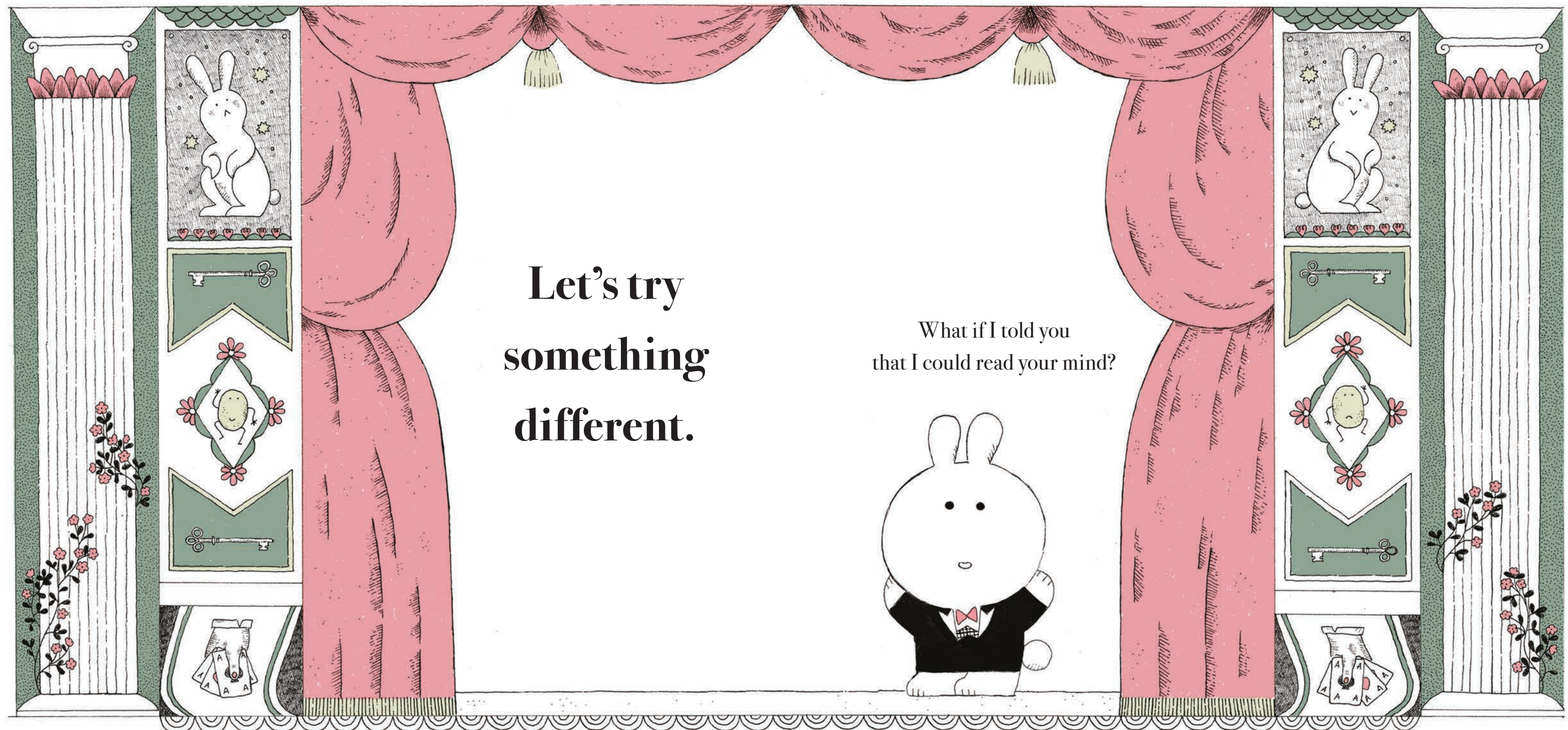
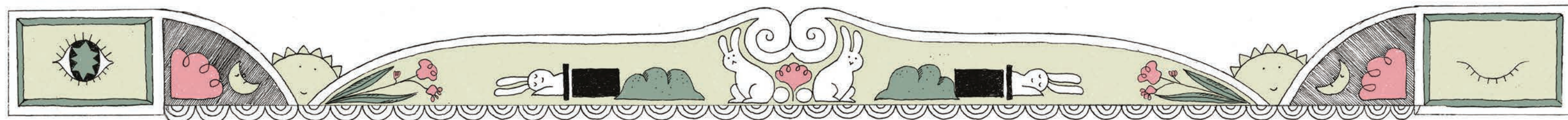


You can go now.

Any book can do *that*!







Let's try
something
different.

What if I told you
that I could read your mind?

