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Pink!

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One sunny morning,
Patrick woke up to find
he had turned bright

pink!

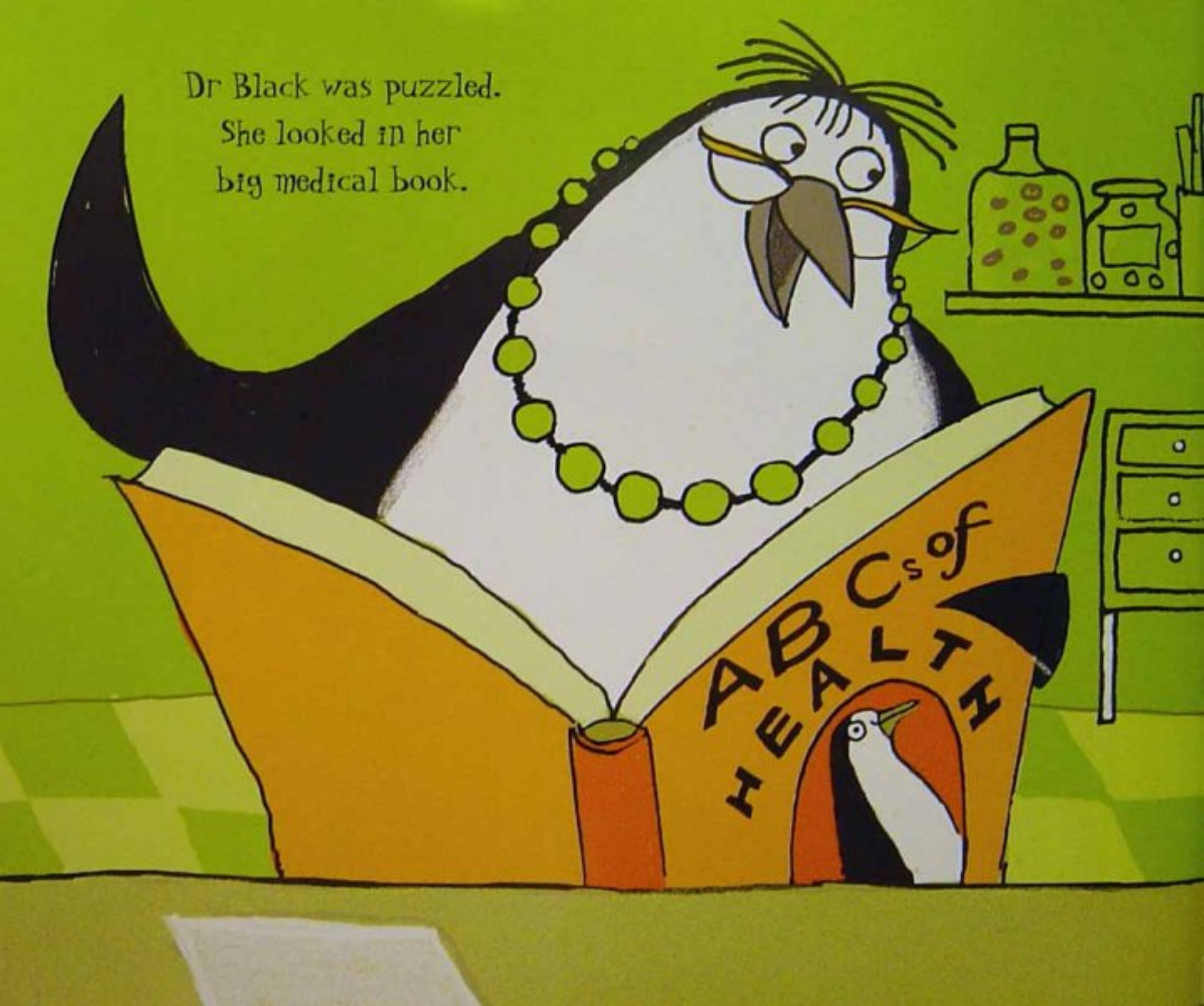


His beak was pink,
his flippers were pink –
he was pink from head to foot.

'This is terrible!'
cried Patrick. 'What
will all my friends
say? Whoever heard
of a pink penguin?'

'Don't worry dear,' soothed his mum,
'Dr Black will soon sort you out.'




Dr Black was puzzled.
She looked in her
big medical book.
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'A very cold penguin can turn **blue**,' she said. 'If you're feeling queasy you can go a bit **green**. But **pink** is very unusual.'

Dr Black closed her big book. 'Perhaps you'll get used to being pink . . .' she said to Patrick.

'But I'm a **BOY!**' he shouted.

'And BOYS CAN'T BE PINK!'

