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Dog Biscuit

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Hungry Bridget stole a biscuit,
found the biscuits in the shed.
They were made for dogs to eat.

But Bridget . . . ate the Dog Biscuit.

IT TASTED SALTY AND SWEET
AT THE SAME TIME!

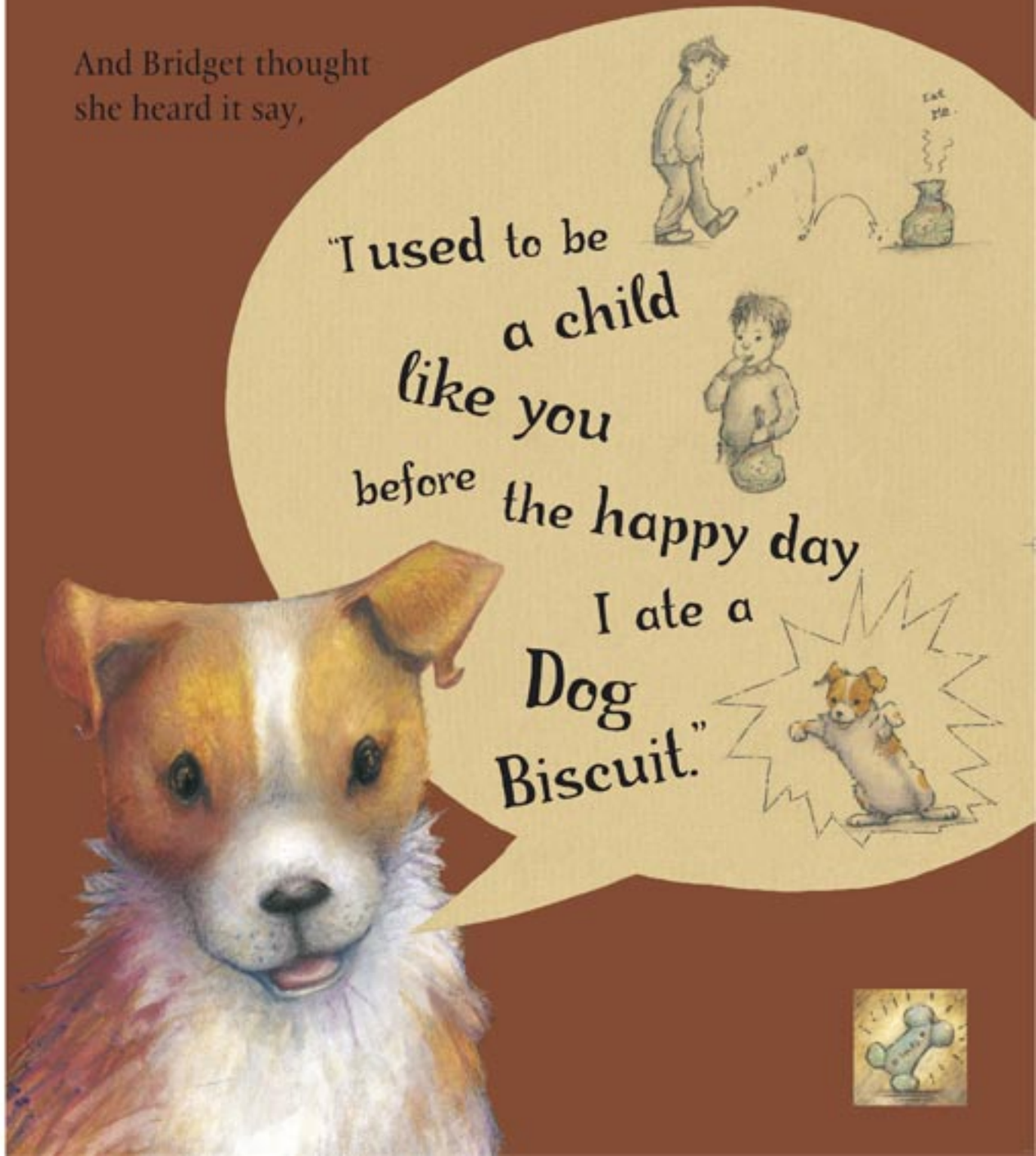
IT TASTED GOOD.

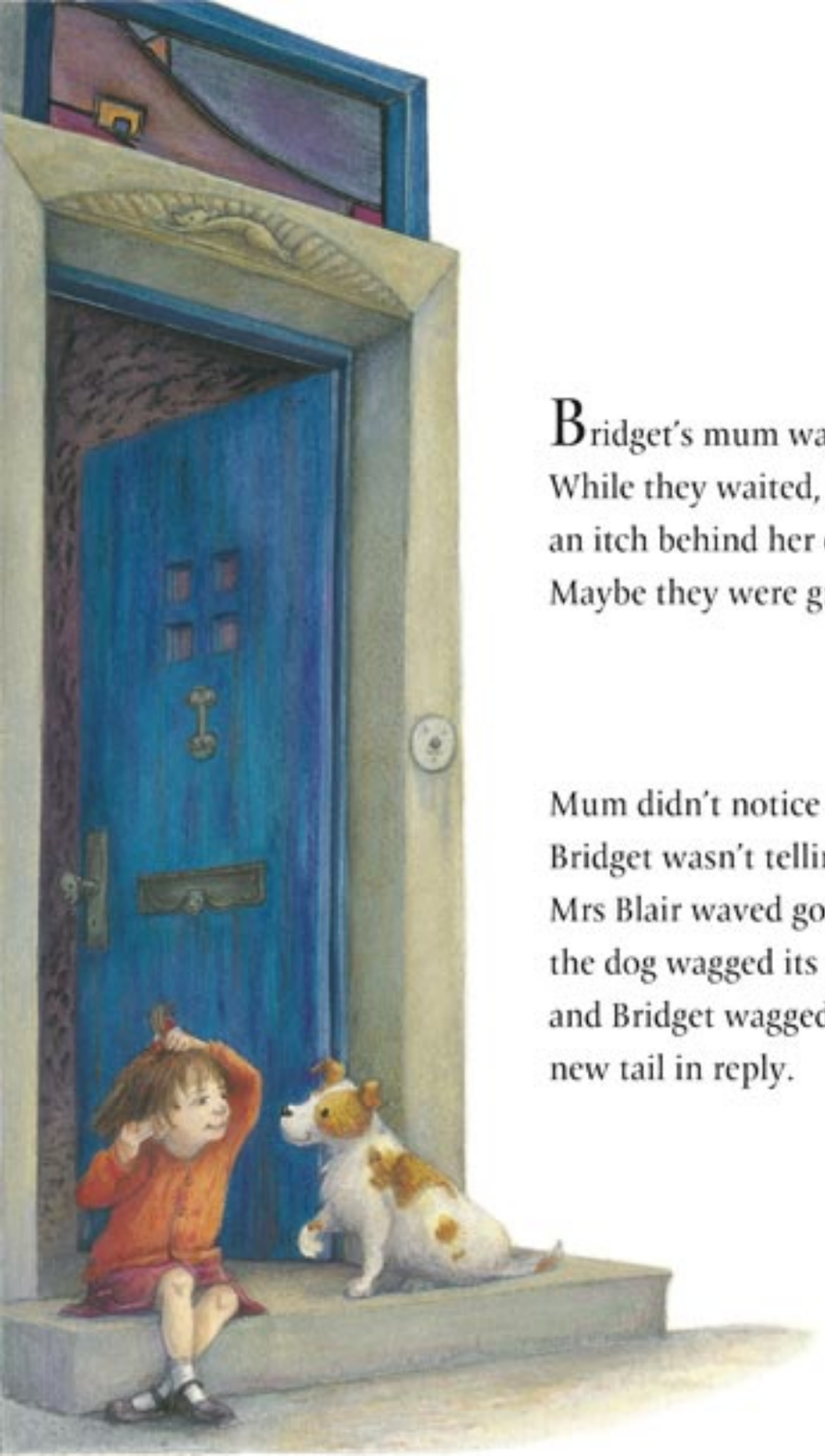
Mrs Blair found Bridget there
with tell-tale crumbs around her mouth.
"Oh my," she said, and shook her head,
"you'll go bow-wow and turn into a dog."
"Don't tell my mum," begged Bridget.
She wished she hadn't eaten that biscuit.

"I won't say a word," said Mrs Blair and winked.

Mrs Blair's dog winked too.

And Bridget thought
she heard it say,





Bridget's mum was rather late.
While they waited, Bridget felt
an itch behind her ears.
Maybe they were growing!

Mum didn't notice a thing.
Bridget wasn't telling.
Mrs Blair waved goodbye,
the dog wagged its tail,
and Bridget wagged her
new tail in reply.