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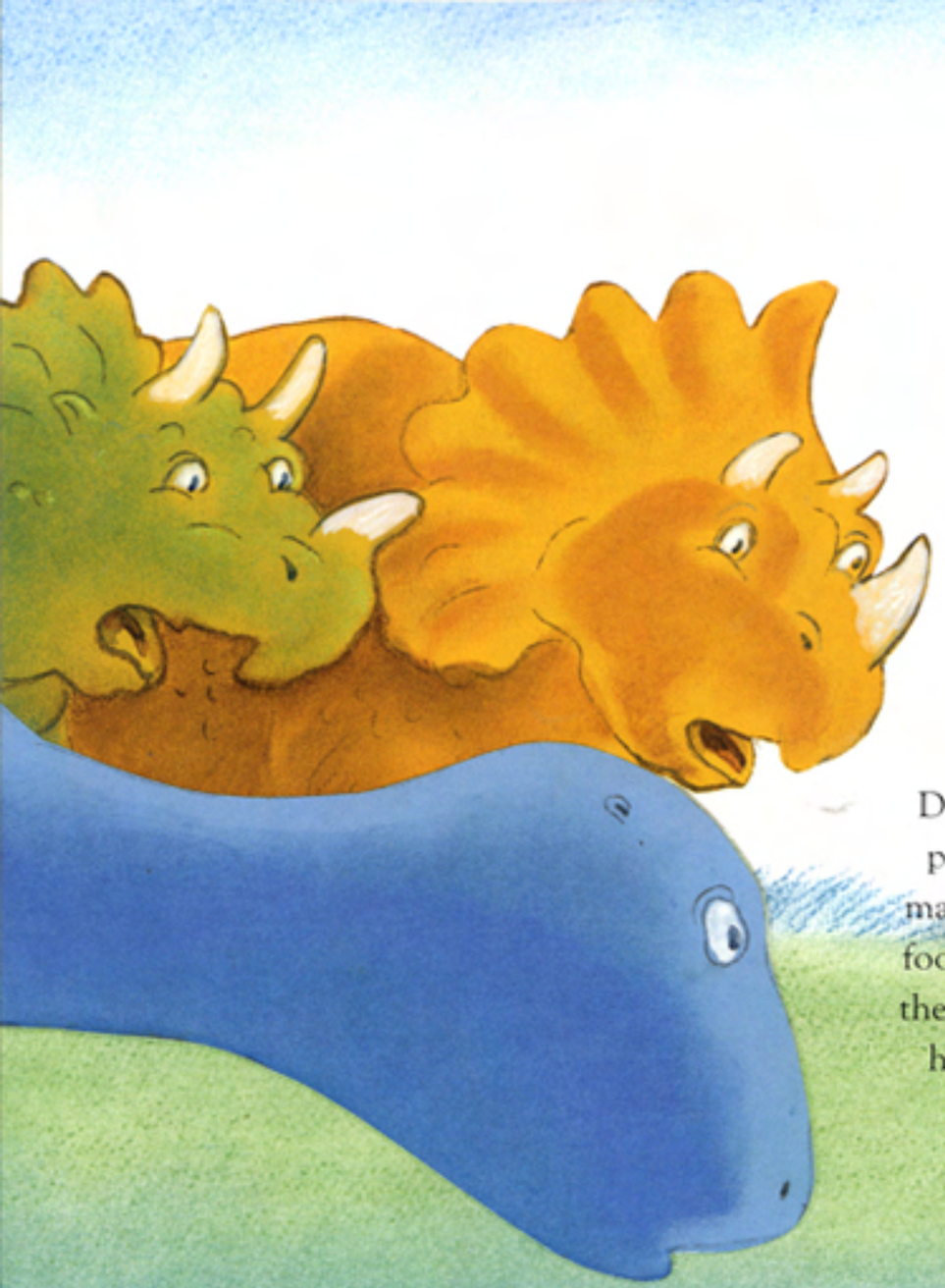
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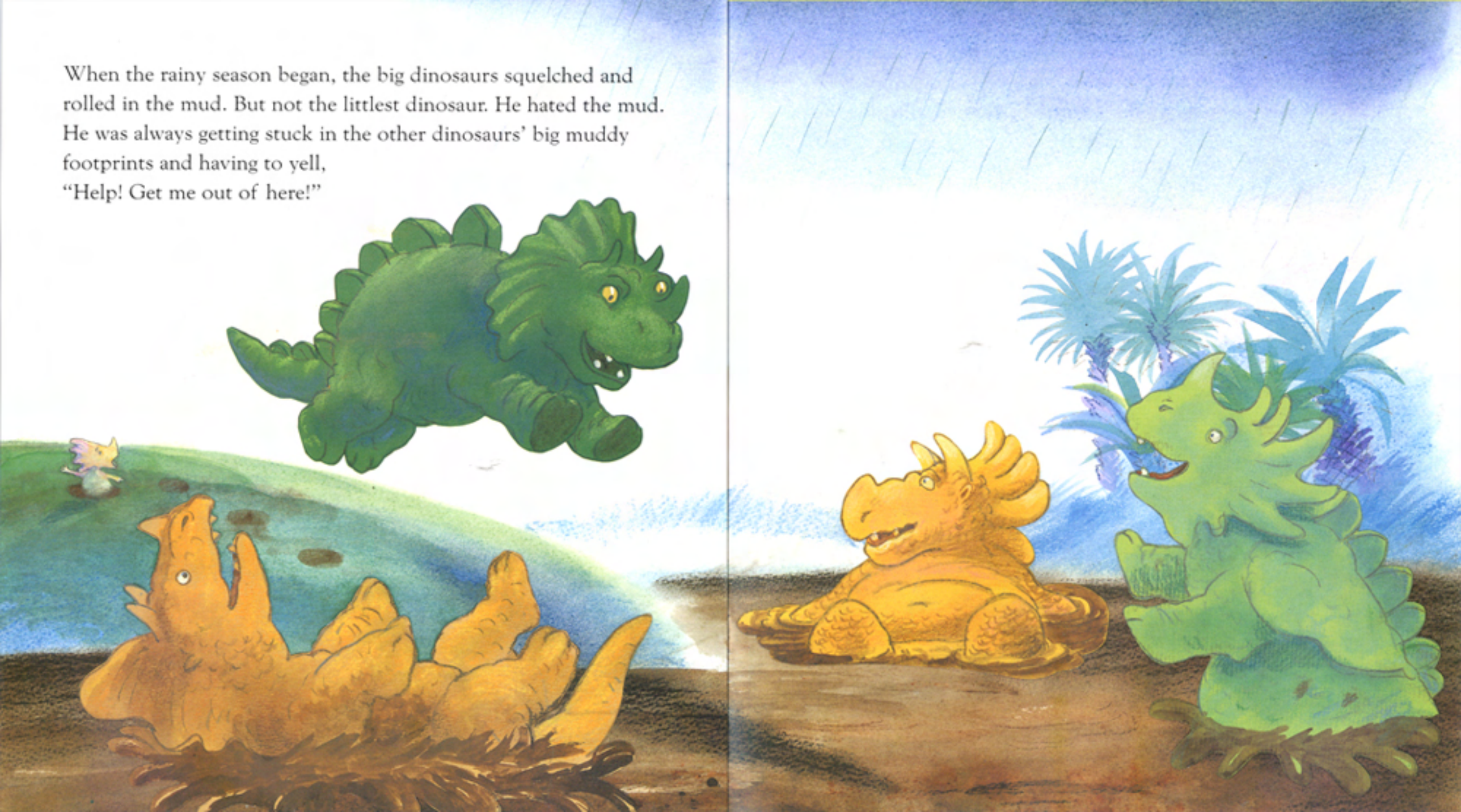
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Days and weeks passed, and no matter how much food Mother gave the baby dinosaur, he didn't grow any bigger.



When the rainy season began, the big dinosaurs squelched and rolled in the mud. But not the littlest dinosaur. He hated the mud. He was always getting stuck in the other dinosaurs' big muddy footprints and having to yell,
"Help! Get me out of here!"



The Long Neck picked him up and, with great long strides, was soon down the hill, through the forest and at the riverbank. He stretched his neck across the river and began pushing and pulling the sinking dinosaurs out, until one by one they were all safe on the shore.

"Thank you!" Father dinosaur shouted as he waved to the Long Neck. "And as for you," he said, picking up the littlest dinosaur, "you may be the size of a bug, but you have the brave heart of a dinosaur one hundred times your size."
And he kissed him on his tiny nose.

