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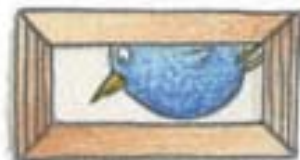
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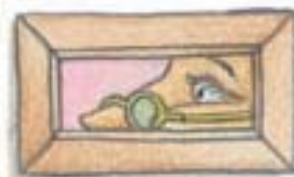
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A giant thank you to the many children who helped me uncover the secret life of little old ladies. With an inquiry on the topics “to be old, to become old, and old people” four- to ten-year-olds explained to me, among other things, how it feels to be old, what old people do all day long, where their strengths and weaknesses lie, and naturally how to imagine little old ladies. F. K.

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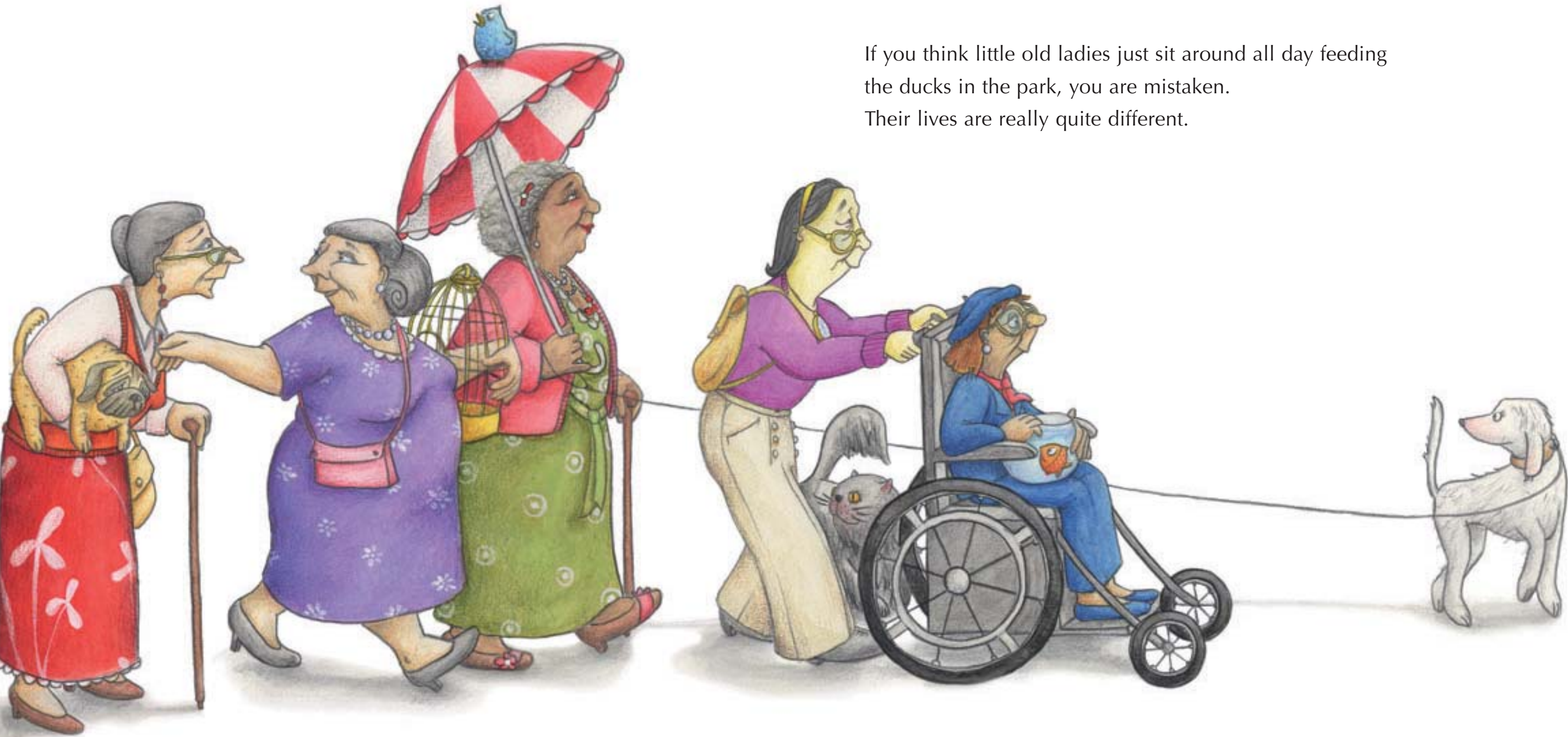
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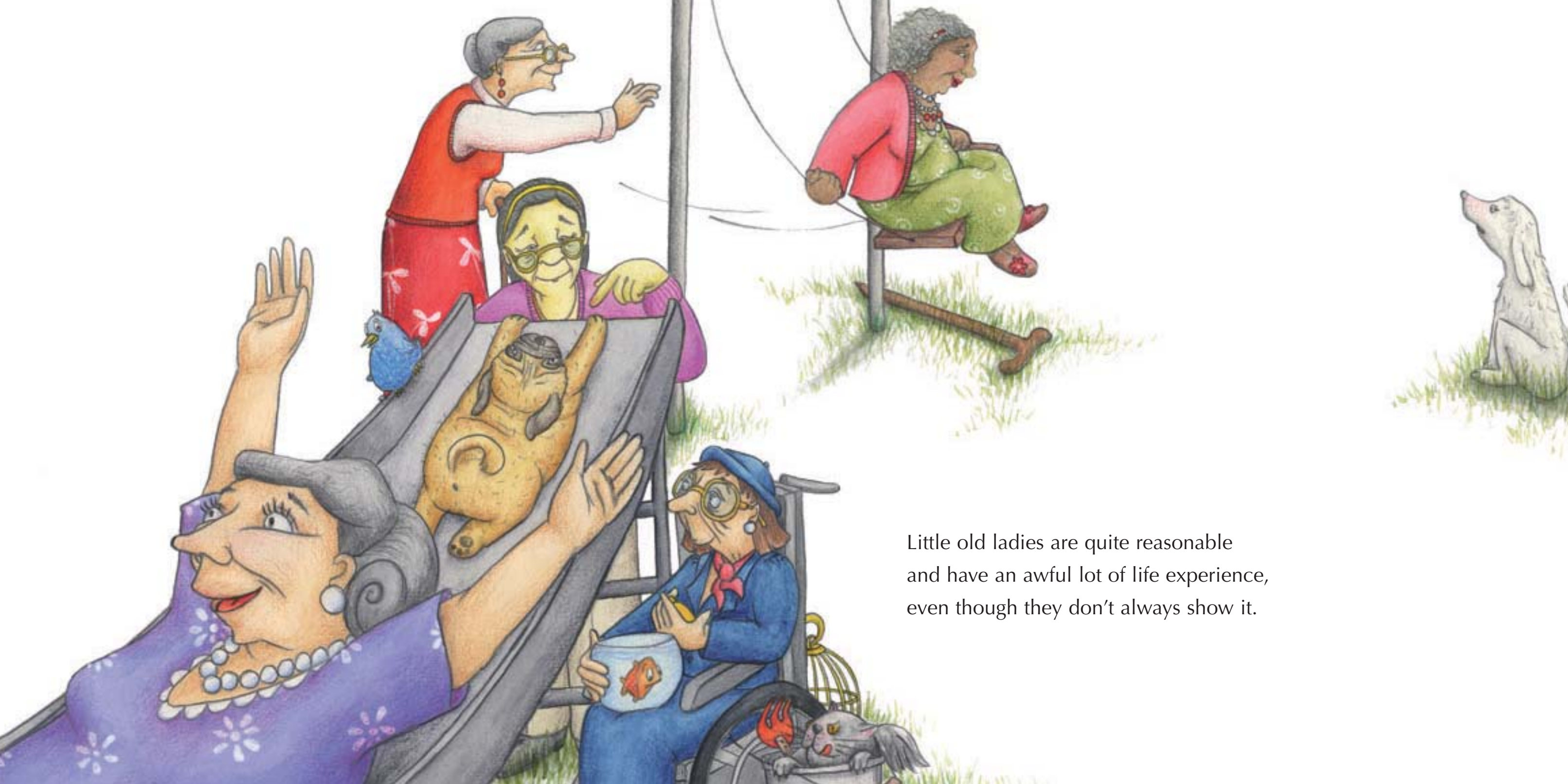
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If you think little old ladies just sit around all day feeding the ducks in the park, you are mistaken.
Their lives are really quite different.



Little old ladies were once prima-ballerinas, teachers, doctors, and plumbers. Some were private secretaries and others worked in libraries or laboratories.





Little old ladies are quite reasonable
and have an awful lot of life experience,
even though they don't always show it.