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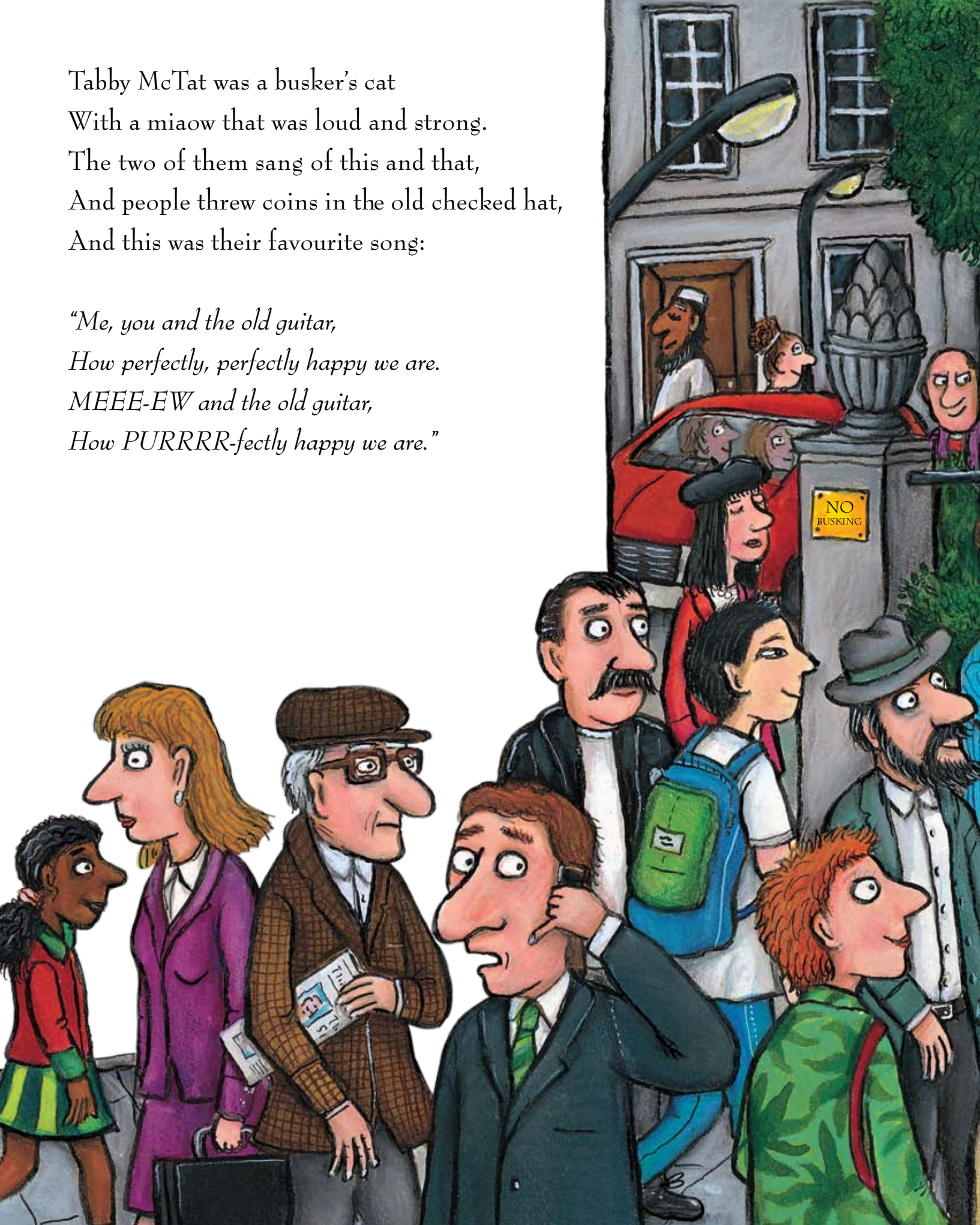


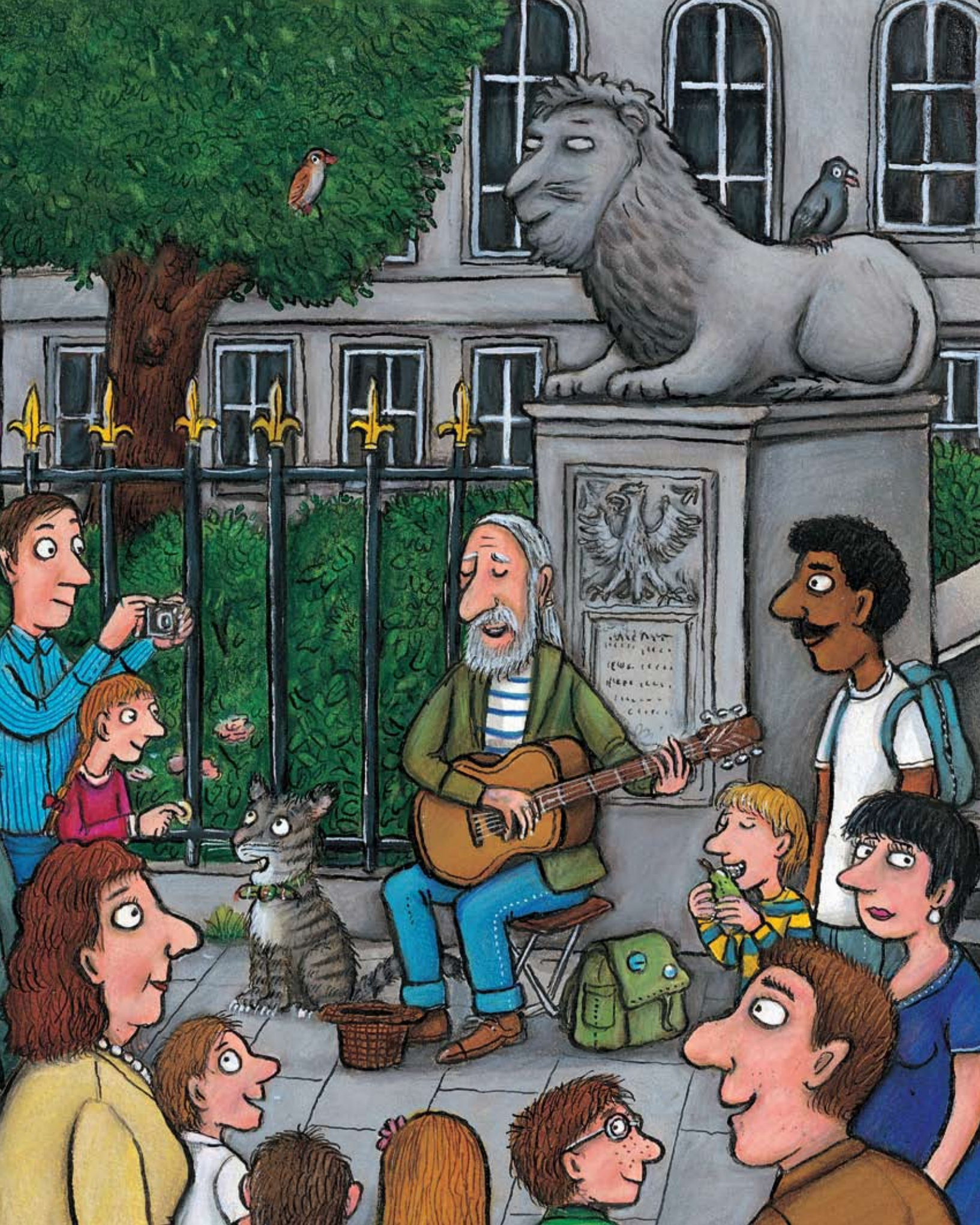
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Tabby McTat was a busker's cat
With a miaow that was loud and strong.
The two of them sang of this and that,
And people threw coins in the old checked hat,
And this was their favourite song:

"Me, you and the old guitar,
How perfectly, perfectly happy we are.
MEEE-EW and the old guitar,
How PURRRR-fectly happy we are."





One morning, while Fred ate some bacon and bread,
McTat took a stroll round the block,



Then stopped – for there on a doorstep sat
A gorgeously glossy and green-eyed cat.
She was black with one snowy white sock.





Sock and McTat had a cat-to-cat chat
And that's how their story began,
For while they were chatting of this and of that . . .