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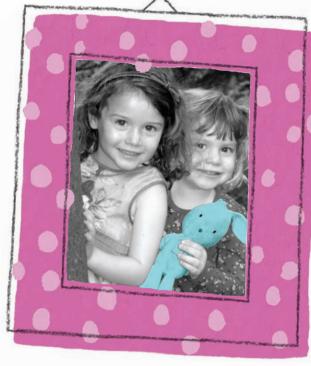
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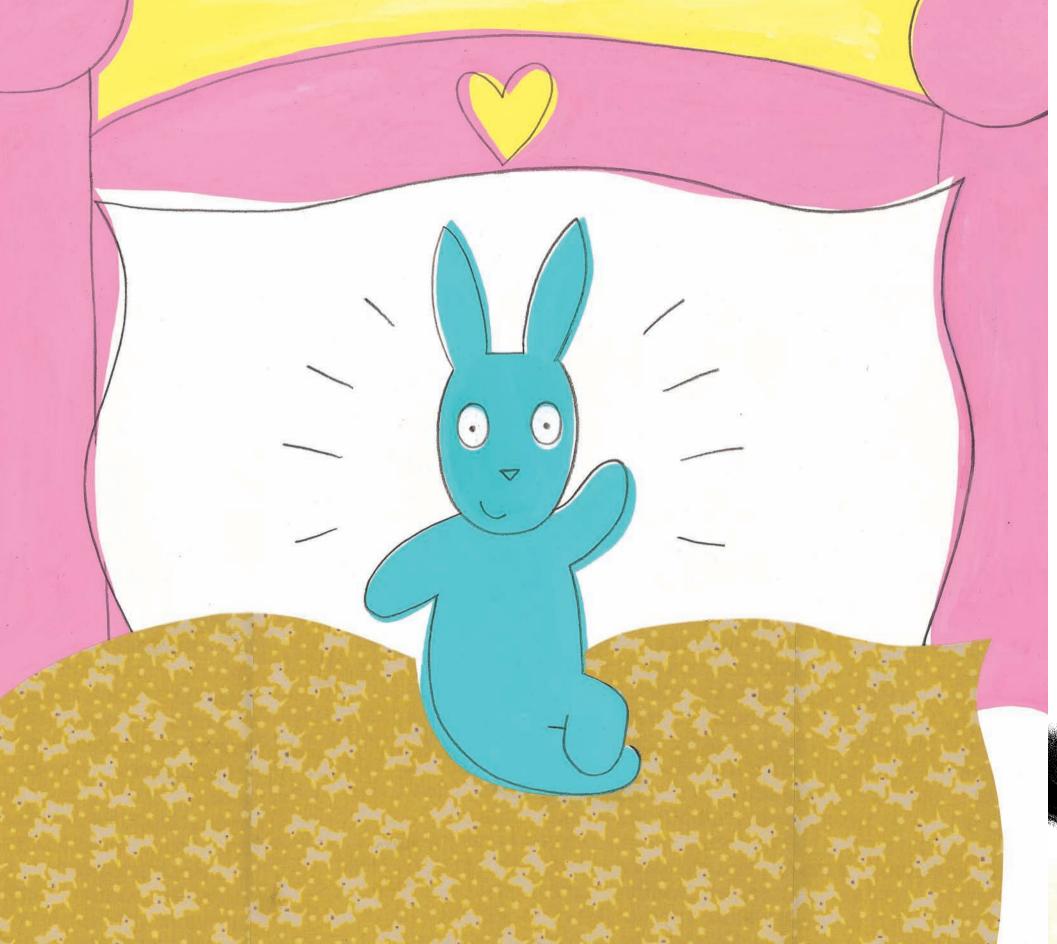
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Babbit





Hello! I'm Babbit.

I live here with the Big One and the Little One.

The Little One is supposed to look after me, but she's not really very good at it.

Just look at what happened today . . .

We'd had a lovely picnic. Well, I say 'lovely' but there weren't quite enough carrots for my liking.

Anyway, we were just packing everything away, when - lollopy lop ears -

I was grabbed!

Just like that.

And she didn't see!