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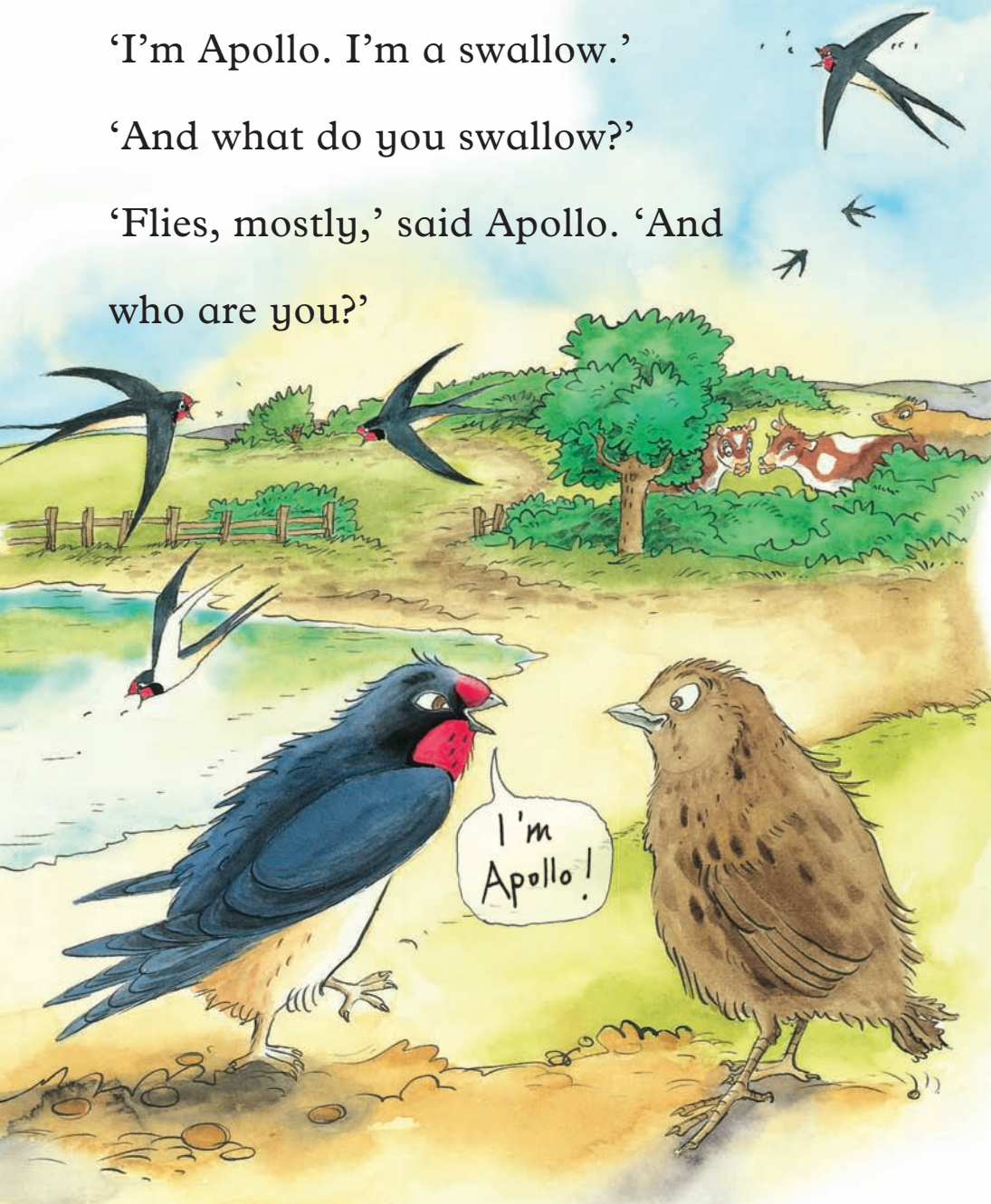
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‘Who are you?’ asked Chack.

‘I’m Apollo. I’m a swallow.’

‘And what do you swallow?’

‘Flies, mostly,’ said Apollo. ‘And who are you?’





‘I’m Chack. I’m a blackbird.’

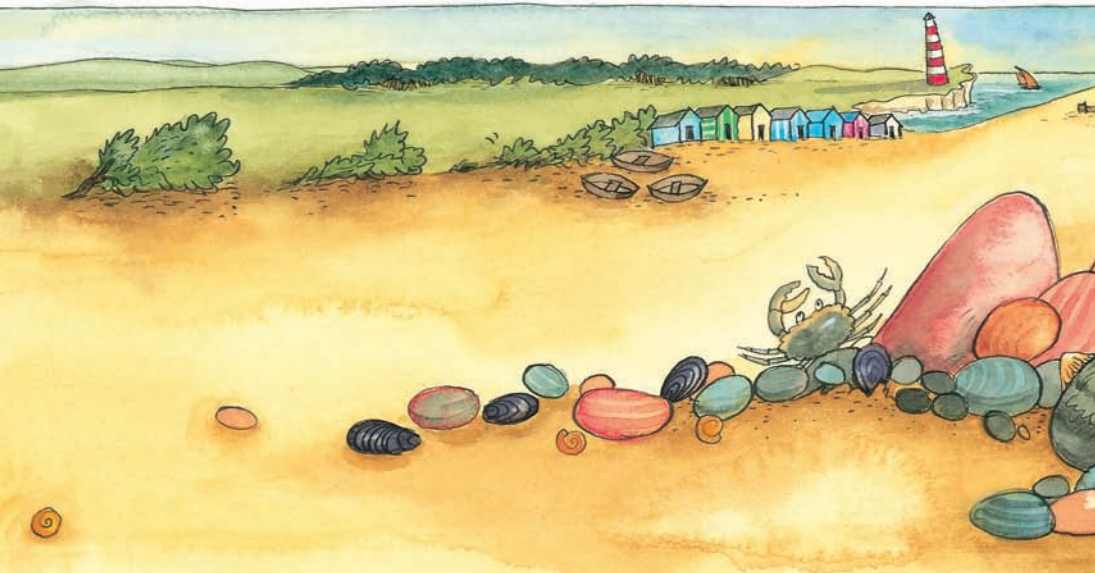
‘You look brown to me,’ said Apollo.

‘I may be brown now but one day I’ll be black,’ said Chack.

‘I don’t believe you!’ said Apollo.

Chack flew after the swallows. He flew
and he flew till he reached the sea.

There he met a jumpy dolphin.



‘Can you take a message to Apollo the swallow from Chack the blackbird?’
asked Chack. ‘He’s on his way to Africa.’

