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With much love to my dear friends Craig and Martene – and especially Elsie, who has a lifetime of love ahead of her. C.S.

With all my love to my own messy monsters, Johnny and Anna! B.C.



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There was gunk on the carpet and junk on the bed,
And underpants draped over Bob the dog's head!

There were beans in his trainers and jam on his toys,
And strange creepy-crawlies
that made an odd noise.



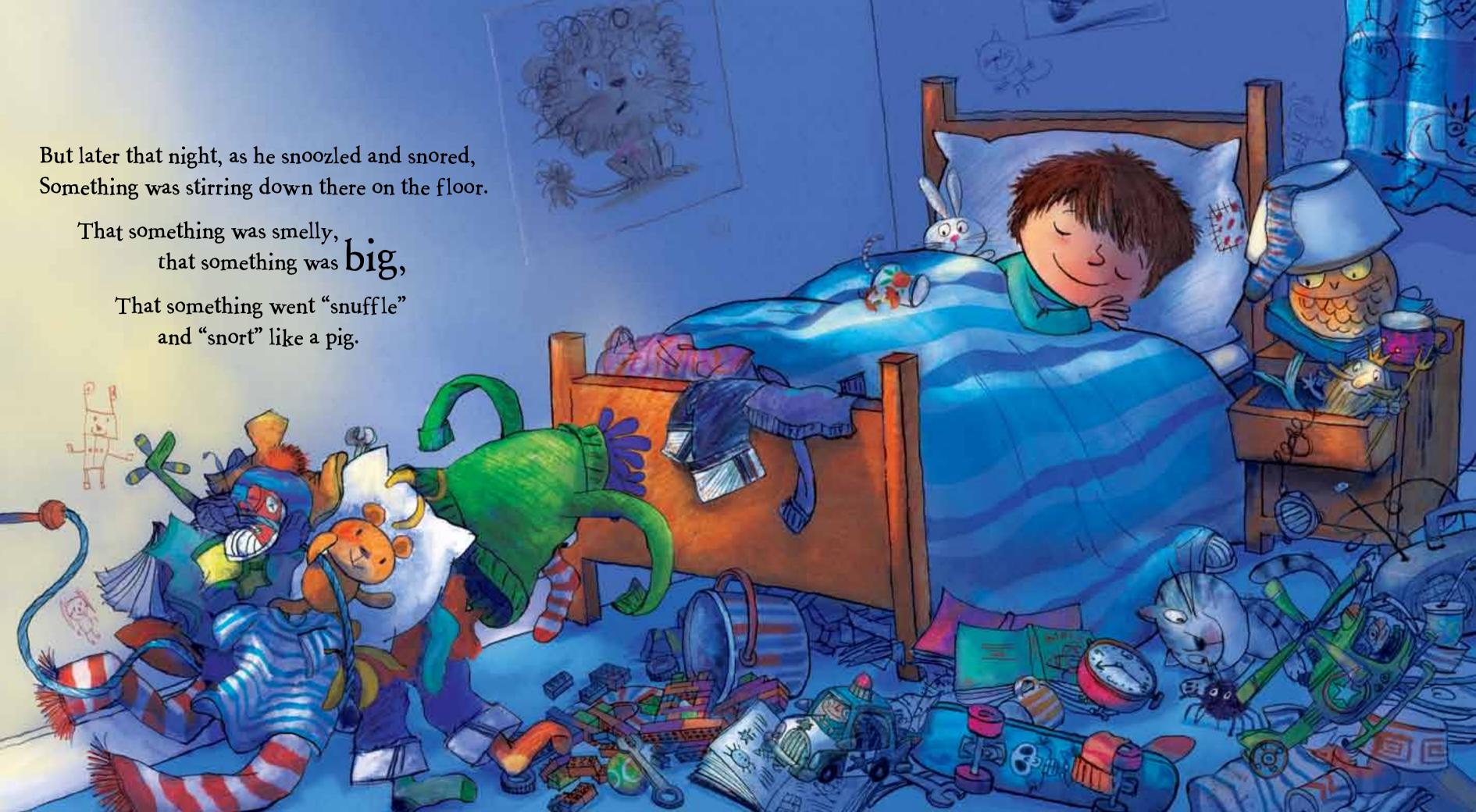


The curtains were crumpled and covered in scribbles,
And dripping with ketchup and yogurty dribbles.

And if all that awfulness wasn't enough, His sock drawer was bursting with mountains of fluff.









The beast made a sound like a rusty trombone, And Johnny woke up with a bleary-eyed groan.



