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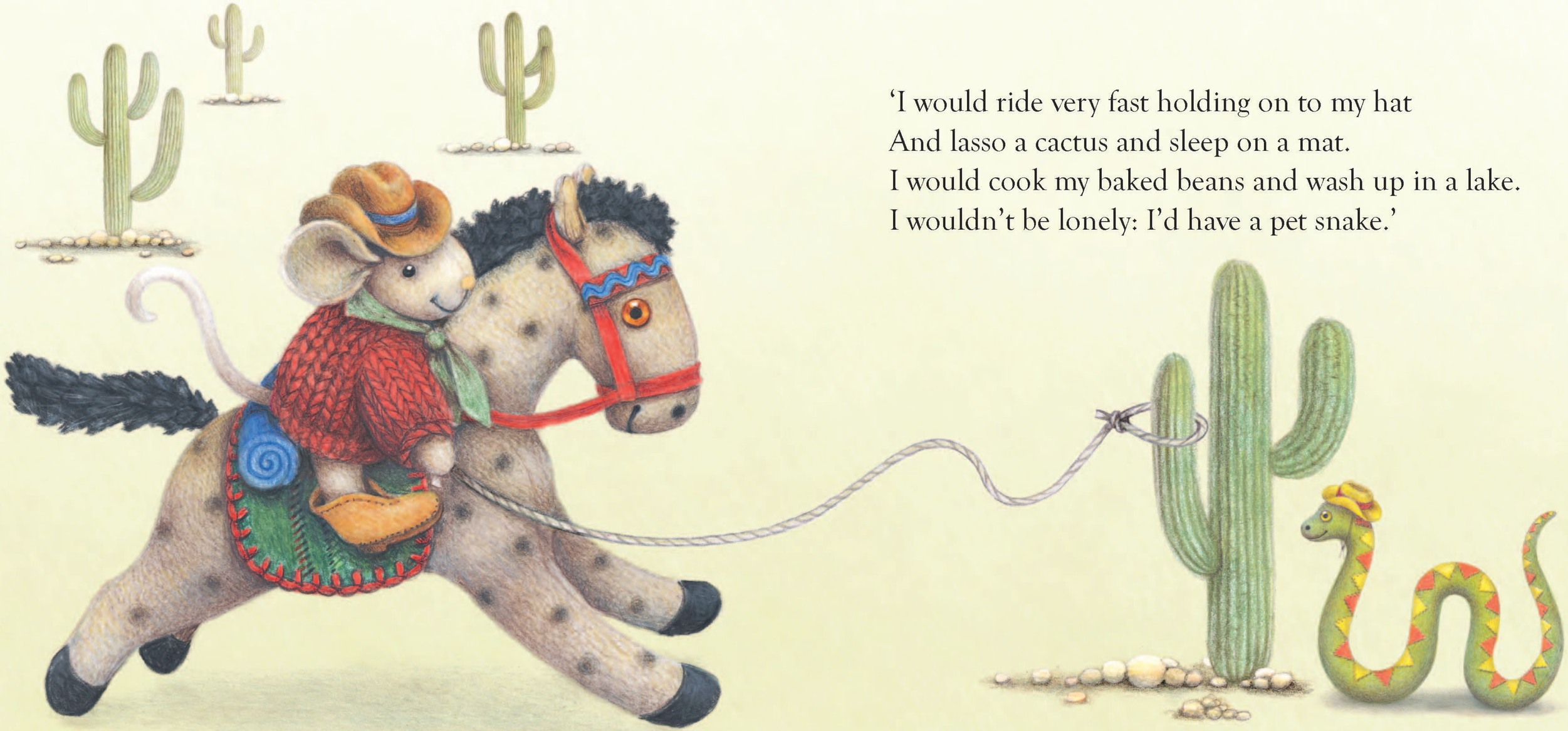
Ruby, Blanket and Blue were planning a game.
'Let's play dressing up, so we don't look the same.
We'll wear different things and we'll be in disguise –
And let's give the funniest one a big prize.'

Blanket looked through a box for something to wear,
He thought about stripes or some long yellow hair.
'I could be a zebra, but better than that,
I'll dress up as a unicorn, wearing this hat!'

Blue Rabbit chose hair and a flowery dress,
'I just need a crown and I'll be a princess.
You can all bring me jewels and nice things to eat,
And I shall wear nothing at all on my feet.'



'I would ride very fast holding on to my hat
And lasso a cactus and sleep on a mat.
I would cook my baked beans and wash up in a lake.
I wouldn't be lonely: I'd have a pet snake.'

'Well... I could be a GHOST instead,' she said.

'I would be all shapeless and floaty and white,
And tiptoe around in my sheet in the night.
And if anyone said, 'Are ghosts really true?'
I'd jump out and surprise them by bellowing...

BOO!'

'Or... I could be a MERMAID instead,' she said.