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Books can help and heal.

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Doctor Mouse can cure anything
a headache, a stomach ache, a throbbing foot.
All it needs is some patience
and a trusty little book.



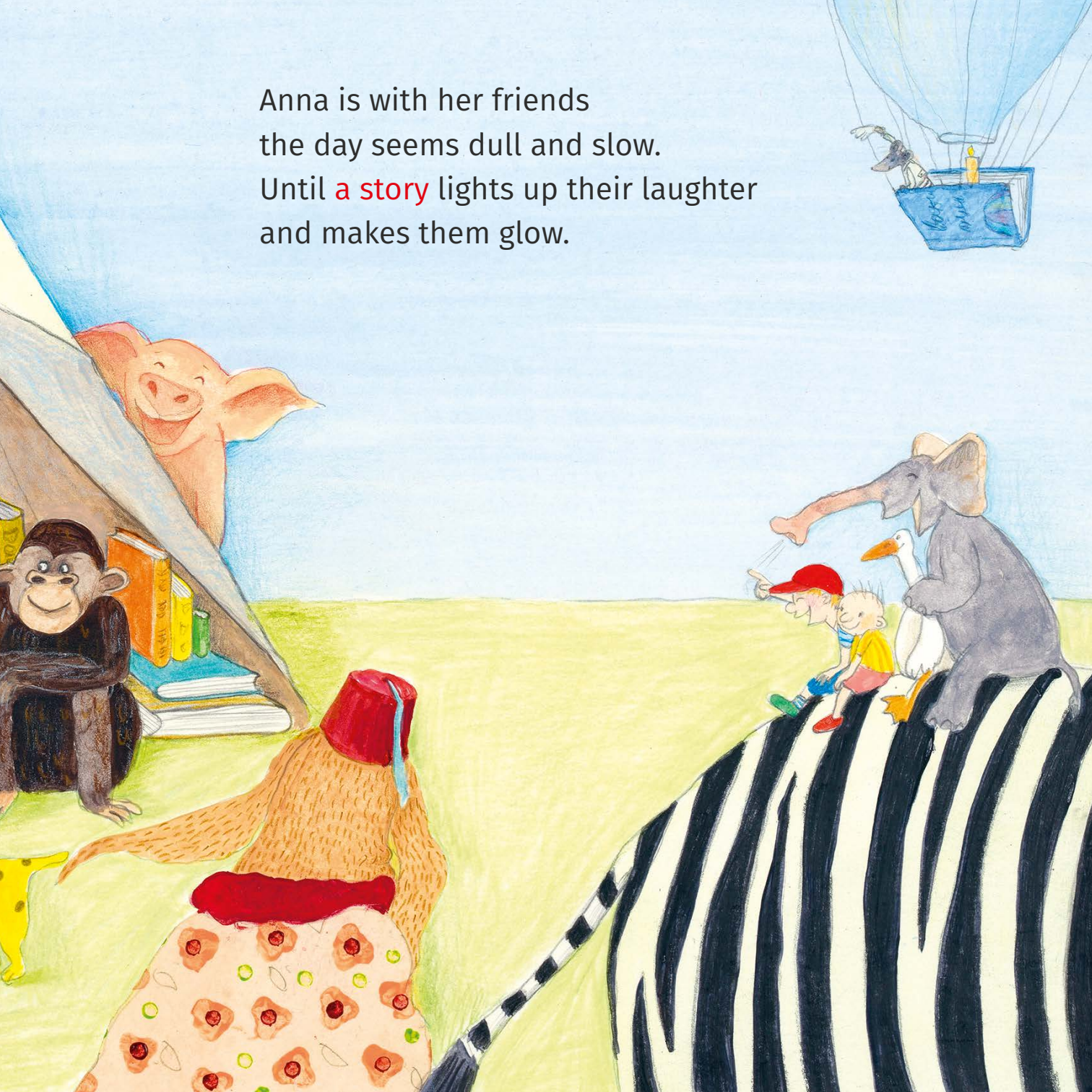
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Anna is with her friends
the day seems dull and slow.
Until **a story** lights up their laughter
and makes them glow.





Walking by the park Niko trembles
at the neighbour's barking hound.
But **tales of heroes** give him courage
and help him homeward bound.



A young girl with blonde hair is shown in profile, eating a large, round, pink strawberry sweet. She is wearing a pink dress with a pattern of strawberries. In the background, there are several more of these sweets floating in the air. A small, striped cat is sitting on a white plate with two more sweets. The entire scene is set against a solid red background.

Seven strawberry sweets were so tasty –
but they rumble in the tummy.

Doctor Mouse prescribes Miranda
a book on herbs
and a tea
that's yummy.







Lea feels the pull of the night air
dreams of taking off into the sky.
Perched on a branch of her treehouse
reading about how she could fly.

Parents are so busy
working hard every day.
But now it's time to come together
and find fun games to play.





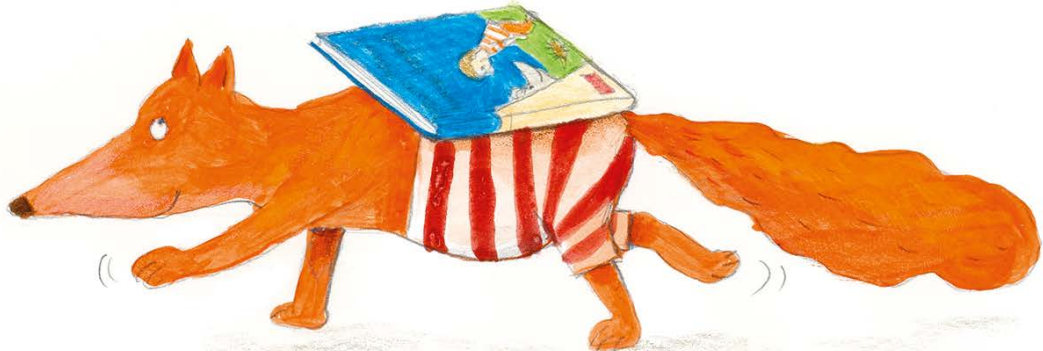
Silvia dreams of distant islands
full of golden pirate treasure.
Stories of fame and fortune
under a striped umbrella.







Ben and Emma are feeling floppy
and slowly getting bored.
But with Mr Fox's **book gymnastics**
their energy is restored.





Heidi trips and falls, oh no!
friends gather, they really care.
Kind words to give her comfort
a sticking plaster and tortoise chair.



Tim dreams of scary monsters
with giant horns, teeth and feet.
It's easy to chase those fears away
with a story-telling night-time treat.



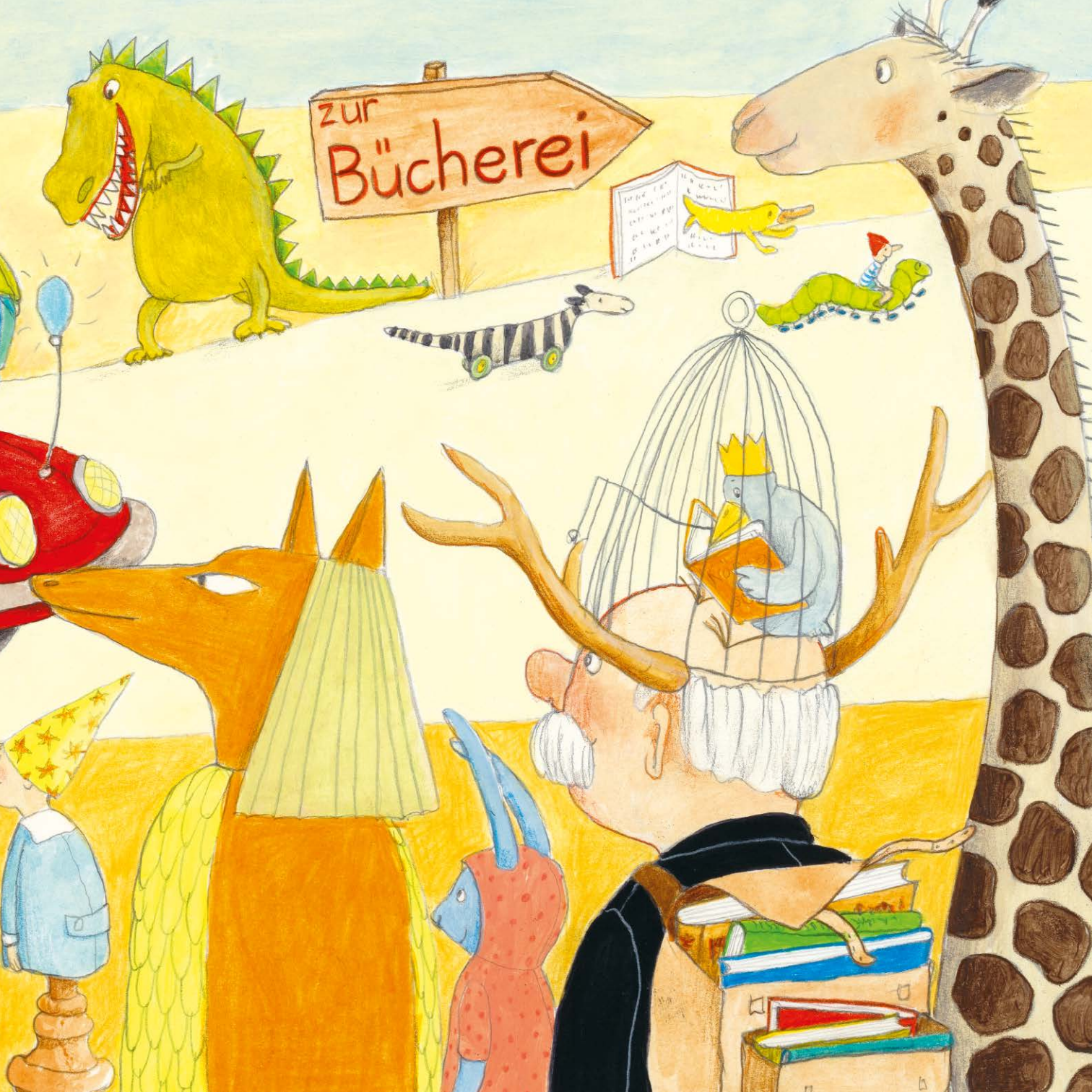


Reading Night



The world of the imagination
is waiting inside books.
Let's race off to the library – beep, beep!
and take a proper look.







Pills, drops and lotions
help if you're feeling poorly.
But the best way of getting better, says Doctor Mouse
comes with **reading a story.**



Dr Mouse prescribes
books and reading

Welcome side effects include
an attack of the giggles and
feeling really, really happy!

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