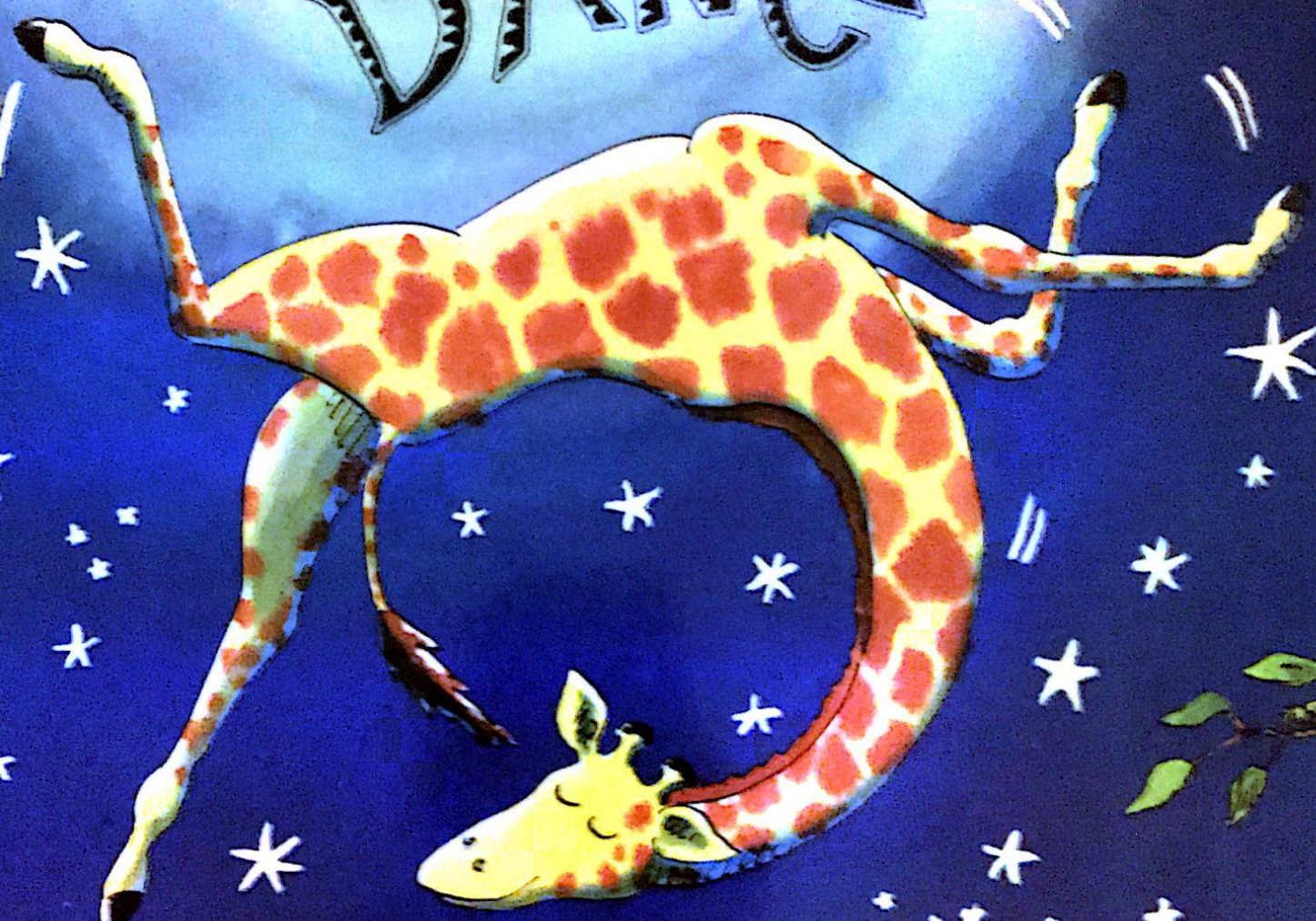


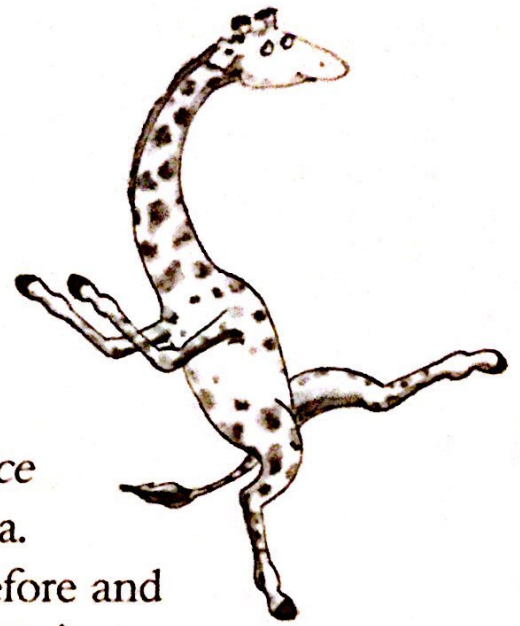
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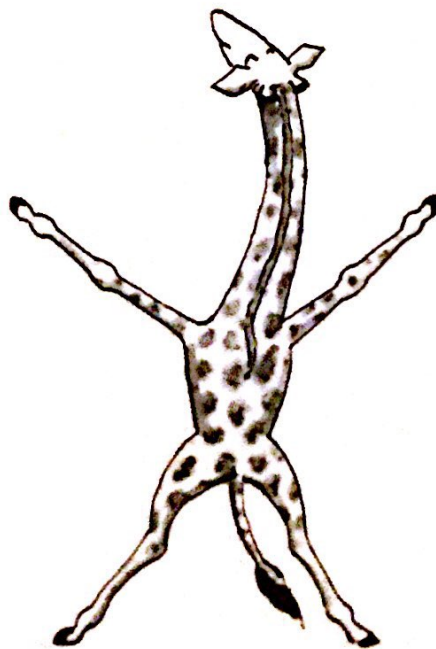
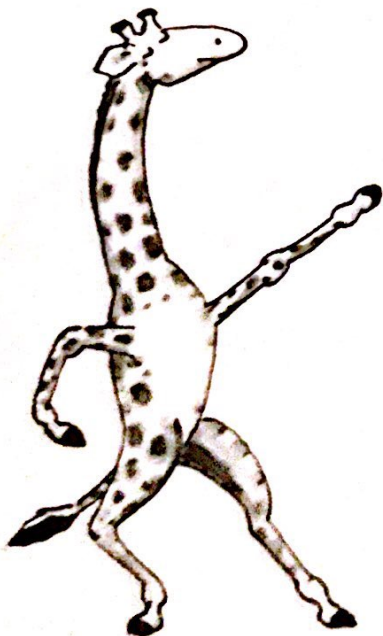




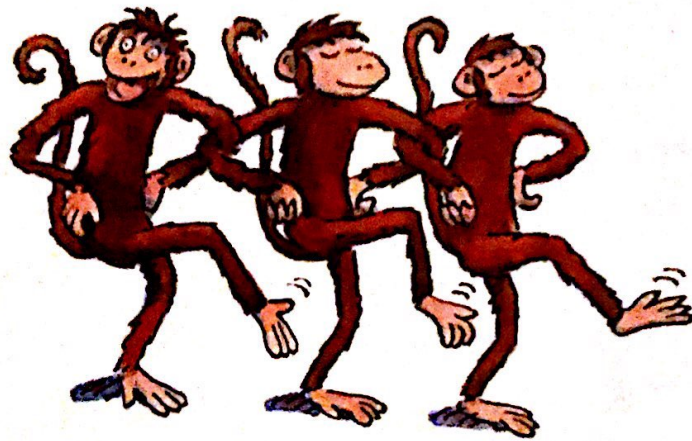
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after a trip I made to Kenya.

I'd never seen giraffes galloping before and
was struck by their gracefulness - I didn't expect
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This led me to thinking that we can all do things
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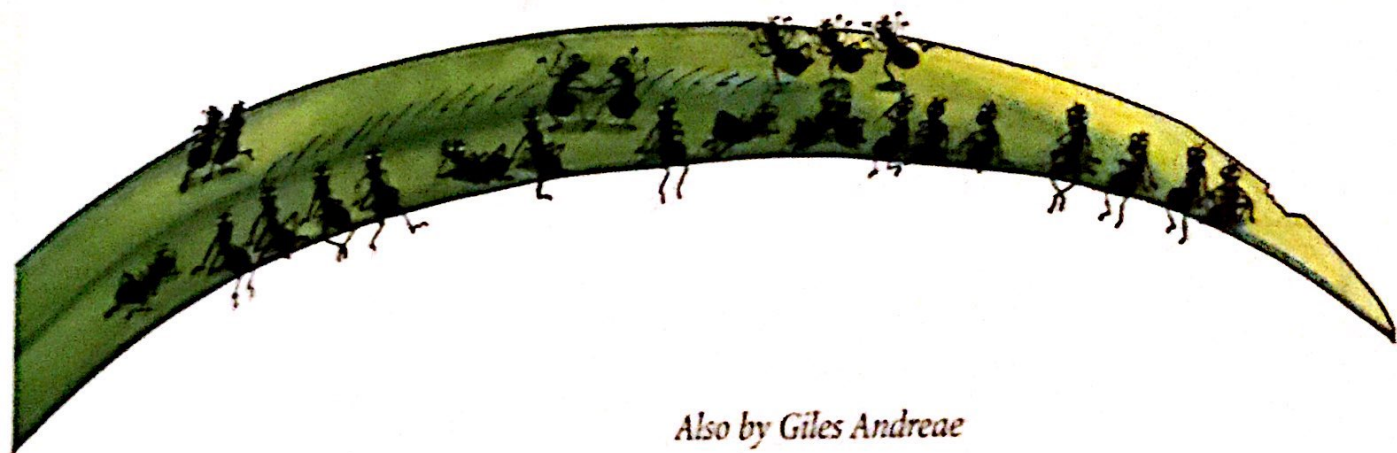
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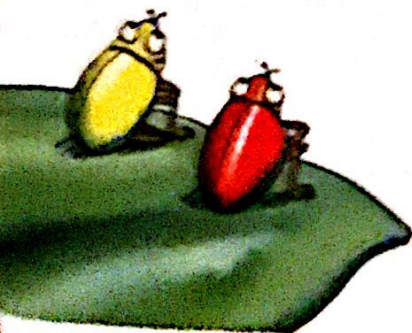
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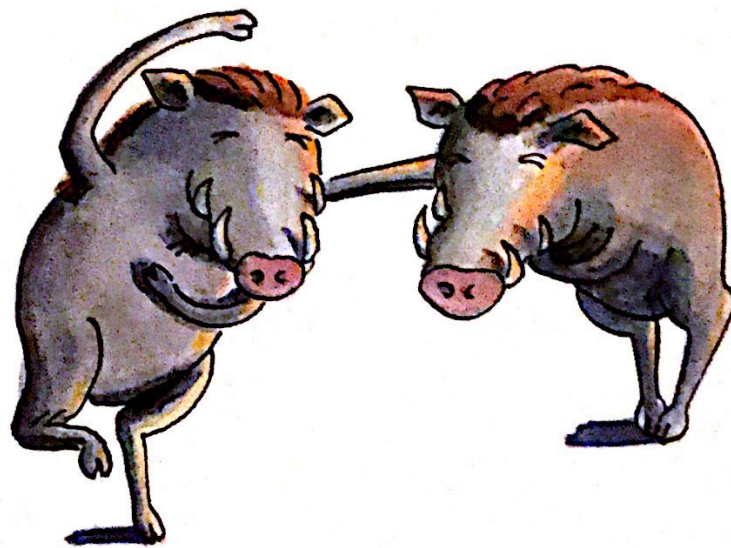
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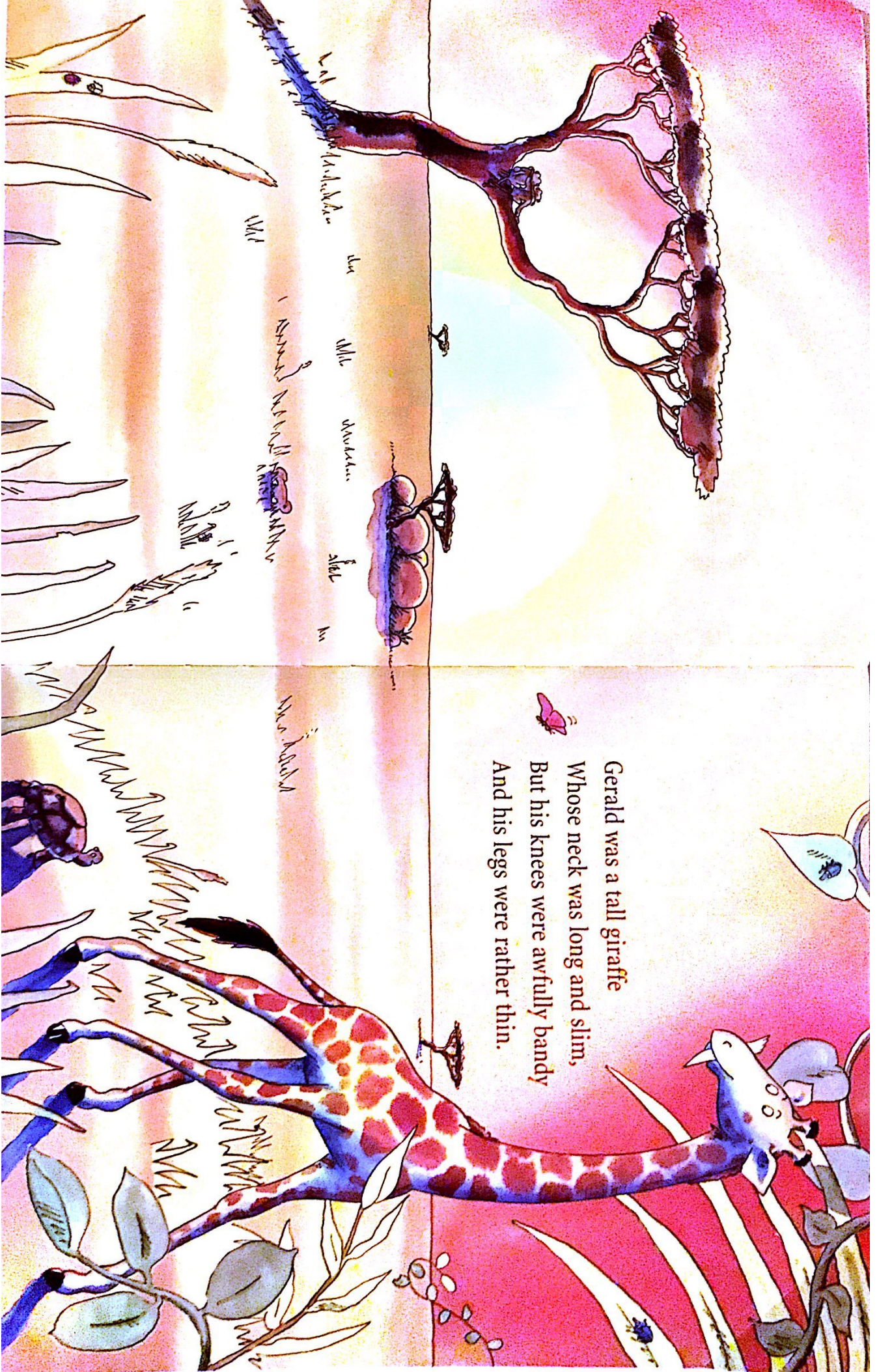


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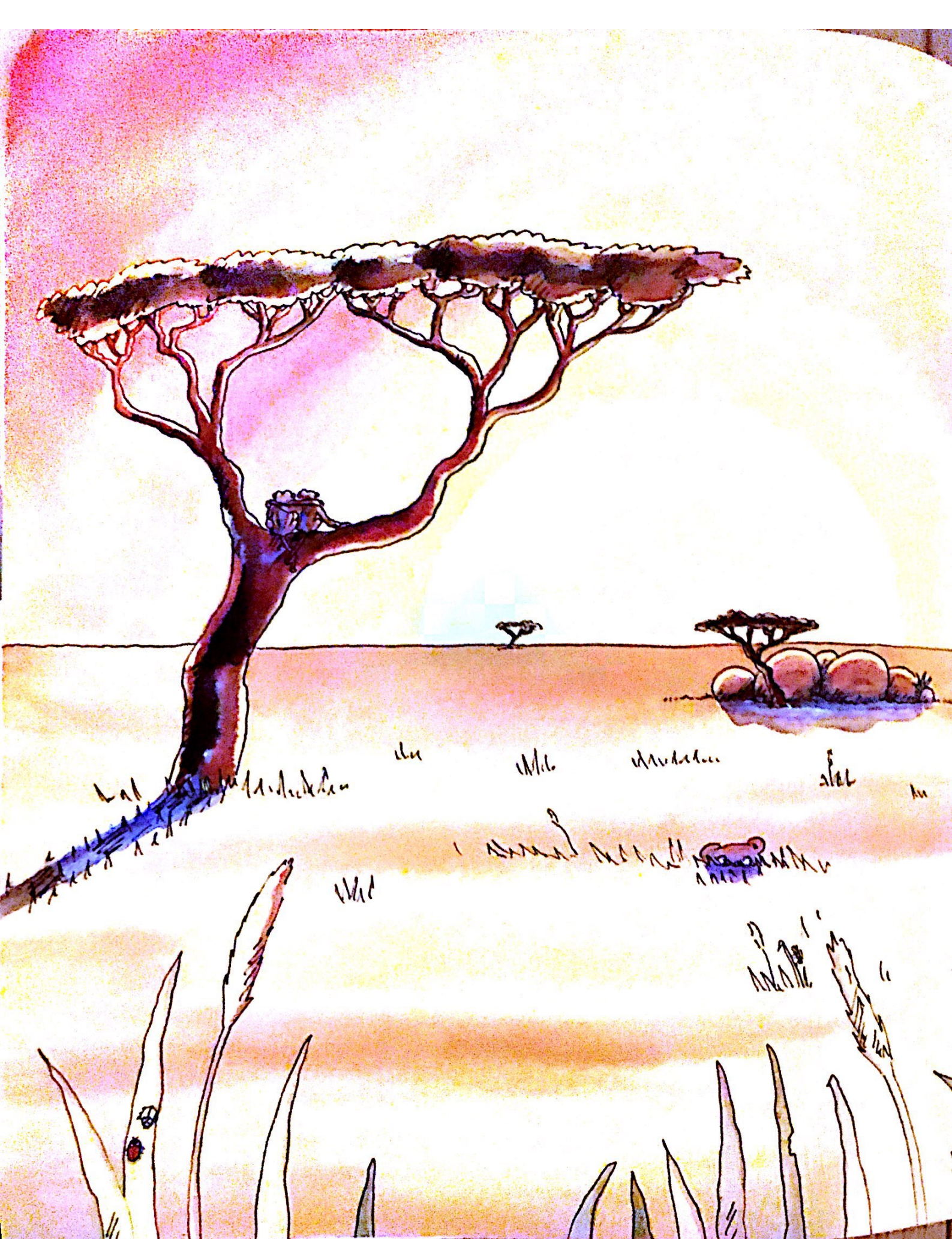
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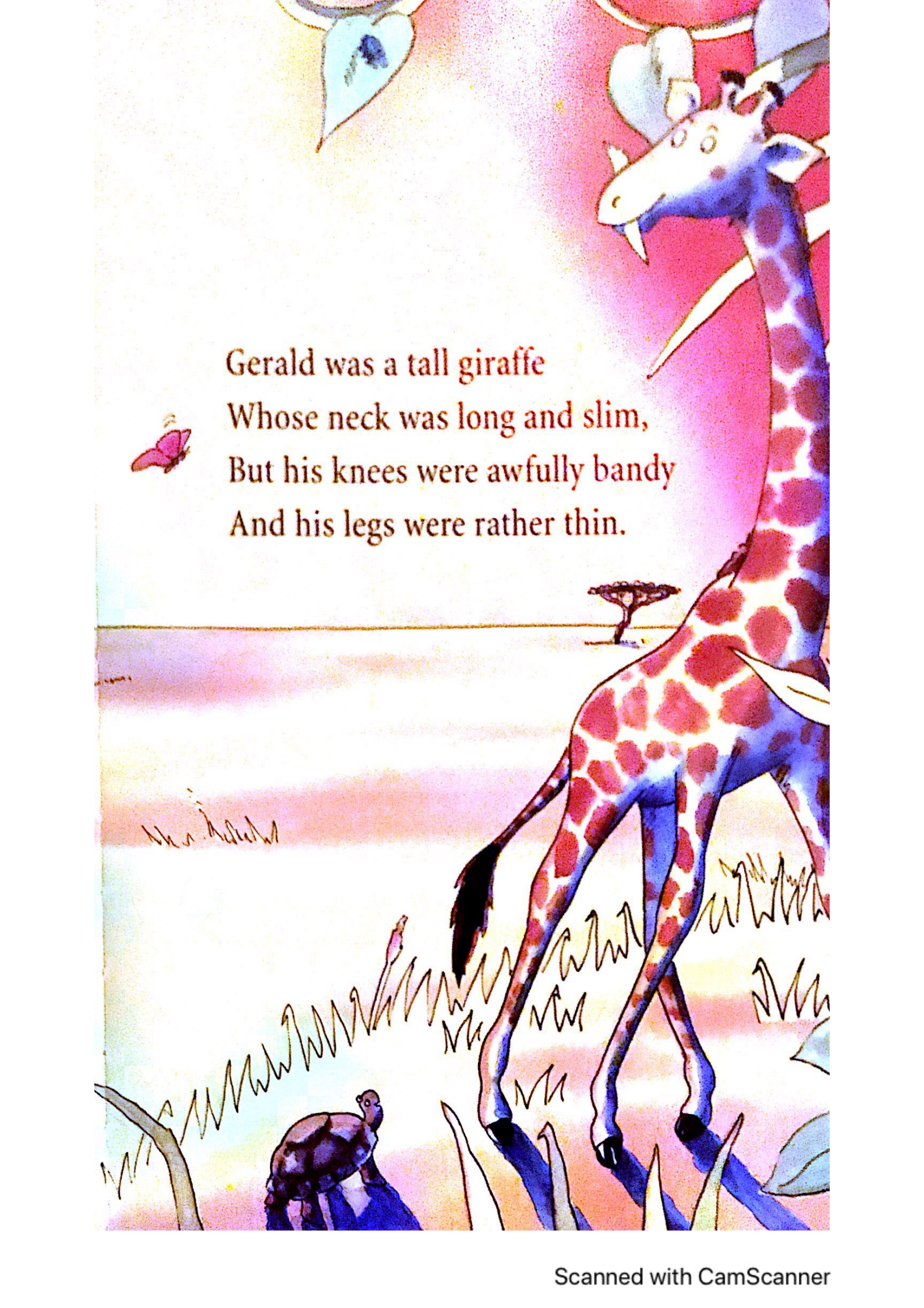
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Gerald was a tall giraffe
Whose neck was long and slim,
But his knees were awfully bandy
And his legs were rather thin.





A colorful illustration of a giraffe with brown and white spots, standing in a savanna landscape. The giraffe is the central focus, with its long neck and thin legs. In the background, there is a large red sun, a pink butterfly, a small acacia tree, and a small brown animal in the foreground. The sky is a mix of yellow and pink, and the ground is a mix of green and brown.

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