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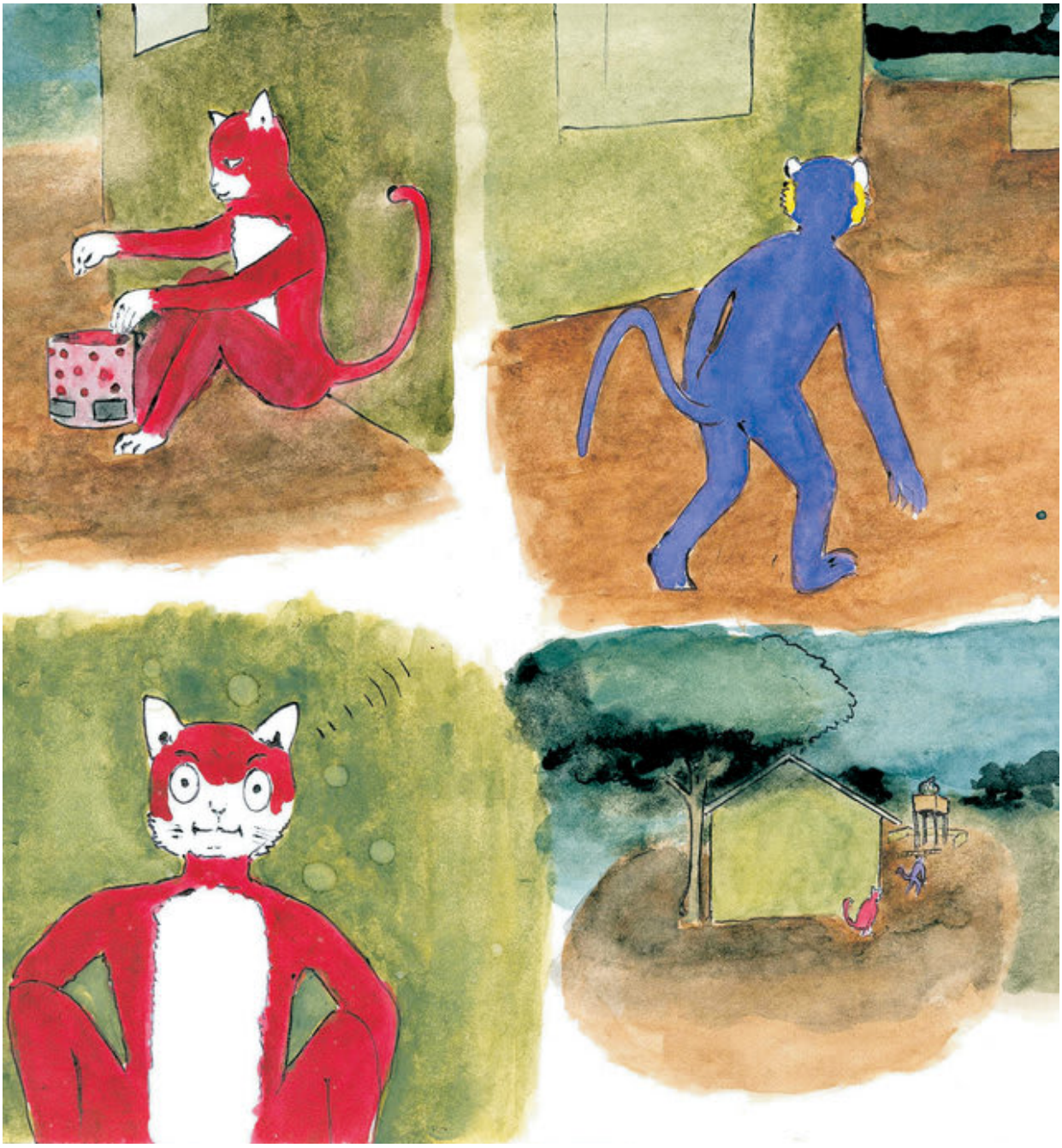
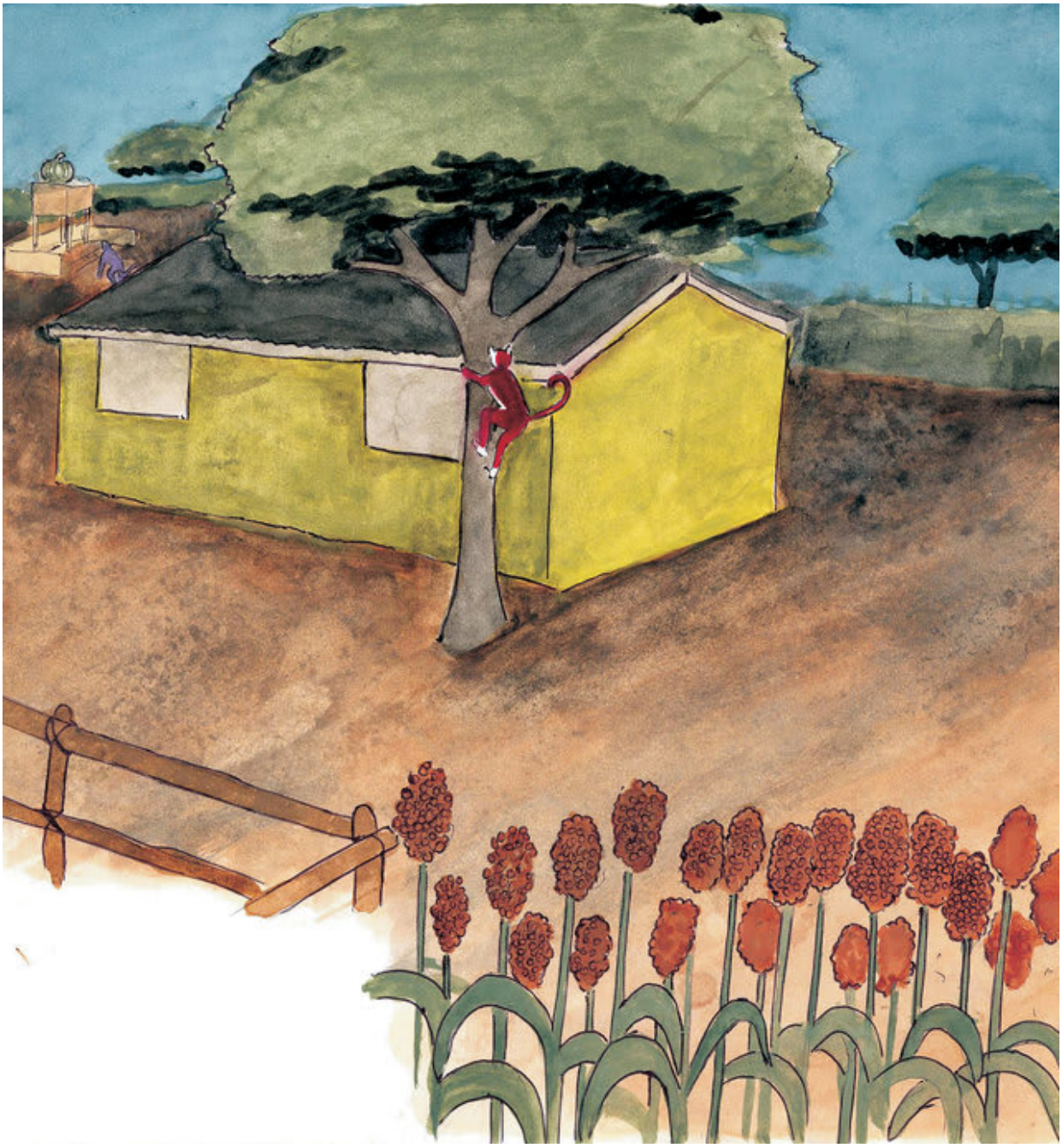
Musuku had many crops on her farm.

Musuku filled her open barn with her crops. "Cat," Musuku said. "You will guard the barn."

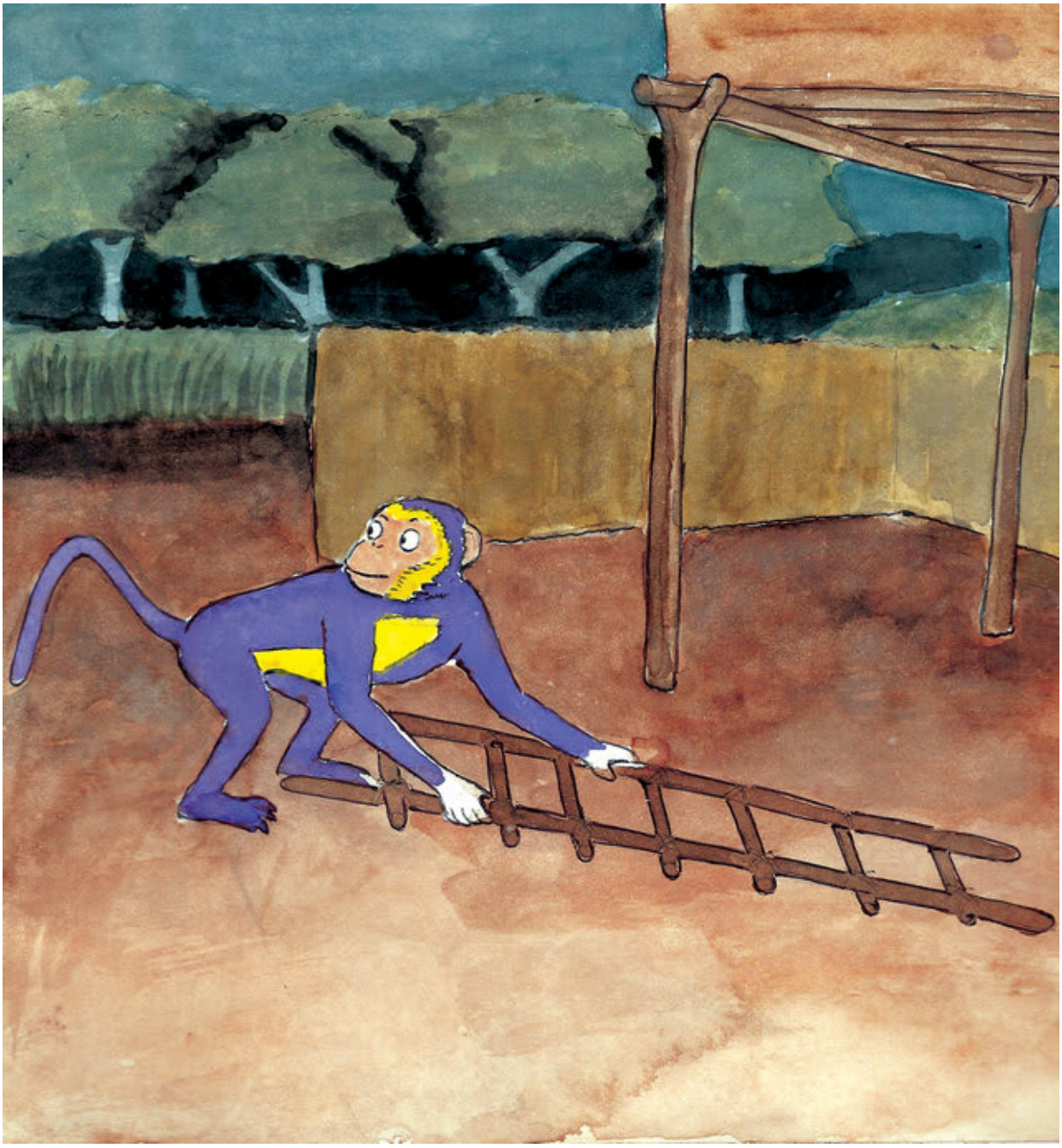
Musuku's best crop was a giant pumpkin! It was the biggest pumpkin anyone had ever seen. She put it on top of the barn. "Cat," said Musuku. "Watch my pumpkin very closely!"



Cat was a careful guard. One night,
Cat heard a strange noise.



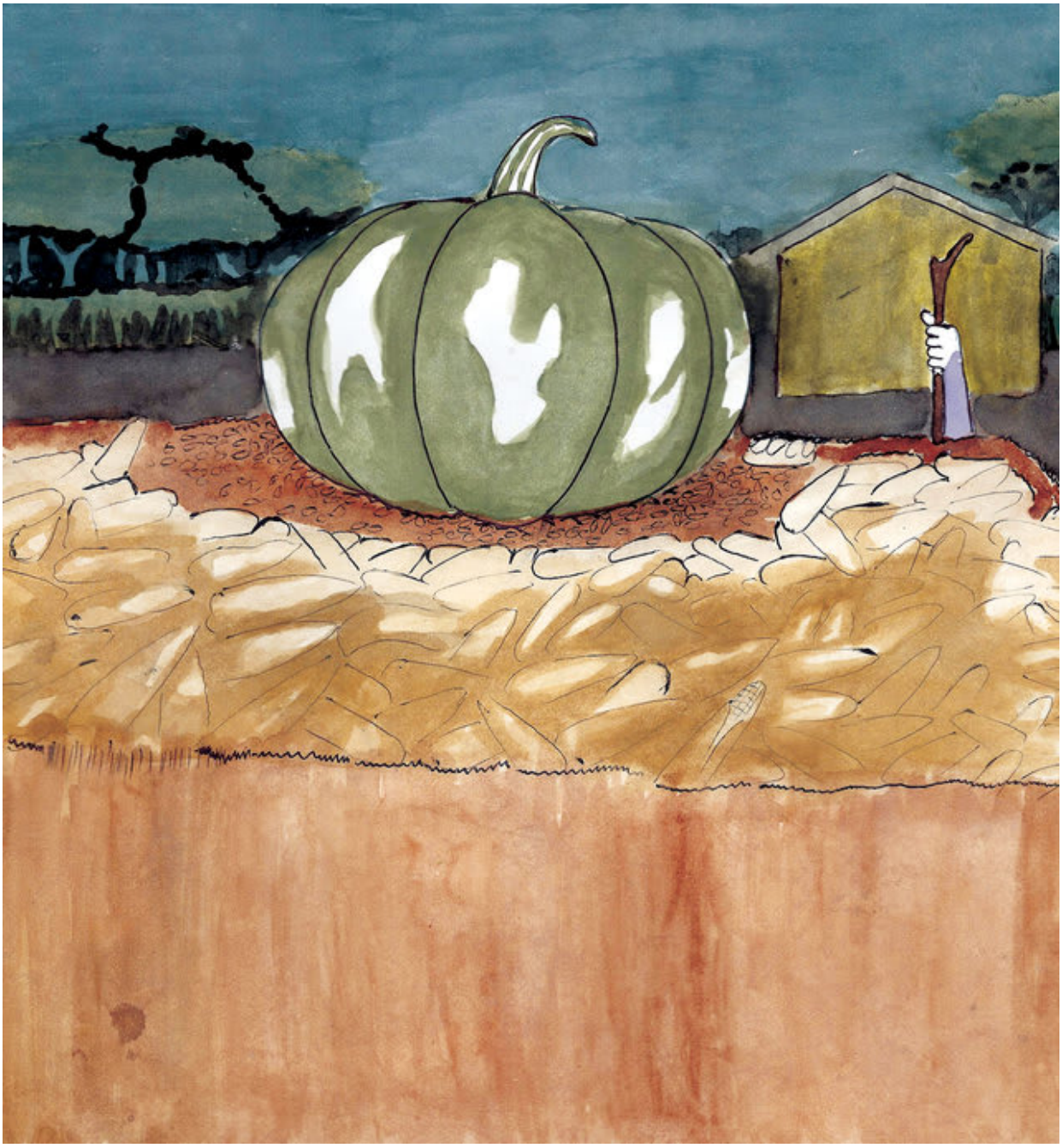
Cat climbed up a tree to get a better look.



Cat saw a thief near the barn!

The thief got a ladder. He was going to climb to the top of the barn!

The thief climbed towards the pumpkin!

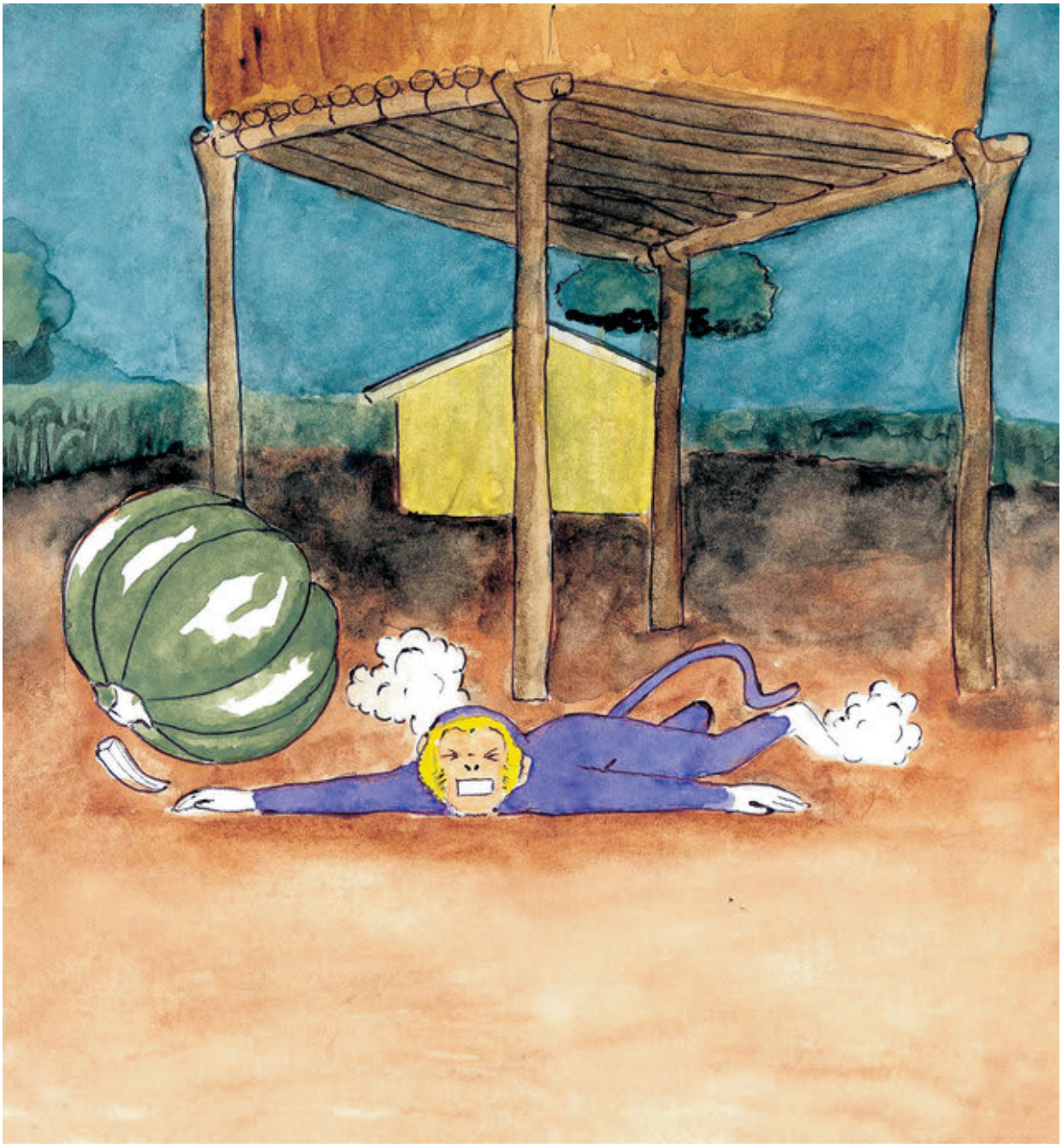


What a pumpkin! thought the thief. But what delicious food is under the pumpkin?

Suddenly, the thief heard an angry growl. “MEOW! MEOW!” It was Cat!

The thief was frightened.

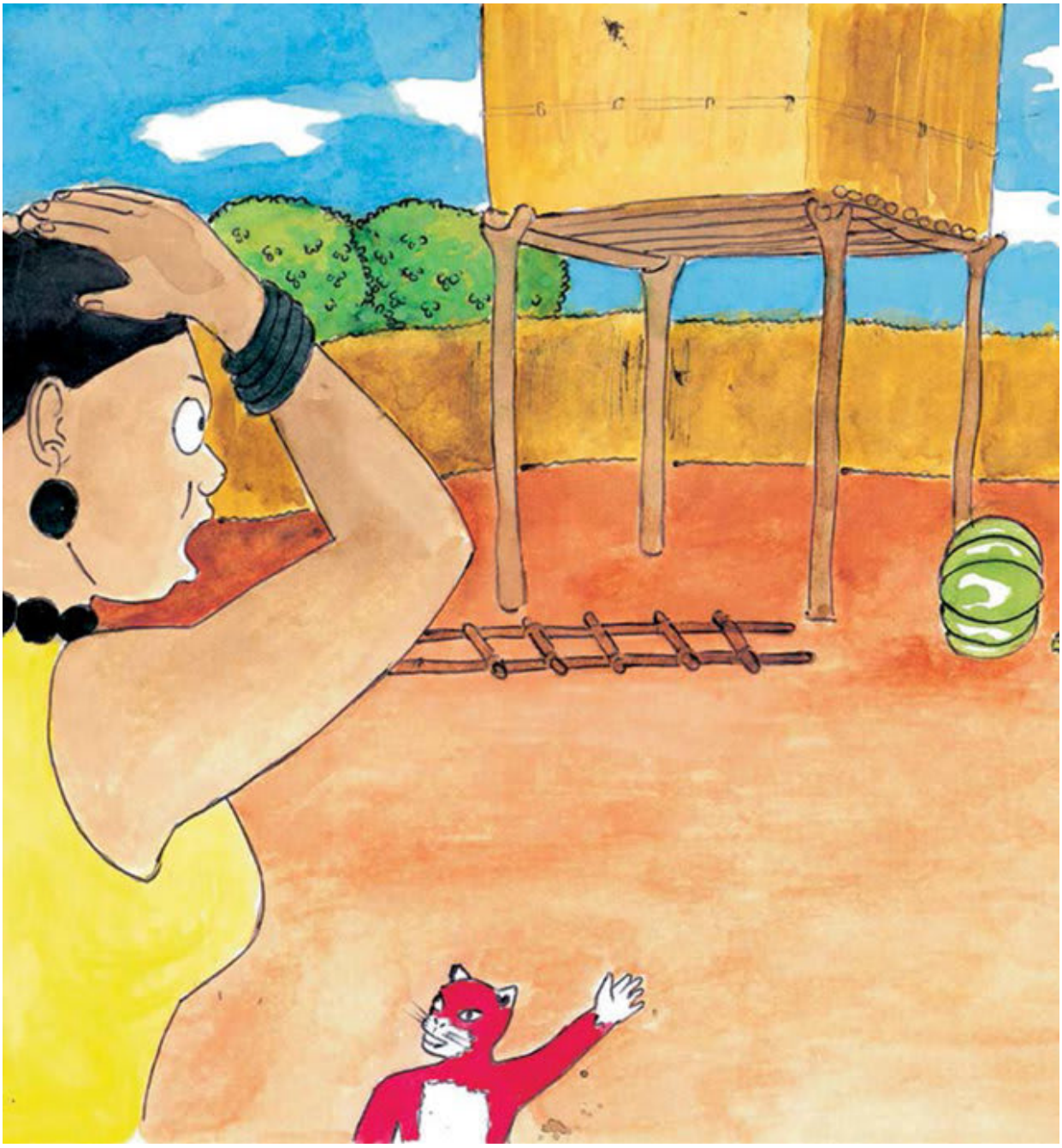
She stumbled into the pumpkin--and off the roof!



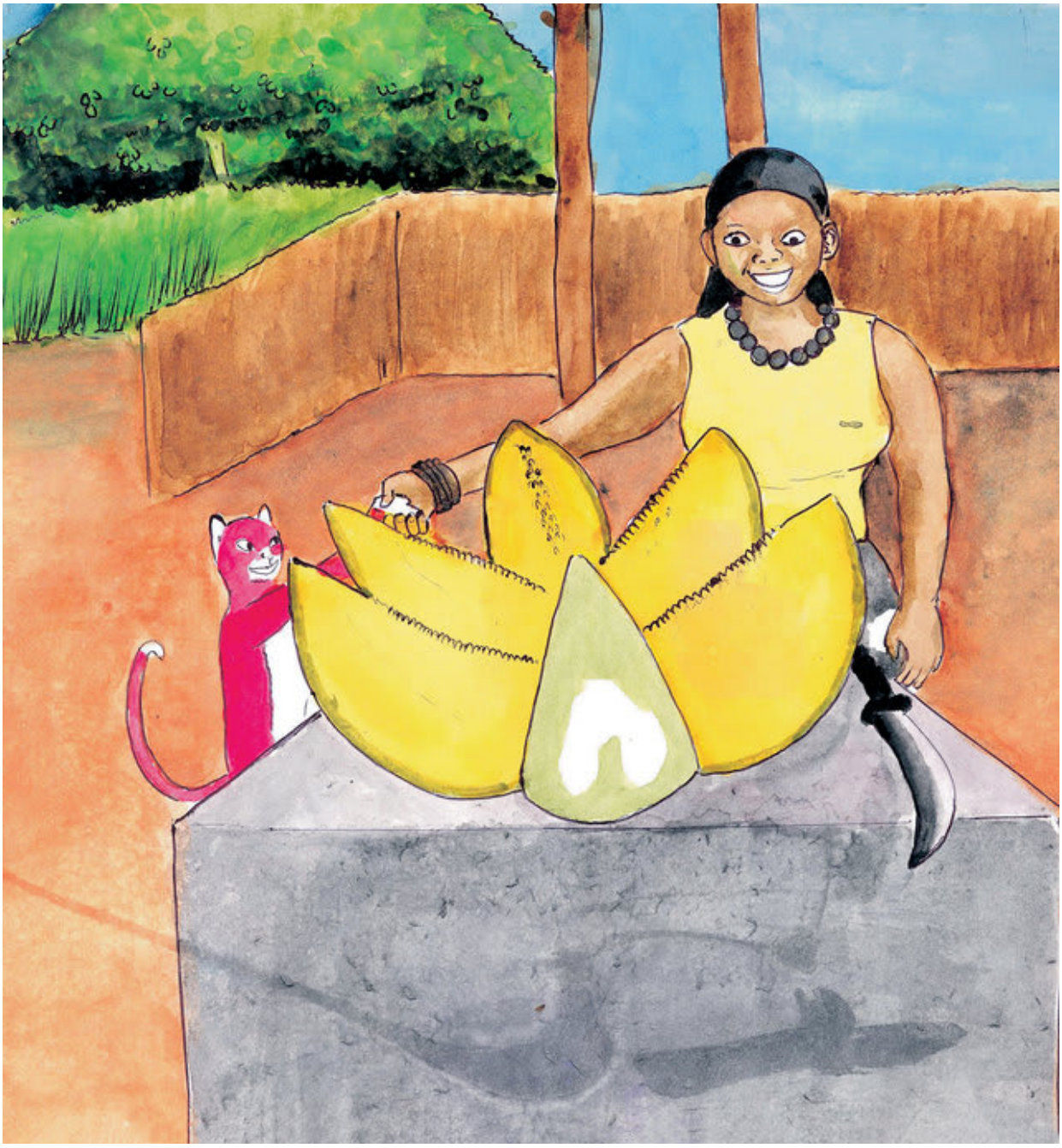
She landed on the ground with a hard “THUD!”

"MEOW! MEOW!" Cat ordered the thief to leave.

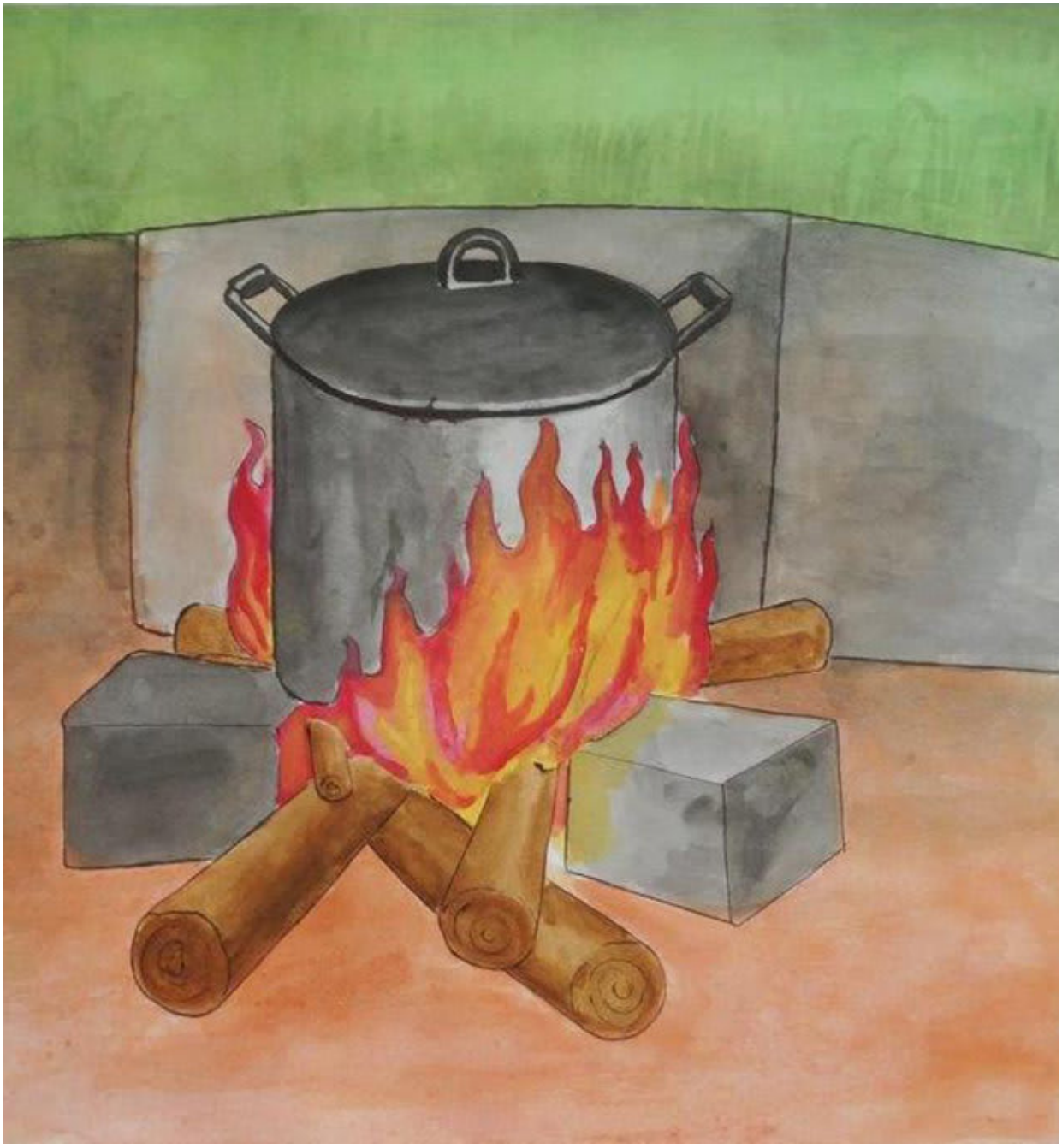
The thief ran away!



The nex morning, Cat told Musuku everything. Musuku was shocked!



But she was also happy with her guard, Cat. She asked Cat to invite the village for a pumpkin feast.



Cat helped Musuku cook the magnificent pumpkin.

What a wonderful feast it was!

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The Biggest Pumpkin (English) Musuku harvested a good crop from her fields. She put it in her open barn, and asked Cat to guard it. What will Cat do when a thief arrives? This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.

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