



## I Am Not a Cat

**Author:** Paro Anand

**Illustrator:** David Yambem **Translator:** Paro Anand

Level 2



Bir went to explore.

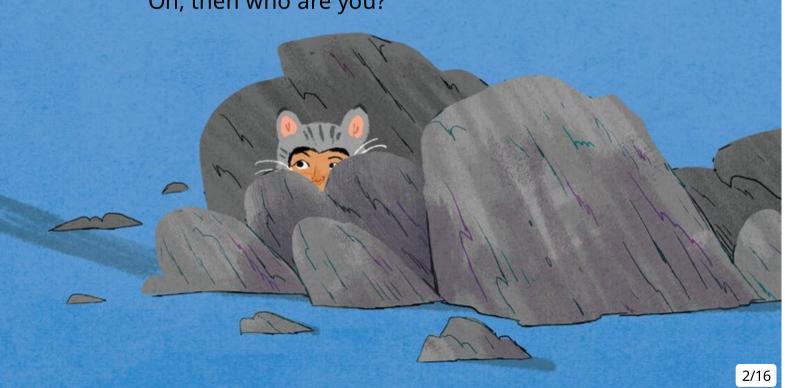


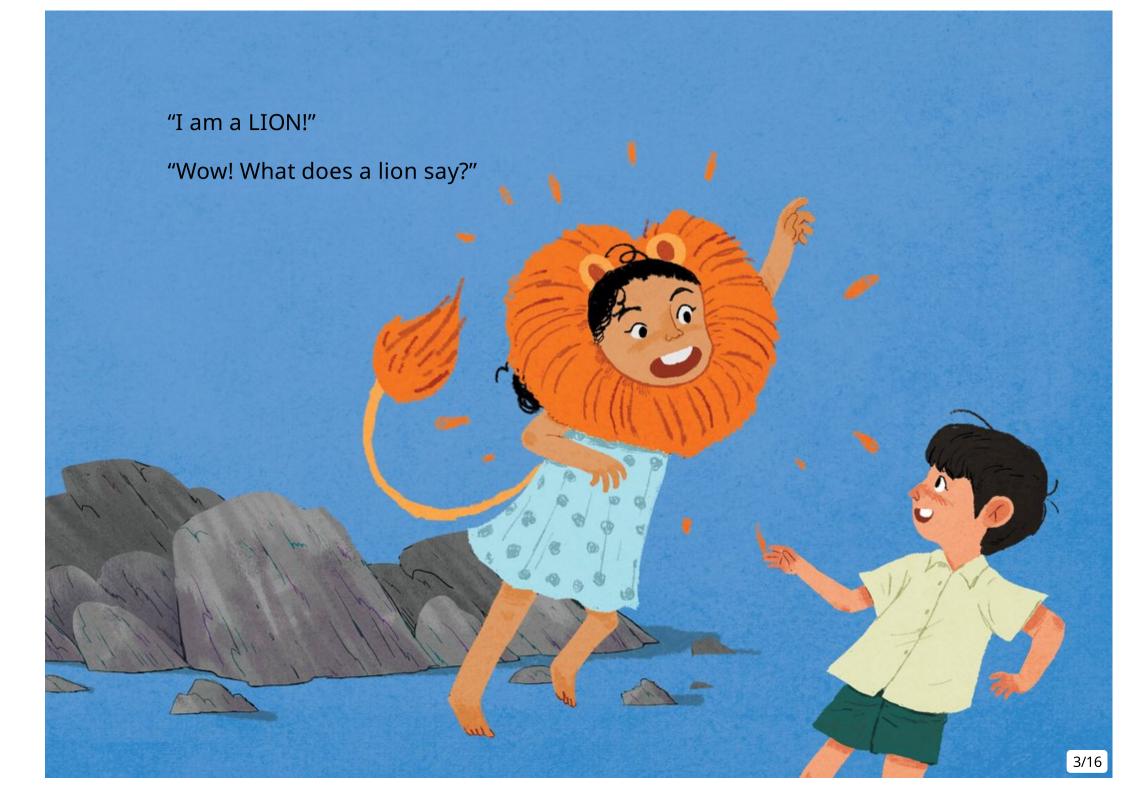
Behind the rocks he found, not a cat, but his friend Aaliya.

"Meow, meow, meow. Hello, cat," said Bir.

"Ay," said Aaliya. "I am not a cat."

"Oh, then who are you?"







"Hello, lions," said Jehan.

"Arre, we are not lions or cats,"
said Bir and Aaliya.

"Then who are you?" asked Jehan.

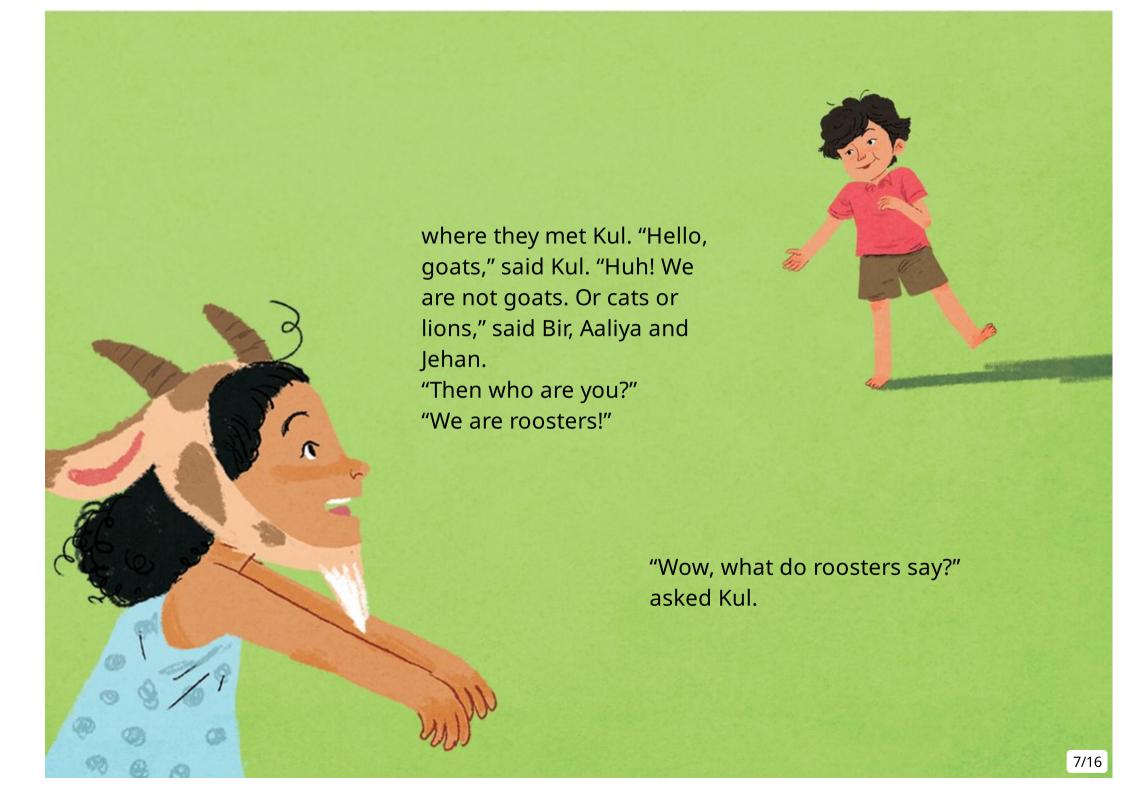
"We are goats."



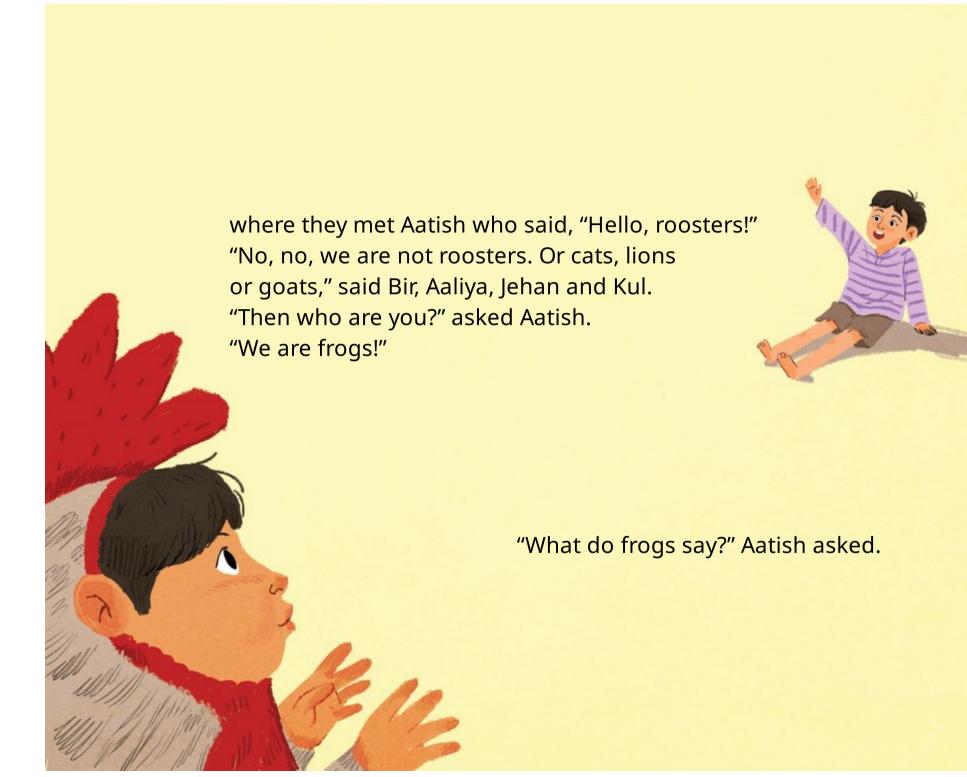


"Wow, and what do goats say?" asked Jehan.

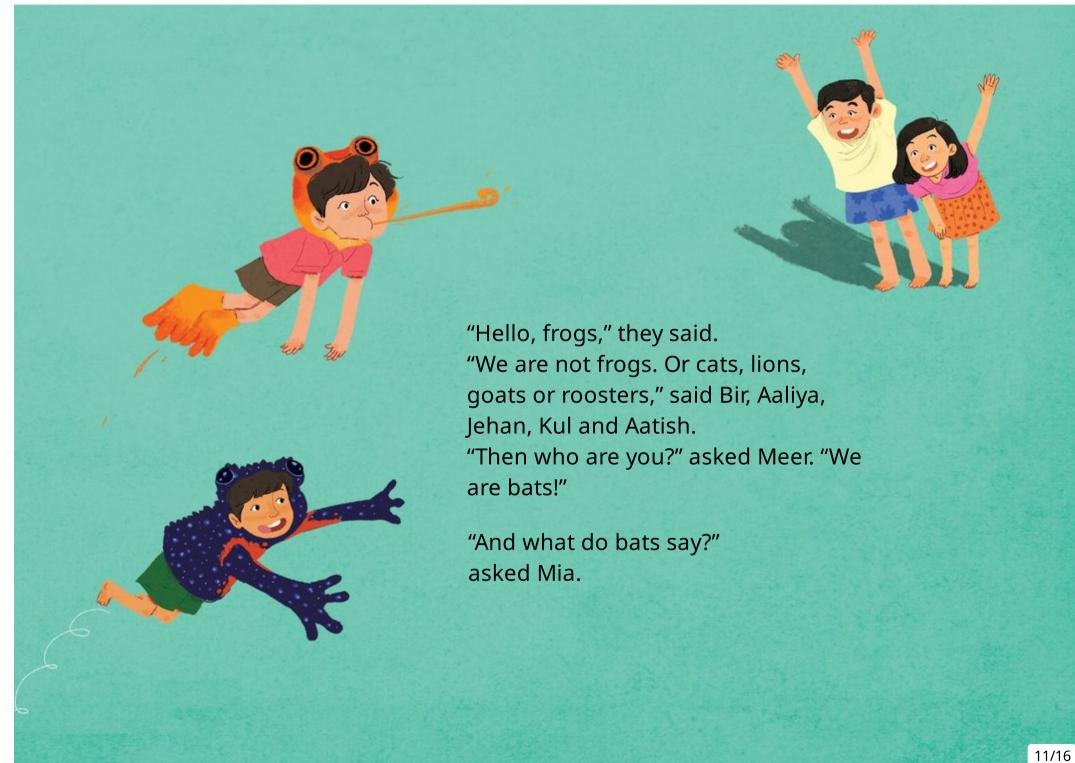


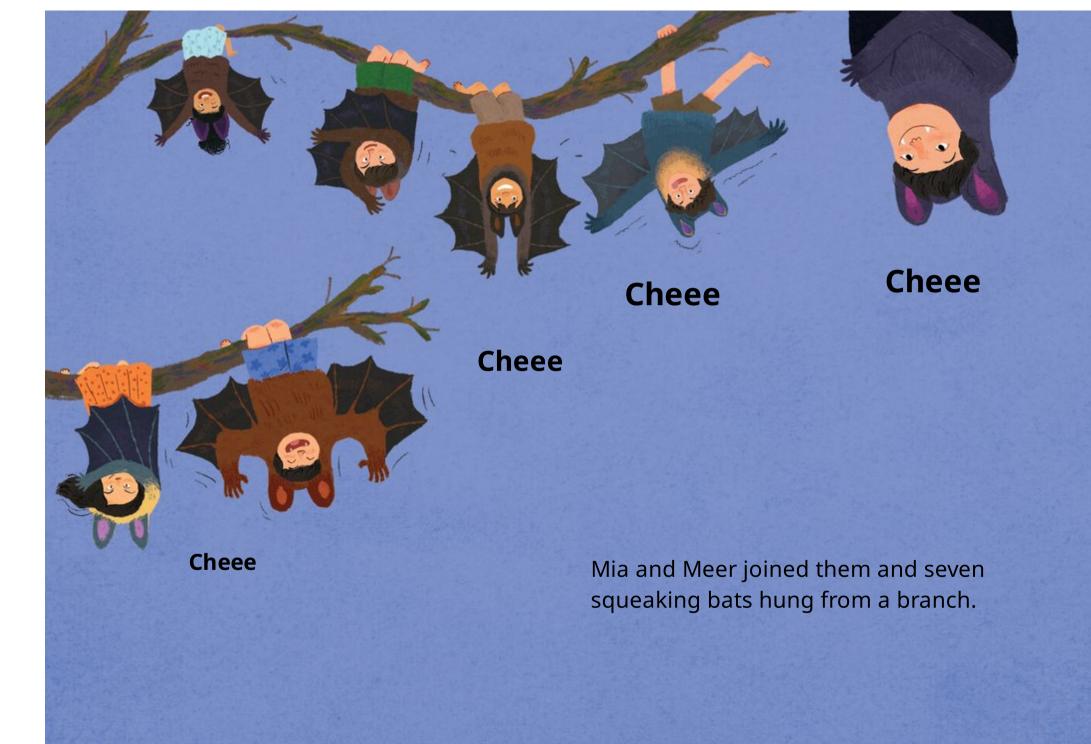


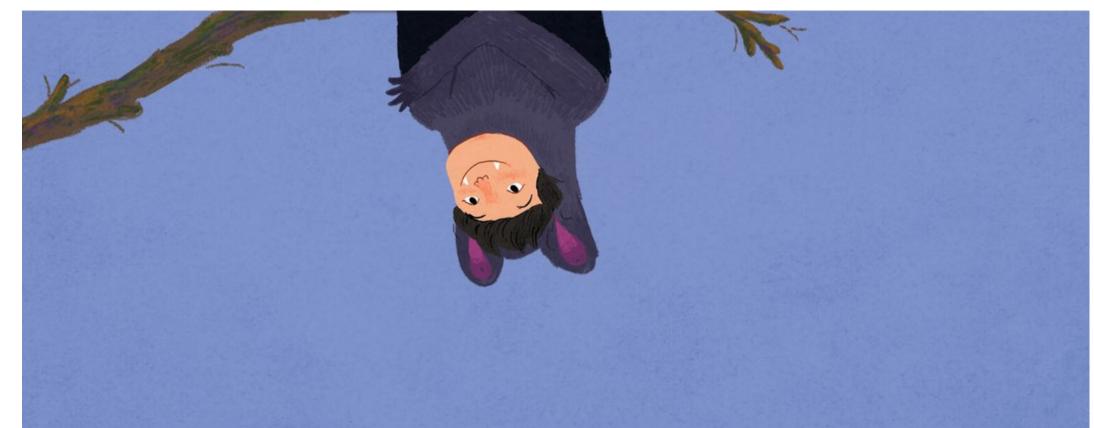








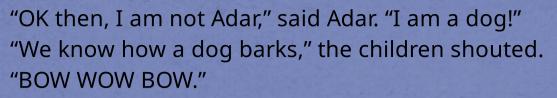




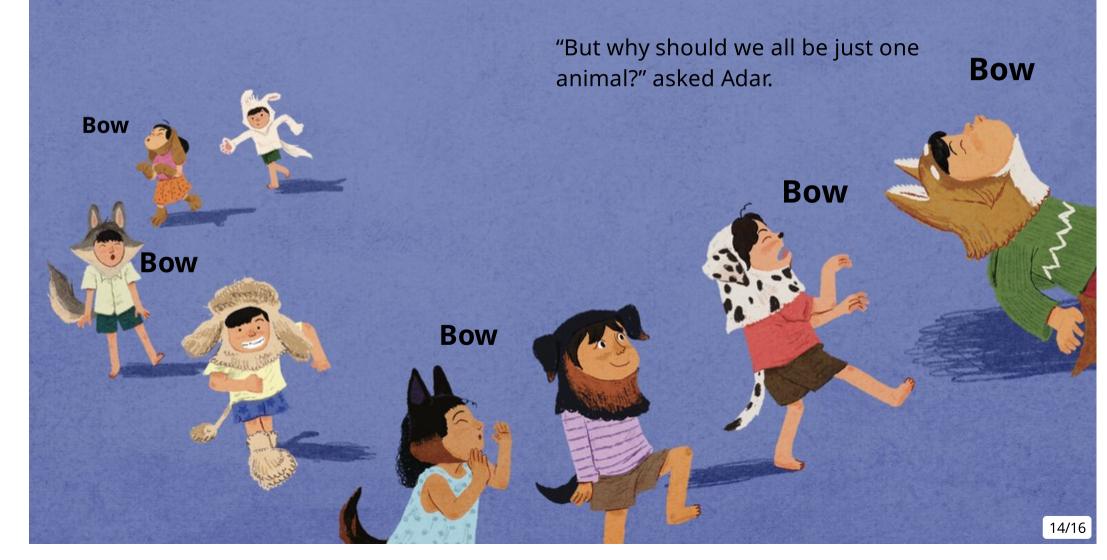
"Hello bats," said Adar.

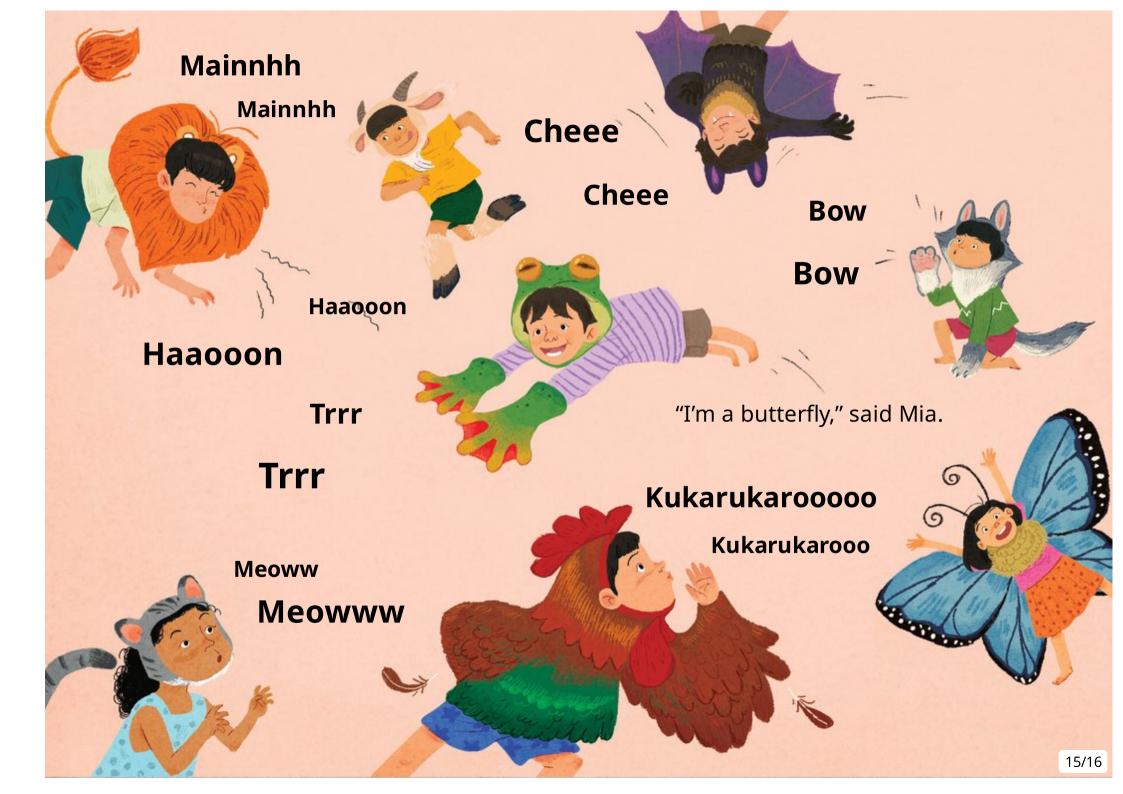
"Ha-ha-ha! We are not bats. Or cats, lions, goats, roosters or frogs," said Bir, Aaliya, Jehan, Kul, Aatish, Meer and Mia.





And eight dogs went down the road barking, bow wow bow.





But what sound does a butterfly make? No one knew.

"Maybe she does make a sound but we can't hear her?" said Mia.



Which animal would you be?
And what sound does that animal make?



This book was made possible by Pratham Books' StoryWeaver platform. Content under Creative Commons licenses can be downloaded, translated and can even be used to create new stories - provided you give appropriate credit, and indicate if changes were made. To know more about this, and the full terms of use and attribution, please visit the following <u>link</u>.

### **Story Attribution:**

This story: I Am Not a Cat is translated by <u>Paro Anand</u>. The © for this translation lies with Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Based on Original story: 'मैं बिल्ली नहीं हुँ', by <u>Paro Anand</u>. © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

#### Other Credits:

'I Am Not a Cat' has been published on StoryWeaver by Pratham Books, www.prathambooks.org.

#### **Images Attributions:**

Cover page: A group of children dressed up as animals, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 2: A boy calling out to someone hiding behind the rocks, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 3: A girl dressed as a lion roaring at a boy, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 4: Two children dressed as lions, roaring, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 5: A boy dressed as a lion roaring at a boy, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 6: Three children dressed as goats, bleating, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 7: A girl dressed as a goat bleating at a boy, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 8: Four children dressed as roosters, crowing, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 9: A boy dressed as a rooster talking to another boy, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 10: Five children dressed as frogs hopping around, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

Disclaimer: <a href="https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms">https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms</a> and conditions



Some rights reserved. This book is CC-BY-4.0 licensed. You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, all without asking permission. For full terms of use and attribution, <a href="http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/">http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/</a>



This book was made possible by Pratham Books' StoryWeaver platform. Content under Creative Commons licenses can be downloaded, translated and can even be used to create new stories - provided you give appropriate credit, and indicate if changes were made. To know more about this, and the full terms of use and attribution, please visit the following <a href="link">link</a>.

#### **Images Attributions:**

Page 11: Two children dressed as frogs talking to two children, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 12: Seven children hanging from the branch of a tree, dressed as bats, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 13: A boy dressed as a bat, hanging from a branch, talking to another boy, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 14: Eight children barking around, dressed as dogs, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 15: A group of children dressed up as animals in costumes, making sounds, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license. Page 16: A girl dressed a butterfly, by David Yambem © Pratham Books, 2025. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

Disclaimer: <a href="https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms">https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms</a> and conditions



Some rights reserved. This book is CC-BY-4.0 licensed. You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, all without asking permission. For full terms of use and attribution, http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/

# I Am Not a Cat (English)

Is that Aaliya or is she a lion? Join Bir, Aaliya and their friends as they play a new game.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



Pratham Books goes digital to weave a whole new chapter in the realm of multilingual children's stories. Knitting together children, authors, illustrators and publishers. Folding in teachers, and translators. To create a rich fabric of openly licensed multilingual stories for the children of India and the world. Our unique online platform, StoryWeaver, is a playground where children, parents, teachers and librarians can get creative. Come, start weaving today, and help us get a book in every child's hand!