




Champi and the Fig Tree

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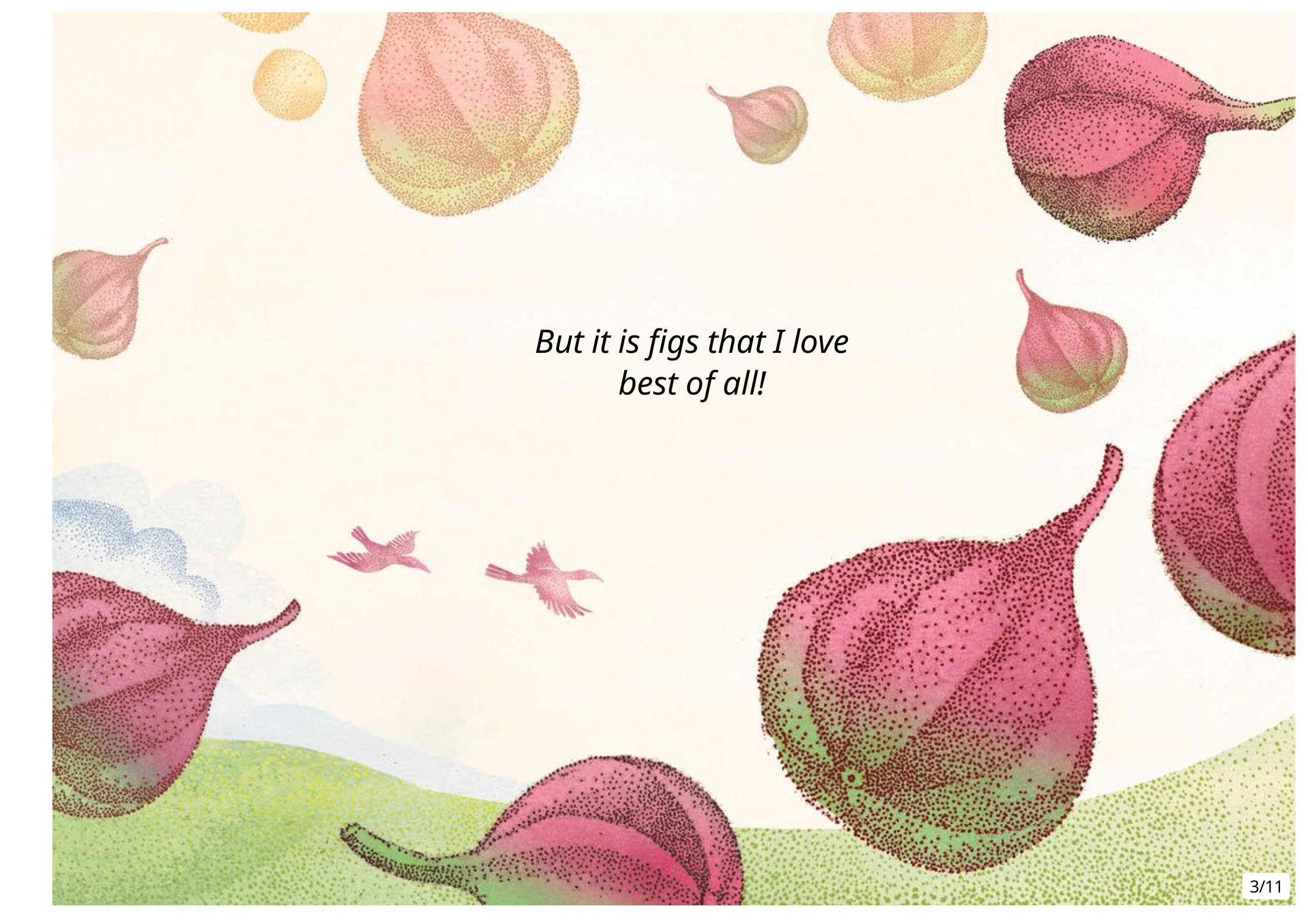
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*Mangoes, watermelons,
Oranges and bananas,
I like them all.*



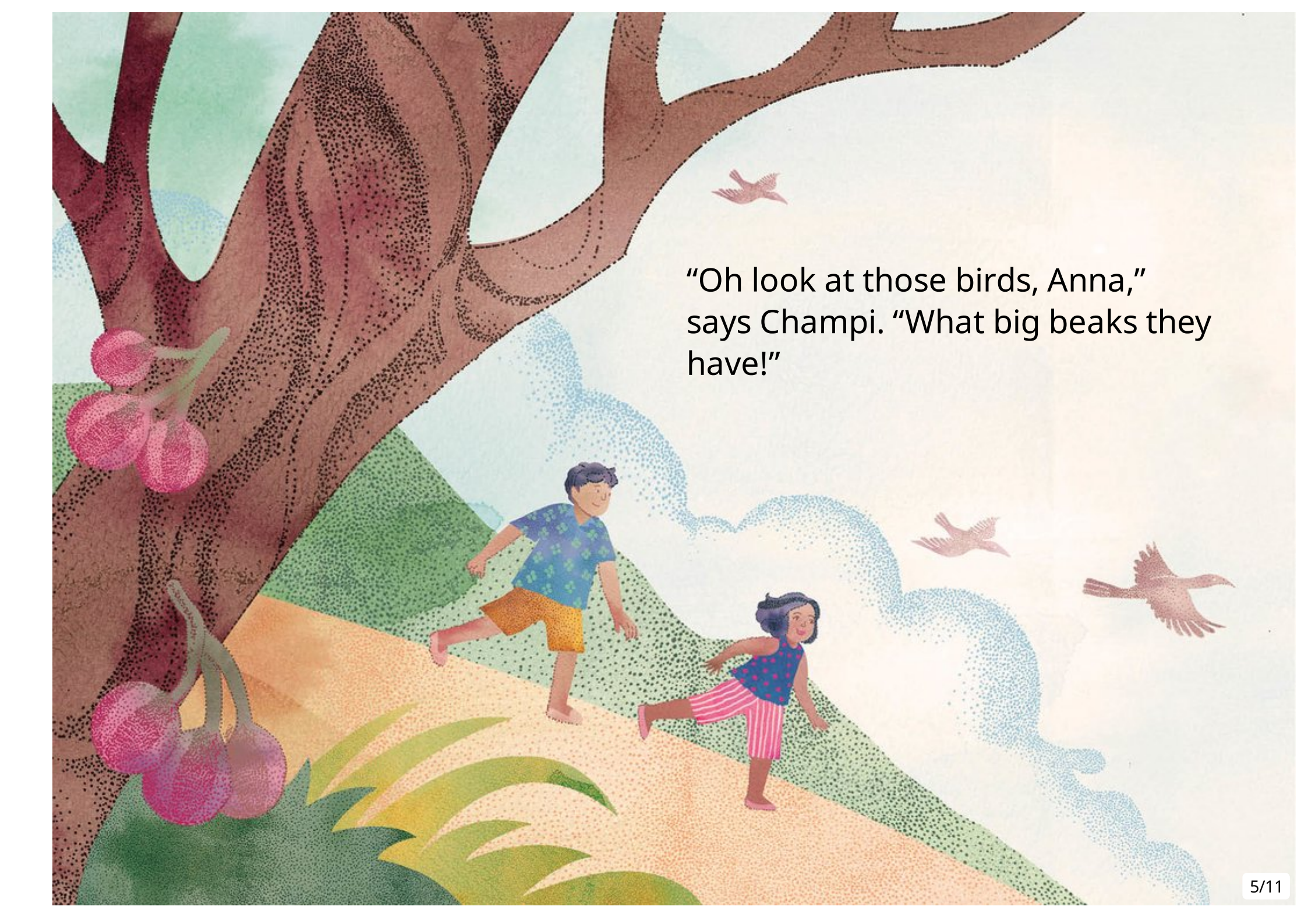
*But it is figs that I love
best of all!*



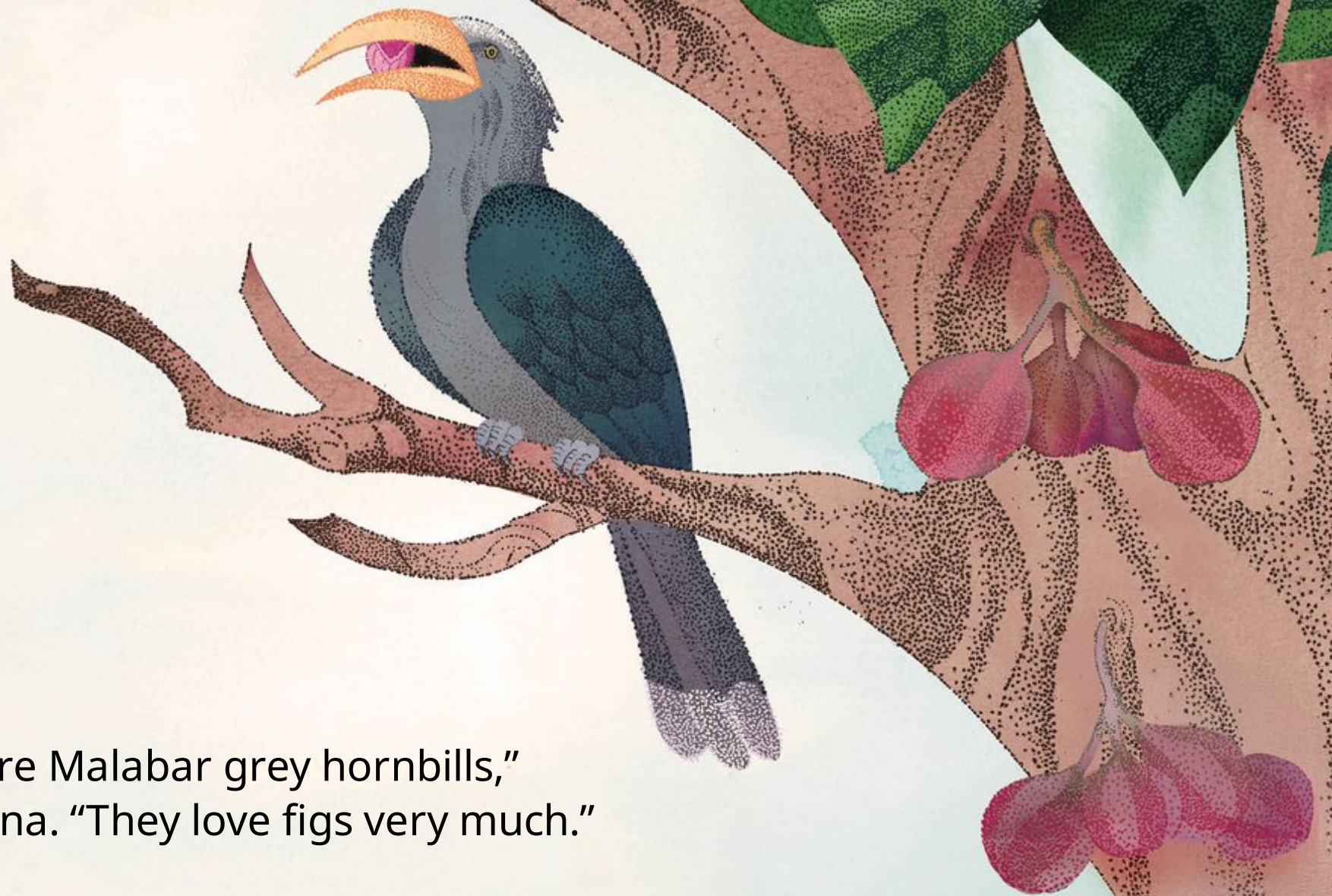
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"Anna, Anna, come fast. Look, the baby squirrel is eating figs," shouts Champi.

"Coming, Champi!" says Anna.

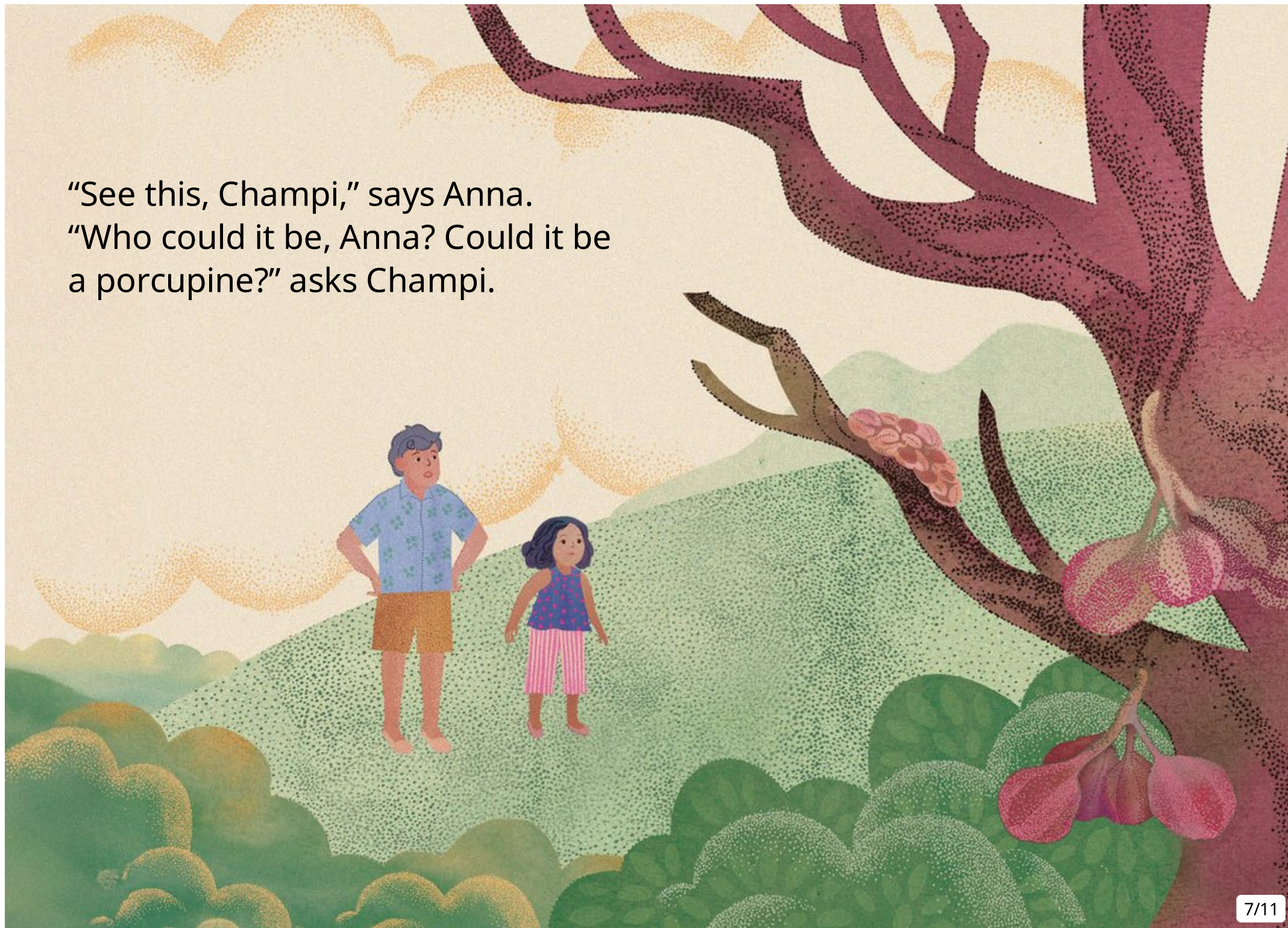
An illustration of a boy and a girl running barefoot on a sandy path. The boy is wearing a blue patterned shirt and orange shorts, while the girl is wearing a blue polka-dot shirt and pink striped pants. They are running towards the right, where three large brown birds with long beaks are flying in the sky. The background features a large tree on the left with pink flowers, green hills, and a blue sky with white clouds. The text is positioned in the upper right area of the illustration.

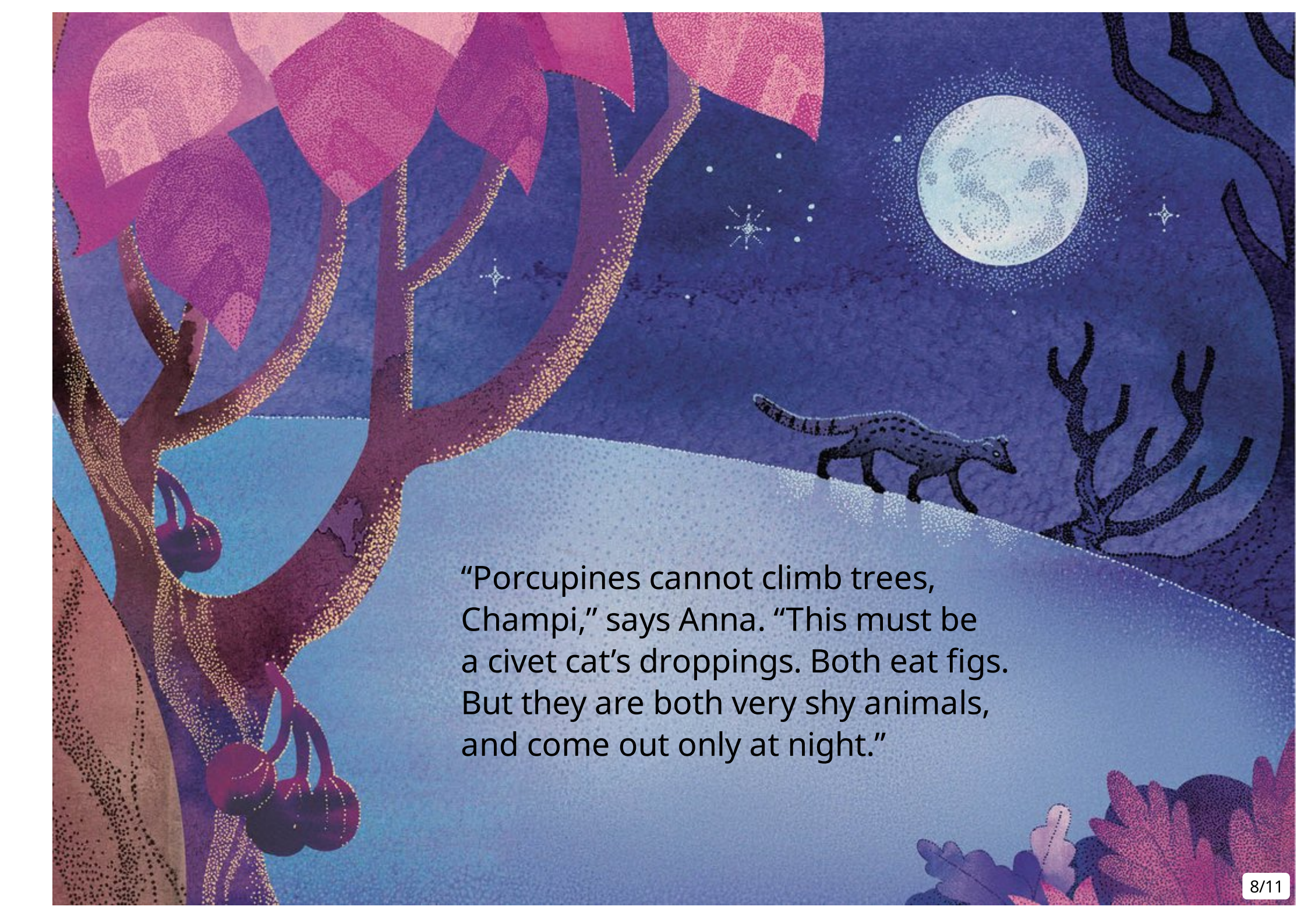
“Oh look at those birds, Anna,”
says Champi. “What big beaks they
have!”



"They are Malabar grey hornbills,"
says Anna. "They love figs very much."

"See this, Champi," says Anna.
"Who could it be, Anna? Could it be
a porcupine?" asks Champi.

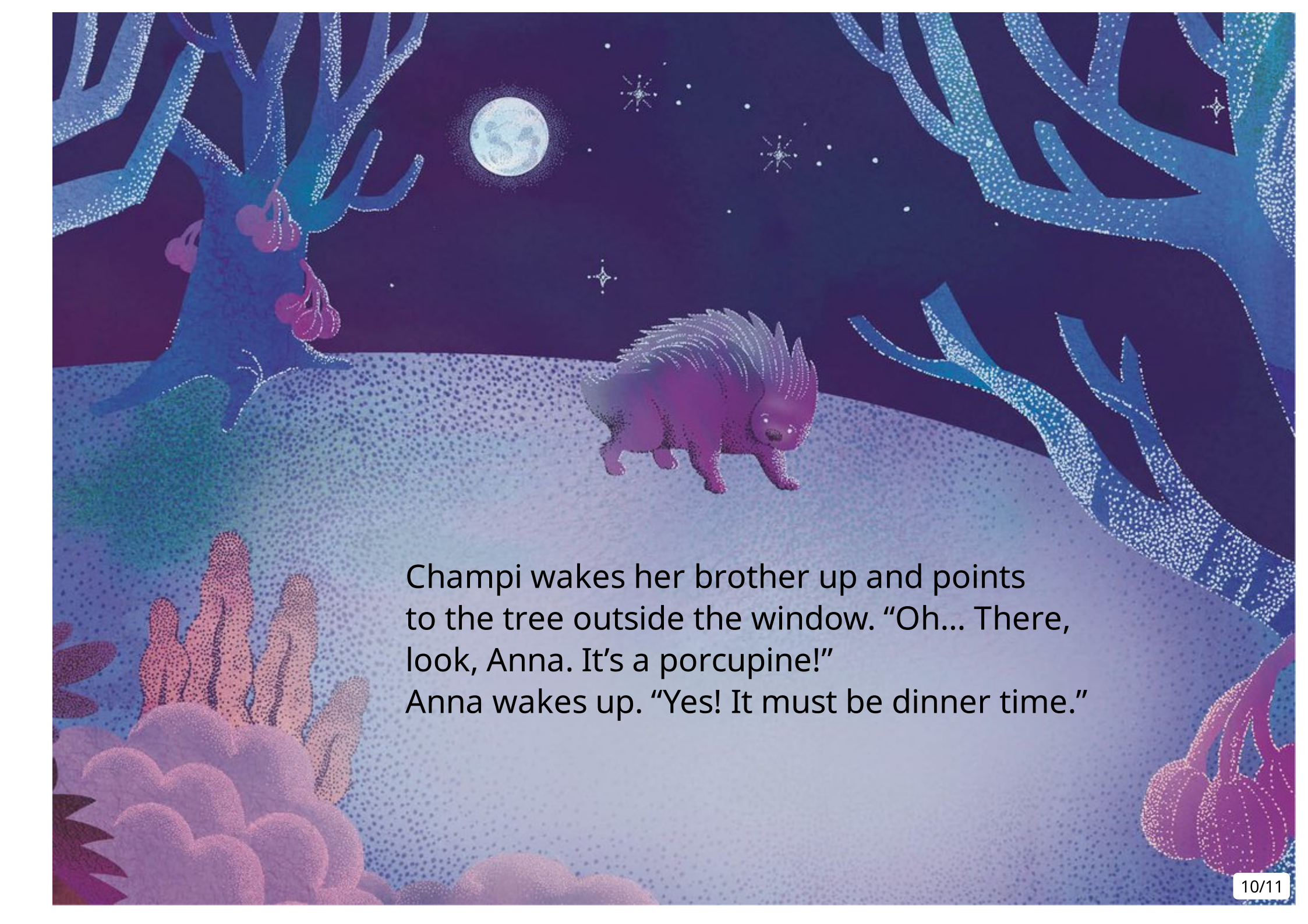




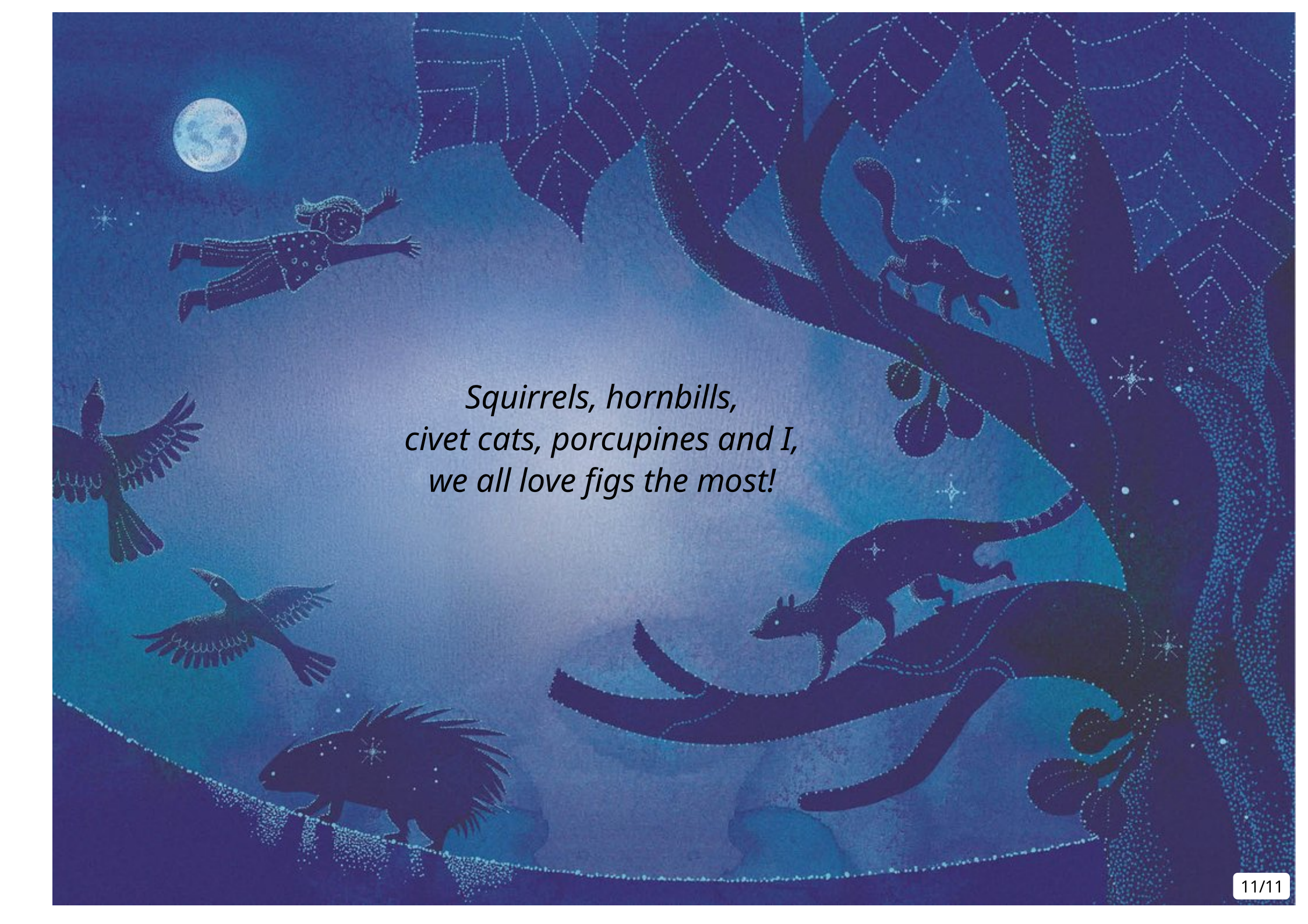
"Porcupines cannot climb trees, Champi," says Anna. "This must be a civet cat's droppings. Both eat figs. But they are both very shy animals, and come out only at night."

“Could that be a porcupine?
Or is it a civet cat?”
wonders Champi.





Champi wakes her brother up and points to the tree outside the window. "Oh... There, look, Anna. It's a porcupine!" Anna wakes up. "Yes! It must be dinner time."



*Squirrels, hornbills,
civet cats, porcupines and I,
we all love figs the most!*

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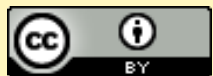
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(English)

Champi loves fruits. Her favourite is juicy figs. But she's not the only one who loves them. Who are the others?

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