

The Spookies

This book is dedicated to splookies,  
wherever they may be.  
They are nasty creatures, no doubt about it.  
But we all deserve a little happiness, and respect!



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I'm disgusting!

I know, I know,  
I'm a **splooky** from County Mayo.

I smell like poo  
but . . . what can you do?

I live in a place called Ballina  
where Joe Biden's folks came from

- bizarre!

We're coming to visit **you**  
– yes, quite soon!

Look out for a horrible  
**cheesy moon!**

Got that? Cheesy moon... .

**Late afternoon.**



We'll bring  
some sweets  
- they look  
**delightful!**



(Actually, they're very  
frightful!)





# Spookies!

We frighten  
one another,

I  
just  
love  
**frightening**  
my  
brother!



Don't panic!

It makes us manic...



And we begin to



smelly stuff from the nose!

An eruption!

A corruption!

It just flows and flows.





Don't be deceived!  
Some of us look nice . . .

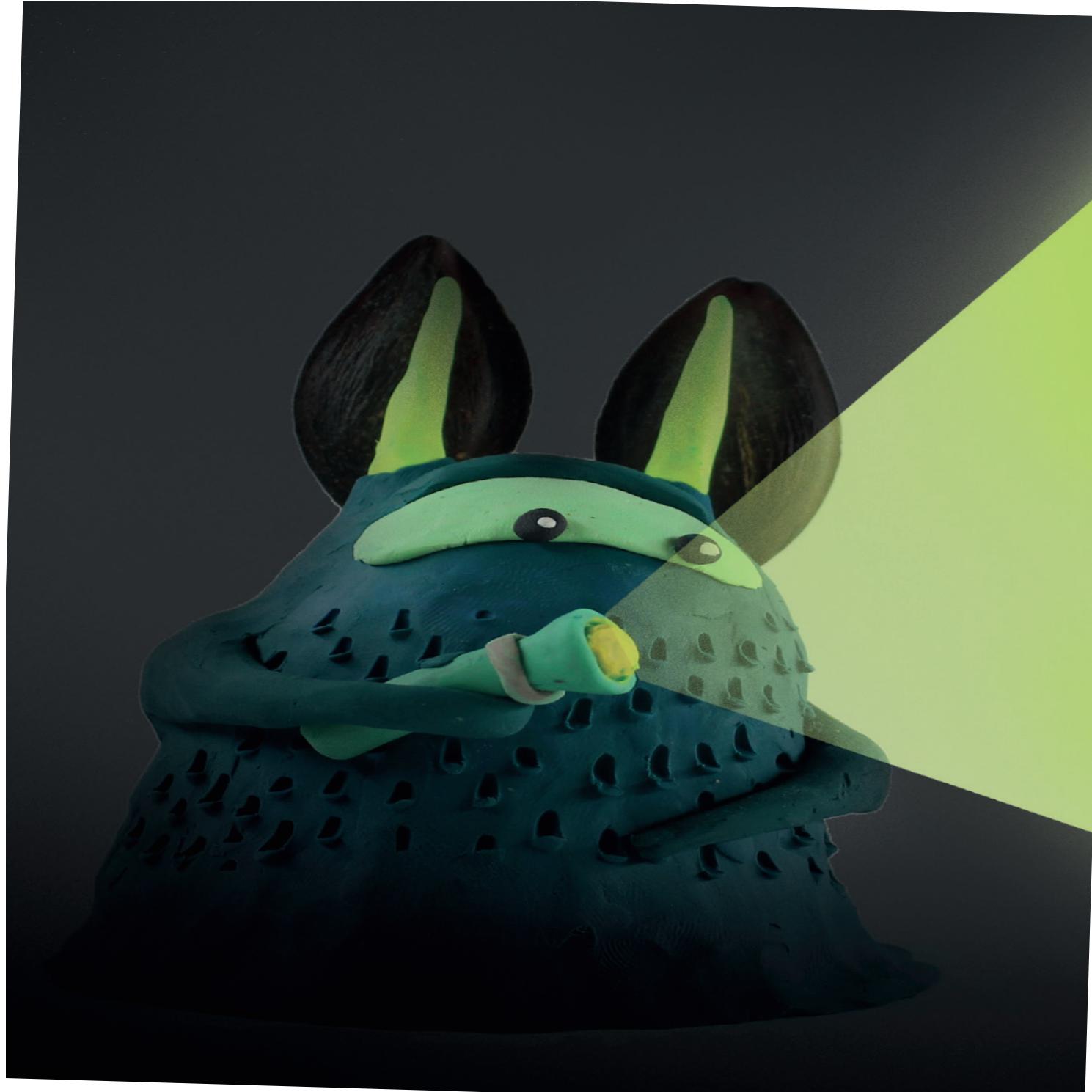
But we're  
colder than  
cats' urine  
turned to

ICE.

Unlike you,  
we're not  
afraid of  
the dark,



but we get the **rums** if we hear a poodle bark!



We hate good manners: if someone says

PLEASE

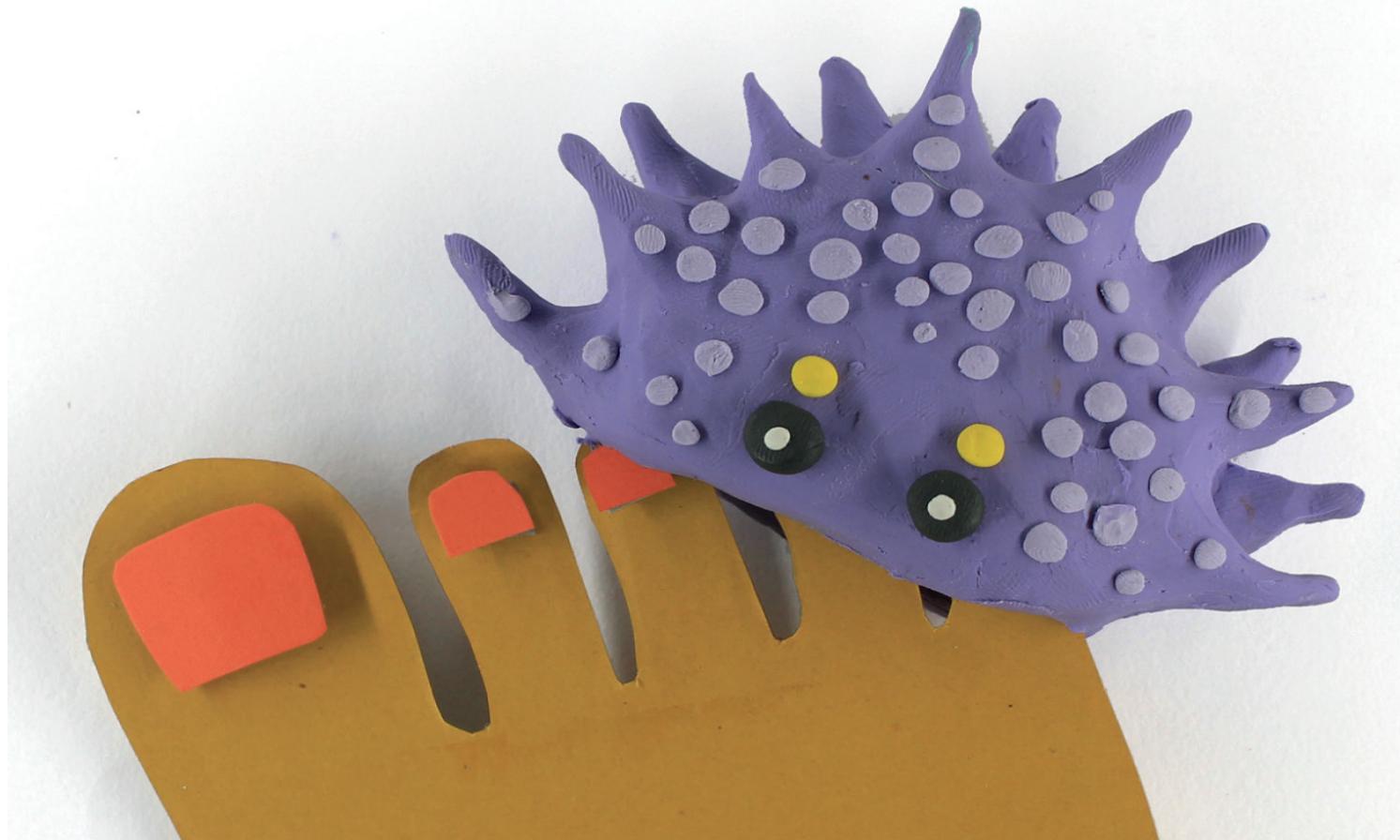
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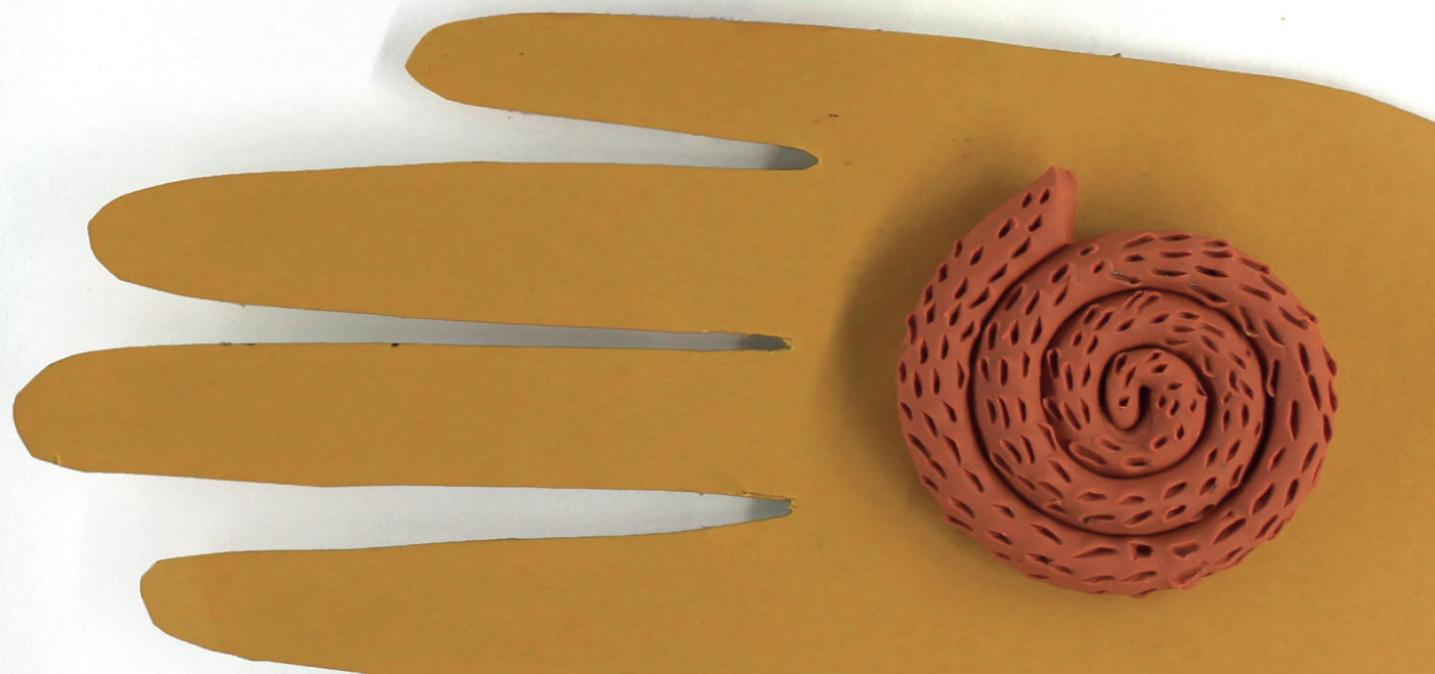
smelling like

rotten blue  
cheese!

Like a treat?  
We'll **bite** your toenails,  
suck your feet!



We like to  
arrive and stay  
for a **week**





- Beware!

We leak!

People say,  
'that wasn't smart'  
but we say

It's art



# BEWARE! BEWARE!

We can appear

– just like that –

out of thin air!

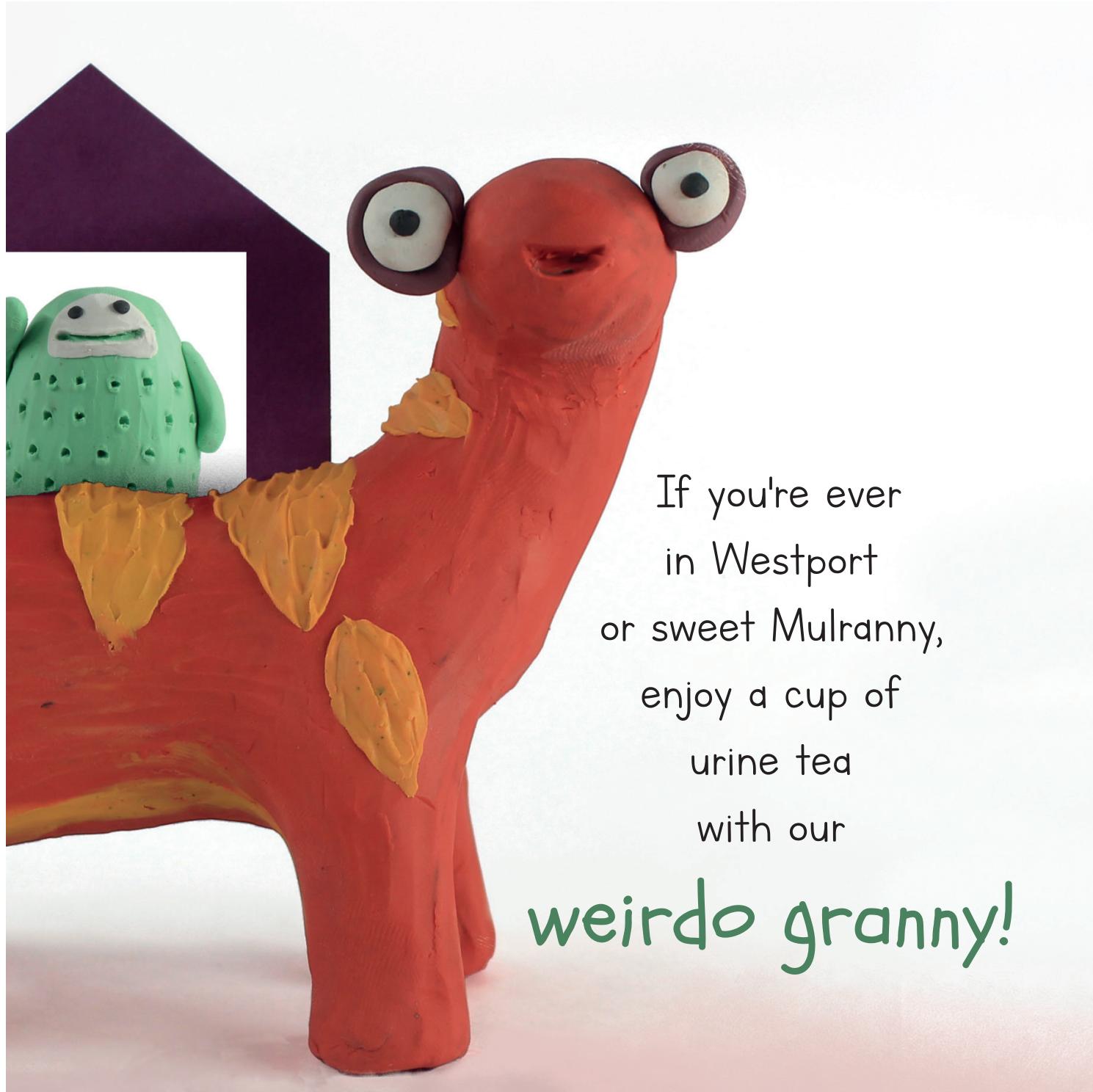




After a week or so, we'll go  
back to our own place

- County Mayo!



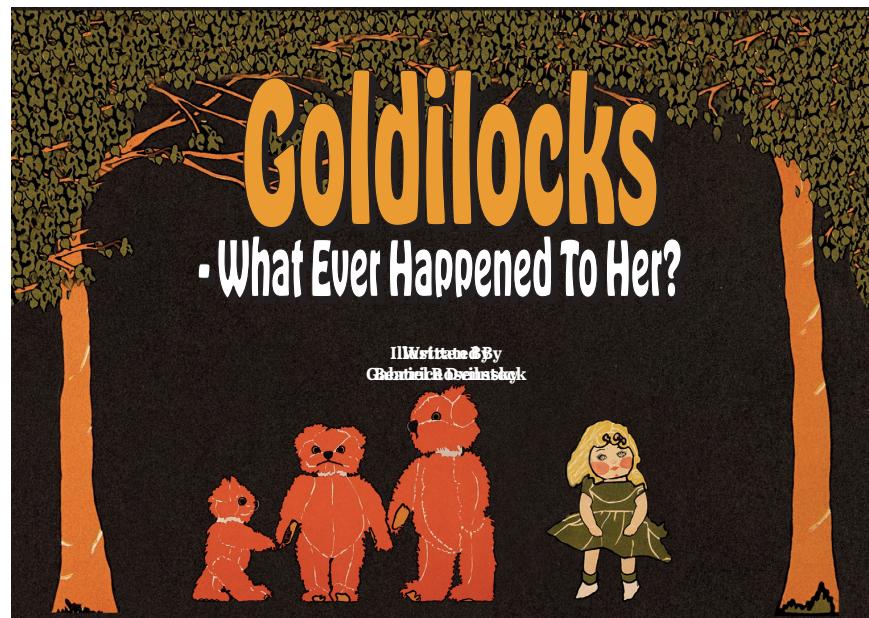


If you're ever  
in Westport  
or sweet Mulranny,  
enjoy a cup of  
urine tea  
with our

**weirdo granny!**

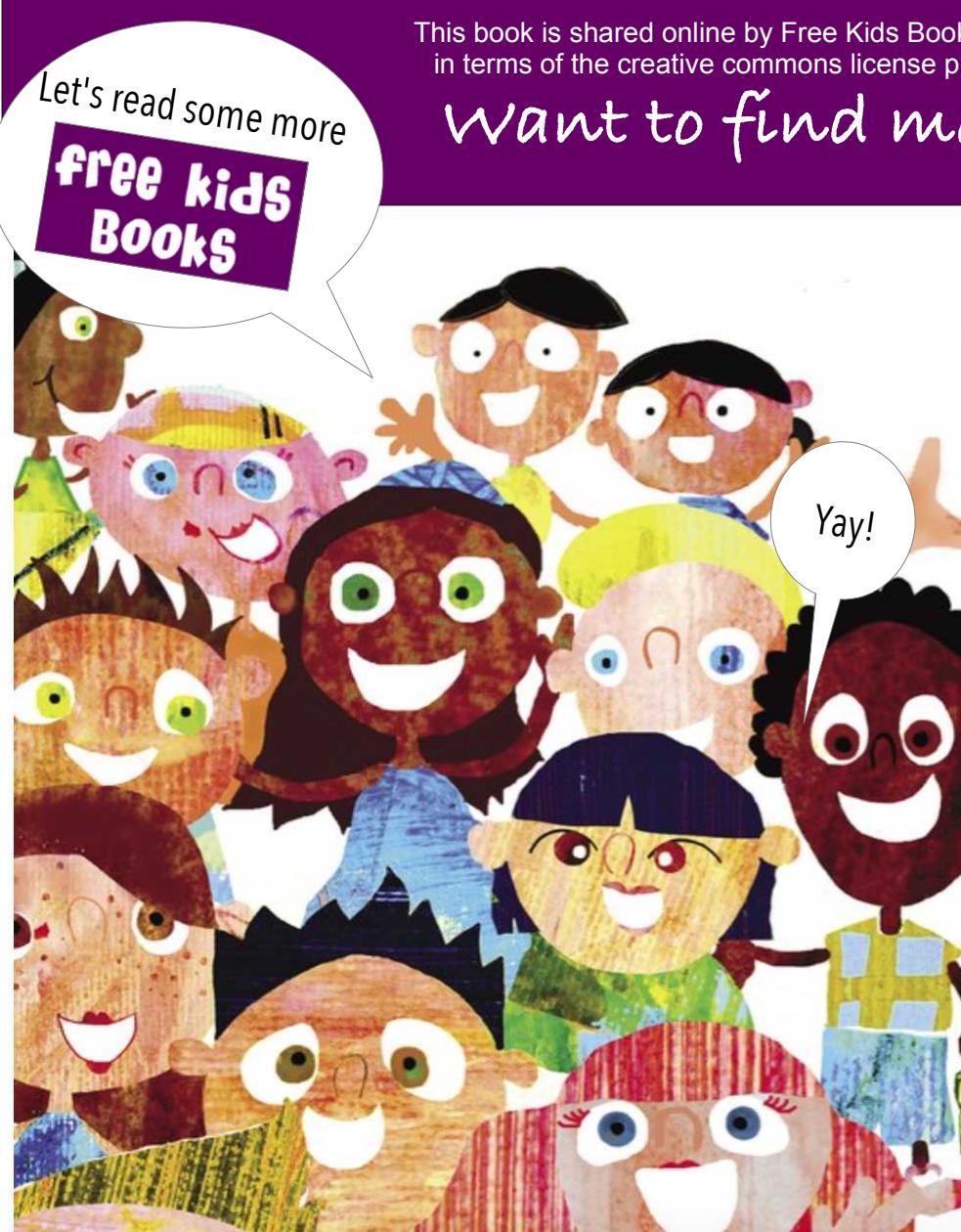
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