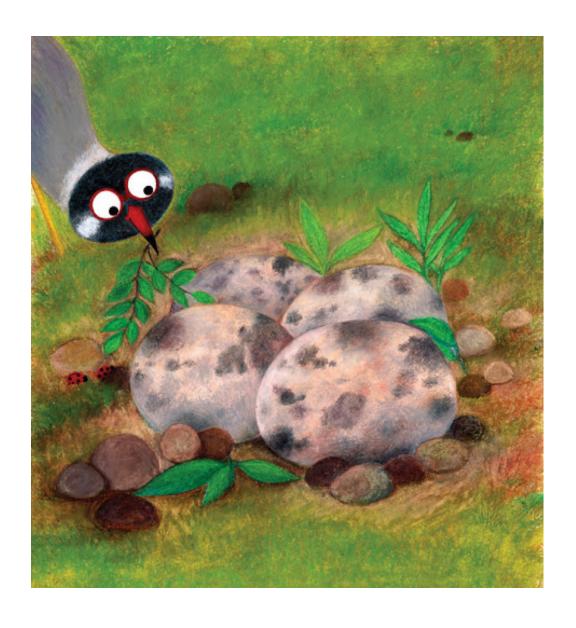


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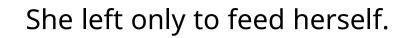


A pewit\* laid four eggs.

\*pewit is a kind of bird
belonging to the Lapwing
family, found in Europe and
Asia.



Every day, she sat on the eggs for hours.







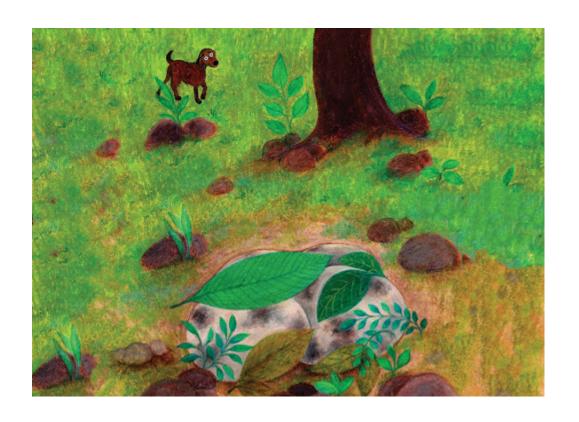


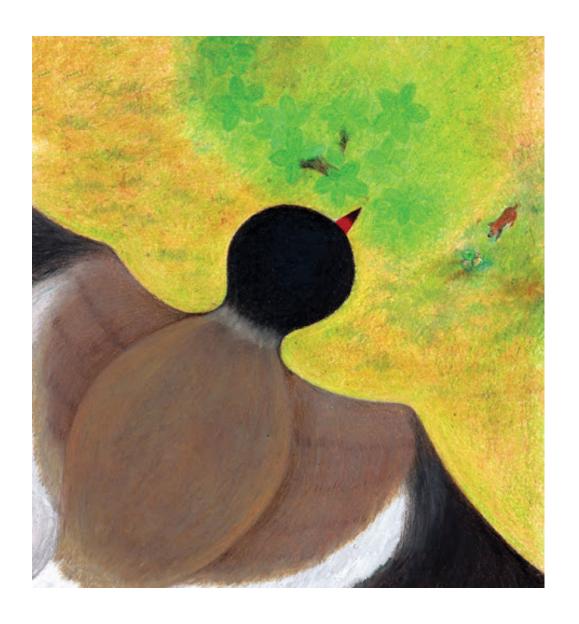
Many days passed like this. She was waiting for her baby pewits to hatch.





One day, she was very hungry. She covered the eggs and went in search of food.





But when she returned...

## What?







A dog was lying on the warm eggs. The pewit waited and waited for the dog to leave.





Morning turned to noon.

Noon turned to evening.

But the dog didn't move an inch! The warm eggs made a nice place to rest.



Suddenly, one by one, four baby pewits hatched. The dog woke up, too. He started to walk away.



The baby pewits started crying. 'Mama! Mama!' they called to the dog.



'Mama! Mama!' The dog was confused.



'Mama! Mama!' But he was not their mother! He had only been taking a cosy nap.



He needed to get away! The dog ran off as fast as he could.



The baby pewits soon got tired. Mother Pewit said, 'Those eggs were mine! You are my children.'



Hooray! The babies ran to their mother. 'Mama! Mama! Mama!' 'My babies! I love you,' Mama said.

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