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A young boy was goofing around with some primates  
when his pappa said "little monkey, your bed awaits."



"I'm not a monkey," the little boy replied.

"I'M A RABBIT!" He cried.



"Well, little rabbit,  
let's not make a habit  
of getting lost in our head  
when it's time for bed."

But the little rabbit replied, "Wait!

We can't go upstairs because I spilled a  
potion that turns the floor into an ocean...

and the water is full of sharks  
who know Kung Fu...

and there's snakes  
and crocodiles too!"

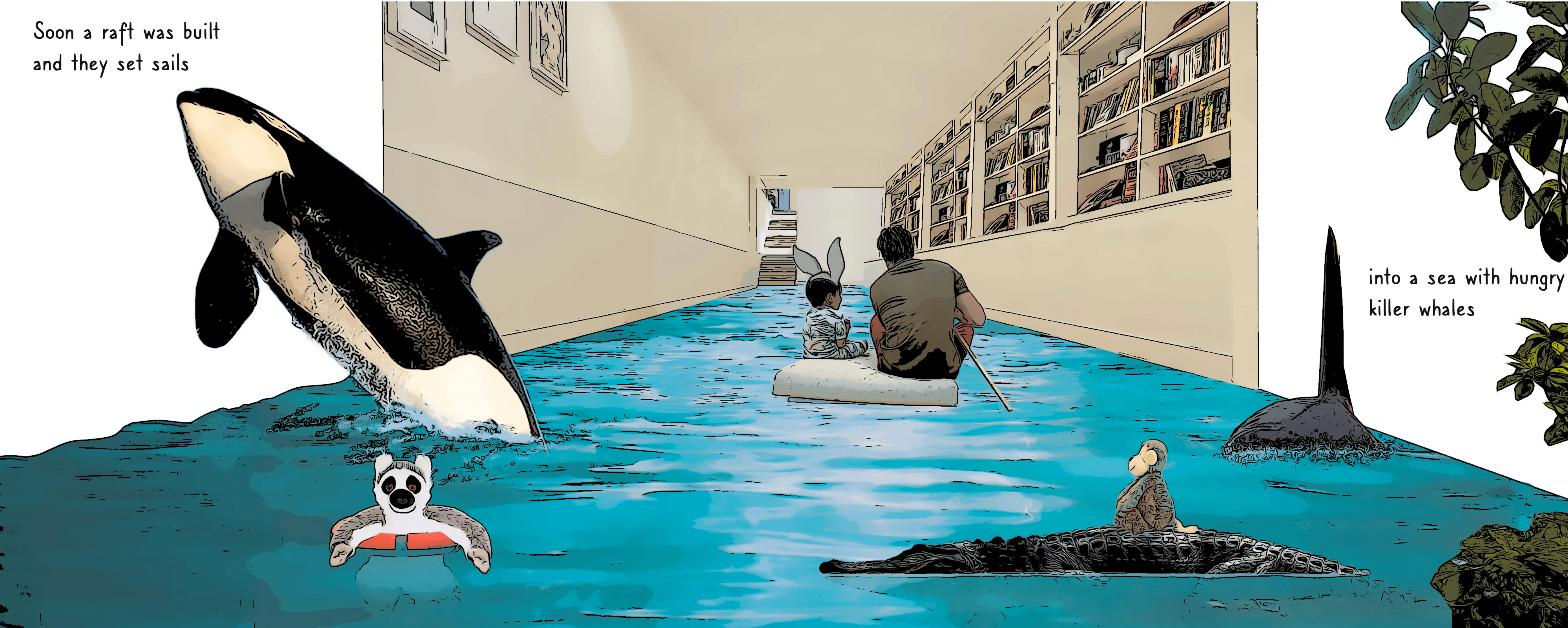




"Well if that's the case...  
QUICK!"

We have to get off the floor  
and find a safe path to the door."

Soon a raft was built  
and they set sails



into a sea with hungry  
killer whales

"WATCH OUT!  
I see a karate-chopping  
Great White"



"DON'T WORRY PAPPA!  
I know how to fight!"

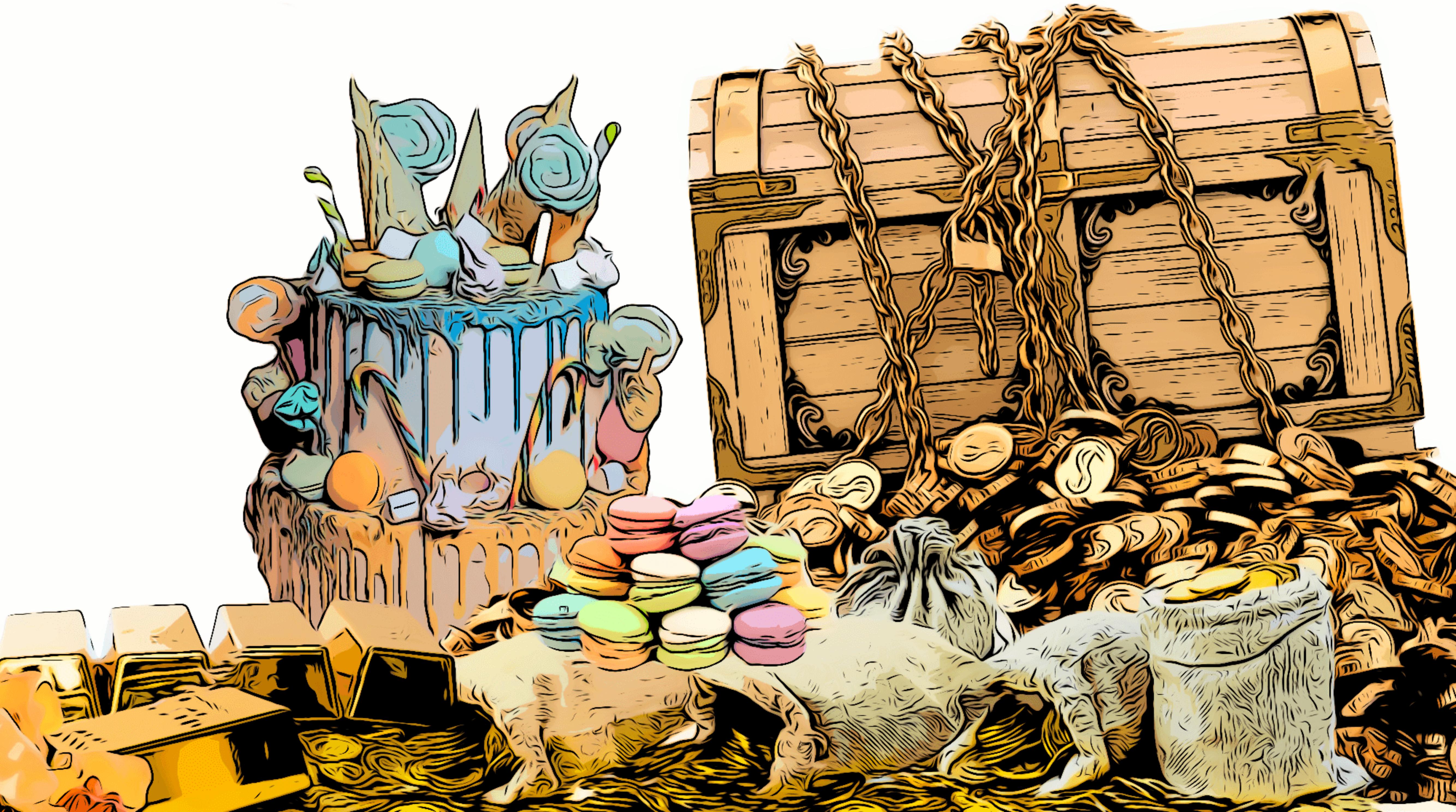
...but suddenly they were asked for a toll  
by a GIGANTIC HAIRY SHE-TROLL





The little rabbit tried to keep the journey going,  
and figure out what the troll wanted as a belonging.

He thought of gold and cookies but something was amiss...  
then he realized and gave...





...Mamma  
a good night kiss!



After fending off gators and a lion pride  
they reached a massive cliffside

The little ~~boy~~ rabbit threw a hook and a rope  
and little by little they scaled the slippery slope



"Phew! That was exciting and didn't end in gloom,  
and I see a clear path to your room."



"No," the rabbit said, "pappa look ahead!  
We're in a snowy forest and we need a sled"

After passing the snowy steeps  
they thought they had made great leaps...

"While we've escaped from hungry crocodiles  
and walked thru winter snow for miles,

the biggest battle is always in our mind,  
and it troubles rabbits and men of all kind."

The little rabbit replied,  
"Sometimes the dreams feel like play-pretending,  
but the adventures have no happy ending."





Pappa leans down. "If your mind can help you have great fun,  
it should also help you sleep, my son.

So why don't we imagine this,  
a little rabbit has just received a good night kiss."



His bed becomes a floating palace at night...

Surrounded by Northern Lights. AND...



"AND... the rabbit boy cried...  
there's flying monkeys  
riding laughing donkeys."

"Yes," pappa continued,  
"and the palace is safe from harm  
because of a magical charm.

and it's guarded by a creature really really tough  
that scares away monsters  
with purrs and furry fluff."

"Good night, little rabbit. May your dreams be full of joy."  
He answered, "I'm not a rabbit anymore, I'm a big boy."

With his mind at ease, the little boy could ponder  
all that would come from tomorrow's wonder.

