

Arnold

the wise old

Elephant

Video Companion
Storybook

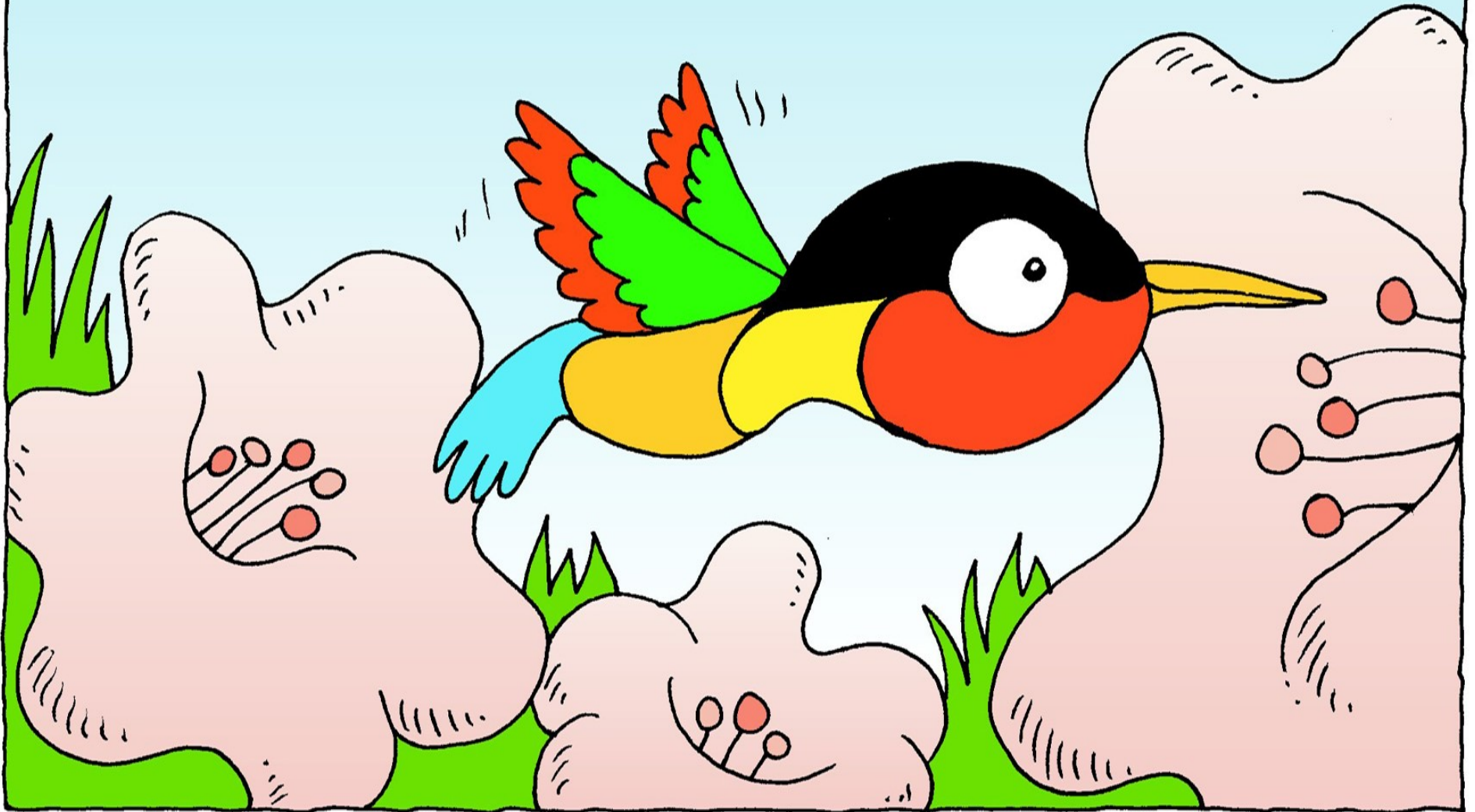
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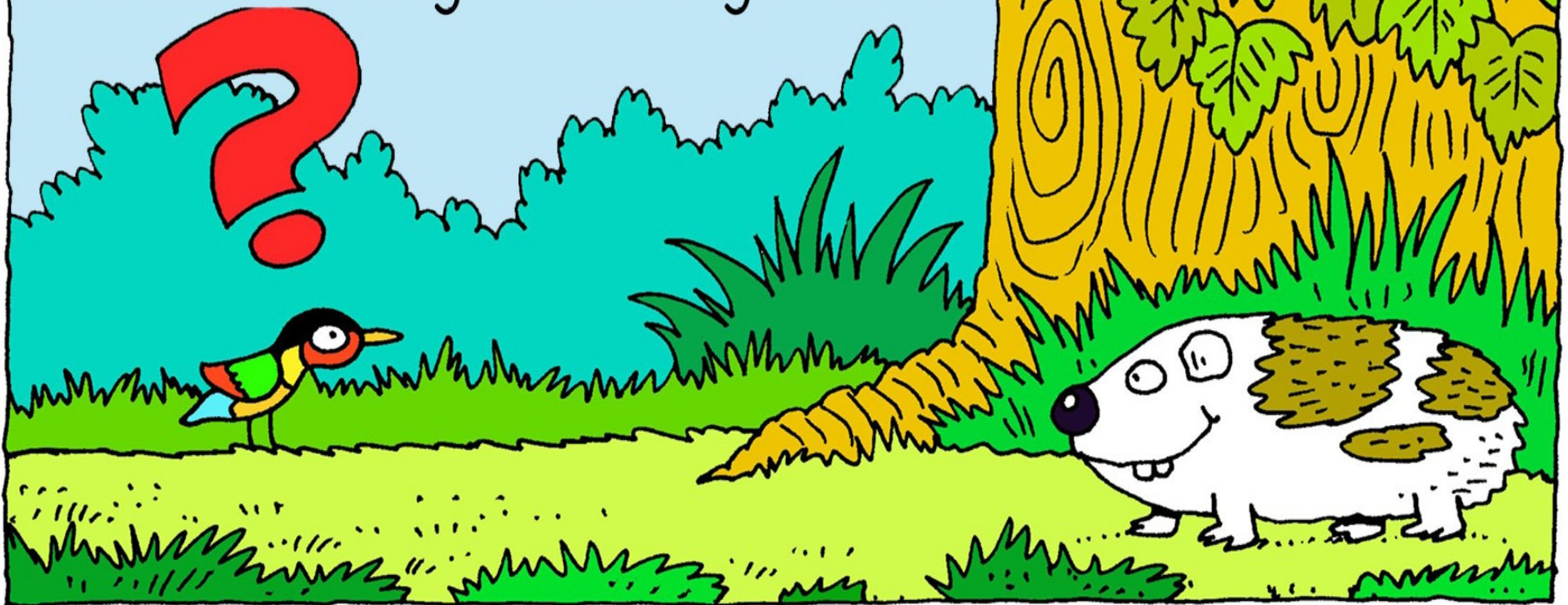
Priscilla was a hummingbird, with wings of red and green,
She was the most attractive bird that you have ever seen.



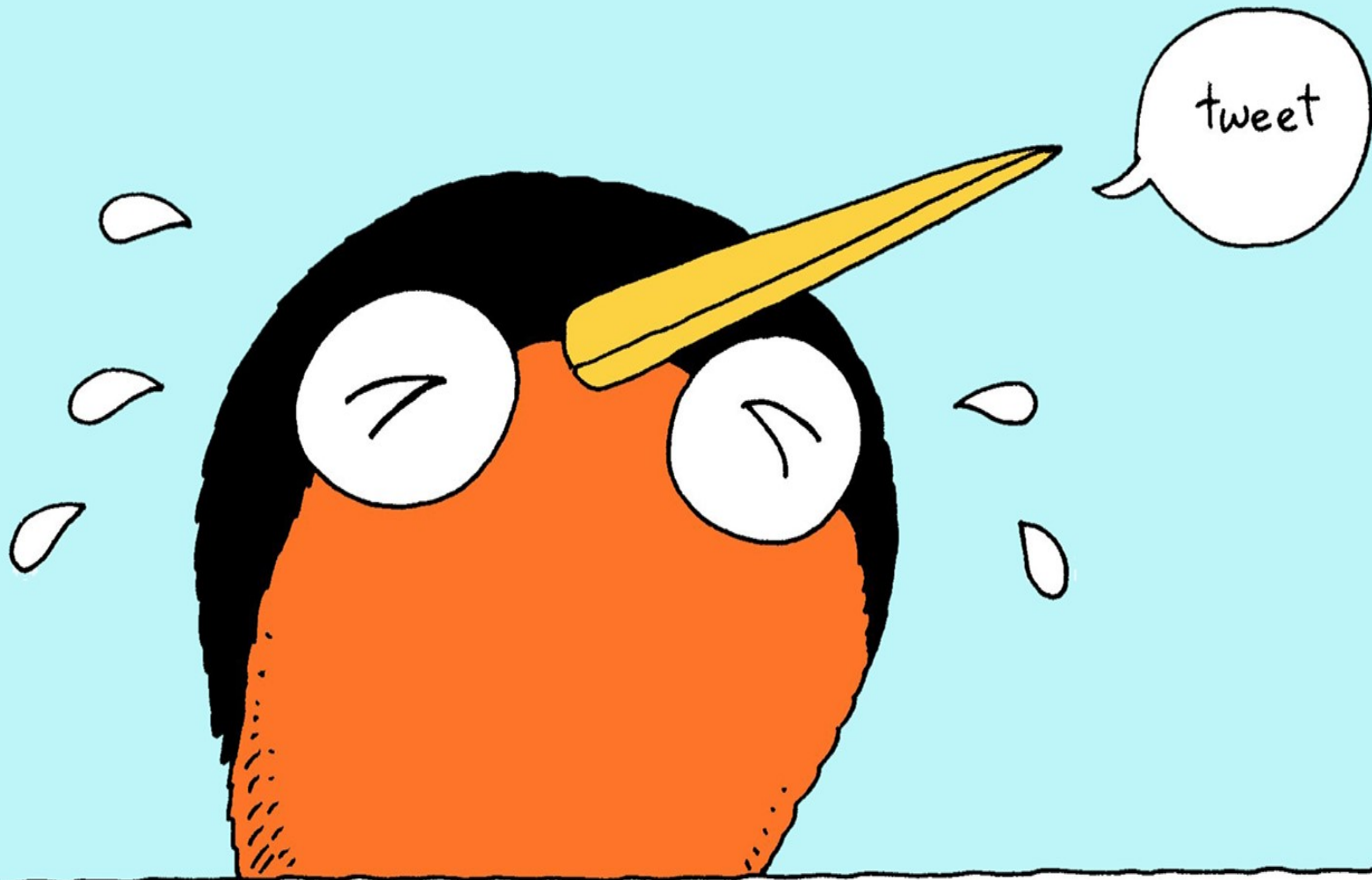
But one morning, quite by accident, she tripped and hit her head,
And then she thought she had become an ELEPHANT instead!



Priscilla was the strangest
little elephant around,
she was ONE INCH tall
when standing on the ground!

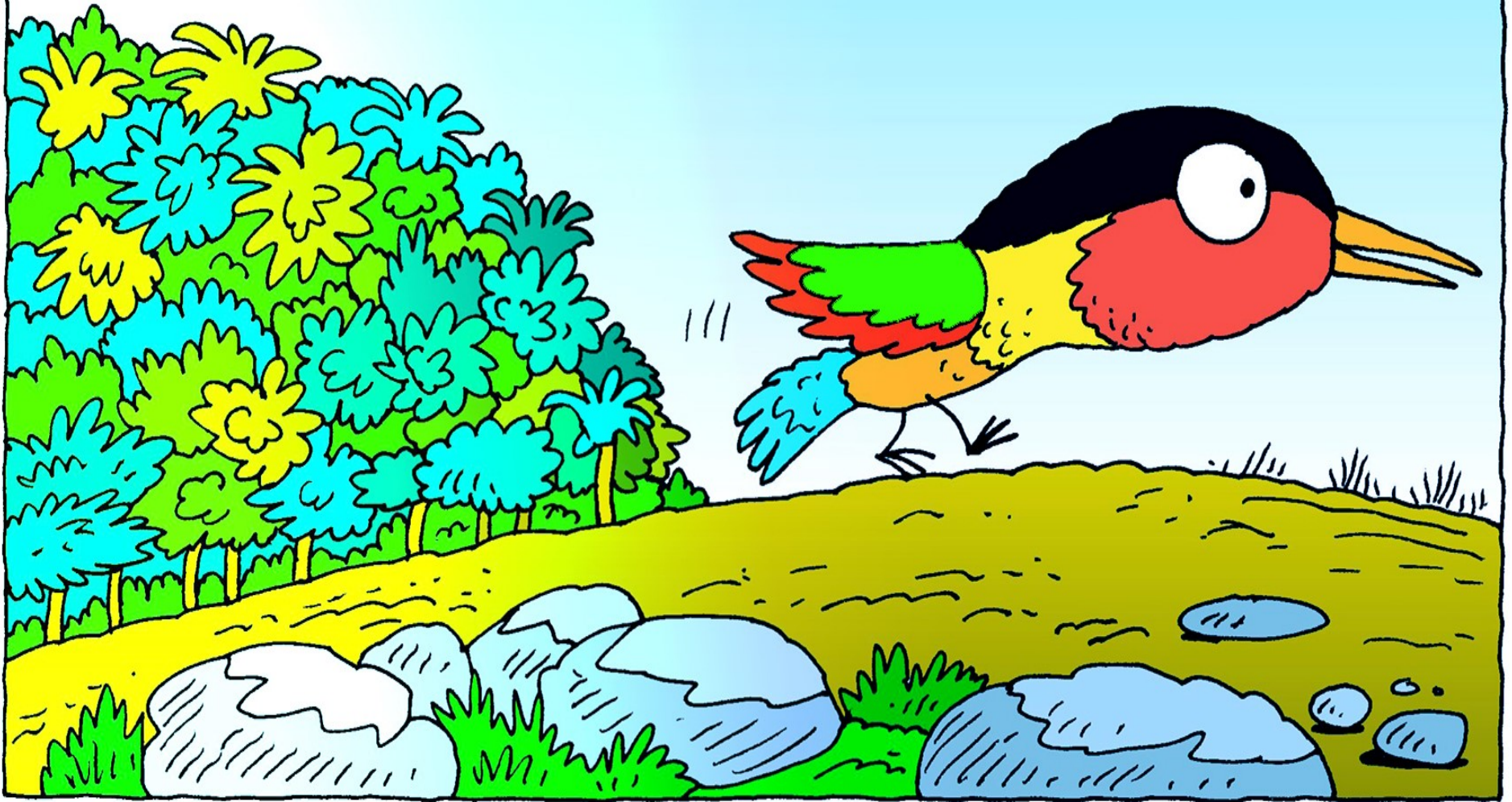


When she tried to Trumpet Loudly, all she managed was a TWEET.
And she stirred a little dust up when she stomped her tiny feet.

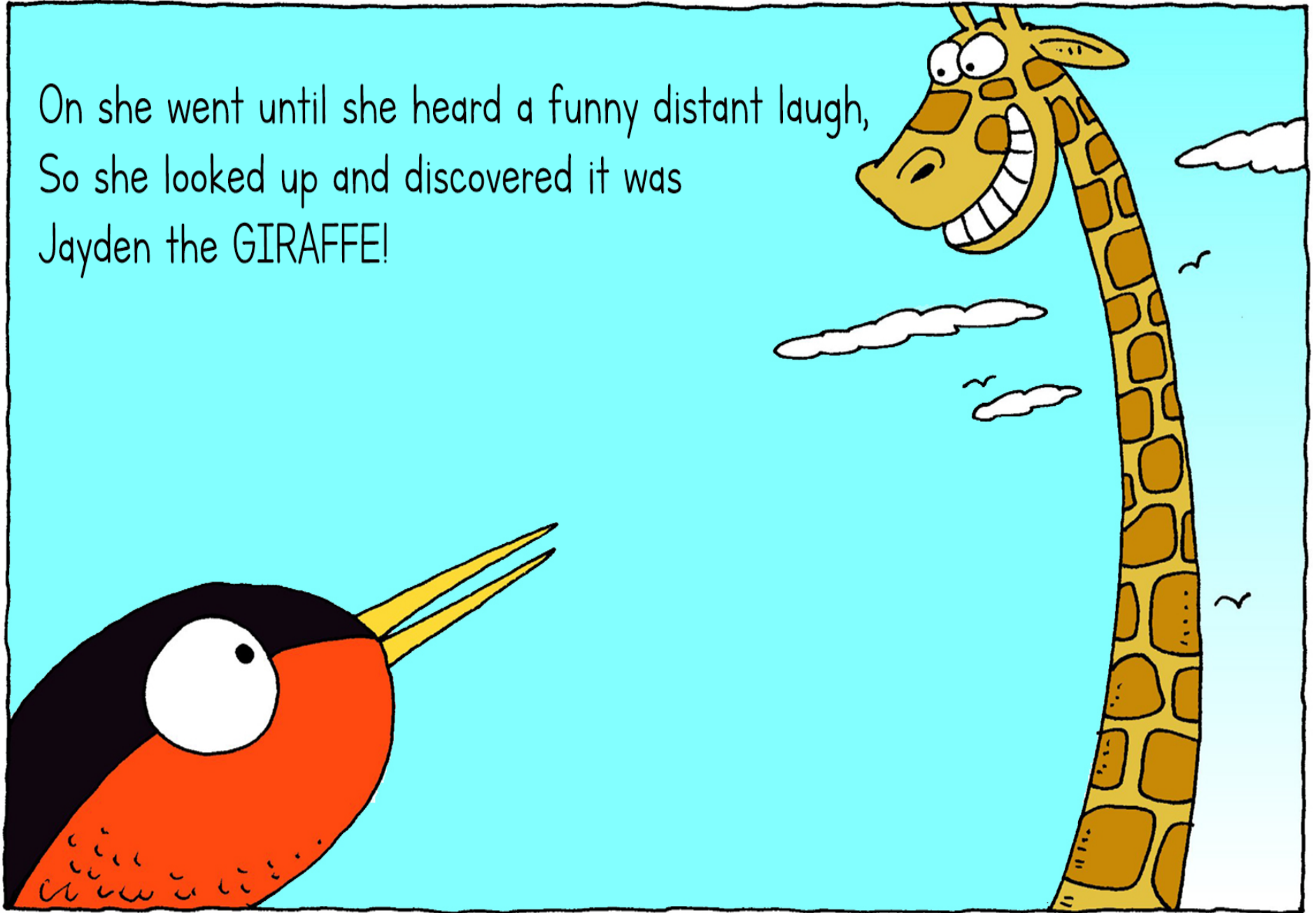


"I'm Enormous!!!" said Priscilla, "I need room to walk around!"

So she left the shady jungle, and set off for open ground.



On she went until she heard a funny distant laugh,
So she looked up and discovered it was
Jayden the GIRAFFE!

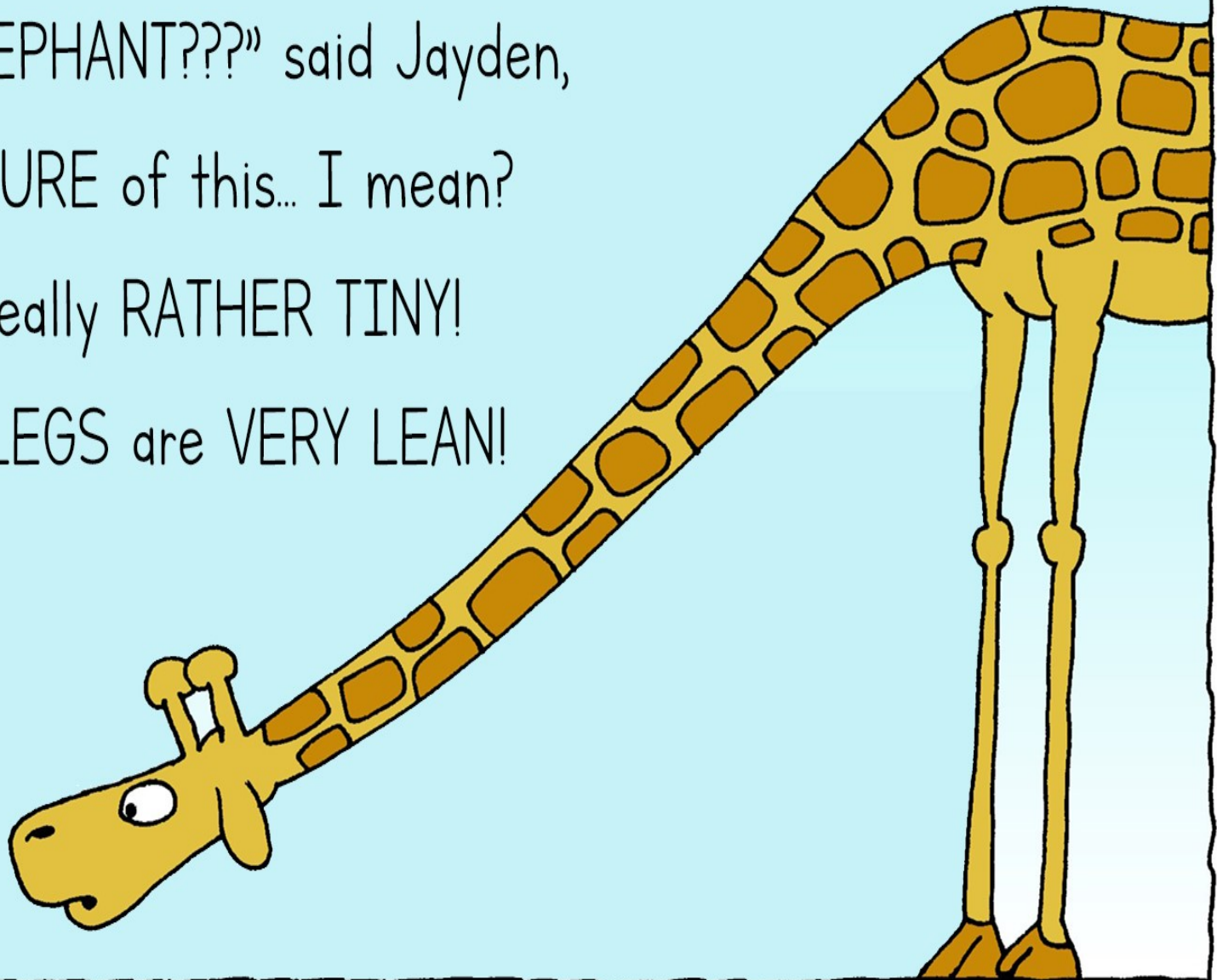


"You're an ELEPHANT???" said Jayden,

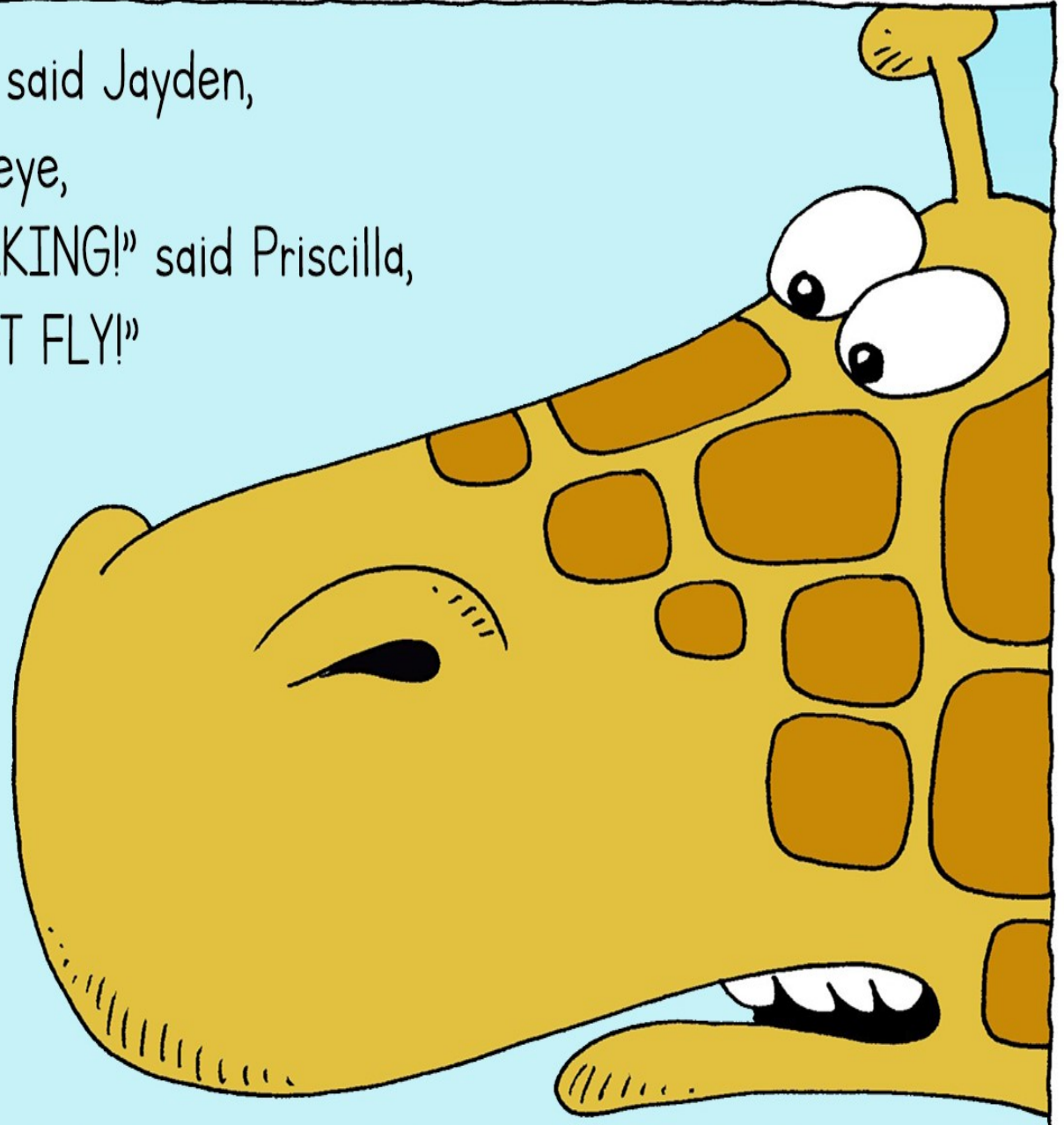
"Are you SURE of this... I mean?

You are really RATHER TINY!

And your LEGS are VERY LEAN!



“You’re an ELEPHANT???” said Jayden,
with great wonder in his eye,
“YES, that’s why I’m WALKING!” said Priscilla,
“you know elephants CAN’T FLY!”





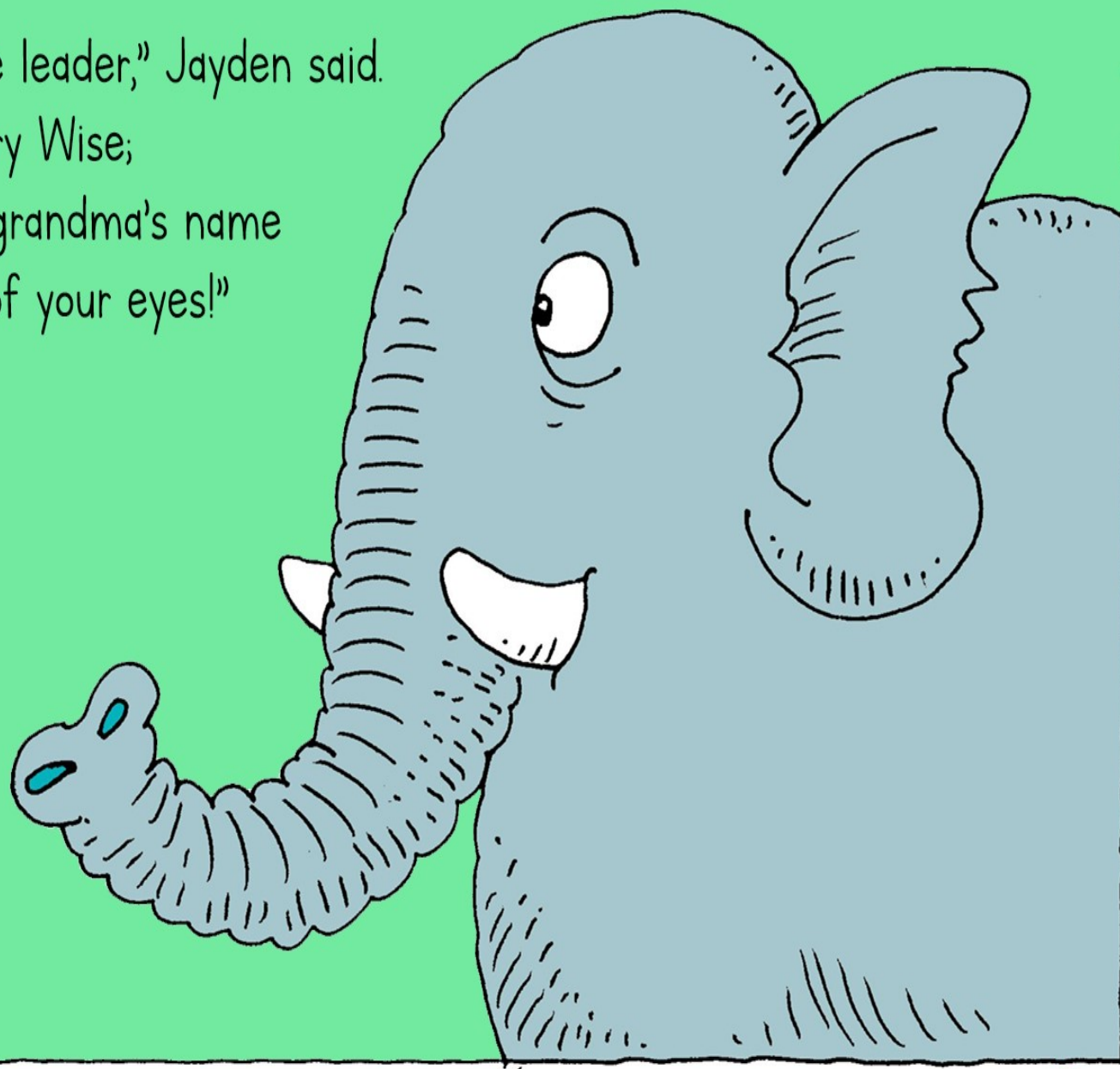
“Yes it’s TRUE,
I AM an ELEPHANT!”
replied the little bird,
So stop all this Talk,
and start to Walk,
and take me to
the Herd!!”

Across the plain went Jayden,
with Priscilla close behind,
till they found some
big, grey elephants -
they weren't too hard to find.

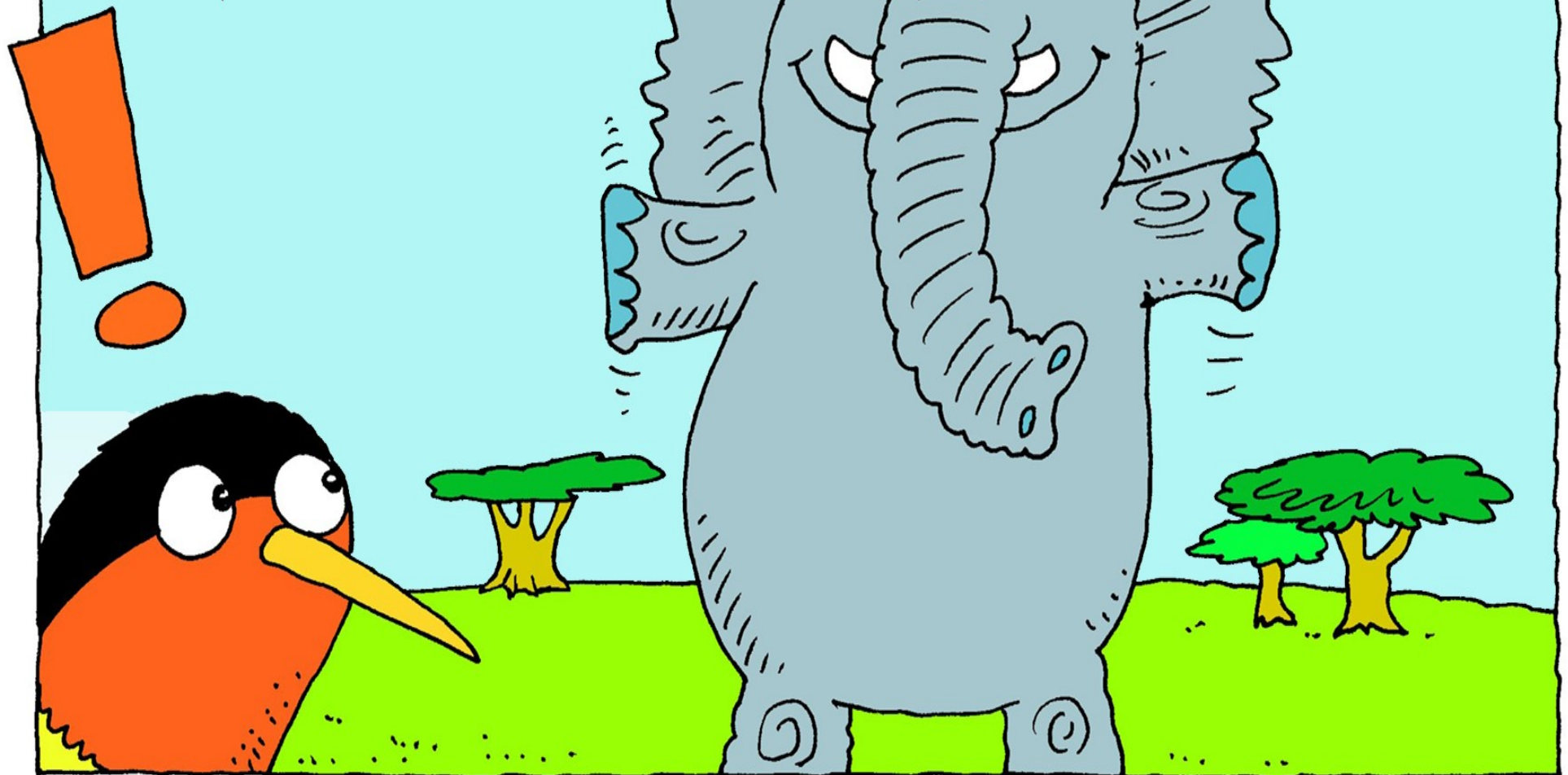


"This is Arnold, he's the leader," Jayden said.

"He's very Wise;
He can tell your grandma's name
by the color of your eyes!"



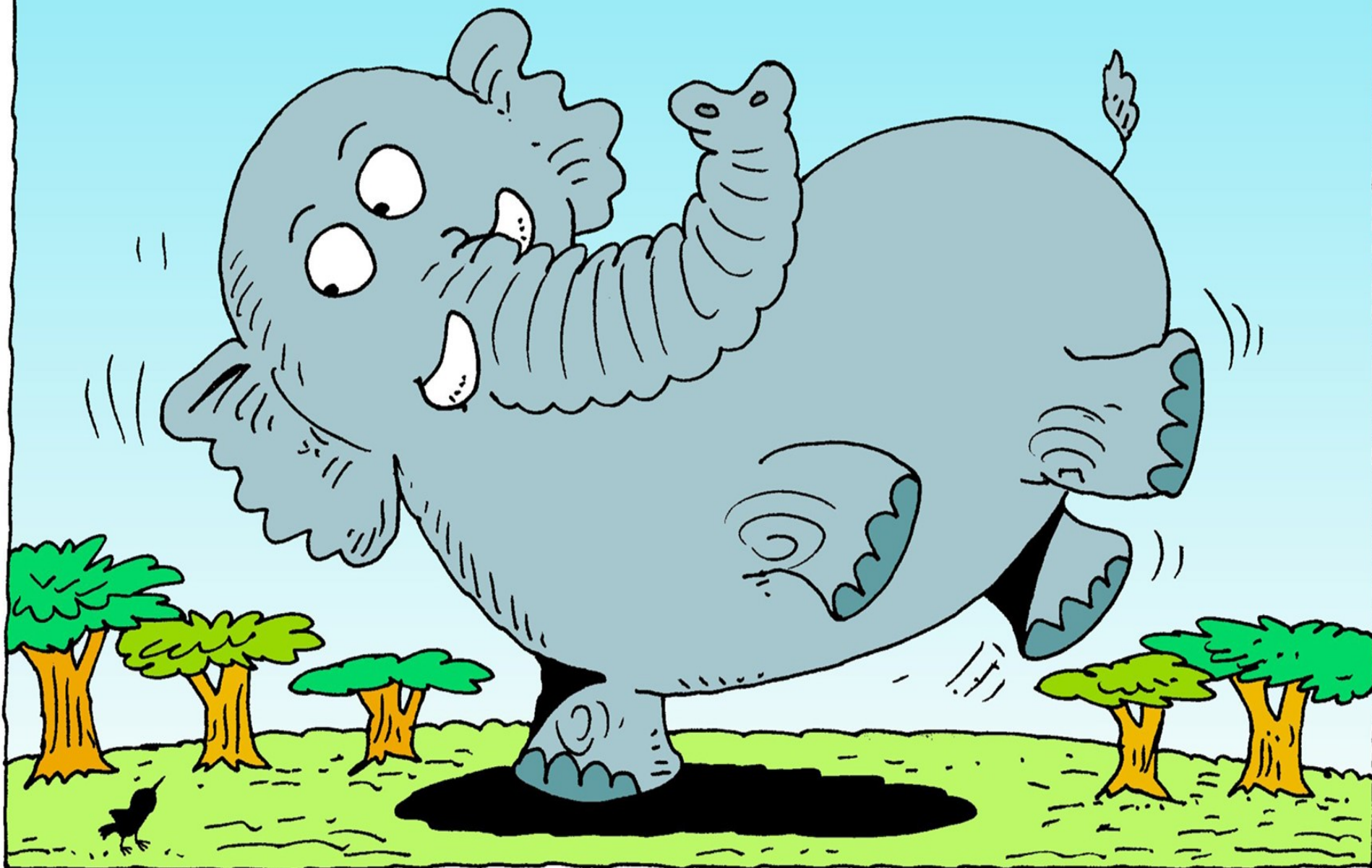
"Glad to meet you," replied Arnold,
"Would you like to hear me TWEET?
I'm a hummingbird you know,
and my voice is VERY SWEET!"



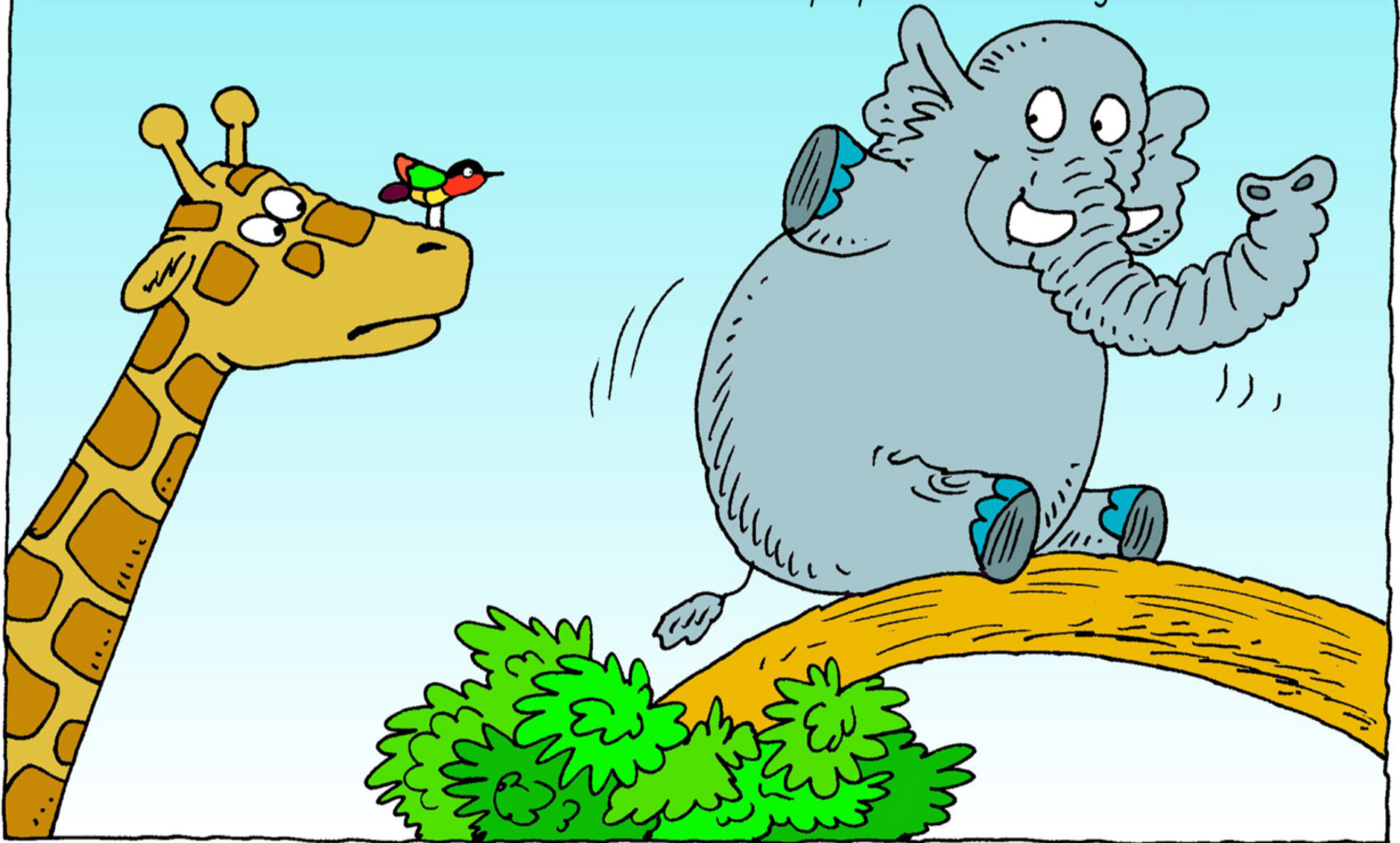
“You’re a WHAT?” replied Priscilla,
“I Don’t understand at all!
Did you hit your Head this morning?
Have you had a nasty fall?”



"I'm a Hummingbird!!" said Arnold, "I am PRETTY! I am LIGHT!!
When I flit among the flowers I am such a Gorgeous Sight!"



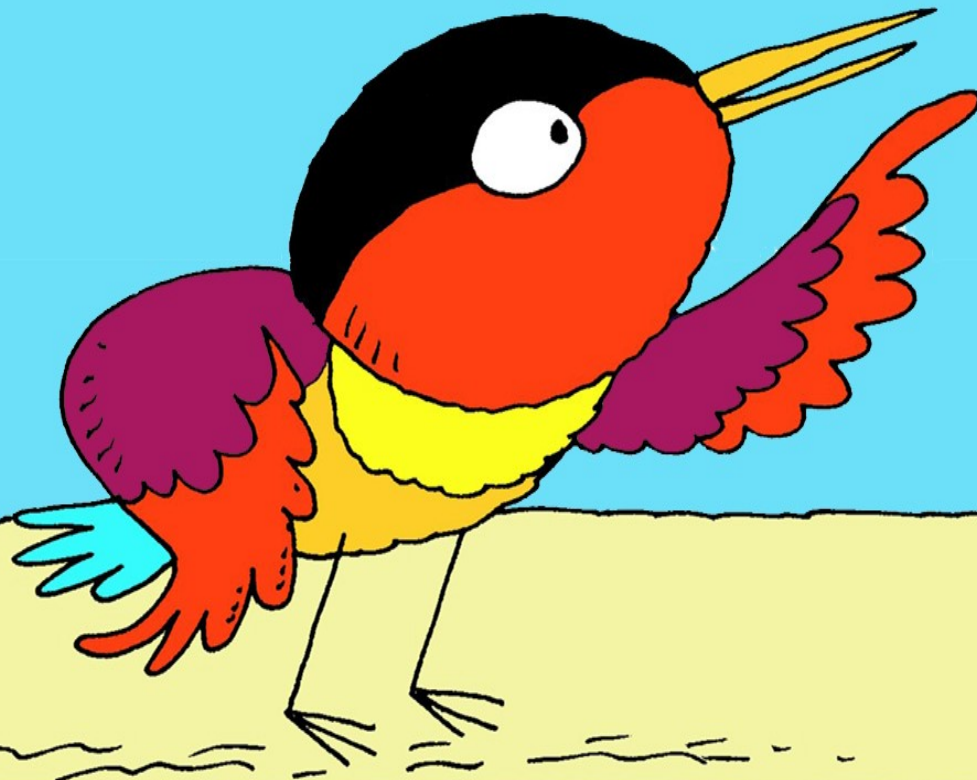
Arnold swung himself into a tree and balanced on a limb.
He smiled, and checked to see if every eye was watching him.



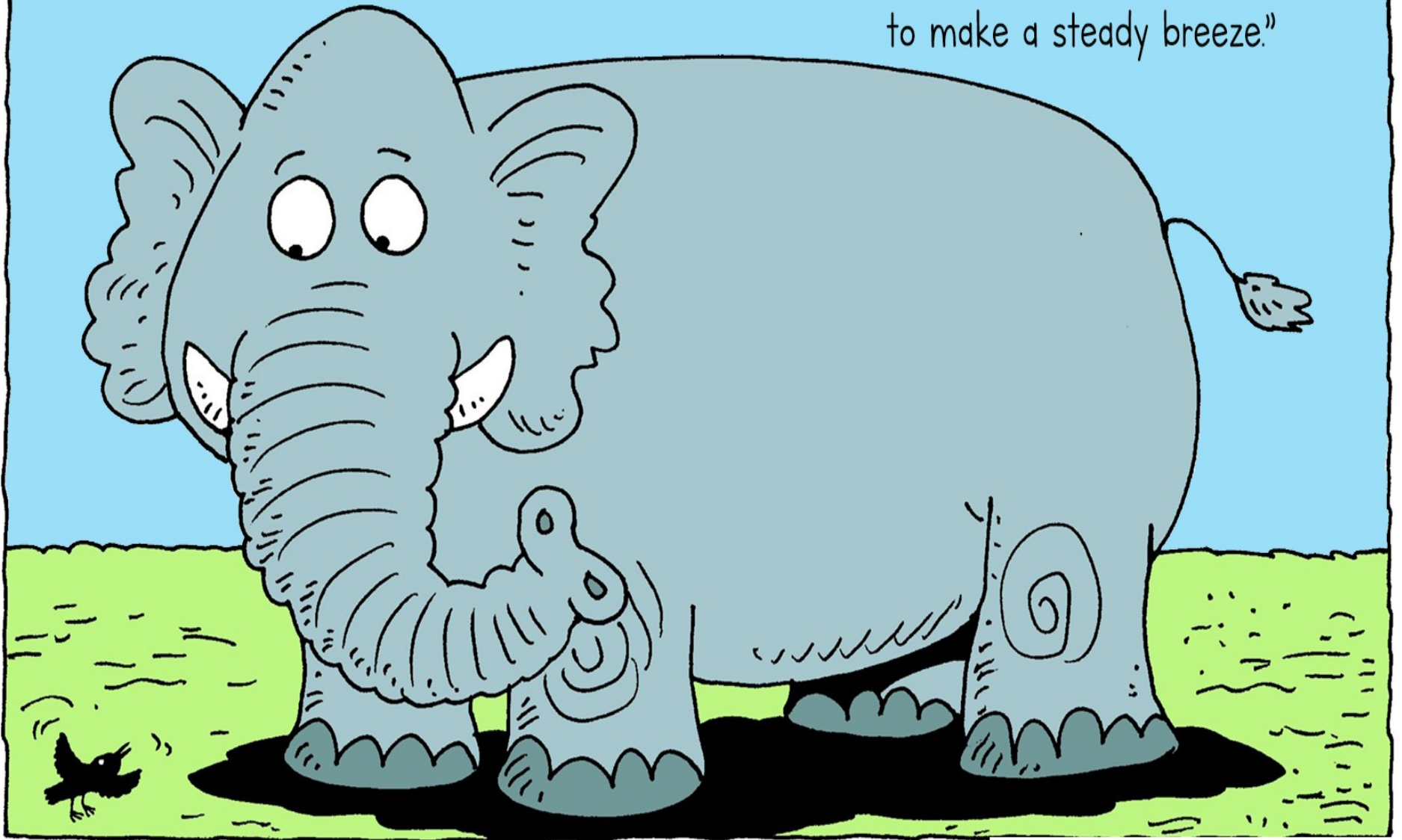
“I’m A PRETTY BIRD!” he warbled,
as he clumped and clomped around.
Then he caused a MAJOR EARTHQUAKE
when he jumped back to the ground!



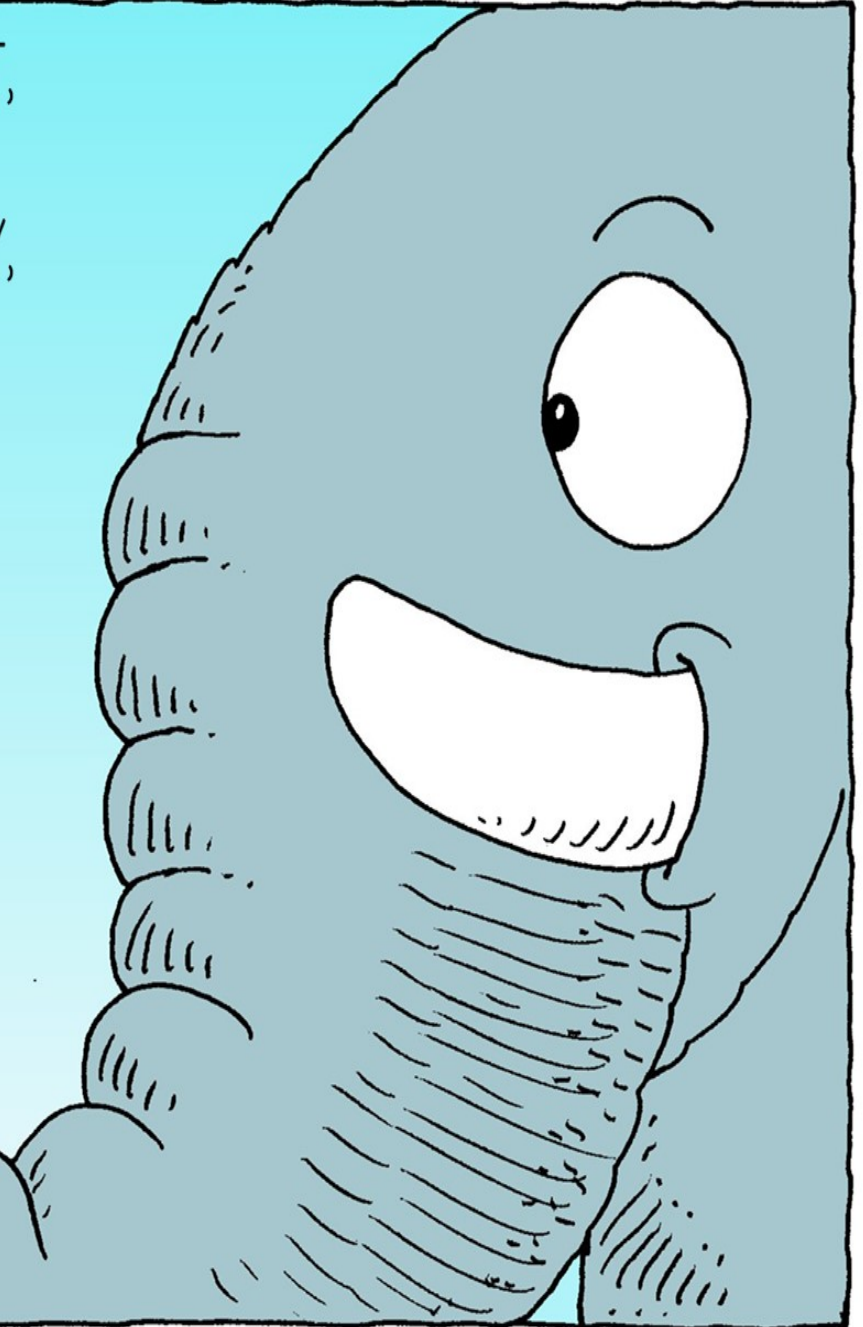
"You are MAD!!" exclaimed Priscilla,
"Listen hard while I explain,
Or you'll end up making great big holes
across this wide, flat plain!"



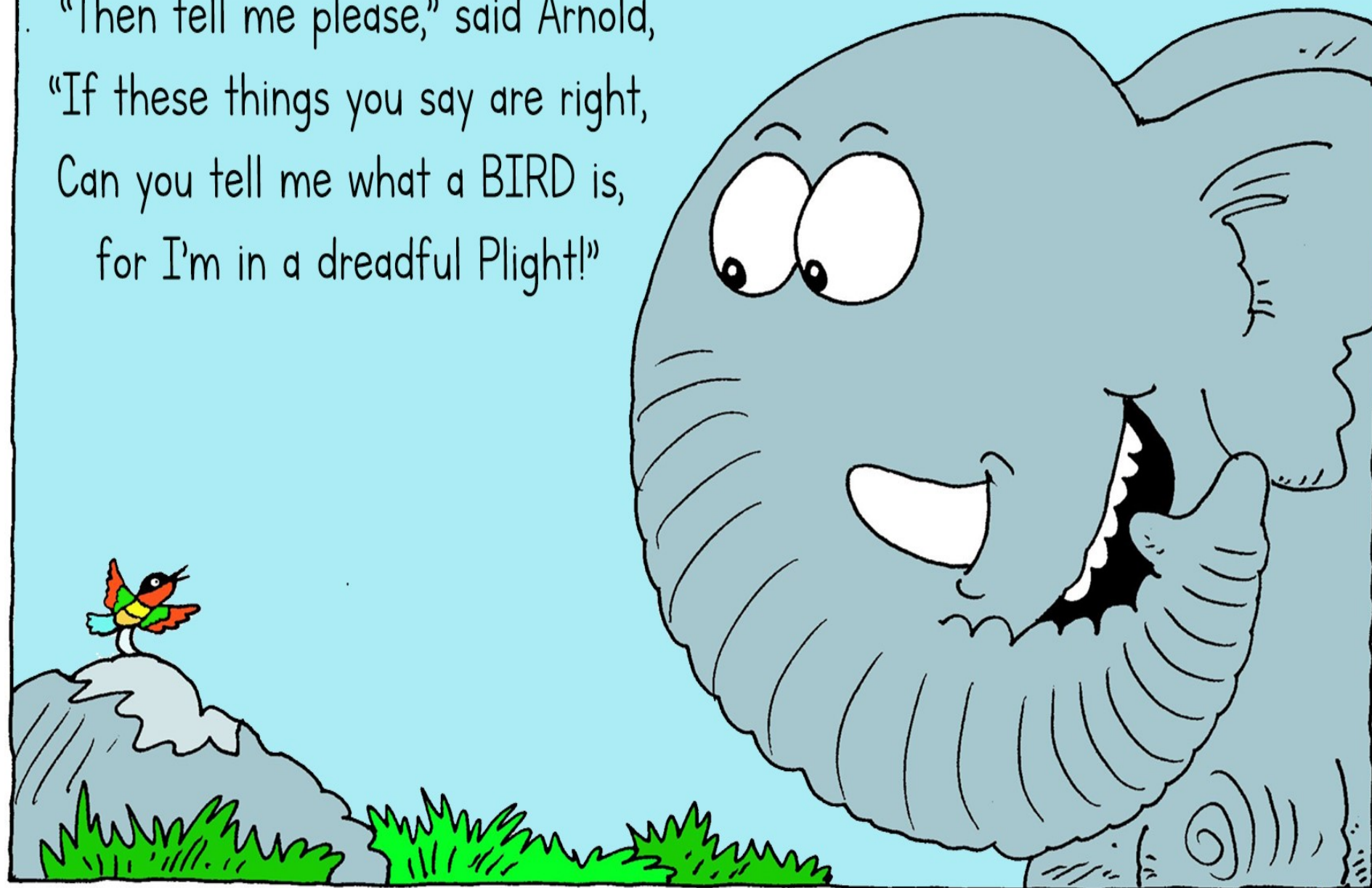
“An ELEPHANT is LARGE, and GREY,
with Legs like TRUNKS OF TREES,
It flips its ears, like Two Big Fans,
to make a steady breeze.”



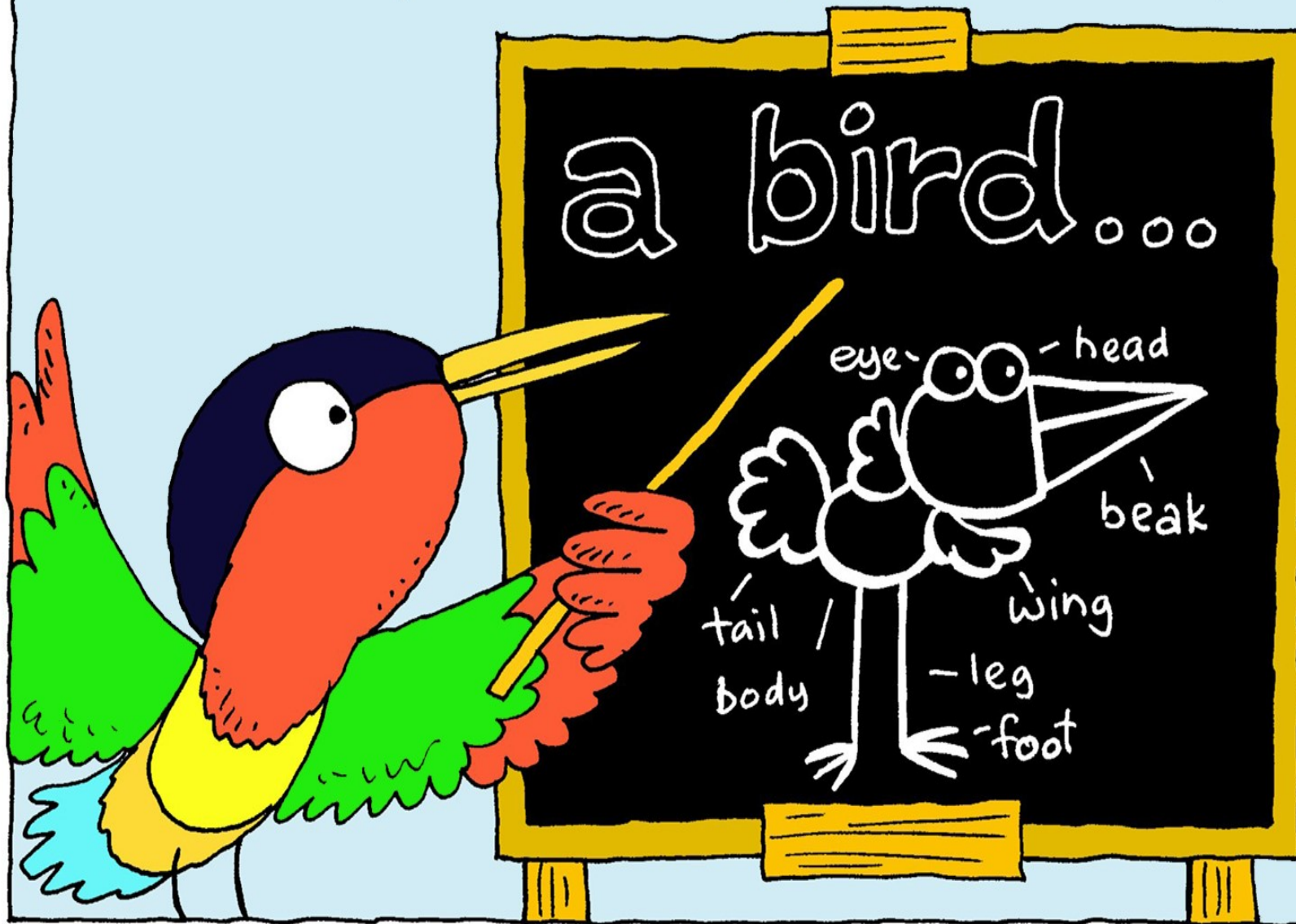
"So you see, you SILLY ELEPHANT,
my advice I hope you've heard,
You are DEFINITELY, DEFINITELY,
REALLY NOT A BIRD!"



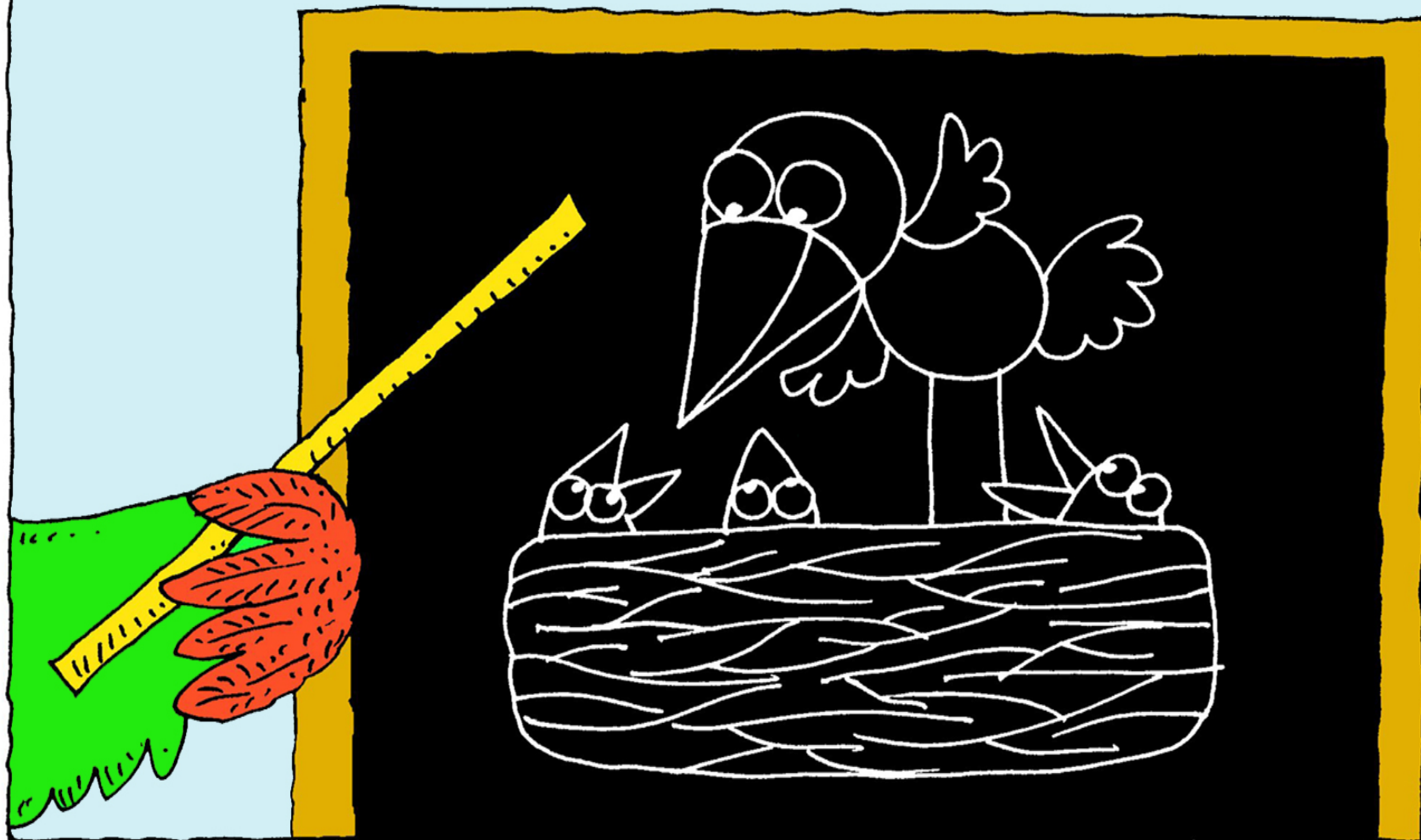
“Then tell me please,” said Arnold,
“If these things you say are right,
Can you tell me what a BIRD is,
for I’m in a dreadful Plight!”



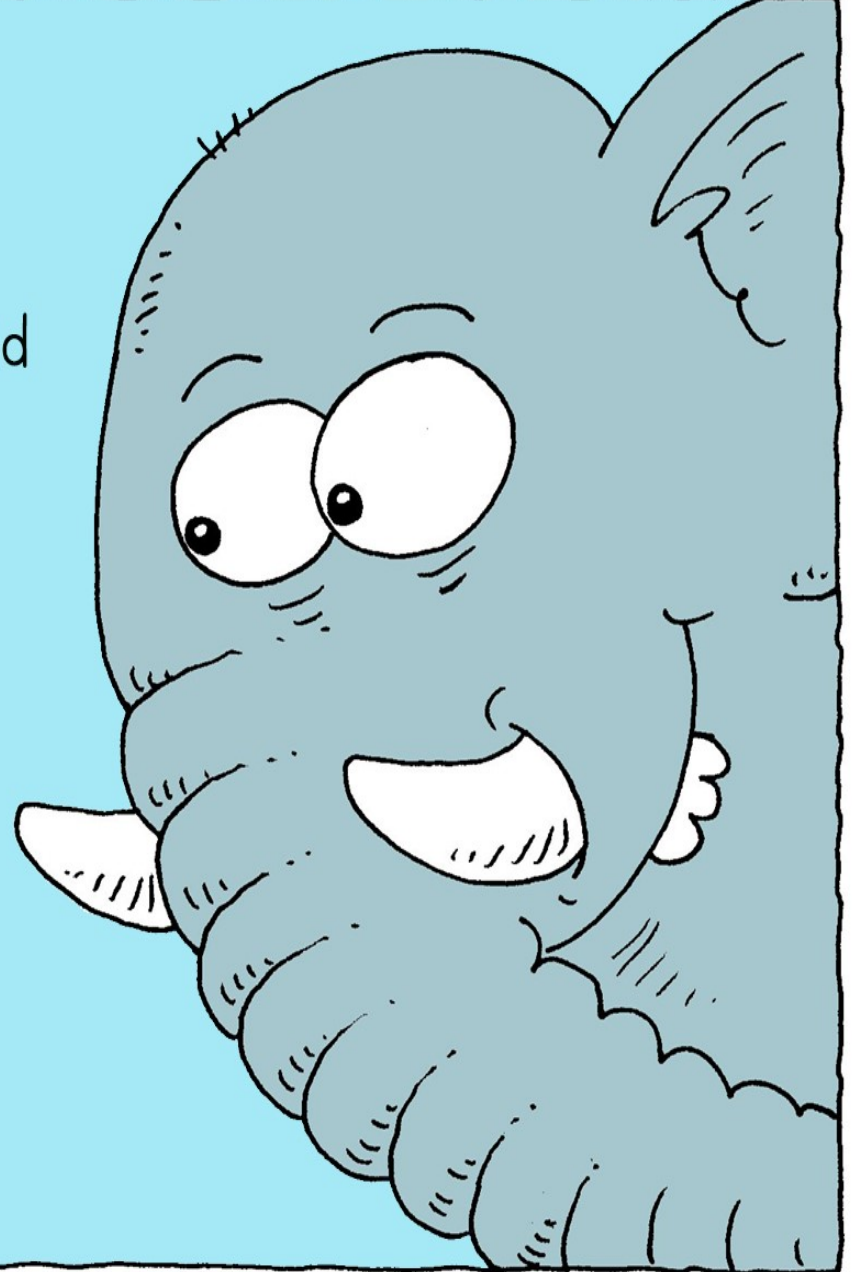
... "Well," Priscilla said with pleasure, "I'd be glad to help you out, I will tell you what a BIRD is, so you won't have any DOUBT."



“Well, if that’s the case,” said Arnold, “And if what you say is True,
I am thinking your description sounds an awful lot like YOU!!”

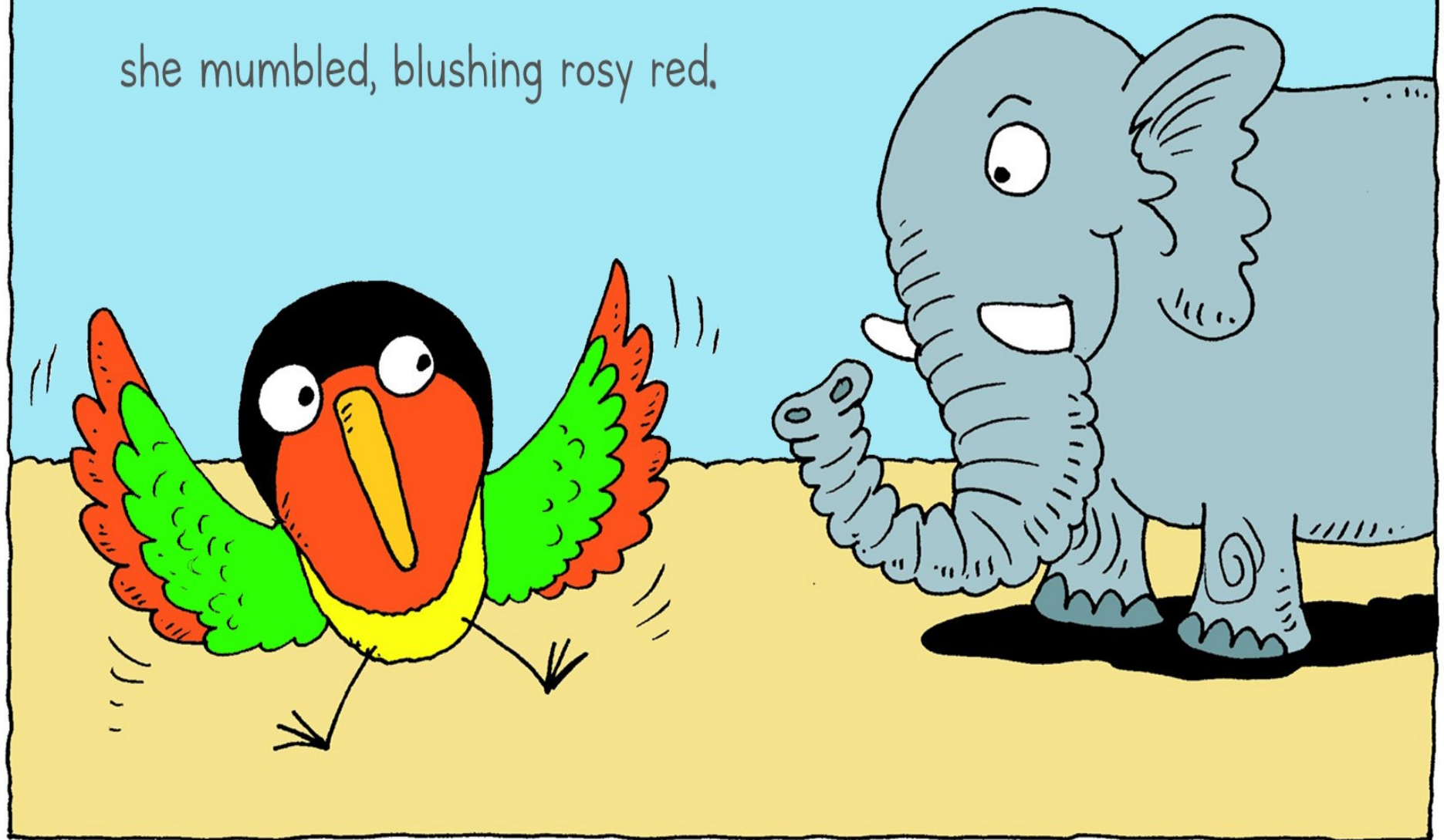


With a jolt, Priscilla realized
the elephant was RIGHT!
And the truth of what wise Arnold said
gave her a SCARY FRIGHT!



"Well I must be off!"

she mumbled, blushing rosy red.



Then she turned her tail
and in a flash,
she very quickly FLED!

