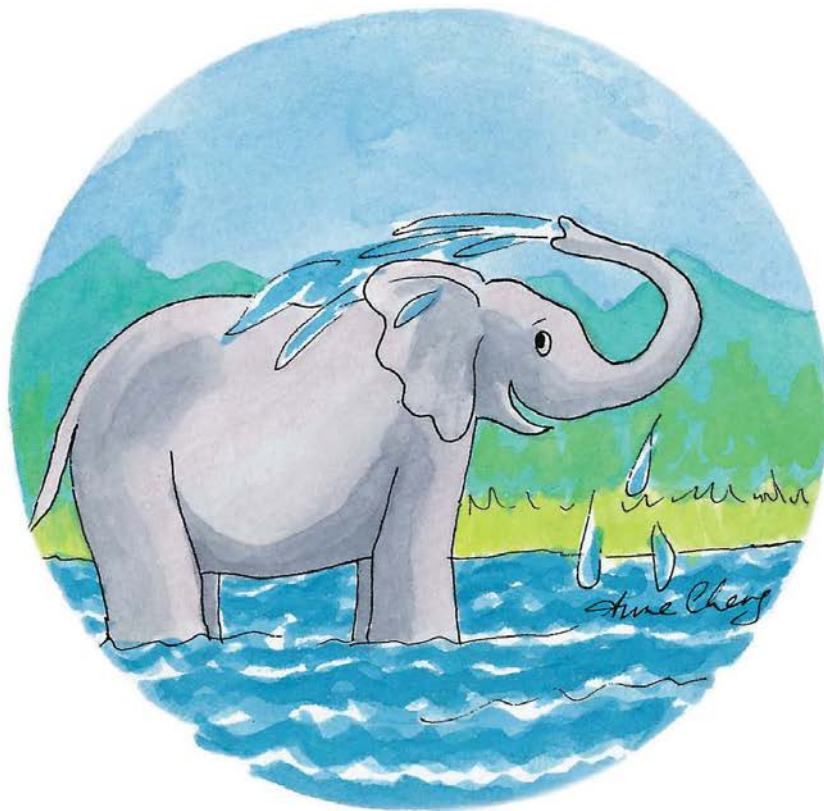
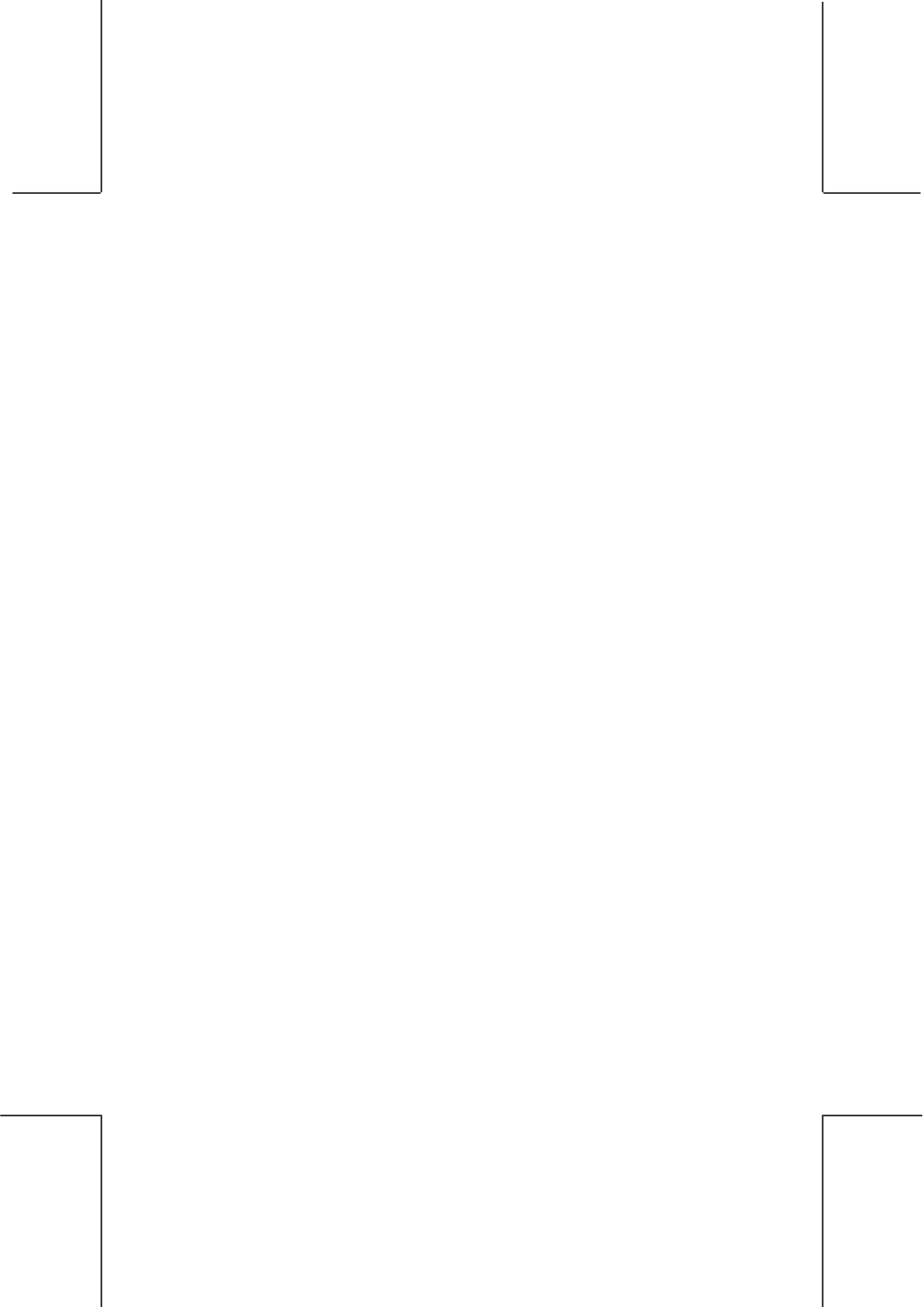


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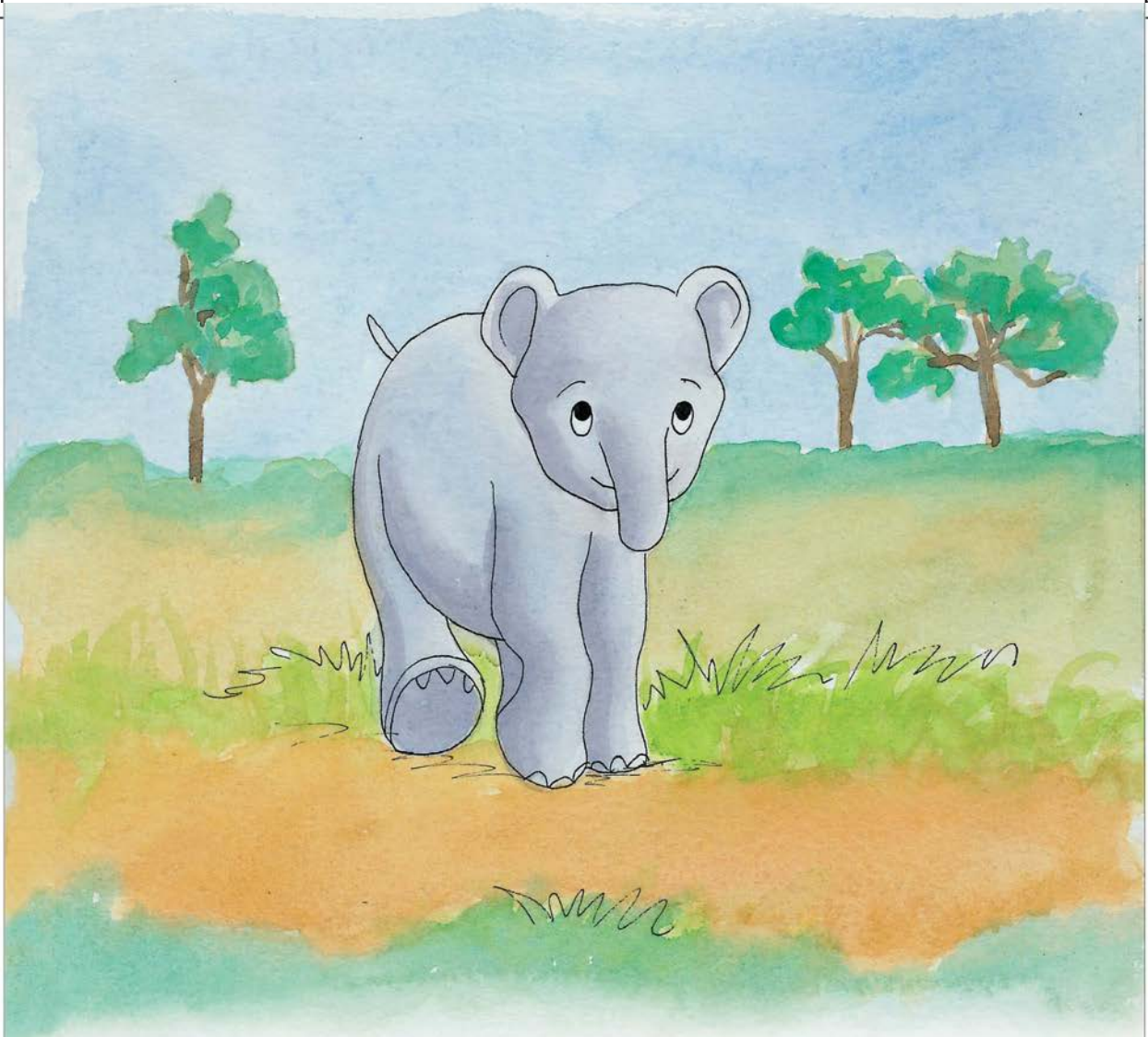
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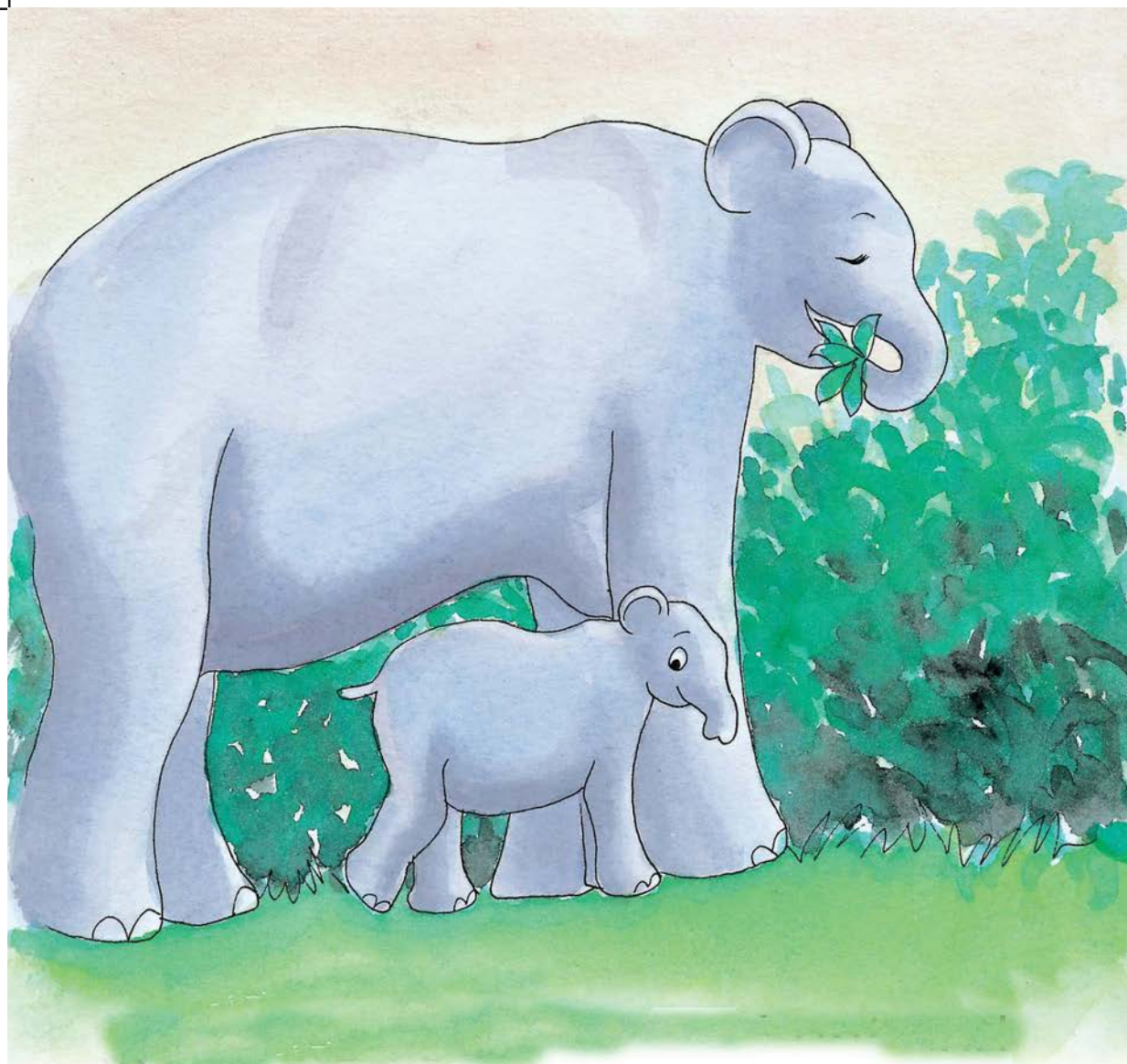
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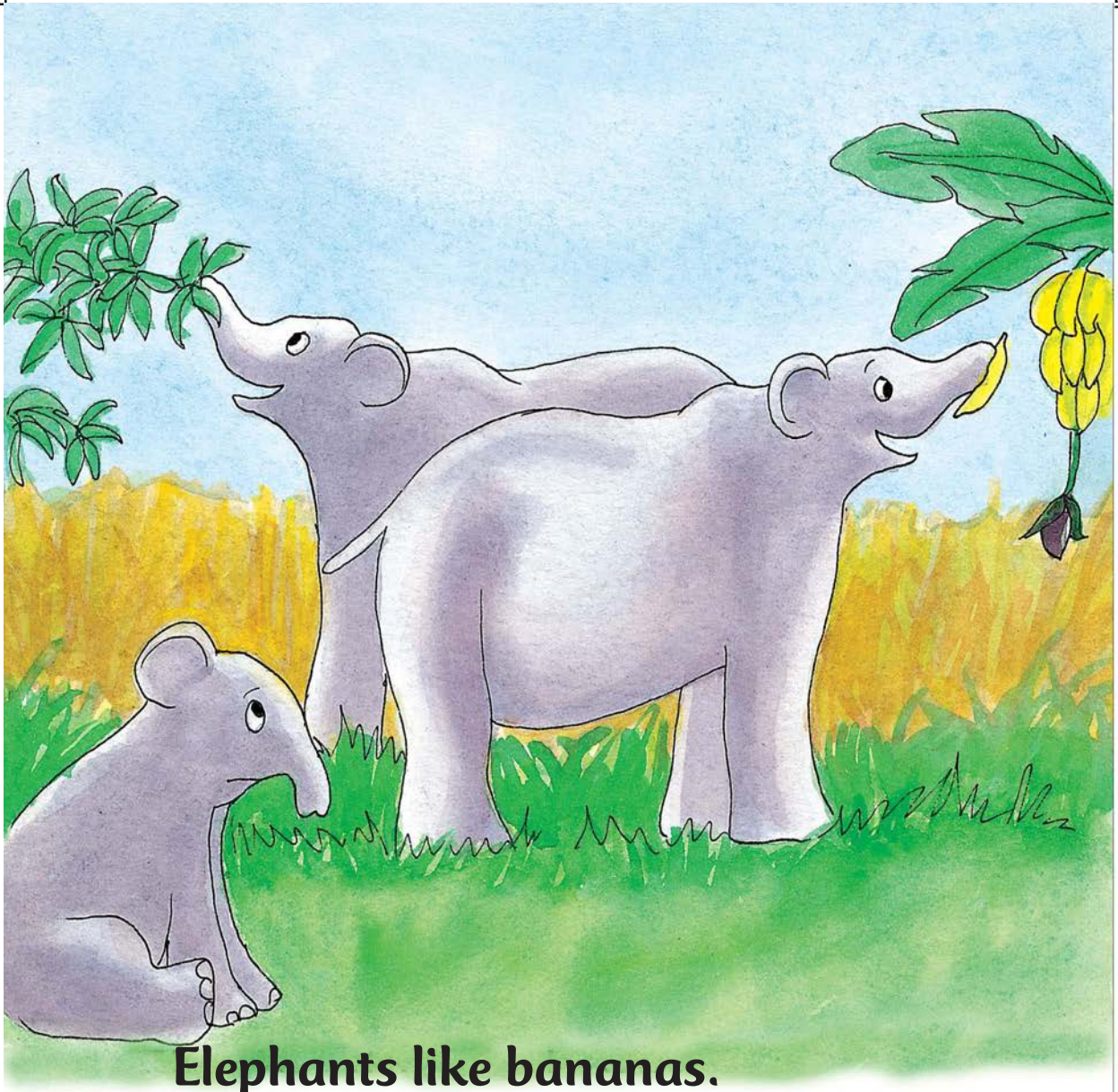
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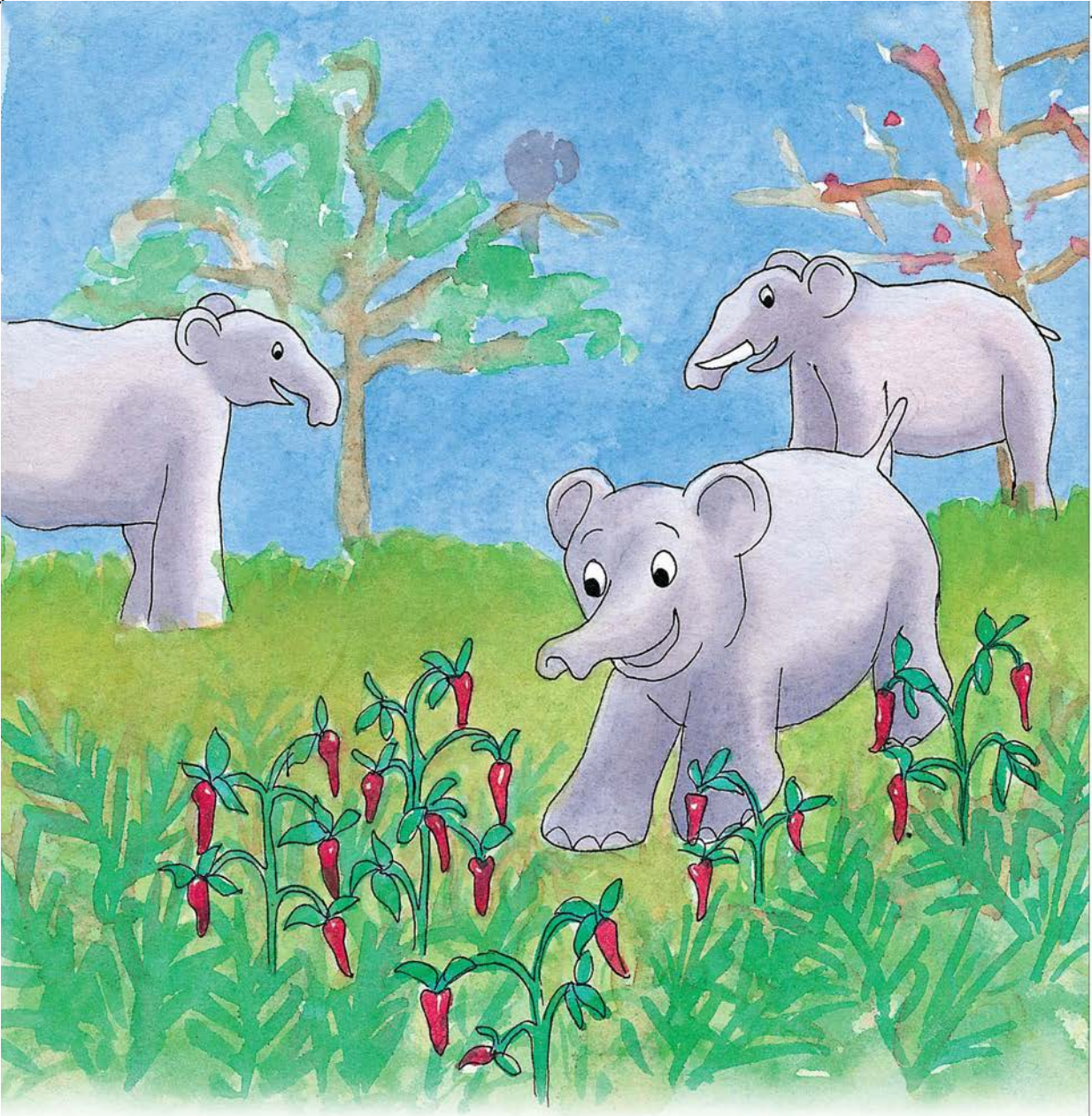
Long, long ago elephants did not have a long trunk and big ears. They had short trunks, short tails and small ears.



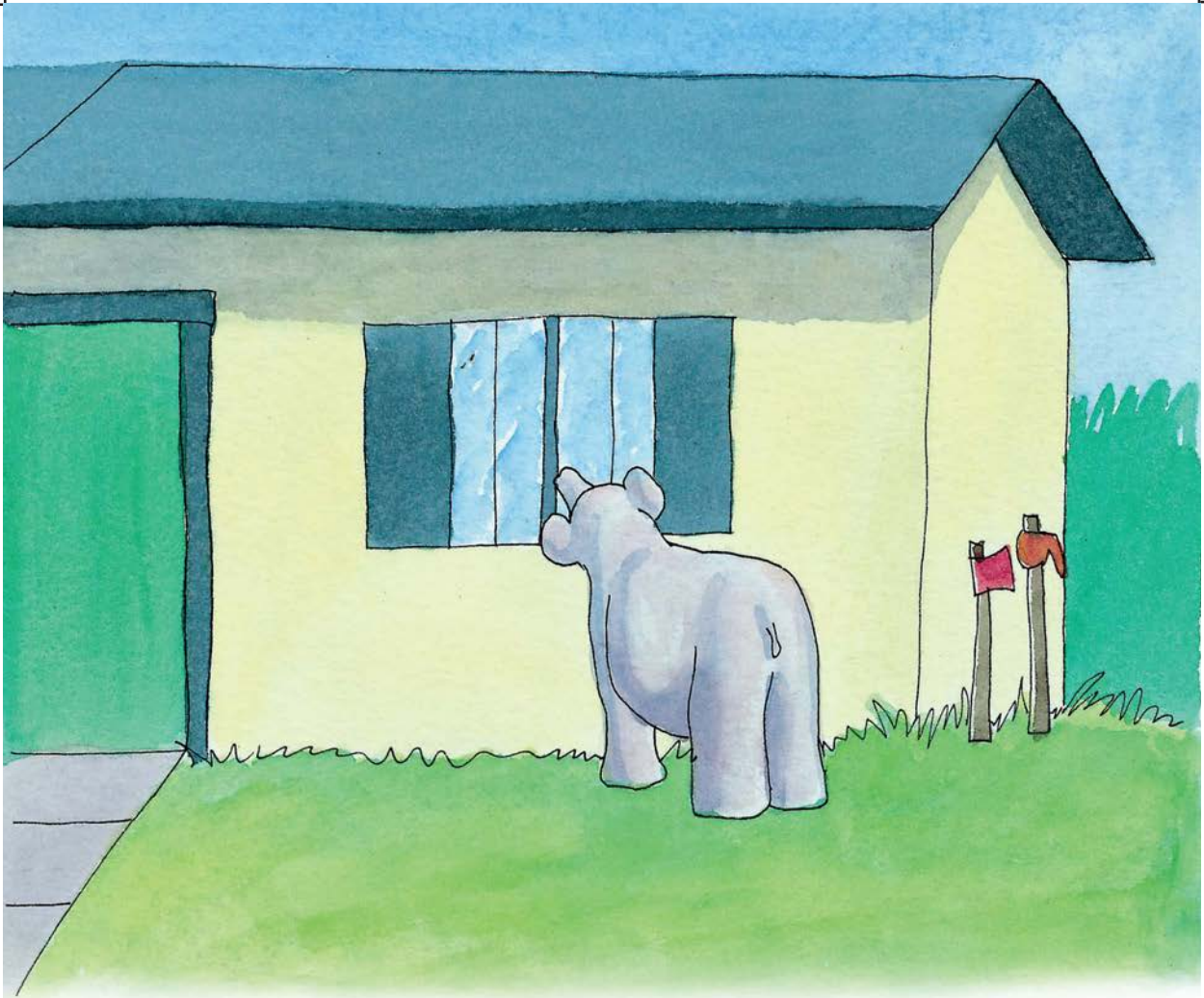
There was a baby elephant and her name was Karma. She was very small and she had a short tail, a short trunk and two very small ears.



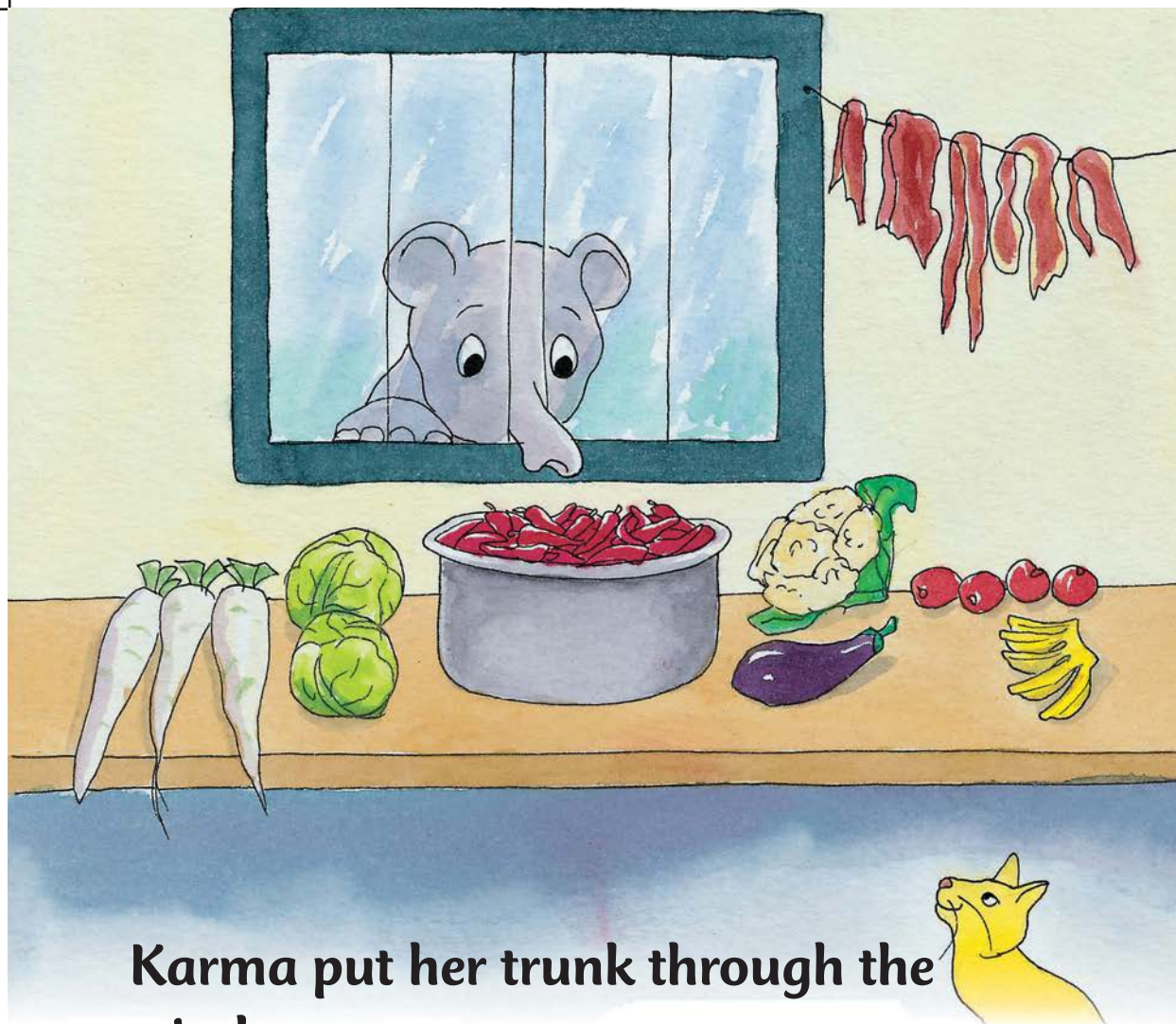
**Elephants like bananas.
Karma did not like bananas.
Elephants like tree leaves.
Karma did not like tree leaves.**



Karma liked big red chillies.



**One day Karma came to a house.
She stood near a small window.
She looked in and saw a big pot.
It had lots of big red chillies.**



Karma put her trunk through the window.

She could not get the chillies.

She pushed and pushed.

Her trunk reached closer to the chillies but she could not get them.

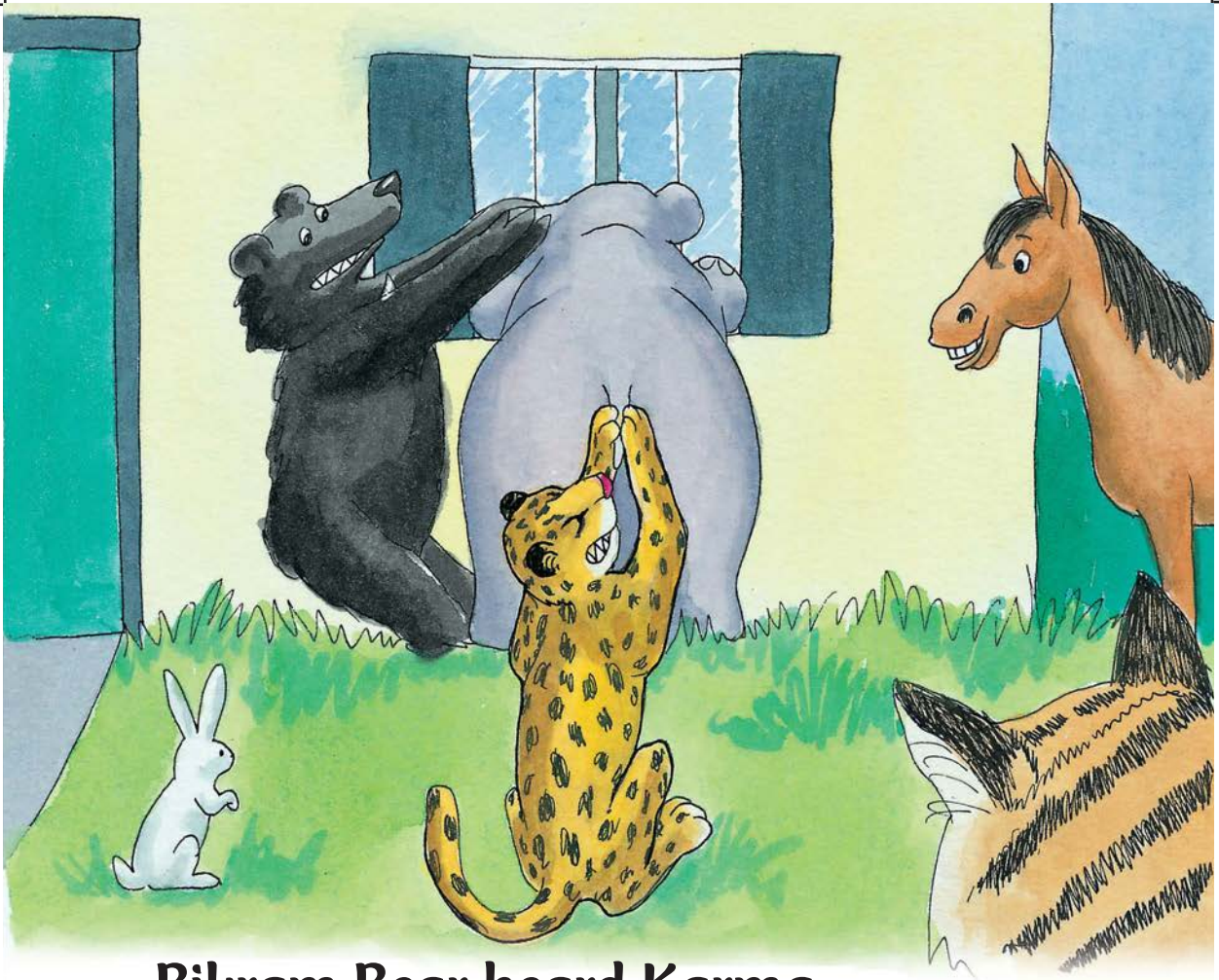


**Karma gave up and wanted to go back to her mother, but she could not get her trunk out.
She pulled and she pulled but her trunk did not come out.**

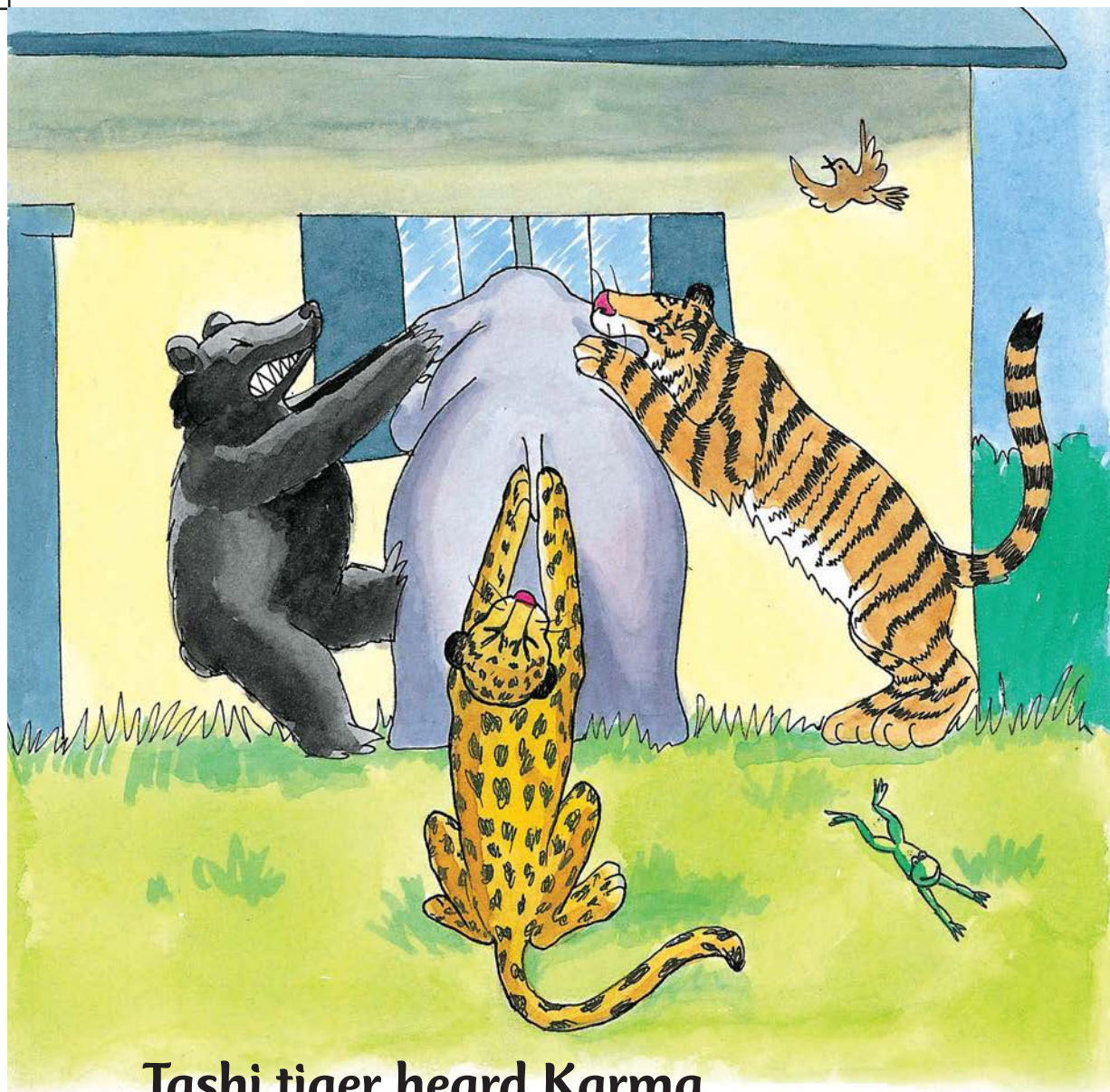


Karma called for help and Leki leopard heard her.

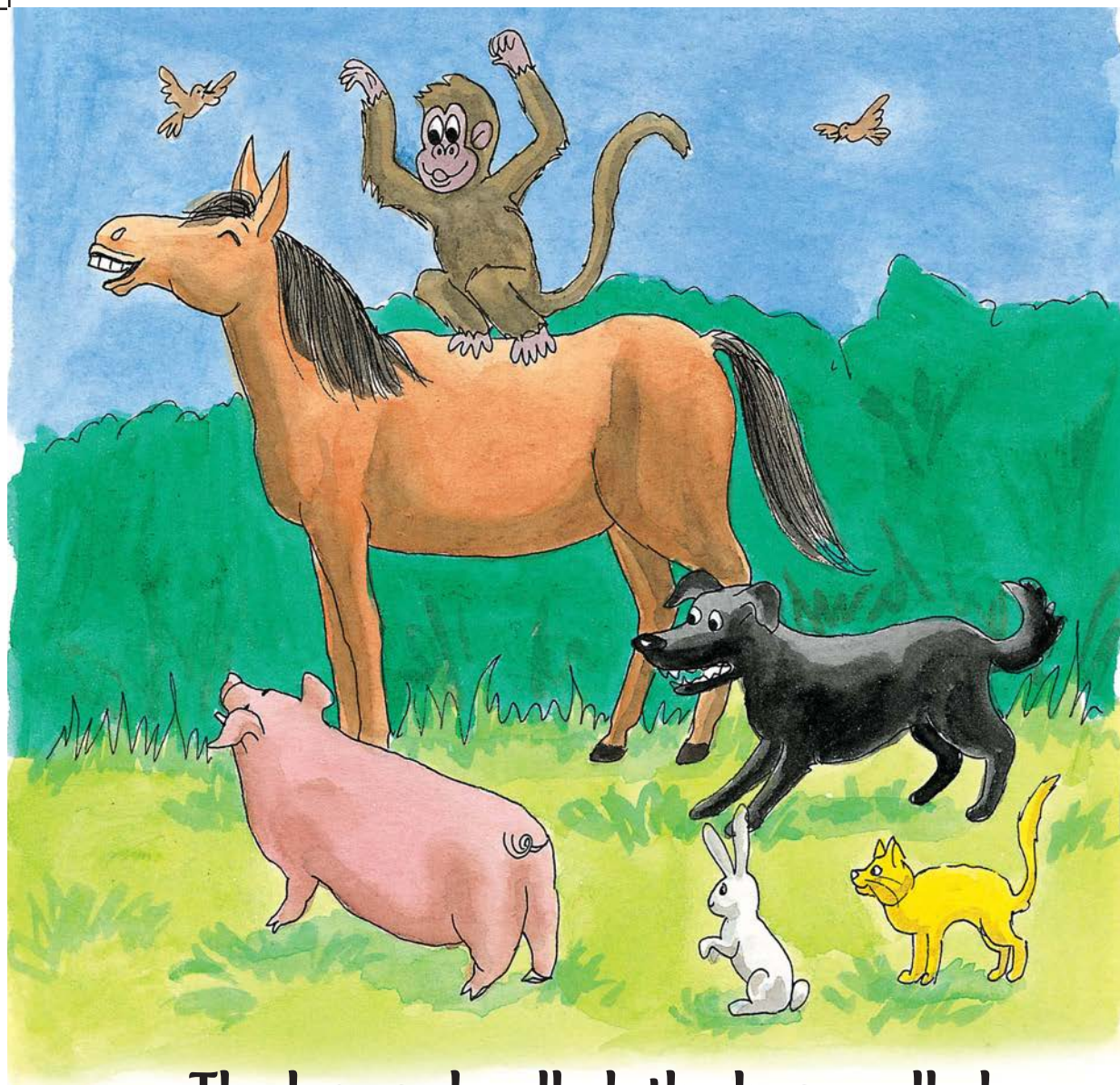
She came and pulled the elephant's tail. She pulled and she pulled but Karma's trunk did not come out.



**Bikram Bear heard Karma.
He came to help.
He pulled the elephant's ear.
The leopard pulled her by the tail.
They pulled and they pulled but
Karma's trunk did not come out.**



**Tashi tiger heard Karma.
He came to help.
He caught the elephant's ear in his
mouth and pulled.**



**The leopard pulled, the bear pulled
and the tiger pulled.
They pulled and they pulled.**



**Out came Karma.
Out came the window.**



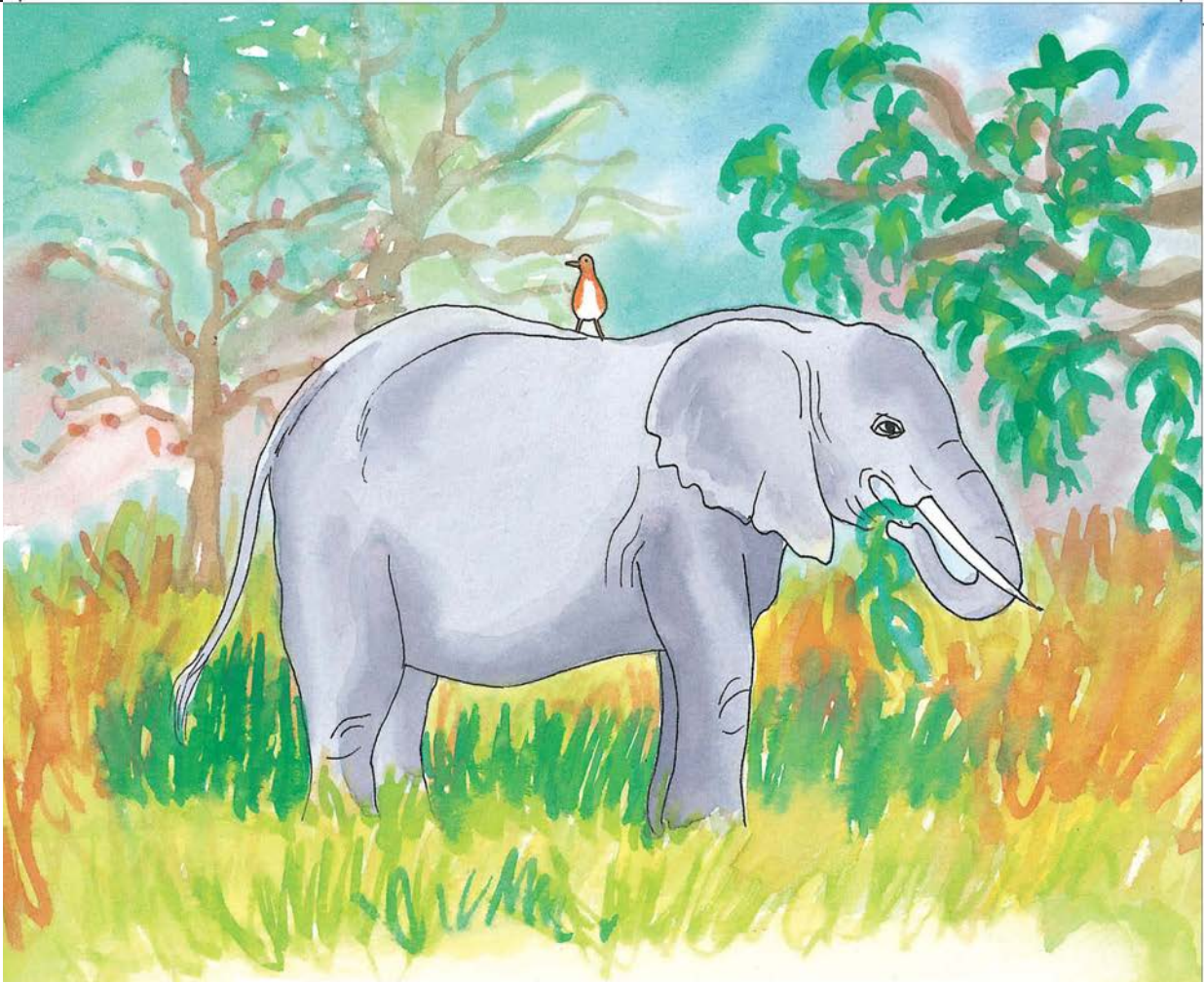
Look at Karma.

The monkey pointed at Karma.

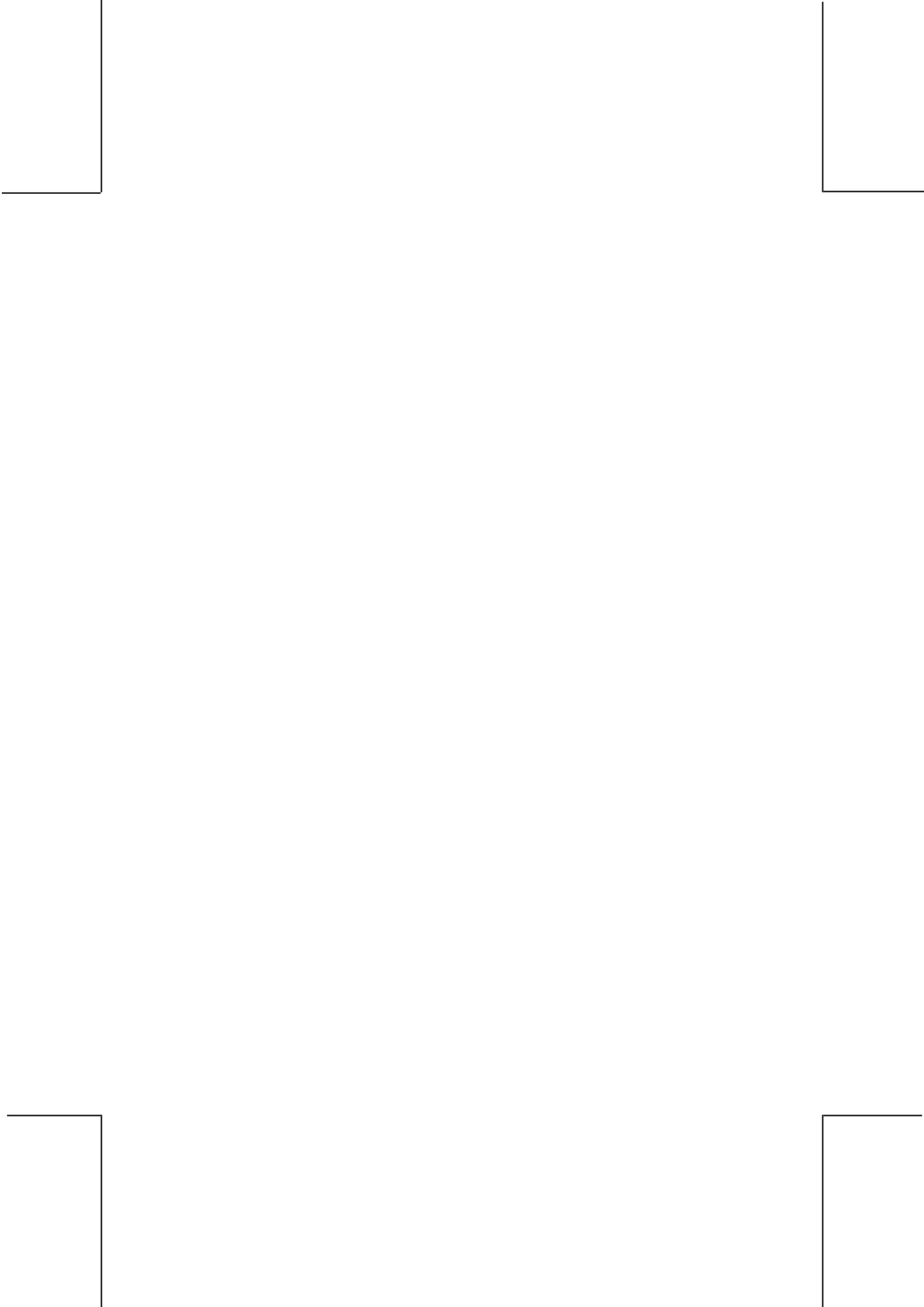
Her trunk is long like a snake.

Her two ears are big and her tail was long.

All the animals looked at her.



**Today all elephants have big ears, a long trunk and a long tail.
They like to eat tree leaves and bananas.
But they don't like to eat chillies.**



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