

A Special Nest



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Winter is coming.
It is time for Bird
to build a nest.





She gathers twigs and other objects to carefully make a comfortable nest.





After a lot of hard work, the nest is ready. It is warm and cozy.





Bird lies down and
imagines an easy
winter.



As she is about to fall asleep,
she feels something shaking.



She wonders if the wind might be shaking her nest. But the nest shakes and trembles and shakes some more.



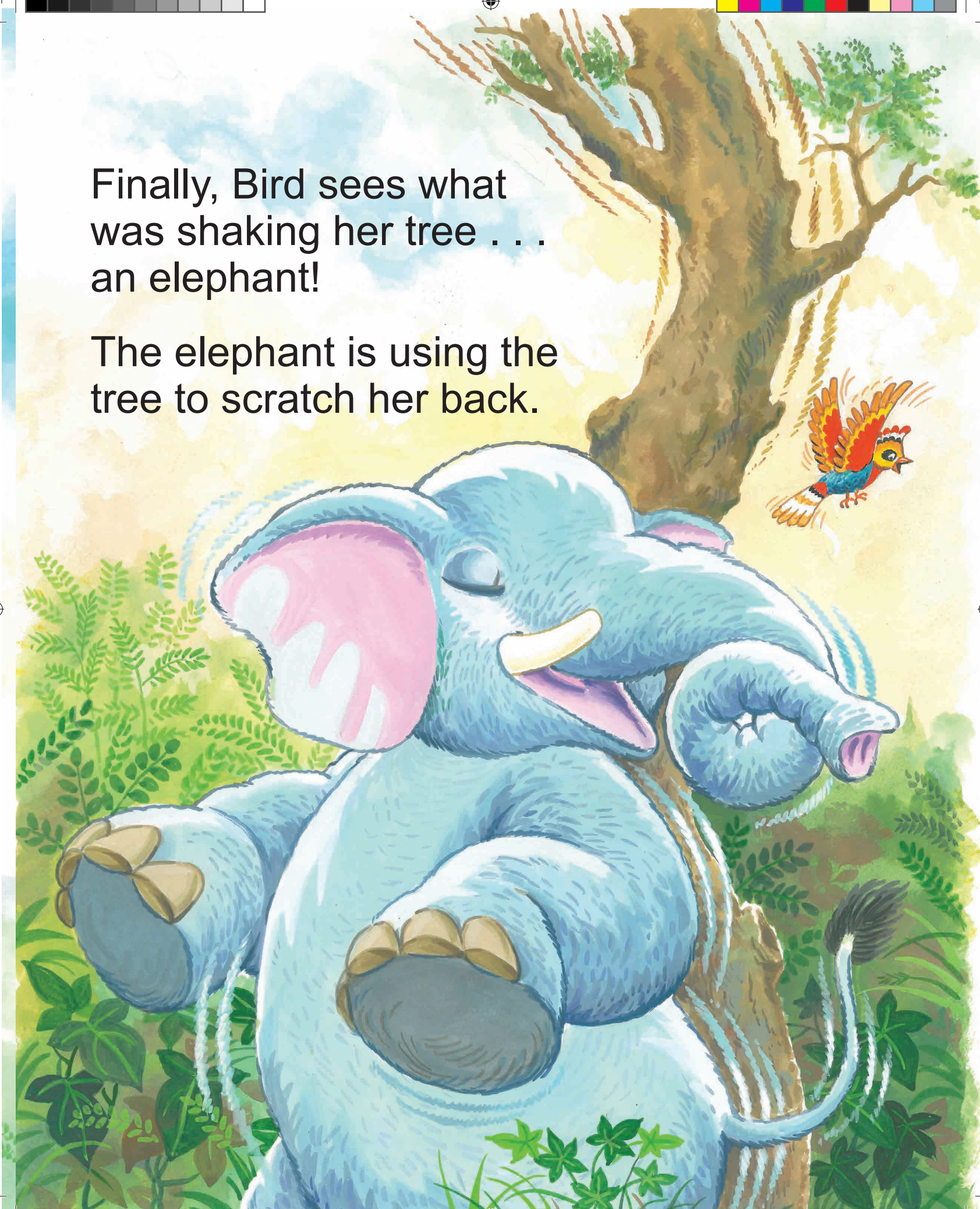


The tree shakes so hard that Bird is rattled out of her nest! As she flaps her wings, the nest falls to the ground.



Finally, Bird sees what
was shaking her tree . . .
an elephant!

The elephant is using the
tree to scratch her back.



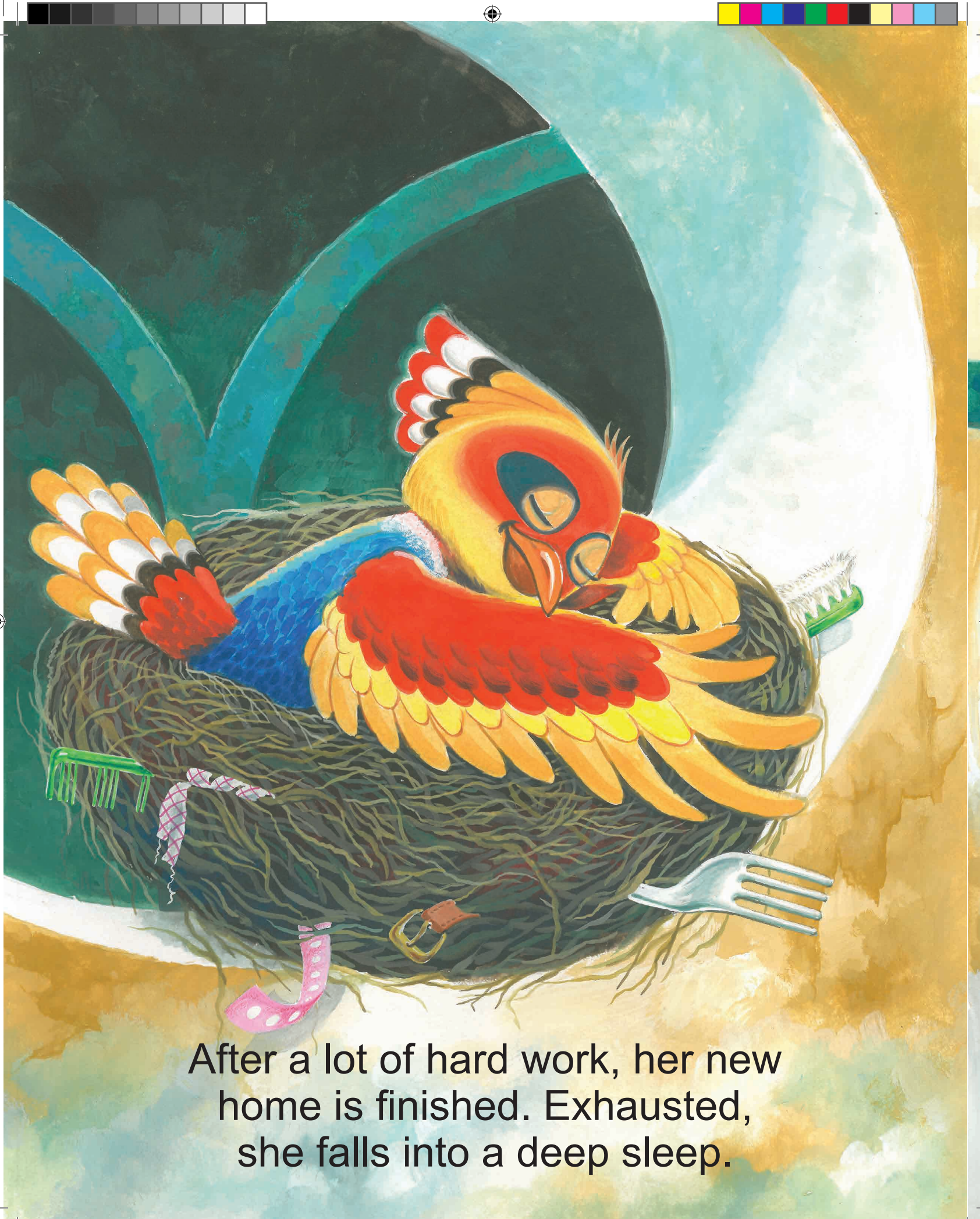


Bird begins to search for a new home in a place where elephants can't reach her.



She starts
building a
new nest.





After a lot of hard work, her new home is finished. Exhausted, she falls into a deep sleep.

Suddenly, she is awakened by two big, round eyes starting at her.





He is a painter. He takes her nest and throws it away. Then he picks up a brush and starts painting the wall.



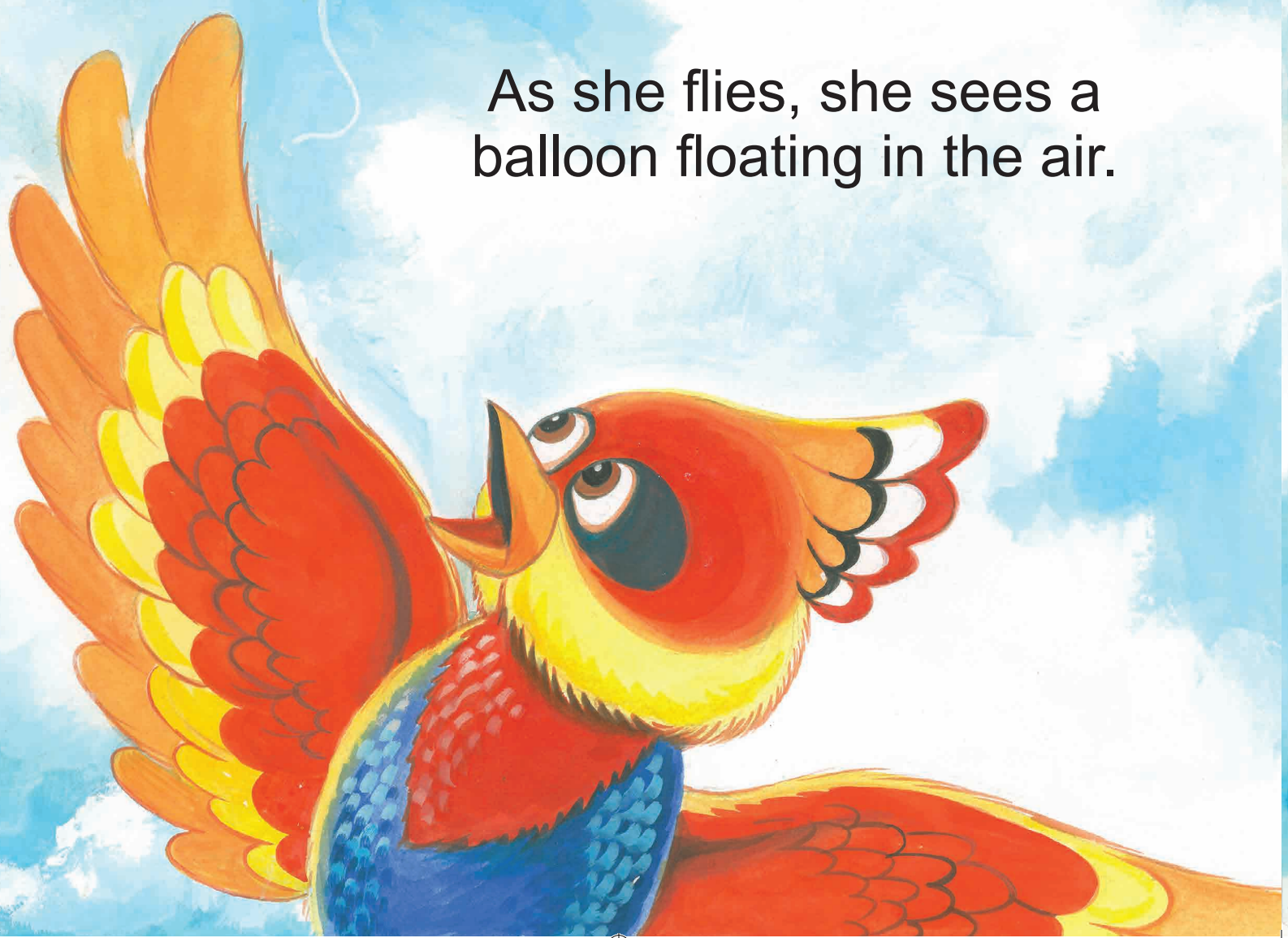


Bird is very annoyed at this human who has destroyed her nest on purpose. She begins to worry if she will ever find a safe home for her nest.





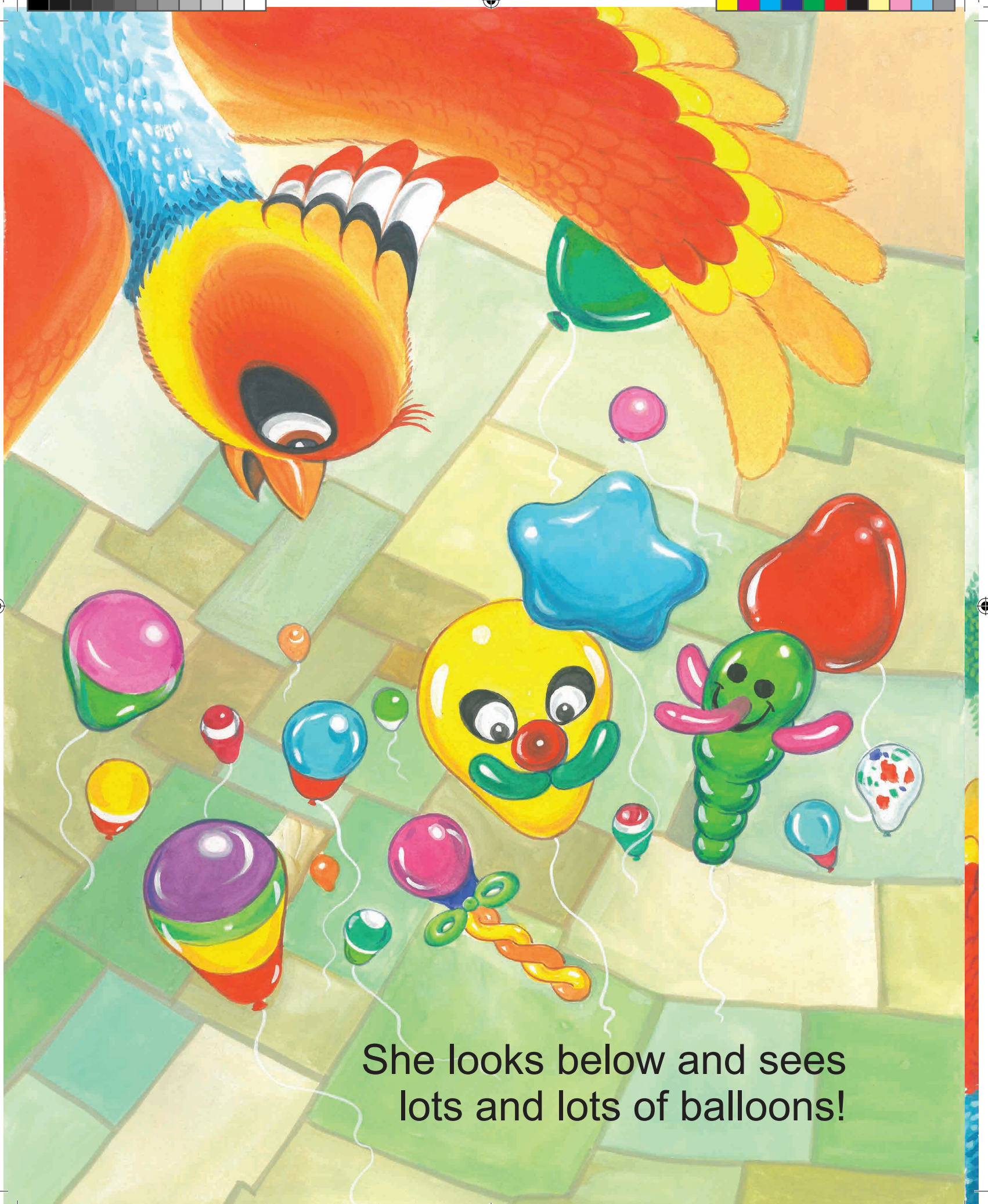
As she flies, she sees a balloon floating in the air.





Then another!

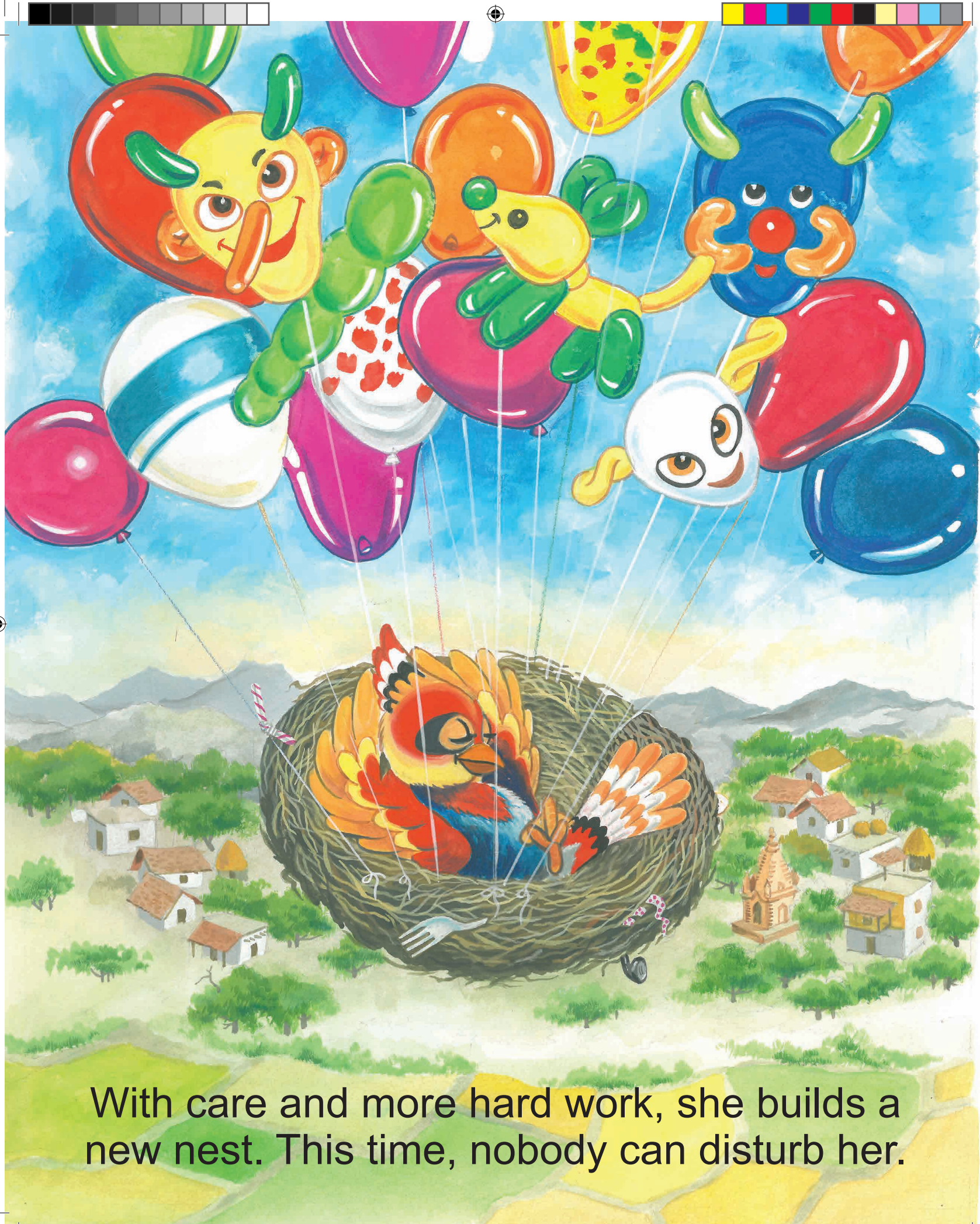




She looks below and sees
lots and lots of balloons!

The balloons give Bird an idea!





With care and more hard work, she builds a new nest. This time, nobody can disturb her.