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**Unicorn in New York: Louie Takes  
the Stage**

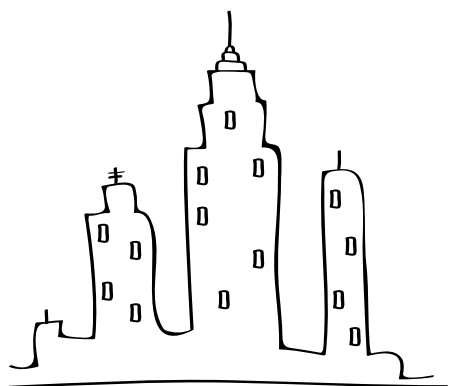
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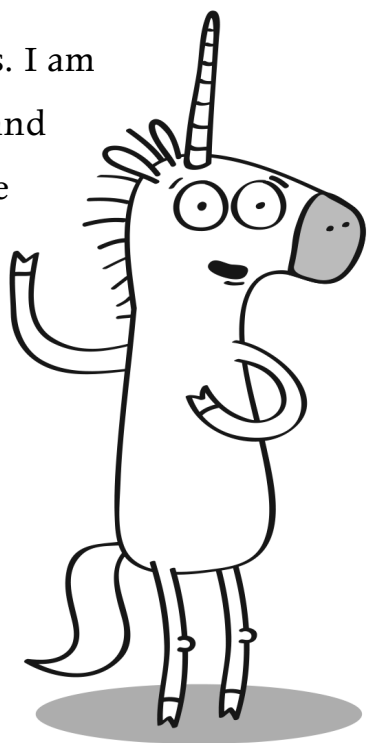


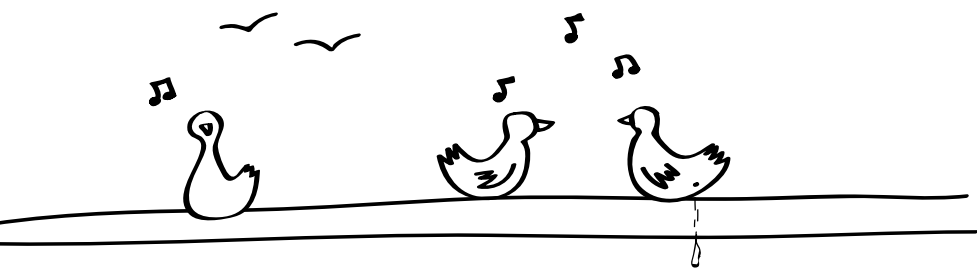
## Chapter One

### Story Land

**G**reetings, humans. I am Louie the Unicorn and this is my tale. That's tale with a T-A-L-E. I can't give you my T-A-I-L because I need it for swatting flies and swishing handsomely.

Anyway, my tale





that is not a tail began with a yawn on yet another perfect day in Story Land. The sun had his shiniest hat on, the birds were belting out their greatest hits, and the mermaids, goblins and fairy folk were living in perfect harmony somewhere over the rainbow.

I know what you're thinking. Snooze fest!

But then . . .

W H O O S H ! !

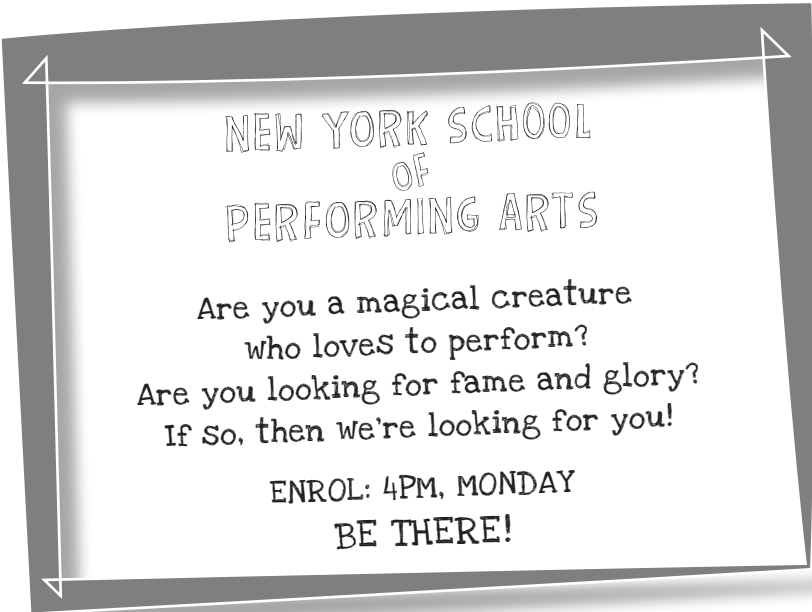
Excitement arrived with the wind.

I'm talking about the breezy kind of 'wind' here, not the bottom-explosion

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kind. Mum says unicorns shouldn't talk about bottom-explosions because we have our sparkly reputations to protect.

So, there I was, with my non-exploding bottom, trotting through the magical forest, when a scrap of paper floated into view.



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## UNICORN IN NEW YORK

Wow! And another wow!

Fame? Glory? New York? Three times wow!

I'd been desperate to visit New York since I first read about it in the Story Land library. Bright lights. Big dreams. Even bigger doughnuts. This was my destiny. I, Louie the Unicorn, was going to become a super-sized New York superstar.

Nothing could stop me.

Although I should probably check with Mum and Dad first.

