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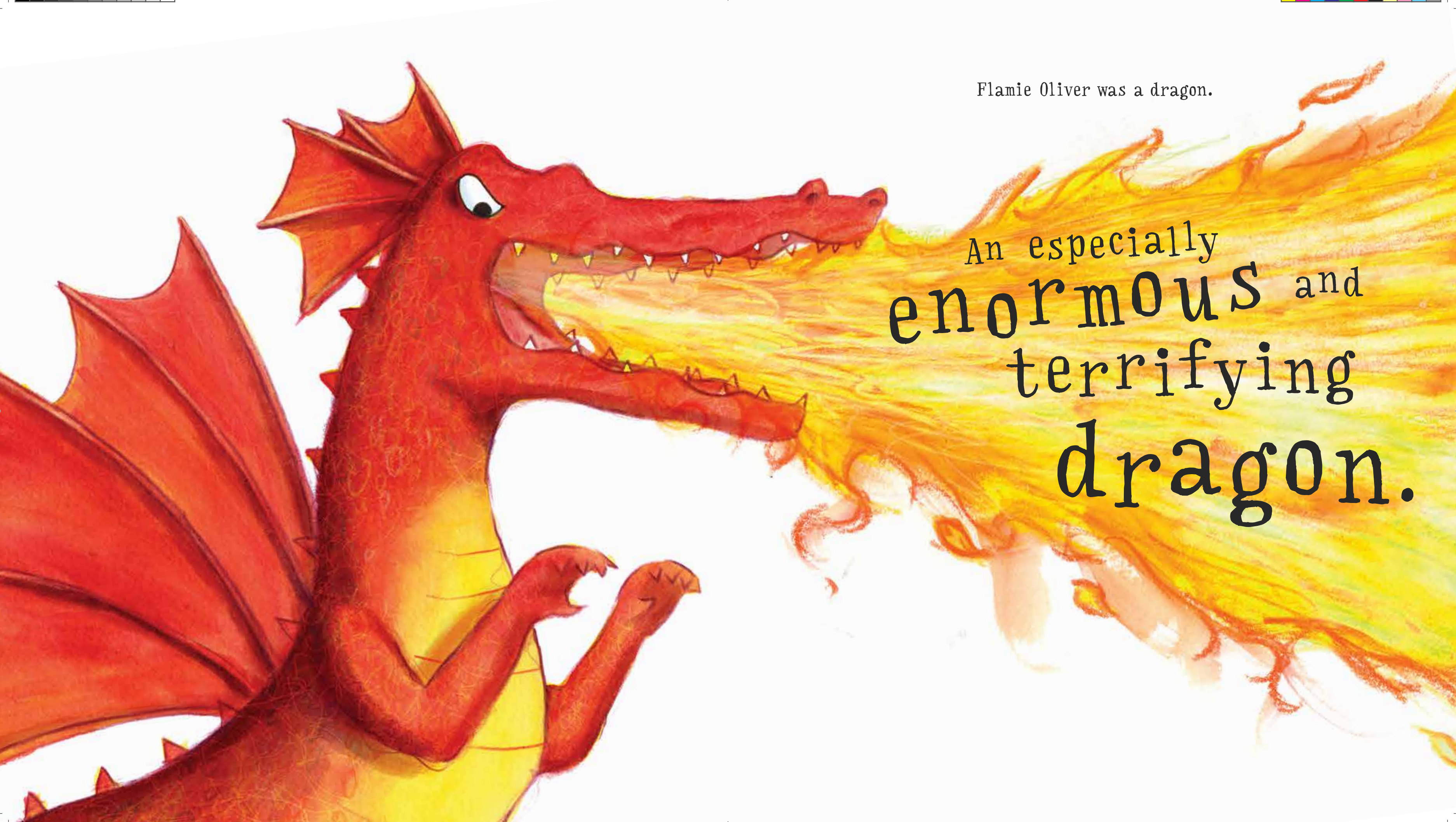
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# THE GREAT DRAGON BAKE OFF

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A red dragon with large, bat-like wings and a long, pointed snout is breathing fire. The fire is depicted with vibrant yellow and orange brushstrokes, creating a sense of intense heat and movement. The dragon's body is a rich red color, and its wings are spread wide. The background is plain white, making the dragon and the fire stand out prominently.

Flamie Oliver was a dragon.

An especially  
**enormous** and  
terrifying  
**dragon.**

Flamie looked so terrifying that he was invited to join the Ferocious Dragon Academy, an academy for the most ferocious dragons-in-training.

The dragons who went there were very, very good at being very, very bad.

But, Flamie had a secret . . .

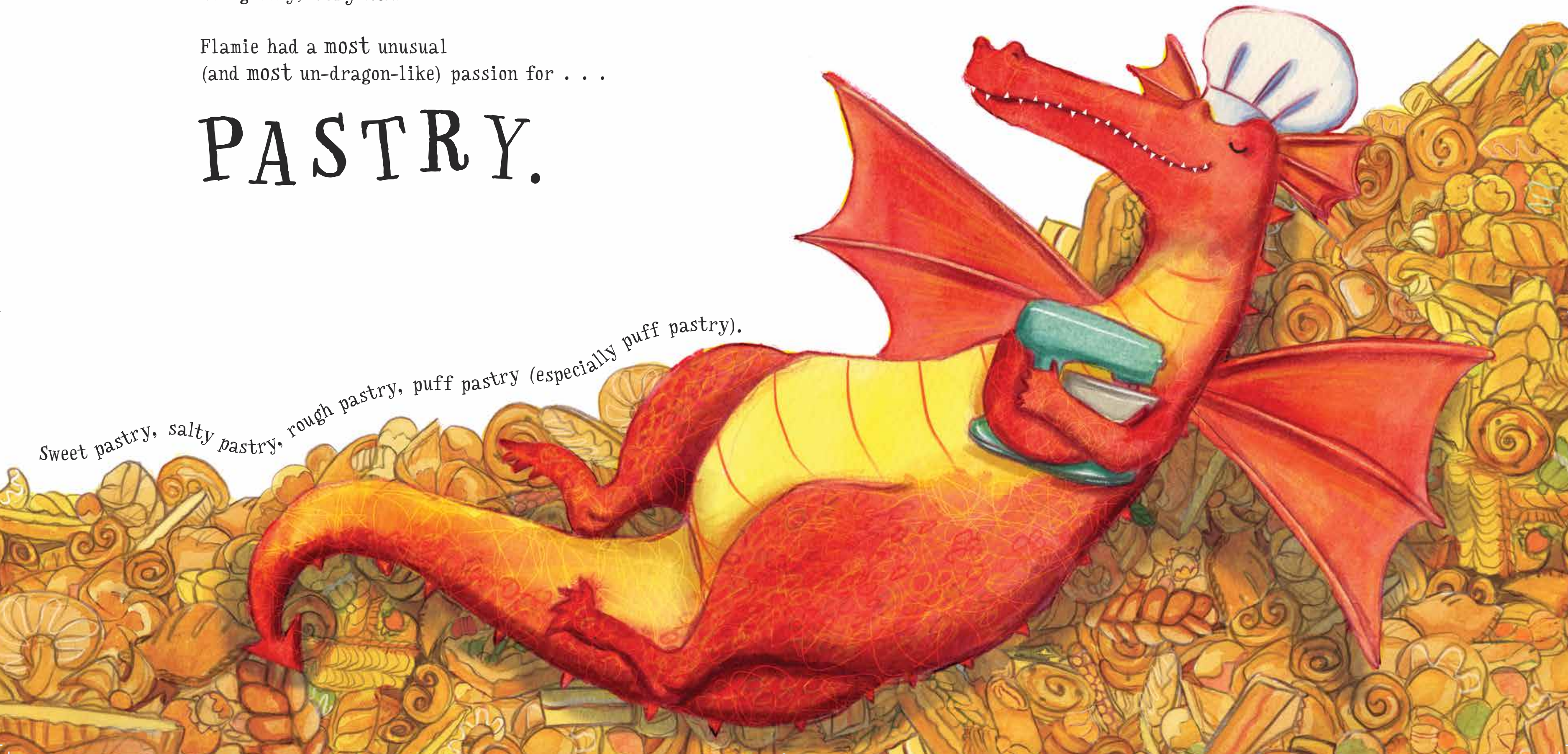


. . . he wasn't very, very good at  
being very, very bad.

Flamie had a most unusual  
(and most un-dragon-like) passion for . . .

# PASTRY.

Flamie loved them all!



*Sweet pastry, salty pastry, rough pastry, puff pastry (especially puff pastry).*