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*To Lottie Boss*

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There was something very strange about Jane.

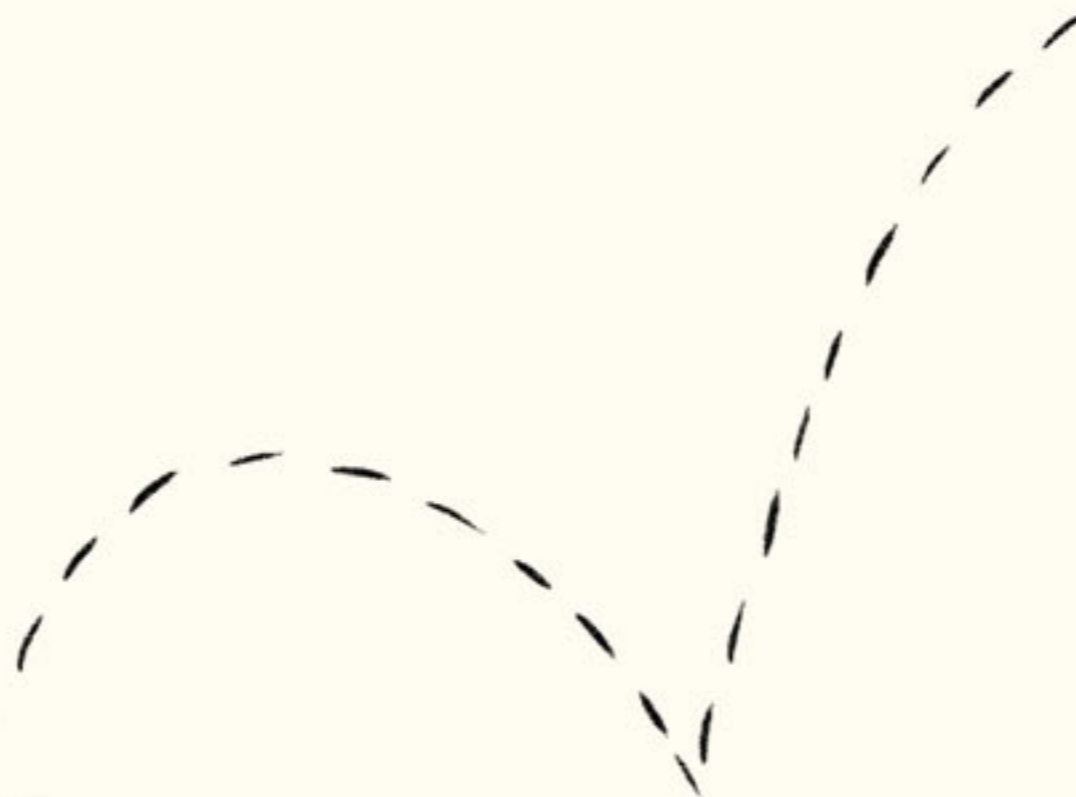
When she was very small, she crawled – just like any other baby.

But when she grew a little bigger, she ... bounced!

Everybody was astonished. One moment Jane was on one side of the room – the next moment she was on the other.

“Did you see that?” asked her mother, in surprise.

“Yes,” said her father. “I think she must have bounced!”





Over the next few days everybody watched Jane closely.  
They saw her bounce out of bed and into the bathroom.



They saw her bounce downstairs and out into the garden.

Everywhere she went, she bounced – just like a rubber ball.



Her mother and father were a little bit worried. So they took her to the doctor, who looked closely at her feet and her toes. Then he took an X-ray photograph of the inside of her legs.

“My goodness!” exclaimed the doctor. “Look! This girl has springs in her knees!”



