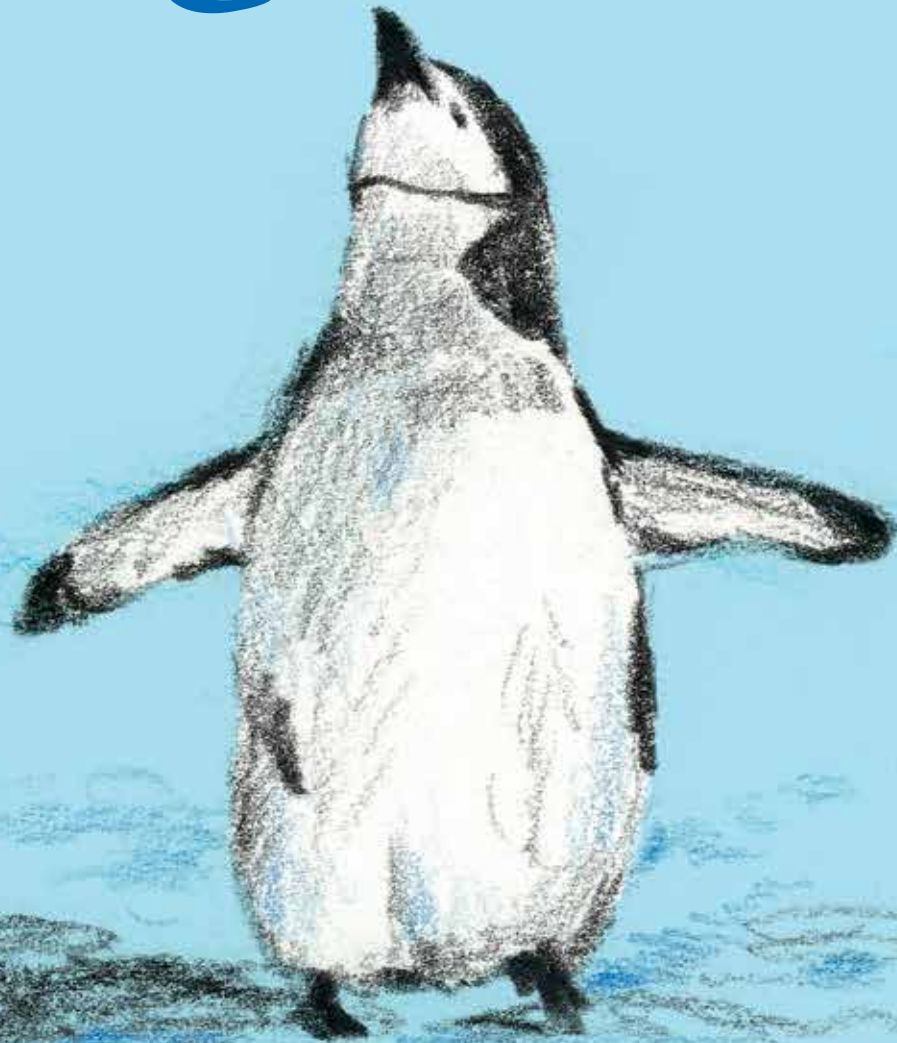
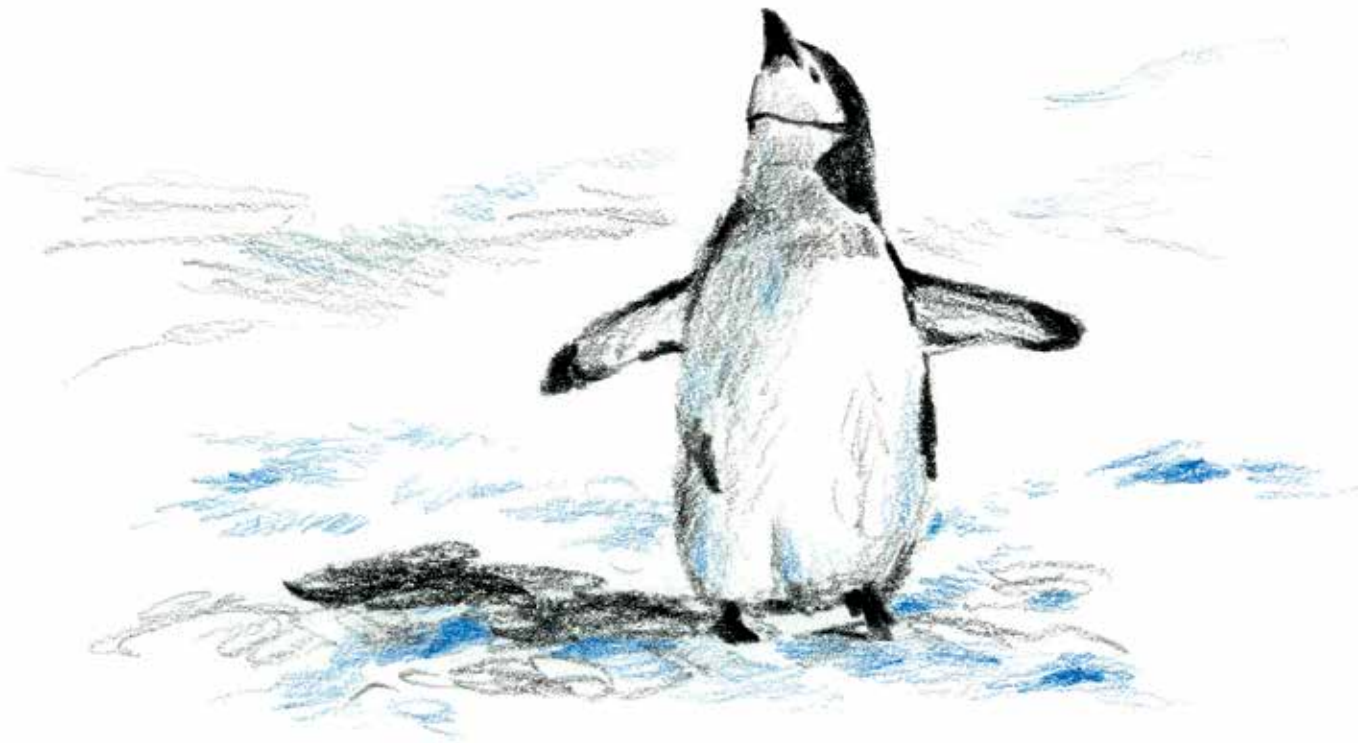


I ~~can't~~ fly  
can



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Little Penguin  
wanted to fly  
like other birds.



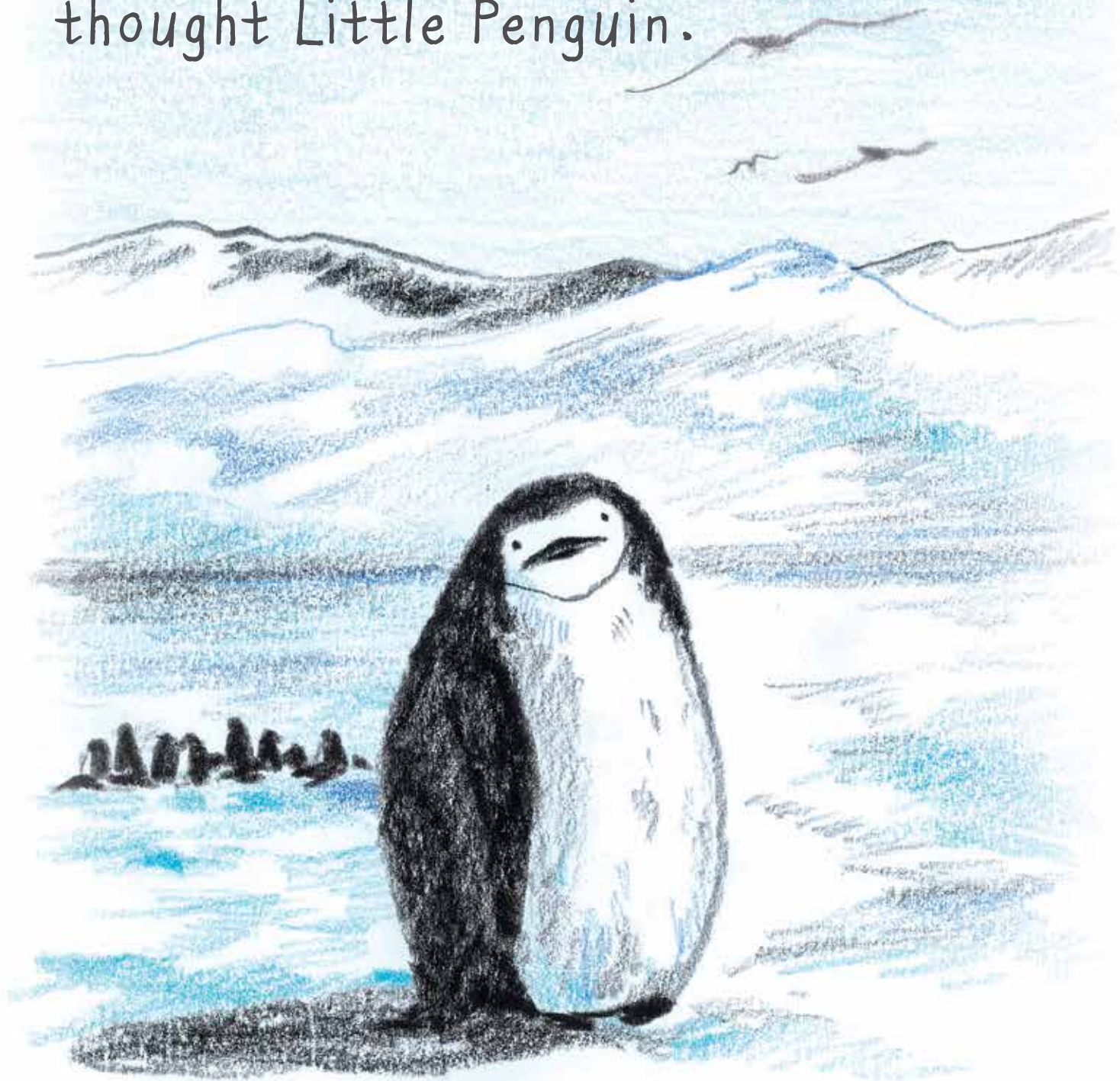
“Why can’t I fly?” asked Little Penguin.



“Ha!” said Gull. “Penguins CAN’T fly!”



"But I do have wings,"  
thought Little Penguin.



So Little Penguin  
flapped.

Then flapped  
some more.



Then flapped  
really hard.

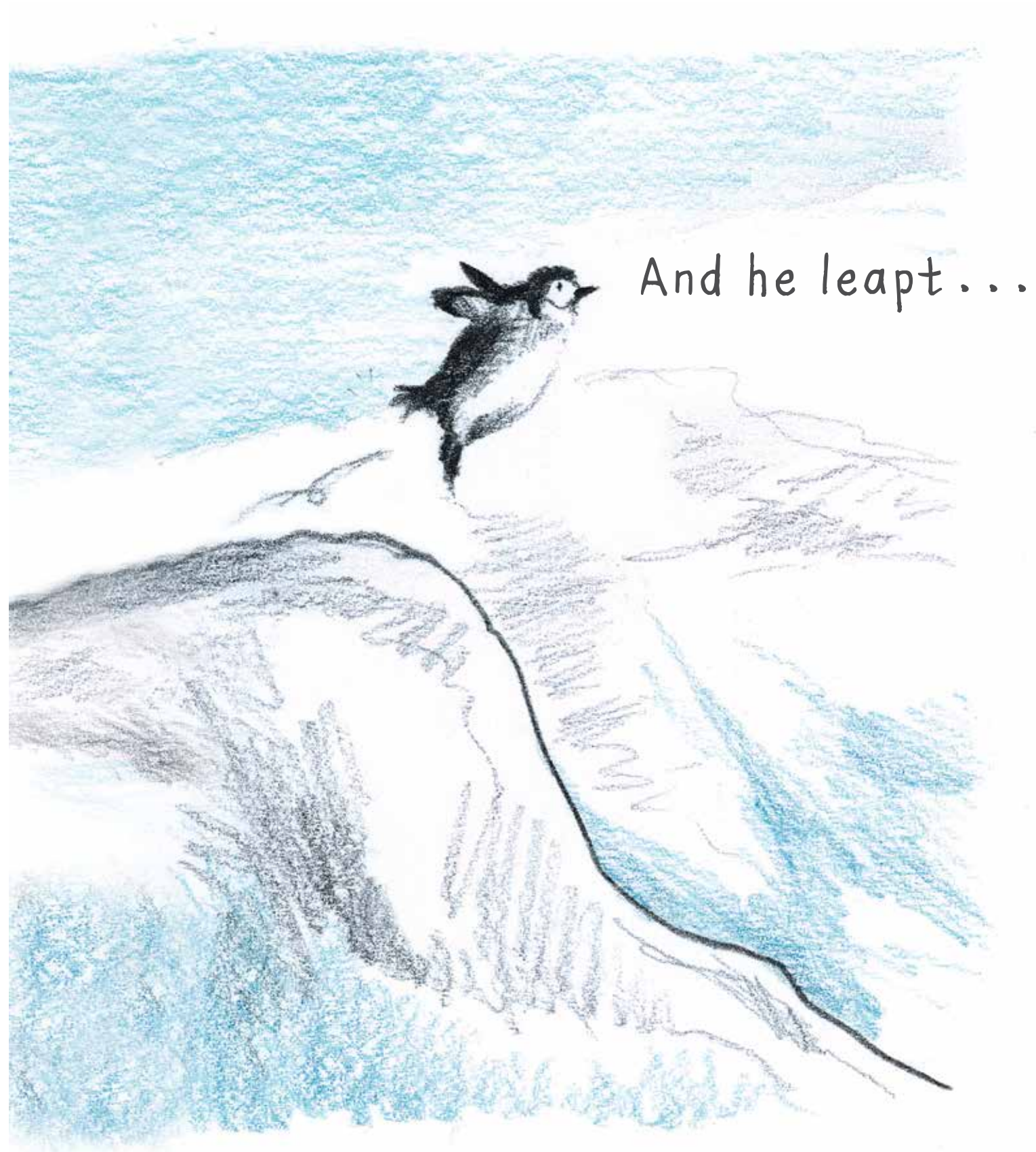






Then he waddled  
as fast as his little legs  
could carry him.






And he leapt...



and  
whoosh,  
splat...



A chalk-style illustration of a penguin standing on ice, looking at a smaller penguin lying face down on the ice. The background shows a vast, icy landscape with some distant hills or mountains. The penguin on the right is larger and stands upright, while the one on the left is smaller and lies flat on the ice.

He landed  
in front  
of his dad.

“What are  
you doing,  
Little Penguin?”  
asked Dad.



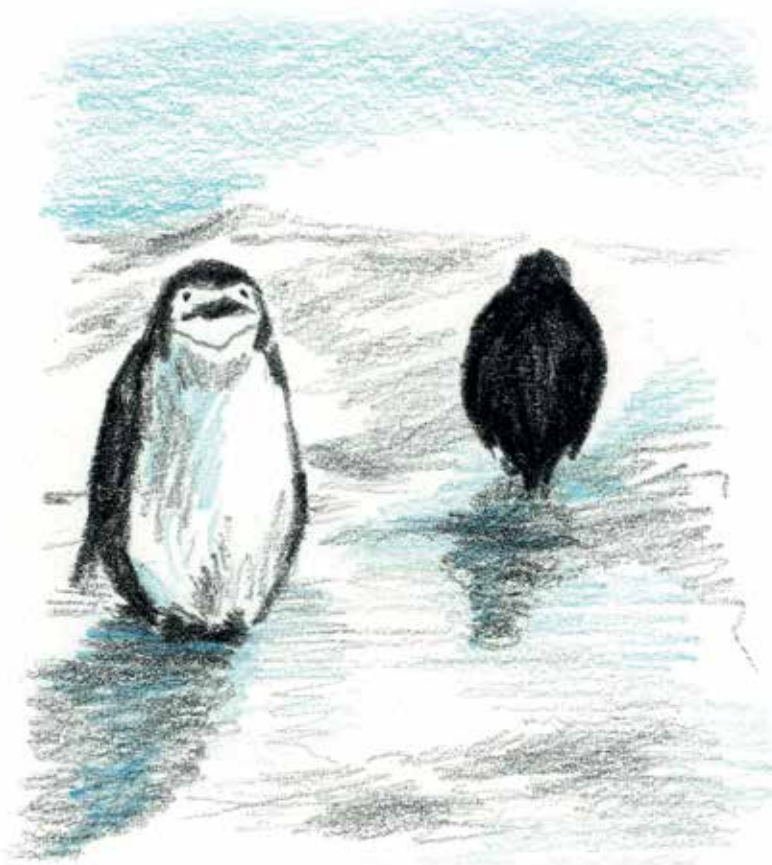
"I want to fly!"  
said Little Penguin.



"Like  
other  
birds."



"Penguins can't fly,"  
said Dad.  
"Penguins swim."



"I'm sure I can fly,"  
thought Little Penguin.





So Little Penguin flipped and flapped  
his little wings.



And flipped



and flapped some more.



Little Penguin was exhausted.



"I can do better,"  
said Little Penguin.

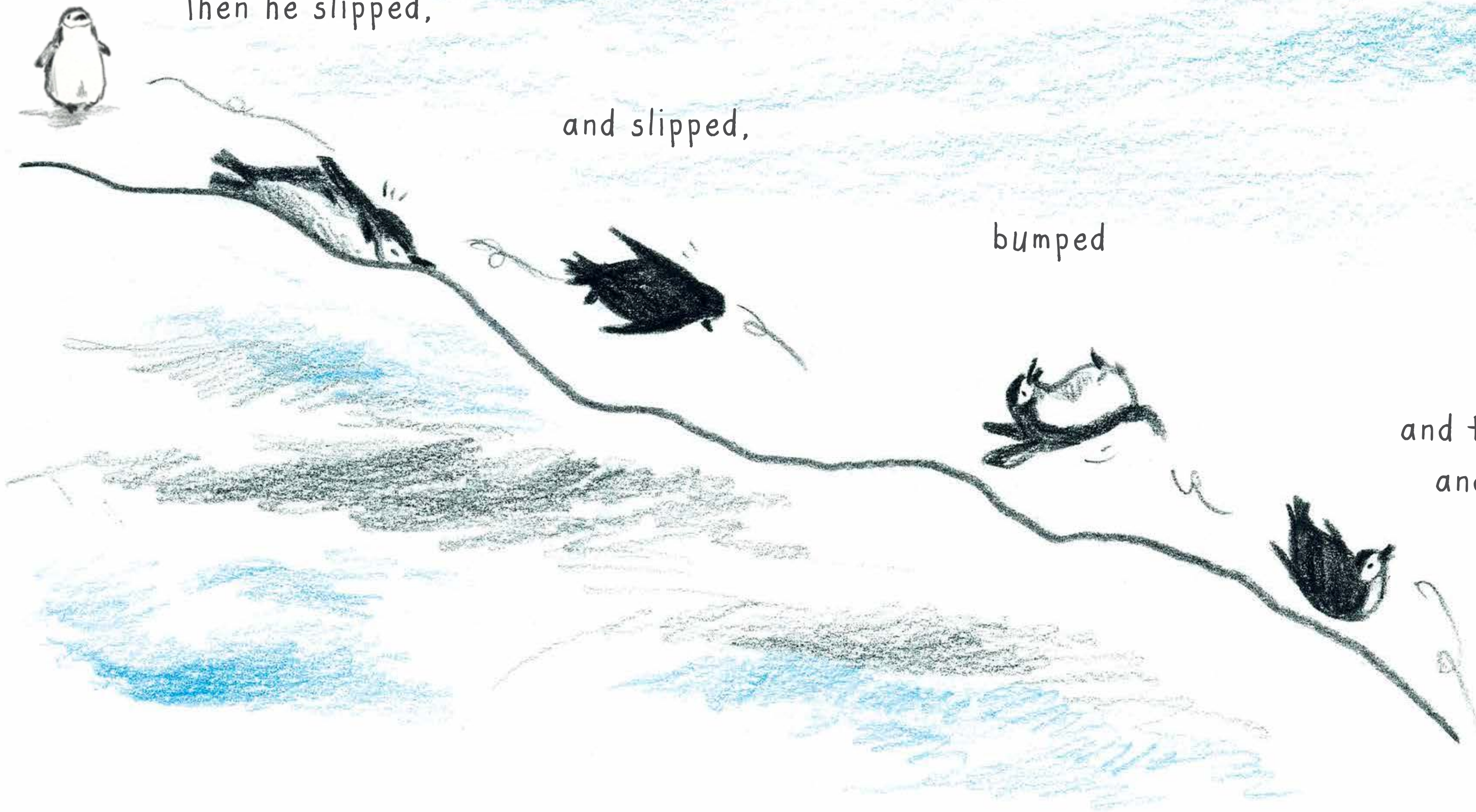


Then he slipped,

and slipped,

bumped

and tripped  
and...







He fell...

**SPLASH!**

into the sea.










Dad was close by



and took Little Penguin's wing.





A watercolor illustration of a coastal landscape. The top half shows a range of mountains in shades of blue and white, with several birds flying in the sky above. The middle section is a wide, bright blue sea. The bottom half shows a dark, rocky coastline with several birds swimming or diving in the water. The overall style is soft and painterly.

They swam below the sea.  
They leapt above the sea.

They flew in the air  
and dived again and again.



"This is just like flying,"  
thought Little Penguin.





“Swimming is like flying,  
isn't it, Dad?”



“I can fly!”



“Almost the same, my little penguin.”





This book is for my parents and grandparents  
for giving me the chance to have adventures.  
For Martin, Caroline, David and Leilani  
thanks for believing that I can fly.  
Thank you too, to my Godparents in Chung-Li, Hippo, and my friends,  
who always cheer me up. And you, who are reading this book.

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