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For my dad, the allergic beekeeper – R.A.

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# SWARM OF BEES

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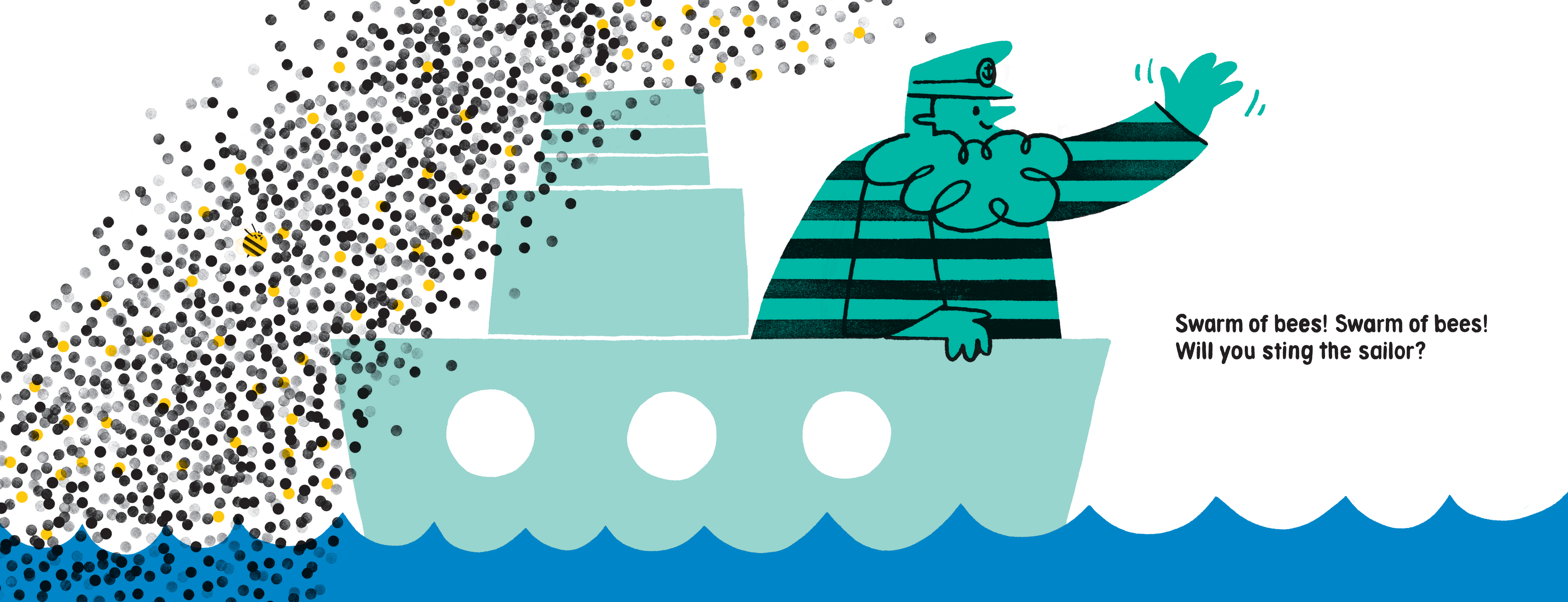


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**Swarm of bees! Swarm of bees!**



**Oh no! You are so angry! What will you do?**



**Swarm of bees! Swarm of bees!  
Will you sting the sailor?**