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SPOTS
and the
DOTS

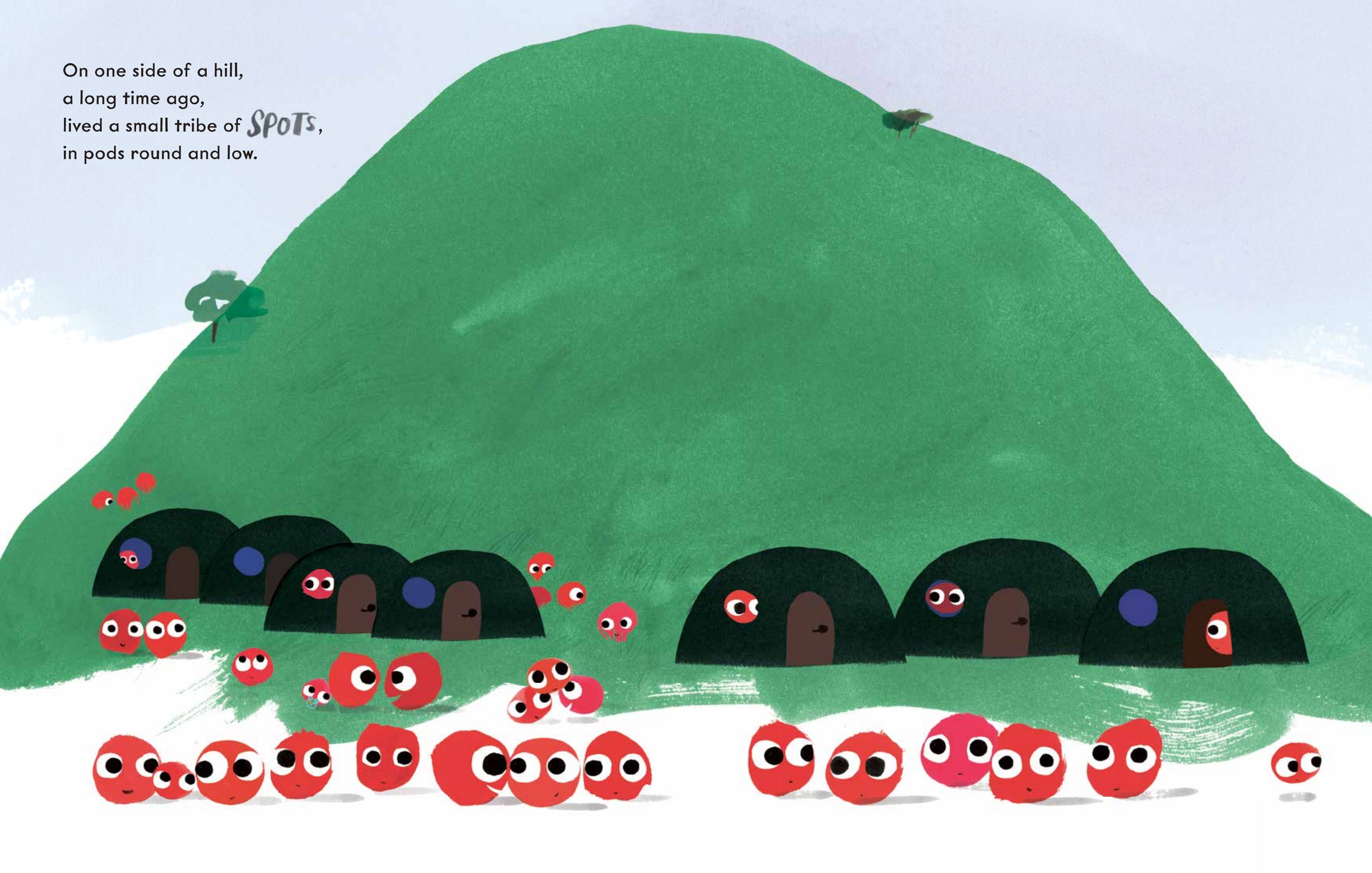


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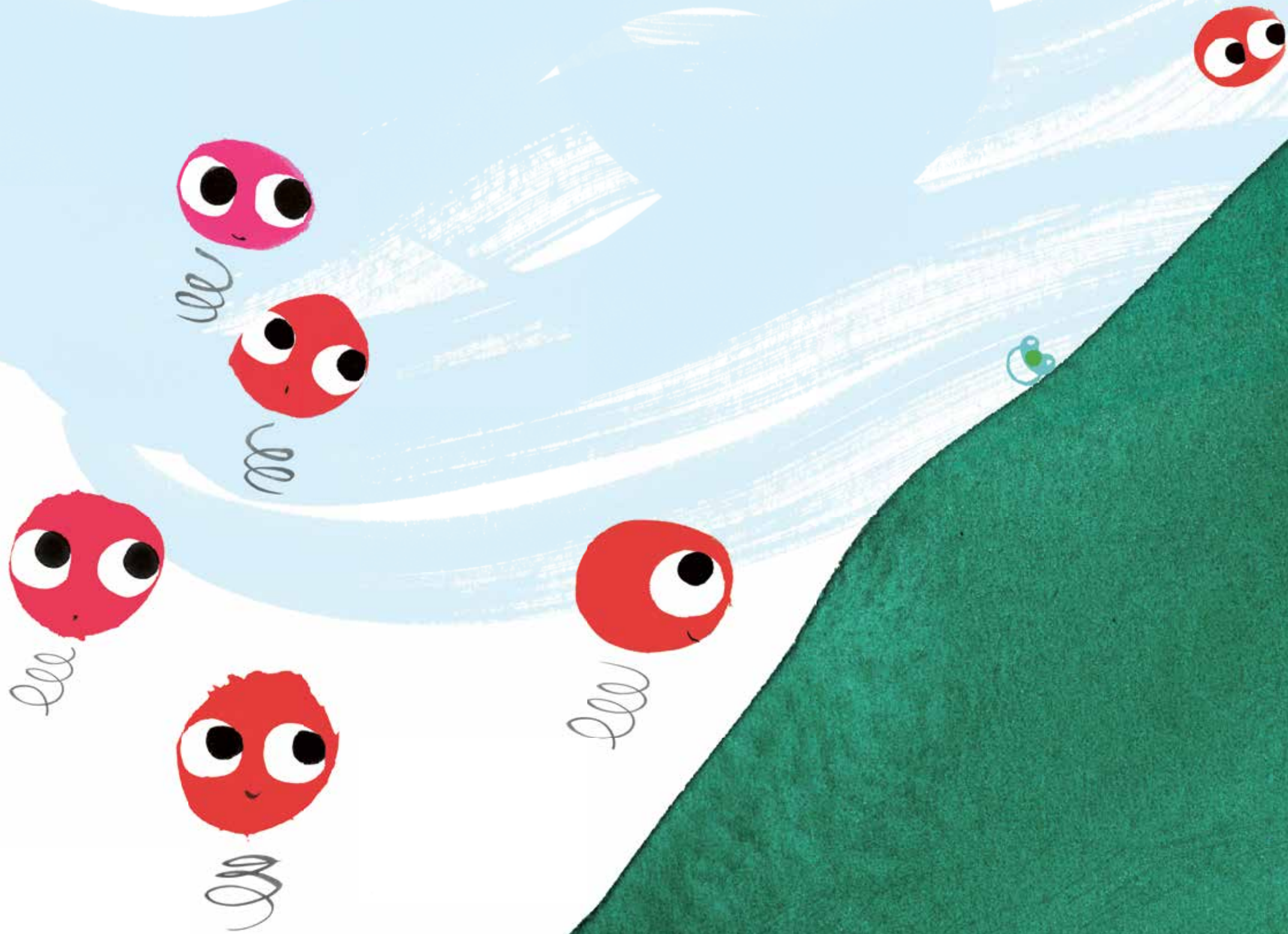
On one side of a hill,
a long time ago,
lived a small tribe of *SPOTS*,
in pods round and low.



The little **SPOTS** all loved to bounce very high.
Some of them sometimes bounced up to the sky!

But as they bounced further and further away,
the mummies and daddies had something to say.

“Remember our rule! You know the drill.
Whatever you do...

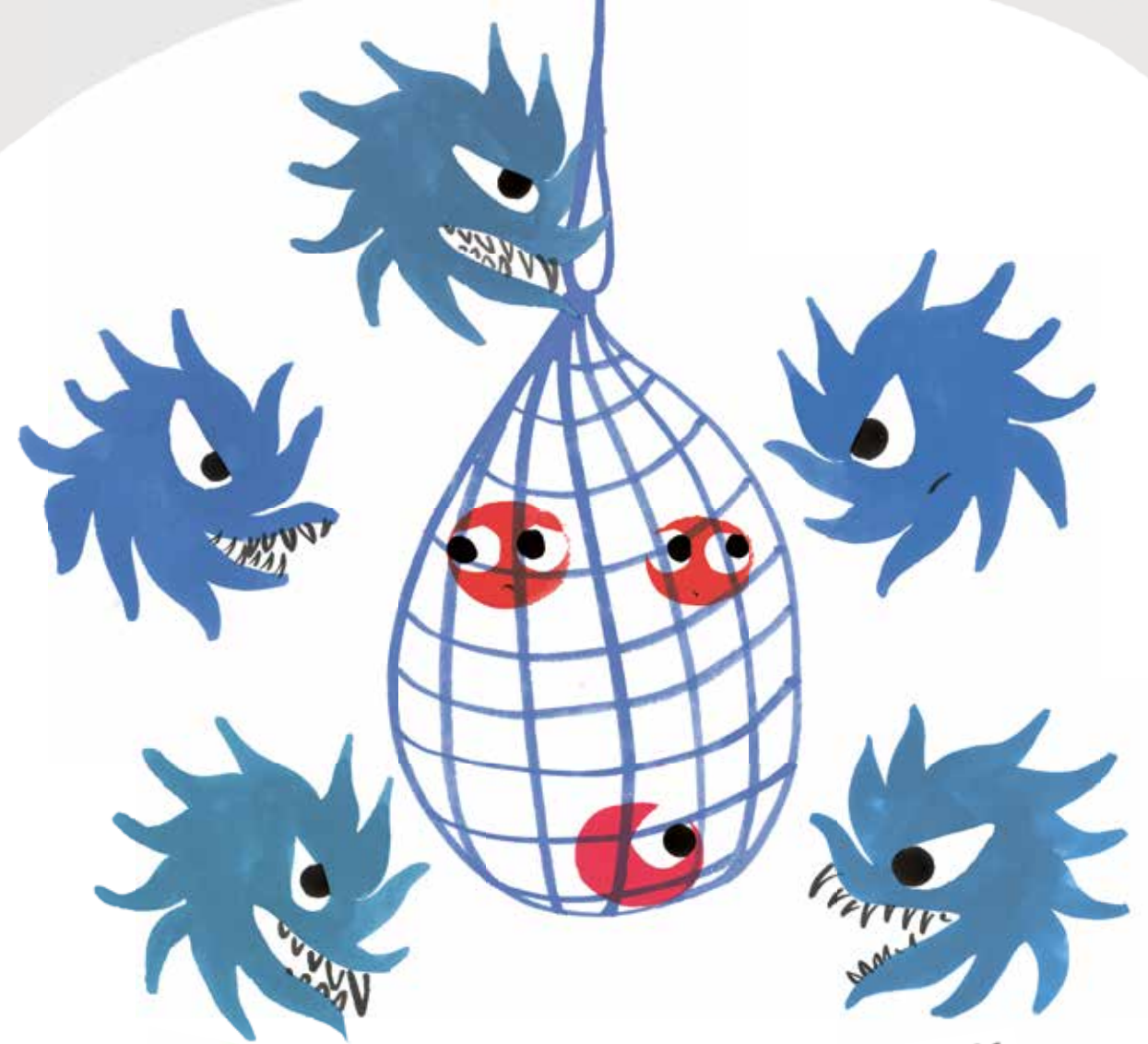


DON'T
GO
OVER
the
HILL!

The little **SPOTS** had heard this warning before.
Two hundred and
thirty three times.
Maybe more!



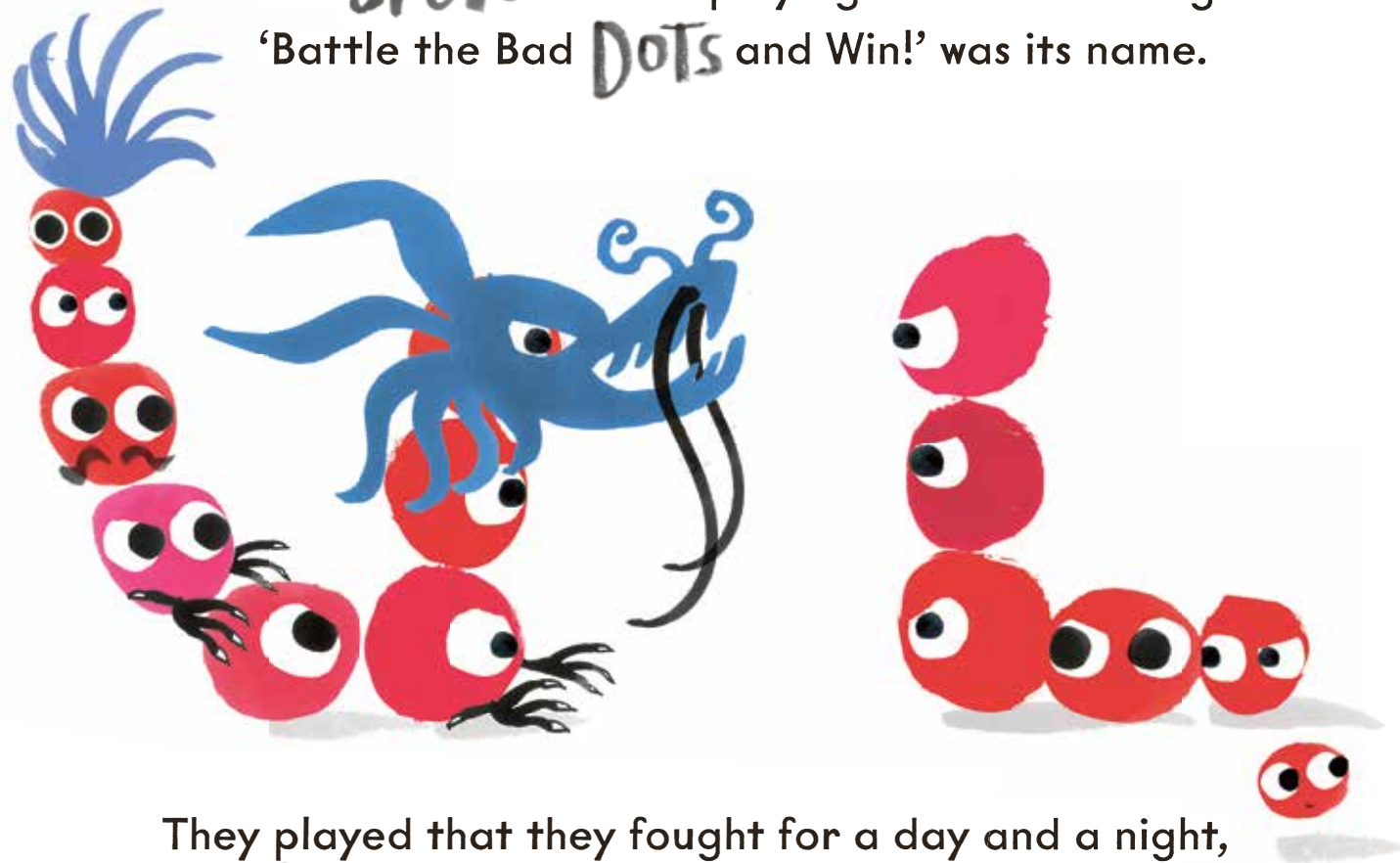
Their parents, when they were small, had heard it too.
And their parents' parents. The words were not new.



"IF YOU GO OVER THE HILL,"
said the **SPOTS**,
"YOU WILL BE
TAKEN AWAY
by the
DOTS!"

Nobody knew what the **DOT** tribe would do,
but everyone knew **DOTS** were BAD through and through.

The **SPOTS** started playing their favourite game:
'Battle the Bad **DOTS** and Win!' was its name.



They played that they fought for a day and a night,
with **SPOTS** beating **DOTS** at the end of the fight.



The glory belonged to the **SPOTS**, big and small...

But where was the littlest **SPOT** of them all?



OH NO!
Baby SPOT was on top
of the HILL!
LOOKING SO SCARED,
staying so STILL.