

The Snowiest Christmas Ever!

For Raechele, who can never
have too much snow!
— J C



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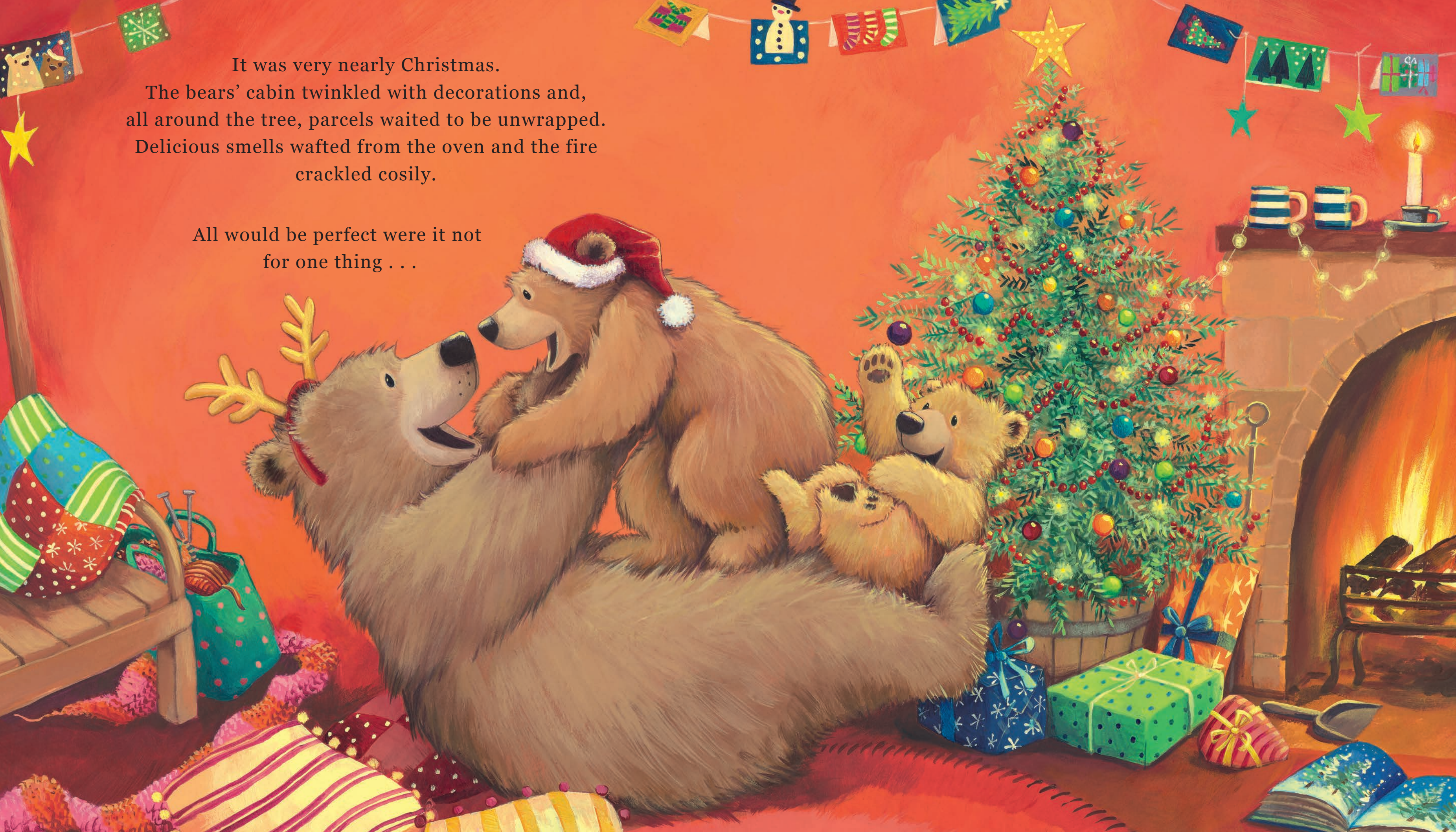
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It was very nearly Christmas.

The bears' cabin twinkled with decorations and, all around the tree, parcels waited to be unwrapped. Delicious smells wafted from the oven and the fire crackled cosily.

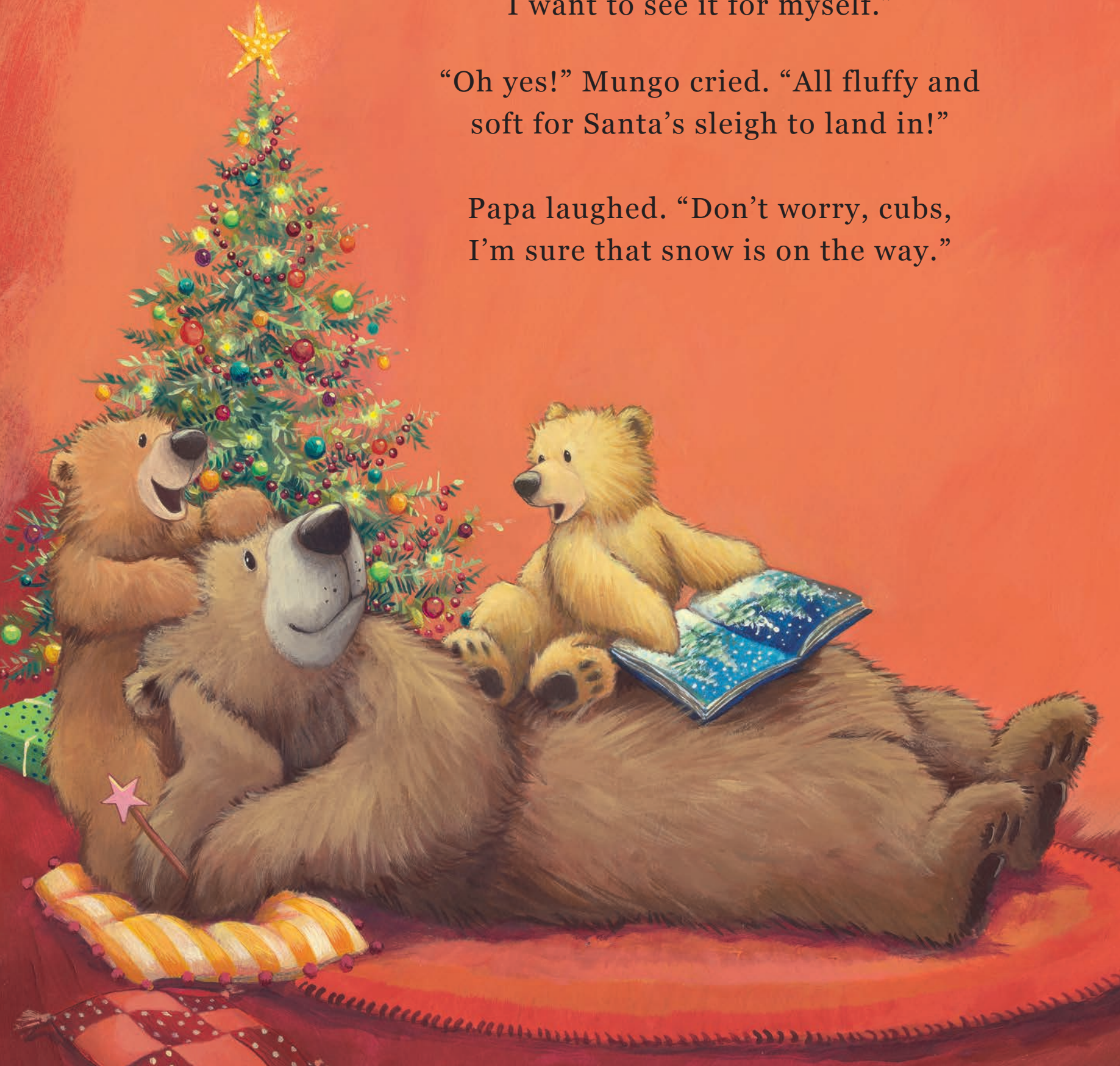
All would be perfect were it not for one thing . . .



“Snow!” squeaked Button, pointing at her storybook.
“PLEASE let there be snow this Christmas!
I want to see it for myself.”

“Oh yes!” Mungo cried. “All fluffy and
soft for Santa’s sleigh to land in!”

Papa laughed. “Don’t worry, cubs,
I’m sure that snow is on the way.”



But there was no snow
at bathtime.



And still no snow
at bedtime.

Suddenly, a whoosh
of wind blew something
tinkly against the
window. Button peeped
around the curtain.



“It’s snowing!”

gaped Button.

“Yay!” cheered Mungo,
gazing at the whirling icy flecks.

“I can’t wait till tomorrow!”

Papa gave his excited bears a squeeze.
“Just in time for Christmas!” he grinned.

“I wish it would snow for ever,”
Button yawned sleepily.

All through the night, the snow got deeper . . .

and **deeper** . . .

and **deeper!**

