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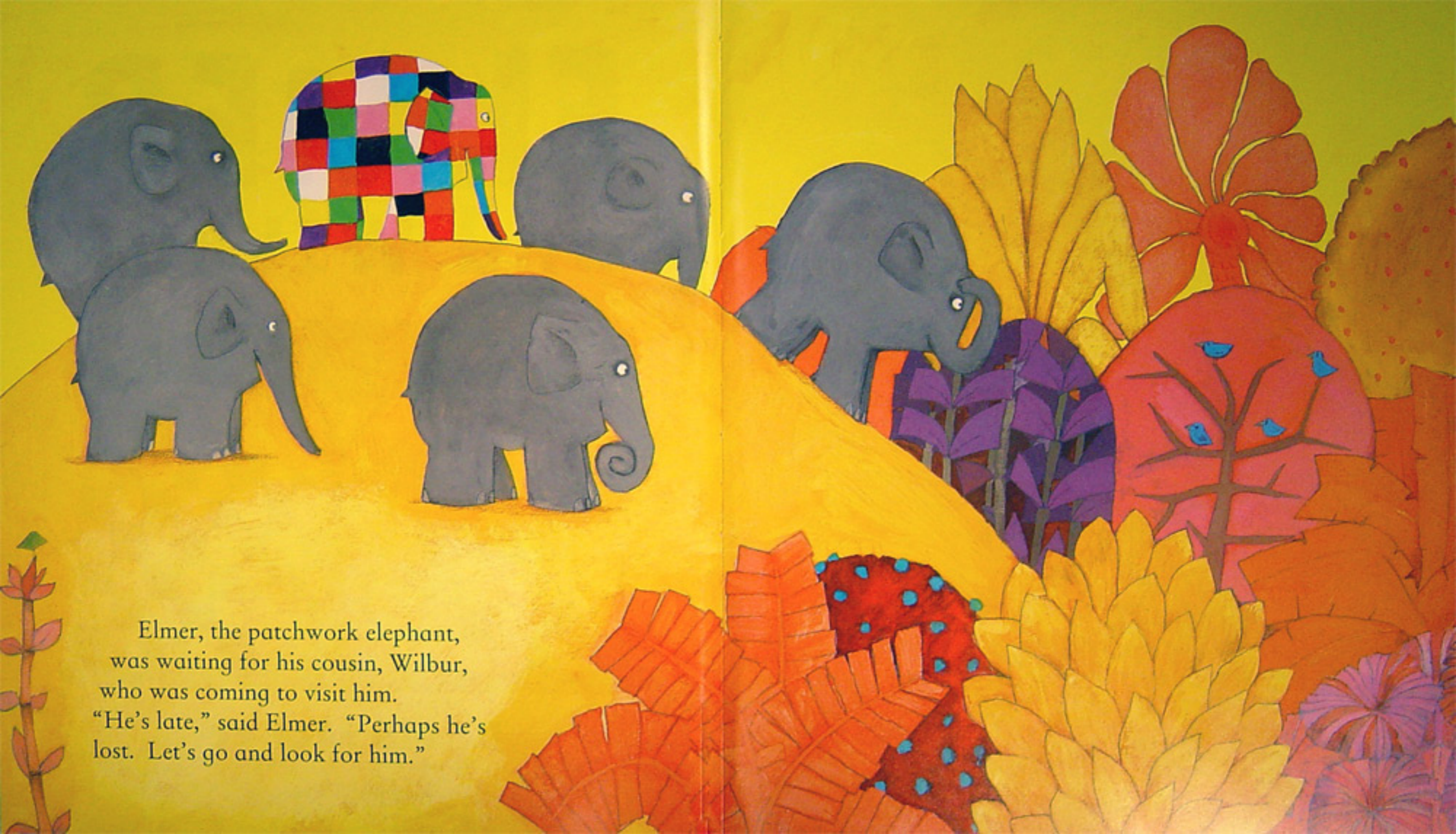
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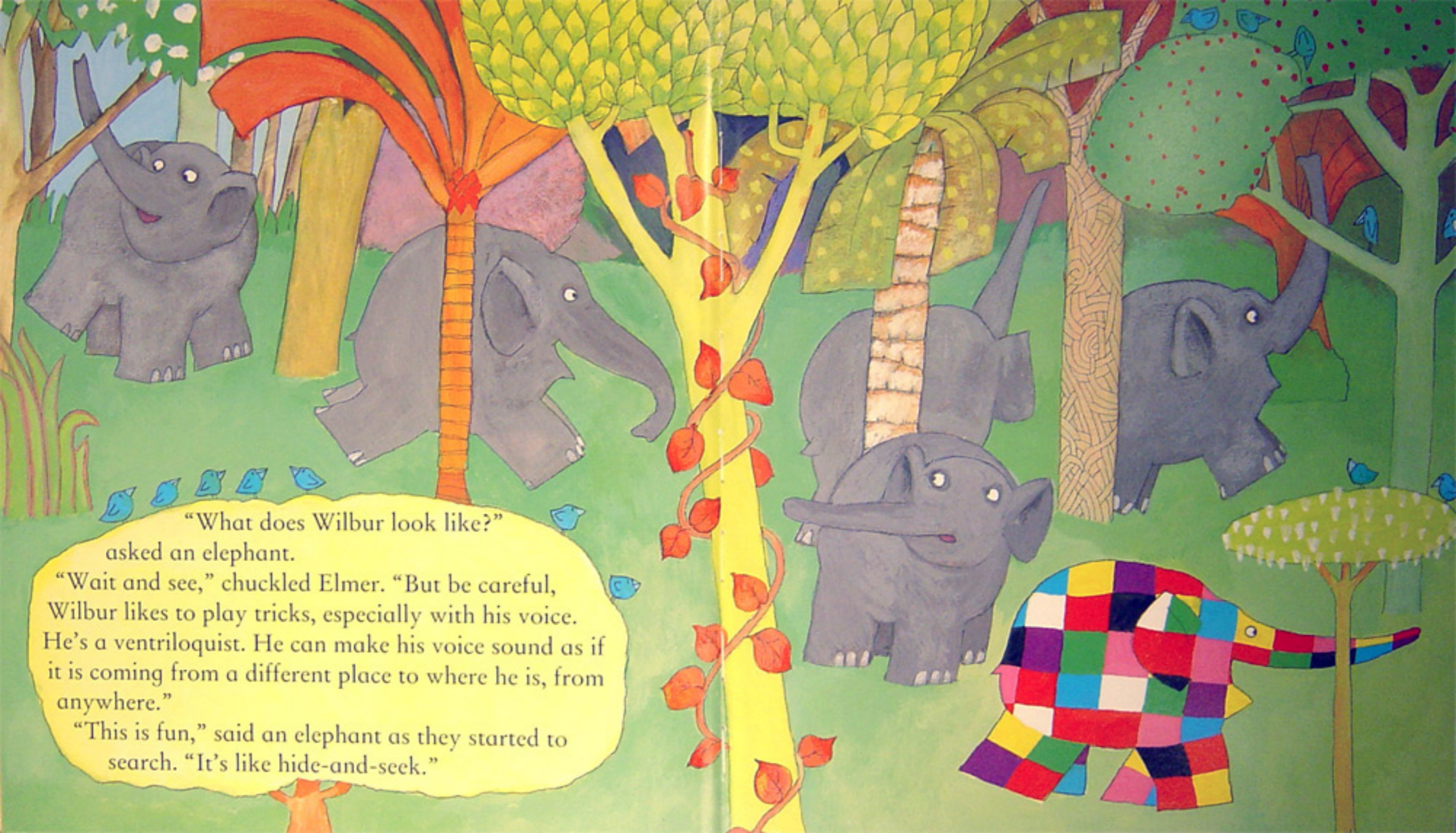
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Elmer, the patchwork elephant,  
was waiting for his cousin, Wilbur,  
who was coming to visit him.  
“He’s late,” said Elmer. “Perhaps he’s  
lost. Let’s go and look for him.”





"What does Wilbur look like?"

asked an elephant.

"Wait and see," chuckled Elmer. "But be careful, Wilbur likes to play tricks, especially with his voice. He's a ventriloquist. He can make his voice sound as if it is coming from a different place to where he is, from anywhere."

"This is fun," said an elephant as they started to search. "It's like hide-and-seek."