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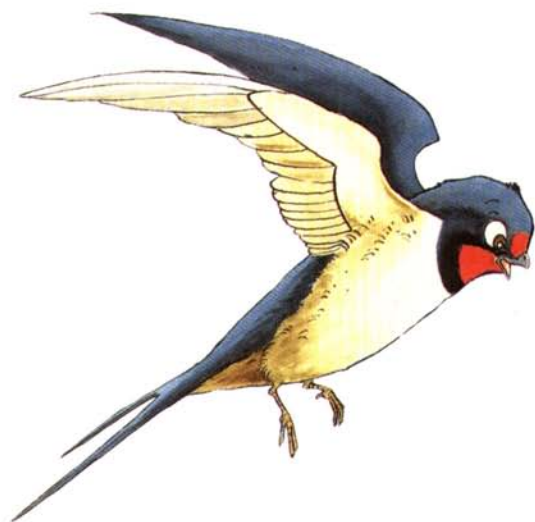
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**Blue Bananas**

For Helen

J.D.

For Anne

M.U.

Chack the blackbird was learning to fly.

So was Apollo the swallow.

That was how they met.

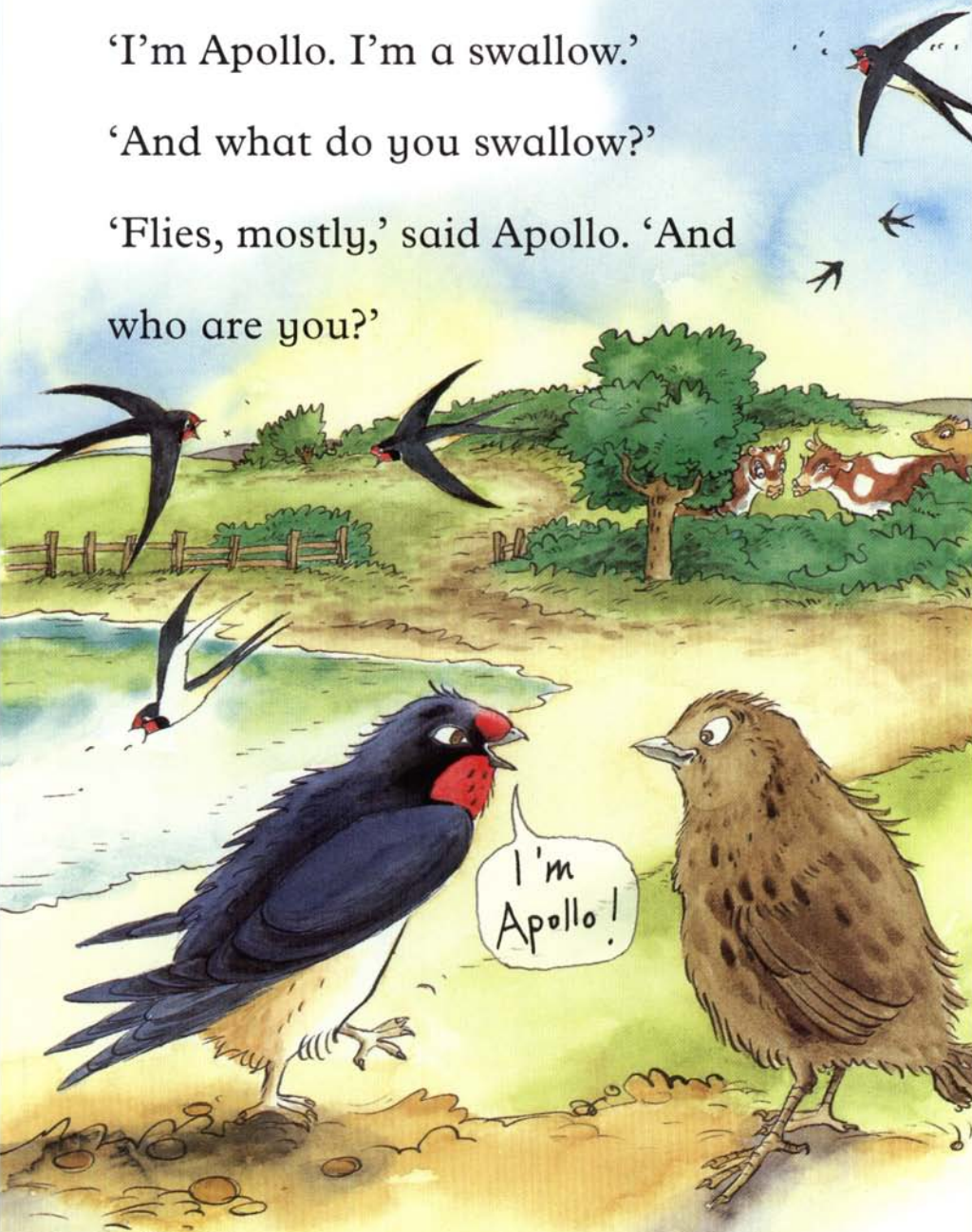


‘Who are you?’ asked Chack.

‘I’m Apollo. I’m a swallow.’

‘And what do you swallow?’

‘Flies, mostly,’ said Apollo. ‘And who are you?’





'I'm Chack. I'm a blackbird.'

'You look brown to me,' said Apollo.

'I may be brown now but one day I'll  
be black,' said Chack.

'I don't believe you!' said Apollo.





Apollo showed Chack his nest. It was on a cobwebby shelf in a shed.

‘I won’t always live here,’ he said.

‘One day I’ll fly away to Africa.’

‘I don’t believe you!’ said Chack.

Chack showed Apollo his nest.

It was in a tree covered in white blossom.