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For Super Amélie, Super Flynn and Super Blake

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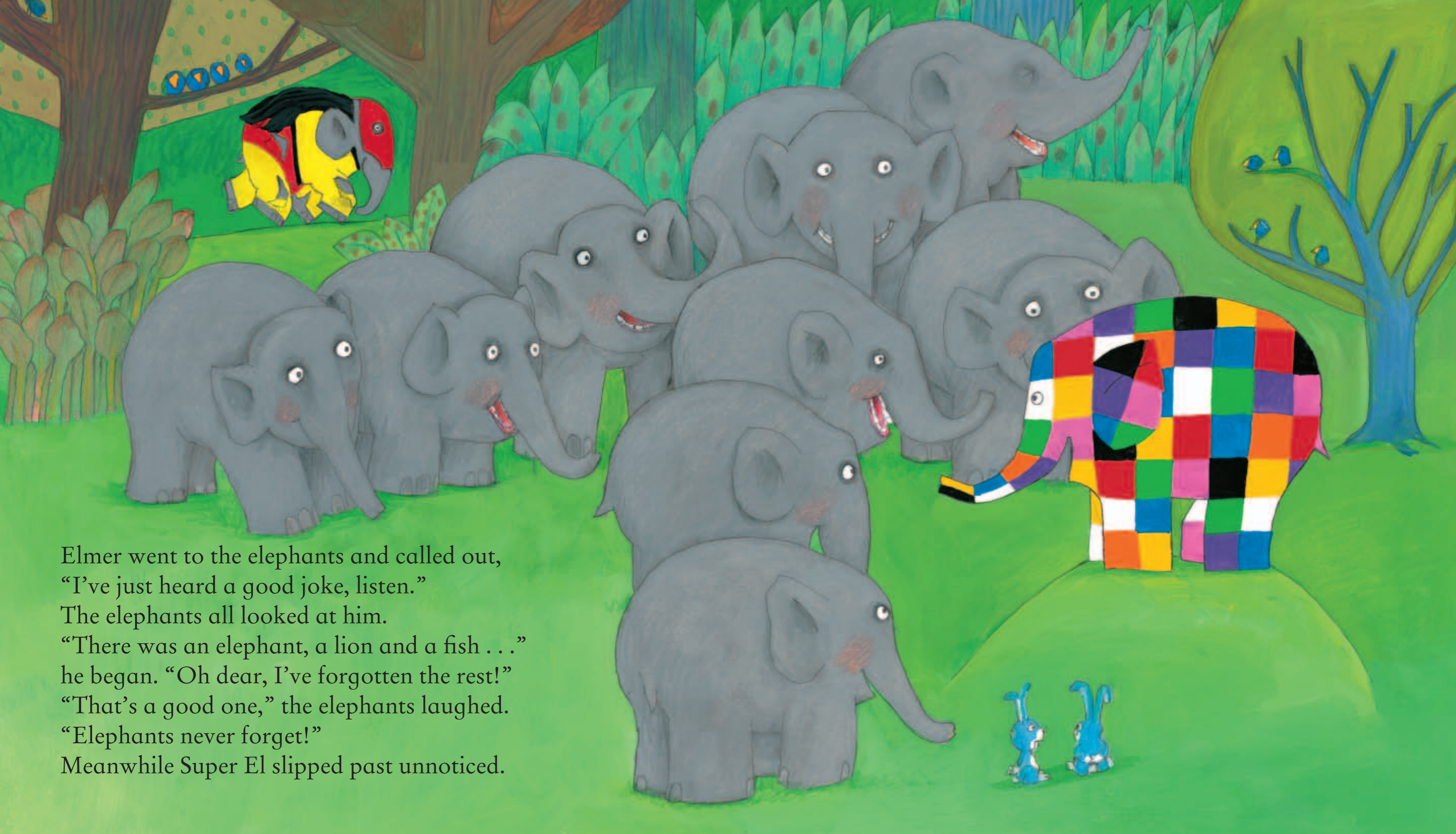
Elmer, the patchwork elephant, was taking his morning walk when he heard an “Oh no!” Looking round, he spotted a small elephant dressed in an outfit that he recognized. “Hello, Super El,” Elmer said with a smile. “What’s the problem?”





“Look,” said the small elephant, showing his torn outfit. “That thorn bush attacked me! If I’m seen like this, I’ll be laughed at. That’s not very super.”

“Aunt Zelda will soon fix that,” said Elmer. “We’ll just have to make sure that you’re not seen. Our first problem will be to pass the elephants. I’ll distract them. Come on. It will be fun!”



Elmer went to the elephants and called out,
“I’ve just heard a good joke, listen.”
The elephants all looked at him.
“There was an elephant, a lion and a fish . . .”
he began. “Oh dear, I’ve forgotten the rest!”
“That’s a good one,” the elephants laughed.
“Elephants never forget!”
Meanwhile Super El slipped past unnoticed.