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*To Ben, who painted Tucker pink  
when **he** was a little monkey*

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*To Mary*

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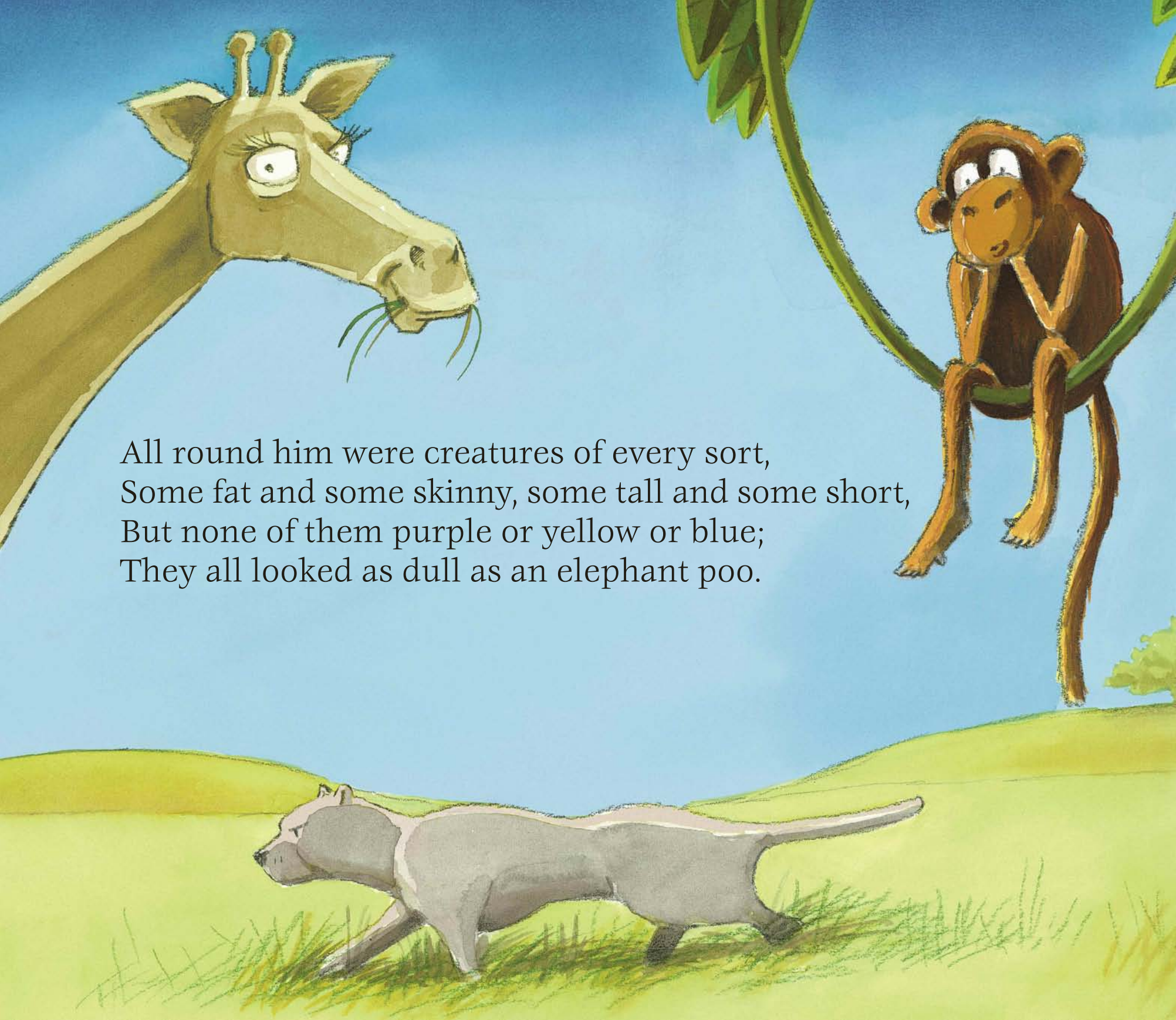
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A long time ago, when the world was quite new,  
A monkey sat watching the birds as they flew.  
Like feathery rainbows they flashed through the air.  
“How come they’re so pretty,” he thought. “It’s not fair!”







All round him were creatures of every sort,  
Some fat and some skinny, some tall and some short,  
But none of them purple or yellow or blue;  
They all looked as dull as an elephant poo.