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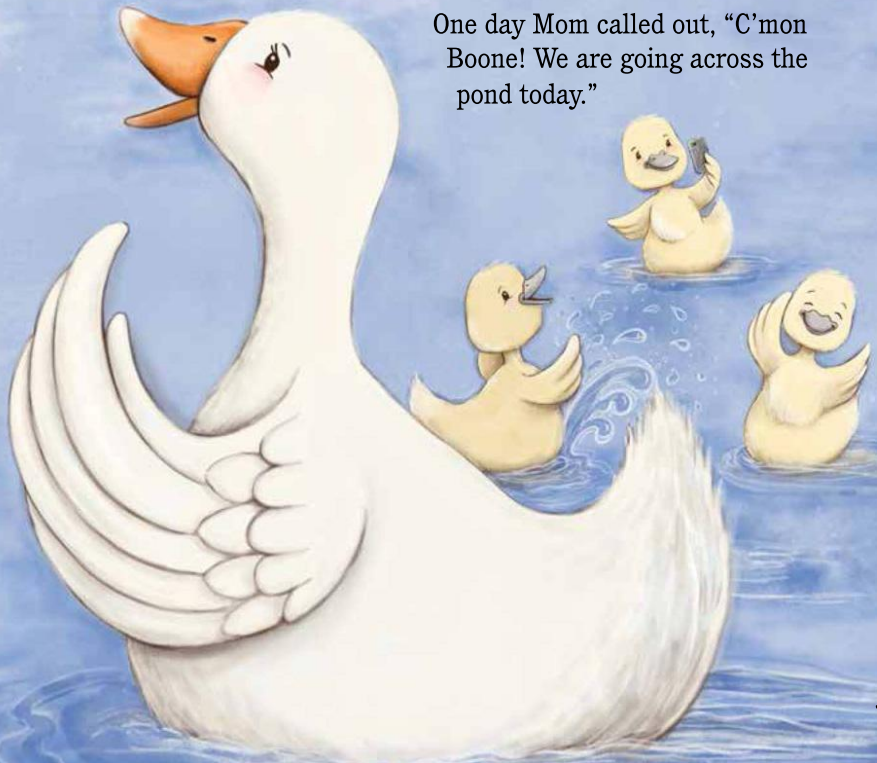
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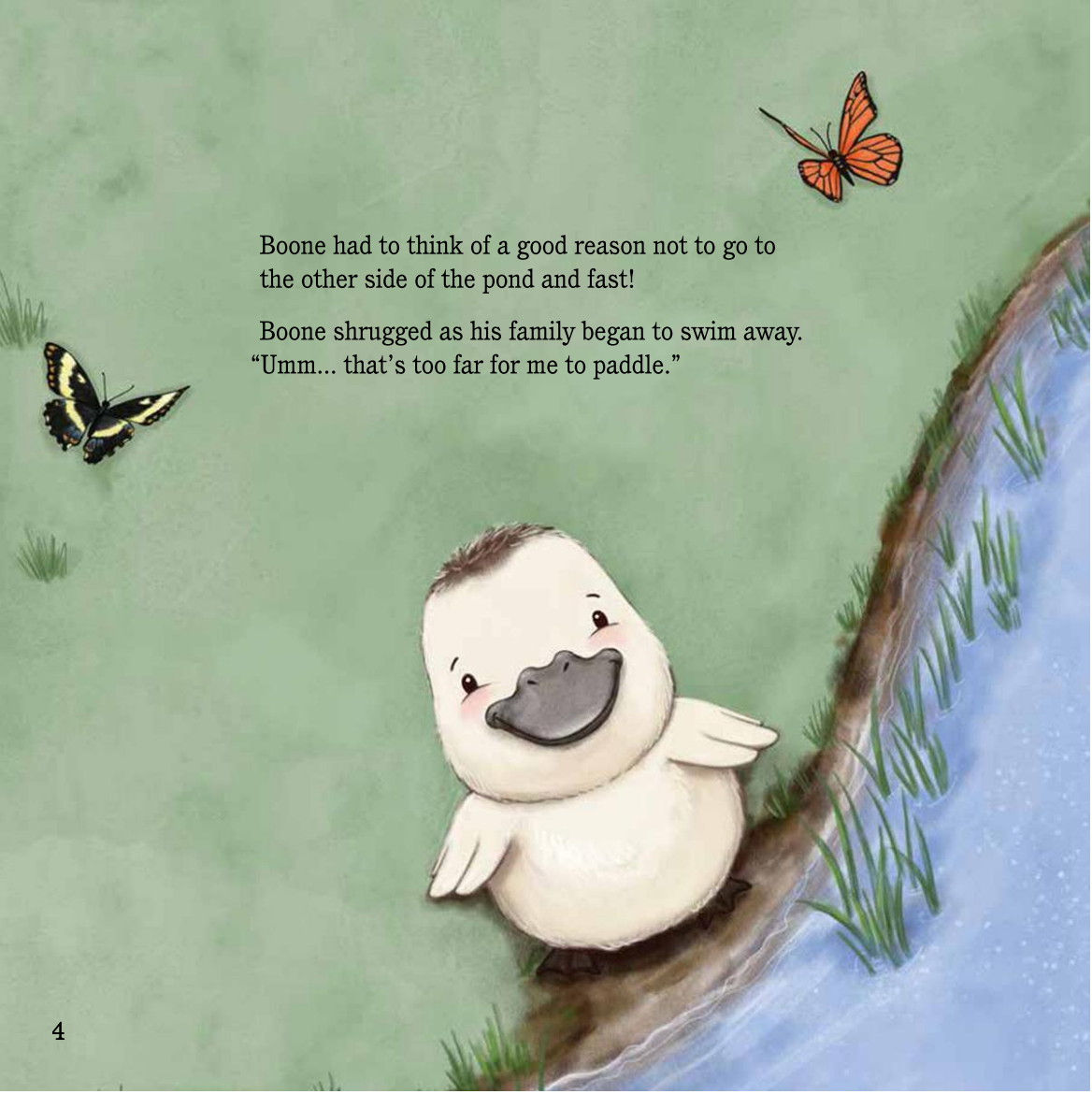


Boone was a young,
strong-willed goose.

He didn't enjoy going to new places or trying new things. He was just fine staying in his end of the pond.

One day Mom called out, "C'mon Boone! We are going across the pond today."





Boone had to think of a good reason not to go to the other side of the pond and fast!

Boone shrugged as his family began to swim away.
“Umm... that’s too far for me to paddle.”



Just then Dragonfly whooshed by.
“I can make it across in 10 seconds!”

Boone still did not want to
paddle across the pond.

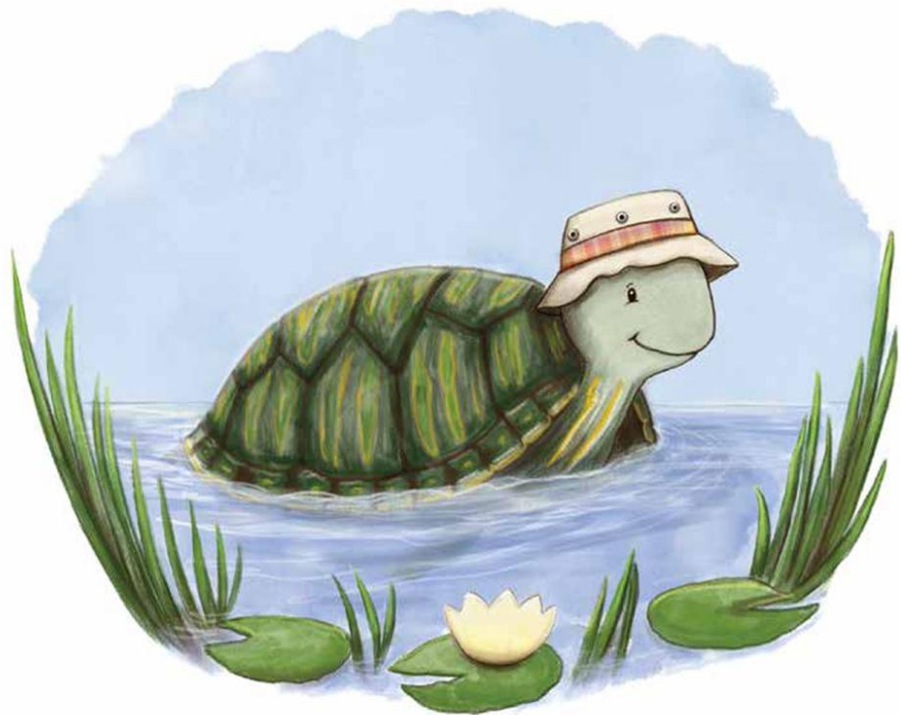
What could be another
reason not to go?



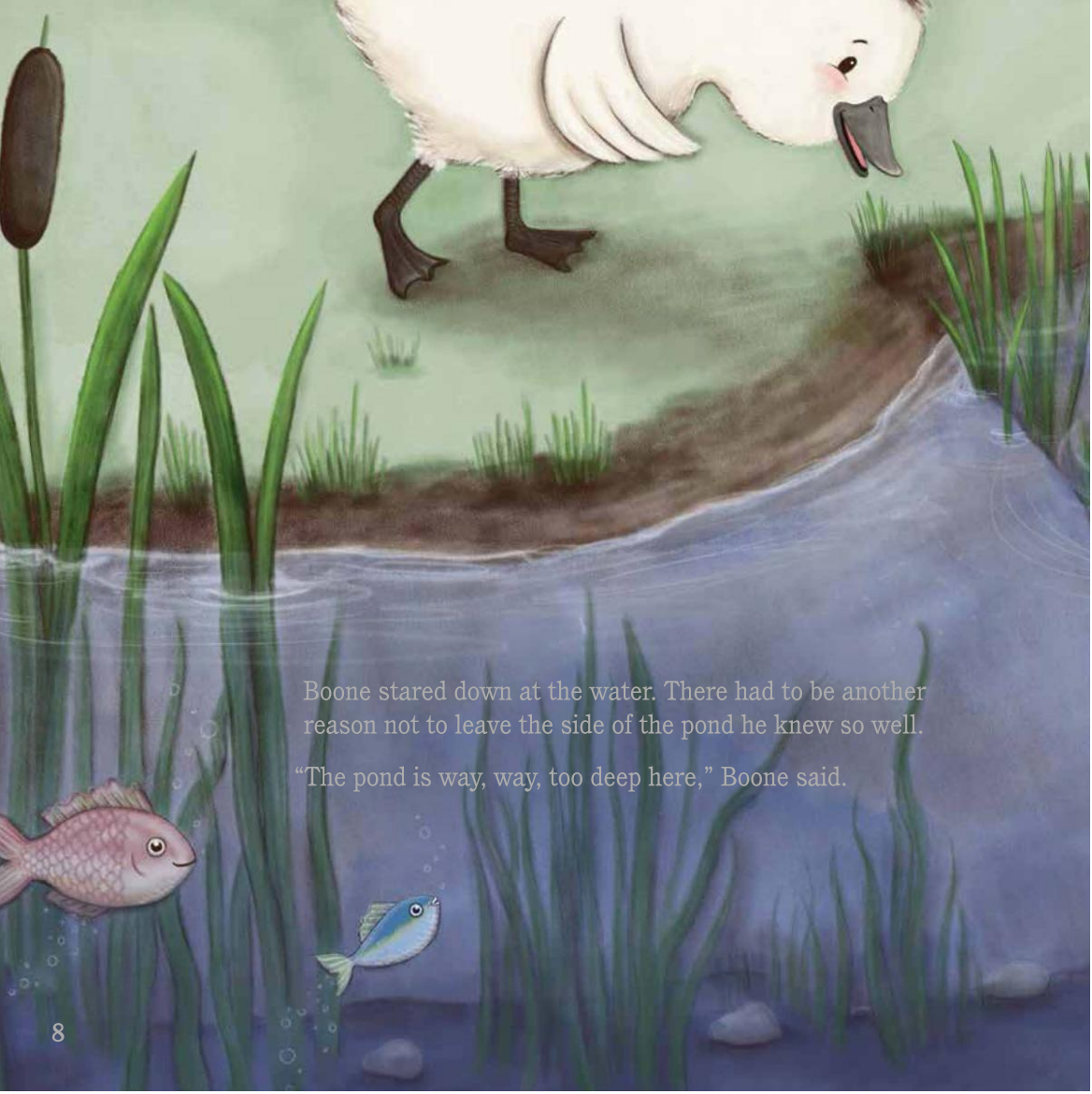
“Brrrrr!”

Boone shivered.
“This water is freezing!”





Meanwhile, **turtle** quietly swam by.
“Ahhhh... this water is so refreshing!”



Boone stared down at the water. There had to be another reason not to leave the side of the pond he knew so well.

“The pond is way, way, too deep here,” Boone said.

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