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# Victor Vicuna's Volcano Vacation



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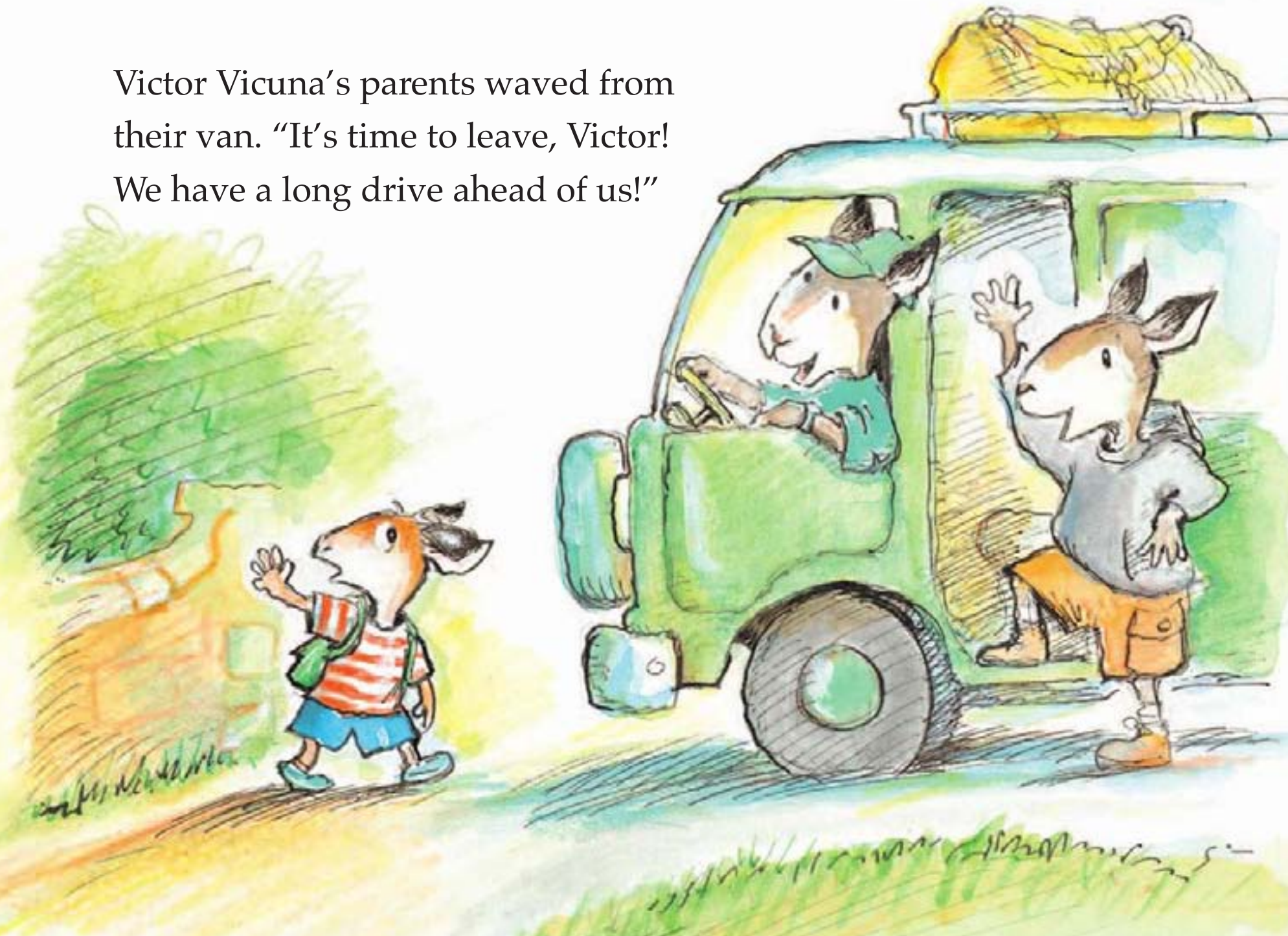
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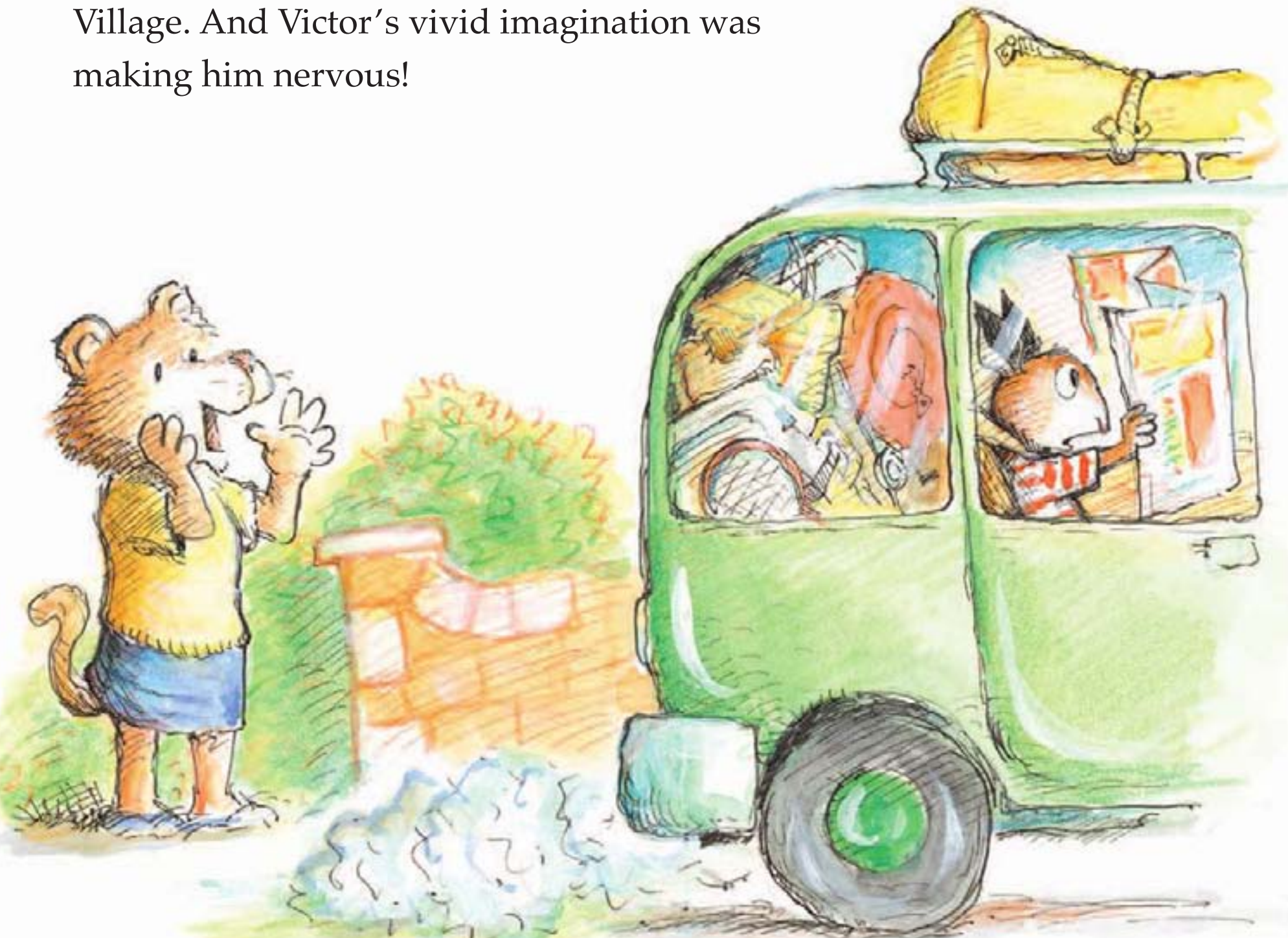
**S**pring vacation had arrived!  
Alpha Betty was saying goodbye to  
all of her students.

Victor Vicuna's parents waved from  
their van. "It's time to leave, Victor!  
We have a long drive ahead of us!"



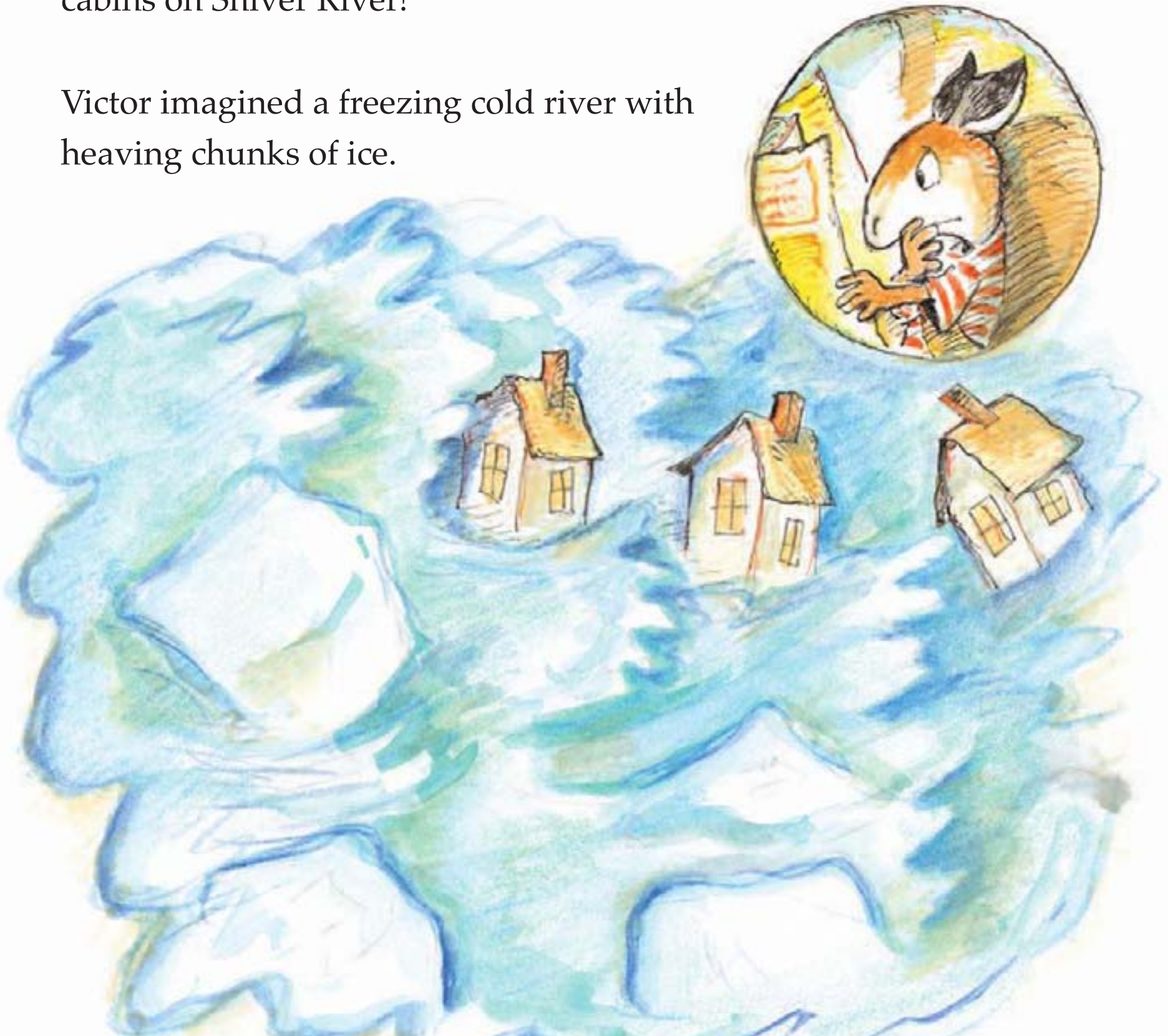
“Now don’t worry, Victor,” said Alpha Betty.  
“You’ll have a *lovely* vacation!”

Victor’s family was going to Verna’s Volcano Village. And Victor’s vivid imagination was making him nervous!



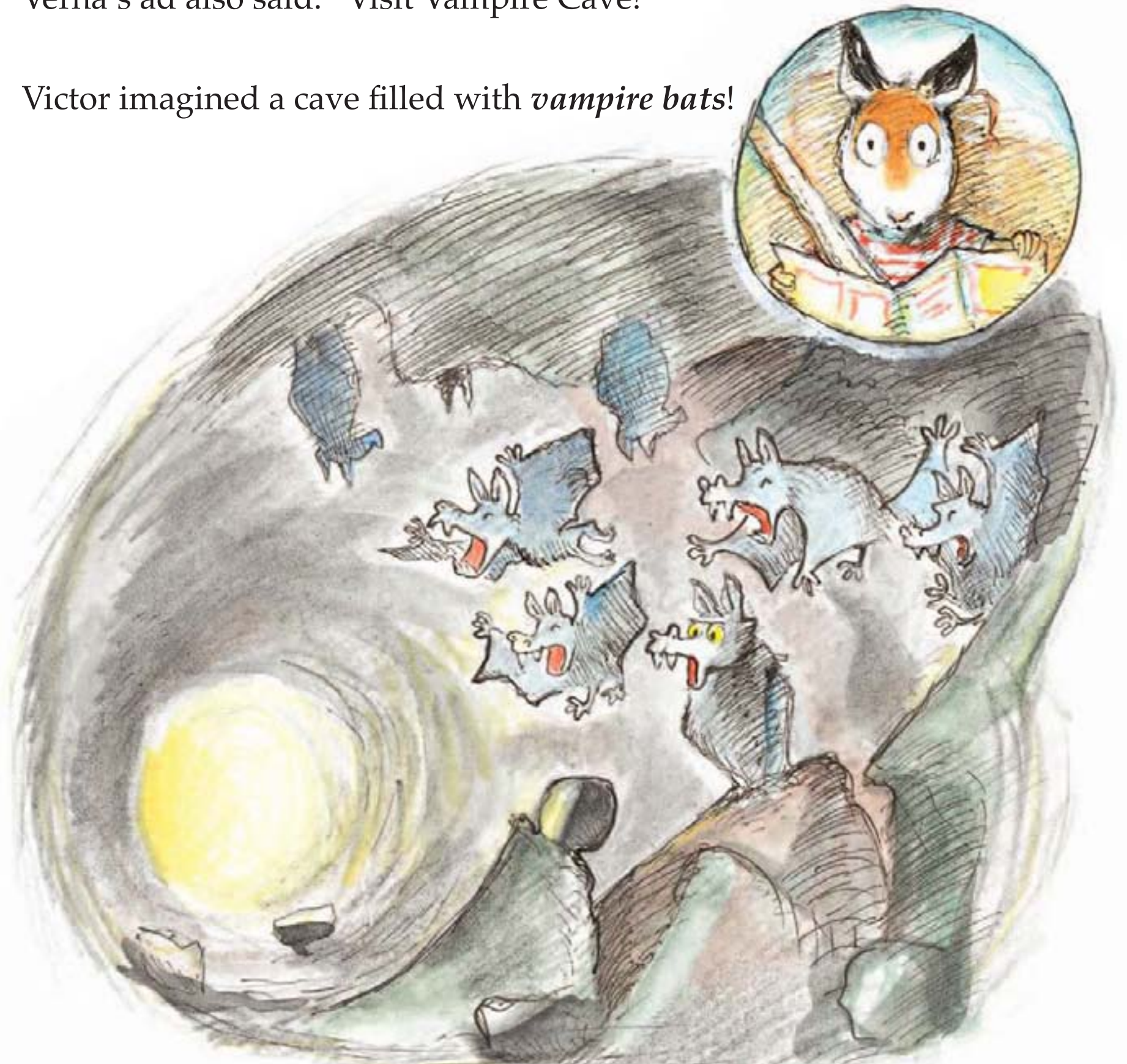
Verna Aardvark advertised: "Seven heavenly cabins on Shiver River!"

Victor imagined a freezing cold river with heaving chunks of ice.



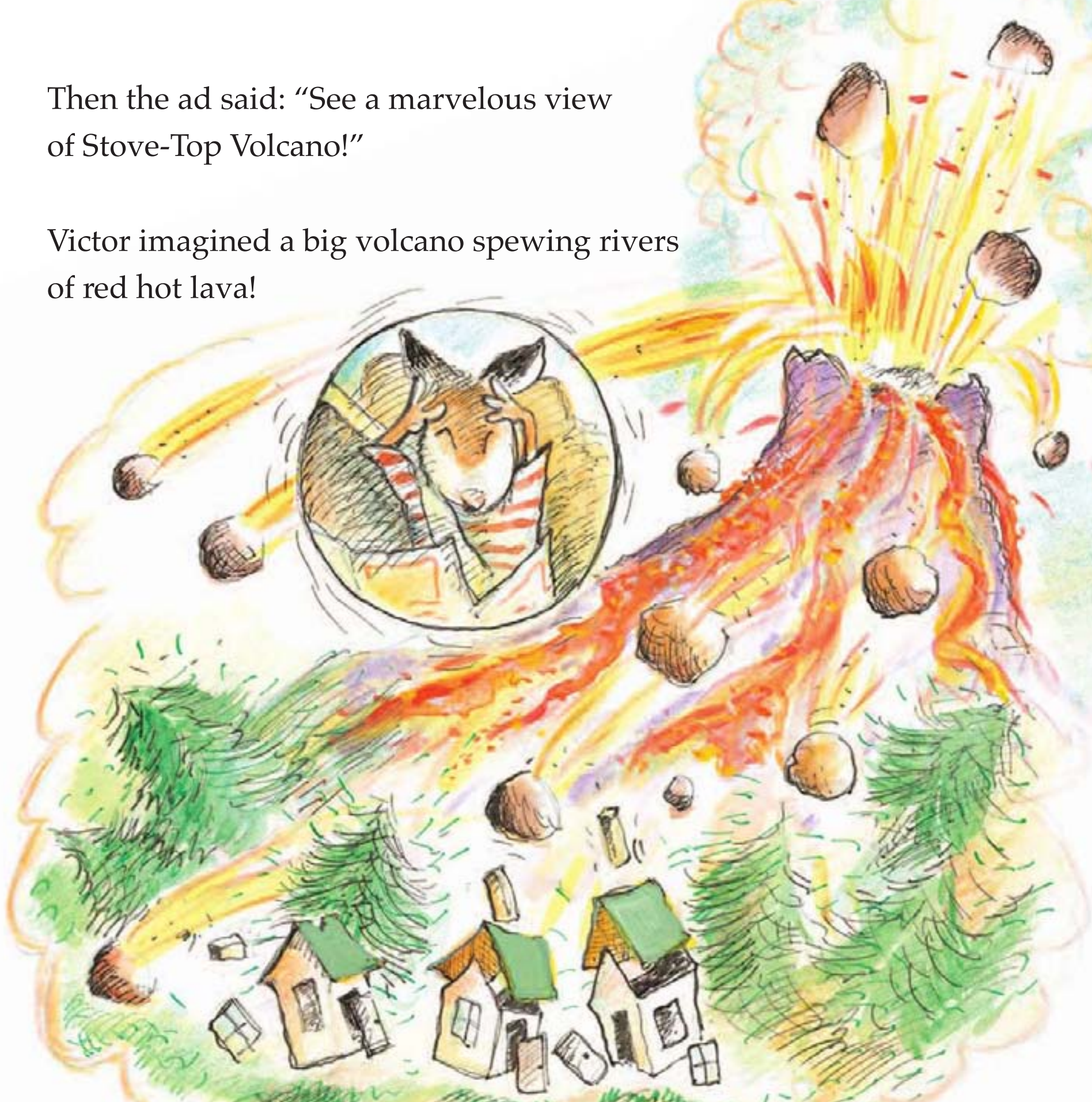
Verna's ad also said: "Visit Vampire Cave!"

Victor imagined a cave filled with *vampire bats*!



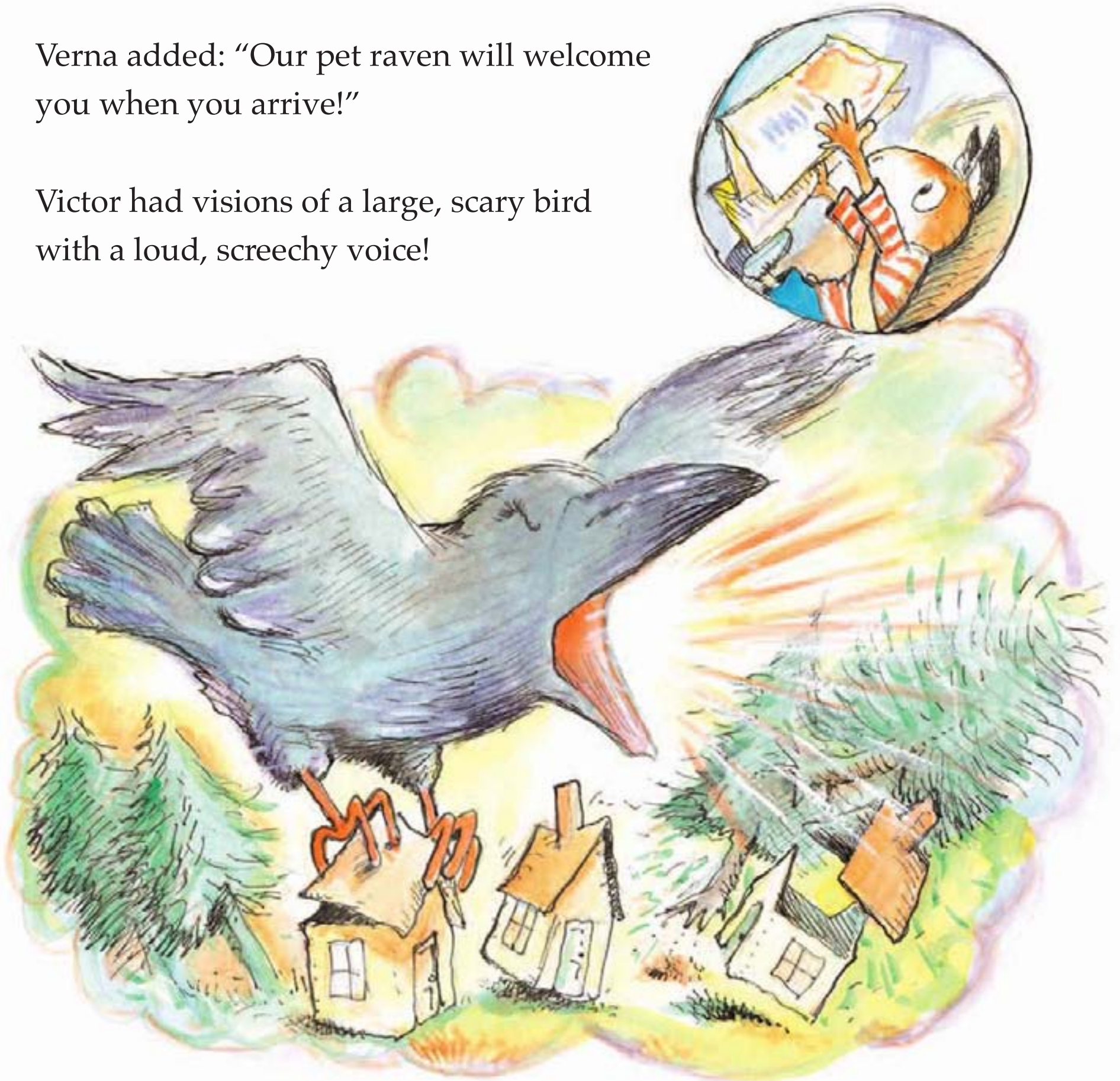
Then the ad said: "See a marvelous view  
of Stove-Top Volcano!"

Victor imagined a big volcano spewing rivers  
of red hot lava!



Verna added: "Our pet raven will welcome you when you arrive!"

Victor had visions of a large, scary bird with a loud, screechy voice!





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