

What is your dream animal?

Close your eyes and snuggle in.
You'll be carried to your dreams
On wing or paw or fin. . . .

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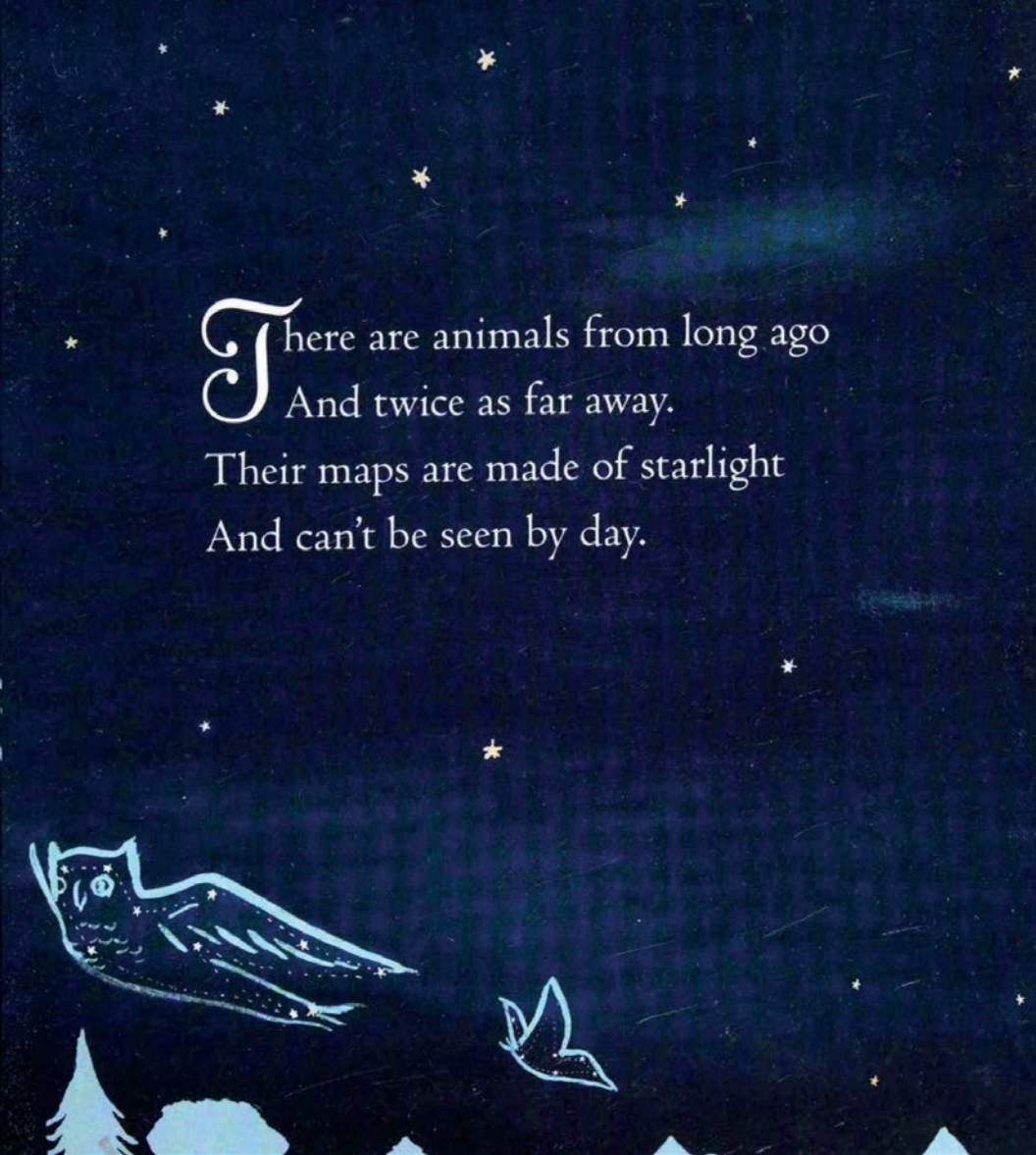



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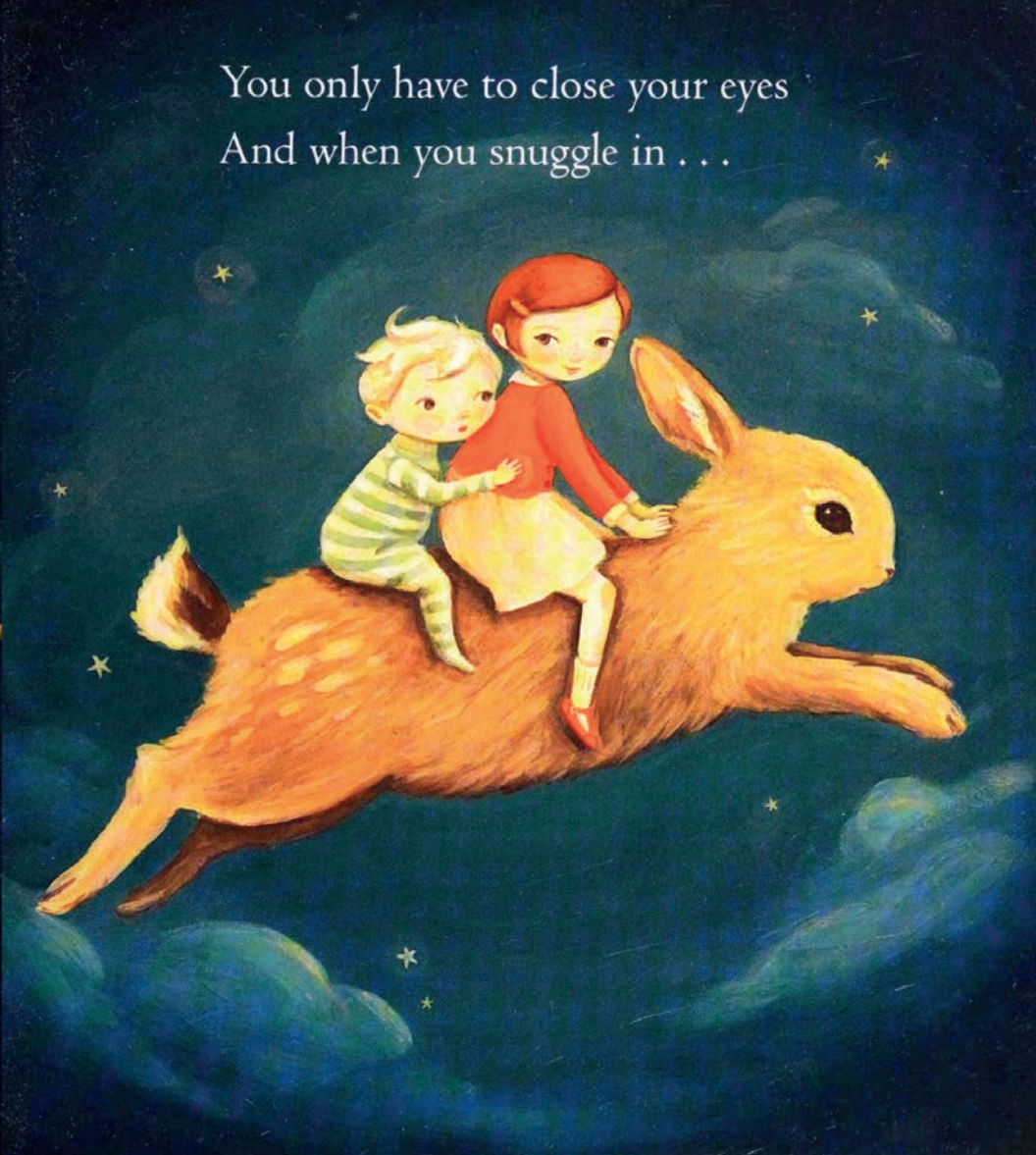
There are animals from long ago
And twice as far away.
Their maps are made of starlight
And can't be seen by day.



A collage of children riding various creatures in a dreamlike night sky. In the upper left, a child sits on a small, winged creature. Below it, a child is on a large, green, elephant-like creature. To the right, a child is on a large, orange, cat-like creature. In the foreground, a child is on a large, white, swan-like creature. The background is a dark blue night sky with stars and soft, blue clouds.

* These creatures are the reason
Dreamers get where dreamers go.
Dreamland is too far to run
And sleepy feet, too slow.

You only have to close your eyes
And when you snuggle in . . .

A child and a toddler riding a large, orange, cat-like creature. The child is wearing a red shirt and a red hat, and the toddler is wearing a green and white striped shirt. They are both smiling and looking towards the viewer. The creature is a large, orange, cat-like animal with a long tail, running through a dark blue night sky with stars and soft, blue clouds.

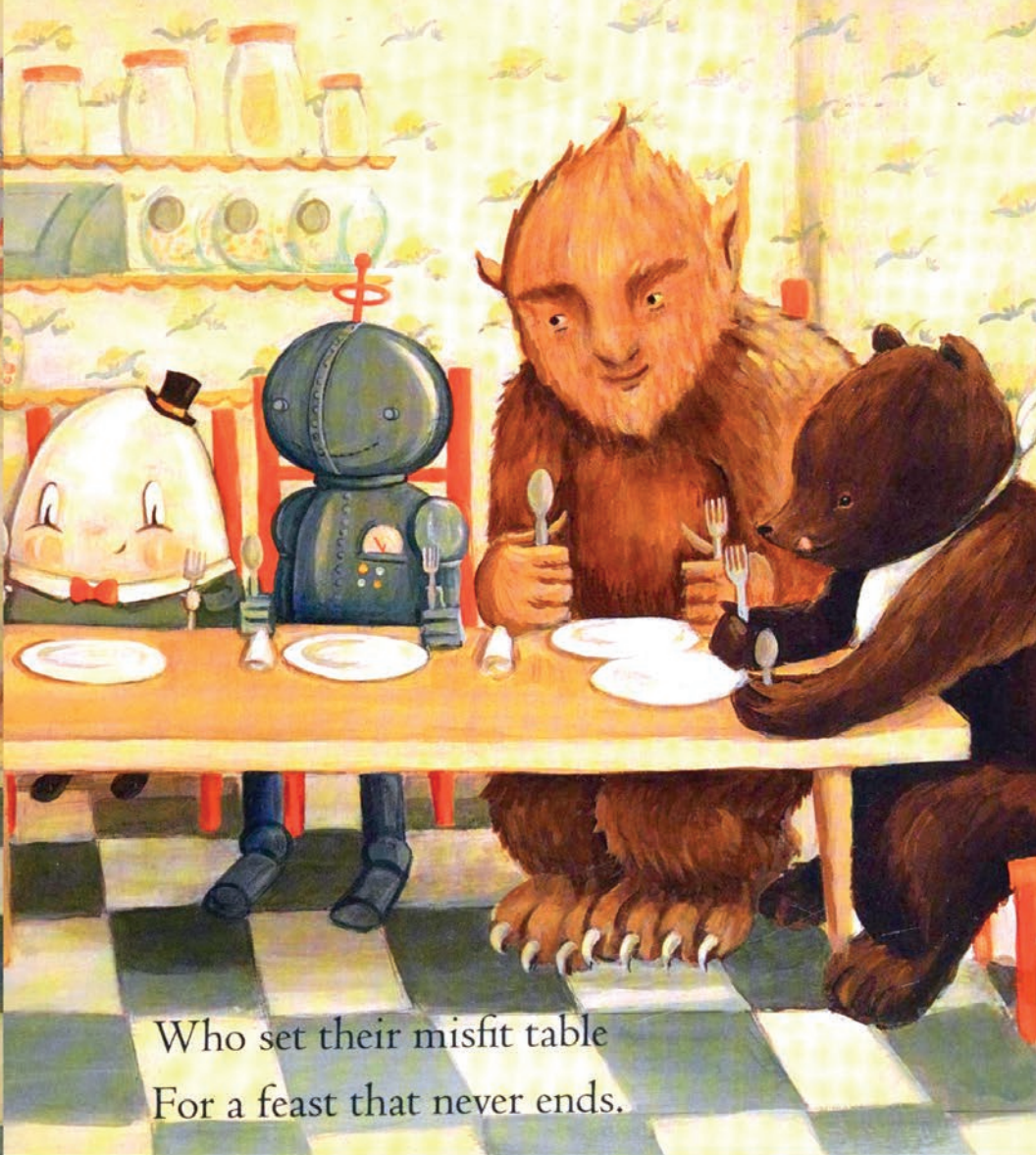


You'll be carried to your dream tonight
On wing or paw or fin.



Perhaps a bear will carry you
To meet peculiar friends . . .





Who set their misfit table
For a feast that never ends.



Or will you hold on tightly
As a red fox leaps and bounds . . .





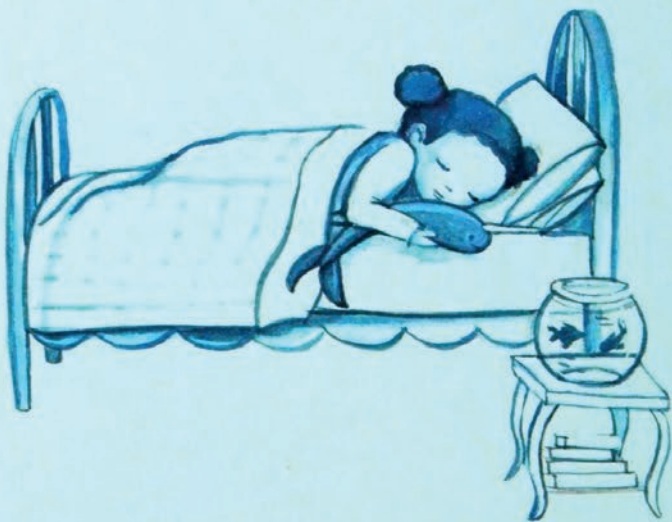
Toward an elfin hollow
Hidden underground?



Will robins race to fly you
Somewhere high above the trees?







Or will a narwhal dive with you
Beneath the seven seas?







Will a tiger take you
To a wonder of a show . . .



With daring feats up overhead
And wild beasts below?



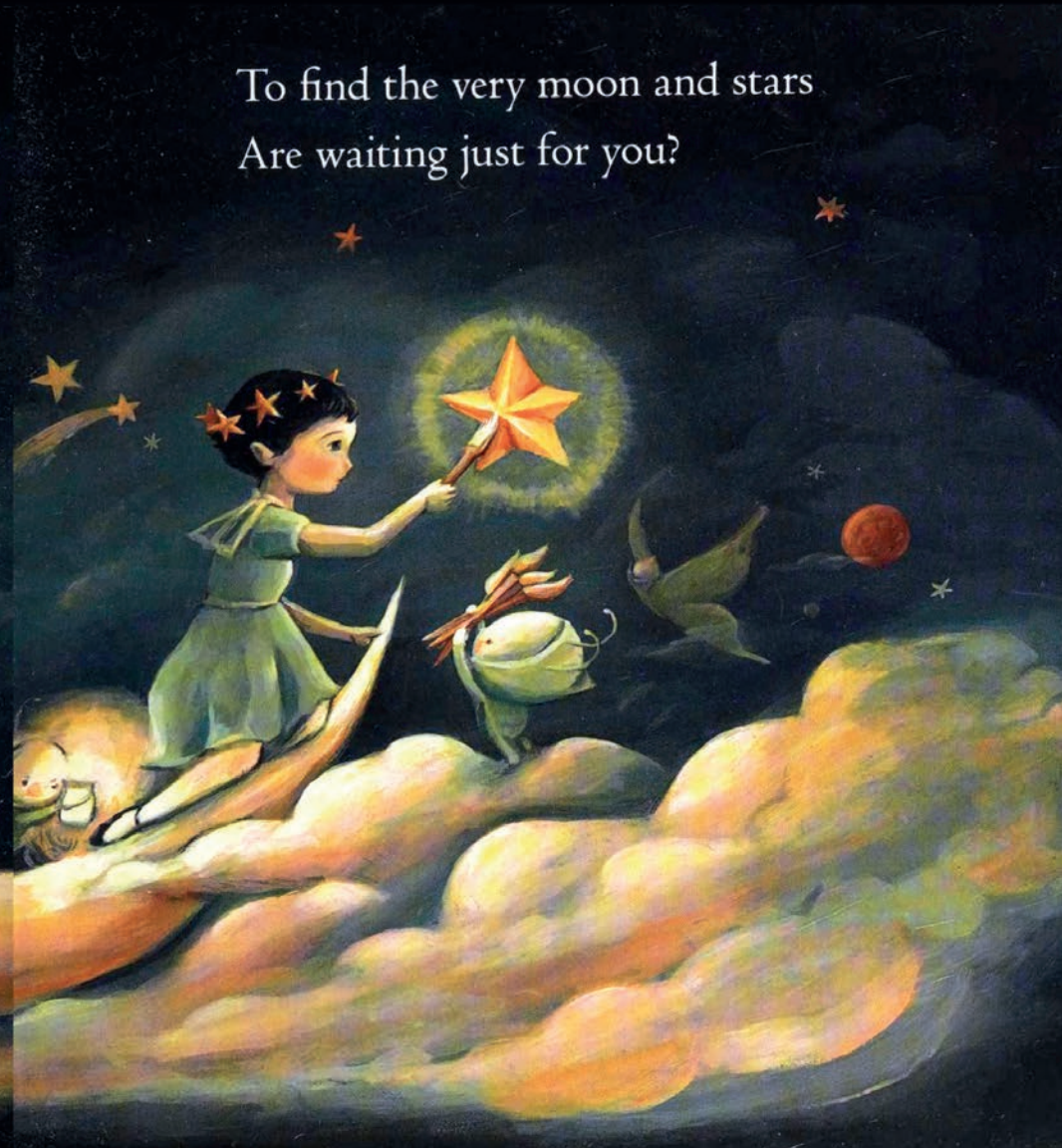


Or will you sail on moth wings
To the edges of the blue . . .





To find the very moon and stars
Are waiting just for you?



Whatever dream you visit
When night replaces day,
Your furred, or finned, or feathered friend
Will surely know the way.

