

A harrowing tale of
greed,
fury,
deceit . . .
and
CAKE.



**PRAISE FOR
I WILL CHOMP YOU!**

"The fast pace, funny faces, and silly
secret make this a great read-aloud."
—*The Horn Book*

"A metafictional treat."
—*Kirkus Reviews*

"John's comedy makes this a surefire
read-aloud for any crowd of cake-lovers."
—*Publishers Weekly*



Back away
from this book,
or . . .

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JORY JOHN
wrote the words

BOB SHEA
drew the pictures



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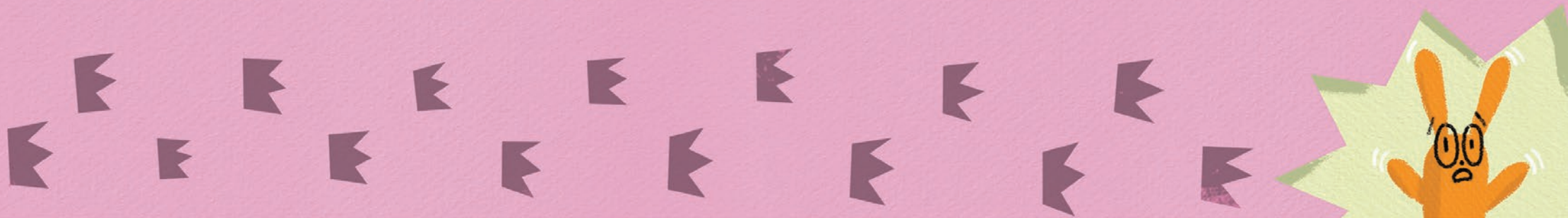
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the first page of the book in order to keep his cakes safe.

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To Alyssa

—J.J.

For Lorelei, Sylvie, and Athena

—B.S.




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If you turn any more pages...

I WILL
CHOMP
YOU,
BUSTER!







HEY!

I'm warning you!

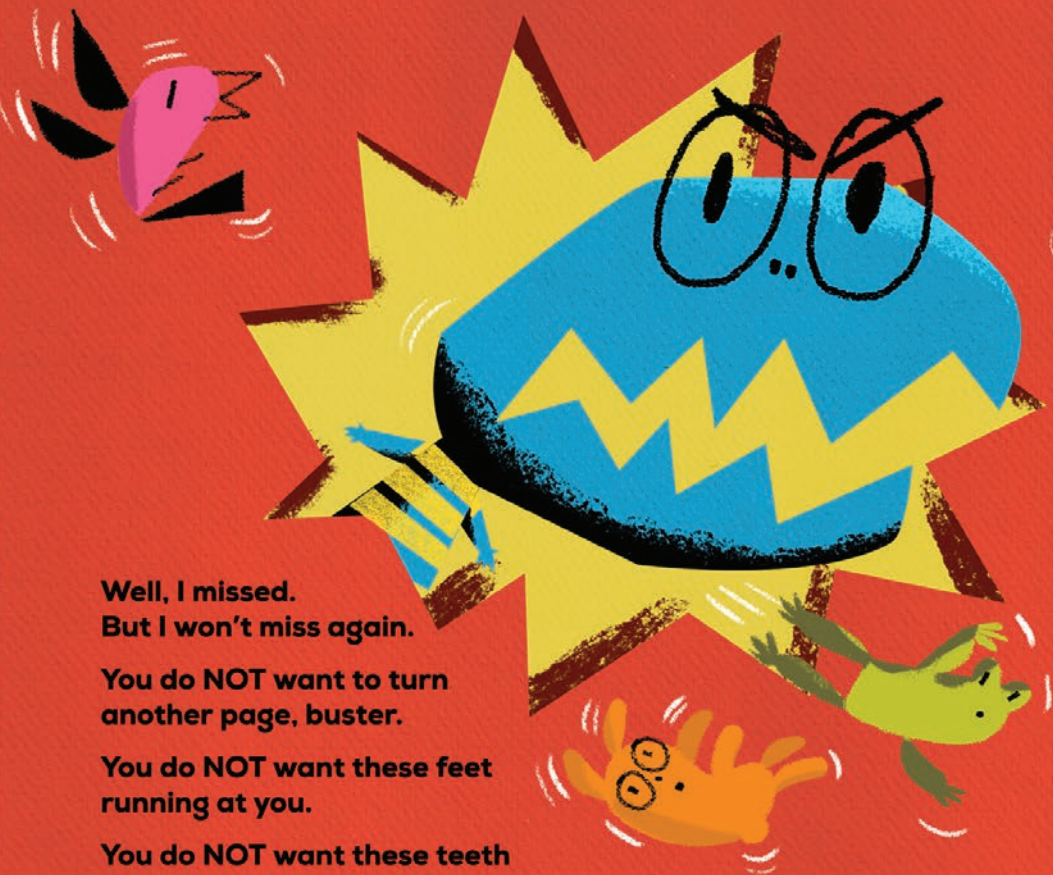


You've been officially

WARNED!







Well, I missed.
But I won't miss again.

You do NOT want to turn
another page, buster.

You do NOT want these feet
running at you.

You do NOT want these teeth
chomping at you.

THAT'S IT!



HERE IT COMES!



ARGH!
I MISSED AGAIN!



Oh, you're very good, buster.
Very good indeed.

Now I'm asking nicely.

Please put the book down.

Put the book down and read
something else.

Or go outside. Be a good kid.

Don't make me beg.

Okay, I BEG of you! Stop reading!
Please stop. . . .





Sigh.

You're too good for this old guy.

I'm fast but you're faster.

I'll be okay. Just give me a moment.

You're probably wondering why
I'm so eager to chase you away.

Can you keep a secret?



Sniff



It's because I have
all my cakes back
here, at the end of
the book.



See?

See all my beautiful frosted cakes. Cakes with sprinkles. Cakes with chocolate.



Cakes with strawberries and vanilla. Pineapple upside-down cake and pineapple right-side-up cake.



Angel food cake and Boston cream pie and coffee cake and cupcakes and fruitcake.



Yes. All my lovely, lovely cakes.



And you found them.



But ... I guess you can
have a couple of these.
And maybe one of these.
And this.



Here you go...
just come a little closer...
a little bit closer now....



Sigh.

You win.

How about this—
I'll give you half my cakes
if you promise never to
read this book again.

Do you promise?



**You're not gonna start over,
are you, buster?**

We're done, right?

**Okay, I can see you're going to do
whatever you want.**

Fine.

Go ahead and turn all the pages again.

What do I care?





My stomach hurts.






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