

THE BOLDS

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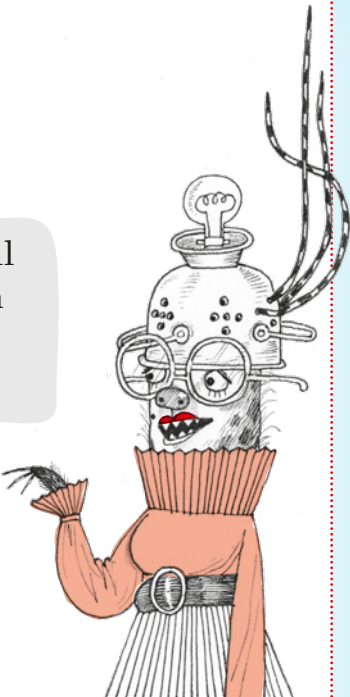


Meet The Bolds

The Bolds are a family of hyenas, but you musn't tell anyone that! They now live a (mostly) human life in Teddington, and try to keep animal antics to a minimum.



 **Mr Bold** writes the jokes that go inside Christmas crackers.



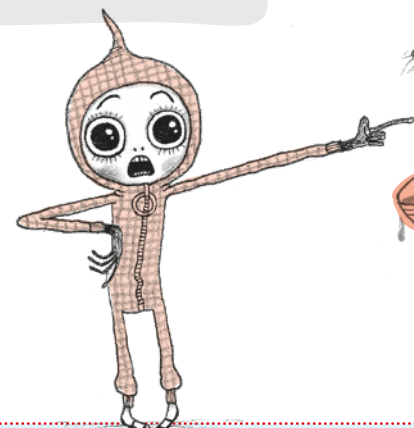
 **Mrs Bold** has a market stall of unusual hats made from things like egg boxes and chicken bones.



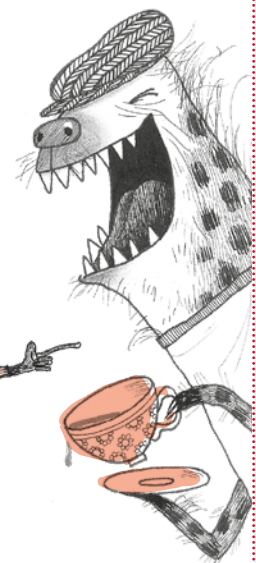
 **Bobby** and **Betty Bold** are twin pups, and like running around and causing mayhem at home and school.



 **Uncle Tony** is an elderly hyena, and likes to play dominoes and look after **Miranda** the cheeky monkey.



 **Mr McNumpty** lives next door. He's really a grizzly bear with a glamorous past, but now he lives a quieter life.



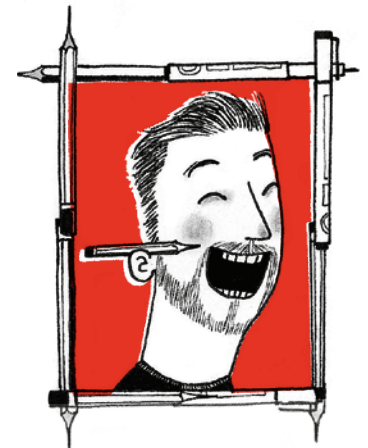
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Meet the author & illustrator

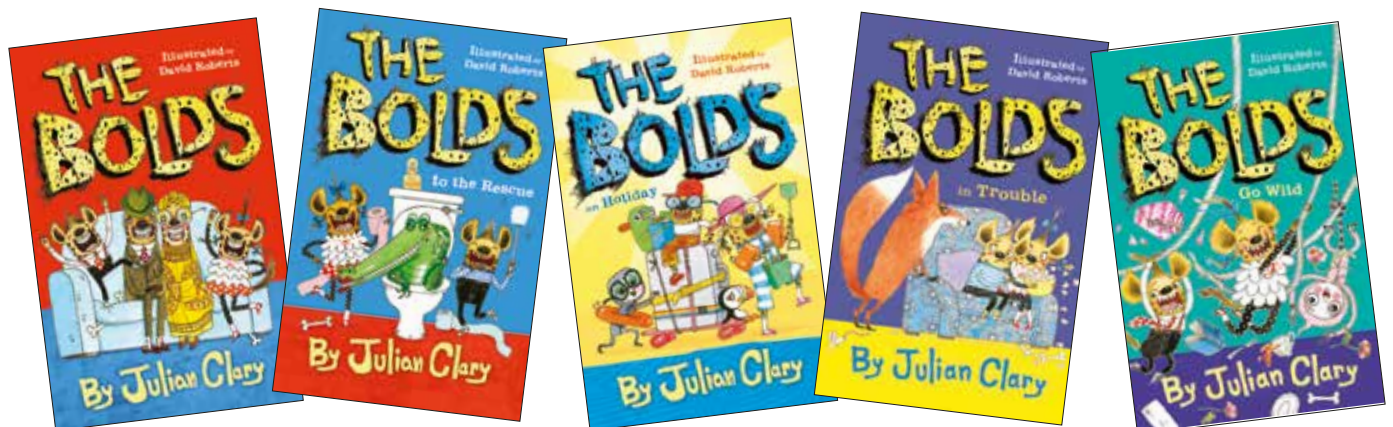
When Julian Clary isn't having a silly time dressing up and telling jokes on stage, he likes to be at home with his pets. He has lots of them: dogs, cats, ducks and chickens. His life-long love of animals inspired him to tell a story about what would happen if they pretended to be like us. Julian also loves touring the country, reading his books aloud to children and animals alike.



David Roberts always loved to draw and paint as a child, and when he grew up his talents took him all the way to Hong Kong where he got a job making beautiful hats. But he always wanted to illustrate children's books and so he came back to England to work with the finest authors in the land. David loves drawing animals and clothes and hats, so what could be better than a book about animals *in* clothes and hats?



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IF I WERE AN ANIMAL

The Bolds try to live as humans, but their friend Jeffrey wants to live as a monkey. If you could be an animal, what would you be?

I would be:

My name would be:

I would eat:

I would live in:

My favourite things to do would be:

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Draw a picture of
you in your animal
disguise

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HOW TO BE HUMAN

When the Bolds had lots of animal visitors, they held lessons to teach them how to disguise themselves as humans.

Here are some examples of key lessons.

TABLE MANNERS

How to master knives, forks and spoons.

NAPKINS

These are for wiping your mouth, please note, and not to put on your head or to wipe your bottoms with!

WALKING ON HIND LEGS

All about balance. Tricky to begin with, but essential if you are to appear in public.

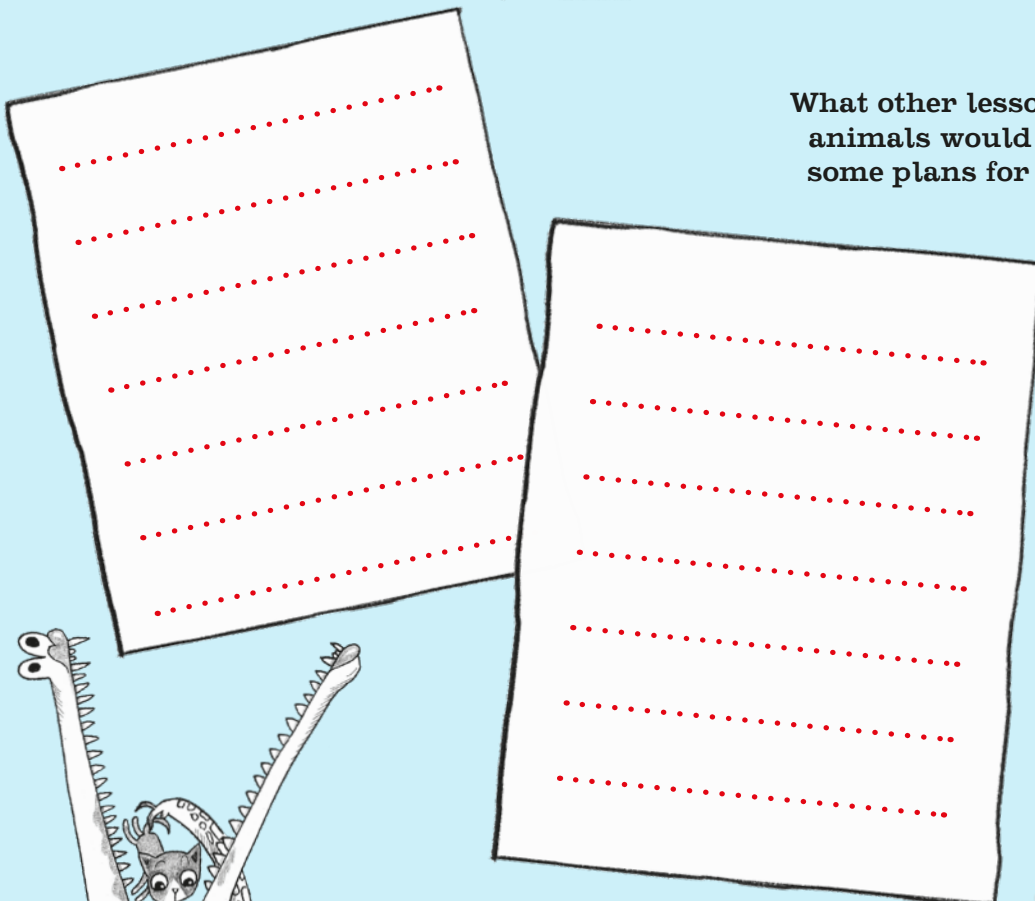
TOILET TRAINING

How to use the toilet facility, sit on the toilet seat, use toilet paper and 'flush' when you've finished.

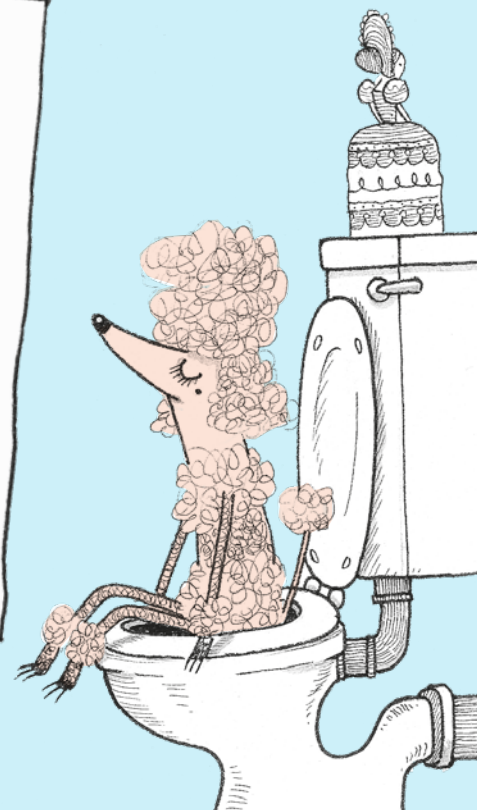
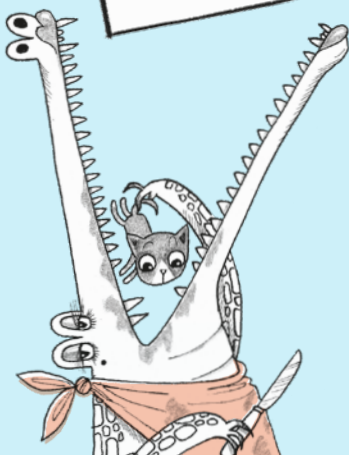
DRESSING UP

How to put together an outfit that looks human, and can hide tails, ears, hairy backs, scaly skin and so on.

What other lessons do you think these animals would need to learn? Write some plans for lessons of your own.



Two large sheets of paper with red dotted lines for writing. The left sheet has five lines, and the right sheet has six lines.

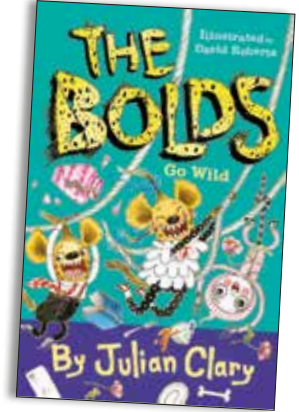


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Go Wild

Things to talk about...

- 🐾 What do you think it means to be 'wild'?
- 🐾 Most humans consider rain to be 'bad weather', and stay inside when it's wet. Why do you think the Bolds feel the opposite? Read pages 5-11 to see what they get up to.
- 🐾 Miranda tells Hector that he is very boring, but Mrs Bold enjoys his educational facts. What do you think? Read pages 33-34 for an example.
- 🐾 Why does Imamu disapprove of the Bolds' lives in Teddington? Read pages 92-95 to see what some of her complaints are.
- 🐾 Minnie was scared to meet Imamu for the first time on page 127. How do you think you would feel meeting a wild hyena?
- 🐾 Pages 146-147 show that Bobby and Betty tape down their tails for school every day, even though they find it uncomfortable. Do you think they would be happier if they didn't have to hide their secret?
- 🐾 How did you expect Mrs Dobson to react when she discovered Bobby and Betty's secret? Read Chapter 13 (pages 166-174) to see what happened. Were you surprised?
- 🐾 The Bolds learn on page 185 that their friend Jeffrey wants to live as a chimpanzee. If you could live as an animal, what would you choose and why?
- 🐾 In *The Bolds Go Wild*, the narrator keeps reminding us that 'everything happens for a reason'. Do you agree with this? Is it always the case in the Bolds books?
- 🐾 The Bolds explain on page 170 that humans 'are too busy thinking of yourselves as the most intelligent species to notice us living among you.' Do you think you would notice if your teacher, neighbour or friend was actually an animal?



THE BOLDS Go Wild

Activities

-  Imamu is very confused by life on Fairfield Road. Create a guide with five main lessons you think a wild animal would need to learn about living amongst humans.
-  Mrs Dobson is shocked to find out that there are animals working as teachers, like a koala bear at Eton, and a chemistry professor at Cambridge who's a particularly clever goat. Draw one of these teachers, showing how they might try to disguise their features at work.
-  Jeffrey heads off to live in Tanzania after his adventures with the Bolds. Design a cover for a new book about his life with the monkeys. Think of a title and an attention-grabbing illustration, and don't forget to include the names of the author and illustrator.
-  At the end of *The Bolds Go Wild*, Imamu and Hector set off towards the Serengeti, on a luxurious yacht with Gi-Gi the supermodel giraffe. Write a postcard from Imamu to the Bolds in Teddington, imagining what adventures she might have got up to on the way home.
-  Hector loves facts – pick an animal and make a fact file with interesting things about them.



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Design a Wildly Unusual Hat

Mrs Bold makes hats out of all sorts of unusual objects, such as egg boxes, clothes pegs and old birds' nests, which she sells at the local market. Draw your own hat in the space below and list the unusual things it would be made from.



My hat is made from:

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SAFARI SCRAMBLE

Can you unscramble the letters to identify the animals that the Bolds saw at the safari park?

Unscramble each word and draw lines to match them with the pictures.



PANTHEEL



INOL



BRAZE



TREGI



RAGFIFE



INGENUP

POTRRA



ABOBON



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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

There are 8 differences to spot, can you find them all?



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ANIMAL WORD SEARCH

Can you find these animals in the word search?



HYENA MONKEY CROCODILE

BEAR POODLE KITTEN

SHEEP HORSE PUFFIN DOLPHIN

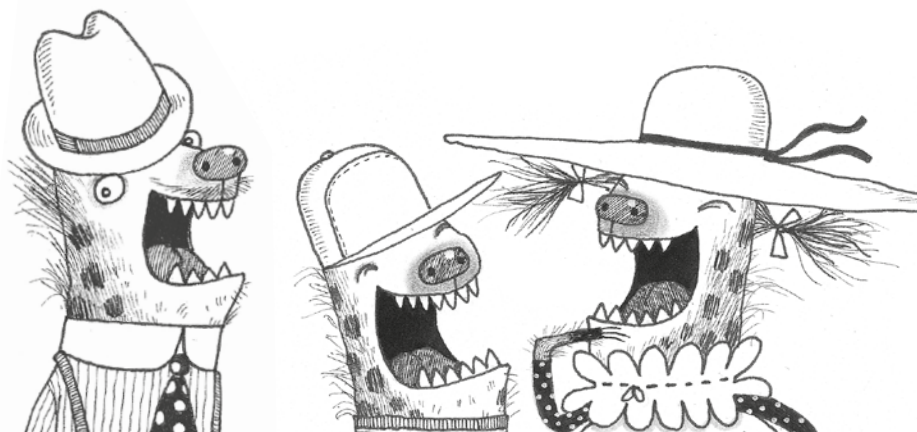
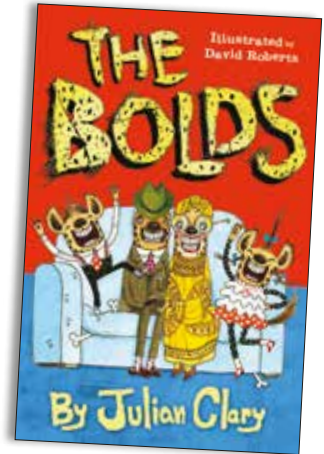
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Things to talk about...

- 🐾 Who were the real Bolds and what happened to them?
- 🐾 Who finds the real Bolds' clothes and decides to become them? What about their new last name is fitting?
- 🐾 What do the hyenas have to learn in order to live as convincing humans? Discuss the differences between animals and humans.
- 🐾 At the beginning of the story the narrator tells us that animals are 'just as clever as people, but clever in different ways.'
Can you think of some clever things that only animals can do?
- 🐾 The Bold family move to Teddington because they can enjoy a better life there. What do you think they miss about Africa? Why can't they go back?
- 🐾 Minnie suggests that the Bolds visit a safari park. Why does she suggest this?
- 🐾 What jobs do Mr and Mrs Bold do for work? Do you think their jobs suit them?
- 🐾 The Bolds love to laugh at silly jokes. What are your favourite jokes?
- 🐾 The story is illustrated by David Roberts. What difference would it make if there were no illustrations? And did you have a favourite illustration in the book?
- 🐾 Which character from the book would you most like to meet and why? What questions would you ask them?
- 🐾 Can you describe the book in just three words?



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HYENA QUIZ

How much do you really know about hyenas living in the wild?
Take this quiz to find out!

Question 1: Where do hyenas usually live?

- A: Europe
- B: Africa
- C: North America

Question 2: What sound would you expect to hear from a hyena?

- A: Laughter
- B: Whistling
- C: Singing

Question 3: Hyenas are very social animals. What is a group of hyenas called?

- A: School
- B: Clan
- C: Army

Question 4: Which hyena would usually be the leader of the group?

- A: The funniest hyena
- B: The strongest male
- C: The strongest female

Question 5: Which of these is NOT a type of hyena?

- A: Spotted
- B: Striped
- C: Feathered



Answers: 1b, 2a, 3b, 4c, 5c

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Design a Book Cover

If you could create a brand new Bolds story what would it be?
Think of a title and draw the cover in the box below.

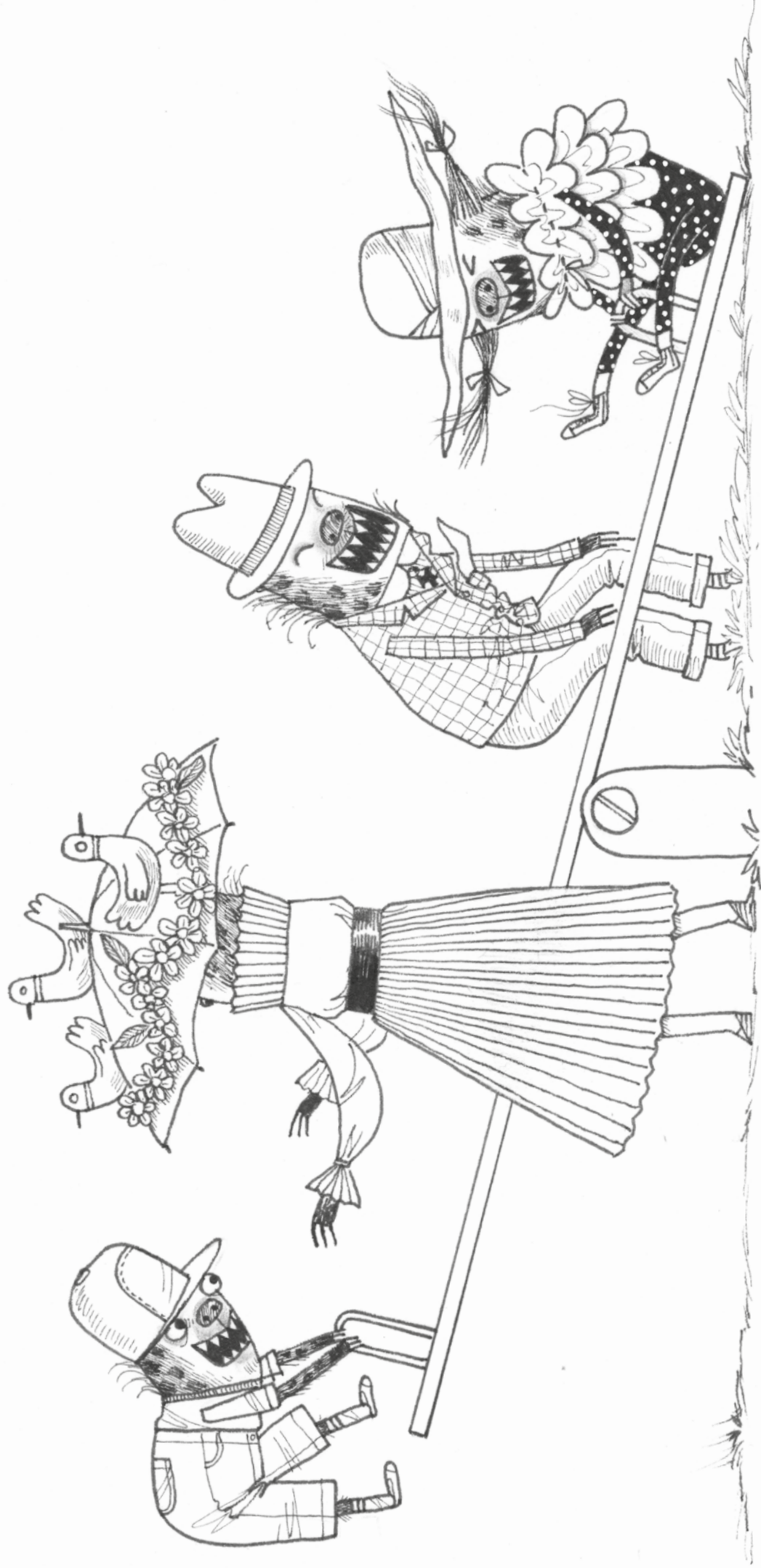
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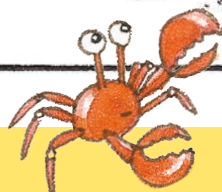
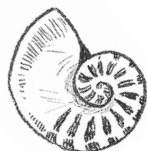
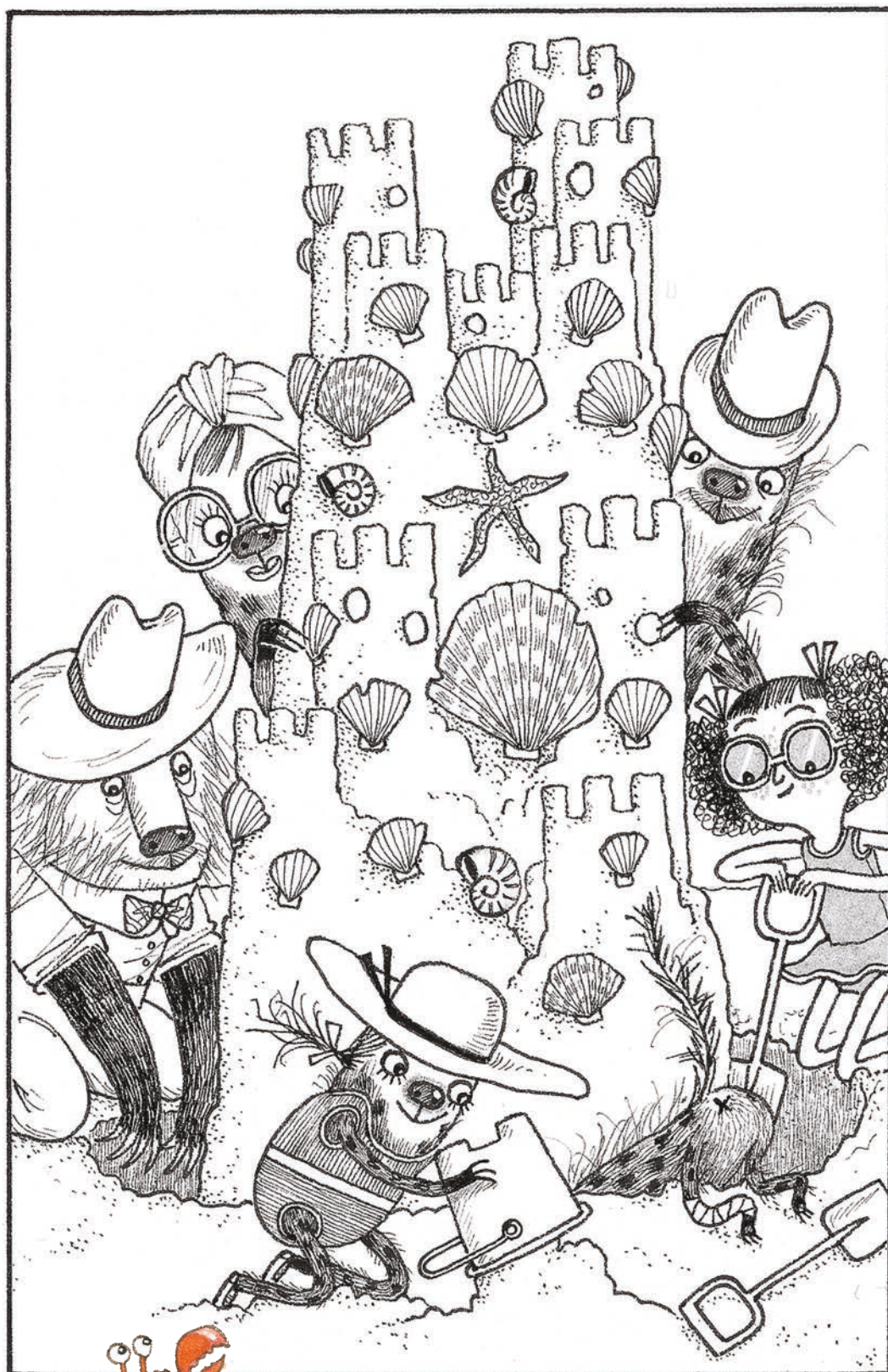
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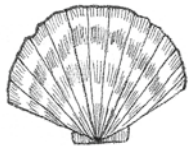
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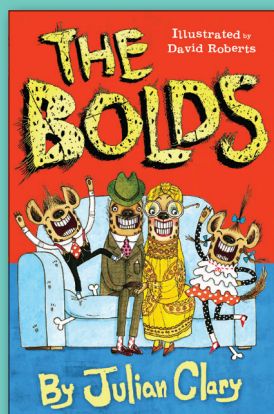




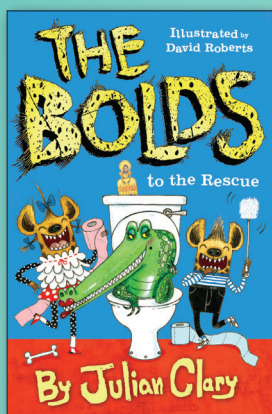
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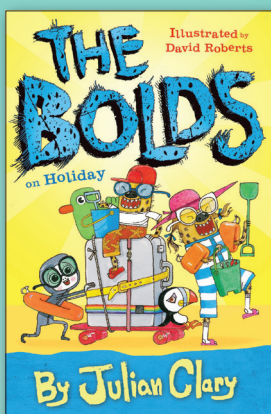
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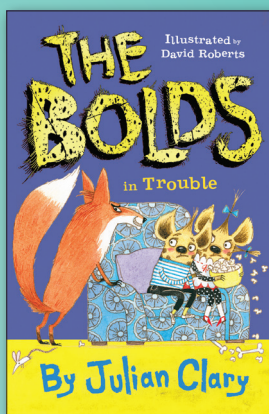
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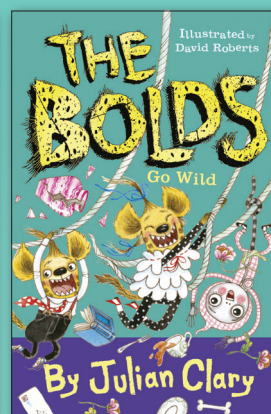
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with
fun!’
GUARDIAN



‘Laughs
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THE WEEK
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