



To my lovely trolls who liked to dress up when they were little – Maris, Isa, and especially my dancing Mushroom.



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THE FABULOUS VAMPIRE



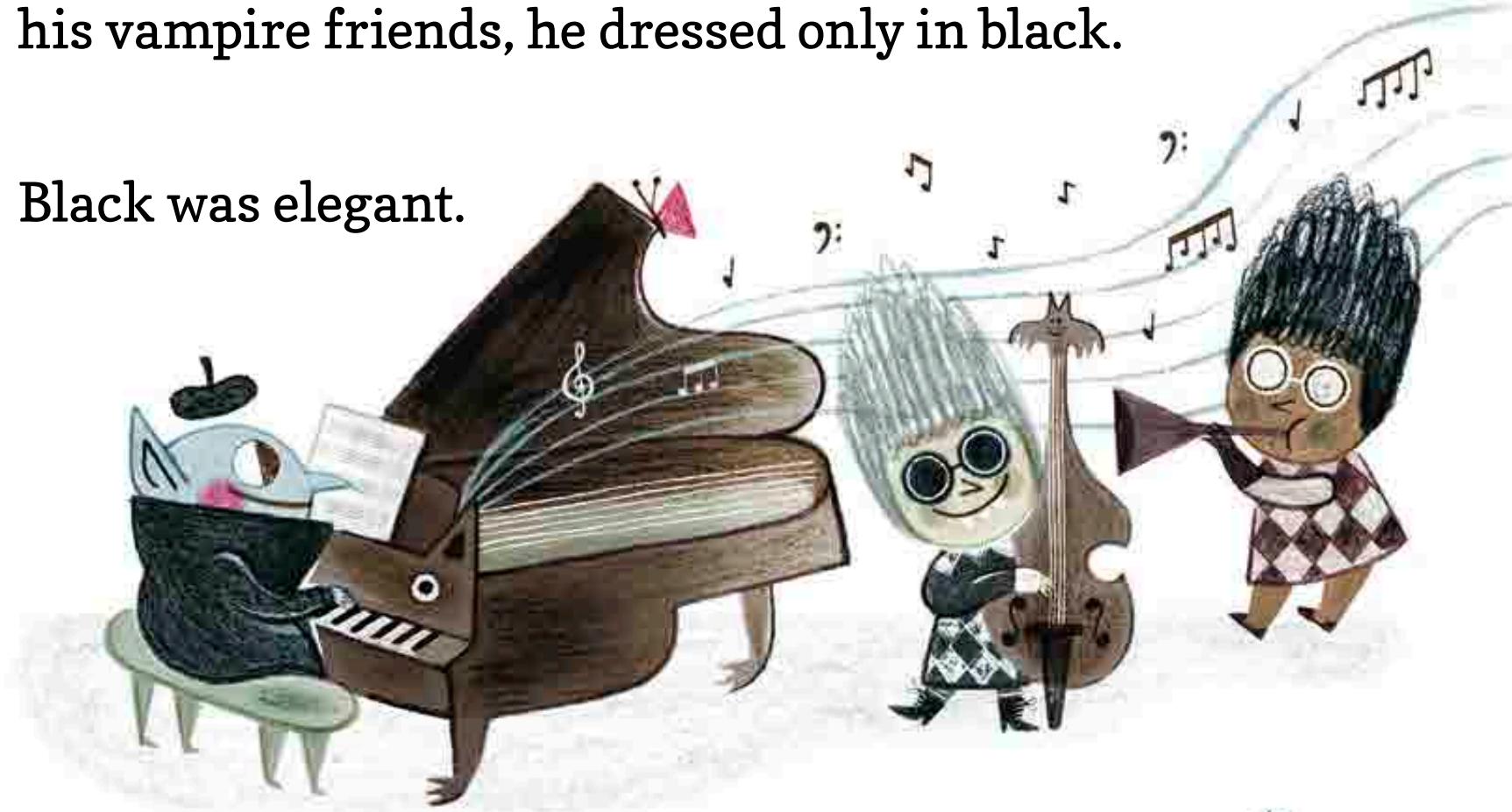
Deep in the
Dark Woods, in an
ancient shadowy castle,
there once lived a
stylish vampire –



Vladislav Varnaby
Roland Dragul,
the fourth of his name.

For Vlad, fashion was his passion. And like all of his vampire friends, he dressed only in black.

Black was elegant.



Black was fun.



Black was mysterious – an all-time classic!



But lurking beneath his black cape, Vlad kept a colourful secret...

Vlad had rosy pink cheeks!
They made him look
different from everyone
else – so horribly alive!

That's why Vlad was always
hiding his pinkness behind
the same old boring outfit
over and over again.

He just wanted to look and feel ...

like any other paranormal vampire!



One night, Vlad tried to talk about his secret
with his best friend...

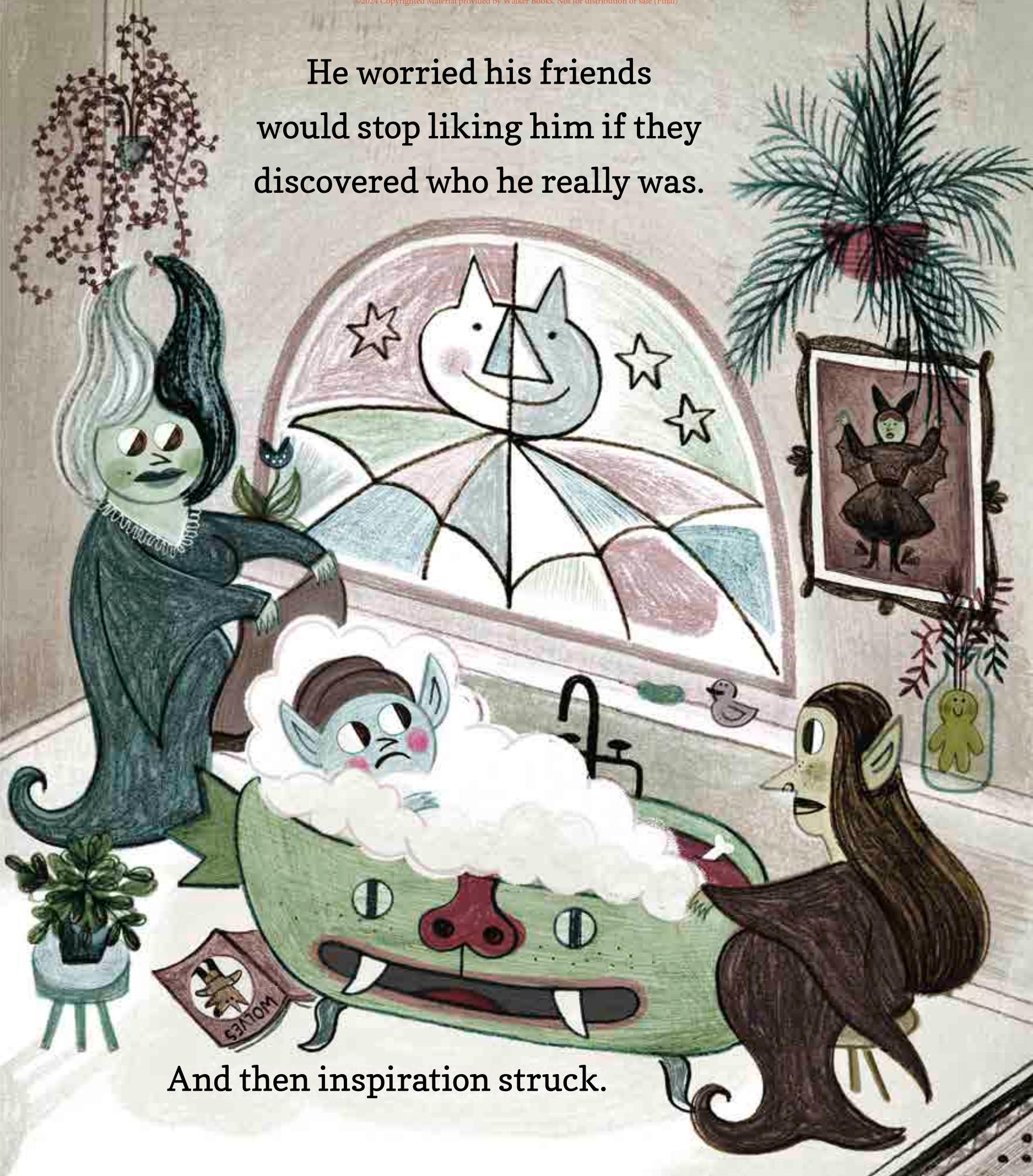
Shelley?
Do you think...?
What would you say if...?



But he just couldn't find the words.



He worried his friends
would stop liking him if they
discovered who he really was.



And then inspiration struck.

Vlad was going to design
his very own clothes!



He worked his fingers
to the bone,



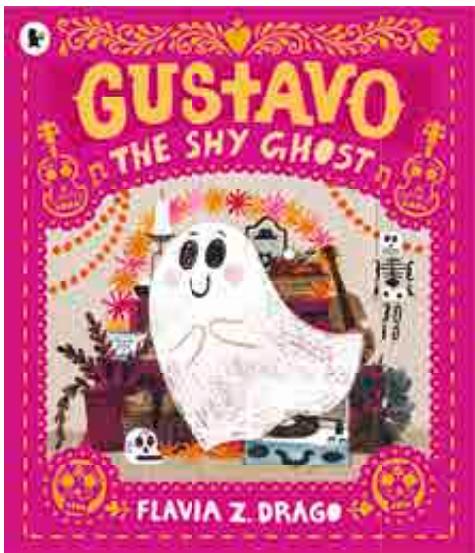
and finally ...

he found a new way to cover
his face whilst also looking
fabulous in black!



After all, fashion
was his passion.

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