



We're Going on a Bear Hunt

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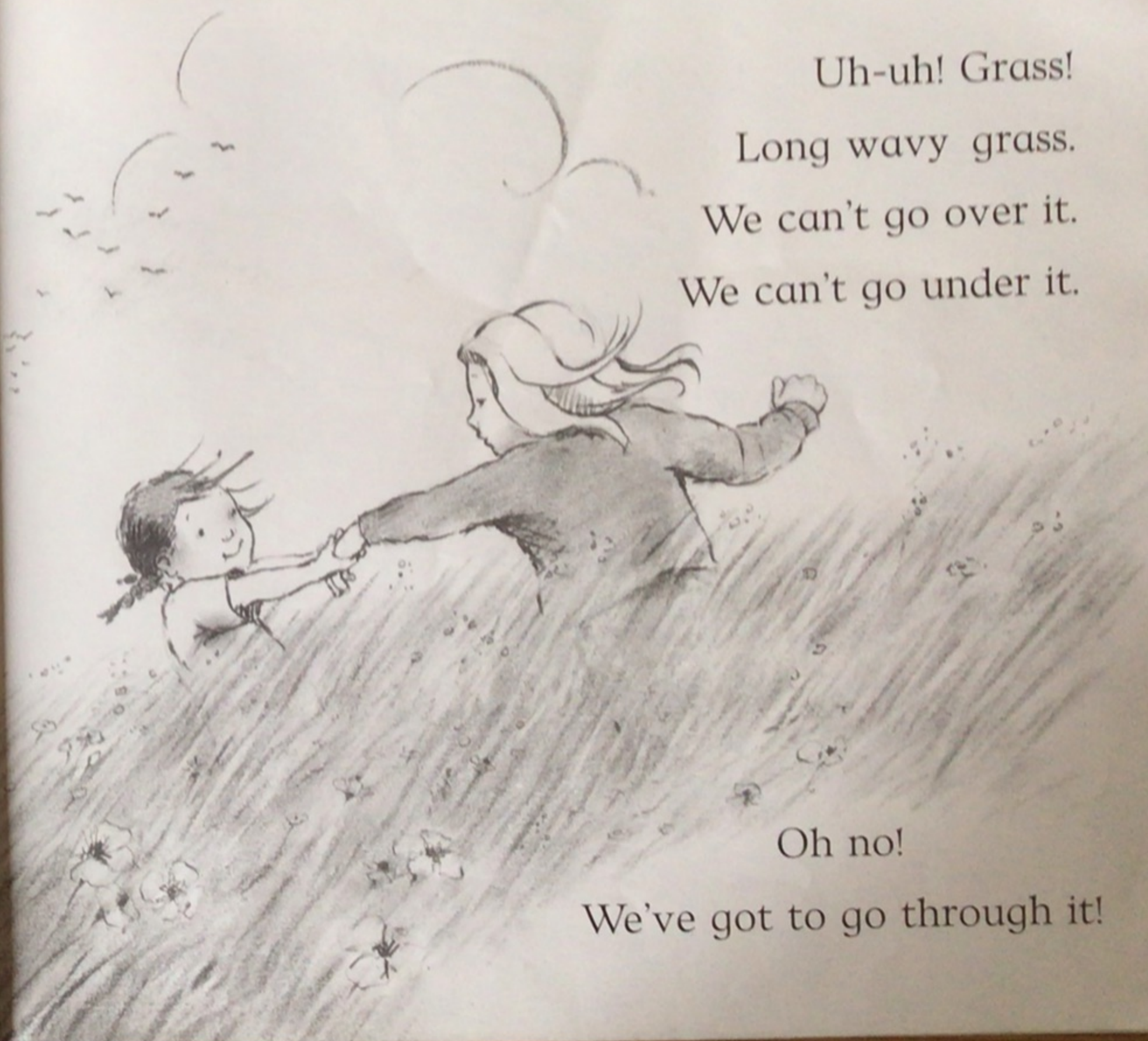
Helen Oxenbury




We're going on a bear hunt.
We're going to catch a big one.
What a beautiful day!
We're not scared.



Uh-uh! Grass!
Long wavy grass.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.



Oh no!
We've got to go through it!



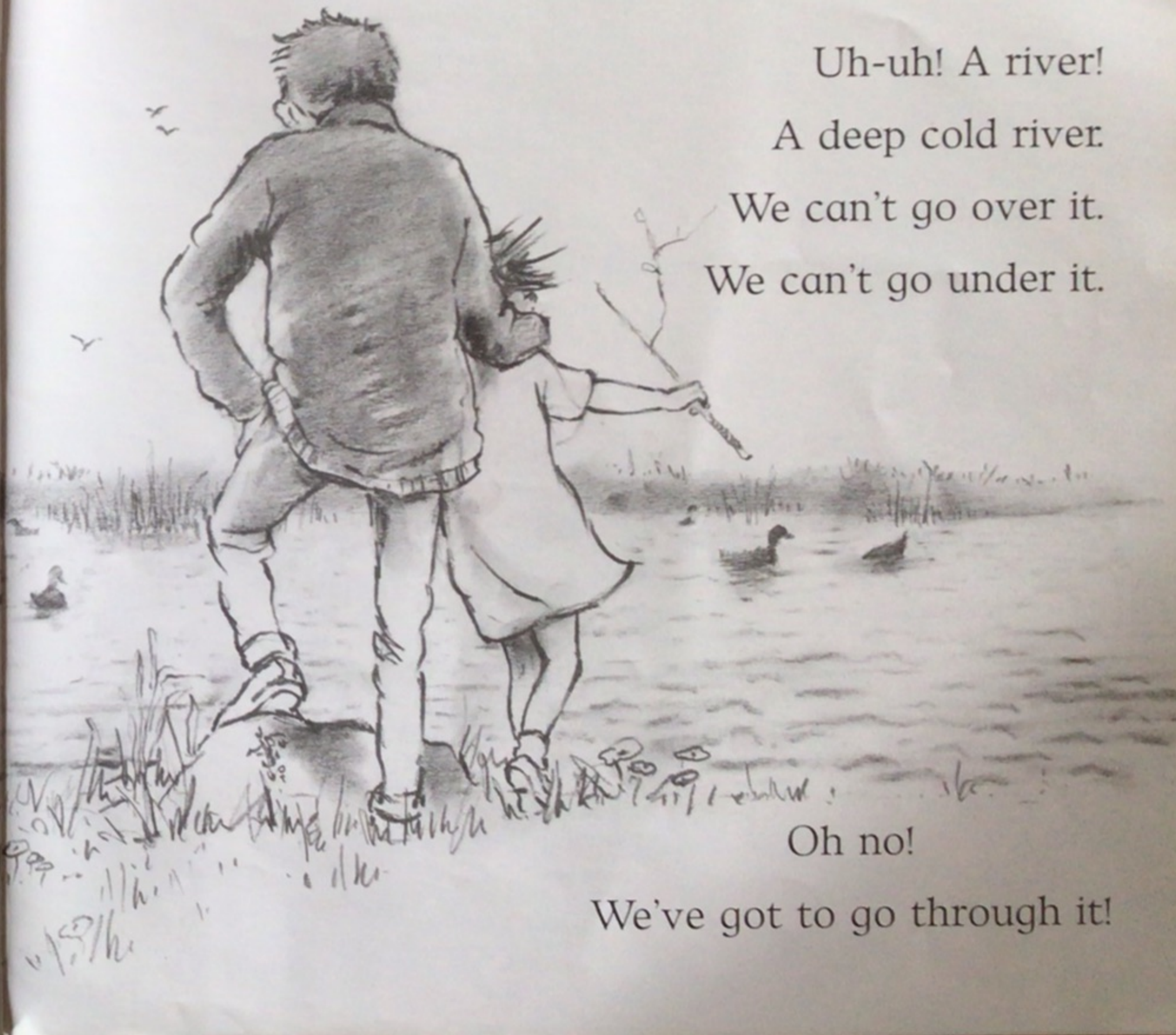
Swishy swashy!
Swishy swashy!
Swishy swashy!




We're going on a bear hunt.
We're going to catch a big one.
What a beautiful day!
We're not scared.



Uh-uh! A river!
A deep cold river.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.



Oh no!
We've got to go through it!



Splash splosh!
Splash splosh!
Splash splosh!




We're going on a bear hunt.
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We're not scared.



Uh-uh! Mud!
Thick oozy mud.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.



Oh no!
We've got to go through it!

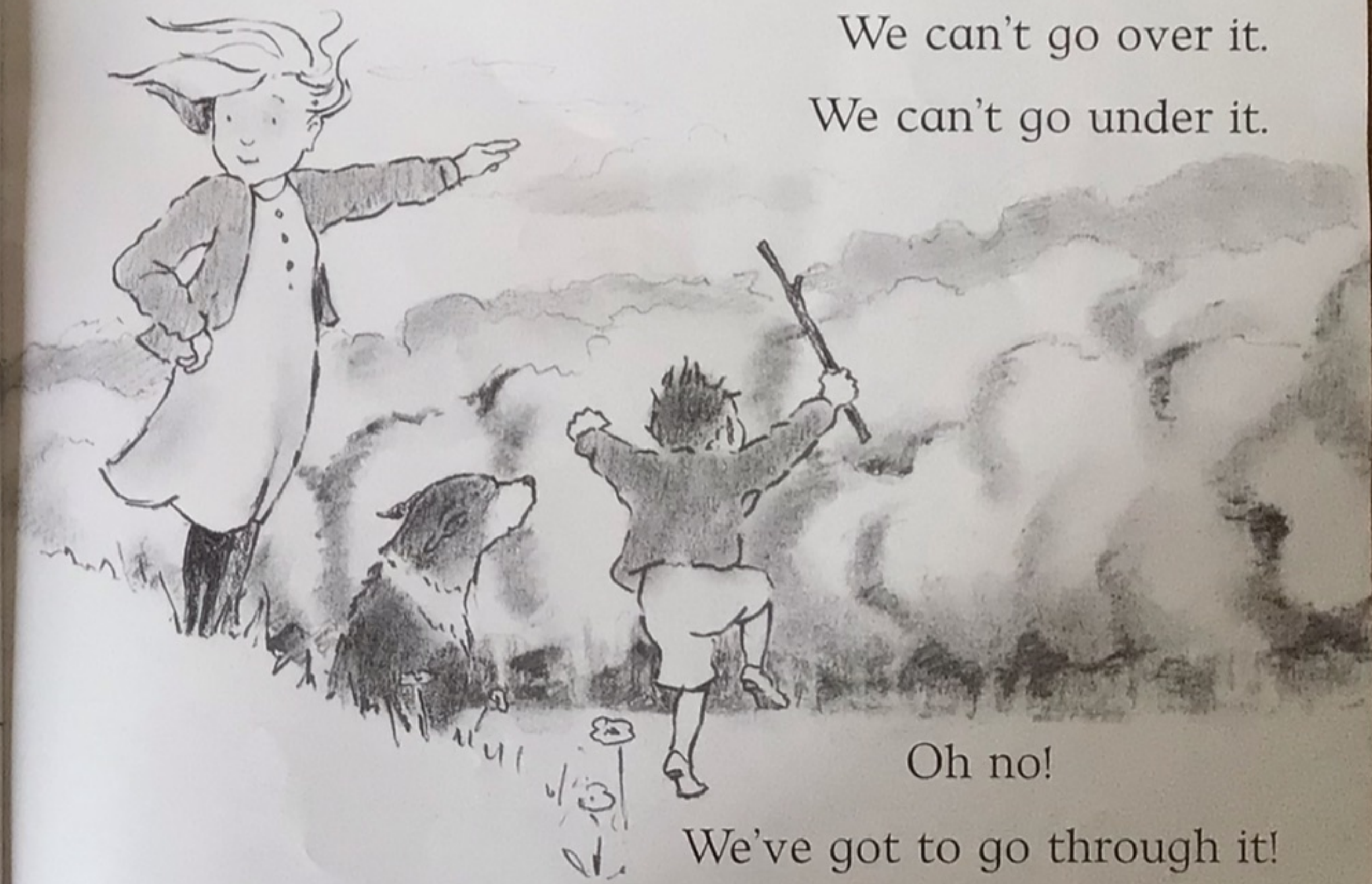
The illustration is a watercolor scene of a coastal area. The sky is filled with soft, blue and white clouds, and numerous birds are flying. In the foreground, there is a sandy beach with a few birds, including a seagull perched on a wooden post. In the middle ground, a group of children and a dog are playing in a shallow, muddy area. A wooden fence is visible in the background. The overall style is soft and artistic, typical of children's picture books.

Squelch squerch!
Squelch squerch!
Squelch squerch!

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What a beautiful day!
We're not scared.



Uh-uh! A forest!
A big dark forest.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.



Oh no!
We've got to go through it!

Stumble trip!
Stumble trip!
Stumble trip!



We're going on a bear hunt.
We're going to catch a big one.
What a beautiful day!
We're not scared.



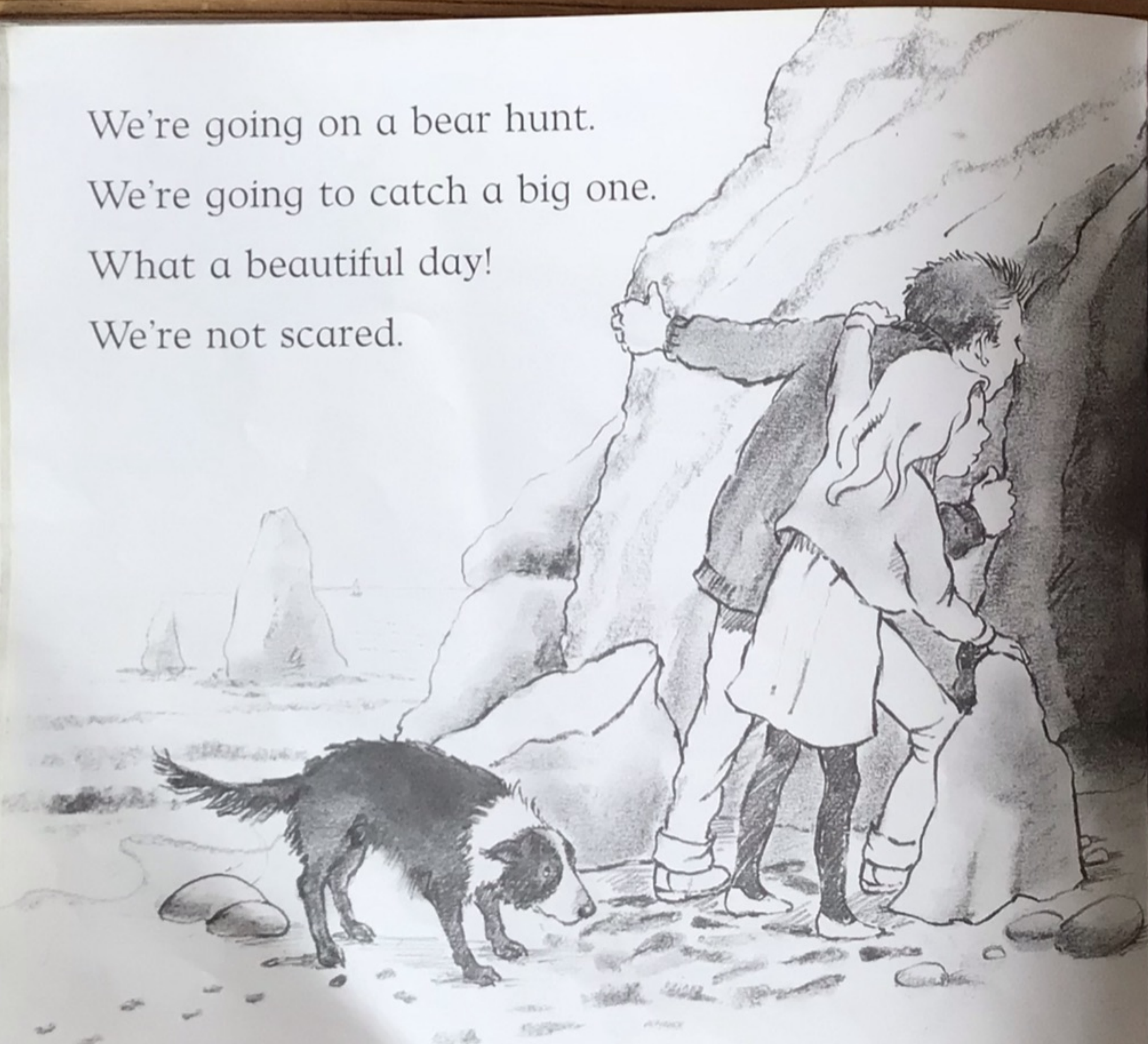
Uh-uh! A snowstorm!
A swirling whirling snowstorm.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.

Oh no!
We've got to go through it!

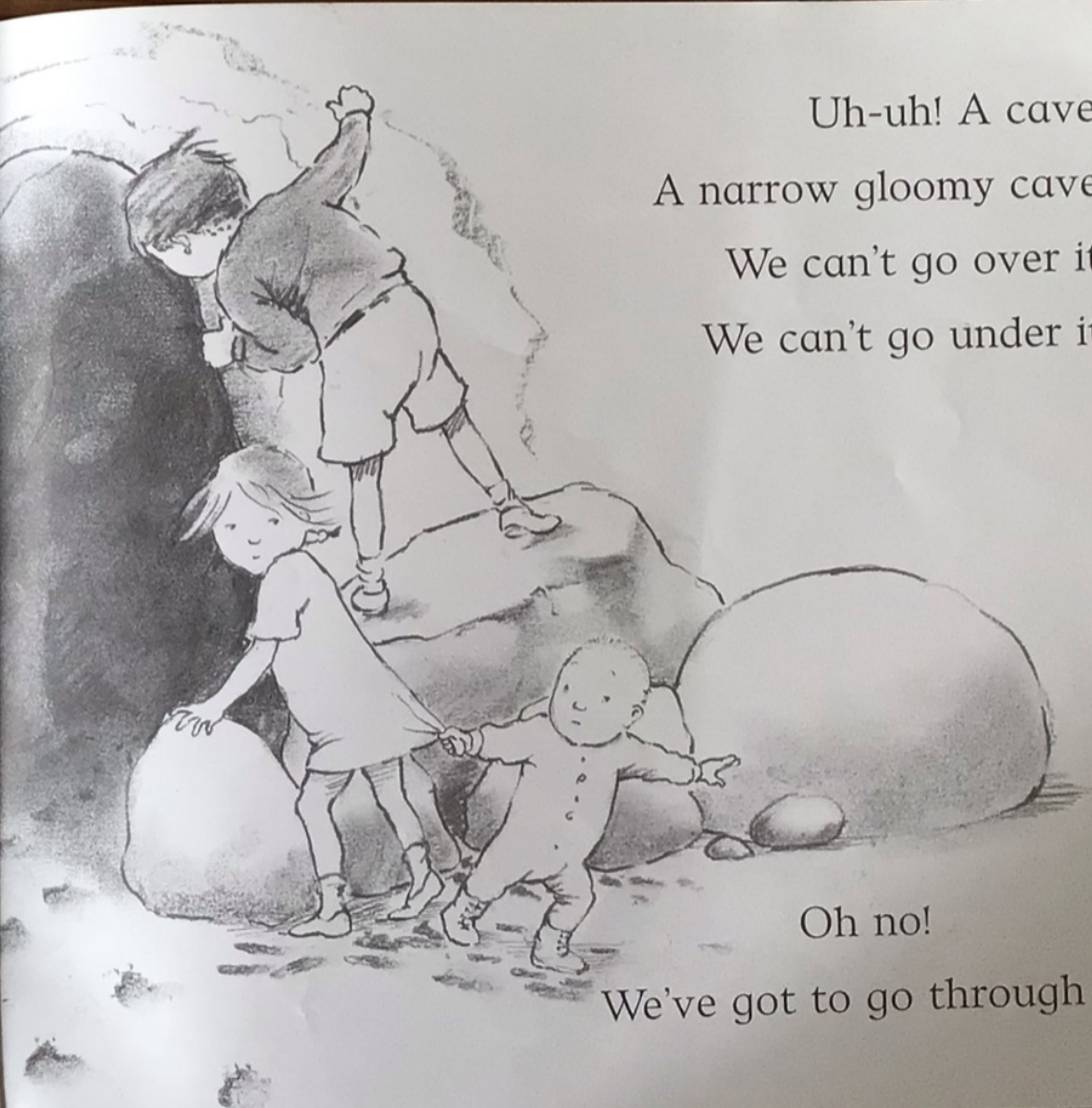
Hoooo woooo!
Hoooo woooo!
Hoooo woooo!



We're going on a bear hunt.
We're going to catch a big one.
What a beautiful day!
We're not scared.




Uh-uh! A cave!
A narrow gloomy cave.
We can't go over it.
We can't go under it.



Oh no!
We've got to go through it!



Tiptoe!
Tiptoe!
Tiptoe!
WHAT'S THAT?



One shiny wet nose!

Two big furry ears!

Two big goggly eyes!

IT'S A BEAR!!!!





Quick! Back through the cave! Tiptoe! Tiptoe! Tiptoe!



Back through the snowstorm! Hoooo wooooo! Hoooo wooooo!



Back through the forest! Stumble trip! Stumble trip! Stumble trip!



Back through the mud! Squelch squerch! Squelch squerch!



Back through the river! Splash splosh! Splash splosh! Splash splosh!



Back through the grass! Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy!



Get to our front door.
Open the door.
Up the stairs.



Oh no!
We forgot to shut the door.
Back downstairs.



Shut the door.
Back upstairs.
Into the bedroom.



Into bed.
Under the covers.



We're not going on a bear hunt again.



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