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The Ugly Duckling

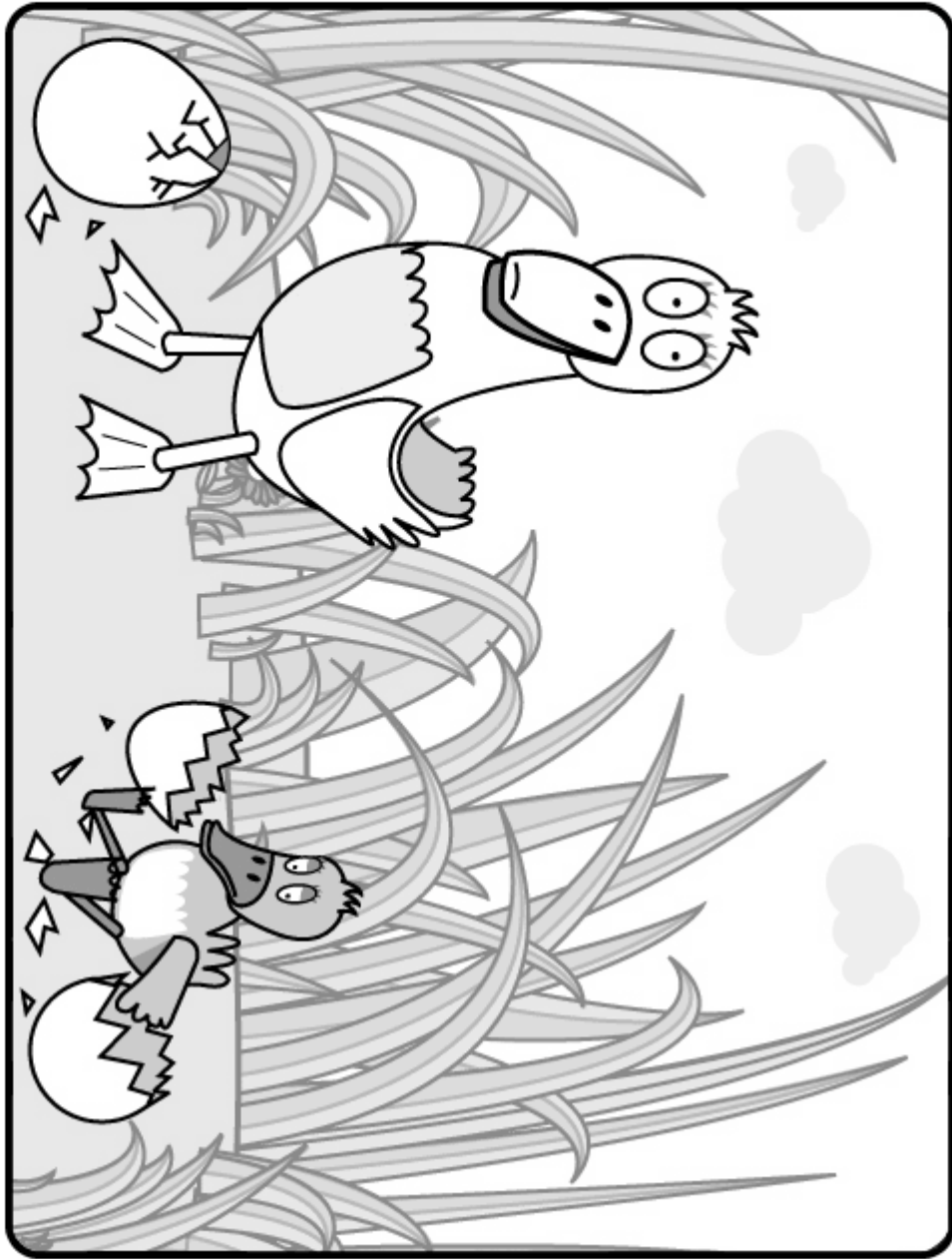
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One bright spring morning a mother duck was pleased that her eggs had begun to hatch. "Cheep! Cheep!" chirped the chicks. Mother duck was very proud of her fluffy ducklings - but one of them looked different from the others.



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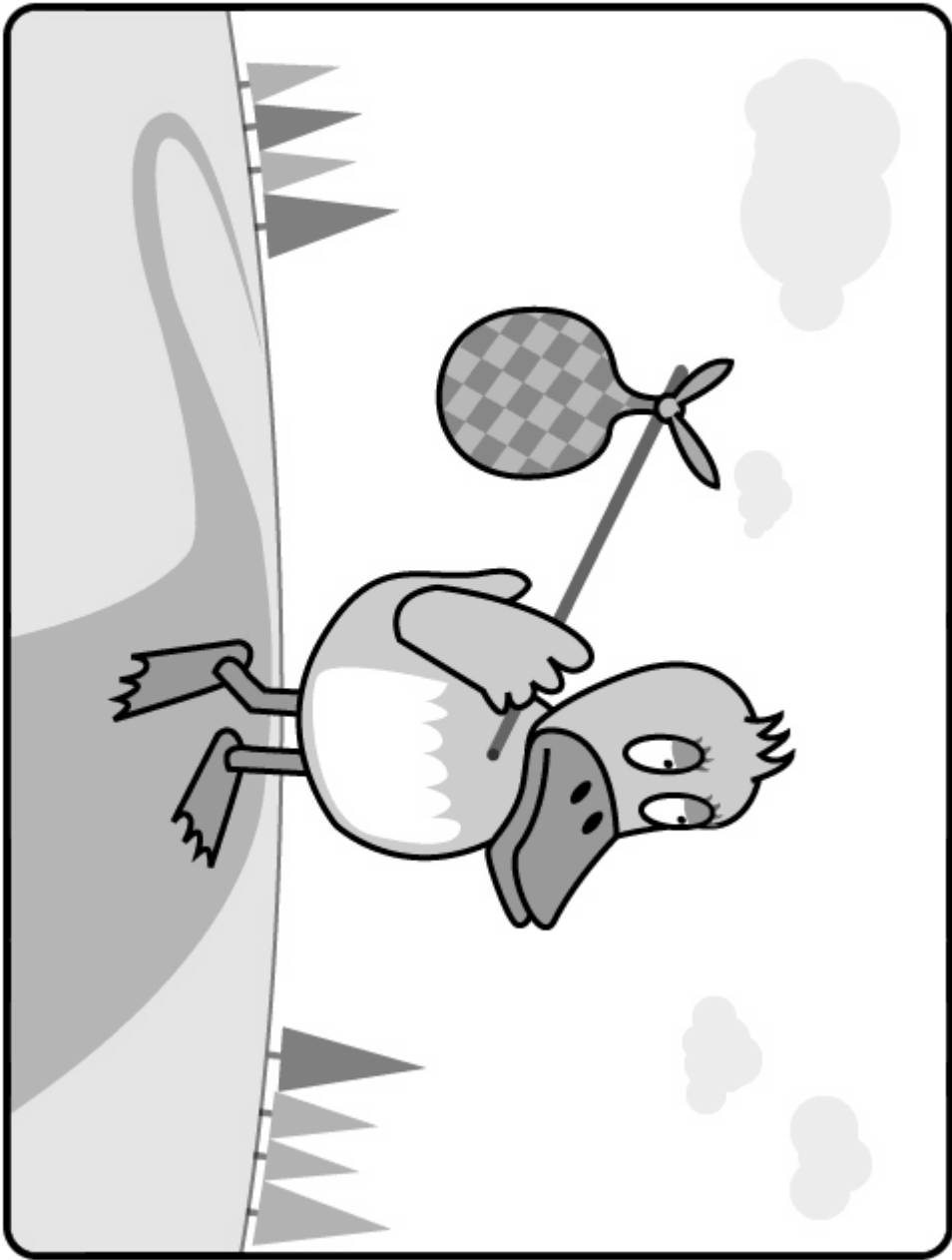
"Quack! Quack! How can that duckling be one of mine?" she wondered.
"He's so big and ugly!" All the other chicks were mean and teased Sammy, the ugly duckling. They didn't want to play with him.



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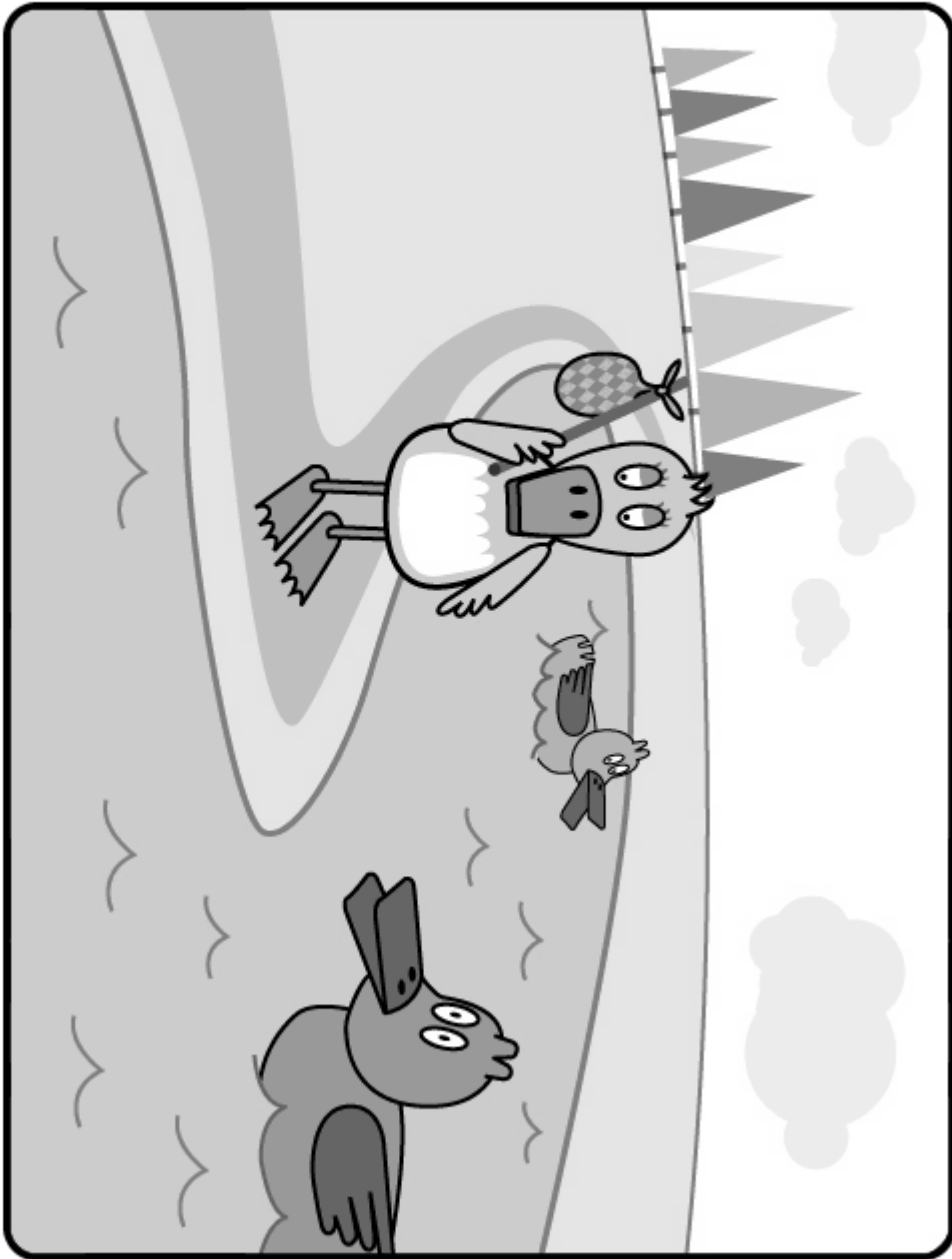
Poor Sammy was very sad. "I don't belong here," he said. One day he packed his bags and left home to look for someone to be his friend.



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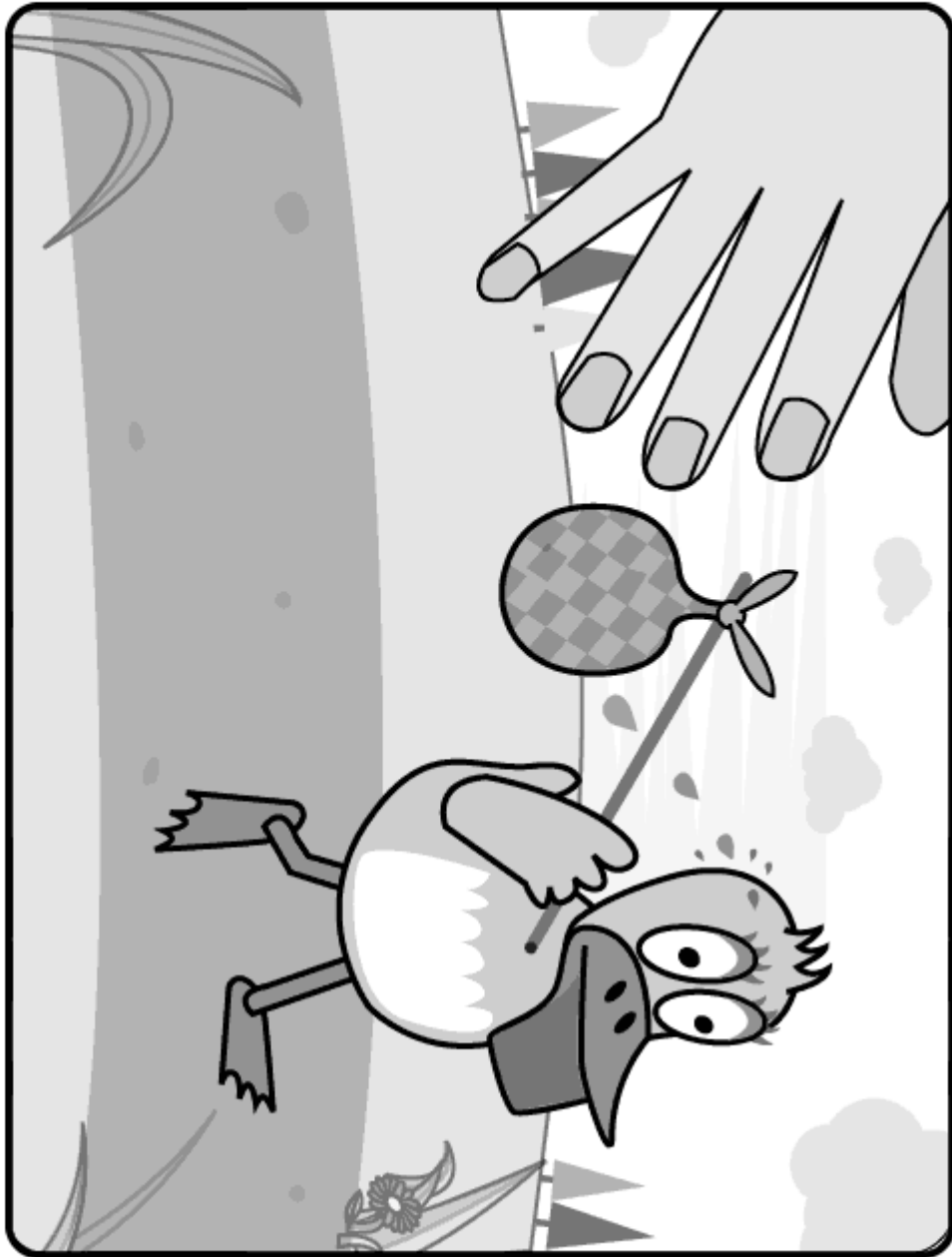
Soon he came to a pond, where some other ducks were playing. But they didn't want to be his friends either. Poor Sammy was very unhappy and waddled away.



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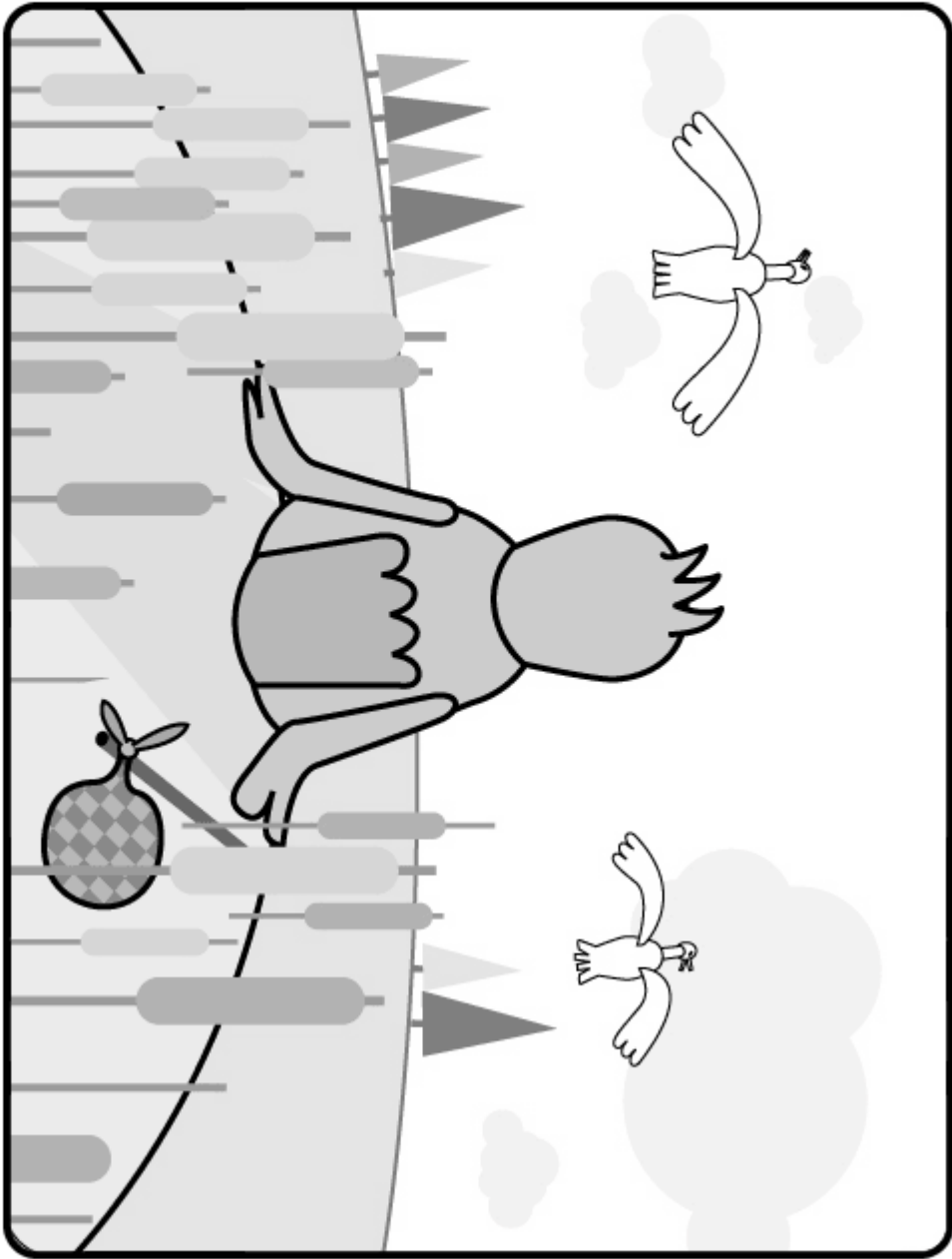
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The next day an old woman saw the ugly duckling. "I think I'll cook him for my tea," she said. She tried to catch him but Sammy ran away as fast as he could.



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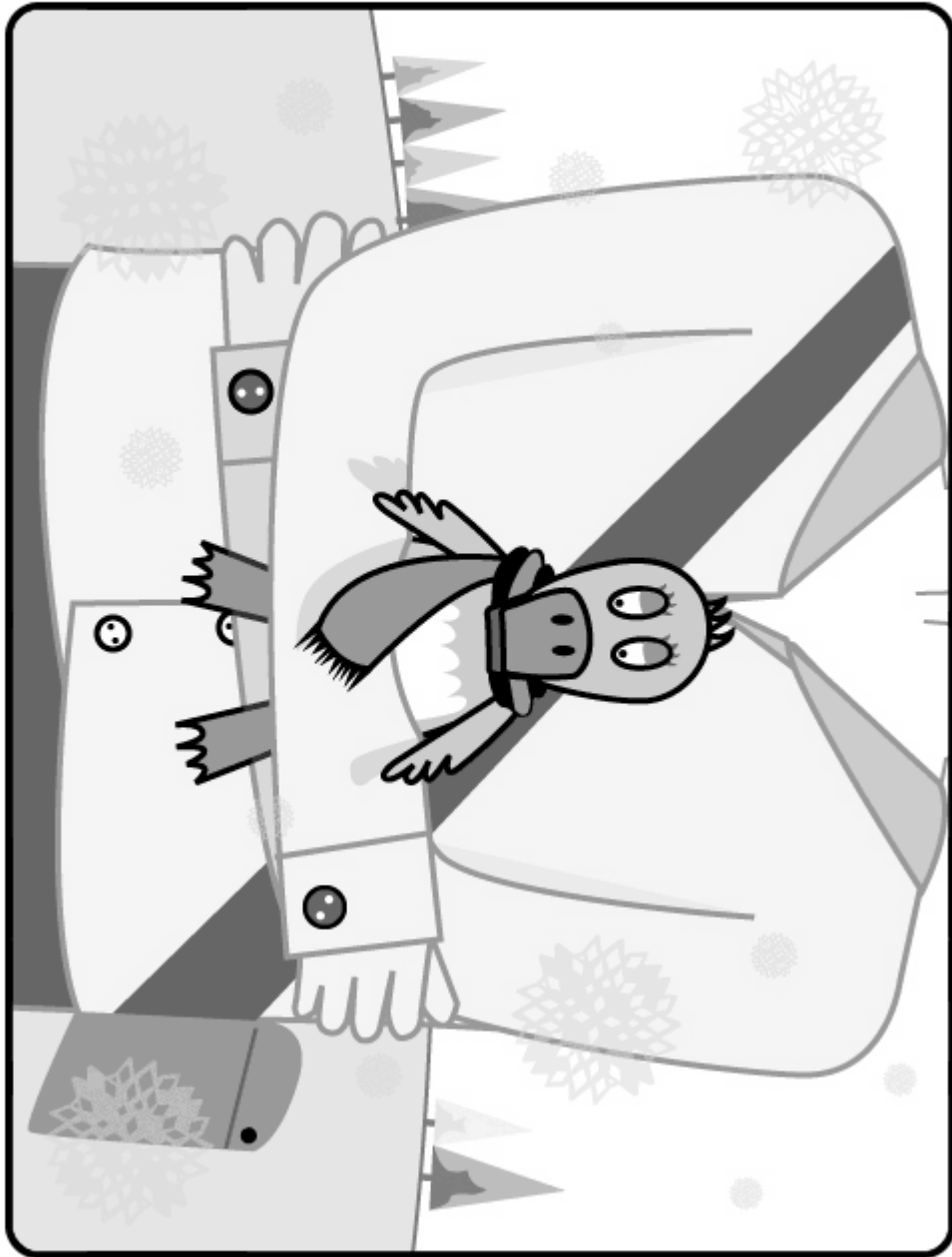
Poor Sammy was so sad that he hid himself by the riverbank all through the summer. One day he watched some beautiful swans fly past him. "I wish I were as magnificent as a swan," he sighed.



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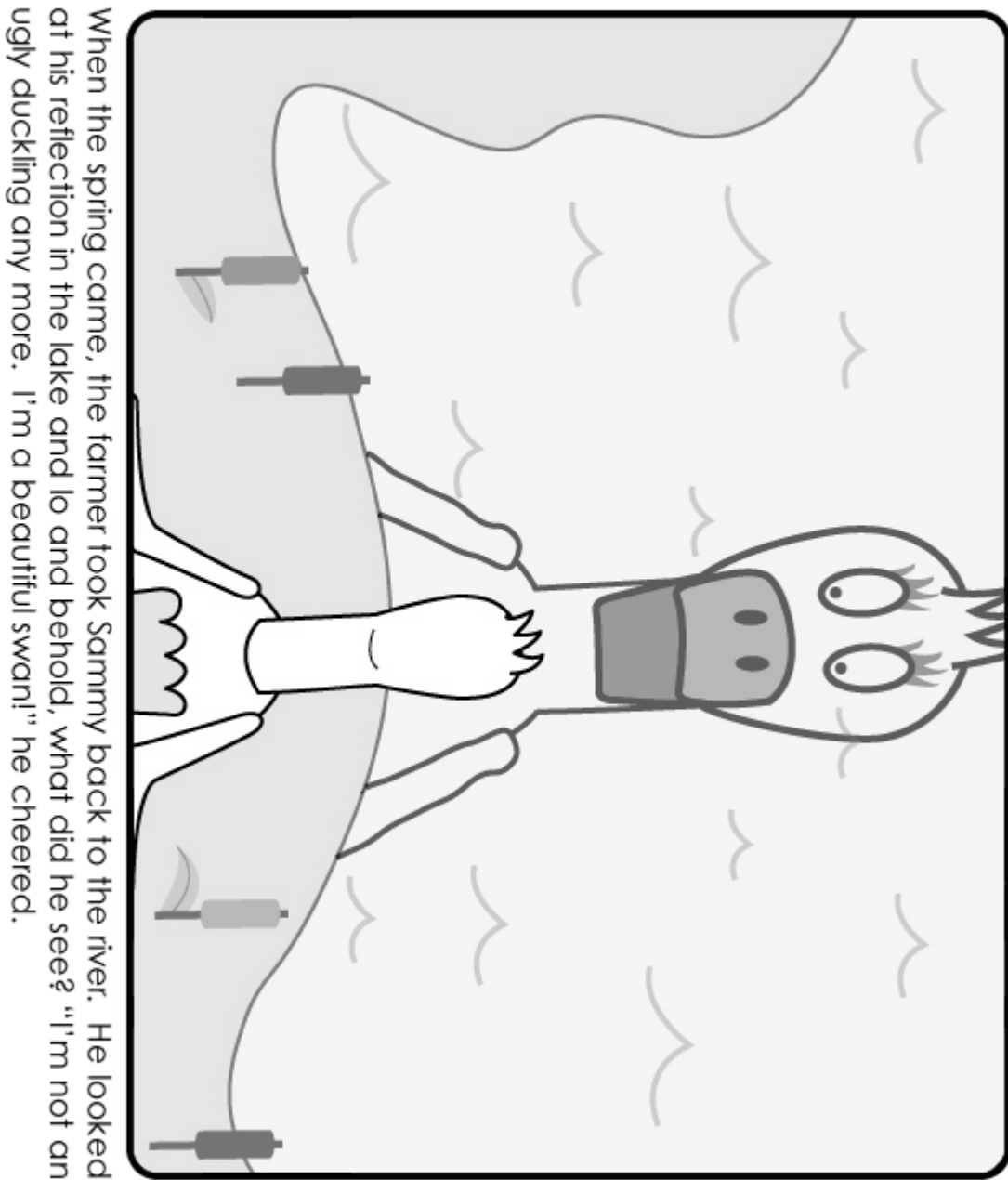
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That winter it began to snow. Sammy was cold and all alone. Soon a kind farmer found him and decided to take him home and look after him. "At long last I've found a friend," smiled Sammy.



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When the spring came, the farmer took Sammy back to the river. He looked at his reflection in the lake and lo and behold, what did he see? "I'm not an ugly duckling any more. I'm a beautiful swan!" he cheered.

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"Look at that swan!" said the children in the town. "He's the finest of them all." Sammy had never been so happy in all his life.



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