

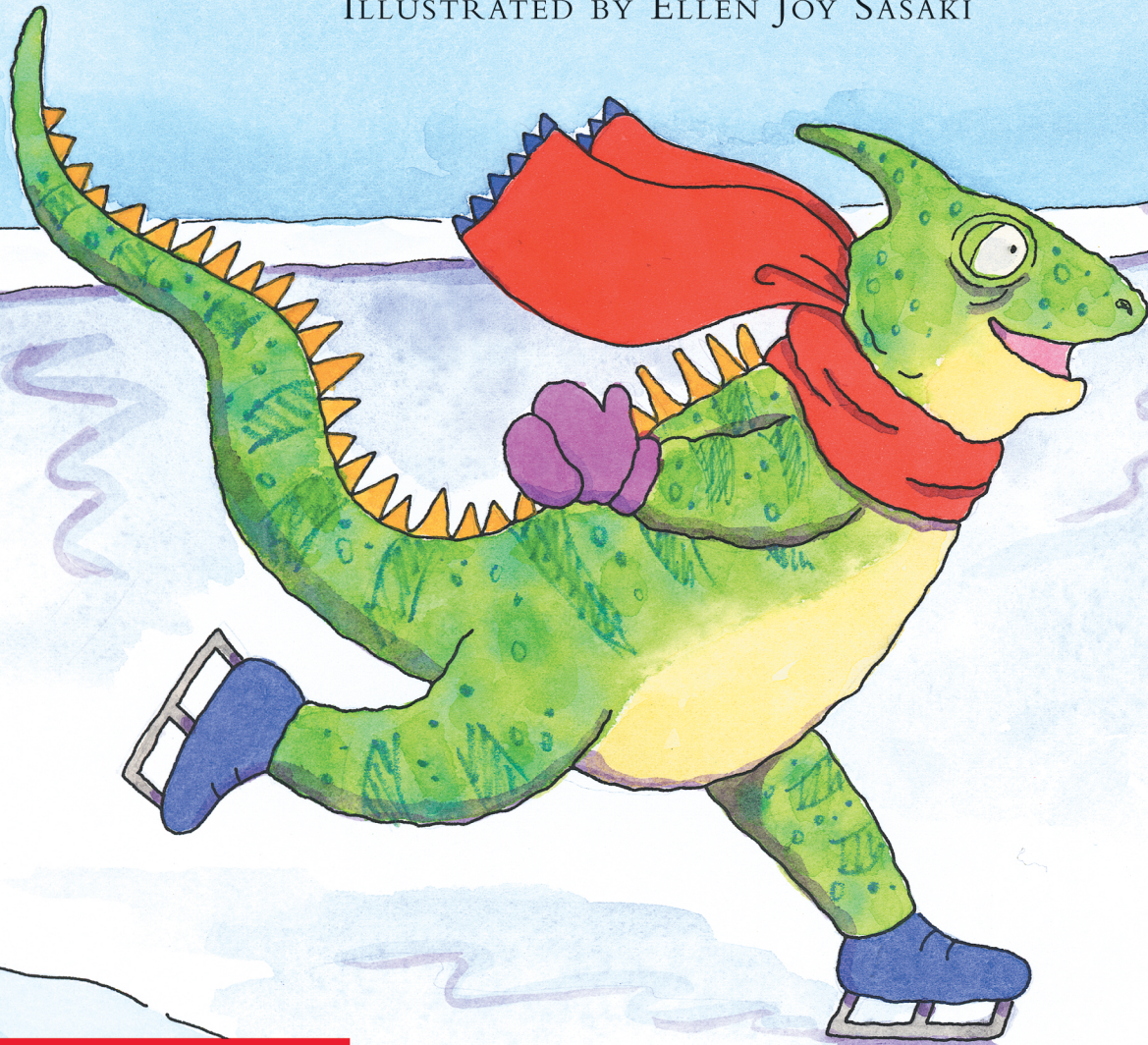
AlphaTales



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Iguana on Ice

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To Scott, who also thinks that ice is nice.



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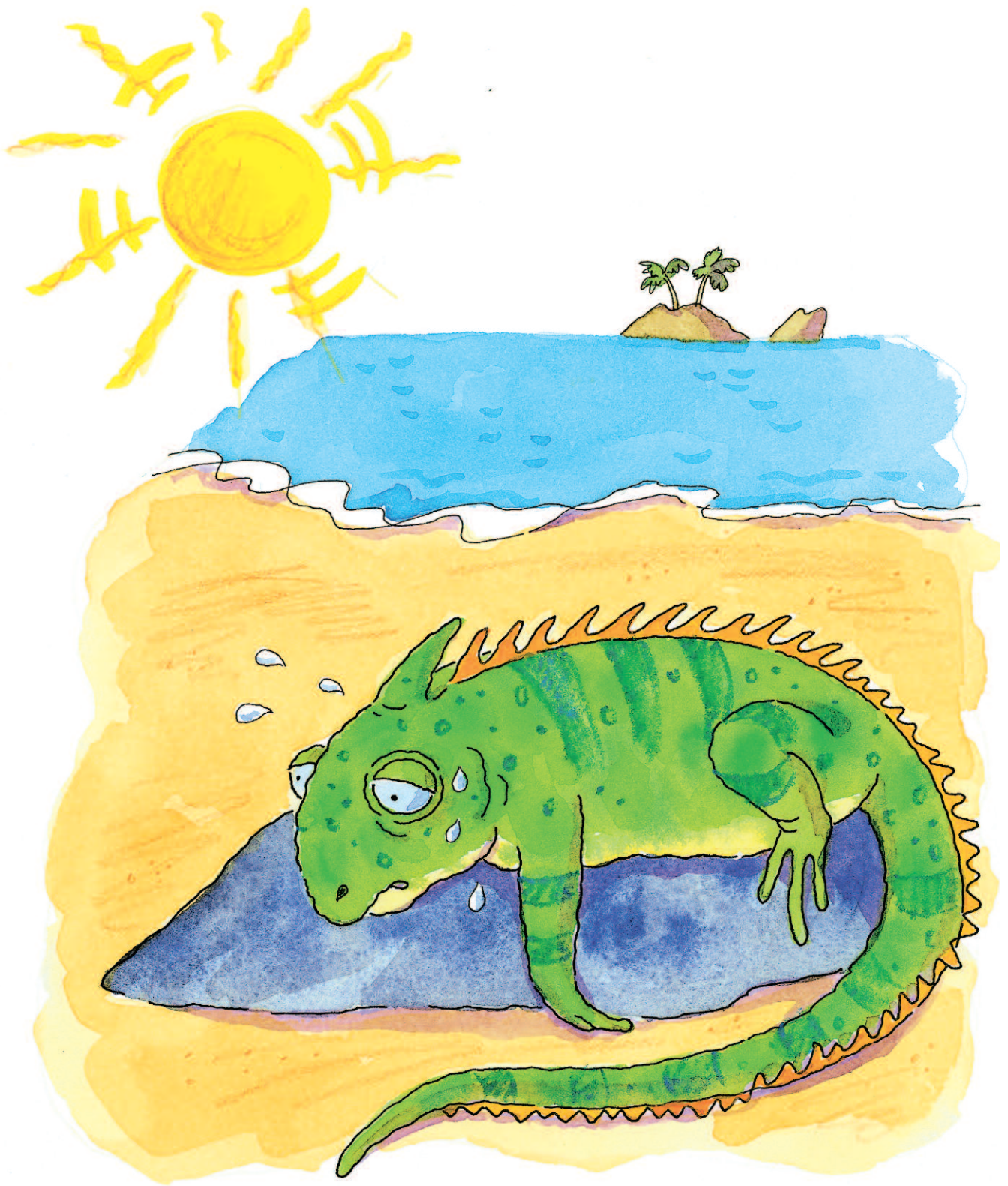
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Iggy Iguana lives on an island.



Iggy's island is very hot.
The heat makes Iggy feel ill.



To stay cool, Iggy floats in his inner tube.



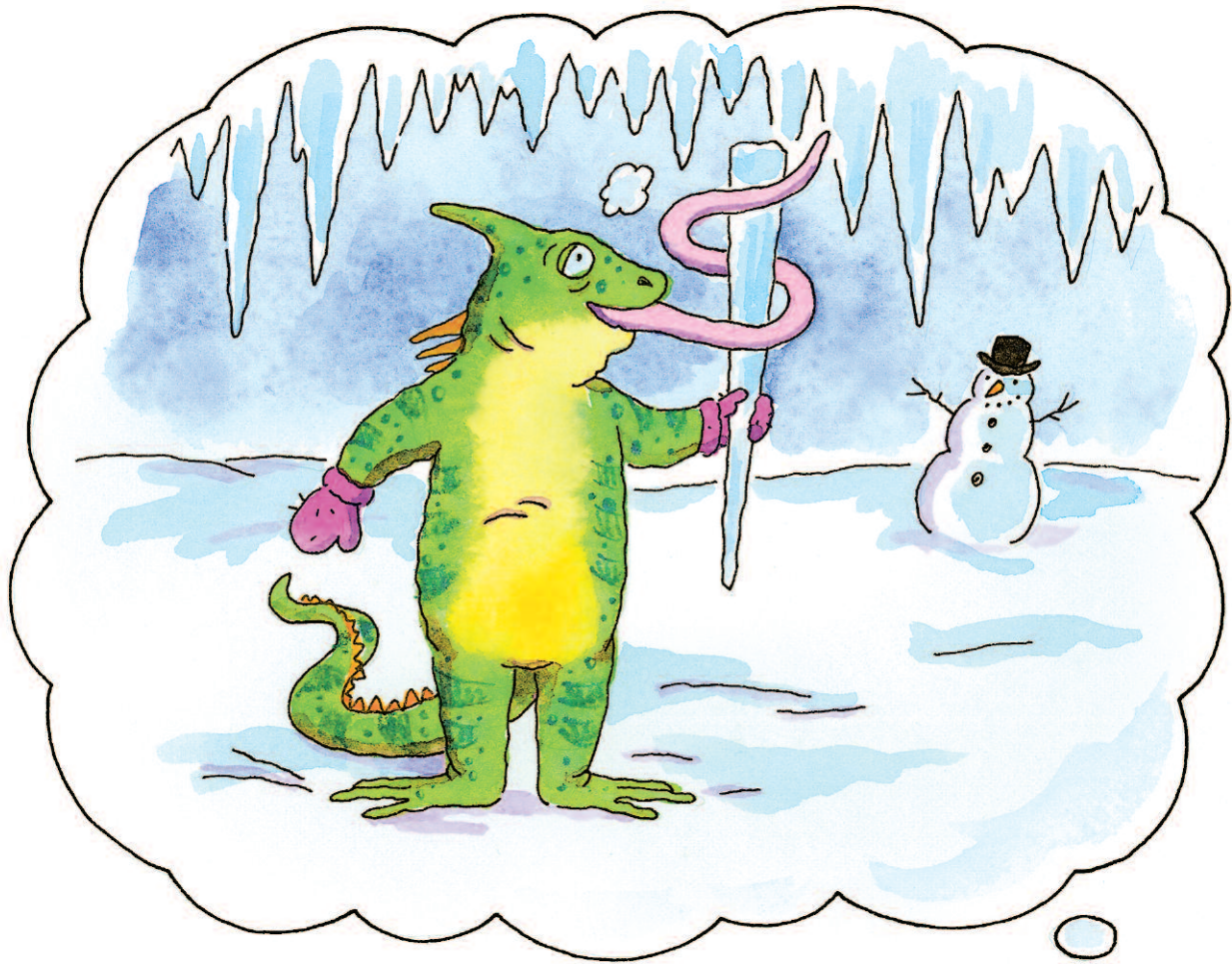
Iggy imagines icy things.
He imagines eating ice cream.



Iggy imagines ice skating.



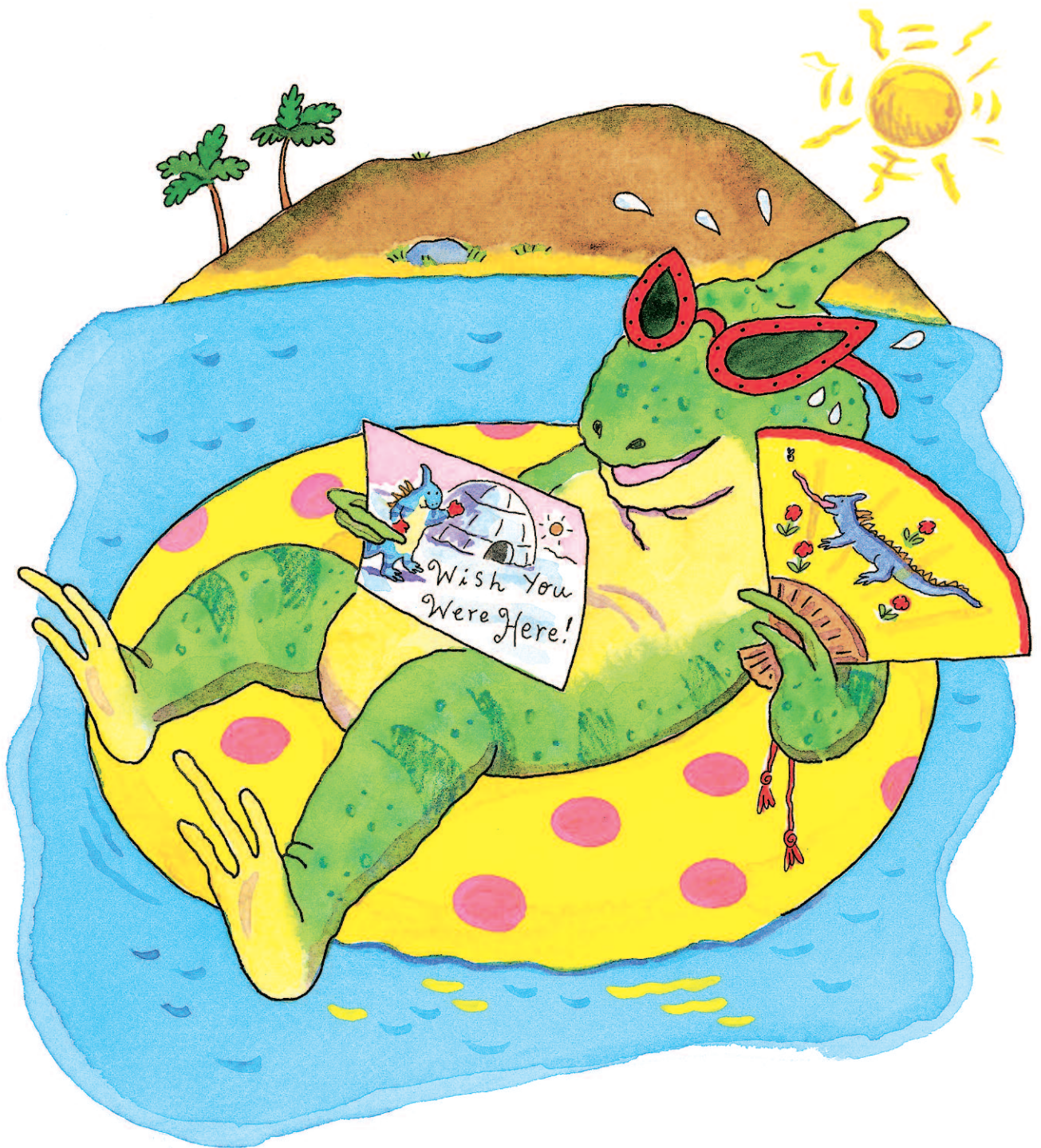
Iggy imagines floating on an iceberg.



Iggy imagines licking icicles.



Iggy even imagines sitting in front of an icebox with ice cubes!



One day, Iggy gets a postcard from his cousin Izzy in Iceland.



The postcard gives Iggy an idea.
"I'll go to Iceland to visit Izzy!" says Iggy.



Now Iggy is in Iceland with Izzy.



Iggy eats ice cream.



Iggy ice skates.



Iggy floats on icebergs.



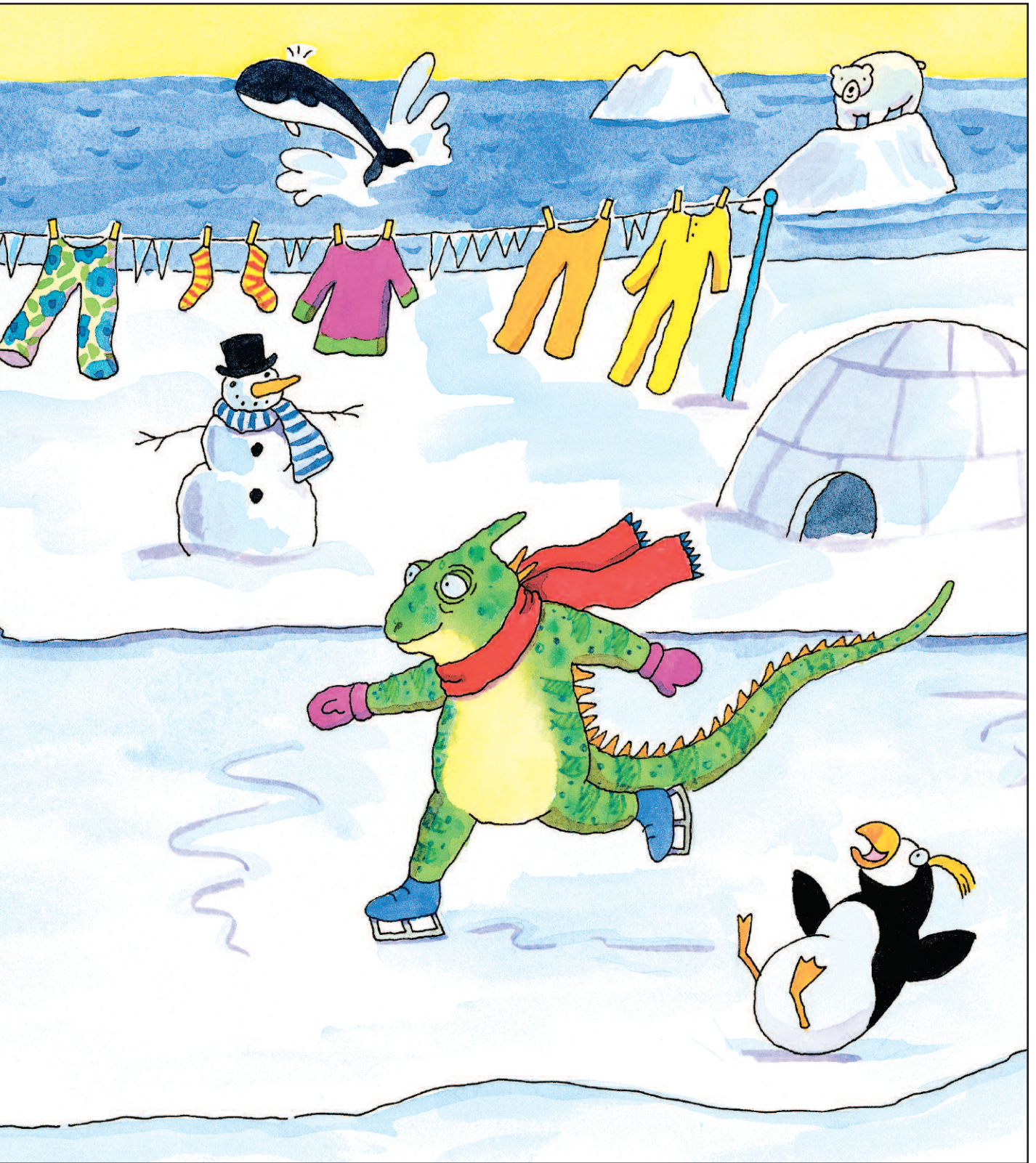
Iggy licks icicles.



And every night, Iggy sleeps
inside Izzy's igloo—
which is even better than an icebox!

How many things can you find that begin with the letter I?





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I is for iguana and ice cream, too

I is for island in the ocean blue

I is for igloo and ivy patch

I is for icicle and an itch to scratch








Hooray for **I**, big and small—
the most incredible letter of all!



Reading Tips

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Here are some quick and fun ways to use this story to help children build important alphabet recognition skills.

-  Ask children to find big I and small i at the top of the front cover. Review the long I/i and short I/i sounds with children. Can they find two words in the title that begin with the letter I/i? Read the title aloud, emphasizing the I/i sound as appropriate.
-  Flip the book over and read the story summary on the back cover. Ask children to point out words they hear or see that begin with I/i. Explain that the story you are about to read includes many more words that begin with the letter I/i. Can they help you find them?
-  Read the story aloud once for pleasure and enjoy together the whimsical illustrations. Then reread the book, emphasizing the initial I/i sound in the appropriate words. Ask children to listen closely for and identify all the words that start with I/i. Point out these words in the text, and make a list of them.
-  Write each of the words from your list on an unlined index card. Read each word on the cards aloud with children. On another reading of the story, children can match the words on the index cards with the words in the story.
-  Pages 16-17 of the book depict a busy scene full of I/i words. Some of these words have been introduced in the story, but a few are new. Ask children to find as many I/i words as they can. Add any new words to your list. The I/i words depicted in the scene include: iguanas, ice, ice skates, ice cream, igloo, icebergs, icicles. (Children may come up with other I/i words on their own!)
-  Read aloud the cheer on page 18 several times, with lots of energy and enthusiasm. Invite children to join you in reciting the cheer when they feel ready. Encourage them to find any new I/i words in the cheer. Again, add these words to your list.
-  Don't let your exploration of the letter I/i end with the story! Display your list of words in a place where children can easily see it. During the rest of the day or week, children can add new I/i words that they encounter in other books, on signs, on food labels, and so on.

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Iggy Iguana thinks ice is nice. How does Iggy beat the heat on his tropical island home? He uses his imagination!



AlphaTales are humorous stories designed to help young children recognize letters and the sounds they make. Lay the foundation for reading success with these kid-pleasing books — one for each letter of the alphabet!