

AlphaTales

Kk

Kangaroo Kazoo

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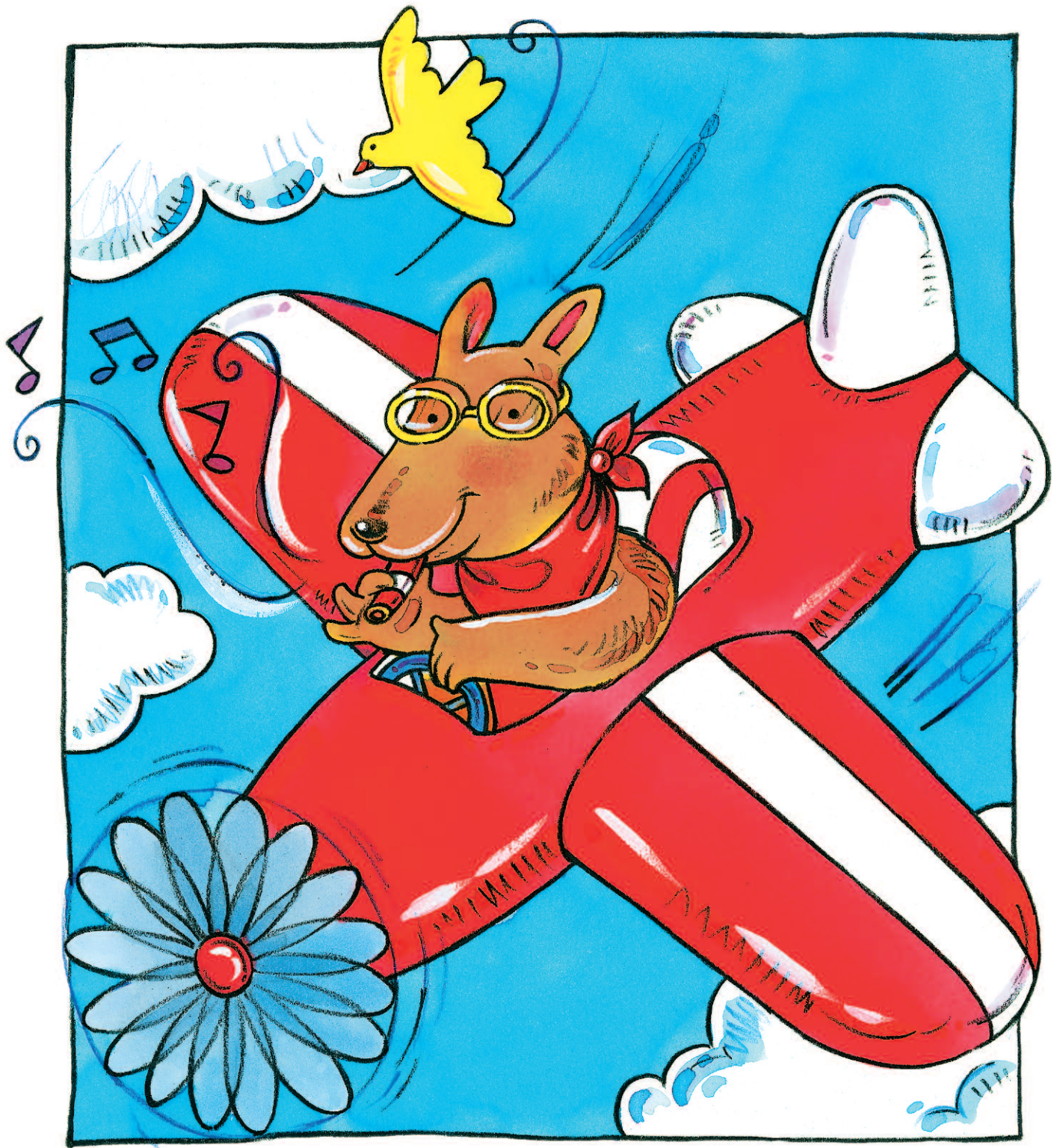
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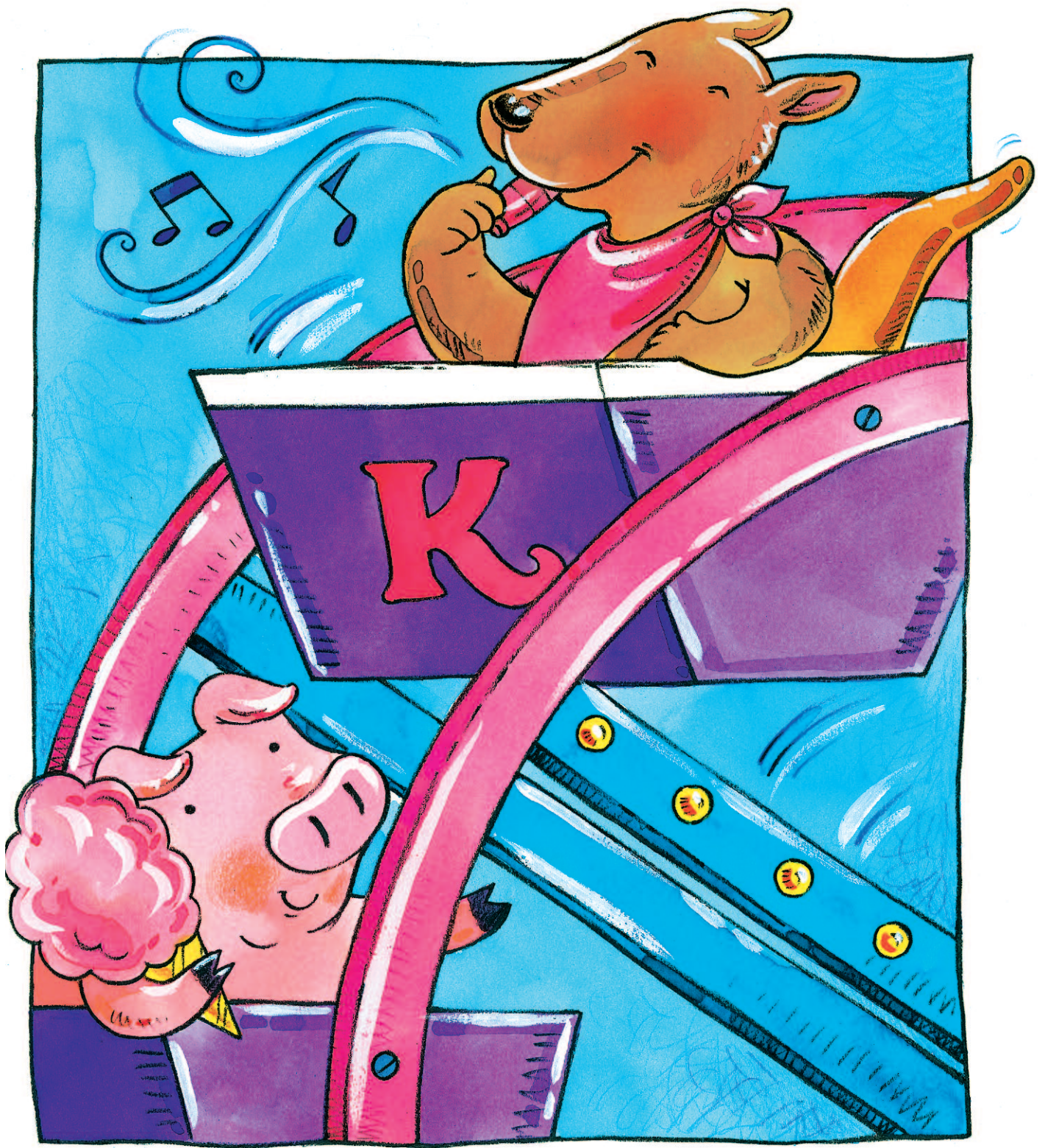
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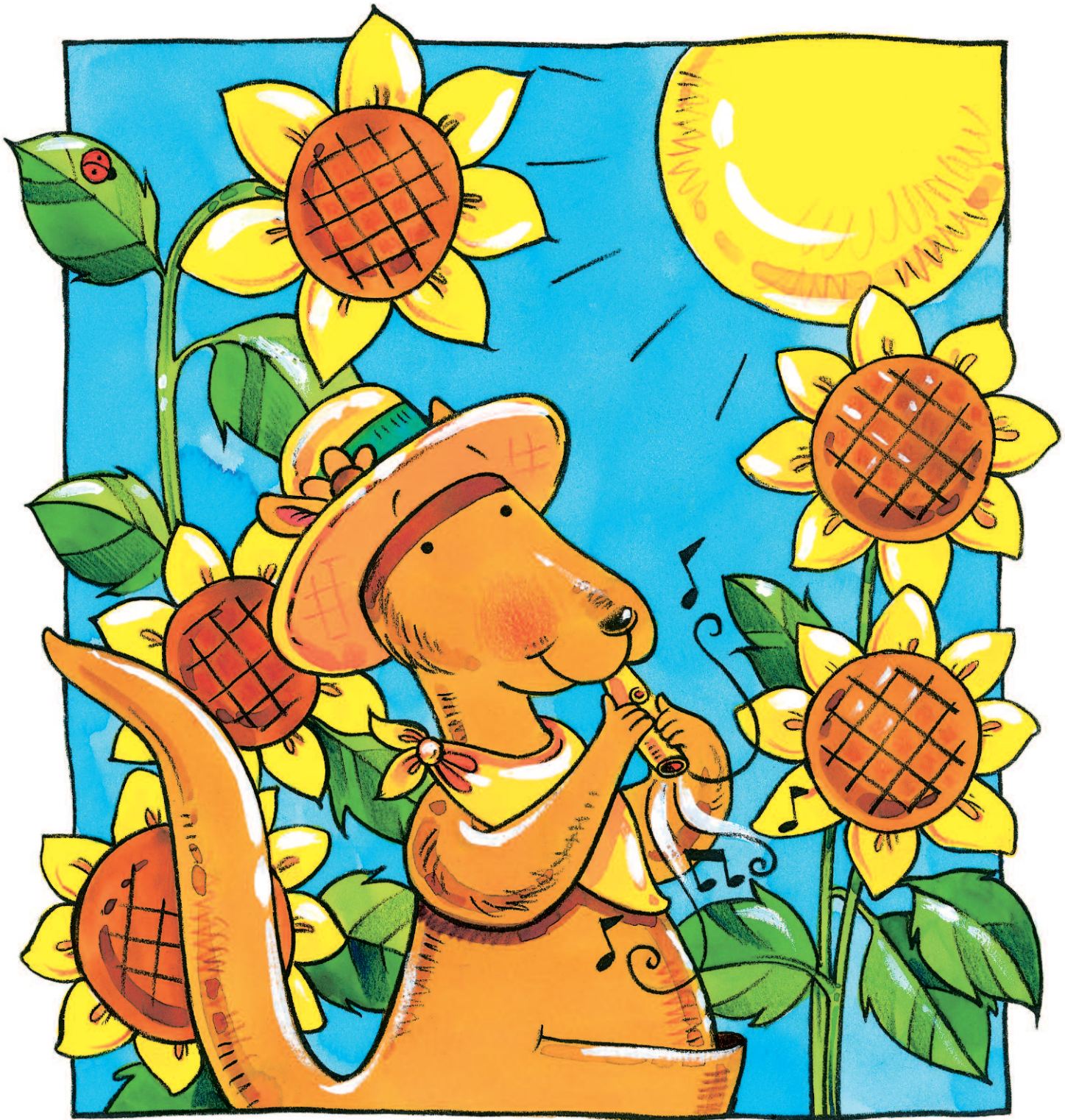
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This kangaroo has a red kazoo.
She takes it everywhere.



This kangaroo has a pink kazoo.
He plays it at the fair.



This kangaroo has a yellow kazoo.
She plays it in the spring.



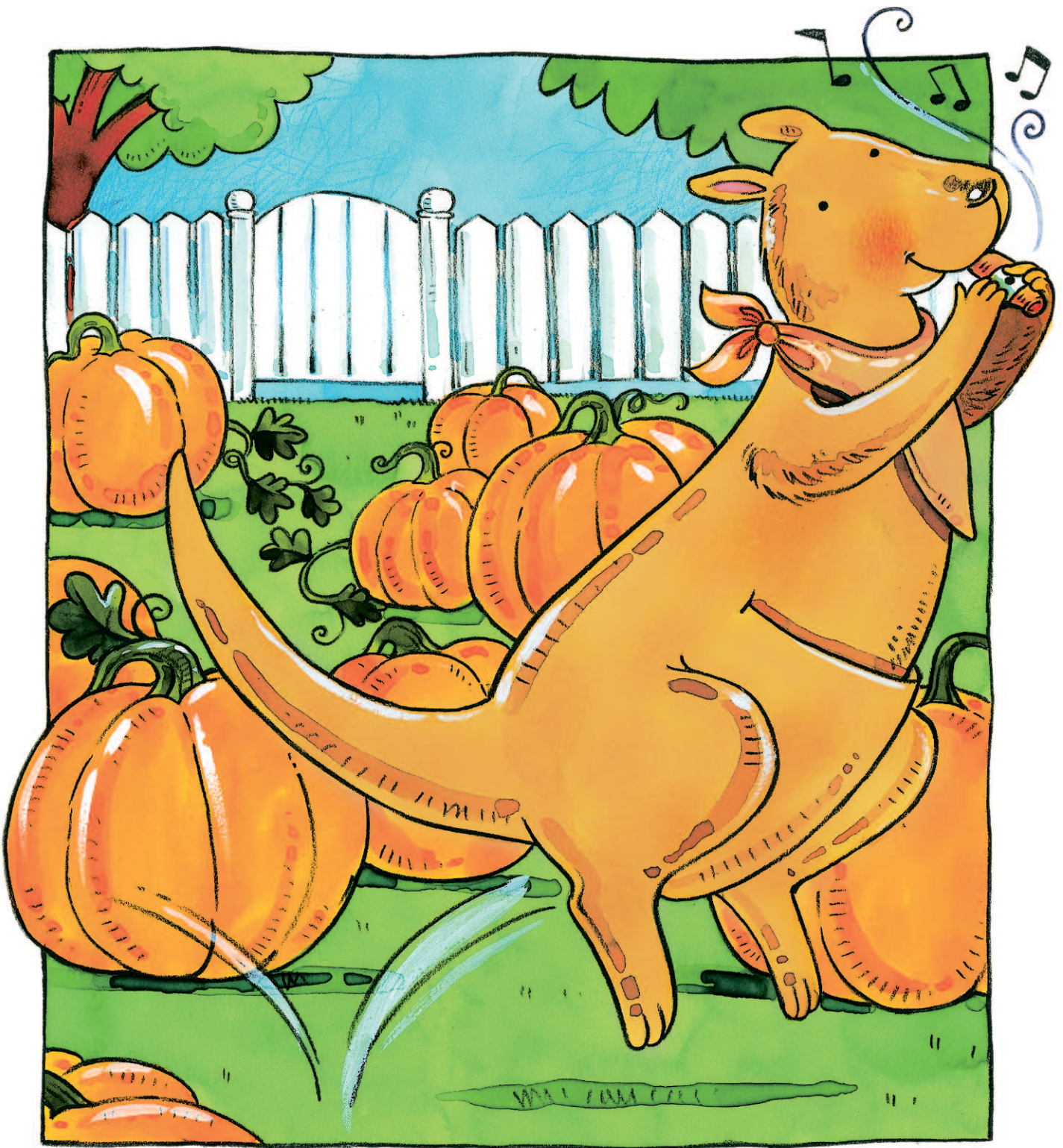
This kangaroo has a green kazoo.
It makes the katydids sing.



This kangaroo has a blue kazoo
to play on the deep blue sea.



This kangaroo has a purple kazoo
from the purple kazooka tree.



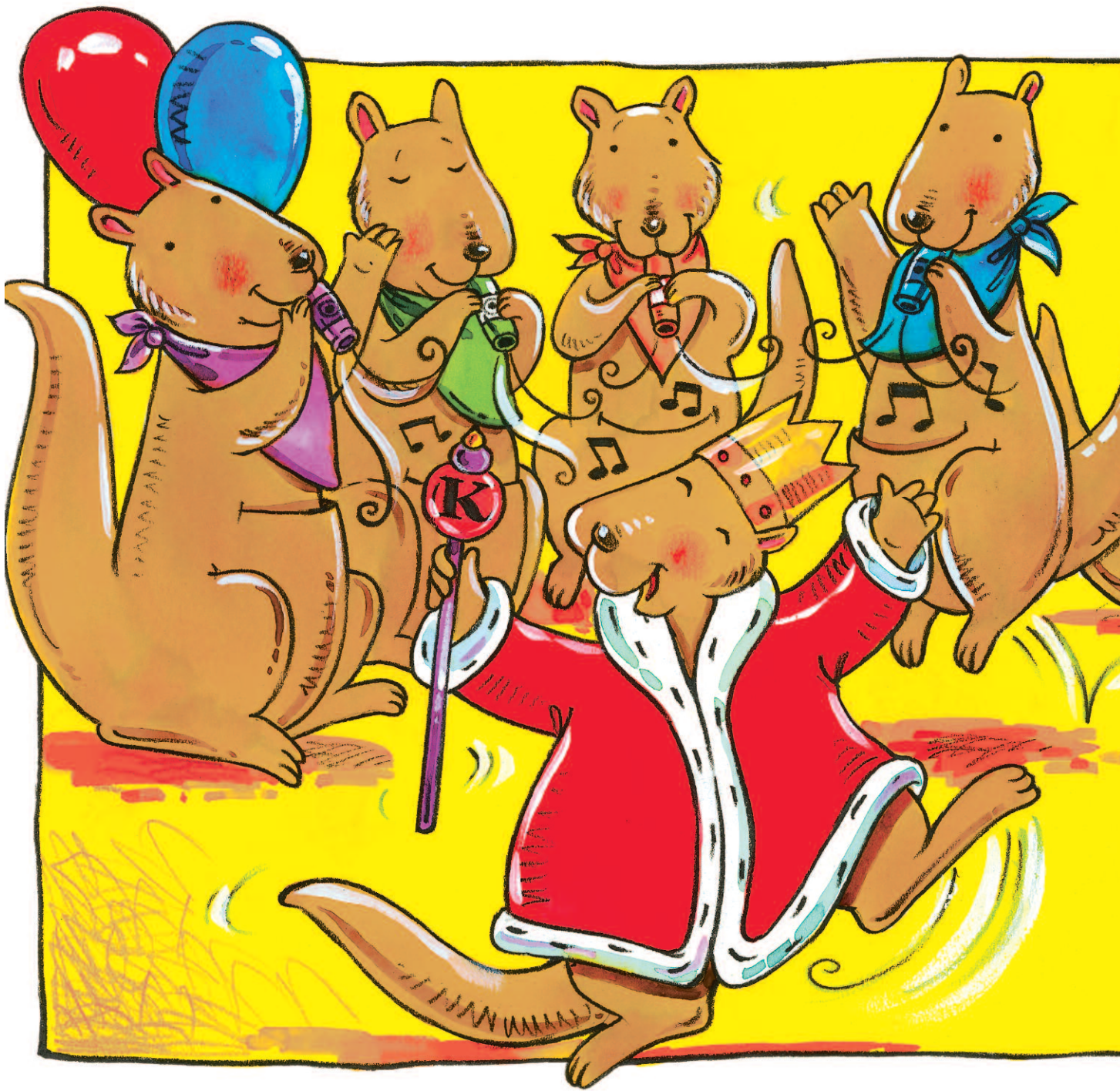
This kangaroo has an orange kazoo,
and now he has a chance...



...to join the best band in the land



and play at the kangaroo dance.



They play all day,
they never stop,
while the kangaroo king
does the kangaroo hop.



Then the king's kooky kin
all kick up their heels.
They do the kazooky-pooky
and the kazarama reel.



Red or yellow, green or orange,
purple, pink, or blue —



you can have all kinds of fun
with a kangaroo kazoo!

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





Kk Cheer

K is for king and kangaroo

K is for kettle, key, and kazoo

K is for koala, **K** is for kite

K is for a kiss goodnight








Hooray for **K**, big and small—
the kookiest, kickiest 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 K and small k at the top of the front cover. Review the K/k sound with children. Can they find two words in the title that begin with the letter K/k? Read the title aloud, emphasizing the K/k 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 K/k. Explain that the story you are about to read includes many more words that begin with the letter K/k. 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 K/k sound in the appropriate words. Ask children to listen closely for and identify all the words that start with K/k. 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 K/k words. Some of these words have been introduced in the story, but a few are new. Ask children to find as many K/k words as they can. Add any new words to your list. The K/k words depicted in the scene include: kangaroos, kazoos, kerchiefs, king, koala, kite, katydid. (Children may come up with other K/k 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 K/k words in the cheer. Again, add these words to your list.
-  Don't let your exploration of the letter K/k 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 K/k words that they encounter in other books, on signs, on food labels, and so on.

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These kangaroos have all kinds of kazoos.
Come hear their kooky band play for the
kangaroo king.



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!