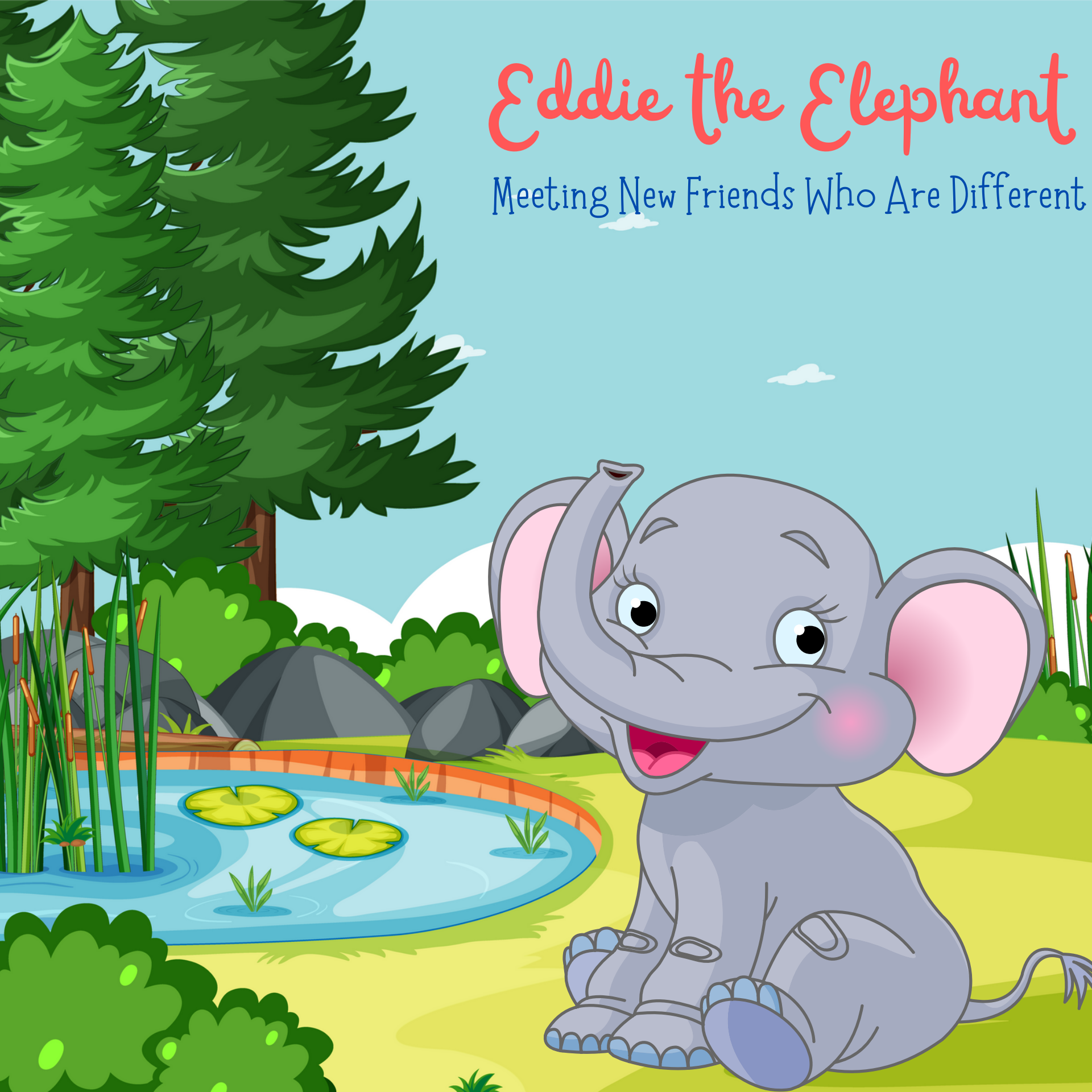


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The zoo seemed like a  
very happy place.



The giraffes smiled as they ate leaves and drank from their very own pond. They never talked to any other animals in the zoo.



The monkeys laughed as they played  
and entertained crowds. They never  
played with other animals.



The tigers ran and played in their very own safari-like playground.



The crocodiles crawled around in their pretty pen far away from all the other animals.





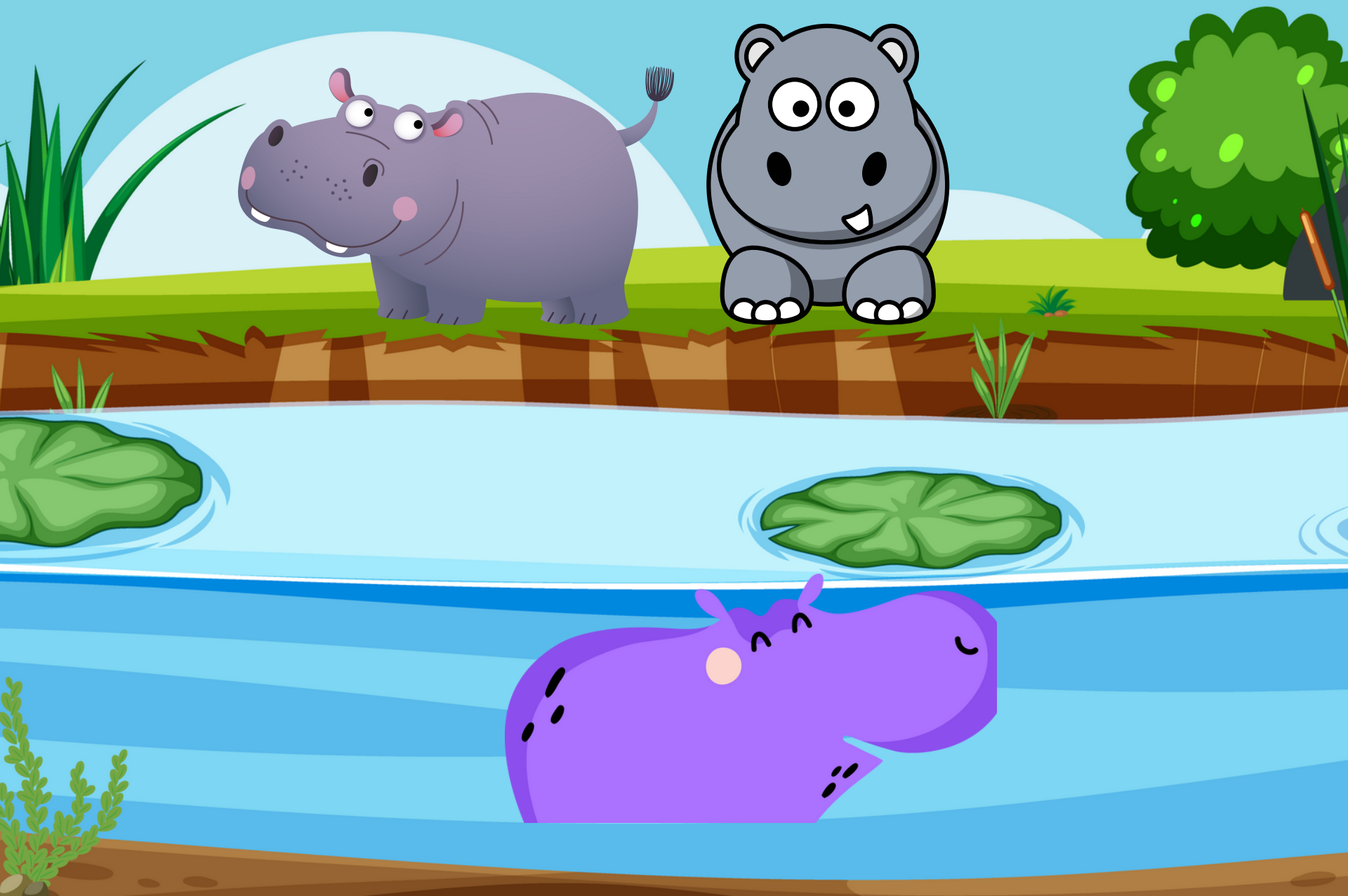
Zebras could always be seen enjoying the magical sunsets and they never really knew any other animals were around. But they did love receiving snacks from young humans when they came for a visit.



Chipmunks could always be seen enjoying their snacks and having parties.



All the hippos were happy to splash in the water and take very long naps.



Even though the animals all over the zoo could hear their seemingly angry roars, the lions were really just screaming with joy. They loved their zoo home and roaming with other lions.



All the flamingos spent their days dancing and singing and sipping water from their very own lovely pond. They thought they were the prettiest animals on the planet.



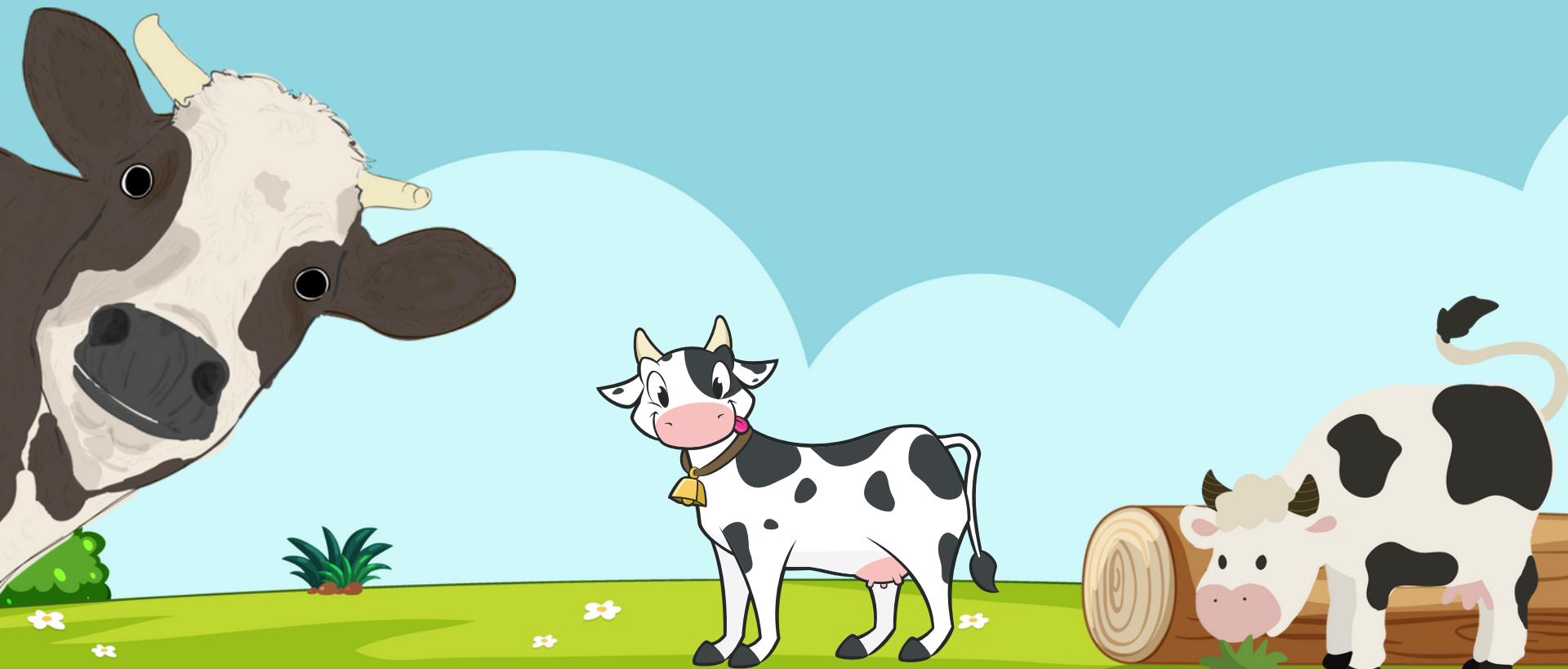
The ostriches did not think they were very pretty and sometimes they would try to hide. Maybe they just needed someone to tell them that they were fun and talented and that everyone is beautiful. Just in different ways.



Speaking of beauty, the peacocks never had any trouble thinking they were beautiful. Their magnificent colors were undeniable and they loved spending their days showing off those feathers.

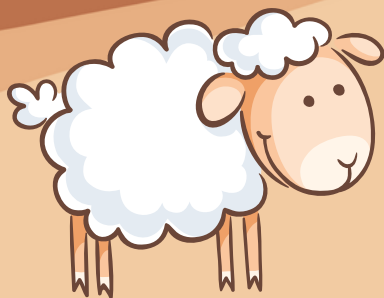
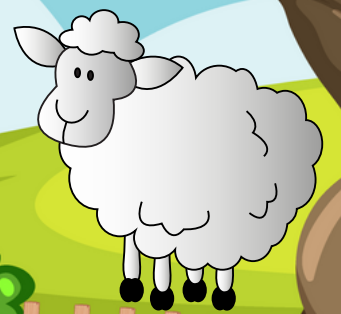
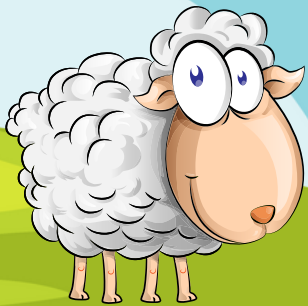


Cows ate the best meals all day long and slept under the shade of glorious trees. A lot of people wondered what the word "moo" meant and the cows wished they could explain that it means "hello, friend".





Fluffy sheep smiled in their precious world which seemed far away from everyone and everything.



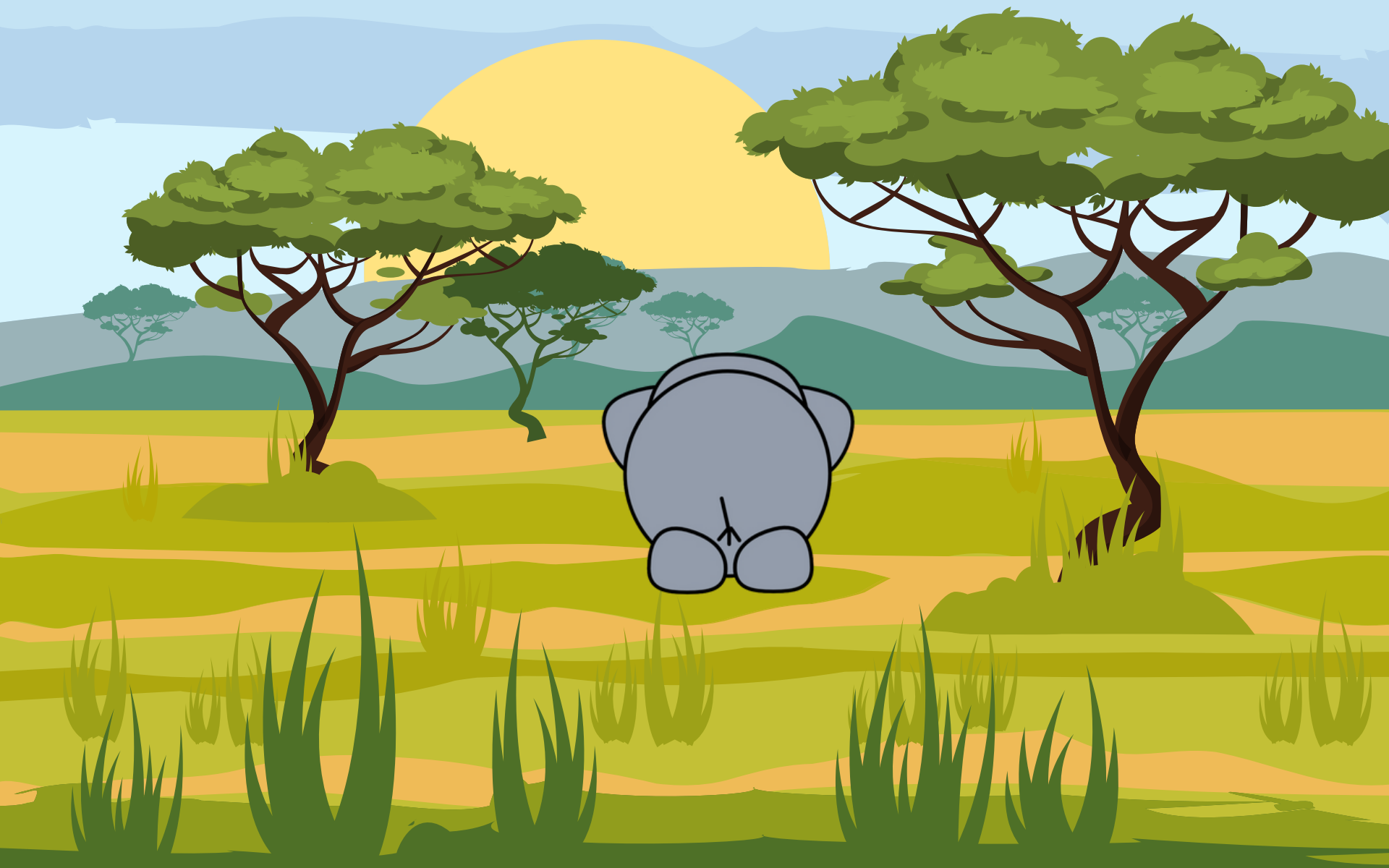
Bears ate their honey and danced  
to some great music while they  
roared with laughter.



And then there was Eddie.



Eddie always wanted to know what was out there beyond the happy field where he played with his mom and dad and friends. He constantly walked away to try to peak into the rest of the zoo.



Finally one day, he made his way  
out onto the streets of the zoo  
and began to meet all kinds of  
very interesting creatures.



Eddie ate some leaves with the giraffes and learned all about their long necks.



Next Eddie played with the monkeys  
and learned all about swinging and  
eating delicious bananas.



Eddie met the tigers next. He thought their orange color was pretty and loved playing with them.





He took a ride on the back of a crocodile and learned that they have the biggest smiles!



Eddie played a game of tag with the zebras and learned that they are very proud of their unique stripes. He told them they were super cool looking.



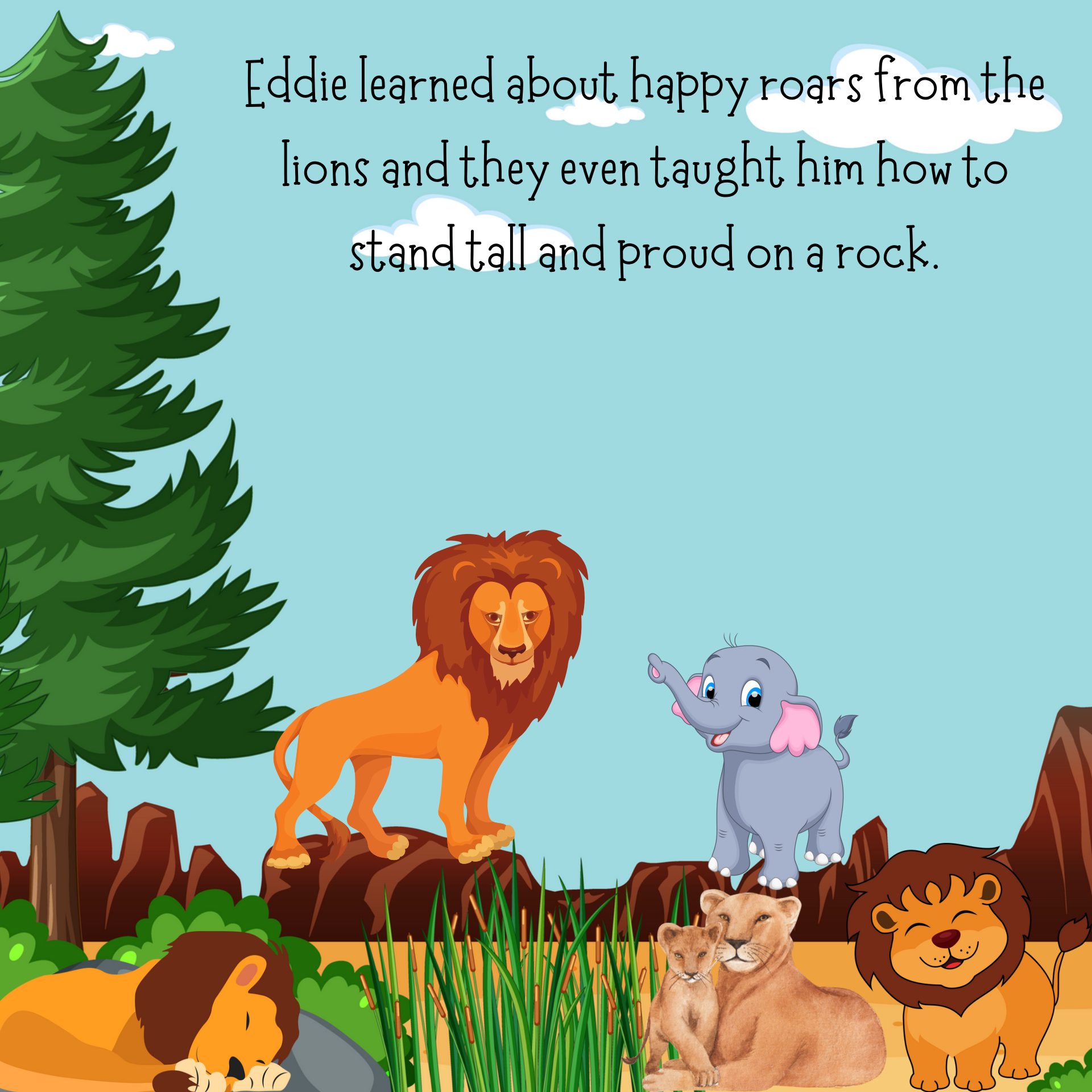
Eddie tasted nuts with the chipmunks and learned how to stand on a log.



Eddie learned how to swim with the hippos and discovered the fabulous idea of nap-taking!



Eddie learned about happy roars from the lions and they even taught him how to stand tall and proud on a rock.



Eddie tried to stand on one foot  
like the flamingos, but he lost his  
balance. He did let one of them  
stand on his trunk. It was fun.



Eddie listened to the ostriches tell funny stories and he even convinced them to stop hiding for a bit because he thought they were oh so adorable and they should not be afraid to show their unique beauty to the world. They liked Eddie.



Eddie loved the peacocks and those incredibly colorful feathers. As soon as he began to wish he had feathers like those, they reminded him that he had a super cool trunk and they all agreed to admire each other's individuality.





Eddie napped with the cows under the trees and then tried eating some grass. He learned the meaning of the word "moo" and decided he would become bilingual.



Eddie loved the soft wool on the sheep. He was fascinated that they had it shaved in the summer.



Eddie ate some honey with the bears and tried to dance and swim. He thought it was interesting that they slept all winter long.



Soon, all the zoo animals met each other and had a big party. Eddie loved how everyone got along and celebrated their differences. He knew that they would all go back to their own homes, but he also knew that they would always remember the fun they had.



THE END

