

CHAPTER 1

THE 52-STOREY TREEHOUSE



Hi, my name is Andy.

This is my friend Terry.



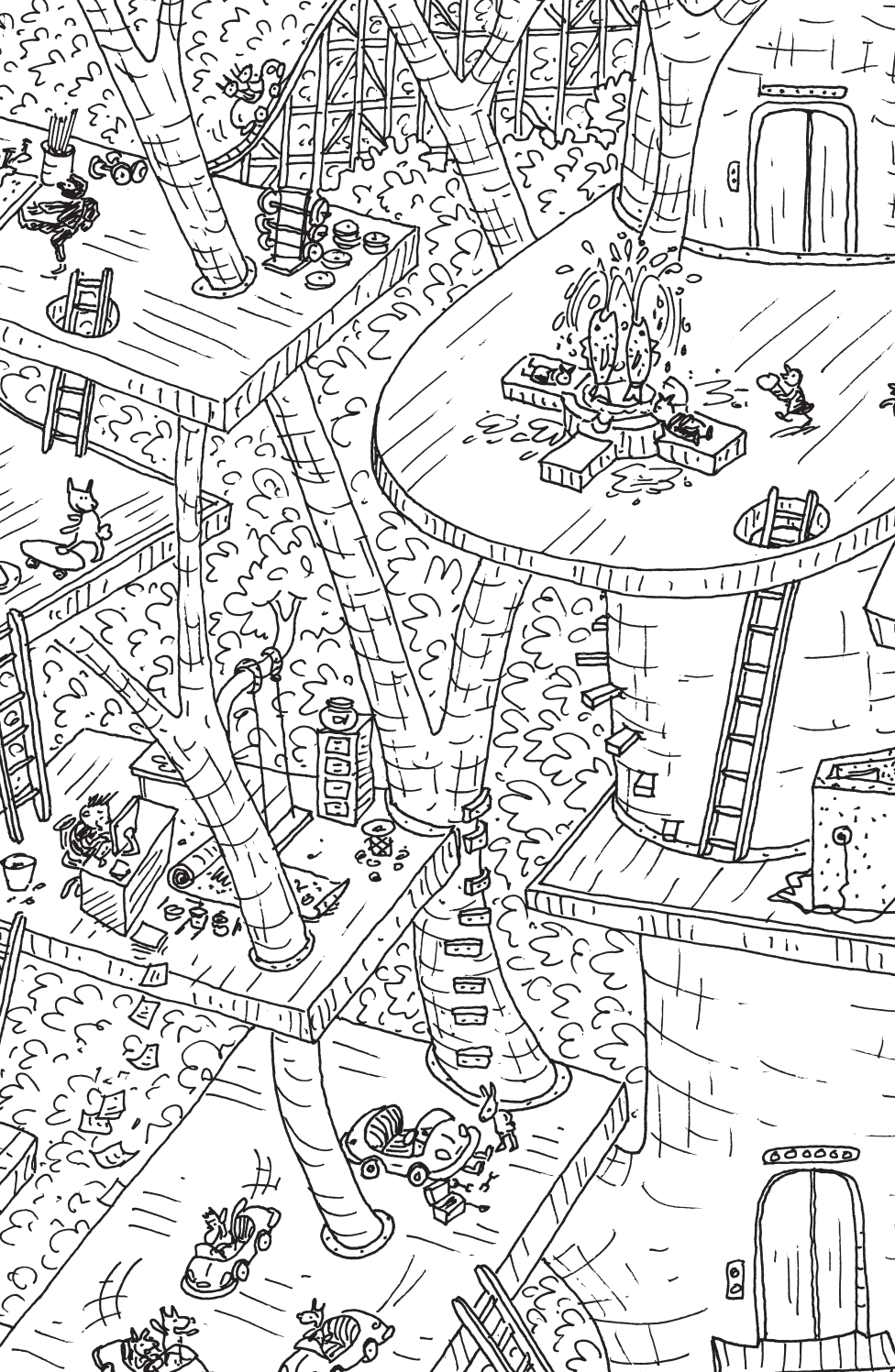
We live in a tree.

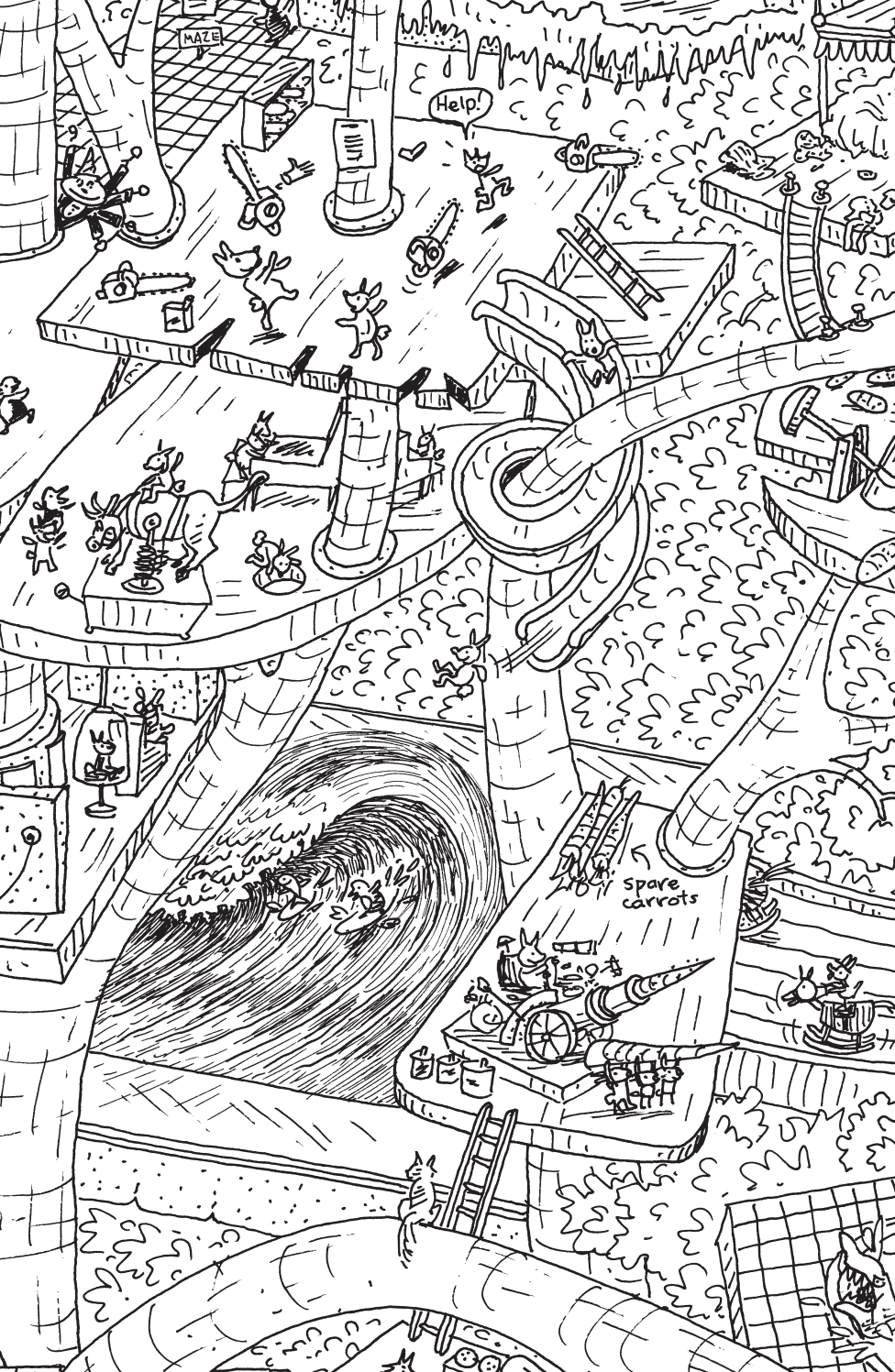


Well, when I say ‘tree’, I mean treehouse. And when I say ‘treehouse’, I don’t just mean any old treehouse—I mean a 52-*storey* treehouse! (It used to be a 39-storey treehouse, but we’ve added another 13 storeys.)

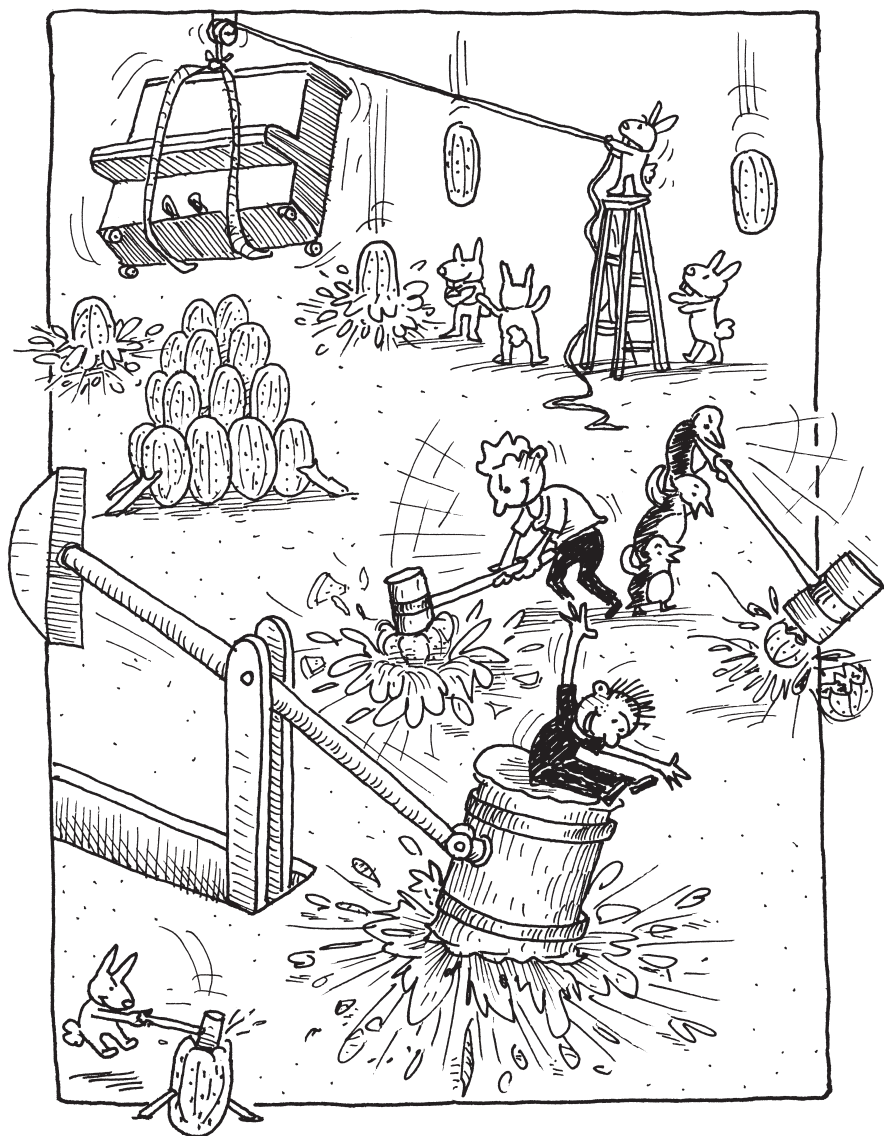
So what are you waiting for?
Come on up!



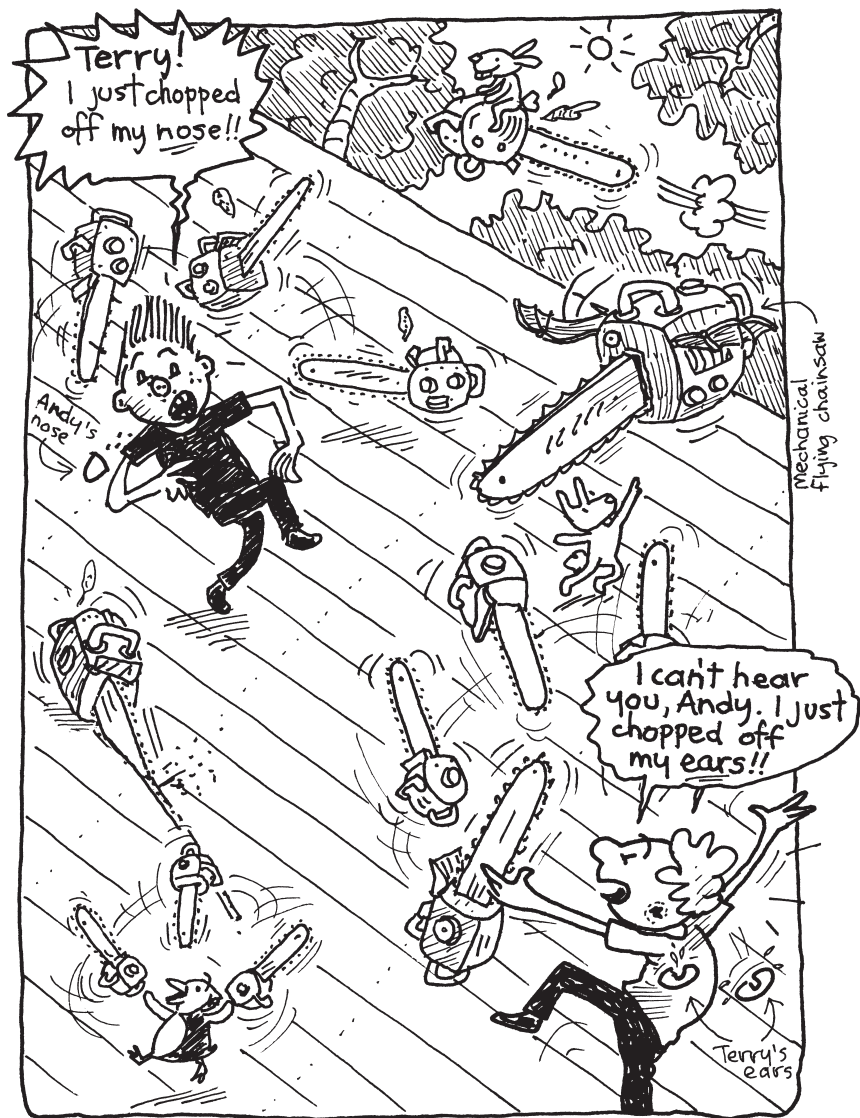




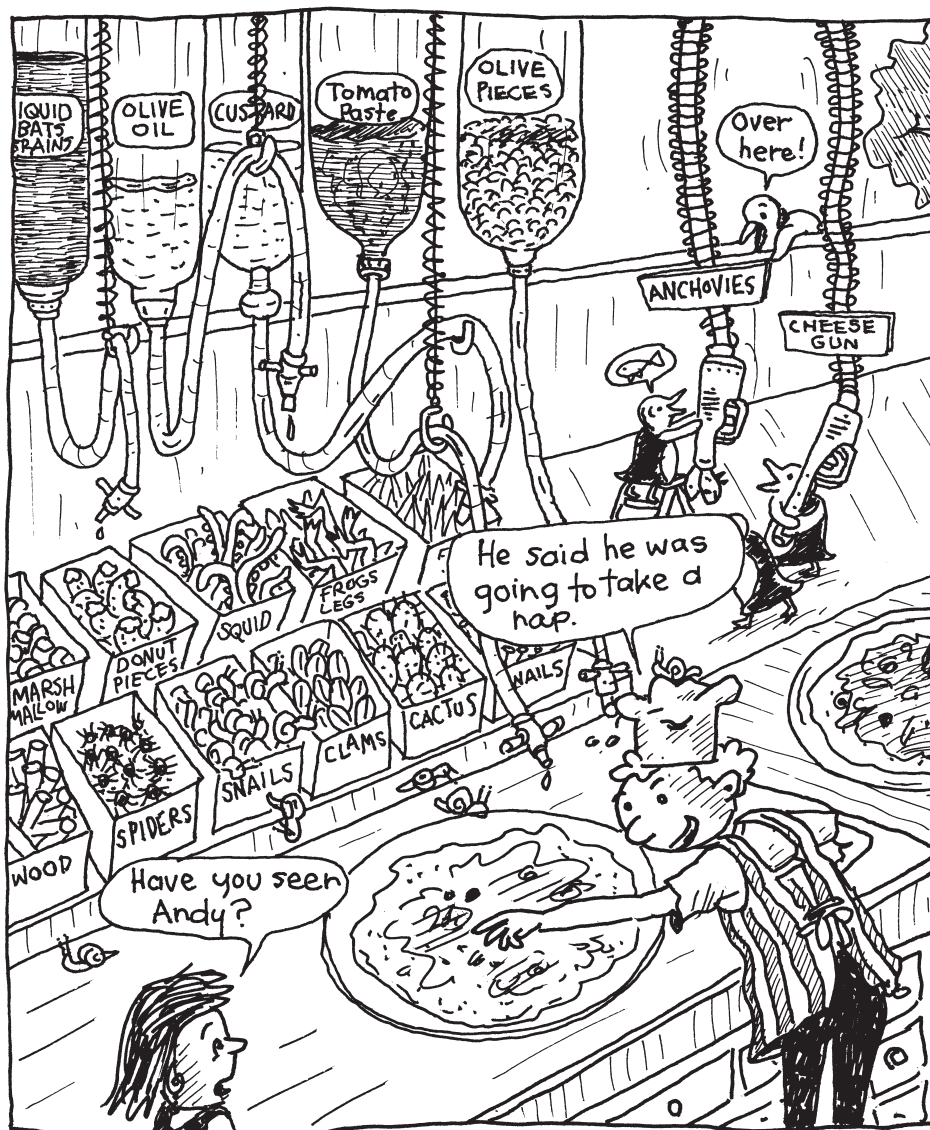
We've added a watermelon-smashing room,

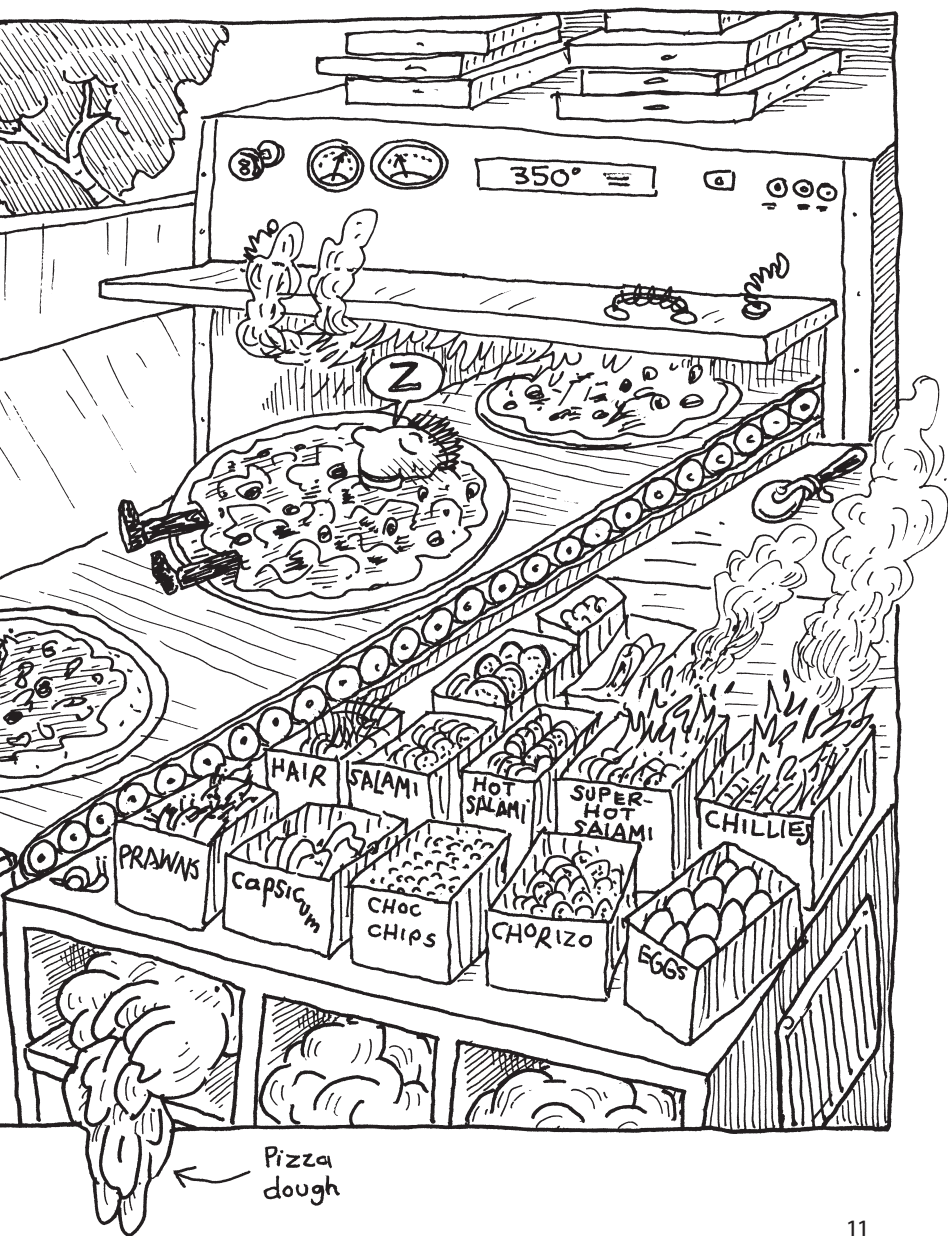


a chainsaw-juggling level,

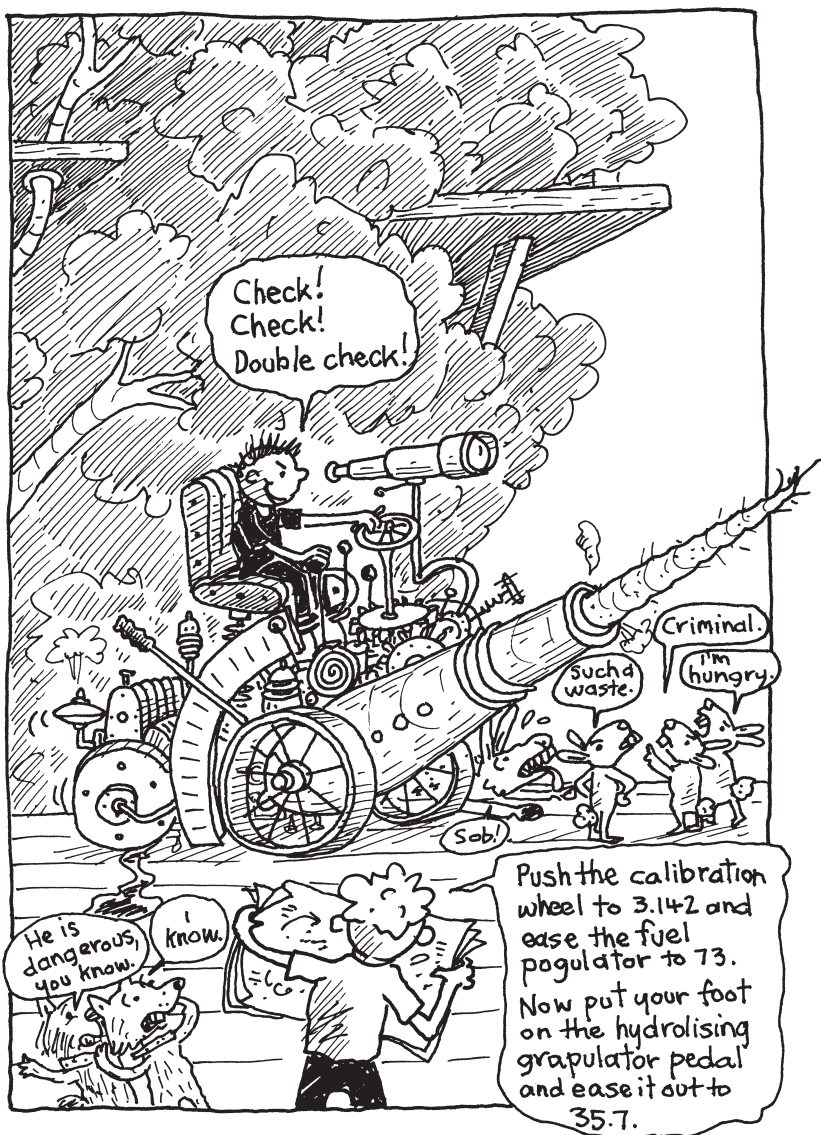


a make-your-own-pizza parlour,

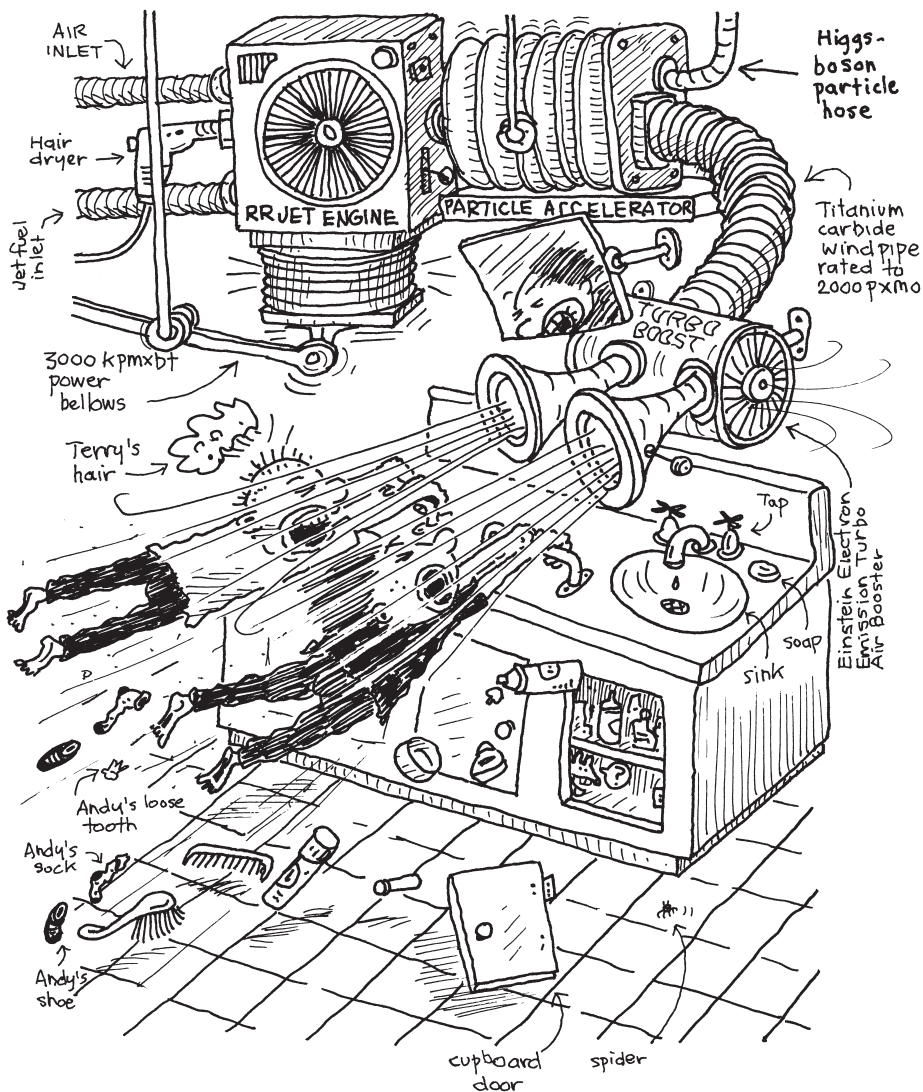




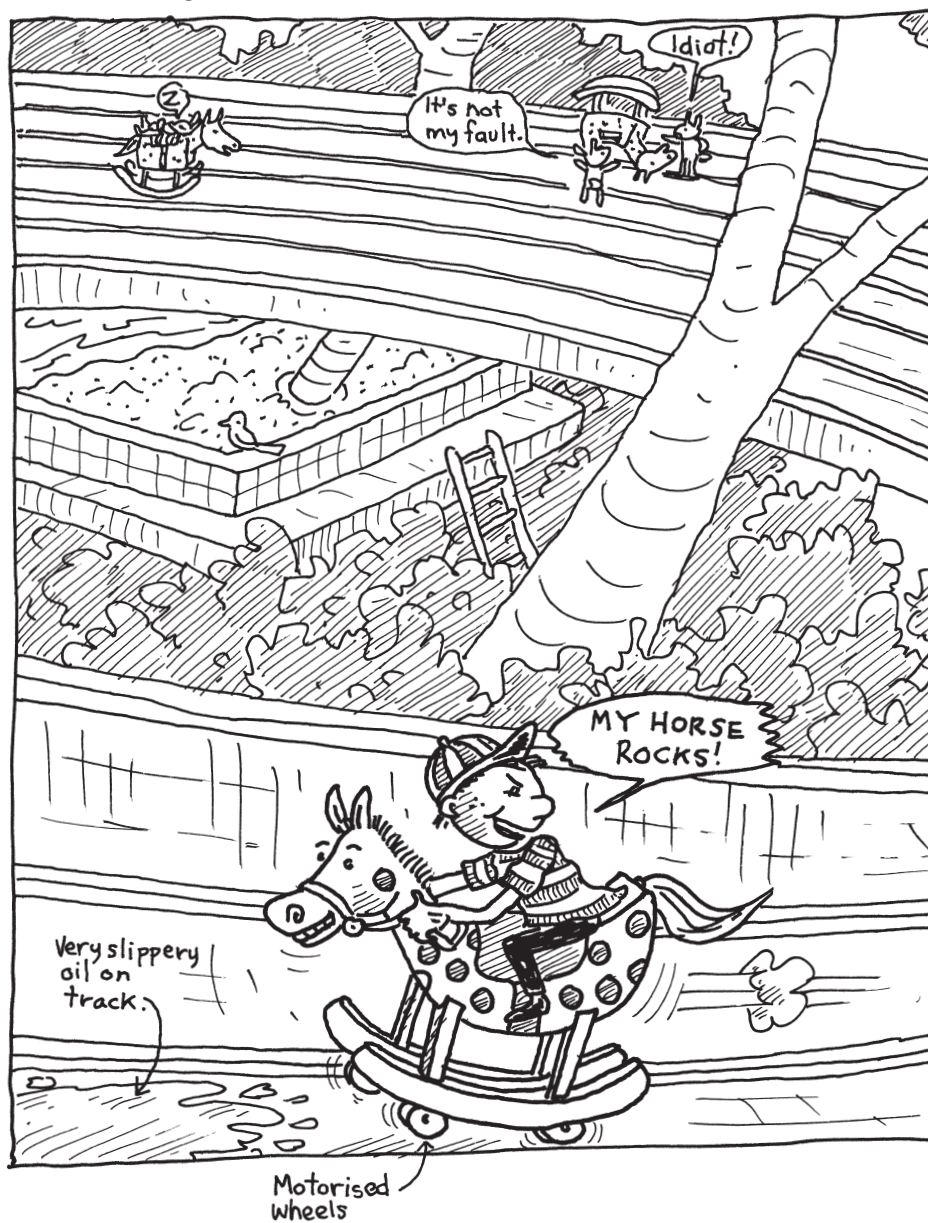
a rocket-powered carrot-launcher,

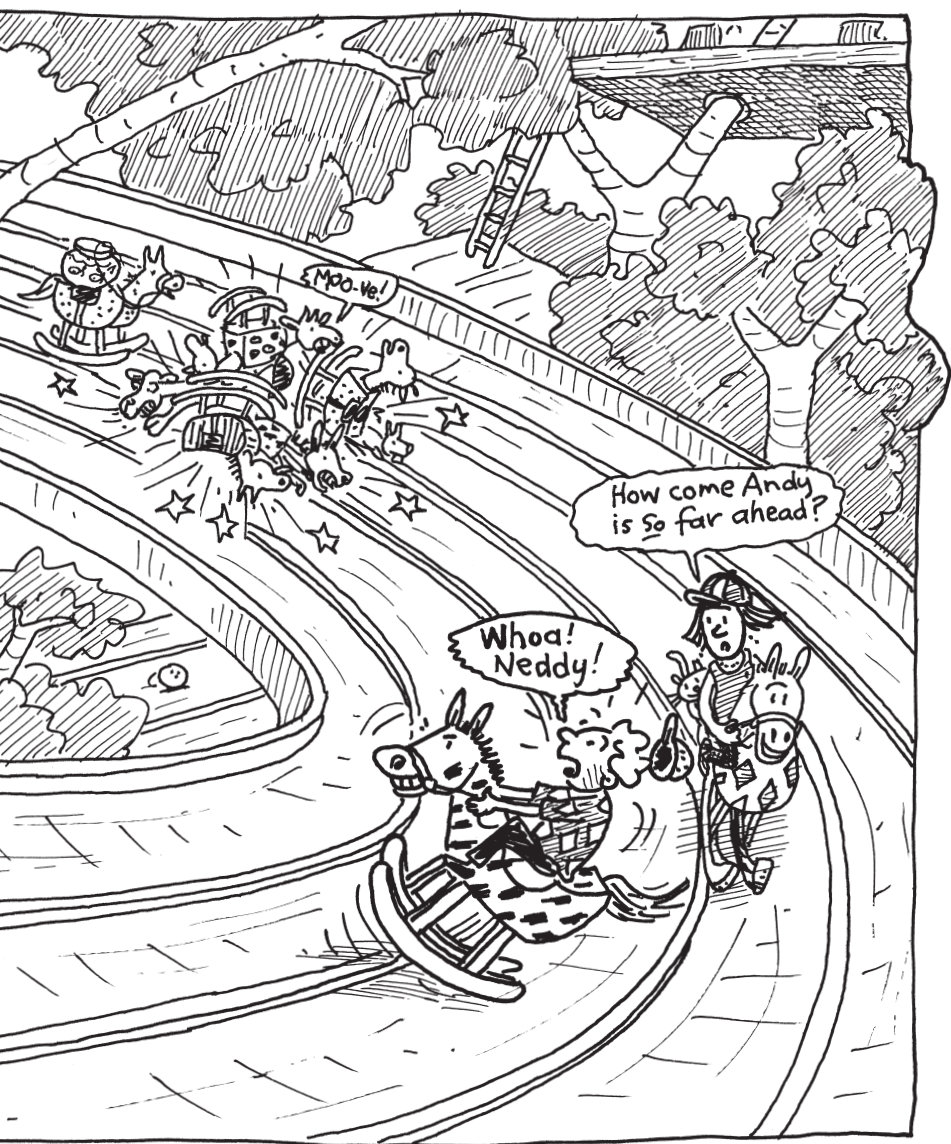


a giant hairdryer that is so strong it practically blasts the hair right off your head,



a rocking horse racetrack,





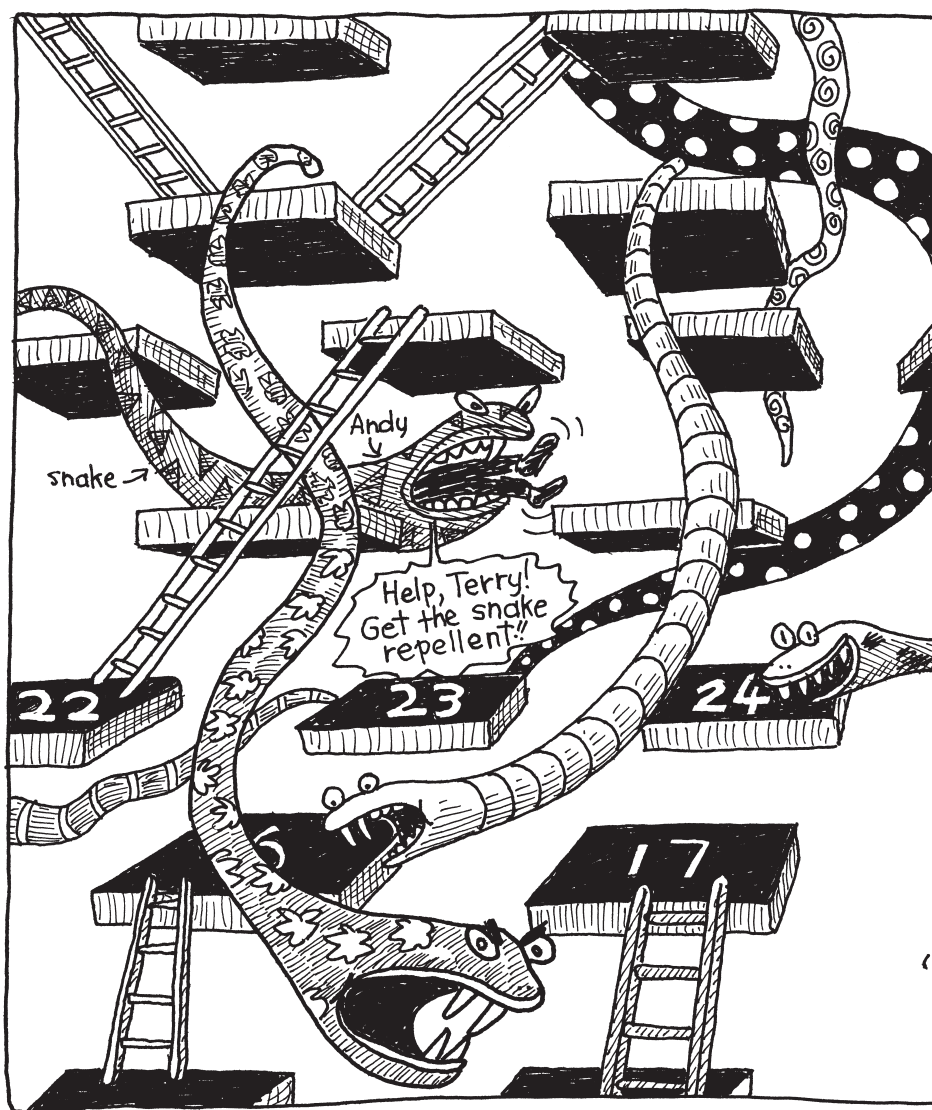
a haunted house,

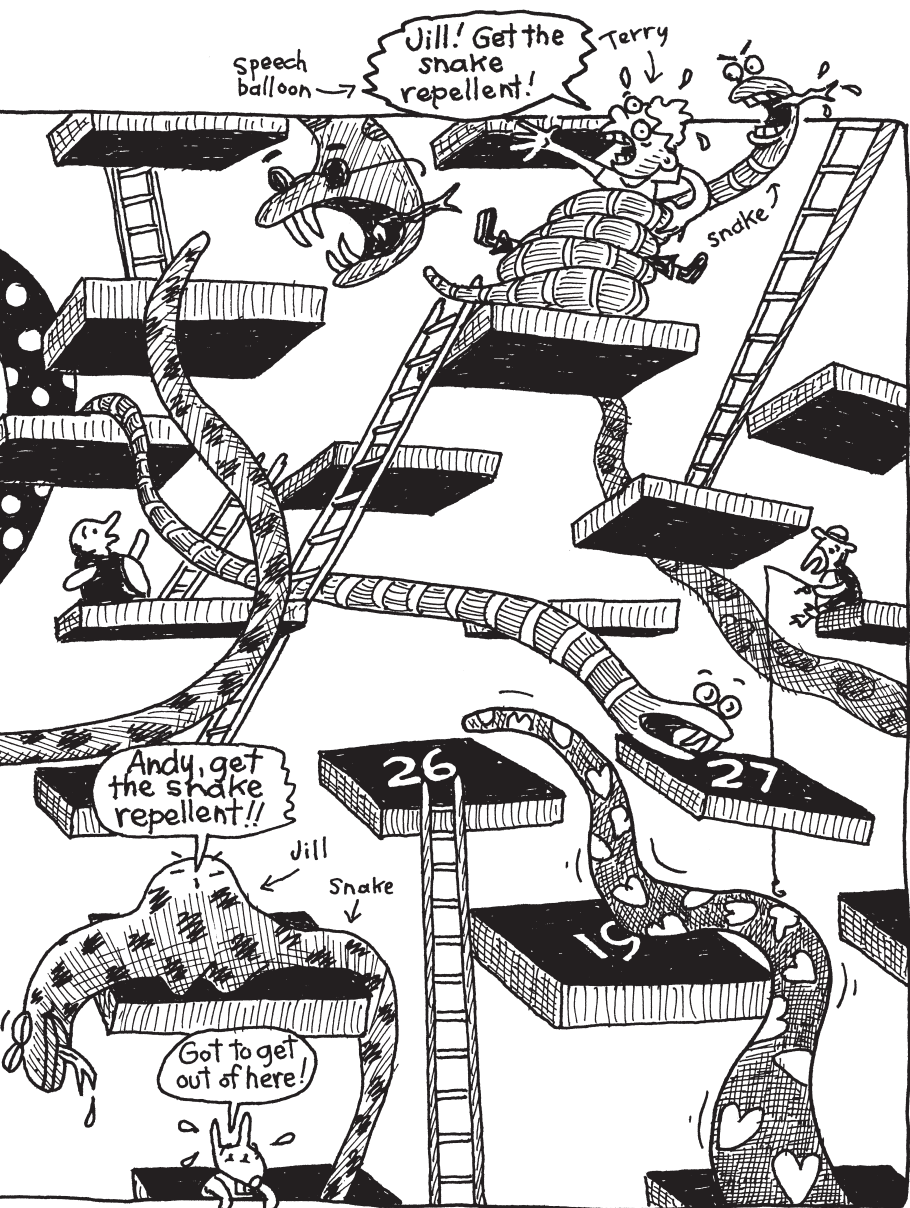


a wave machine,

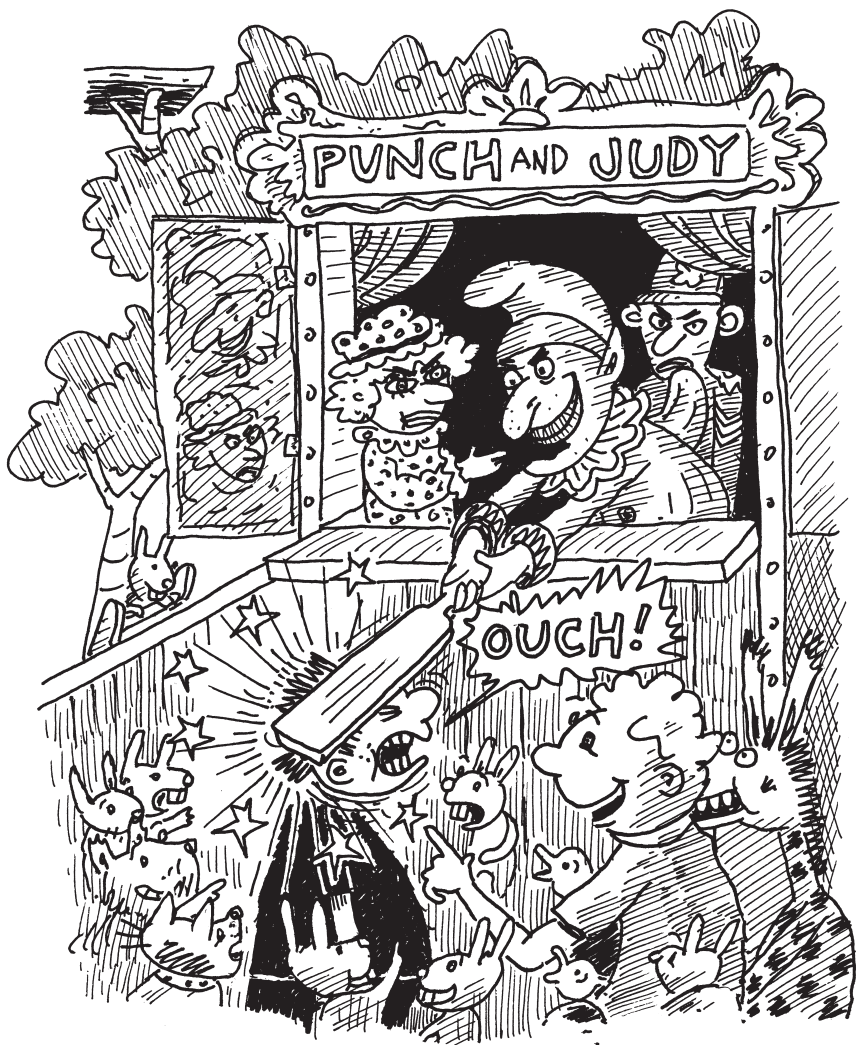


a life-size snakes and ladders game—
with *real* ladders and *real* snakes,

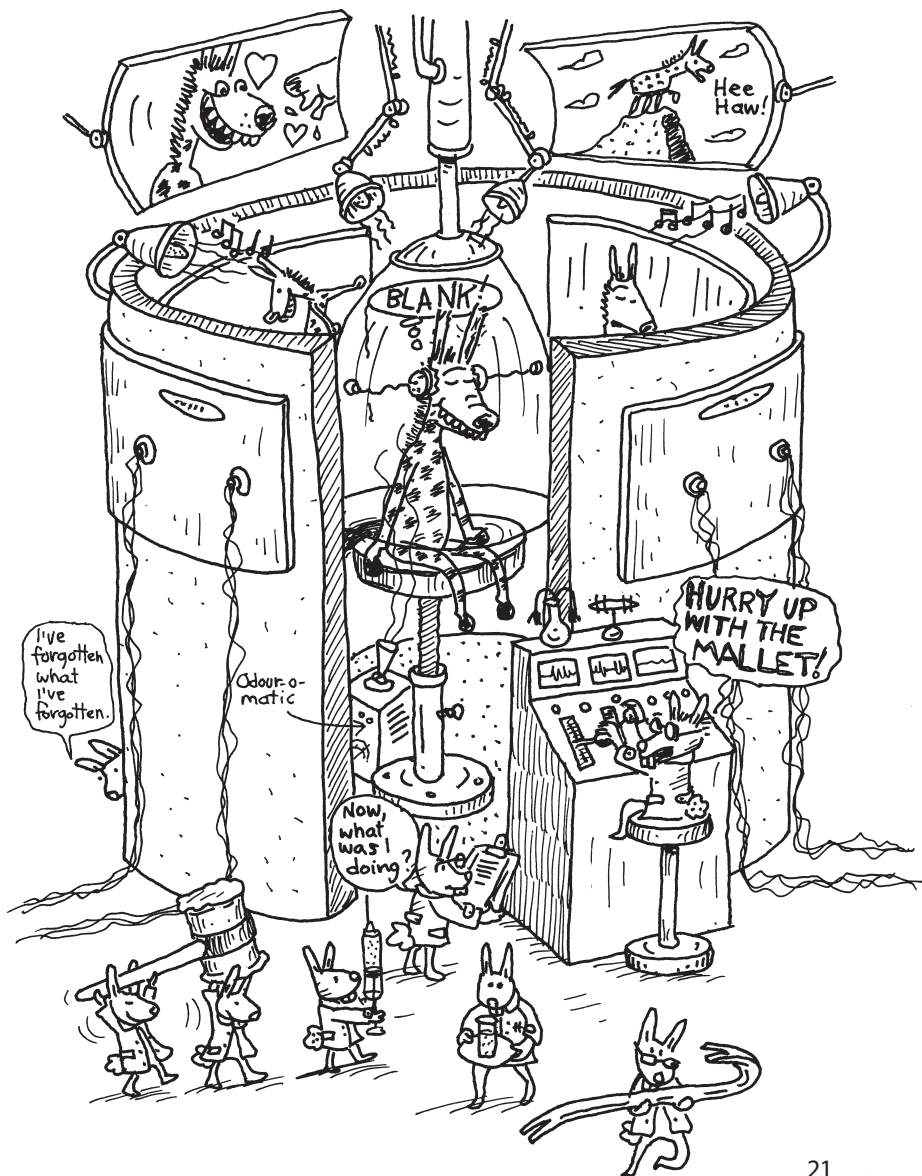




a 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week, non-stop Punch and Judy puppet show,

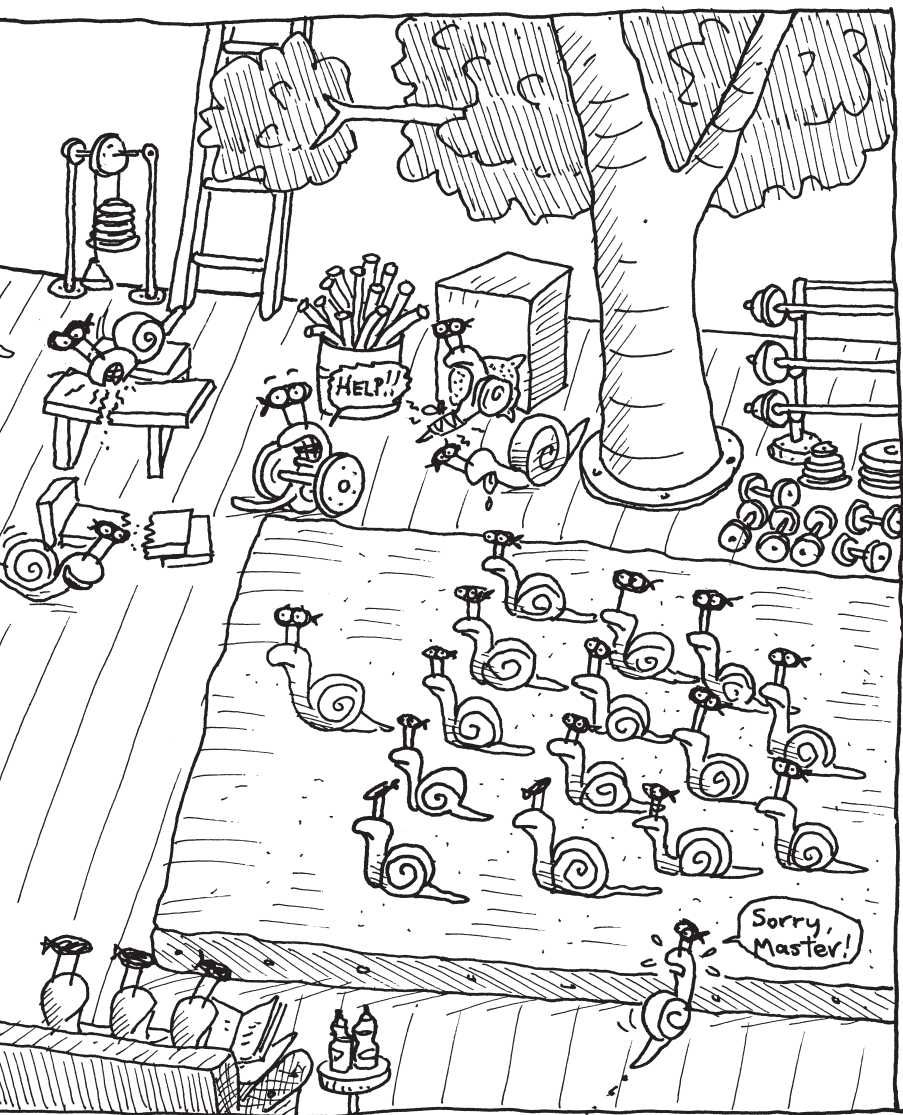


a remembering booth to help us remember important stuff we might have forgotten,

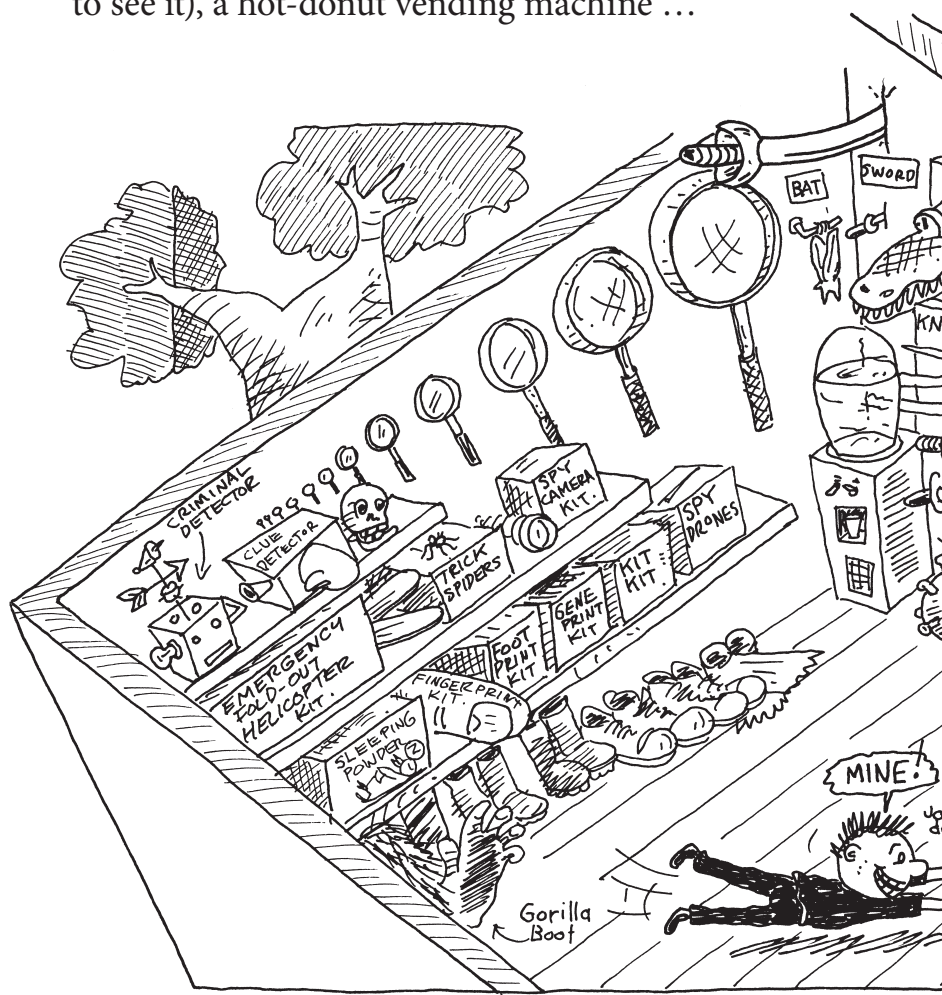


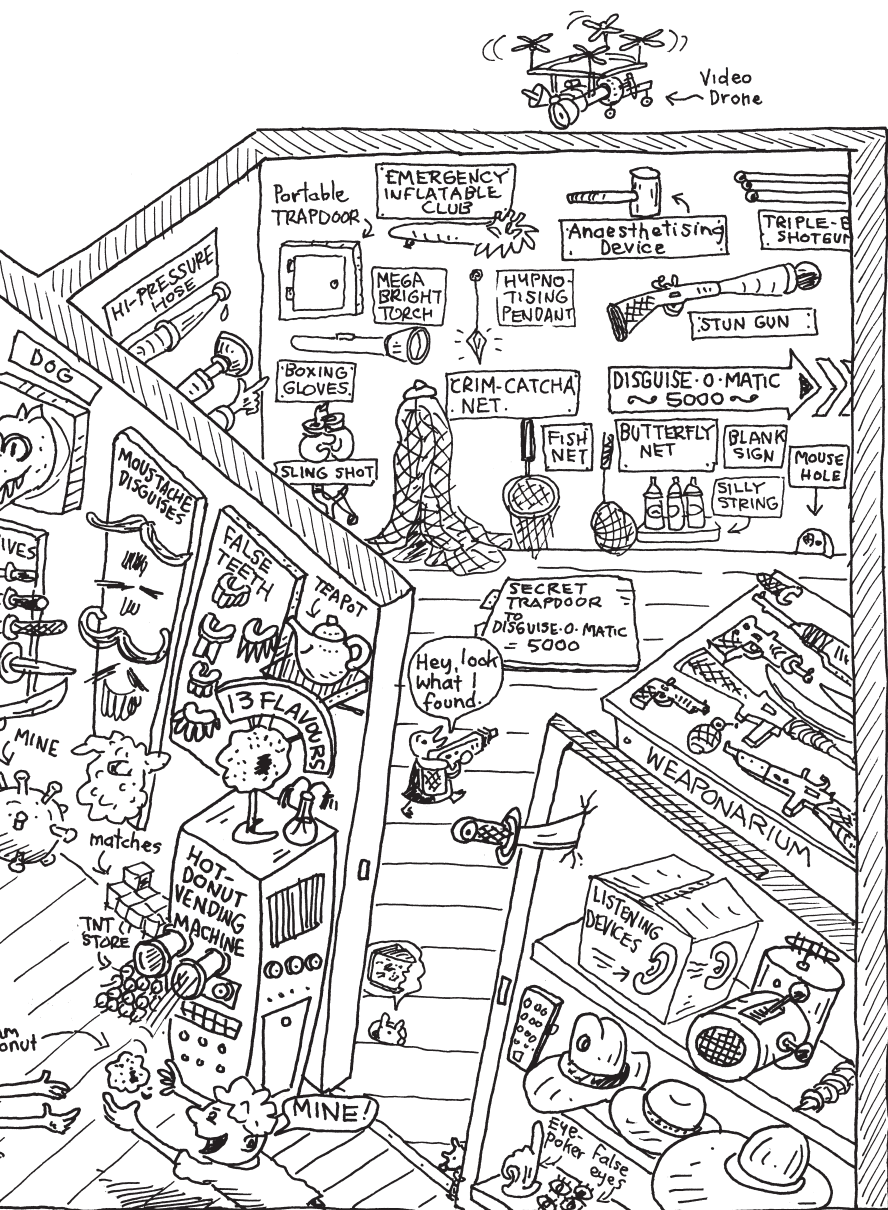
a Ninja Snail Training Academy
(Terry's idea, *not* mine),





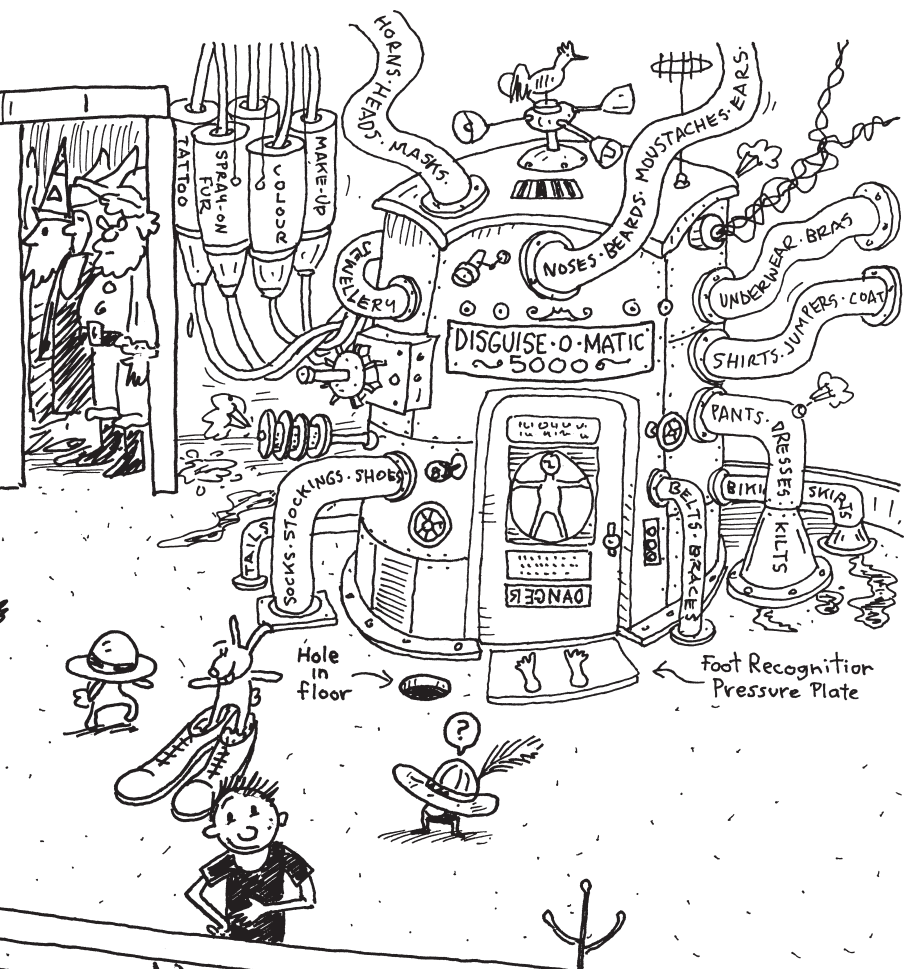
and a high-tech detective agency, which has all the latest high-tech detective technology, like a complete set of magnifying glasses (including one so small that you need another magnifying glass to see it), a hot-donut vending machine ...



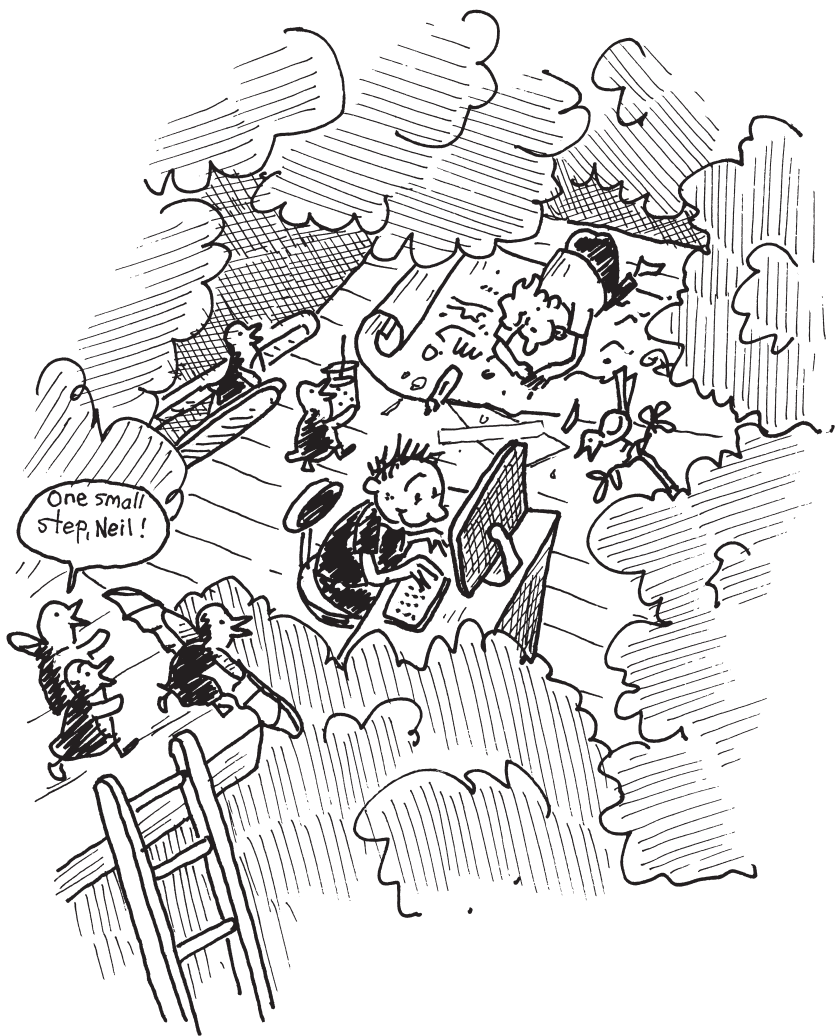


and a Disguise-o-matic 5000, which has a disguise for every occasion!





As well as being our home, the treehouse is also where we make books together. I write the words and Terry draws the pictures.



As you can see, we've been doing this for quite a while now.



Life in the treehouse isn't always easy, of course,



but one thing is for sure ...



it's never dull!

