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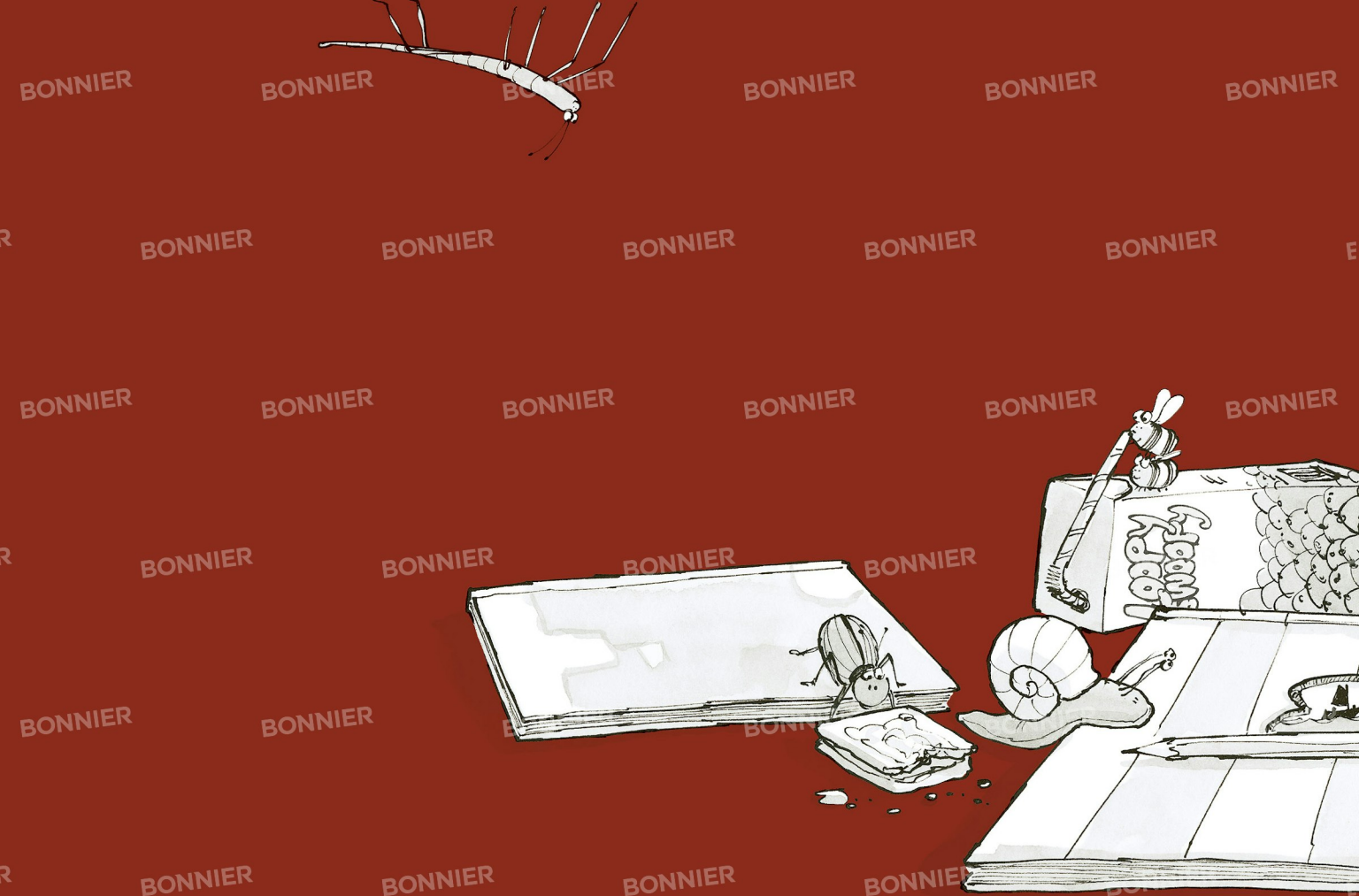
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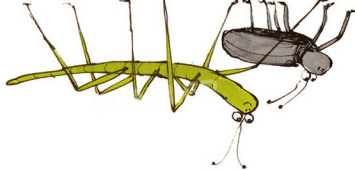




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When I woke up
this morning, I was excited –
we were off to the beach!





I said, "Grandad, we can go rock-pooling,



and build the best sandcastle in the world!

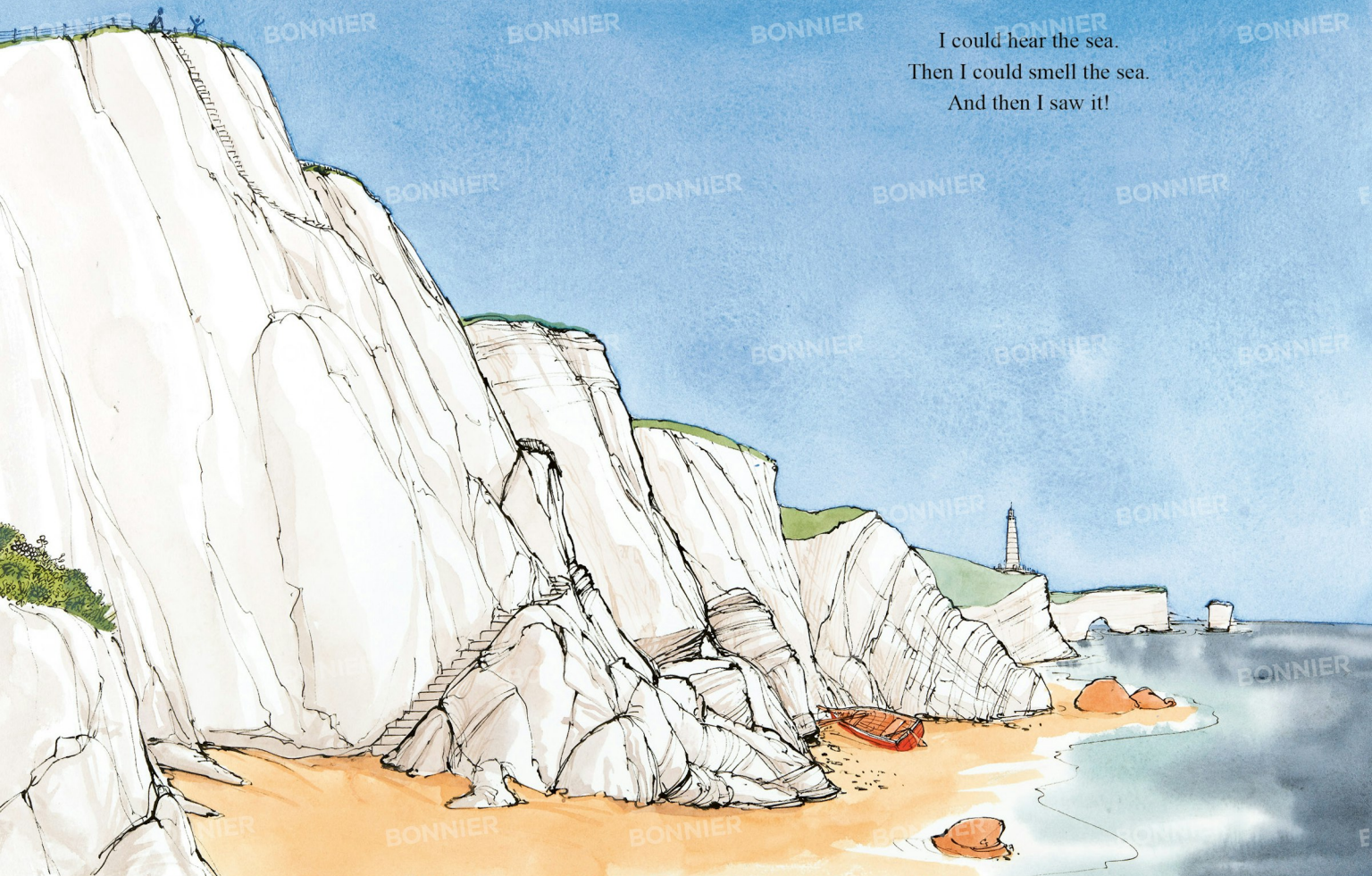


And have an ice cream.
And swim in the sea.
And find pirate treasure."



Soon we were ready to go.

I could hear the sea.
Then I could smell the sea.
And then I saw it!

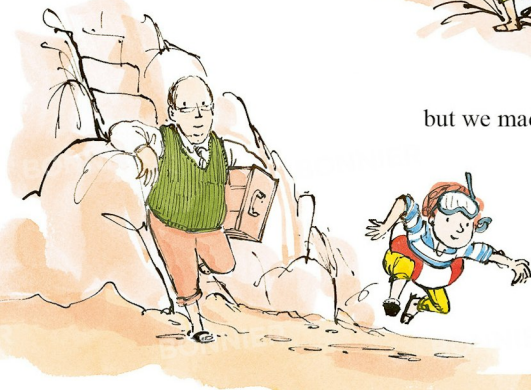




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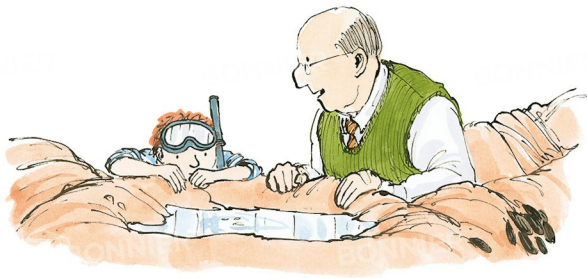


but we made it.



We found the perfect spot and set up base.





First we looked for some sea creatures –



Then we started construction . . .



and I found one!

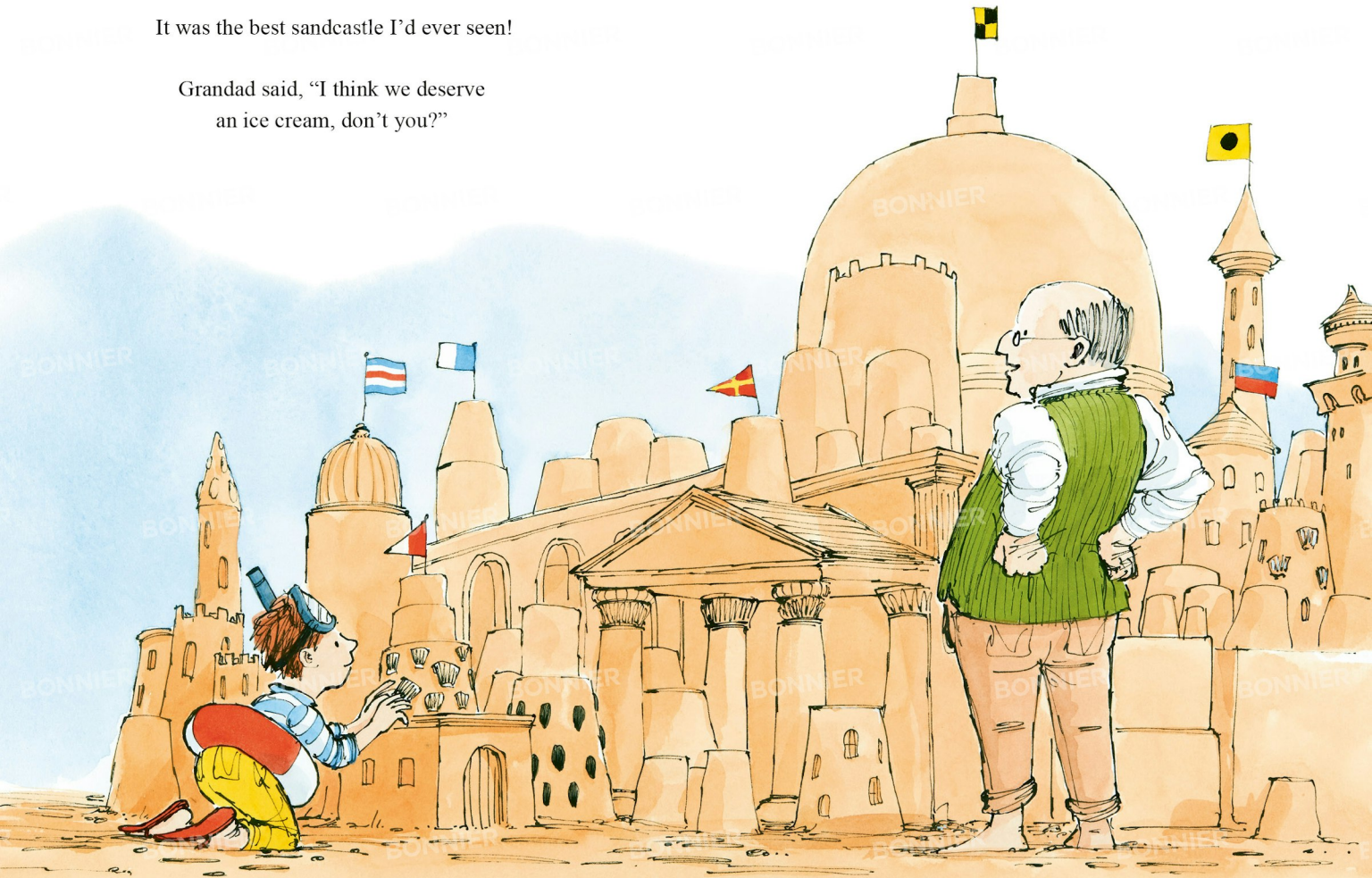


We built for hours.



It was the best sandcastle I'd ever seen!

Grandad said, "I think we deserve
an ice cream, don't you?"



It was the best I'd ever eaten.



“Time to get changed for our swim,” Grandad said.



But then we heard something.



“Grandad! It’s a baby seal – and it’s all tangled up!
We have to help it!”





We had to take the seal home.

So we untangled the netting



and borrowed a boat.



The sky got darker
and the waves got bigger.





“Hold tight!” said Grandad.



“Land ahoy!” I shouted.



“Check the rigging!”



“Ropes at the ready!”



“There’s mum and dad!” said Grandad.

“We did it!” I said.



And at last we got to have our swim.



We explored the shipwreck and the seals
showed us their pirate treasure.

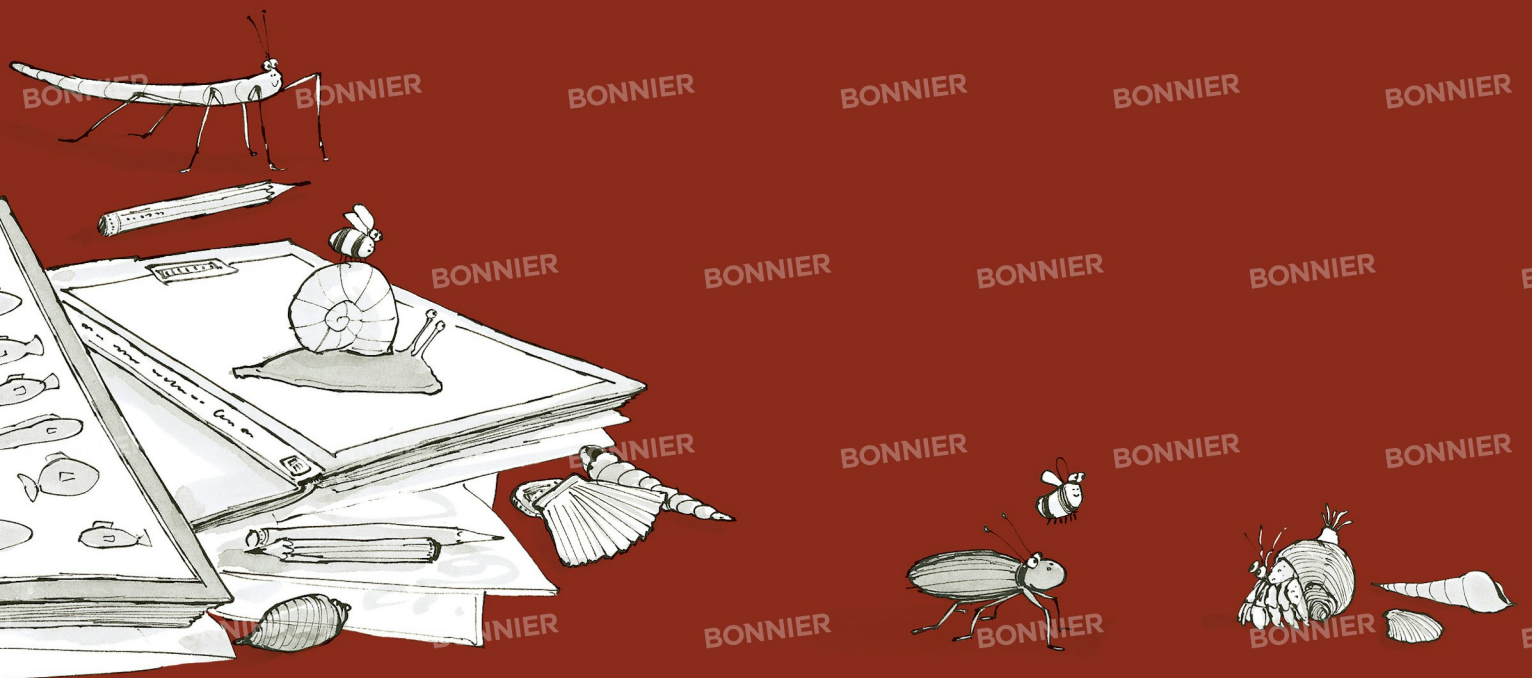


Then we set sail for home.

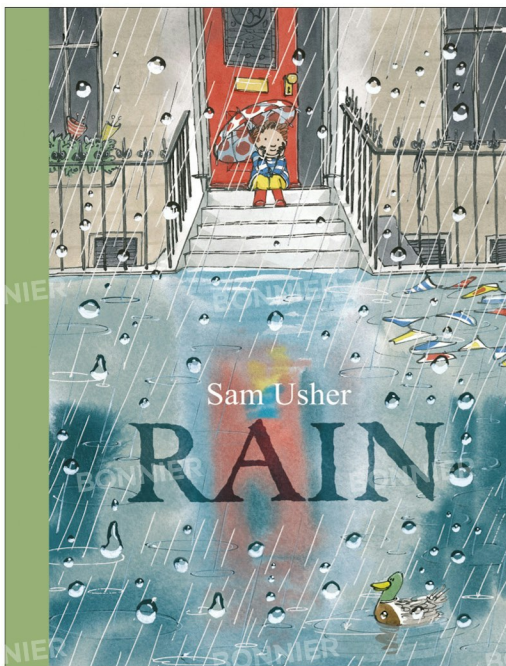




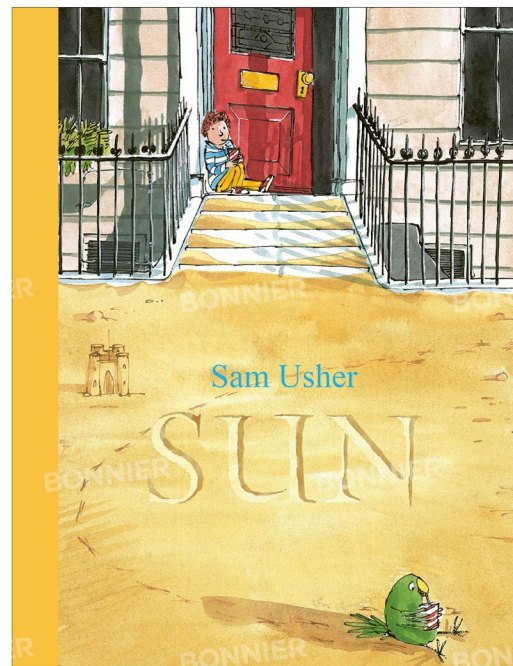
When we got back,
Grandad said,
“What a day!
You never know
what you’re going
to find at the beach!”
And I said, “It was
brilliant – can we go
again tomorrow?”



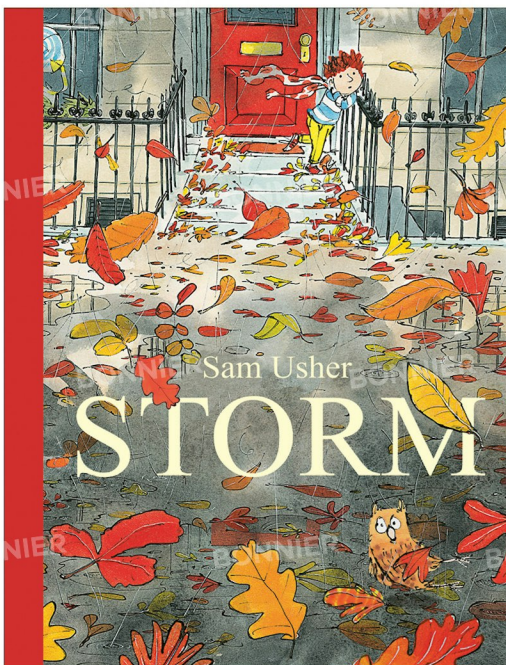
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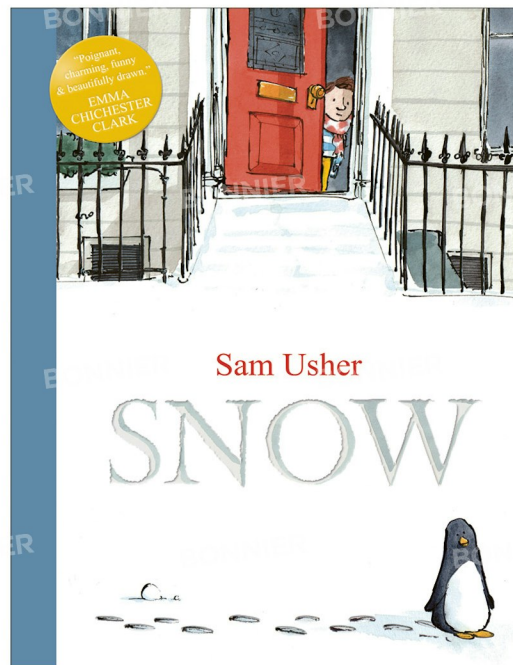
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