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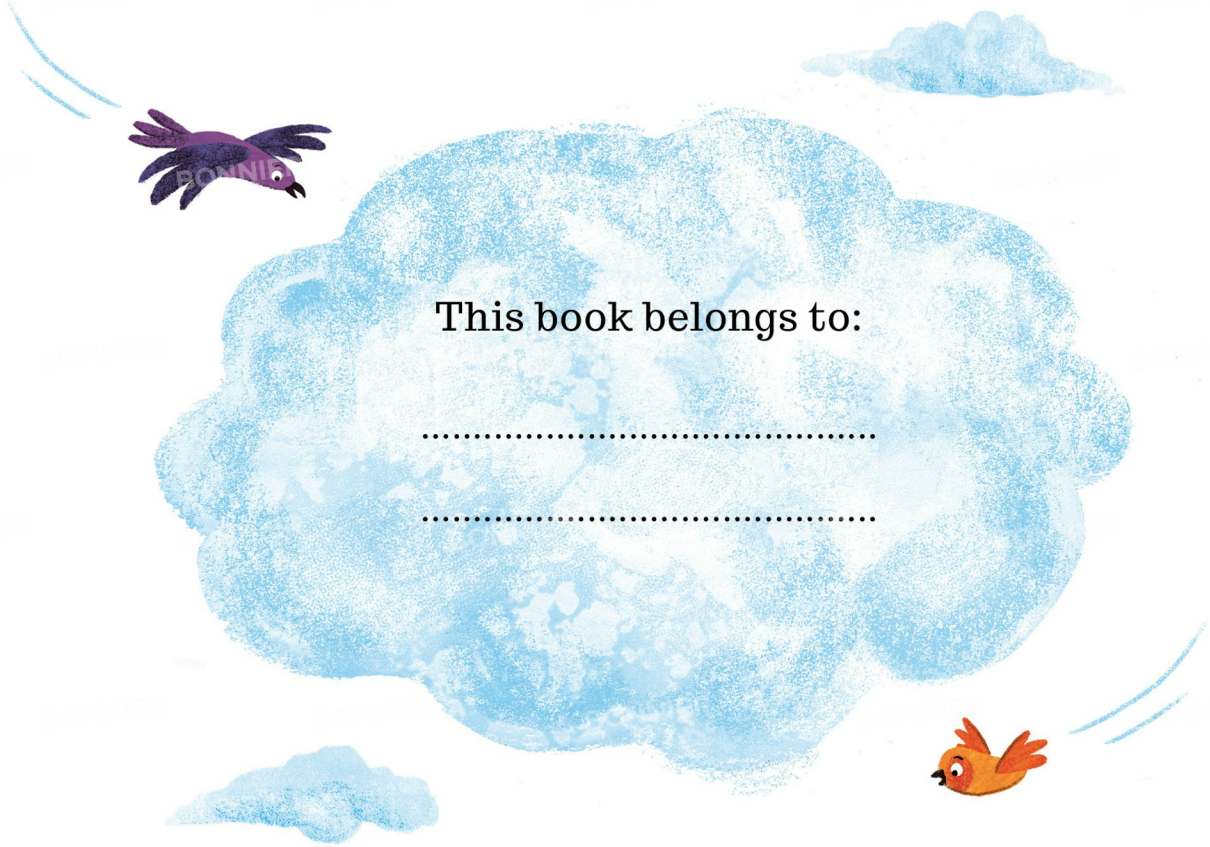

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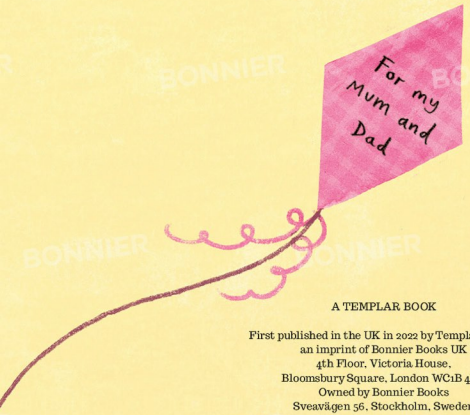

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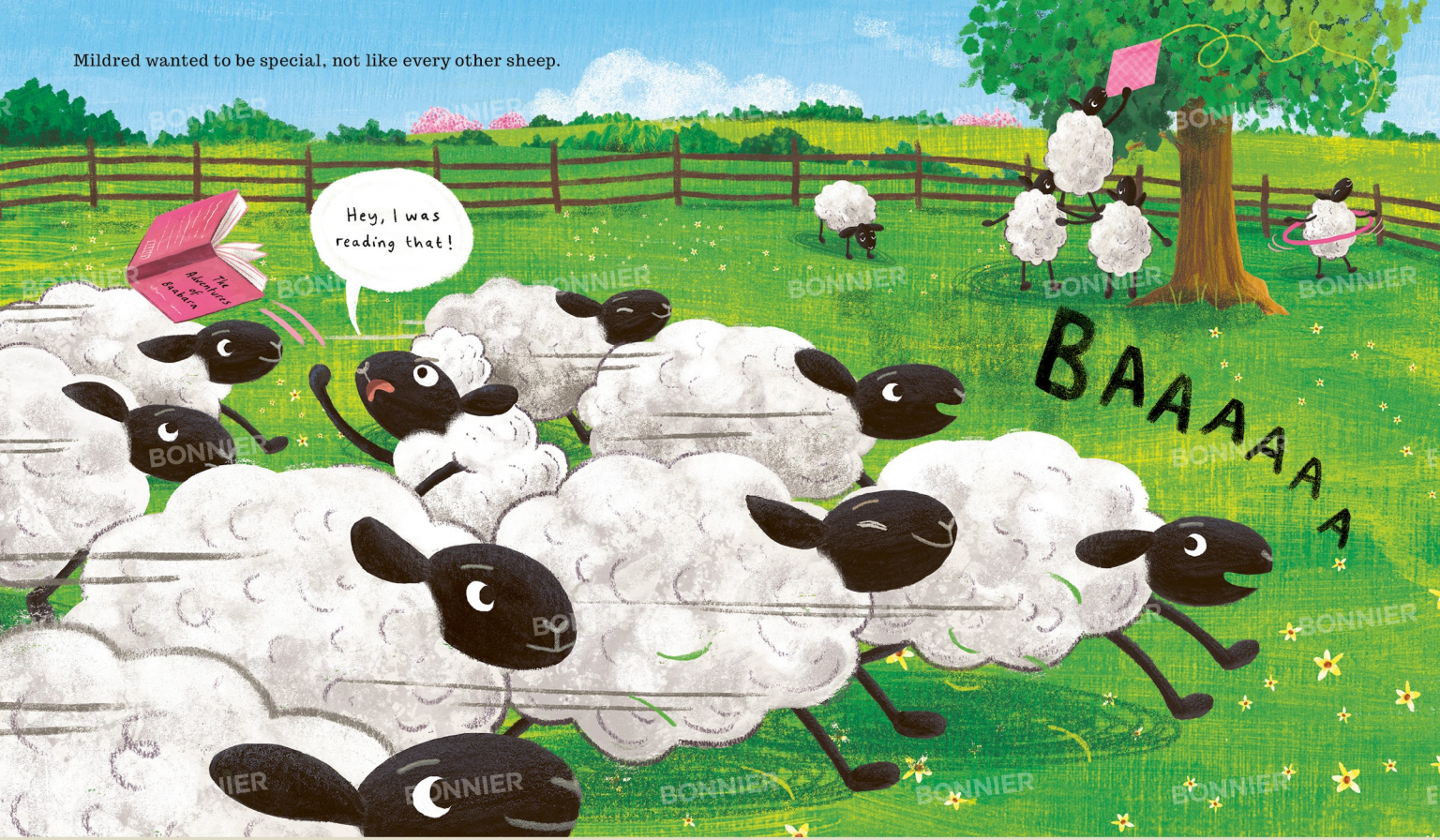

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... but she was never different for long.

"*Looking* different isn't enough," thought Mildred.
"They'll all just copy me."

"I need to do something special. Something no other sheep can do."

"I need to be more like..."

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"I am magnificent, aren't I?" said the horse. "And I'm the fastest runner around."

"Perhaps I could be as fast as a horse!" thought Mildred.

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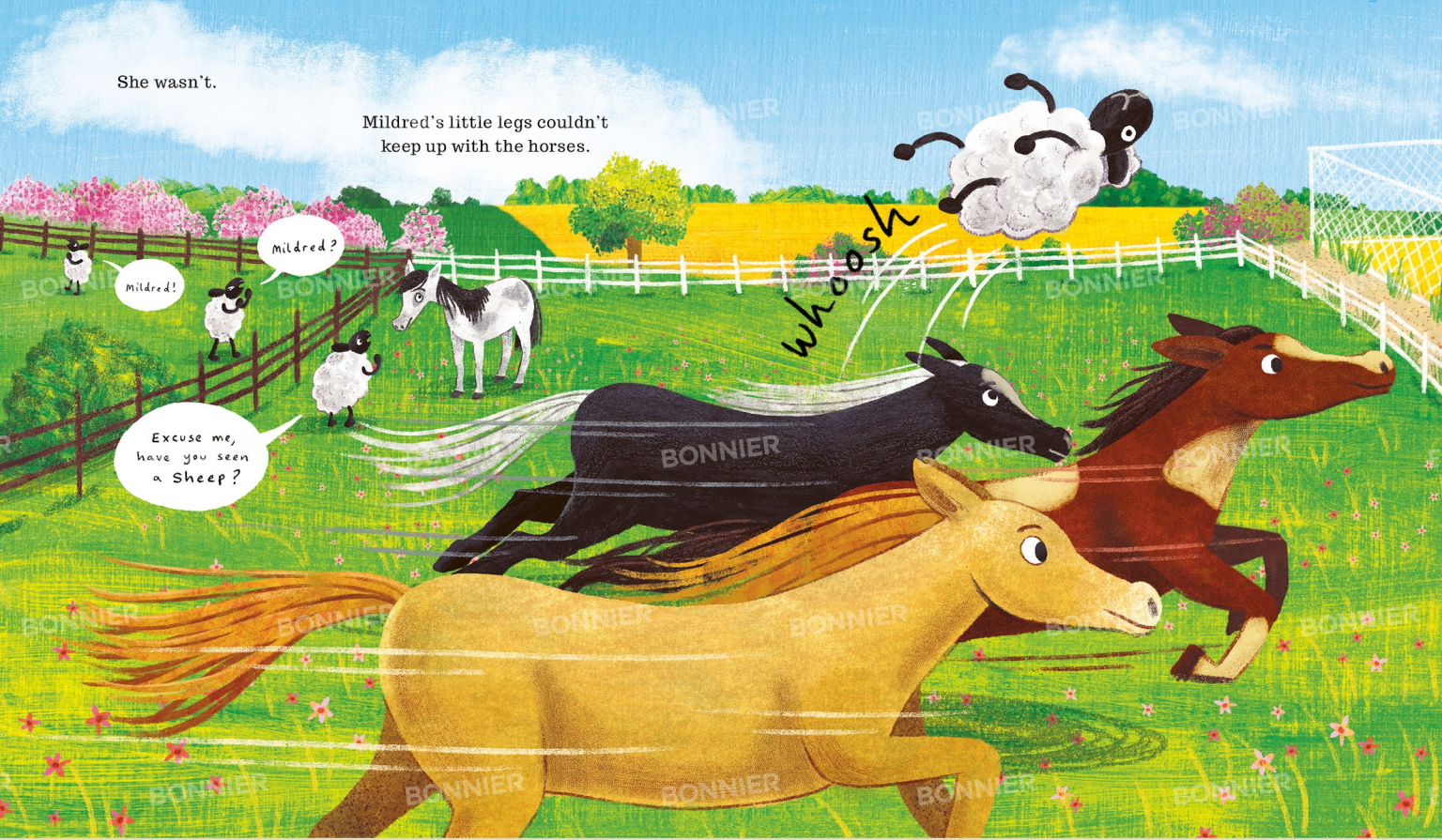

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She landed on the other side of the fence with a...

Splat!

Here, Mildred found another magnificent creature.

"What are you?" she asked.

"We are chickens. And we lay the most beautiful eggs!"

"I'm going to be the first sheep to lay an egg," decided Mildred.

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Mildred tried her hardest.

But what she laid was definitely NOT an egg.

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Mildred tried many things.

She tried learning how to dig,

how to be flexible,

how to swim,

and how to fly.

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All of these skills would have made Mildred stand out from her flock. But she wasn't good at *any* of them.

Just when she was about to give up, Mildred saw the most *magnificent* creature of them all.

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"How do I be more like you?" asked Mildred.

Ms Wolf turned and said, "Why, don't you know? We wolves love dinner parties. I'm hosting one tonight, and I'd *love* to have you."

A sheep, dining with wolves! That would make Mildred special indeed.

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"Where are the other guests?" asked Mildred,
as they arrived at Ms Wolf's house.

"What do wolves eat?" asked Mildred.

"Oh, they'll be here later," said Ms Wolf.
"Put this parsley behind your ear. It's very fashionable."

"Dinner will be a surprise," said Ms Wolf.
"Now rub this butter... I mean moisturiser... all over you.
It will make you silky smooth, just like me."

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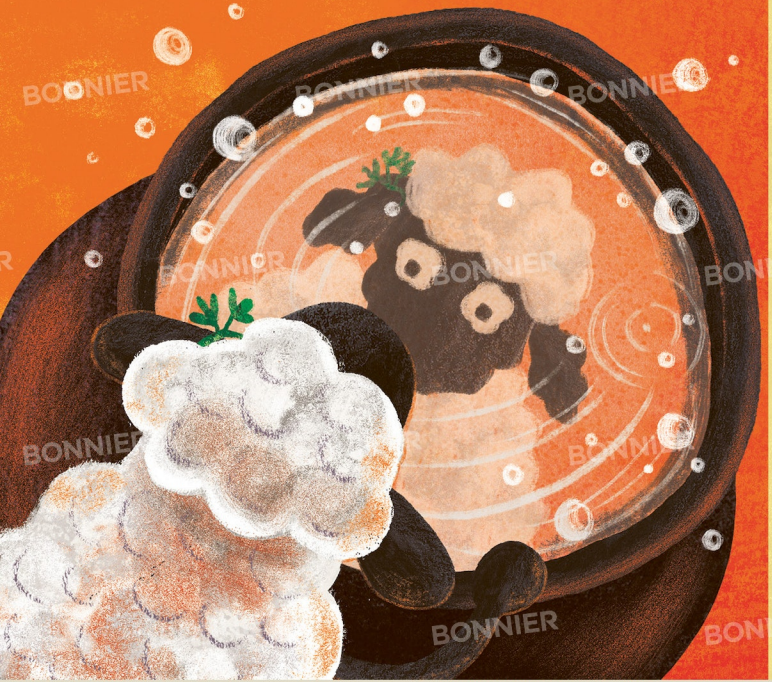
"What's this bubbling pot for?" said Mildred.
"That's the jacuzzi," said Ms Wolf.
"Wolves always have a nice warm dip before a big meal."



"And as my guest, I *insist* you go first."

"I... I don't think I want to be like you anymore," said Mildred.

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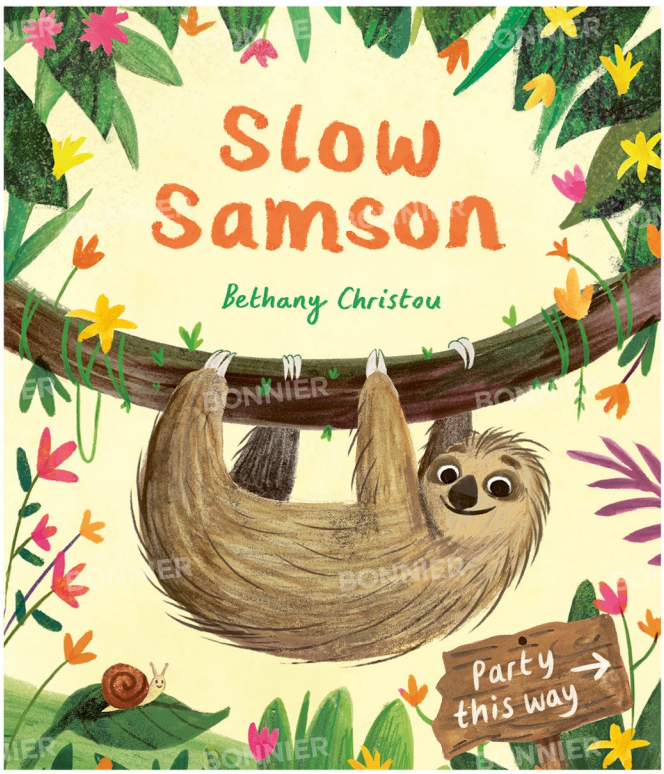

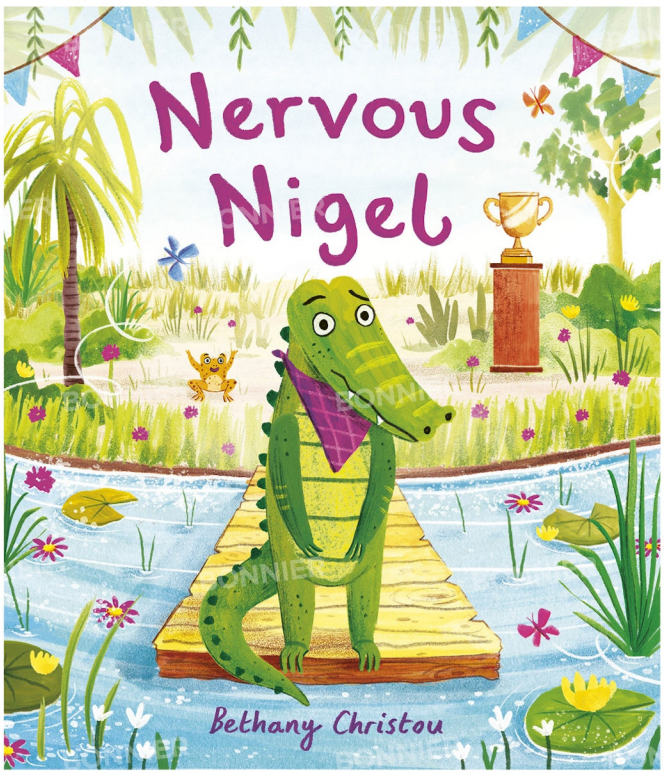

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