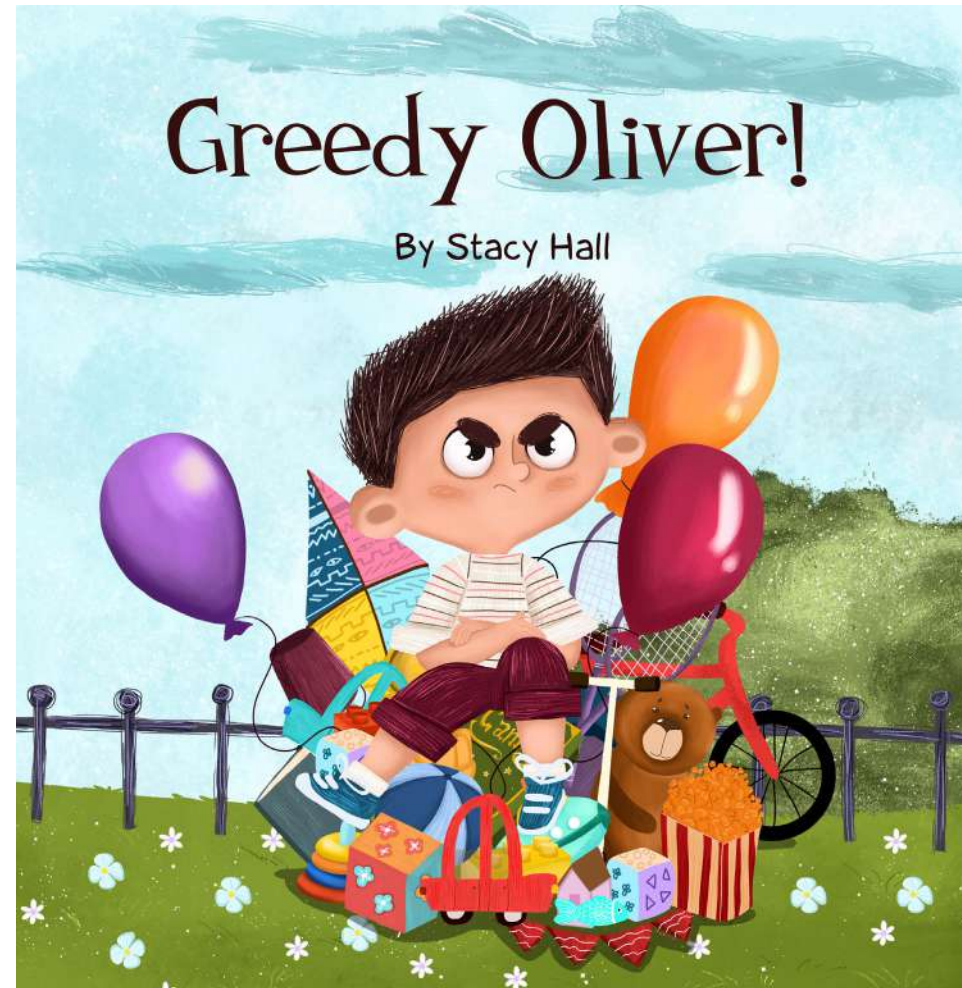


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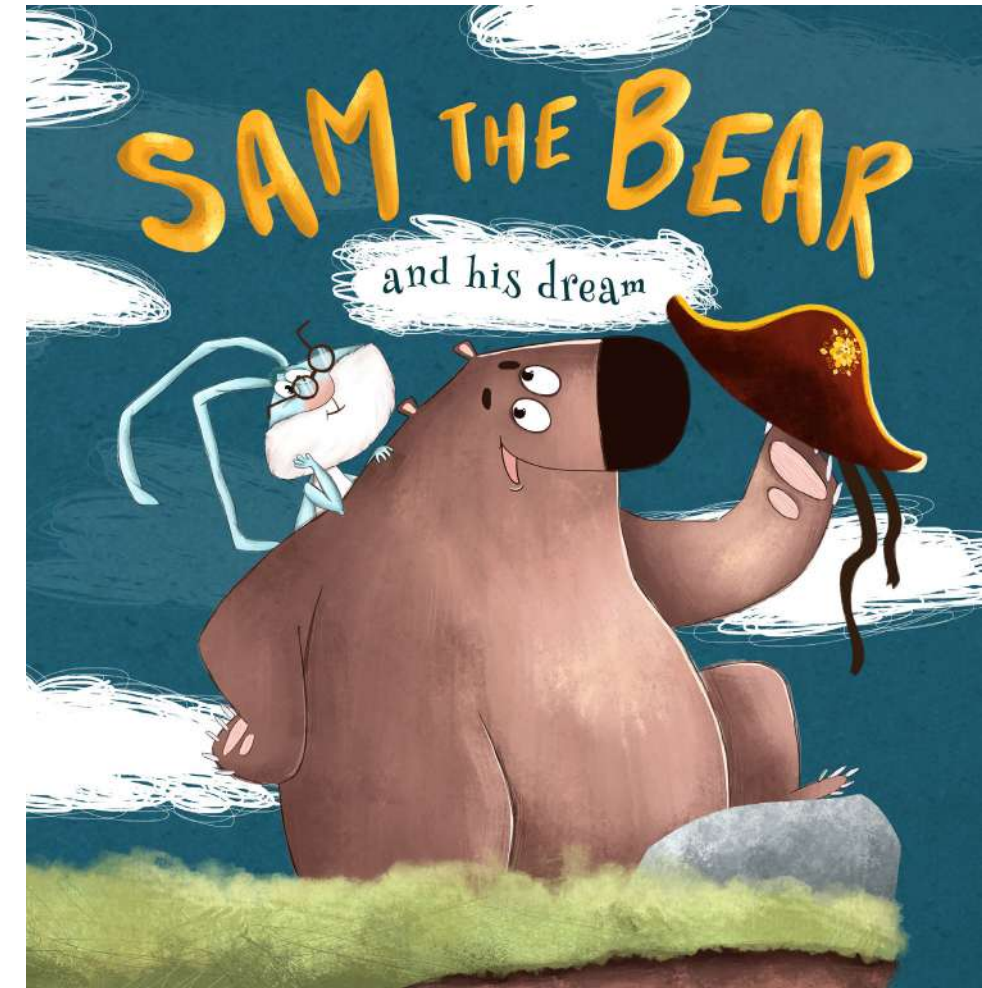
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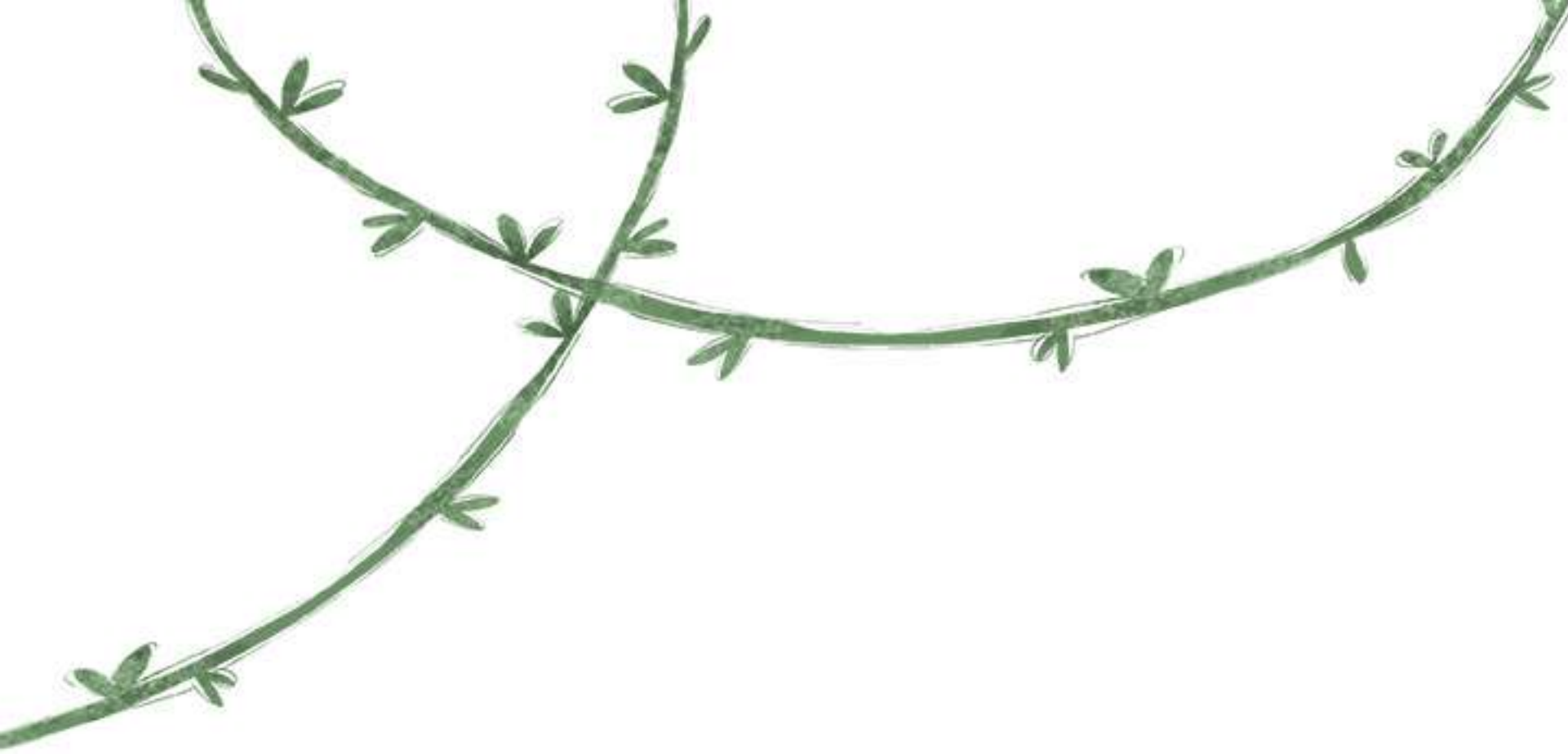


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«I will not give my stuffed monkey Patrick to anyone. He's mine! Let the kids play with their own toys. Why should I have to share?» Oliver said to his mother.

«Oliver, you can't be greedy. Other kids don't have a friend like Patrick. They'll play with him and give him back. No one will take your toy for good,» his mother told him.

«If you don't share, then no one will want to play with you. Then, you will be left alone.»

«Well, I don't care!» Oliver shouted.



At first, Oliver liked to play by himself. But then he saw the other kids having fun on the playground. He was sad.



They were building sandcastles in the large sandbox.



Laughing and climbing trees.



Playing a ball game.

But Oliver didn't want to tell anyone he made a mistake. So, he played all day alone.

Before going to bed, his mother asked him,
«Oliver, how are you? You haven't said anything all night.»
«Mom, I'm very sad. The children on the playground always
played with me before. Today, they didn't.

Even Patrick was not as happy as usual.»

«Oliver, you hurt those kids when you didn't share.

It's not nice when friends are greedy. No one
will play with friends like that.»

«Hmm,» Oliver thought. «How can I fix this?»

Mother put her arm around Oliver.

«Don't worry, we'll figure something out.

There is a way out of any situation.»

