

# The Big Trip

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## ESSENTIAL QUESTION

What are some  
different ways  
to travel?

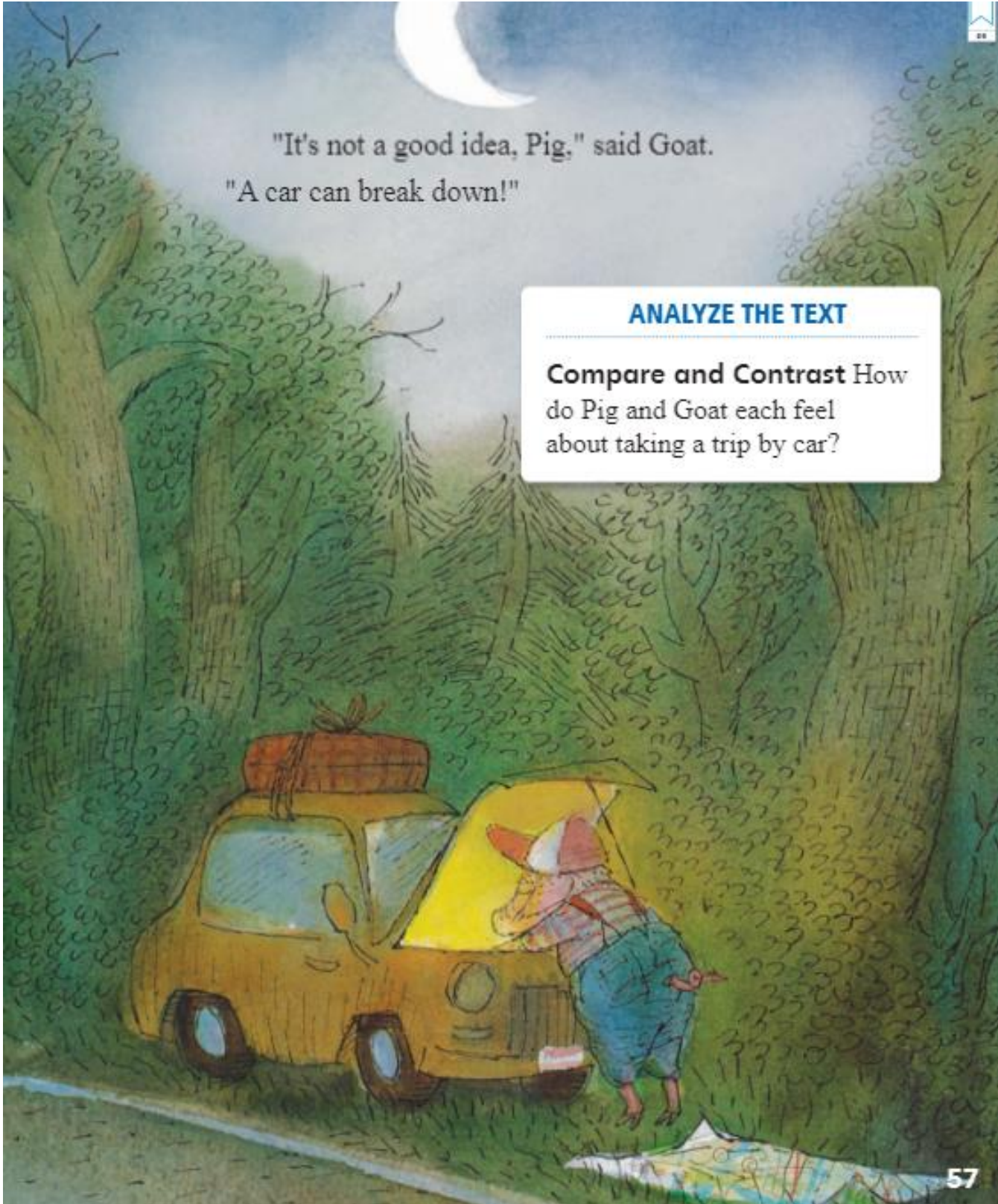
"I am going to take a trip far away,"  
Pig said to Goat one day.  
"How will you go?" asked Goat.



"Let me think for a moment," said Pig. "Maybe I will go by bike—that will be a very nice trip."

"Oh, dear," said Goat. "You could fall off a bike."



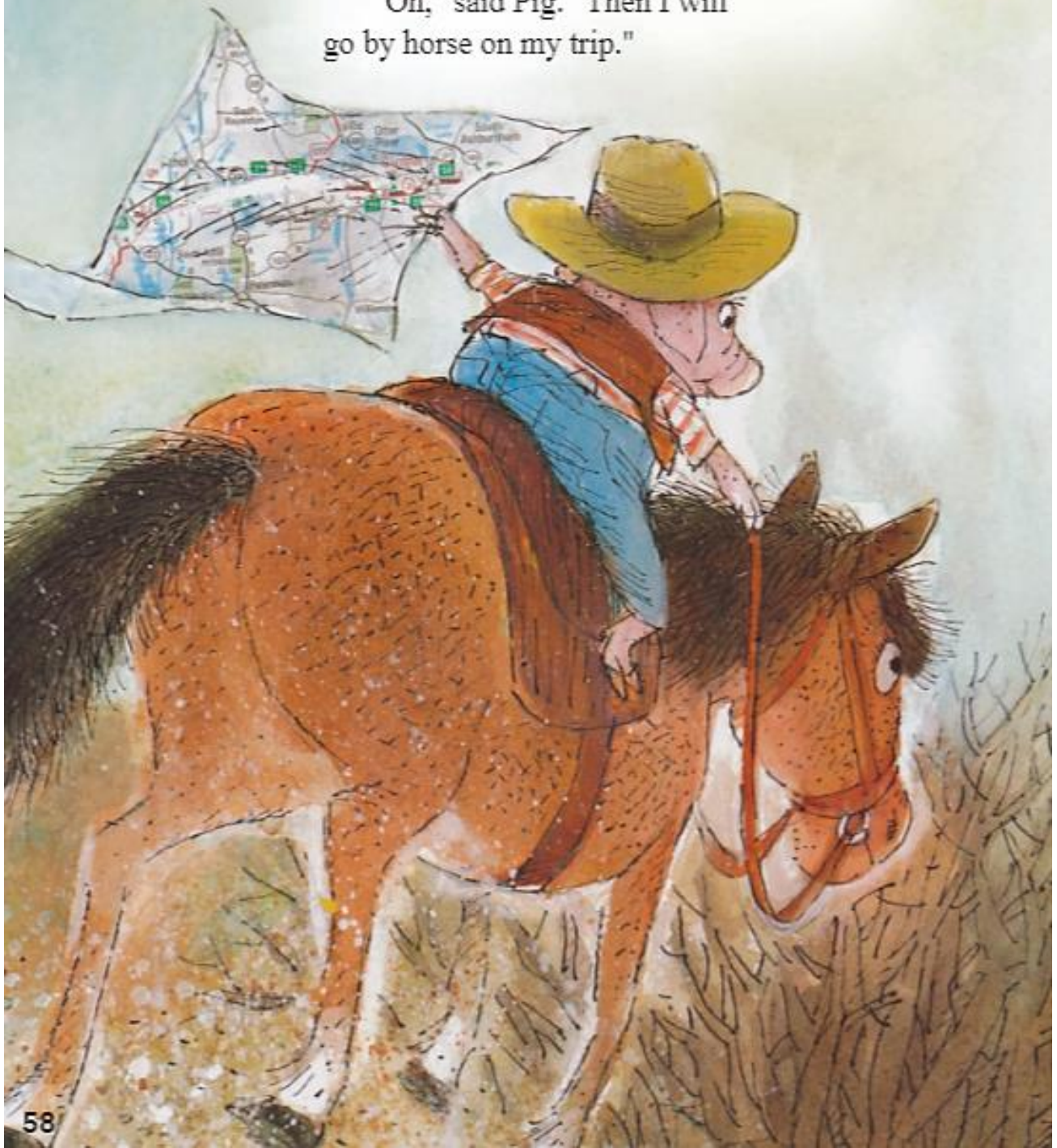


"It's not a good idea, Pig," said Goat.  
"A car can break down!"

### ANALYZE THE TEXT

**Compare and Contrast** How do Pig and Goat each feel about taking a trip by car?

"Oh," said Pig. "Then I will  
go by horse on my trip."



"I'm not sure about that," said Goat.  
"Horses can be very jumpy!"



"Okay," said Pig. "Then I am going to go by donkey cart—a donkey is very quiet."

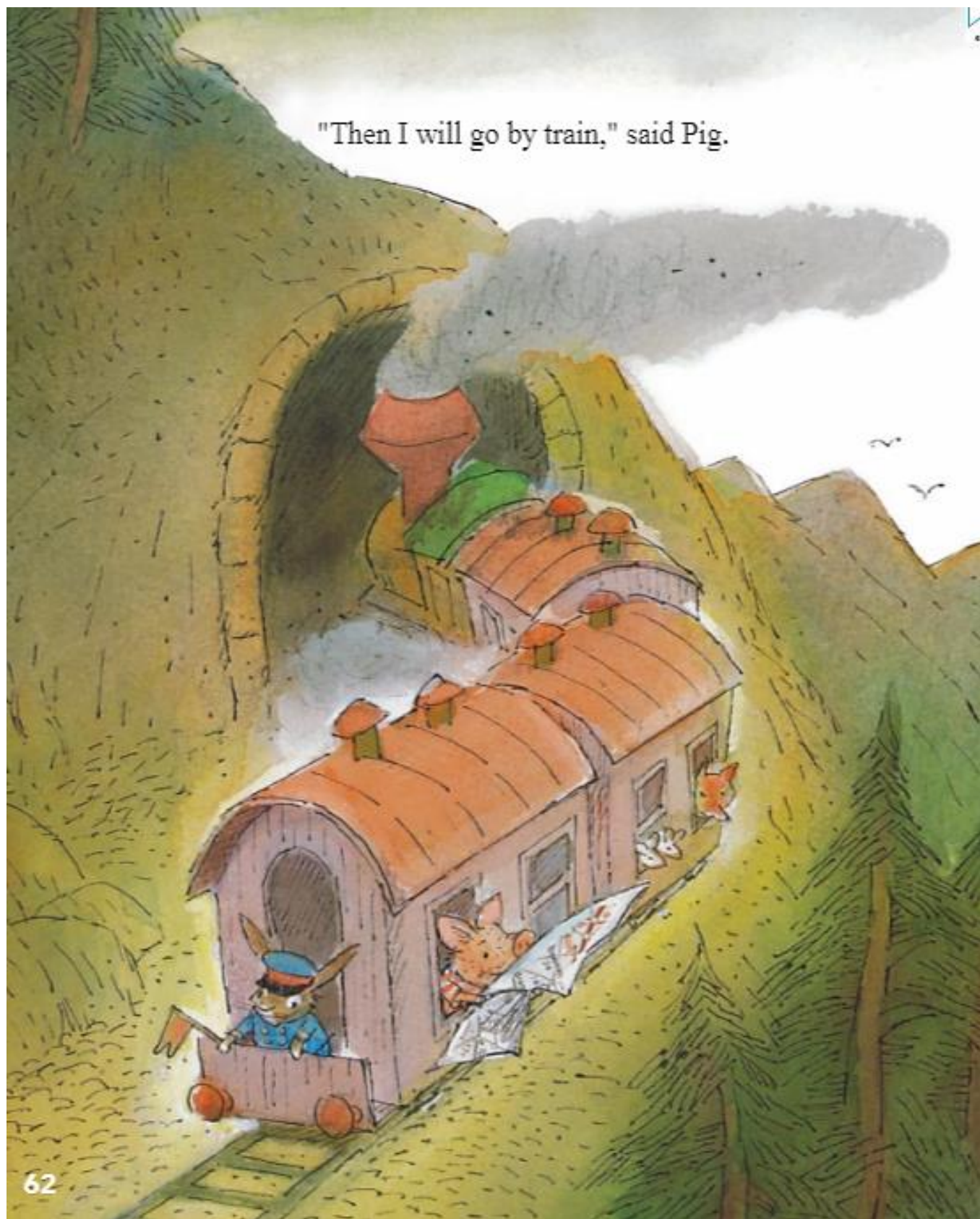


"Not good, not good," said Goat.  
"Donkeys can be very stubborn!"





"Then I will go by train," said Pig.



"Oh, Pig, oh, Pig," said Goat,  
"a train could get stuck in a tunnel!"





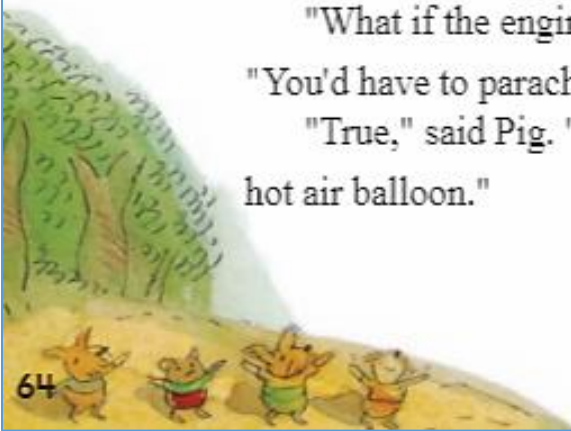
"Good point, Goat," said Pig.

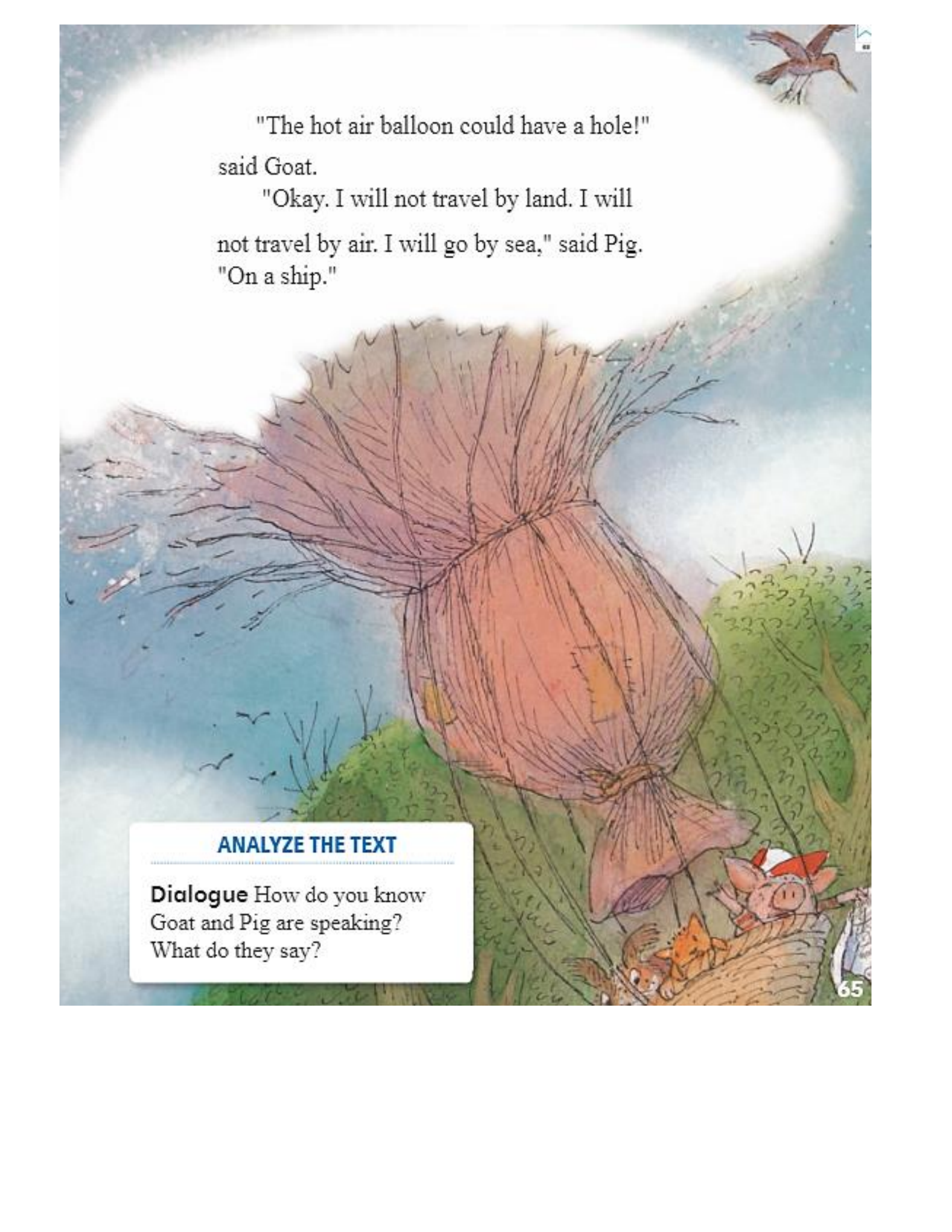
"Then I will fly by plane."

"What if the engine stops!" said Goat.

"You'd have to parachute."

"True," said Pig. "Then I will go by  
hot air balloon."





"The hot air balloon could have a hole!"  
said Goat.  
"Okay. I will not travel by land. I will  
not travel by air. I will go by sea," said Pig.  
"On a ship."

### ANALYZE THE TEXT

**Dialogue** How do you know  
Goat and Pig are speaking?  
What do they say?



"Oh, no!" exclaimed Goat. "Don't do it! The ship could run into a reef when passing through fog."

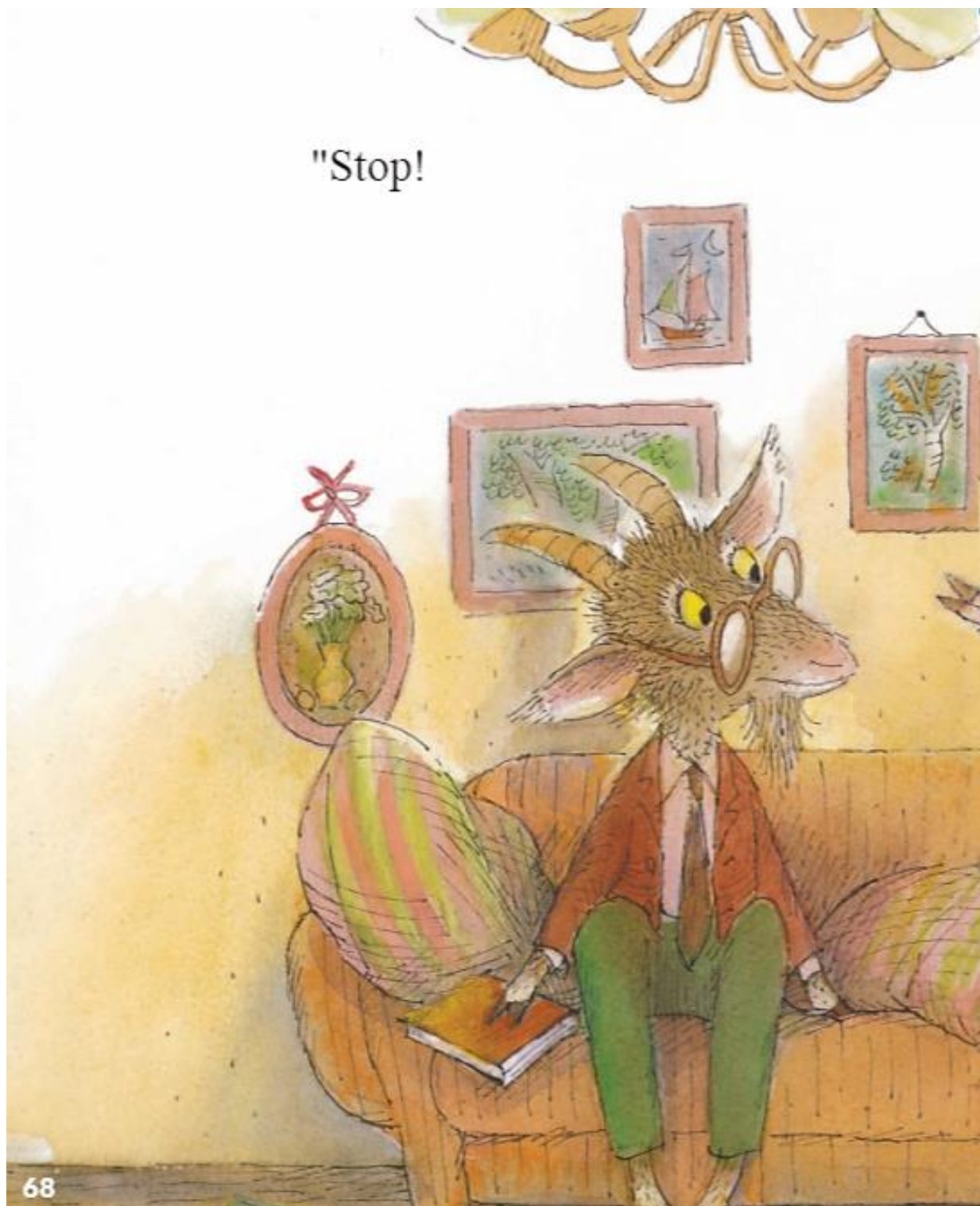
"Or run into a heavy storm at sea, and there are sharks all around at sea, so many, you couldn't count them!"



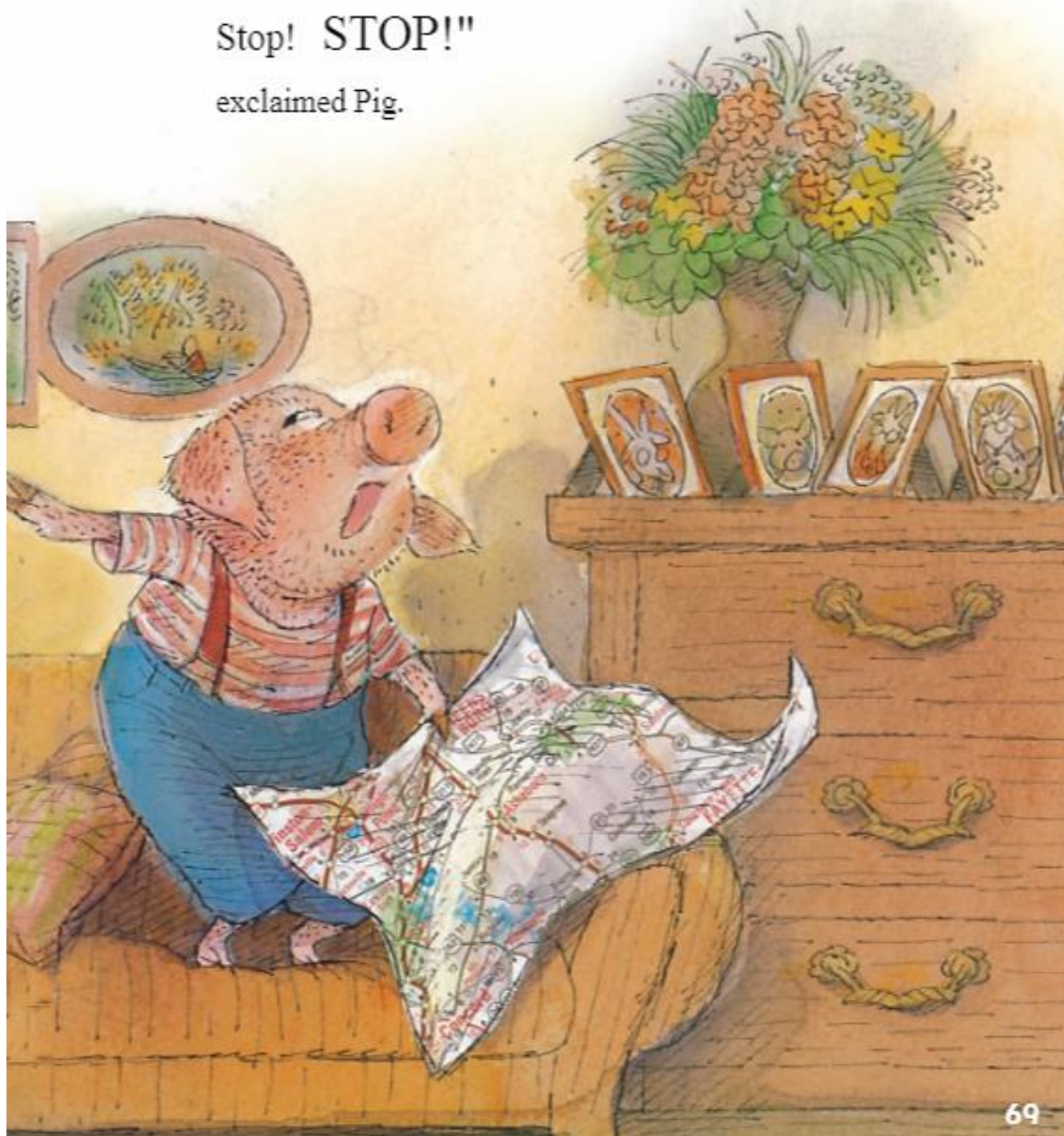
"And you could find yourself alone  
on a desert island in the middle of the  
ocean with pirates that could come on  
that desert island by pirate ship!"



"Stop!"



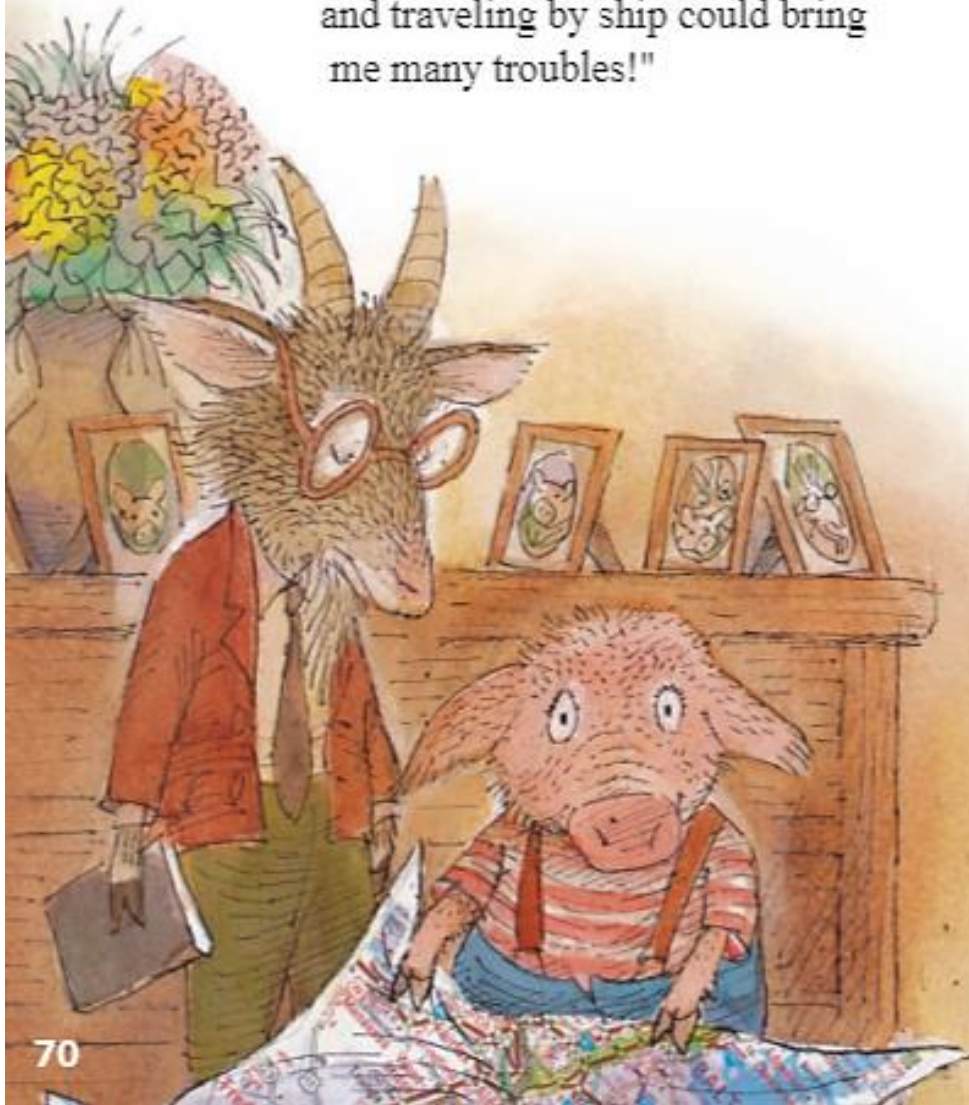
Stop! STOP!"  
exclaimed Pig.





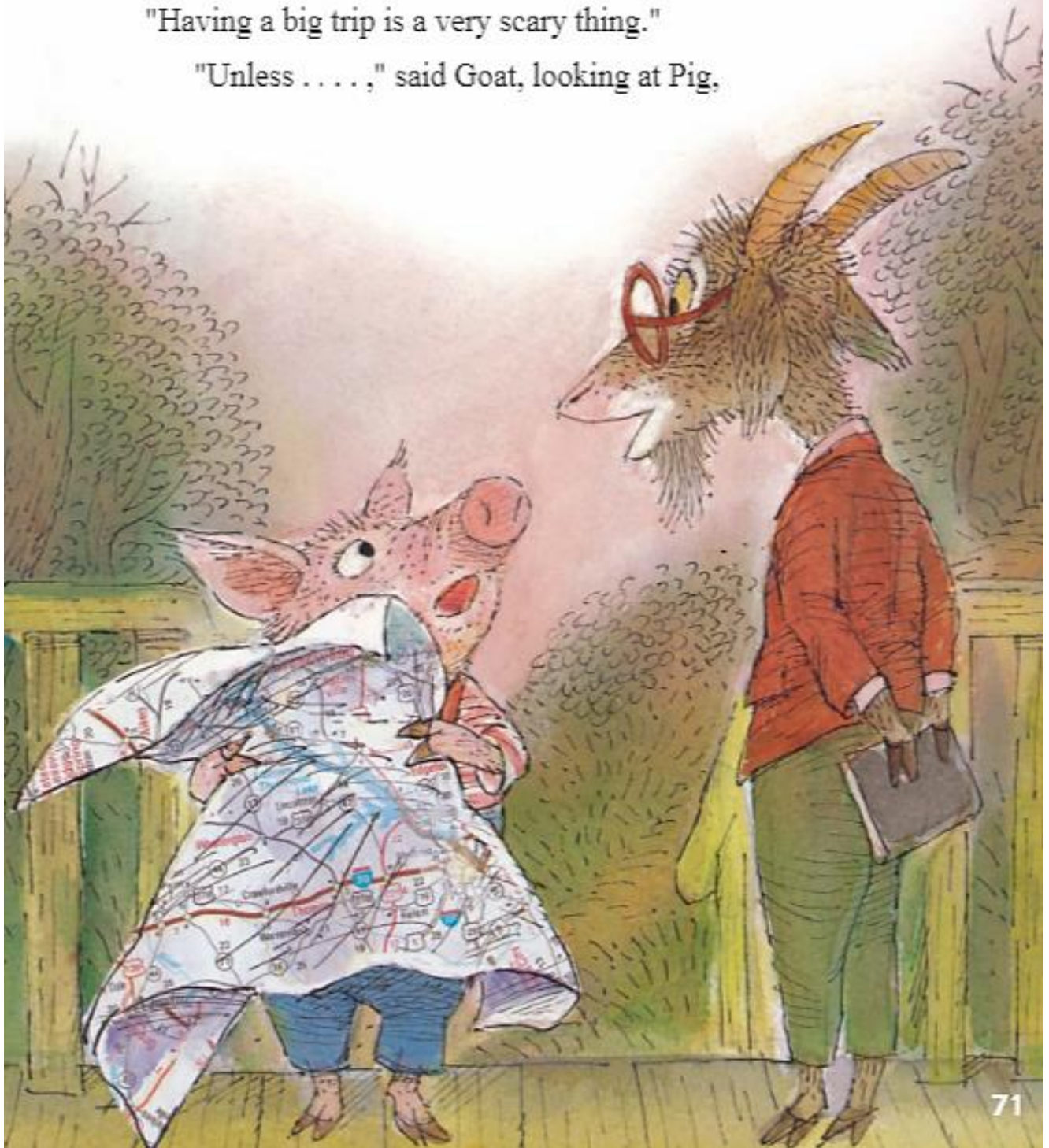
"I could fall off a bike  
break down in a car  
get thrown by a horse  
never get there with a donkey  
or get stuck on a train.

I might have to parachute from a plane  
or from a hot air balloon  
and traveling by ship could bring  
me many troubles!"



"So, I will not go anywhere," said Pig.  
"Having a big trip is a very scary thing."

"Unless . . . .," said Goat, looking at Pig,







"you go with a friend."