

A Spot to Nap

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A sloth moves slowly, but they still get worn out. All of a sudden this one needs a nap. It is time to find a spot to curl up.





It has found the perfect tree. The tree is tall and has a lot of branches on it. There will be a spot to nap for sure.

Hmmm. Is this a better spot? It has a good curve to it. The sloth can cling on tight as it sleeps all night long.





Oh! This spot was not free. The giraffe saw the moss on the sloth's fur and took it for leaves, so the poor sloth got **bitten**. Up you go, sloth. Find a new spot.

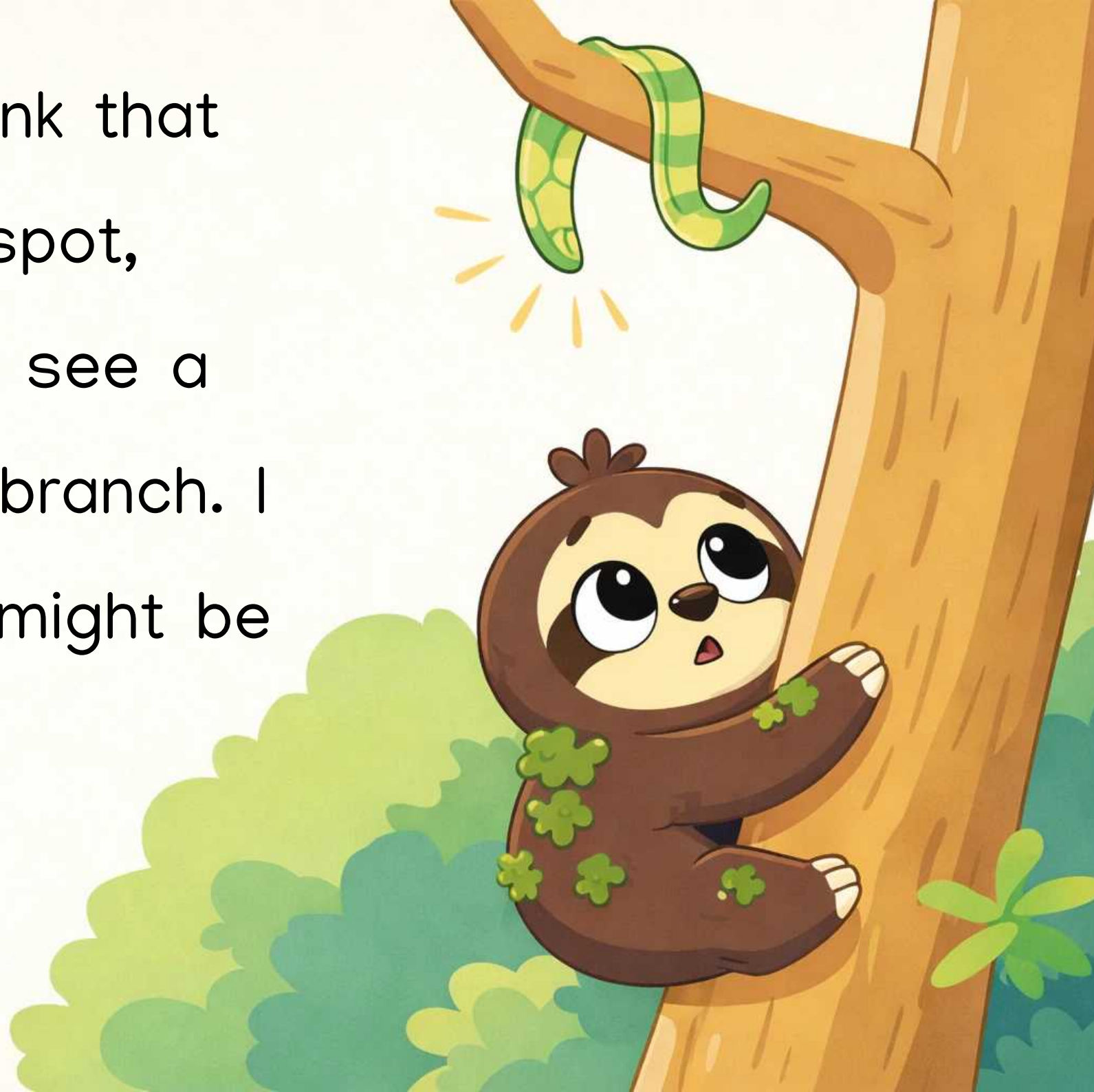
How about this spot? There are no giraffes here. This seems like the perfect spot to hunker down for a good nap.





Oh! There is a
hive of bees next
to this spot! Bees
are a big problem.
You will get stung
all over if you nap
here, sloth.

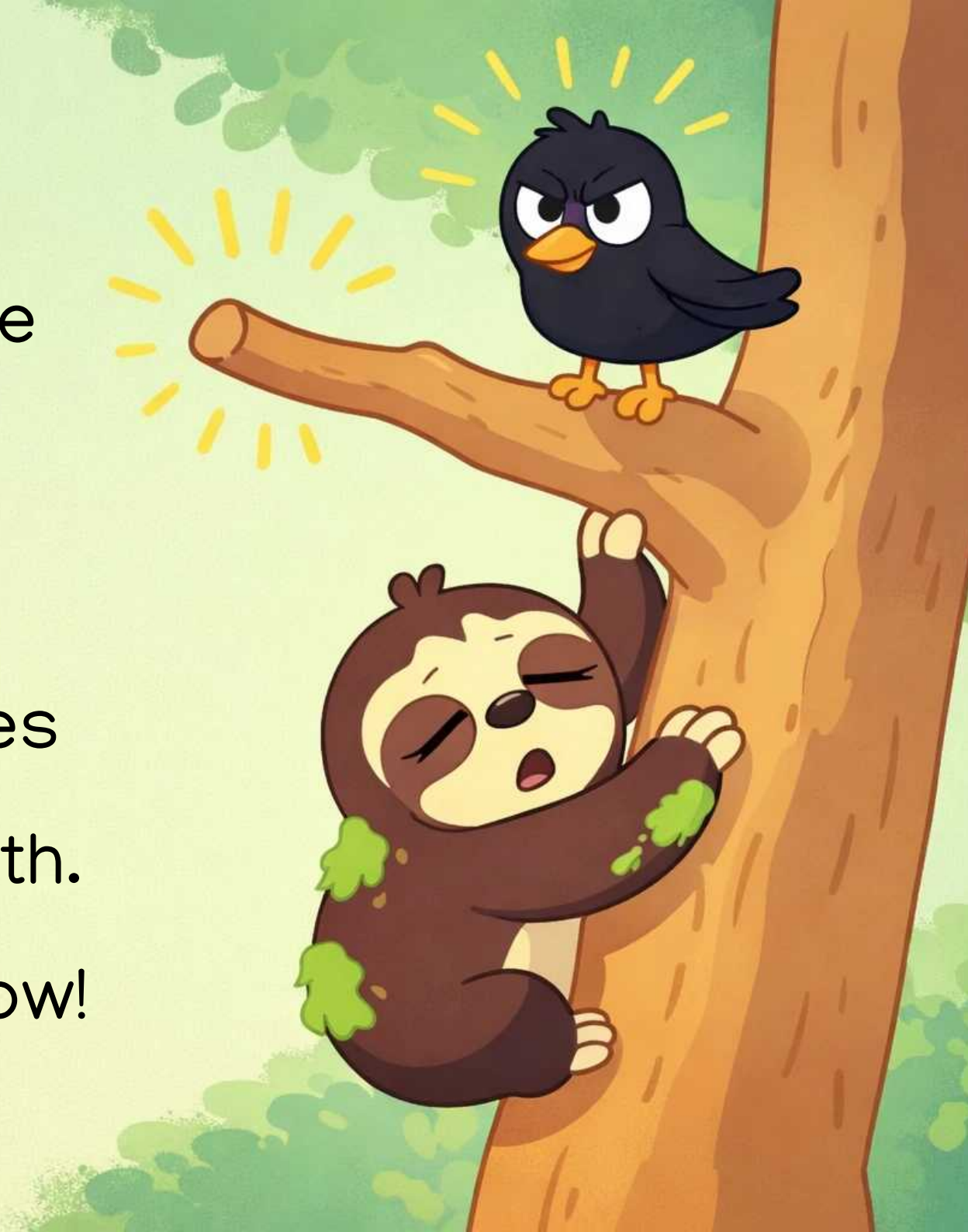
I do not think that
is a good spot,
sloth. I can see a
tail on the branch. I
suspect it might be
a...





Oh no! All of a sudden the snake hissed! Let the snake be. The sloth was just trying to nap. Keep on up the tree, sloth. This is not the spot.

Perhaps this might
be it. A bird has the
branch above, but
the branch under it
looks free. Your eyes
are nearly shut, sloth.
You need a spot now!





Oh... I do not think you will get good sleep like that, sloth. That bird will bellow and keep you up the whole time.

It was a long way
to the summit of
the tree, but you
found a spot! Good
job, sloth. Now I will
leave you be so
that you can nap.





This tree is all full for the night. If there are more critters that want to find a spot to nap, they will have to move on.



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Sloth is so tired his eyeballs feel like bowling balls, and all he wants is the perfect spot for a nap. But will the low branches be safe from a hungry giraffe? What about the buzzing bees, the grumpy snake, or that very loud bird? Can a sleepy sloth ever find somewhere quiet to curl up? This decodable reader practices VC/CV syllables through words like 'perfect,' 'sudden,' 'problem,' 'hunker,' and 'bitten.'

Reading Skills: VC/CV division

bellow, better, bitten, critters, hunker, perfect, perhaps, problem, sudden, summit, suspect, under

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