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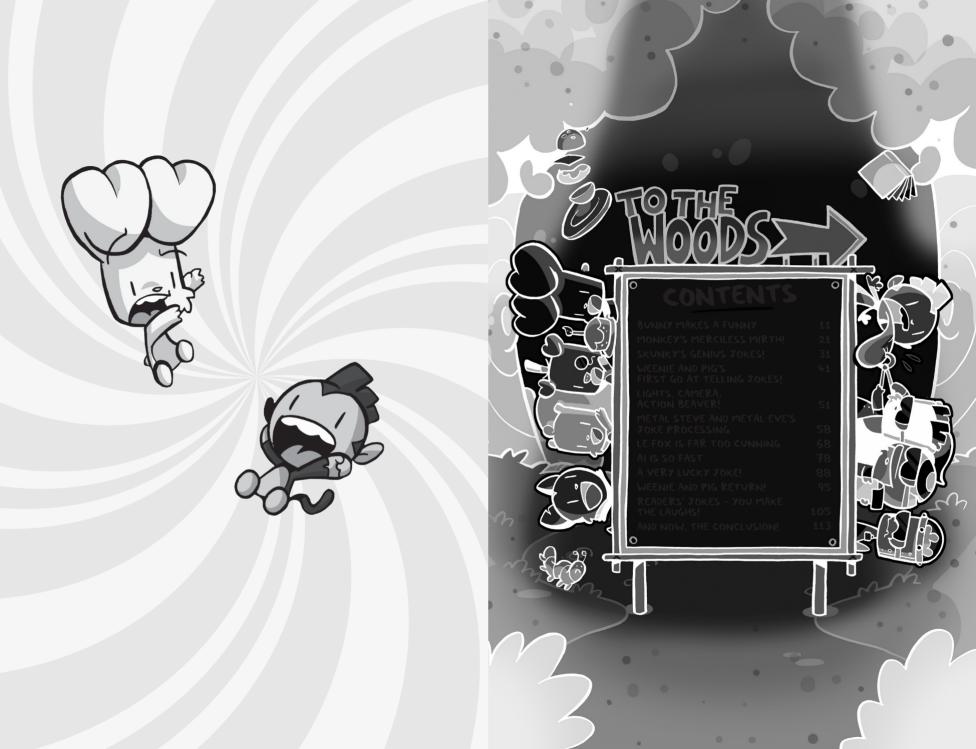
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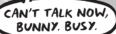
































I'M ONLY DOING THIS TO STOP MONKEY WINNING.





Why do bees
have sticky hair?
Because they use
a honeycomb!

what do you call a pony with a cough?
A little horse!

Which sort of bear got caught in the rain?

The drizzly bear.

RIGHT, HERE WE GO ...

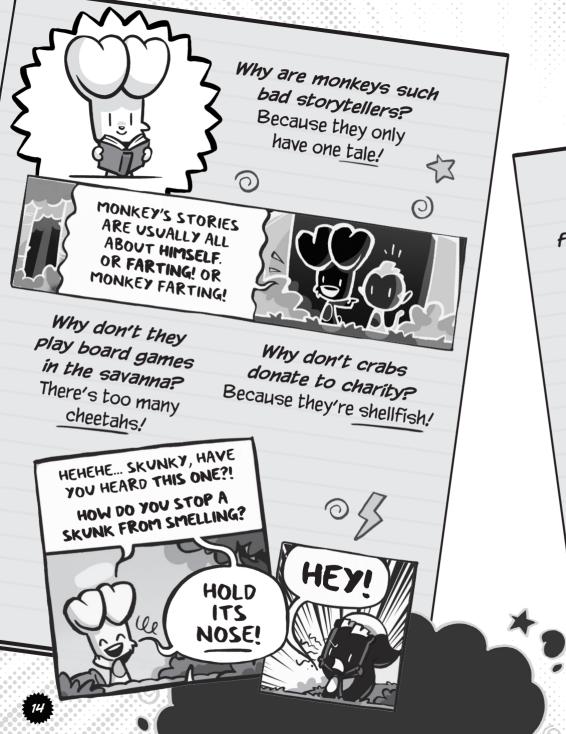
what do you call a fish wearing a bow tie?
Sofishticated!

I used to hate having so much fur...

... but then it grew on me!

ANIMAL
JOKES - WHAT
A GREAT START!
I WONDER IF THERE
ARE ANY JOKES
IN HERE ABOUT
MONKEYS? AH YES...





STILL, IF YOU THINK ANIMALS
ARE FUNNY, YOU SHOULD TAKE
A LOOK AT HUMANS!

THEY'RE HILARIOUS.
TRY OUT THESE JOKES...

what is
a dentist's
favourite time
of day?
Tooth hurt-y!

Why do golfers always take an extra pair of socks with them?

In case they get a hole in one!

Why did the
astronaut want
to be alone?
He needed his space!

When does a joke
become a dad joke?
When it becomes apparent!

Why did the gardener think their shovel was so special?
Because it's a ground-breaking invention!

NOT SURE I'D WANT TO BE A HUMAN.
THEY ALL HAVE JOBS, DON'T THEY?
WHAT JOB WOULD I BE BEST AT?





When does a duck wake up for work?
The quack of dawn.

How do bees get to their jobs?
They travel by buzz.

Which animal is the most fun to work with?

An owl - they're a hoot!

why are cows so good at their jobs?
They are outstanding in their field!



AH-HA! I'VE FOUND JOKES ABOUT WHERE WE LIVE... THE WOODS!



How do trees send messages around the woods? They use moss code.



And how do they get onto the internet?
They log in.

Which month do all trees dread most?

Sep-timber.

And how do trees feel when spring finally comes? They are re-leaf-ed! HOW DO YOU MAKE A TREE LAUGH? WITH A-CORNY JOKE!

What do
you wear if
you love the
woods?
A tree-shirt.





Why was the tree stumped?
It couldn't get to the root of the problem!

What happened to the car that was made from a tree trunk?

It wooden start!

What's the best-liked tree in the woods?
The poplar!

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What is a woodpecker's favourite type of joke?
Knock, knock!

PHEW!

COMING UP

WITH JOKES
IS HARD WORK.

TIME FOR A BREAK, I THINK!



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What happened to the monster who ate his own house?
He got homesick.

How does a penguin make a home?

Igloos it together.

What did the
T. rex use to
build her house?
A dino-saw.

How do you enter a haunted house?
Use a spoo-key!

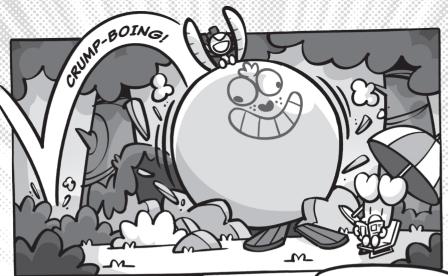
MONKEY IS ALWAYS TRYING TO DESTROY MY HOUSE.

BUT I'M SURE THAT'S DEFINITELY NOT ABOUT TO HAPPEN AGAIN...











OH, REALLY?!?!

BUT WHAT DO YOU CALL A RABBIT WHOSE HOUSE JUST GOT SMASHED?!



THAT'S NOT FUNNY! YOU MAKE ME HOPPING MAD!

DON'T WORRY, IF YOU'D GOT HURT I'D TAKE YOU TO THE HOP-ITAL!



A HOT, CROSS BUNNY. HAR, HAR, HAR!

> AFTER ALL, I WANT YOU TO SEE ME WIN THE COMPETITION!



## MONKEY'S MERCILESS MY

HA HA HA!

EAT MY JOKES, BUM-HEADS!

HA HA HA HA

THERE'S NO WAY
ANY OF THESE
IDIOTS CAN BEAT
ME AT BEING
FUNNY!