



The Ant and the Grasshopper

A retelling of Aesop's fable



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An ant lived next to a
grasshopper in a large field.

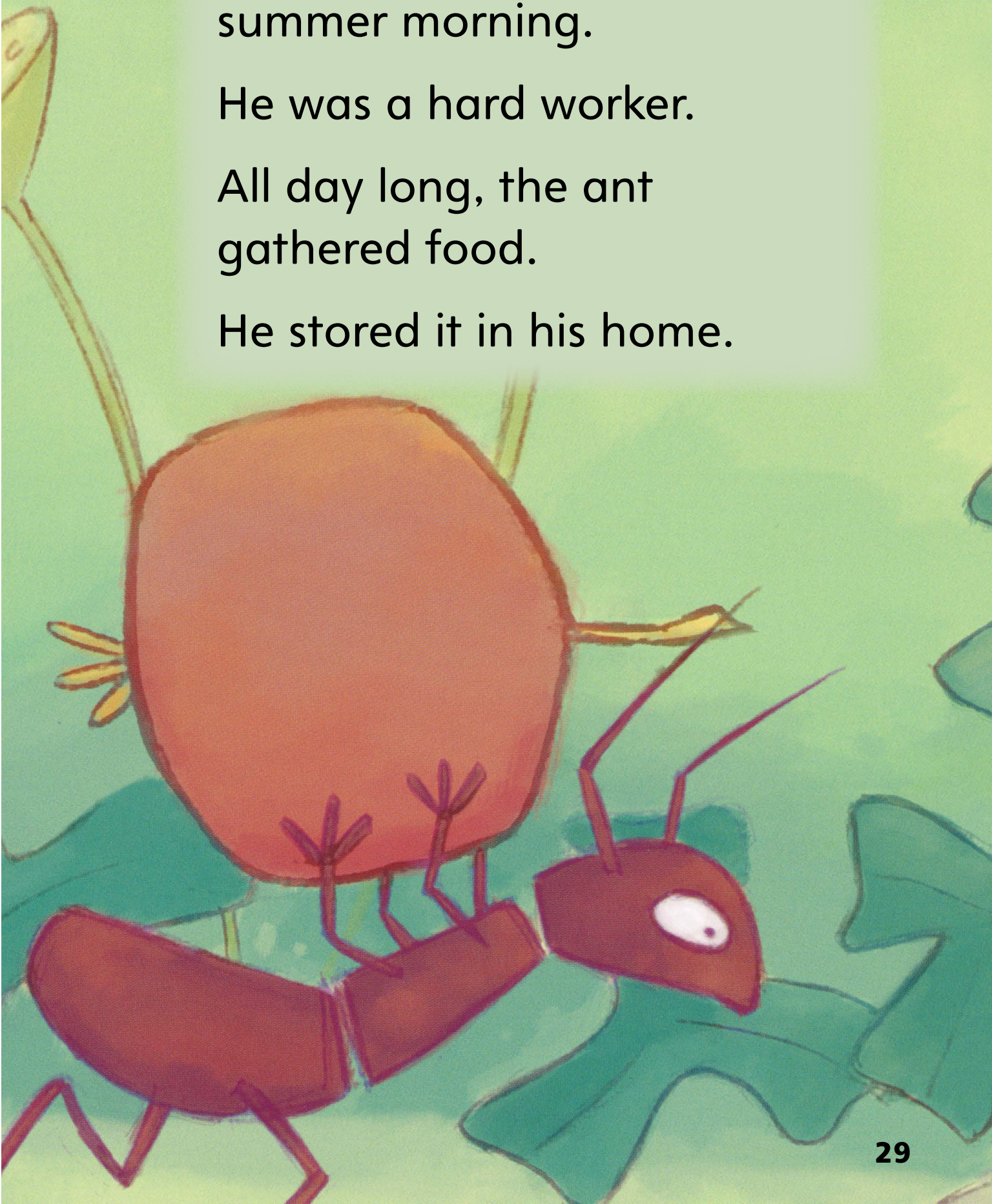


The ant woke early each
summer morning.

He was a hard worker.

All day long, the ant
gathered food.

He stored it in his home.





The grasshopper woke up singing
every summer morning.

He had a nice voice.

He loved to make music.

All day long, he sang and
danced.

“Come sing with me,” the grasshopper said whenever he saw the ant.

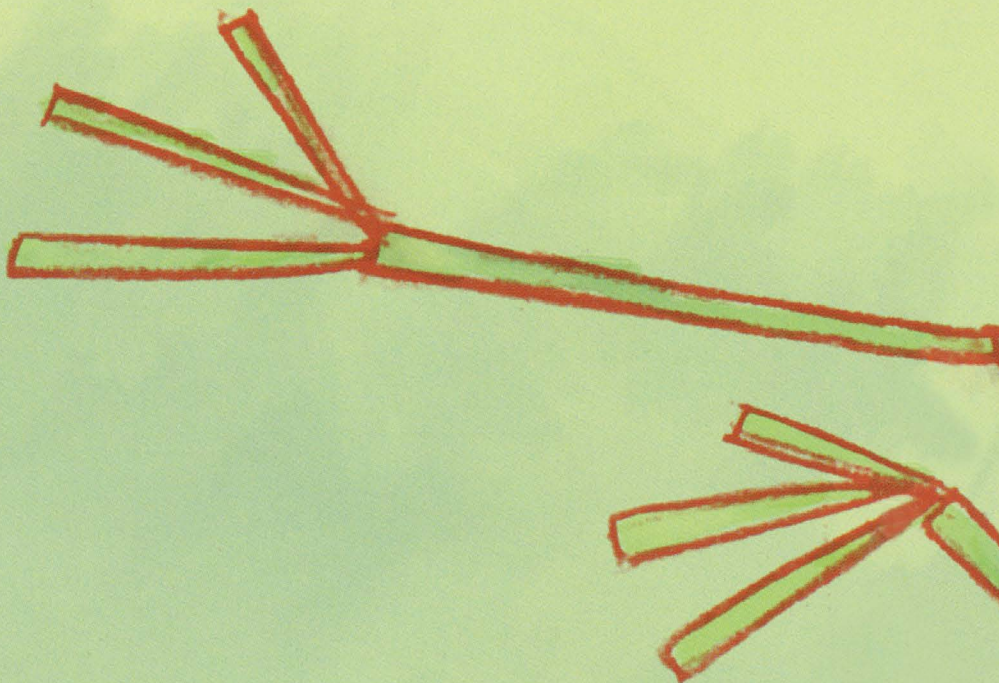
The ant’s answer was always the same.

“I can’t stop now,” he said.



“Not even for one song?” the grasshopper begged. “It is a lovely day!”

But the ant kept working.





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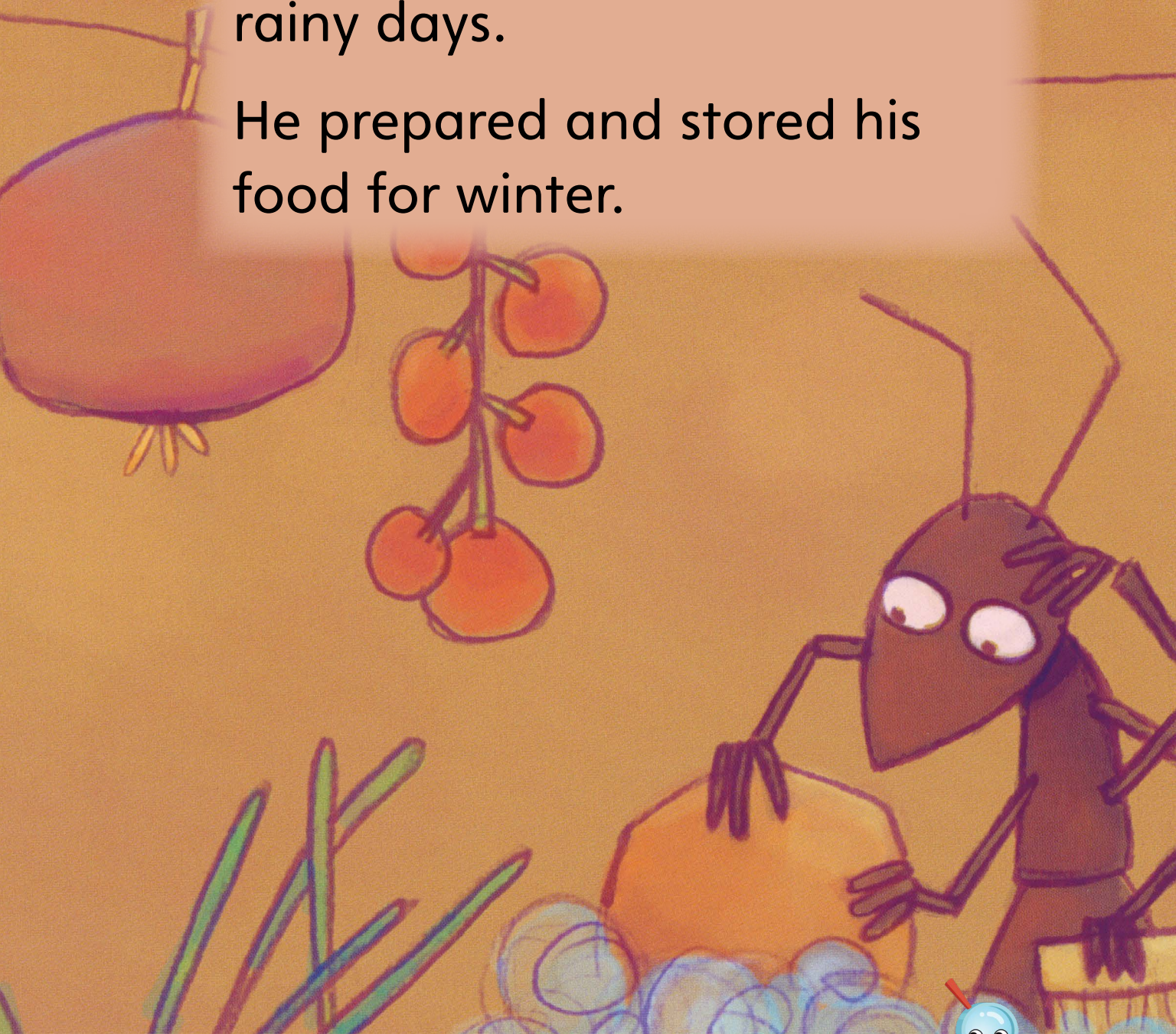
What do you predict will happen in this story? Highlight the details that make you think that.

On rainy days, the
grasshopper sat around at
home. He made up songs.



The ant worked at home on rainy days.

He prepared and stored his food for winter.



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Highlight the details that help you correct or confirm your prediction.

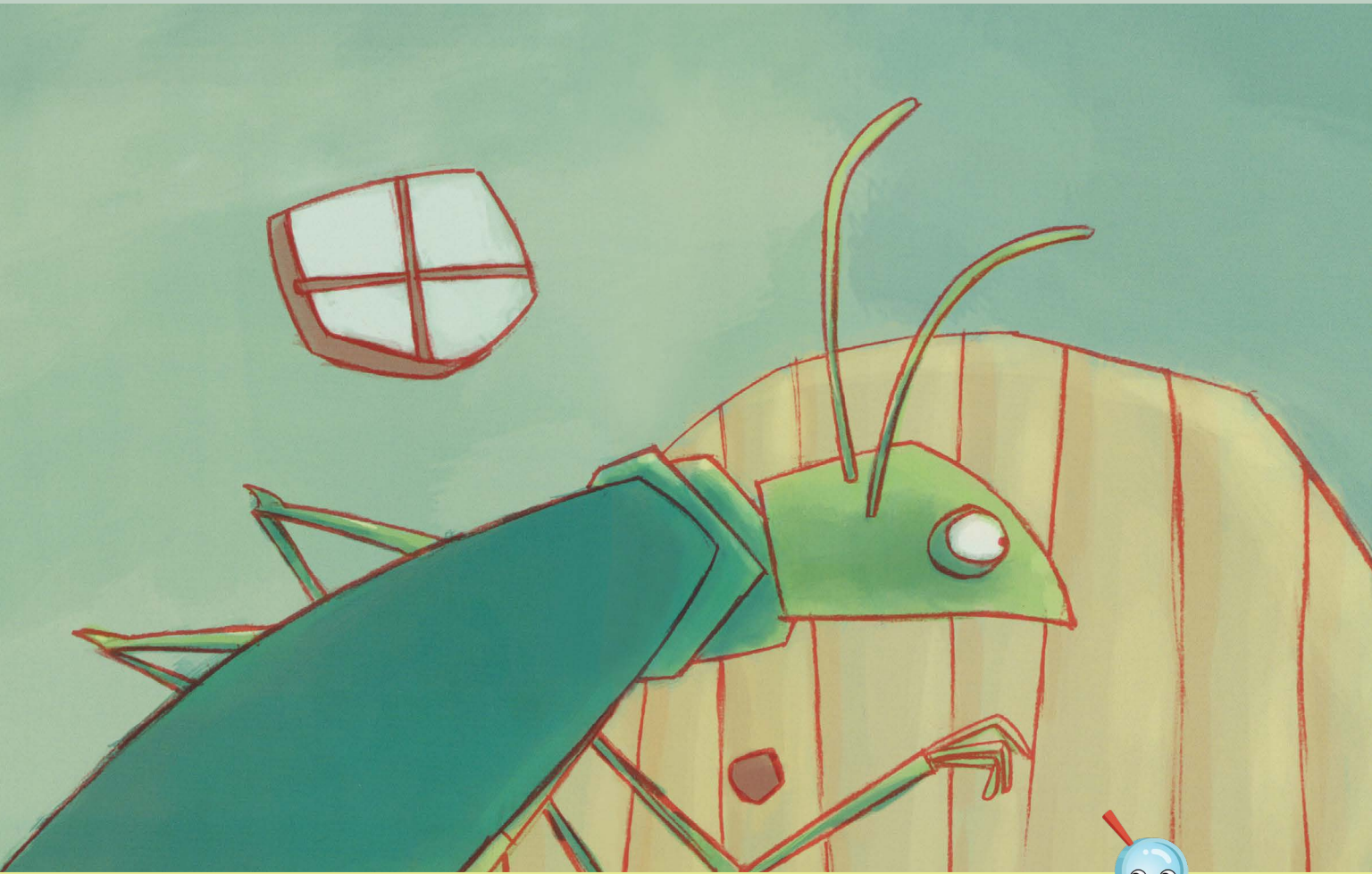


One winter day, the grasshopper
went to look for food.

He found nothing.

The grasshopper knocked
on the ant's door.

He asked for some food.



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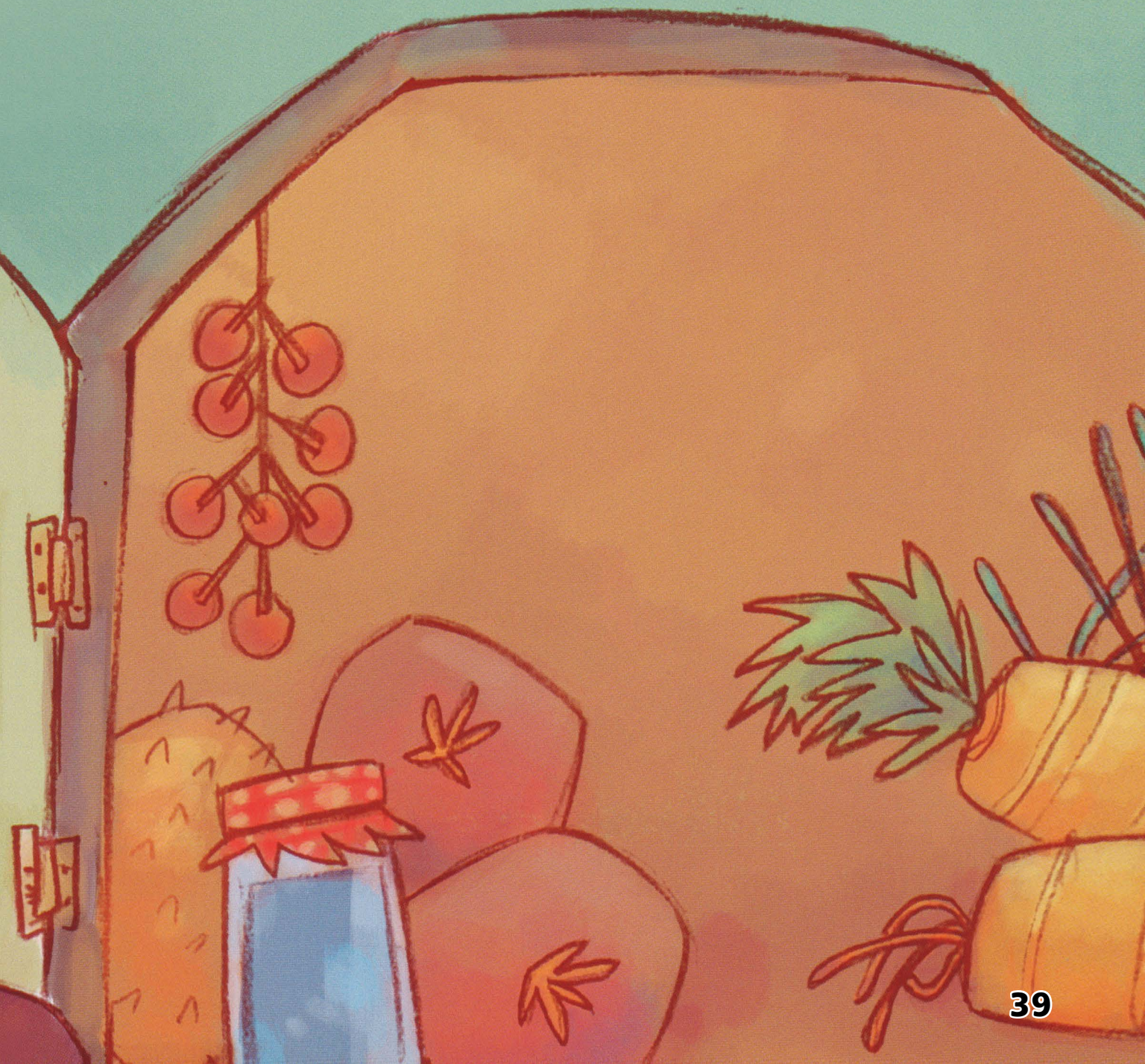


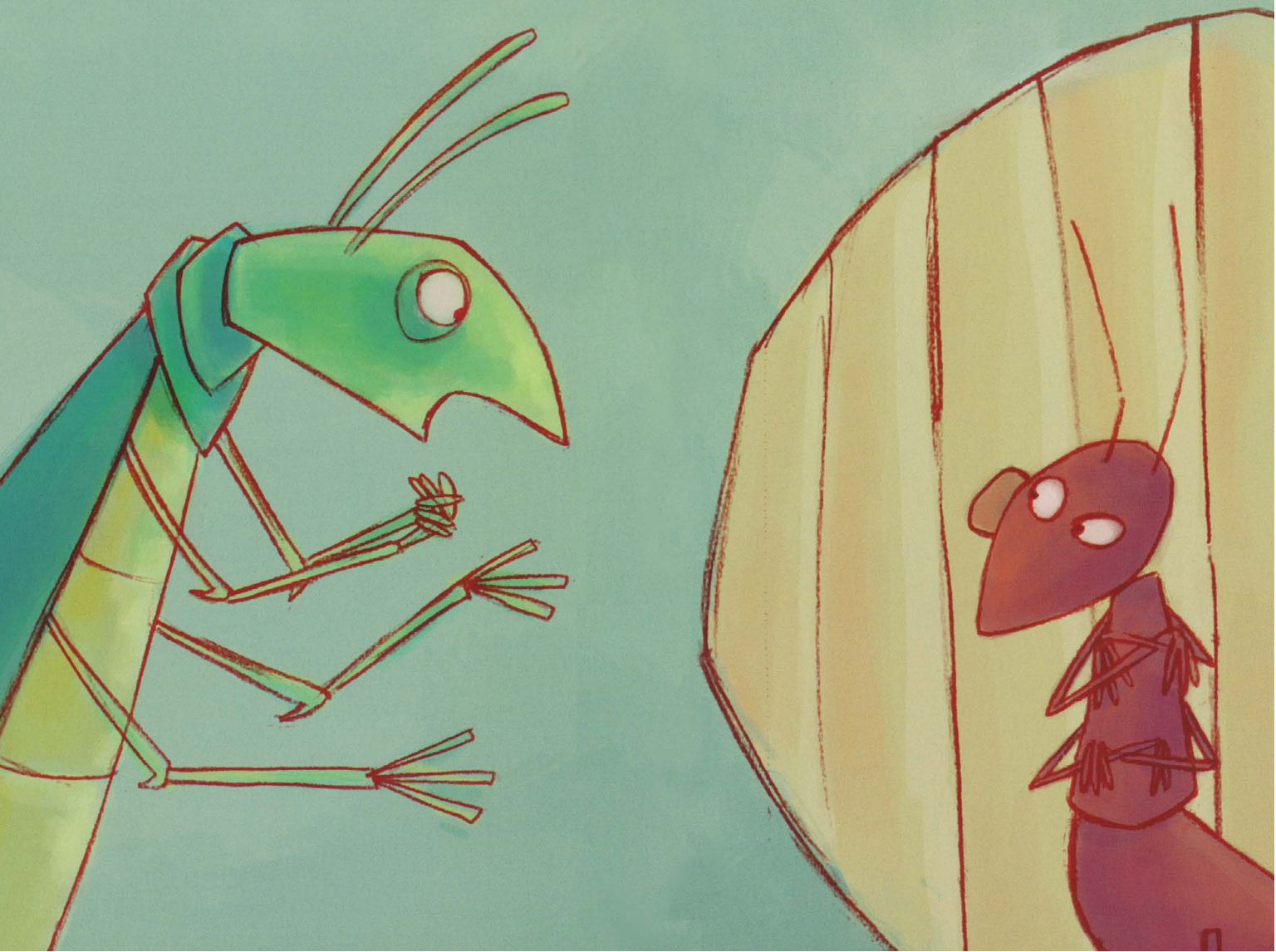
Underline the grasshopper's problem.

“You spent all summer singing.
But I worked,” the ant said.



“Now you can spend the
winter dancing to keep warm.”





“But I know you have food,”
said the grasshopper.

“That’s because I spent the
summer getting ready for
winter,” the ant replied.

“There’s a time for play and a time for work,” the ant said.



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Underline what the grasshopper learns from the resolution, or outcome.