



During springtime, Squirrel found a hollow tree and thought, I can store food here for the winter! This will be a perfect home!



Squirrel worked through spring and summer. He collected many chestnuts. Now his hollow tree was full.



But when autumn came, Squirrel discovered some of his chestnuts were missing!





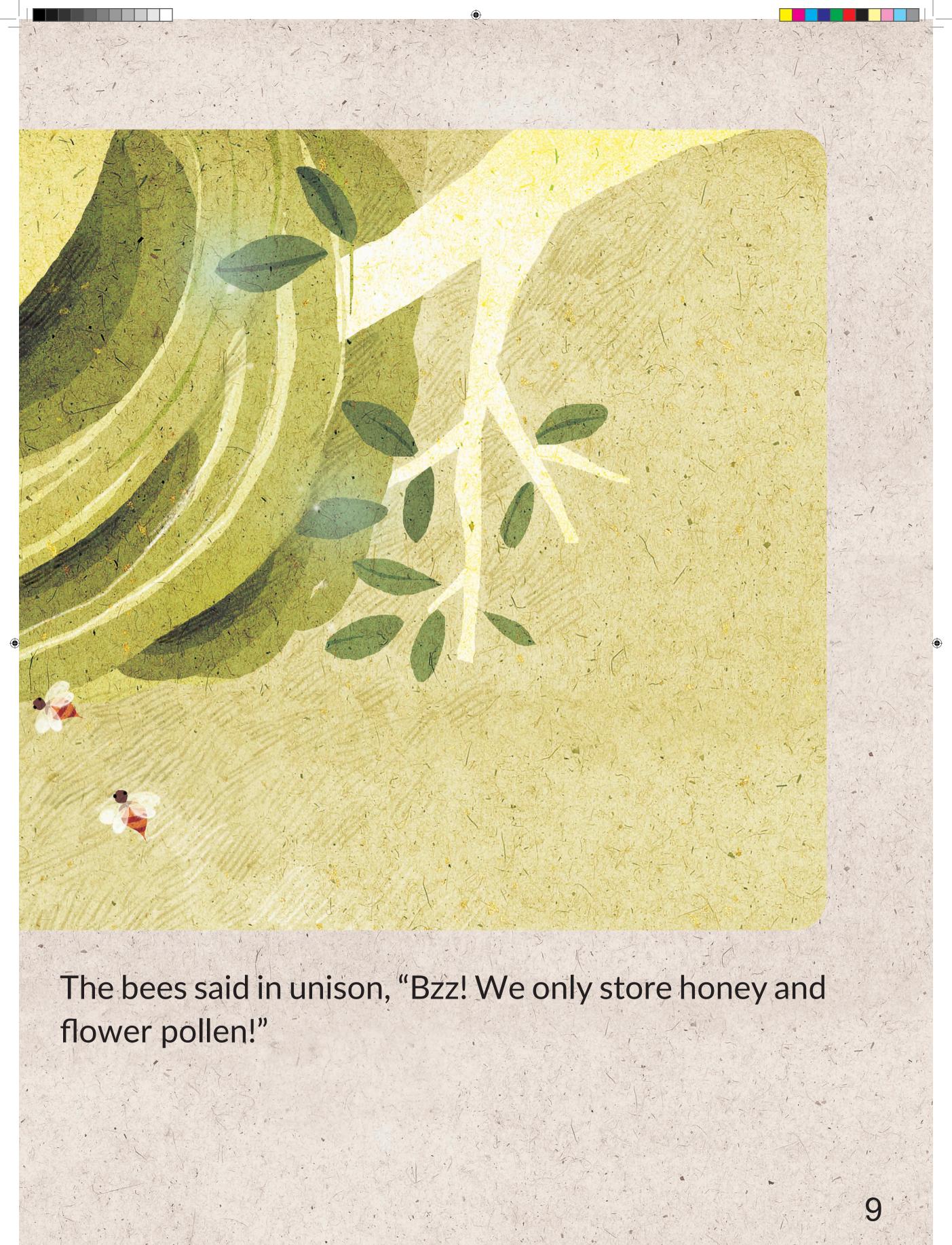
He met Bird and asked her, "Did you steal my chestnuts?"

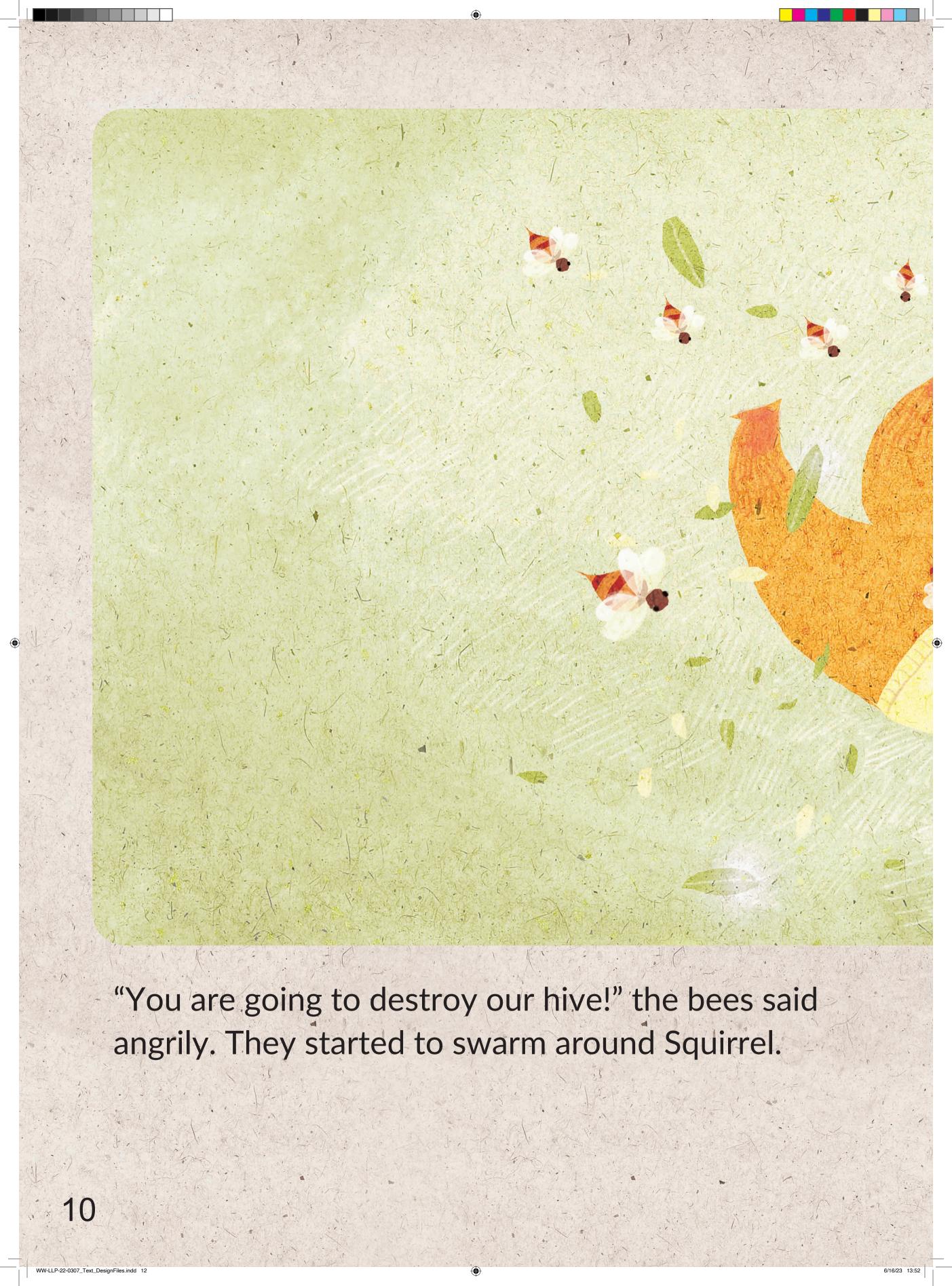


Bird shook her head. "Chirp chirp! I only eat worms. Chirp chirp!"



Then Squirrel came across a beehive. He asked, "Did you steal my chestnuts and hide them in your hive?"









Next, Squirrel bumped into a singing cicada*. He asked, "Did you steal my chestnuts?"

*Cicada: A large insect

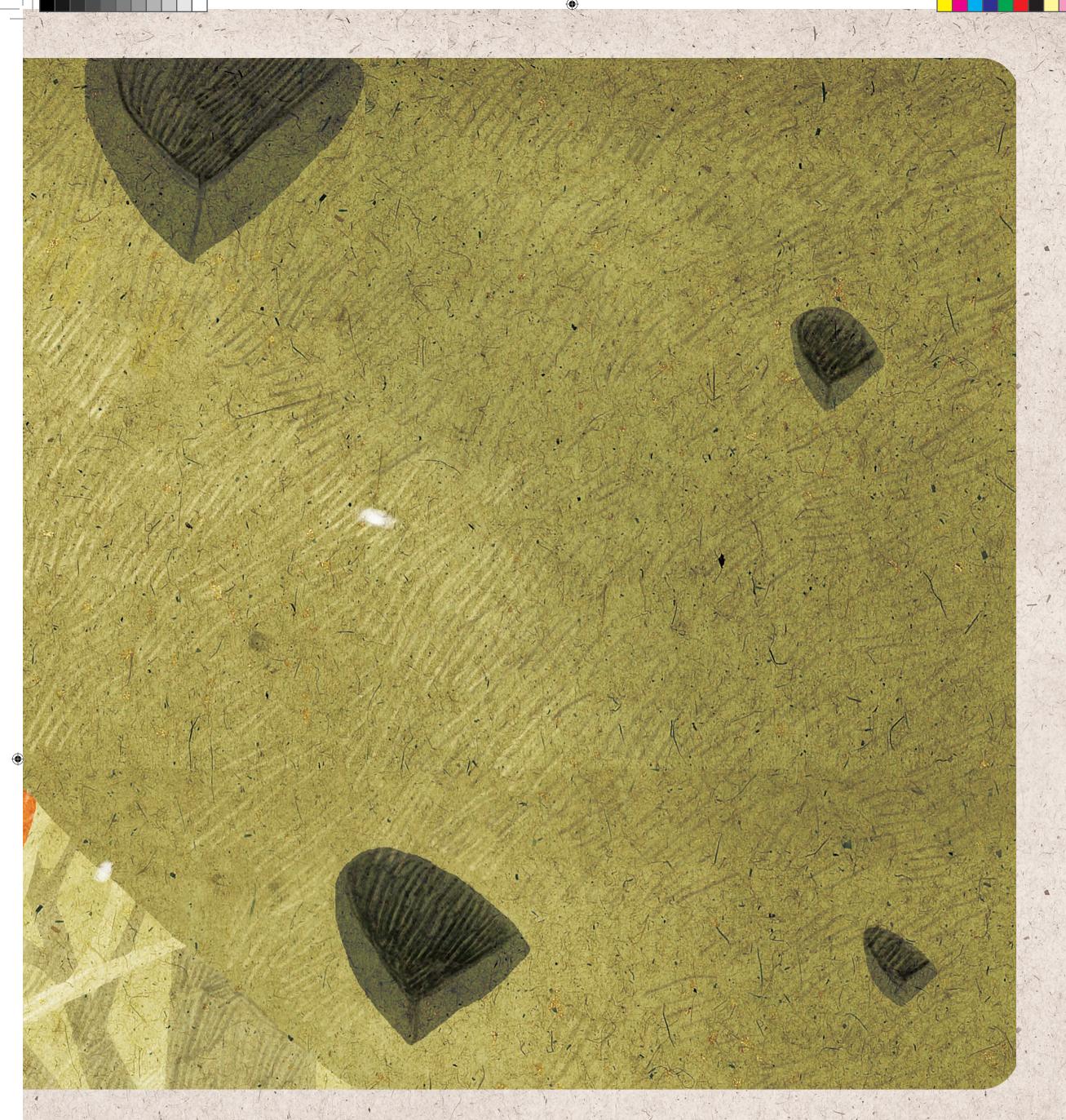


Cicada rolled his eyes. "I only eat resin."



Squirrel didn't believe Cicada. He pushed her aside to look into her nest.

"You're so rude!" cried Cicada.



But there was nothing in her nest after all.



Later, Squirrel met Monkey. "Did you steal my chestnuts?"

"Why would I steal your chestnuts?" said Monkey. "I only eat fruit."



"You really eat only fruit? No chestnuts at all?" asked Squirrel.

"Stop blaming me!" shouted Monkey. "I only like fruit!"

Squirrel left, feeling frustrated.



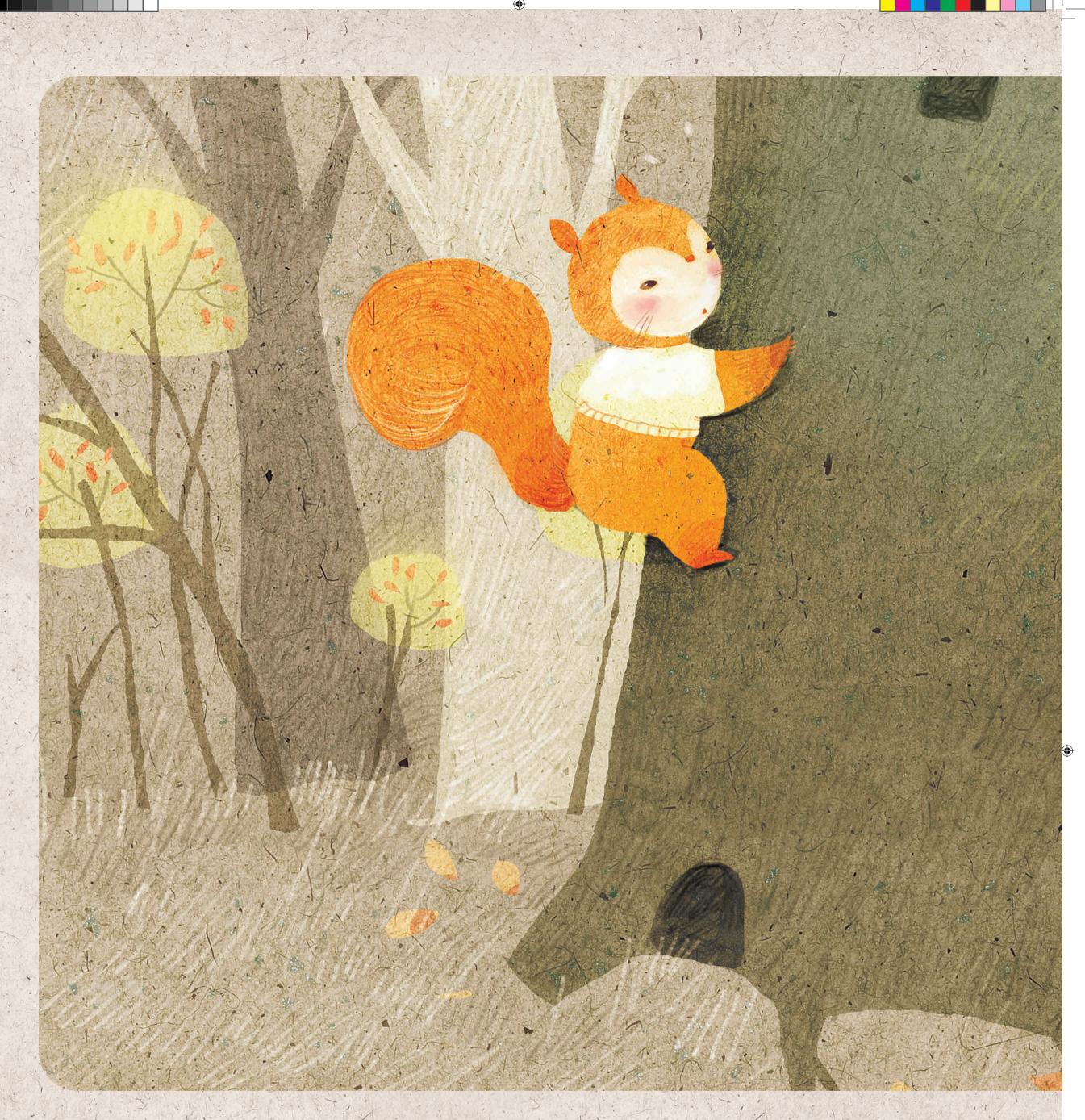
Next, Squirrel met a chameleon. "Did you steal my chestnuts?" asked Squirrel.

Chameleon said grumpily, "I only eat insects."



"Did you hide my chestnuts by changing their color?" asked Squirrel.

Chameleon turned green. "Only my skin changes colors!"



Squirrel was nearly at the bottom of the tree.



He was sad. He couldn't figure out who had taken his chestnuts.



Suddenly, he realized exactly what had happened. There was a big hole in the tree trunk!



The chestnuts had fallen down from Squirrel's home and landed on Mole's house.



Squirrel spent the next day fixing the hole.



He happily climbed back to his home with his missing chestnuts.



When winter arrived, Squirrel was not worried at all.



He was warm. He had his chestnuts.

