



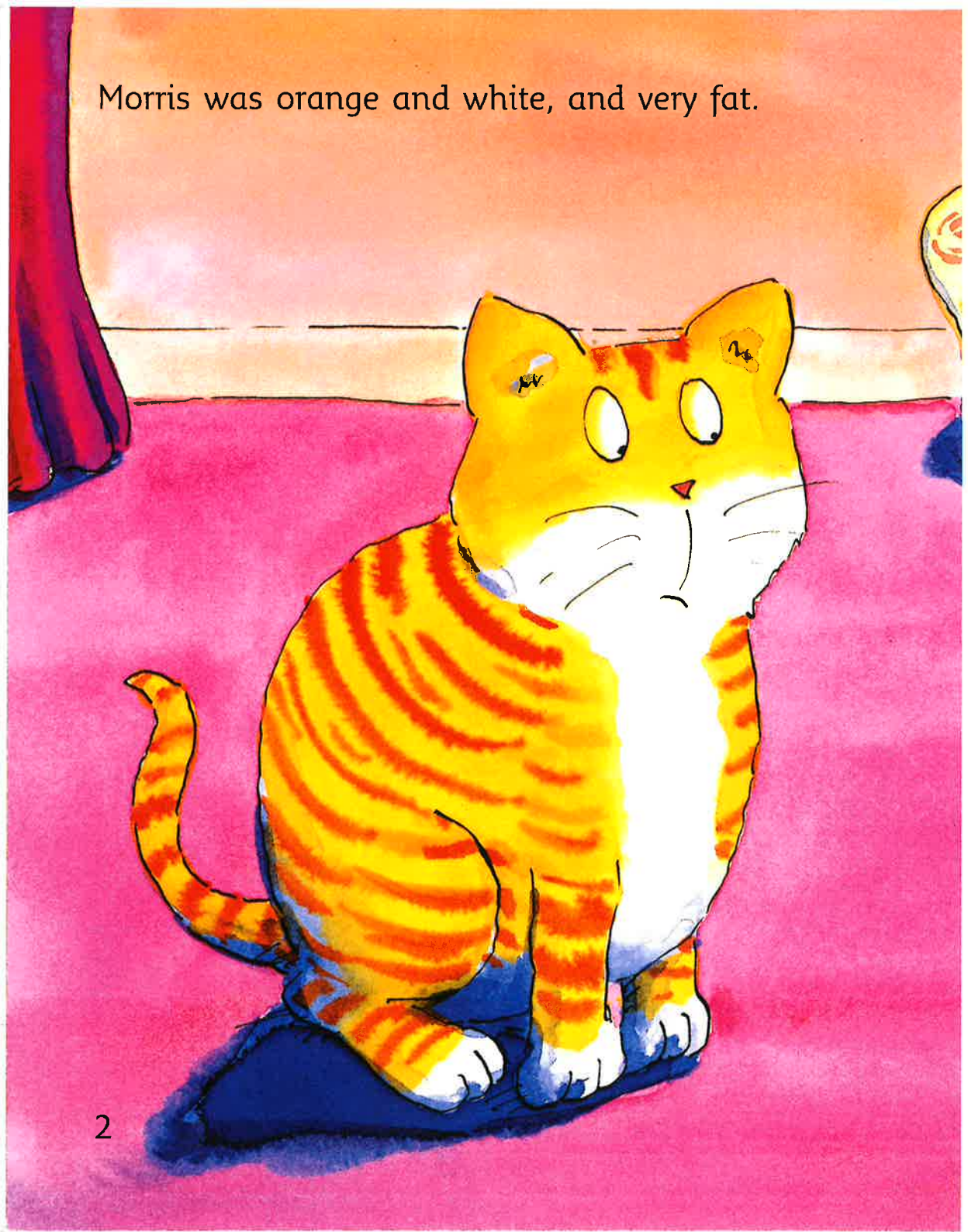
C Collins
Big Cat

Morris Plays Hide and Seek



Vivian French
Guy Parker-Rees

Morris was orange and white, and very fat.





He spent all day sitting by his bowl
waiting for his kitty treats.

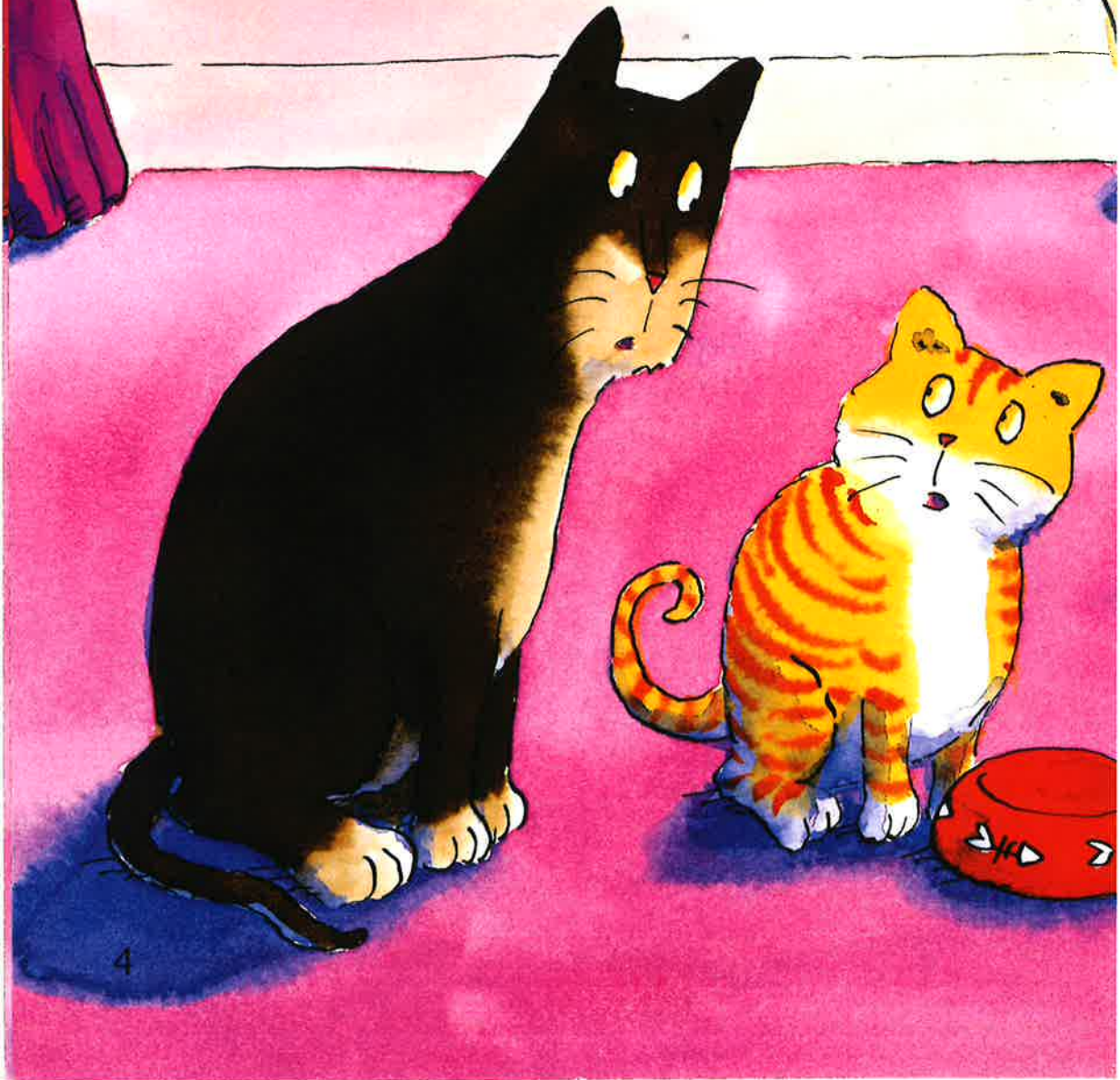


"Morris," said his mother.

"Why don't you go and play?"

"Play?" said Morris. "Why?"

"Playing is good for you," Mother Cat told him.





"Let's play hide and seek!" said his big sister, Rose.

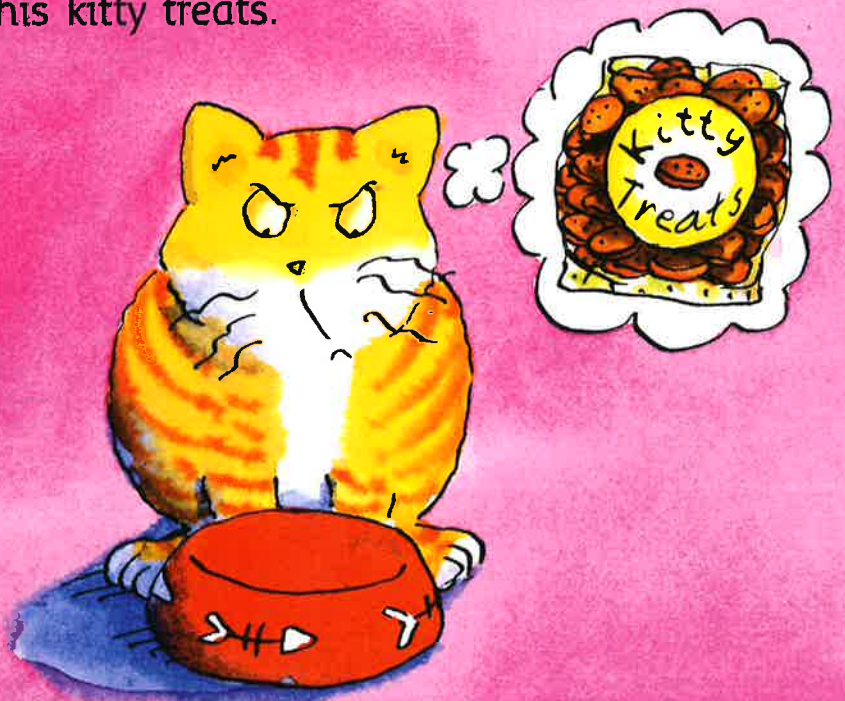
"Yes!" said his little brother, Tom.

"Do I have to?" asked Morris.

"Yes," said his mother.

Rose and Tom went off to hide.

Morris sat by his bowl and waited for his kitty treats.





"Morris," said his mother,
"go and look for Tom and Rose."
"Do I have to?" asked Morris.
"YES!" said his mother.

Morris found Tom behind the curtain.



He found Rose under a chair.



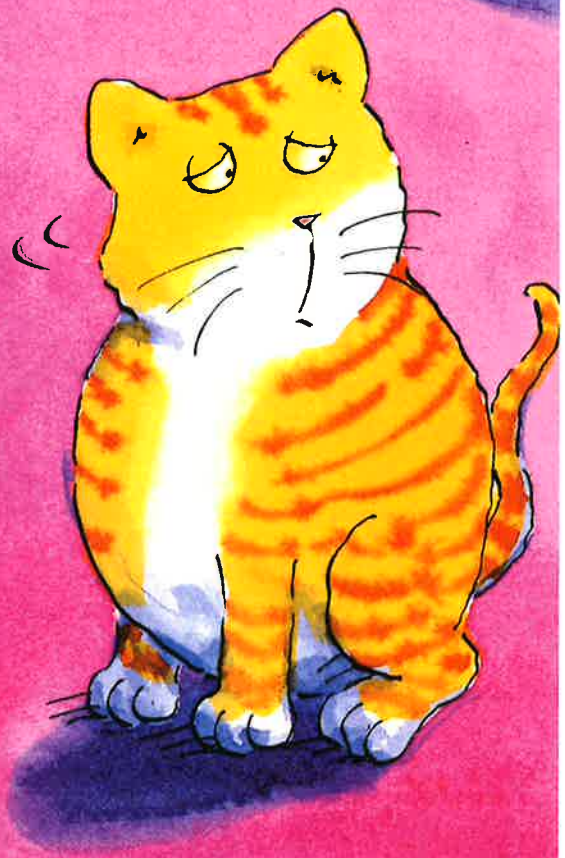
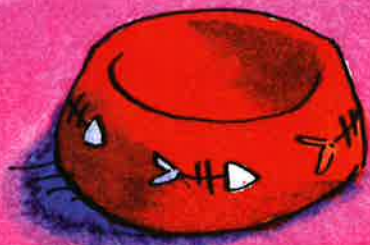
"Can I have my kitty treats now?" Morris asked.
"NO," said his mother. "Go and play!"



Rose shut her eyes and
began to count.
Tom hid under a cushion.



1, 2, 3 ...

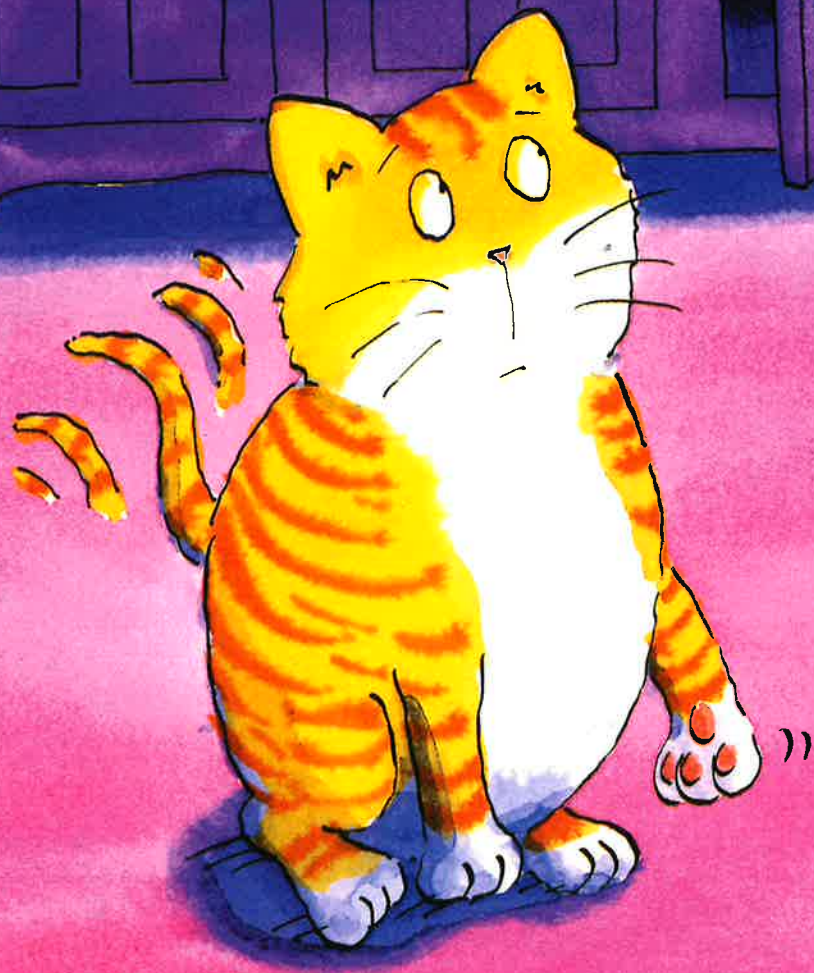


Morris looked around for somewhere to hide.
Parts of him stuck out from behind the curtain.



Parts of him stuck out from under the chair.





“Shucks,” said Morris.
Then he saw it.
The perfect hiding place!



Morris squeezed into the food cupboard.

Rose found Tom right away.



She looked for Morris behind
the curtain but he wasn't there.



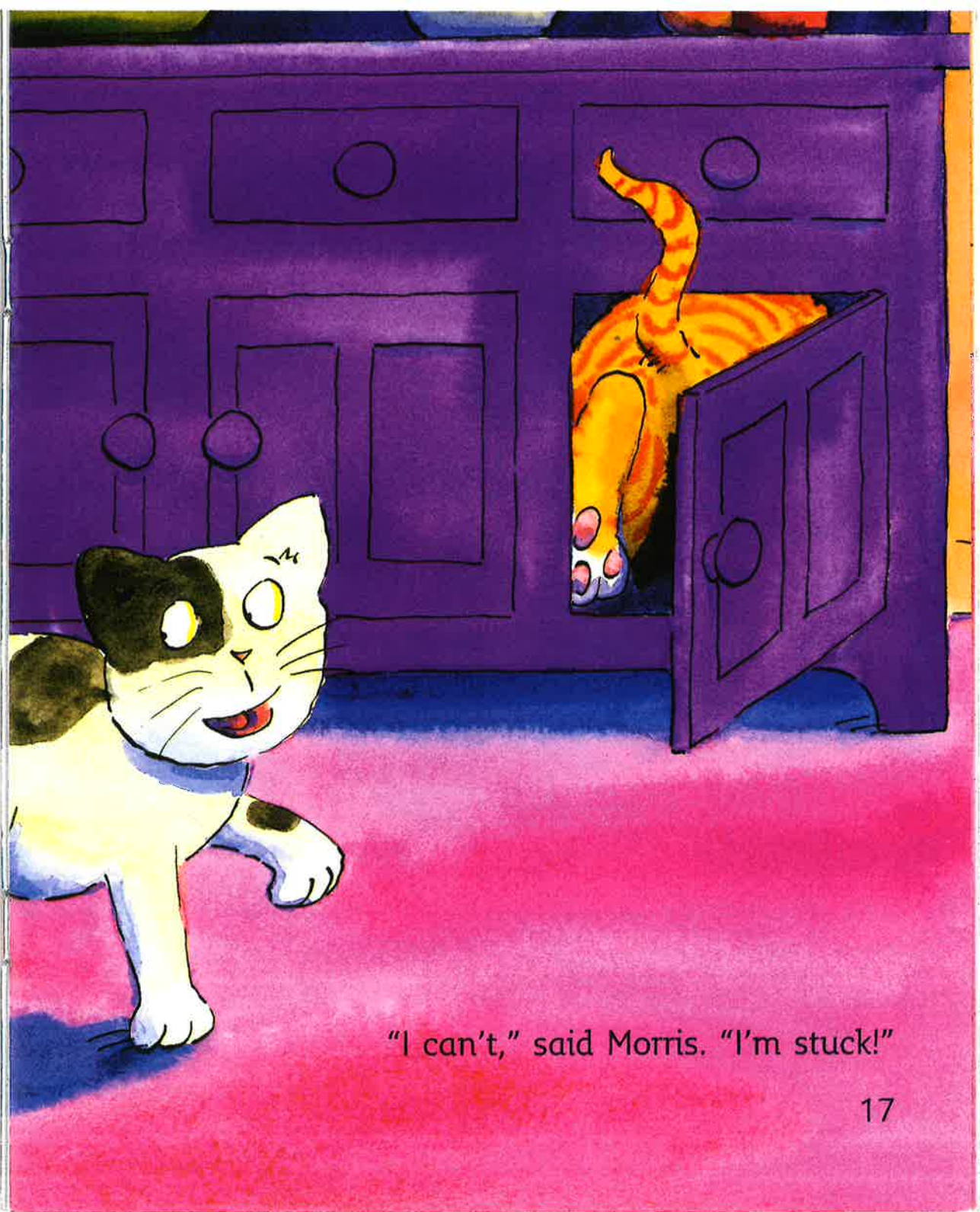
He wasn't under the chair.



He wasn't behind the door. He wasn't up the stairs.

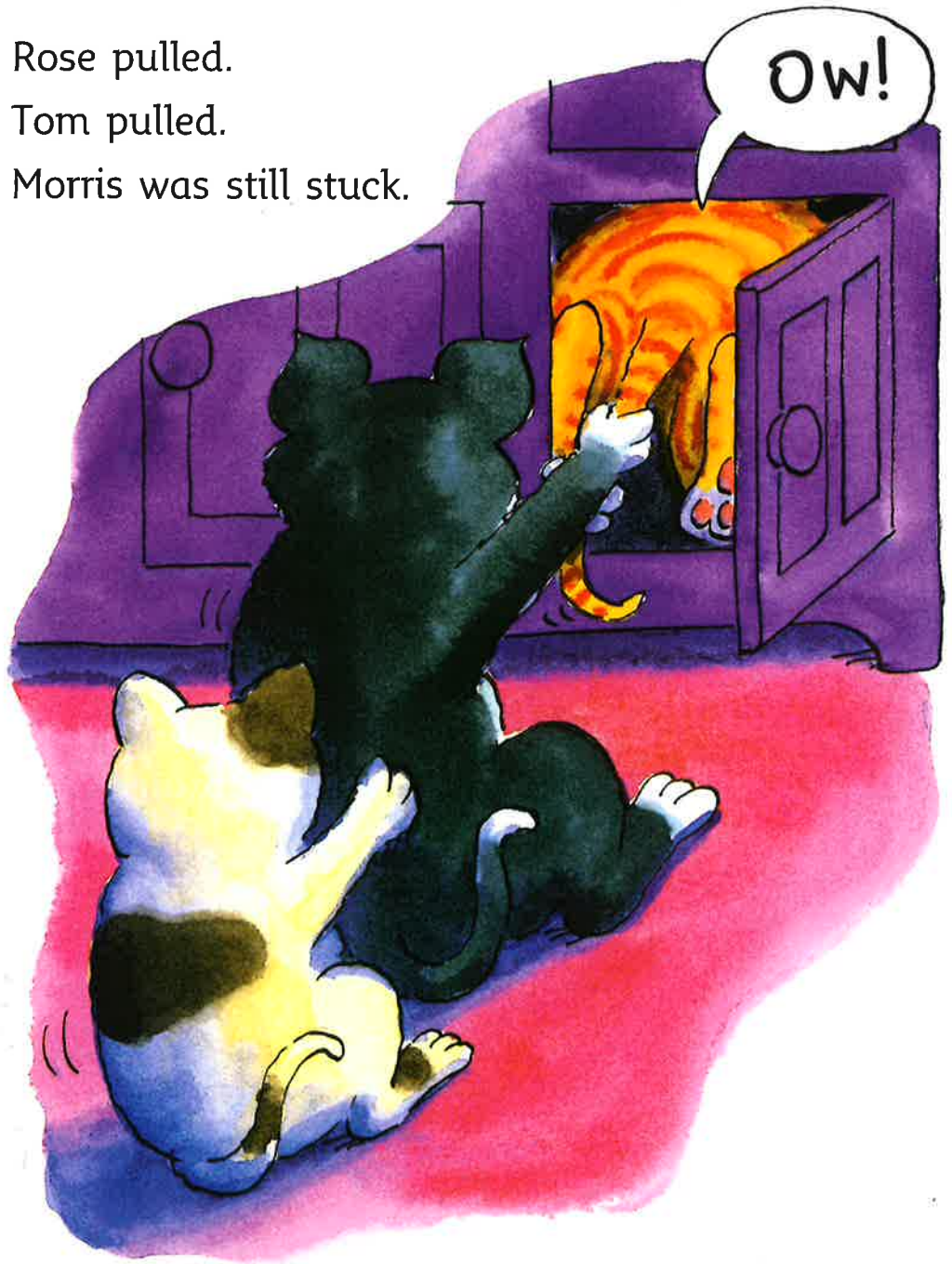
"Morris!" called Rose. "Where are you?"
There was no answer.
"You can come out now!" called Tom.

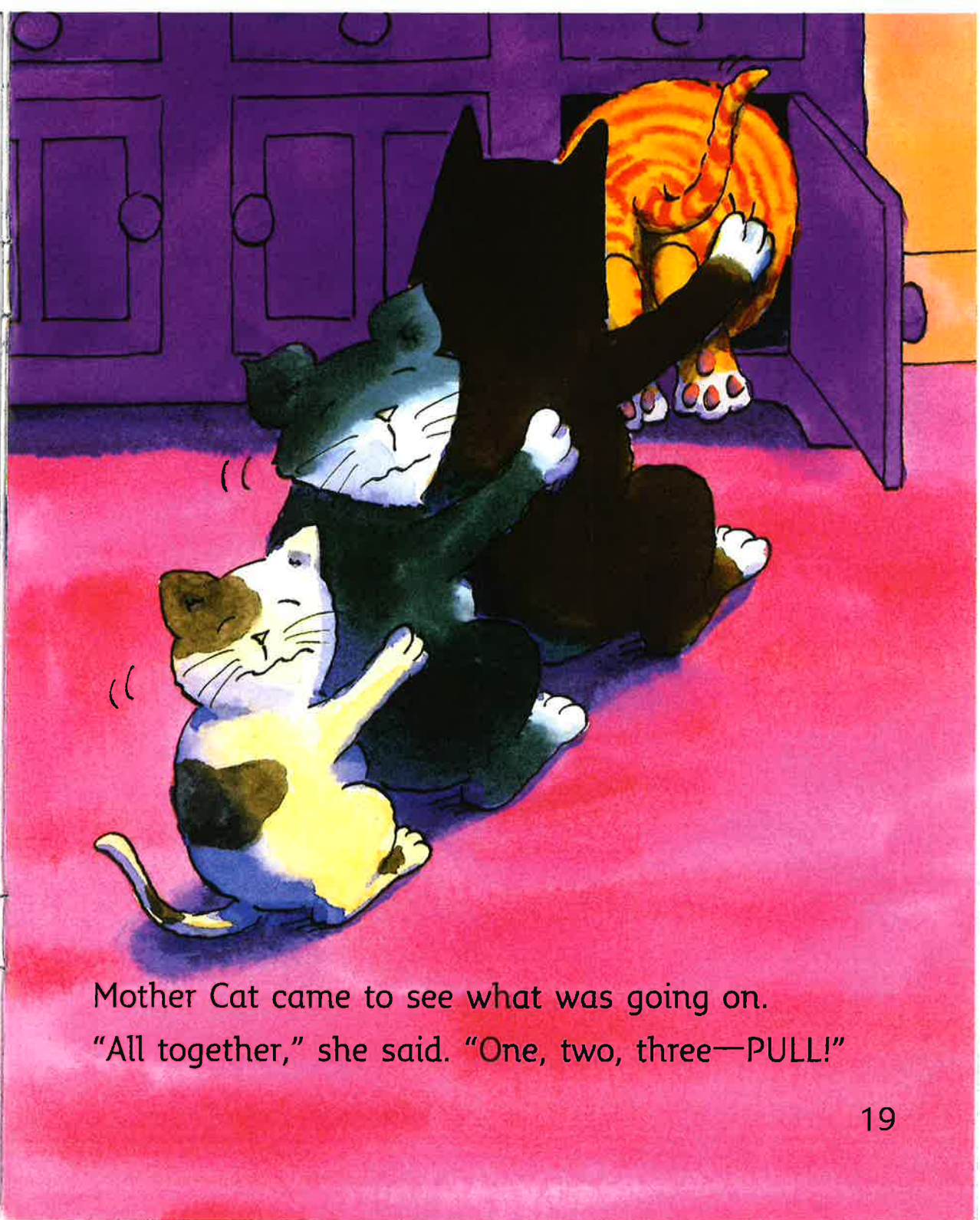




"I can't," said Morris. "I'm stuck!"

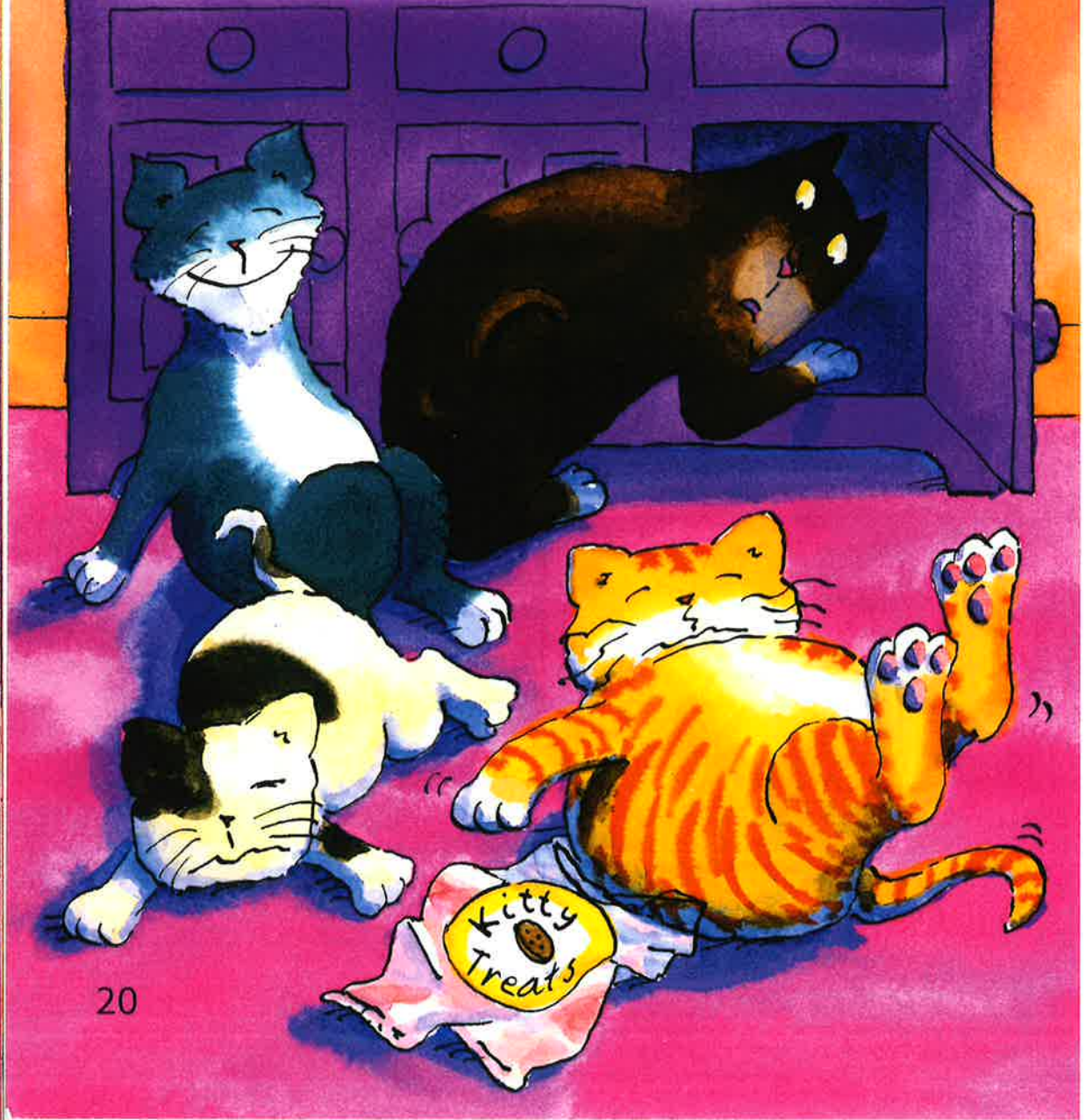
Rose pulled.
Tom pulled.
Morris was still stuck.





Mother Cat came to see what was going on.
"All together," she said. "One, two, three—PULL!"

“OW!” said Morris as he landed on the floor.
Mother Cat was looking in the cupboard.
“Morris,” she said, “where are the kitty treats?”



"Hiding," said Morris. He began to purr loudly.

