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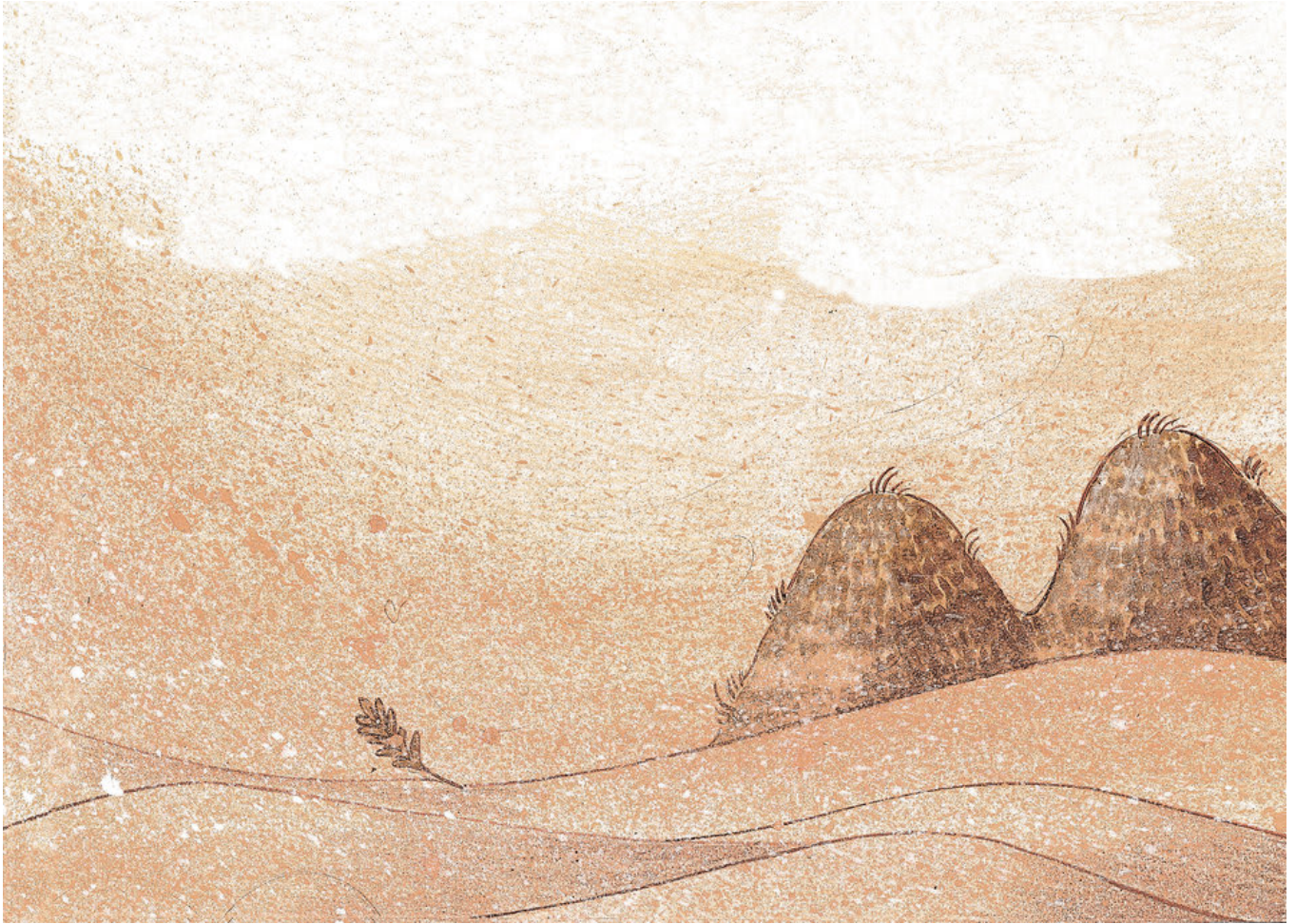
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Once upon a time, there was a camel. He was very large. All the other camels had only one hump, but he had two. The camel was very proud of this. He kept his distance from the other camels.



One day, a sandstorm whirled around the desert. There was dust and sand everywhere!
The camel was sleeping. He had no friends to wake him up, so he slept through the storm. Sand gathered around him till only his two humps could be seen.



Soon after, two desert tortoises came by. They began to climb up and down the humps, racing each other.



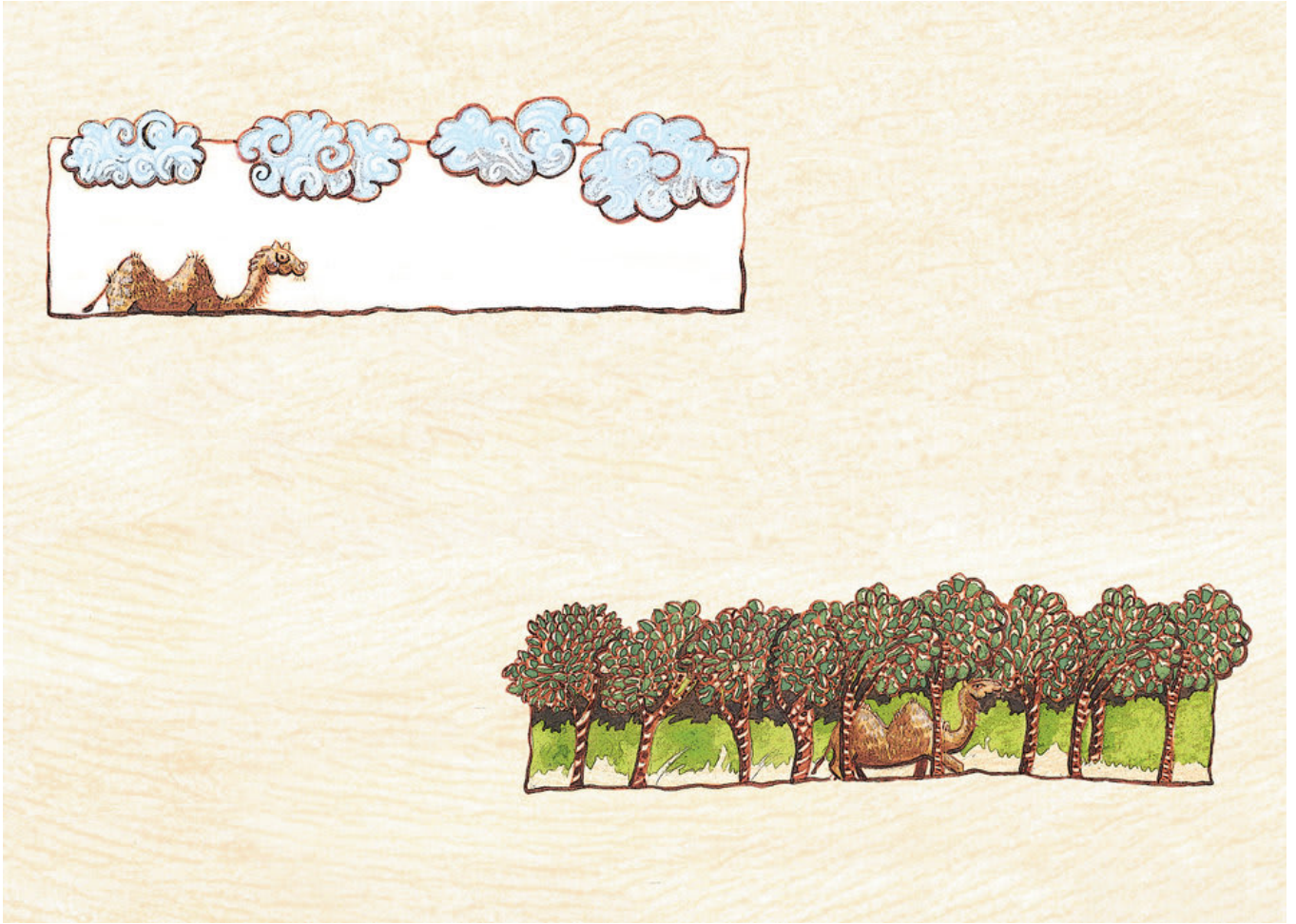
All of a sudden, the camel woke up. He heaved himself up and rose from the ground. The tortoises were terrified. "Run!" they screamed. "It's a walking mountain!"



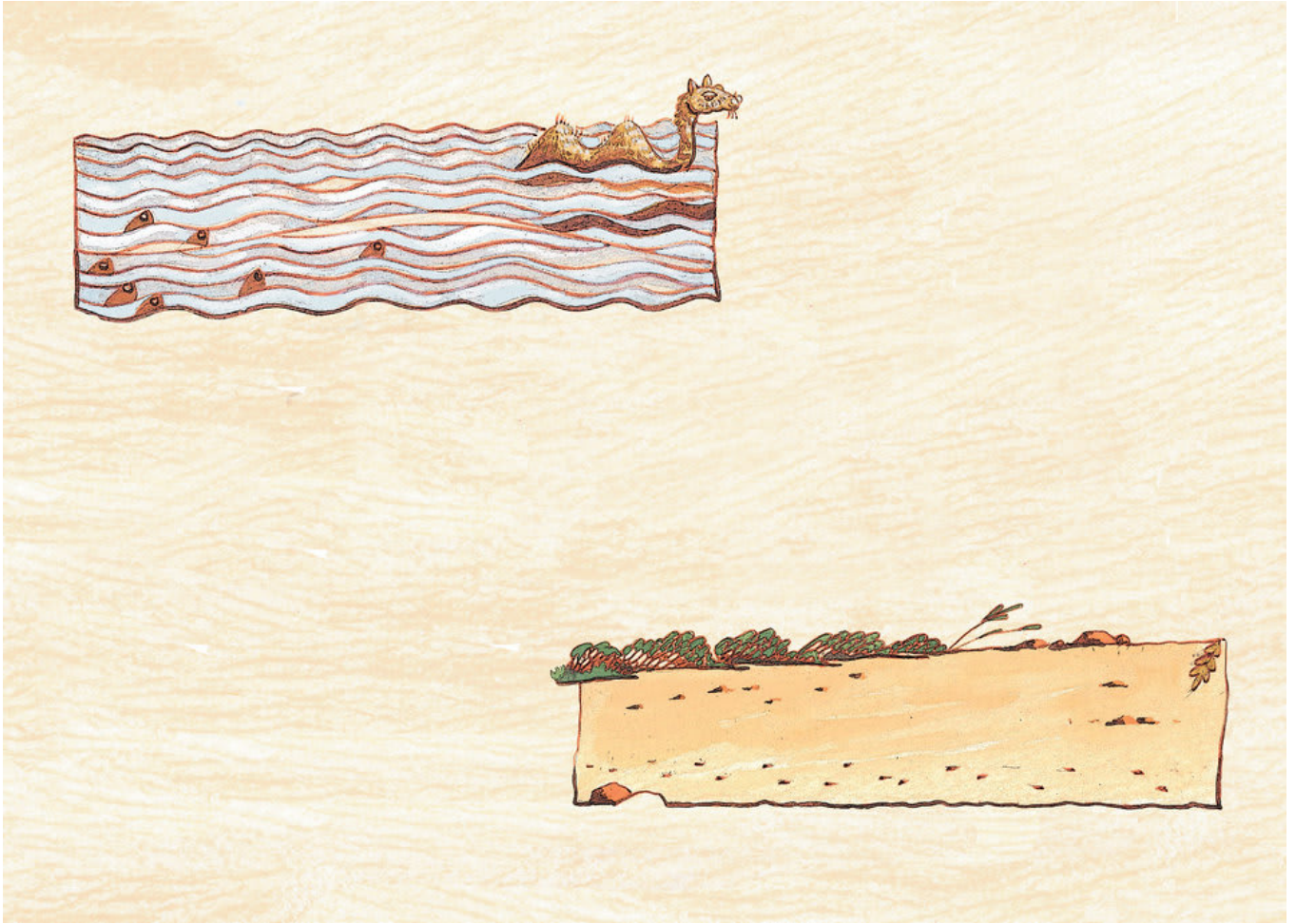
The next day, the sun was very hot. The camel went to a nearby lake to cool off. He stepped into the water and waded deep inside the lake. Only his humps could be seen. Two frogs came by and climbed on top. They had a little picnic.



As the sun began to set, the camel heaved himself up and rose from the lake. The frogs leapt off the camel in fright. "Run!" they screamed. "It's a walking mountain!" The camel was puzzled. "Why is everyone calling me a mountain?"



He decided to search for a mountain to see what it was.
He crossed forests.



He waded through rivers.
He walked over plains.



It soon grew dark. Tired, the camel curled up on the ground and fell asleep.
That night it snowed heavily.



In the morning there was snow everywhere. Only the camel's humps could be seen.



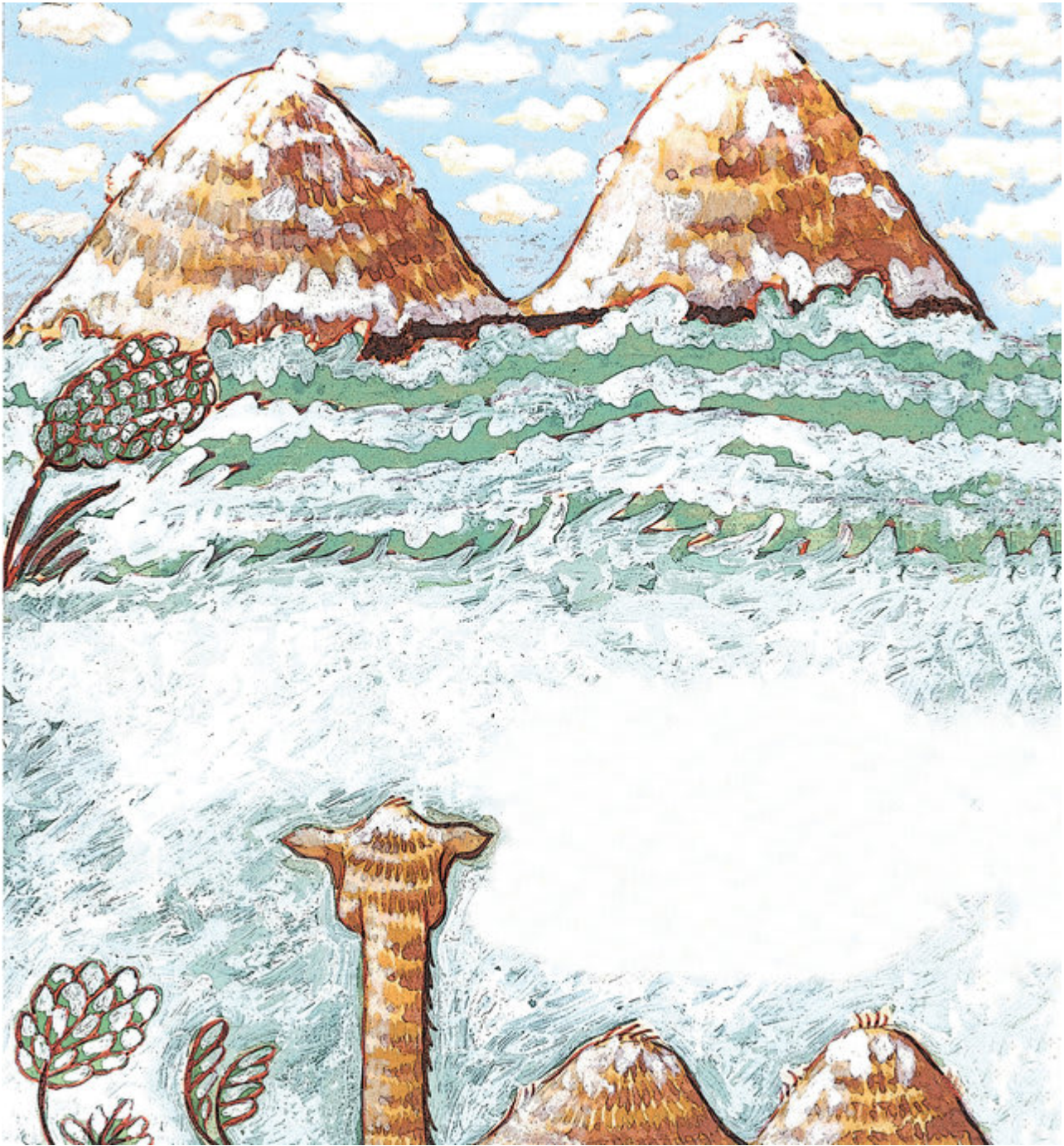
Two mice came by. They began chasing each other up and down the camel's humps.



This tickled the camel, and he woke up. He heaved himself up and rose from the ground.

The mice sprang away in fright. "Run!" they screamed. "It's a walking mountain!"

At that moment, the camel happened to see a snow-capped mountain in front of him.



“Oh my goodness!” he cried.
“What an enormous camel!”



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