

I Love You to Infinity

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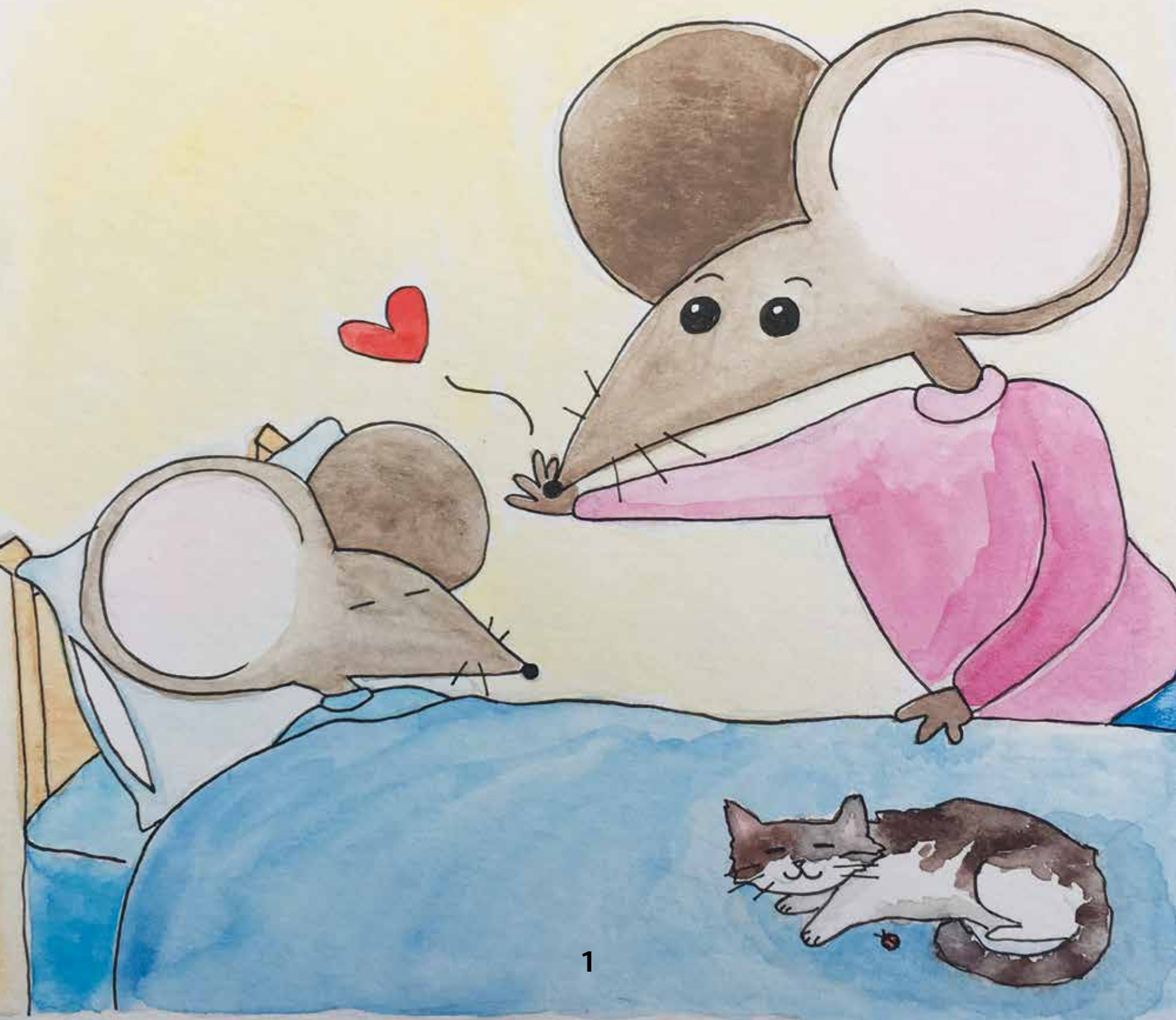
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This book came about as a tribute to my six amazing kids and the traditions we had at bedtime. It is an expression of the love I have for them and the connections we made at night doing the many things shown in this book. It warms my heart to have you share in this – acting out the words on the pages with kisses, cuddles and positive messages as your own kiddos drift off to sleep. On each page there is a hidden lady bug named Loobie Loo for you to find and make up your own routines as you explore this book and imaginations. Best of all, take time to be present with your child and know you are doing a good job. As they float off to sleep you are planting the seeds of encouragement, self worth and value, but most of all that they are always loved!





I would like to extend a deep heartfelt thank you to my family for the love and help in making this book happen. My kids Holly, Natalie, Cody, Grady, Wesley and Riley – you are my inspiration for this book from the nights we have spent creating these rituals, the title, the drawings, the words and even the name “Pipsqueak”. To my husband Charlie for your belief in me to create this, and your support through all the days of “doing our life” together. I am grateful for you and your dedication to our family. Thank you for always being there for me and loving me as I am where I am! My mom Peggy – many of these traditions started with you when we were kids and are some of the most loving memories I have as a kid. To my friend Katy, I thank you for all the encouraging talks to keep going and to keep my faith day to day. Most of all the belief all of you have had in my dreams and making them come true. I love you all to infinity!!



It's time for bed sleepyhead.
I'll cuddle you and tuck you in tight,
kiss your head, nighty night.

**My love for you just grows and grows,
let's wiggle, tickle and count your toes.**

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

Pipsqueak the mouse has 10 tiny toes too!

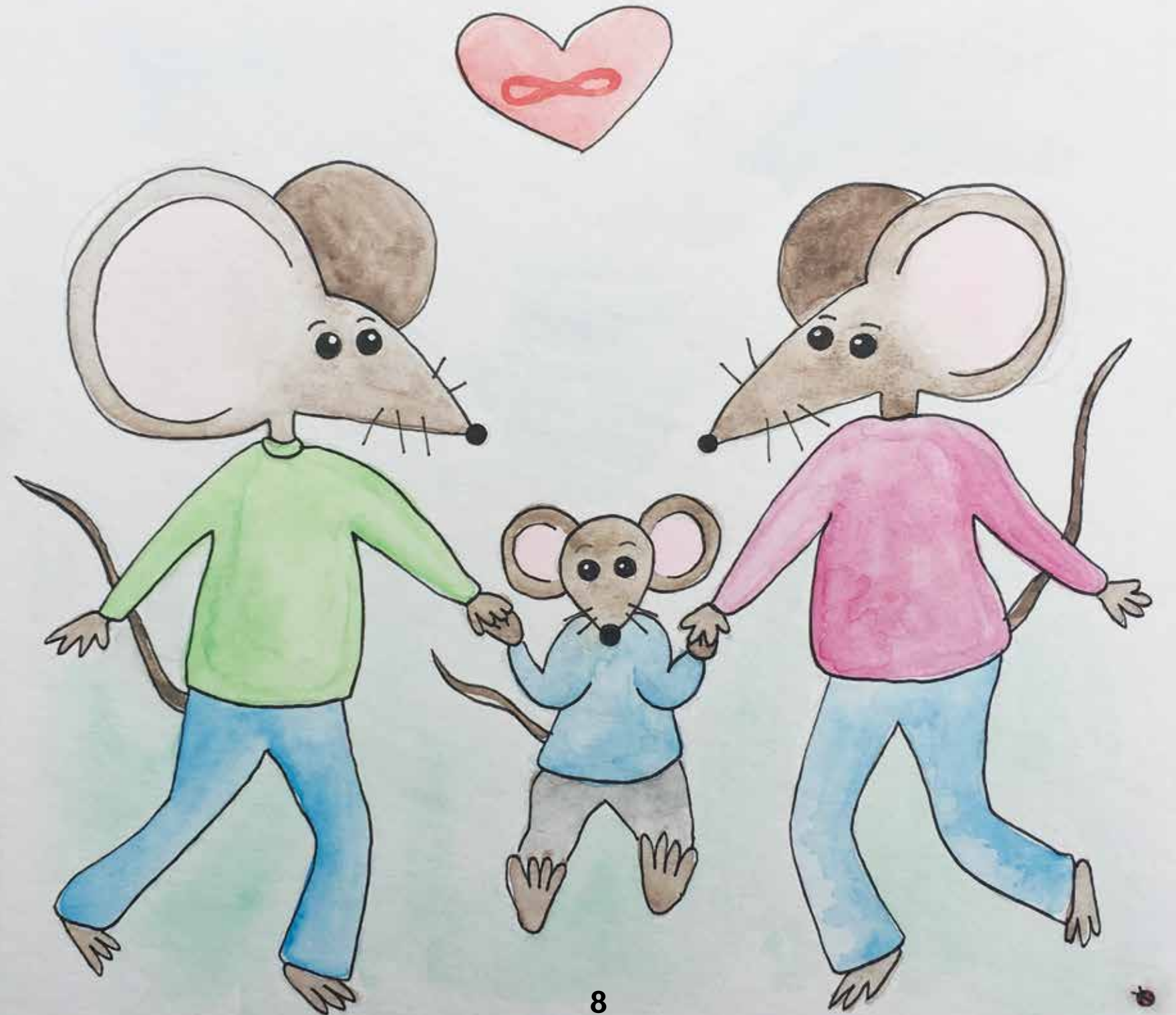
On each page can you find Lady Bug Loobie Loo?





I scratch your back and rub your head,
you're getting sleepy, time for bed.
I whisper to you so quietly
"I love you to infinity."

You see, that is what mommies and daddies say
to all their little ones everyday.
You fill our hearts with love and joy,
yours filled too – every girl and boy.

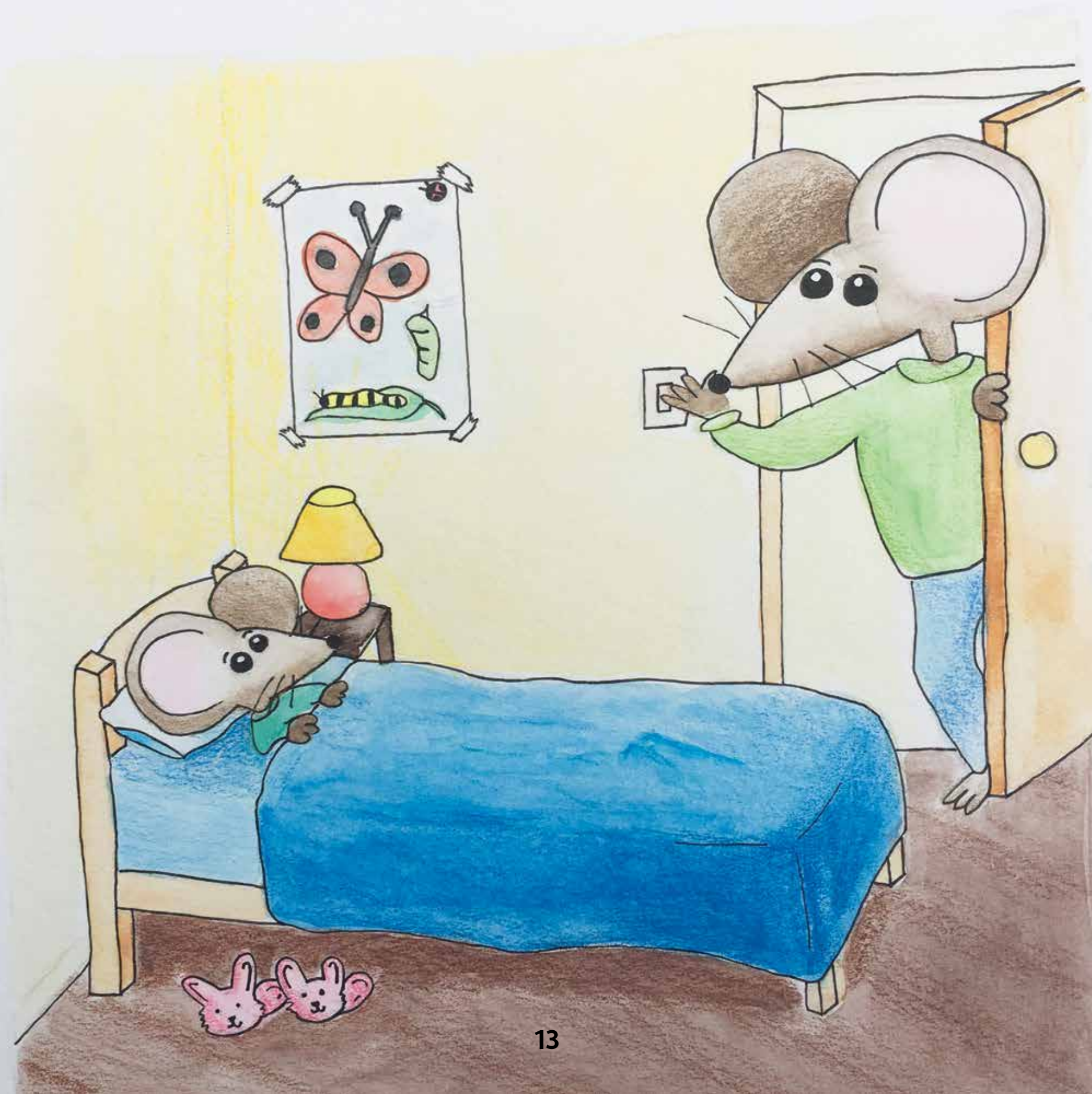




When I heard at first you were coming to me,
I thought to myself, "how lucky can I be?"
I've wanted you for so very very long,
I knew this would be my favorite song...
I love you to infinity, I love you to infinity!

I hold you, rock you and squeeze you so tight,
sometimes I just watch you all through the night.
You're a wonder, miracle, a blessing from above,
when I first saw you I was so filled with love.





I will tuck you in your blankie so you are safe and warm.
I promise to protect you and to keep you from harm.
You will do great things, who knows who you will be,
just remember always I love you to infinity!

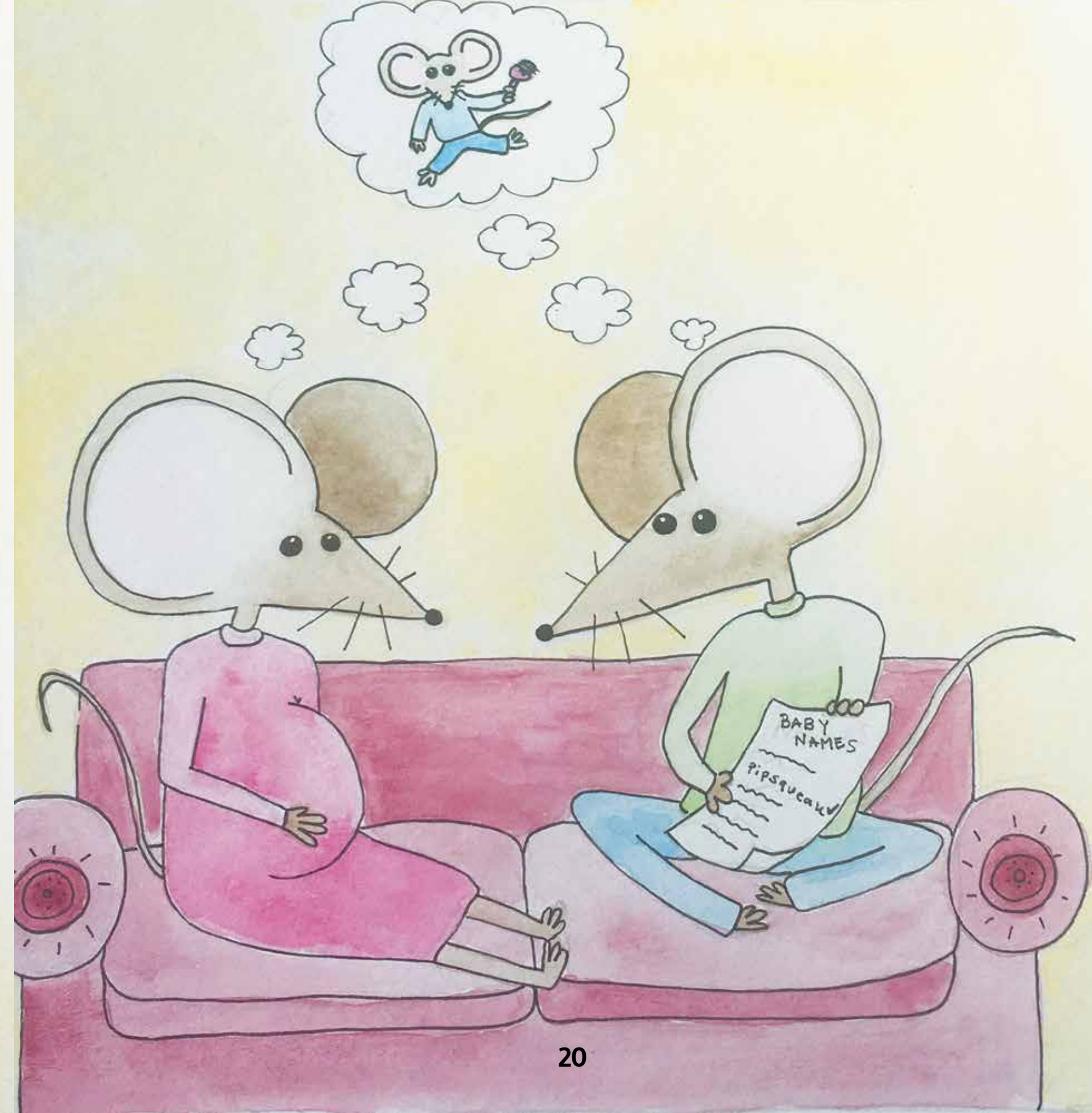
It's getting dark, your eyes are heavy.
Go to sleep darling for you have to get ready.
For tomorrow is another day for all to know,
the power and magic of your spirit and soul.





Your are a gift as I wrap you in your blankie so tight,
close your eyes honey pie – nighty night.
Sweet dreams to you and sweet dreams to me,
I love you, I love you to infinity!

Your name is so special, we picked it with care.
Can you spell it? You tell me and share.
Oh you're so smart, all the things that you know,
you're happy and healthy and sooooo big will you grow!





**All the world loves you, give them a big hug please,
and they will hug you back with a great big squeeze.
Be true to yourself, who you were made to be.
Always, always... I love you to infinity!**

About the Illustrator



Holly Smith, a student of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota is an artist and illustrator of children's books. Drawing, painting, photography and ceramics are some of the many forms of art she pursues. Her creativity and imagination has been a life long gift and passion that has evolved into many beautiful pieces resulting in various awards and recognitions. She can be contacted on Facebook at [Hollysmithart](#) or by email at Hollysmith2989@gmail.com.

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