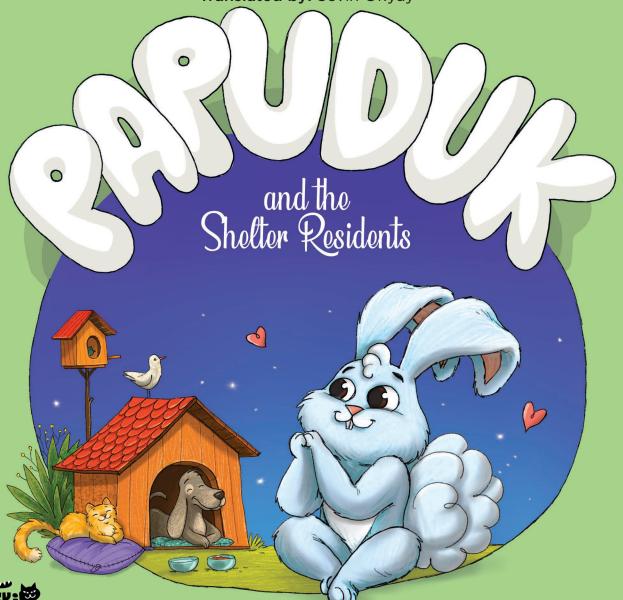
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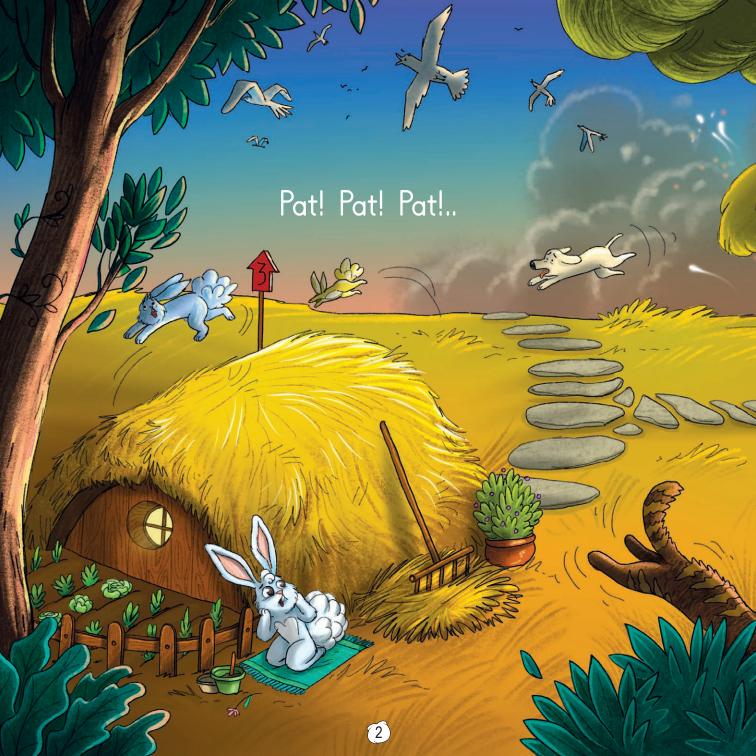


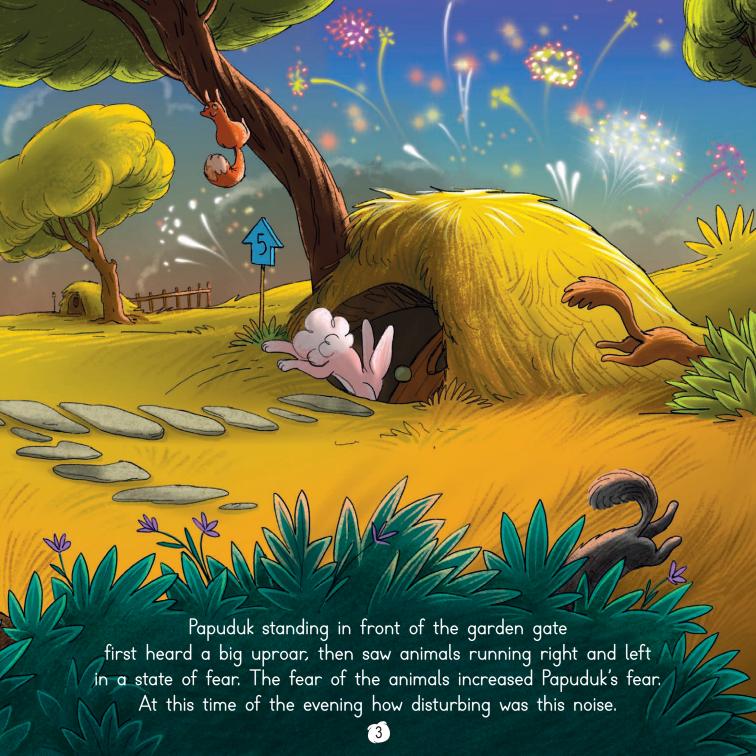
Wishing that Papuduk, the hero of the fairy tale my precious Great-Grandmother Lady Hayriye Erduran used to tell us children of several generations, will contribute to raising them to posterity with love for animals and environmental consciousness.

Serra Sabancı

PAPUDUK and the SHELTER RESIDENTS







Papuduk looked at the running animals in wonder.

They all disappeared in a hurry. The last one to come along was an old dog out of breath. To catch its breath it stopped near Papuduk's house.

Papuduk, who couldn't get what was going on, called off to it:



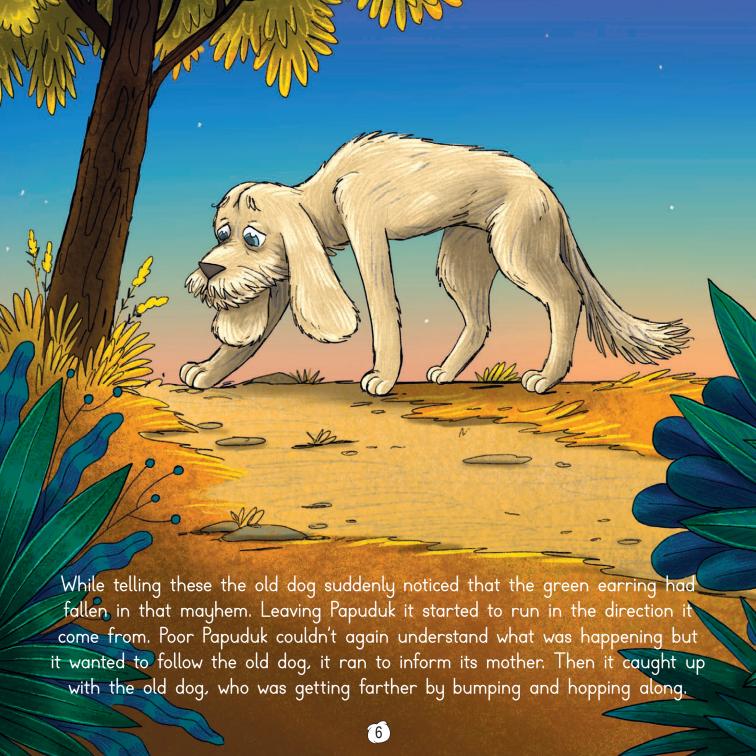
"This is called fireworks. Some people like very much to blast it off but these fireworks harm all of us animals very much. Birds clash in the air, baby birds may fall from their nests, wildlife run away from their dens, cats and dogs may have heart attacks. Since harmful gases are dispersed in the air, people can also be harmed, and they may even injure themselves if they behave carelessly."

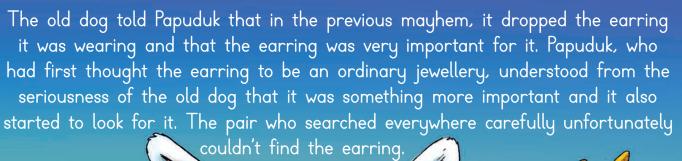


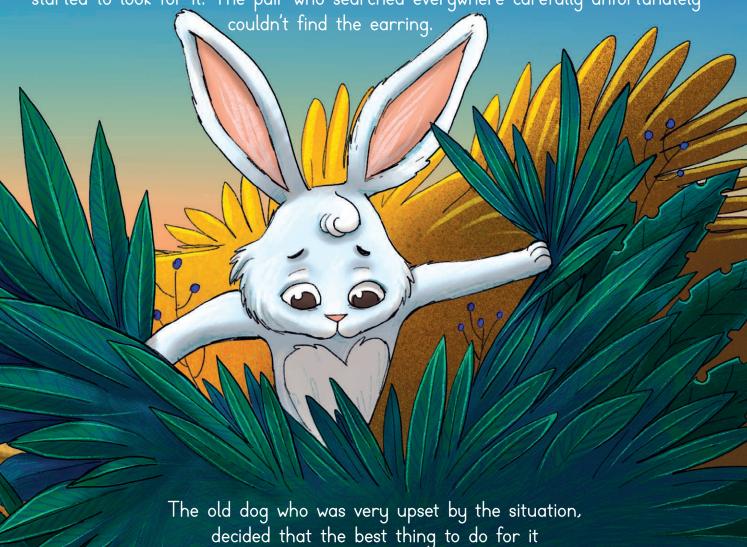
So the cause of this noise was fireworks. After having learned this all, Papuduk thought why people like such a harmful thing so much.

It was an explosive tossed up in the air!

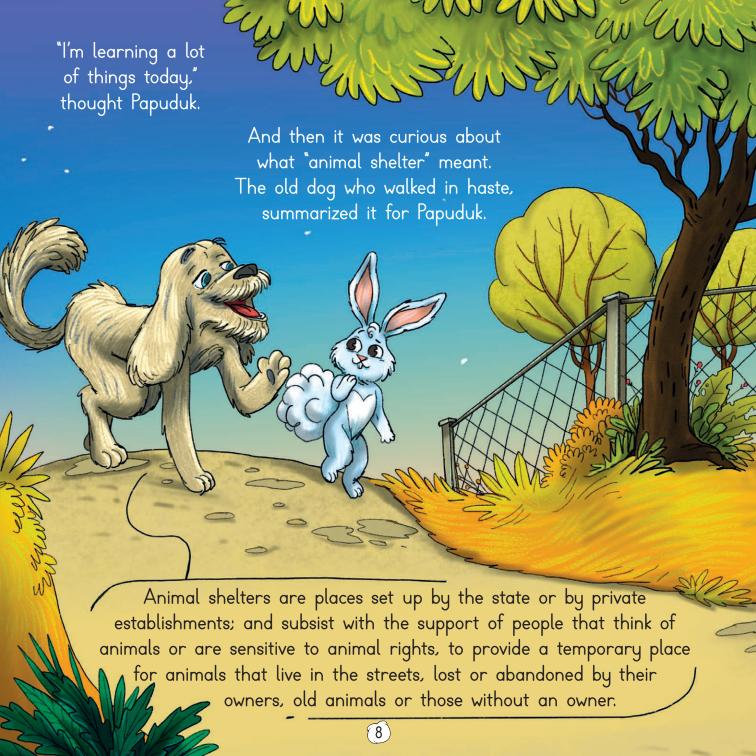
What do you think is the reason for people to like fireworks?

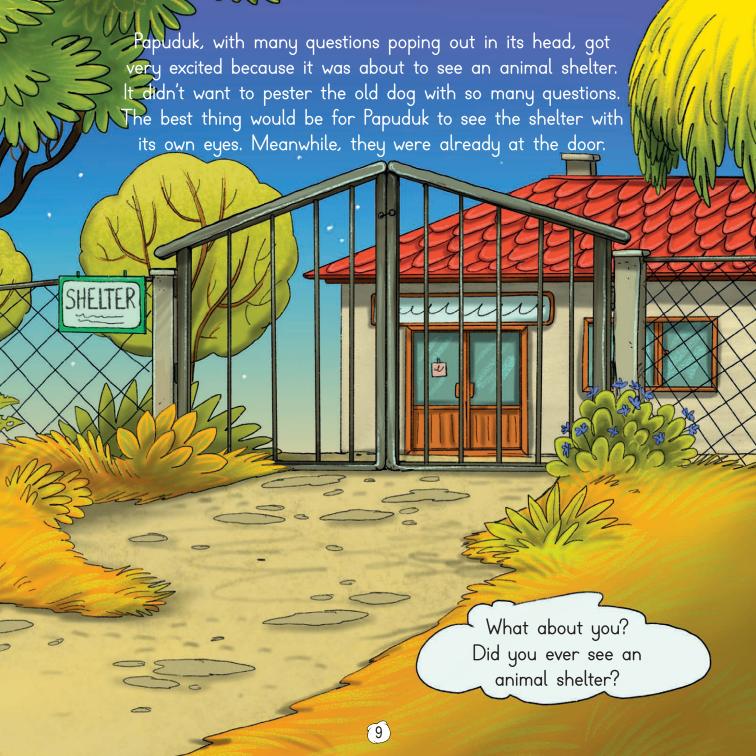






decided that the best thing to do for it was to go to the nearest animal shelter.

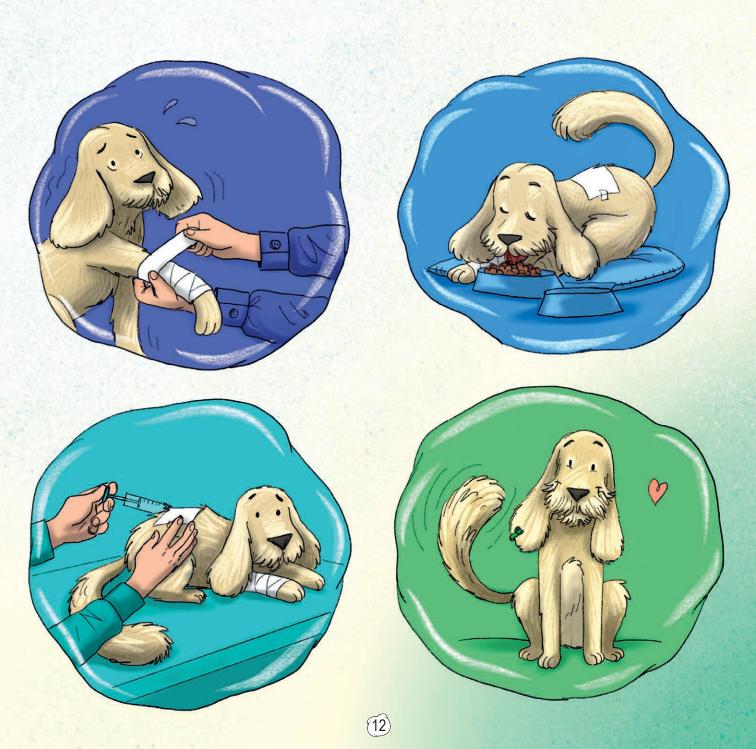




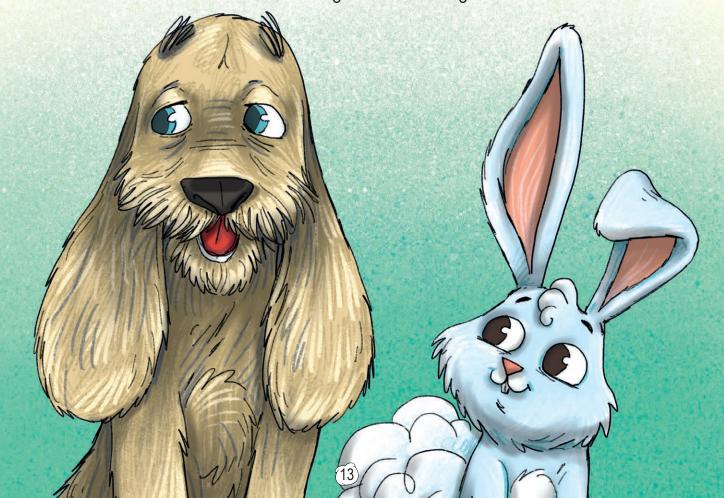




"I was very young, living in the street and some naughty kids threw stones at me. That was why I was injured. I felt much pain. In fear, I hid in the garden of a house and the owner of that garden didn't want me, he chased me away. While walking hopelessly in the street, two men took me, put me in a van and brought me somewhere I didn't know at all."



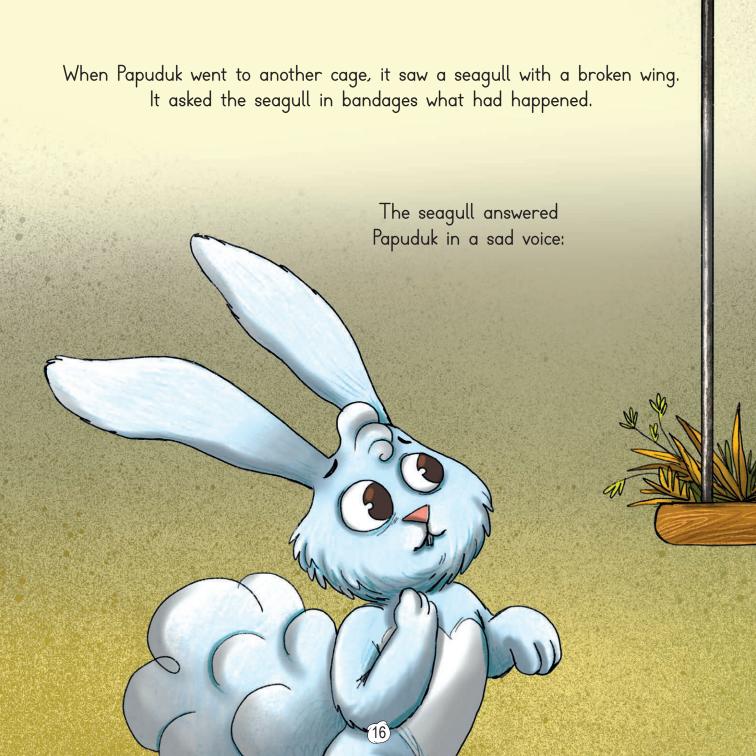
"First I was a little frightened, all in all I was going to somewhere I didn't know. So they brought me to this place we came today. In the shelter they treated me very nicely. First they dressed my wounds, then they fed me, in a few days I had my vaccinations and was spayed. They put my earring on and left me where they took me. From that day on I lived on as a stray dog who would apparently harm no one as can be seen from its earring, a healthy spray with all his vaccinations made. Thanks to the kind hearted vet who welcomed me, my life had changed."



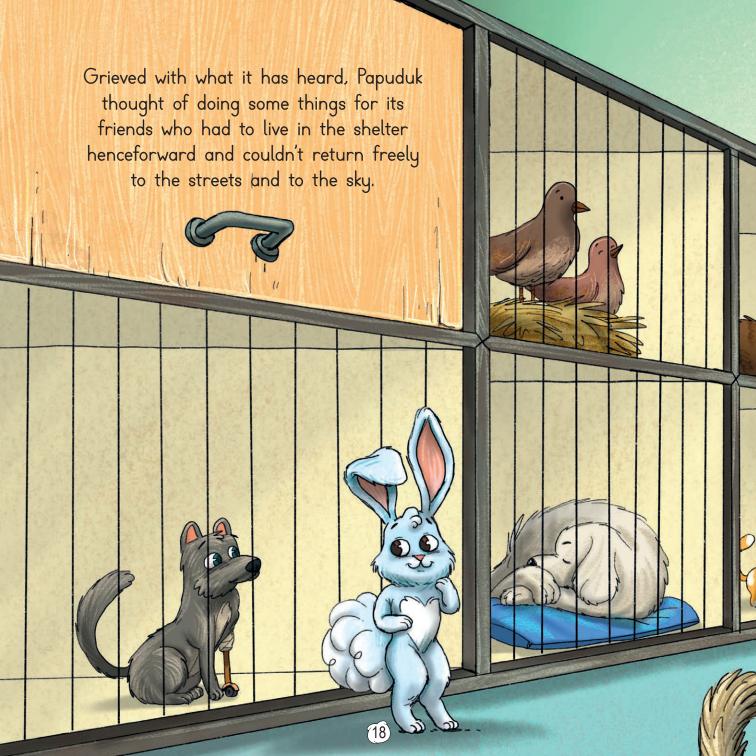




While strolling among the cages, Papuduk saw a mama cat and her litter. The mother was suckling her babies with a contented expression. Gently coming up it asked "How are you?" The mother cat thanked with a smile. She knew that she will bring up her babies safely and then go again to where they belong, the streets.









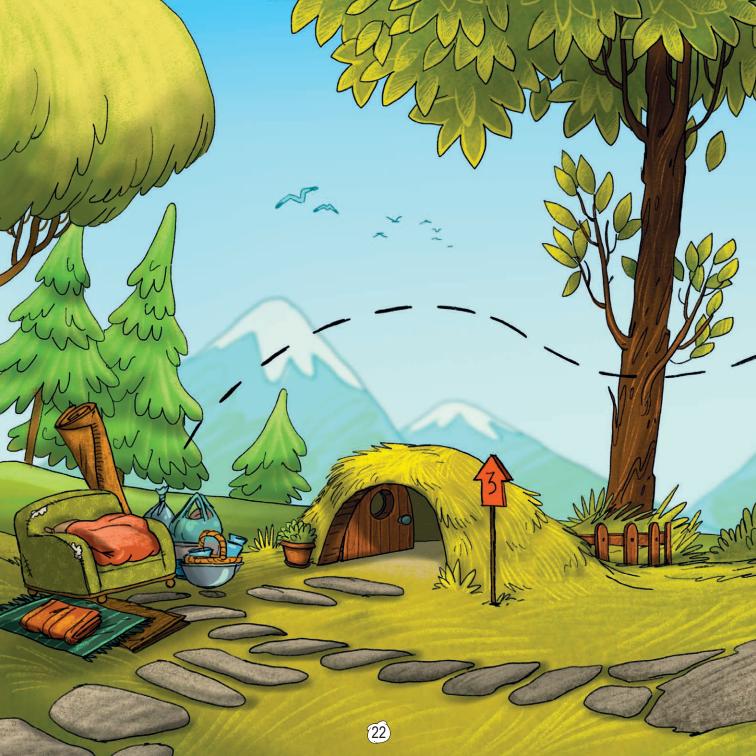
Back home, Papuduk told its mother what went on. Its mother told it that it could help.

The next morning after breakfast they took their tablet in their hands and searched for the needs of animal shelters. Reading it they were much amazed. So many things that were thought to be thrash made life easier for our animal friends who stayed in shelters temporarily or permanently.



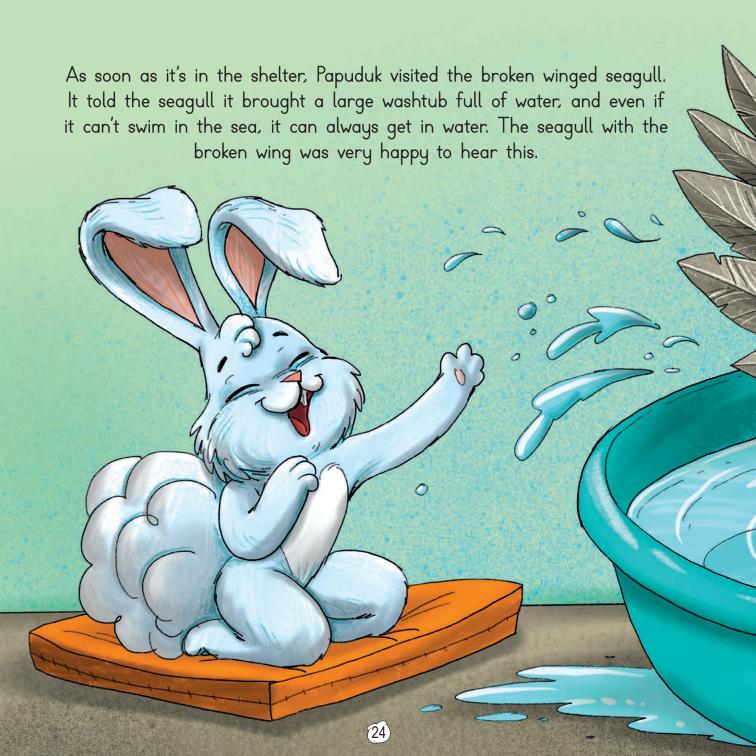


Old newspapers, old blankets, quilts, towels, bathrobes, armchairs, macaroni, medications, dishes that are headed for recycling, pots, cleaning supplies, gloves, masks, food for animals and the list got longer. Papuduk, restless with excitement, took permission from its mother and rushed out of the house to tell what it learned to all its friends in the neighbourhood.

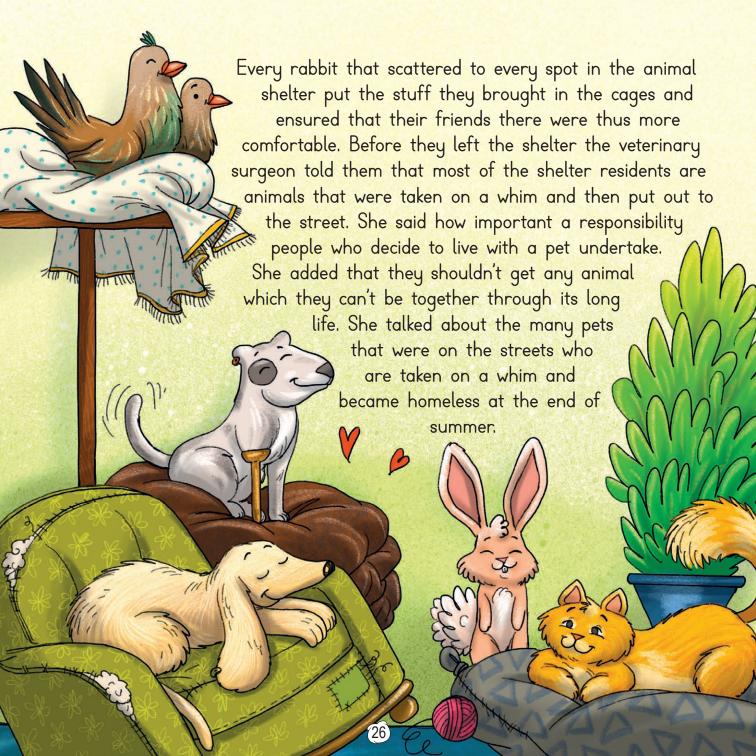


The rabbits who went from house to house and collected stuff from all the neighborhood. They put everything they collected nicely together in the garden of Papuduks house. A few days later they took them to the animal shelter with a vehicle of a mole from the neighbourhood.











She also told them that if they decide to live with an animal as a family they should absolutely take this "life" from shelters or streets but definitely stay away from shops which sell pets for money. Then Papuduk and its friends hugged the veterinary surgeon and made their farewell, saying they'll "come again".

PLAYTIME

Pat! Pat! Pat! Boom!.. If I entered your house and banged pots and pans "Thump! Thump! Thump!", would you like it, I wonder?

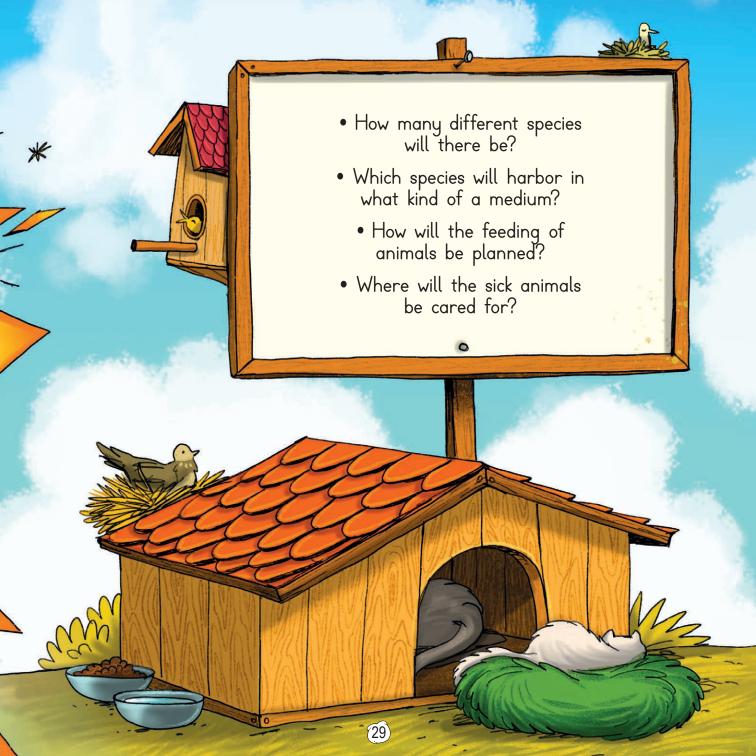
If you ask me, you may be somewhat disturbed by the noise.

I hope I managed to tell how fireworks tossed up in the air just for pleasure harmed animals.

The poor seagull's wing was injured by the fireworks.

Luckily it's looked after well in the shelter. But what if there were no shelters? Have you ever thought of that? I hadn't, to tell the truth. I hadn't even heard about them. I did partly because of fireworks and partly because of the old dog I had met. If you, dear reader, who's reading this book, were not informed of shelters earlier, you have learned about them like me now.

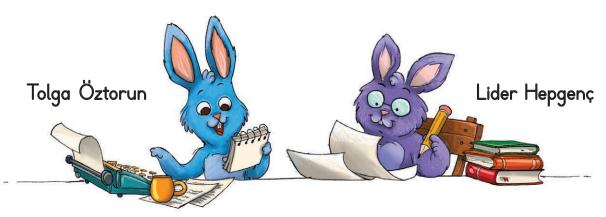
Come, let's add new knowledge to this information that we have learned. You can start with asking an adult for help. If there is a shelter near to where you live, you can visit it and see what shelters are like. If there is none in your area, you can make a little search in the internet and see what shelters look like. But we're not through yet. The shelters you have searched and seen or visited may be made perfectly but we can always make a better one with you. Let's start with finding a box. Think of this box as the model of the splendid shelter to be built. While designing your model, don't forget to prepare it in a way to answer the questions on the opposite page.



LET'S ANSWER

- 1. Let's start with an easy question: What are fireworks?
- 2. How do fireworks harm animals?
- 3. The dog I came across had lost its earring.
 I helped it to find it but couldn't. What would you do
 if you see a dog without an earring?
- 4. Just imagine I don't know anything about shelters.
 Well, you tell me. What are shelters?
 Why do they exist? What are their benefits?
- 5. As I couldn't take the broken-winged seagull to the sea, I tried to take "the sea to the seagull" by means of a washtub. I thought that it would feel well this way. What else can be done so that other animals living in the shelter would also feel well?
 - 6. How can we inform people who are not aware of shelters and the animals in the shelters of this situation?





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