

Animal Homes



Animals live
all around us.

They live in the sea,



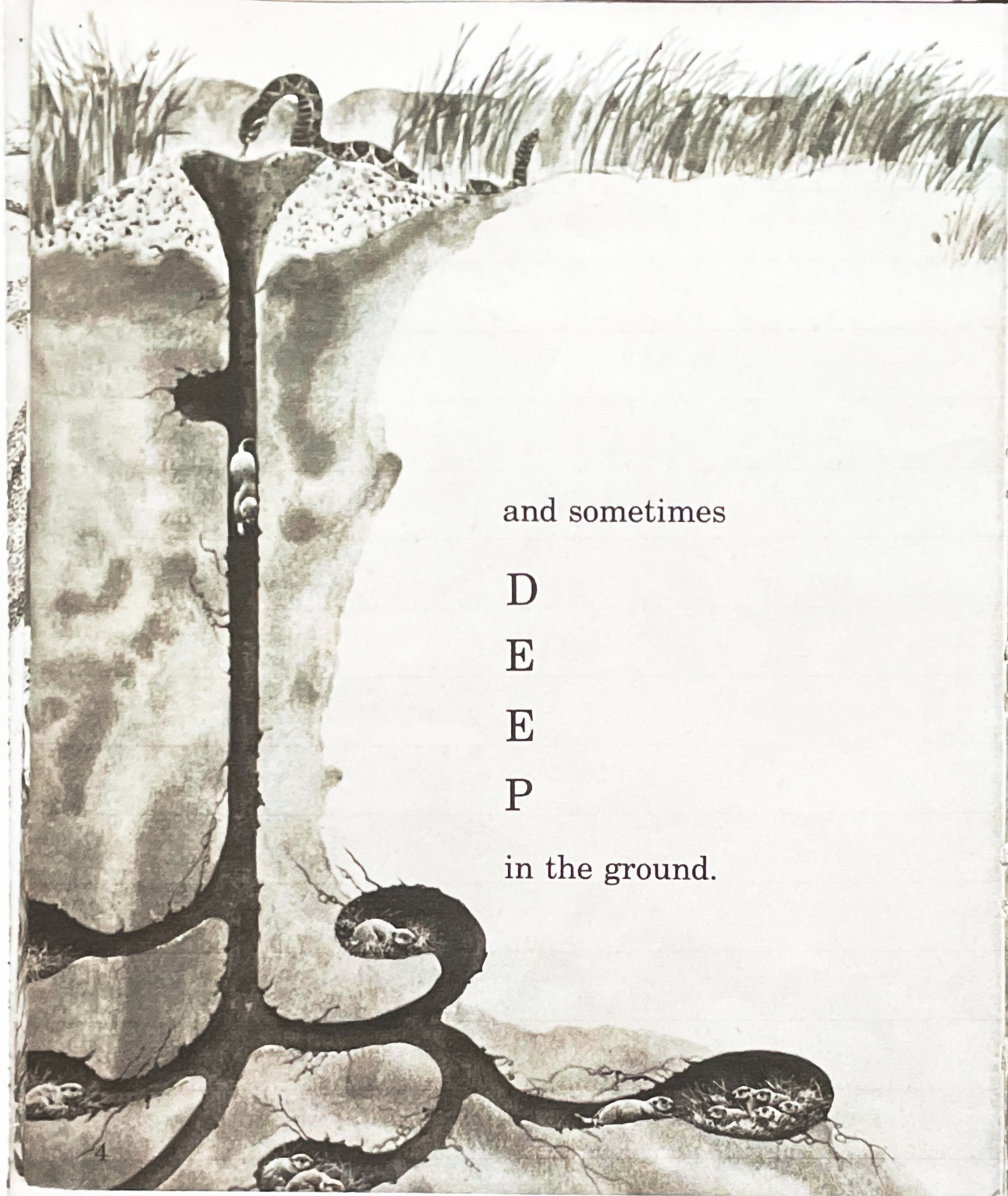


and in trees
high in the air.



They live on the land—



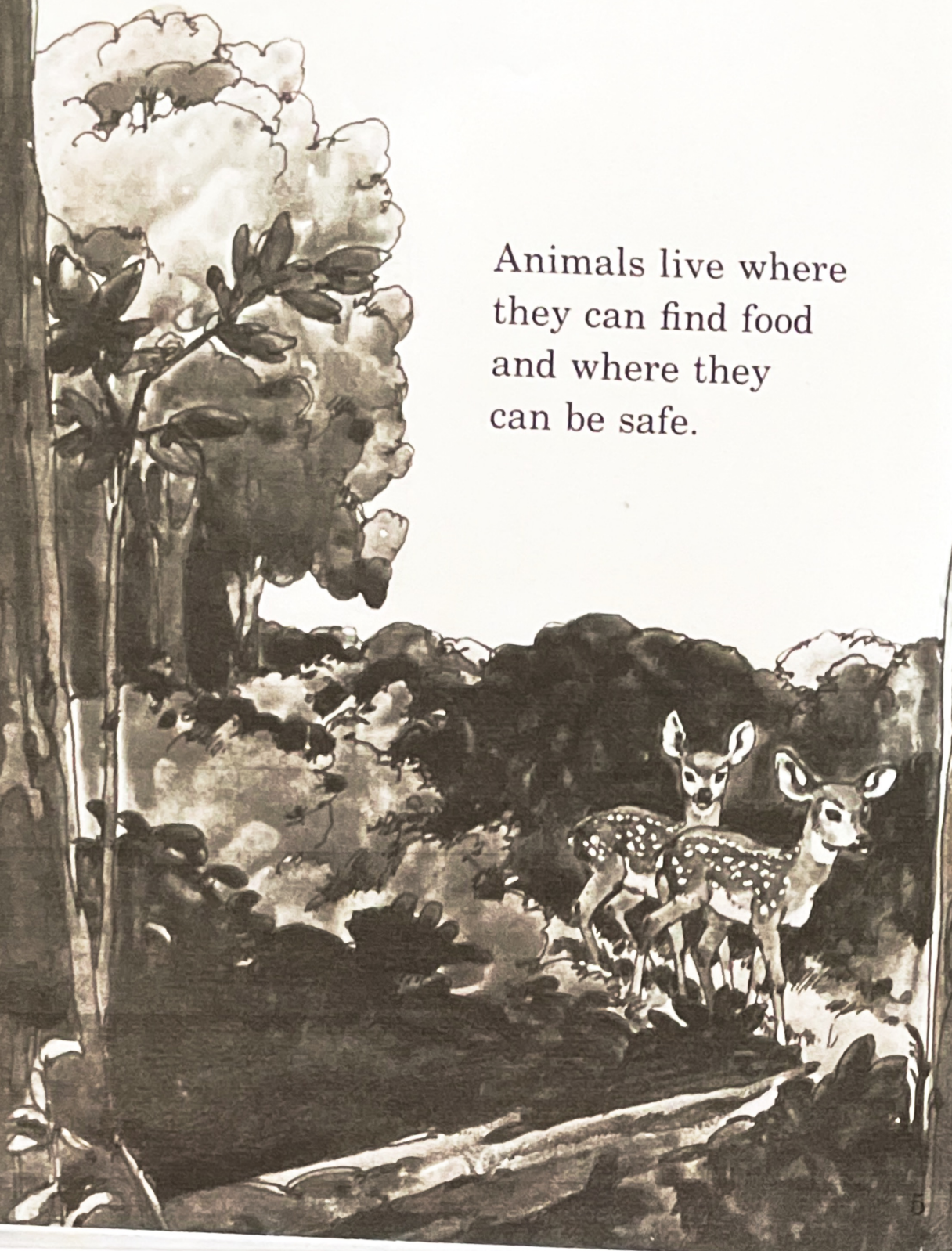


and sometimes

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in the ground.

Animals live where
they can find food
and where they
can be safe.





Some animals build homes to keep their families safe.

The beaver uses sticks and branches to make a dam in a flowing stream. The dam slows down the water. In the pond behind the dam, the beaver builds a home called a lodge. The front door of the lodge is under water, and inside the lodge the beaver family is safe from other animals.

What other animals build homes?



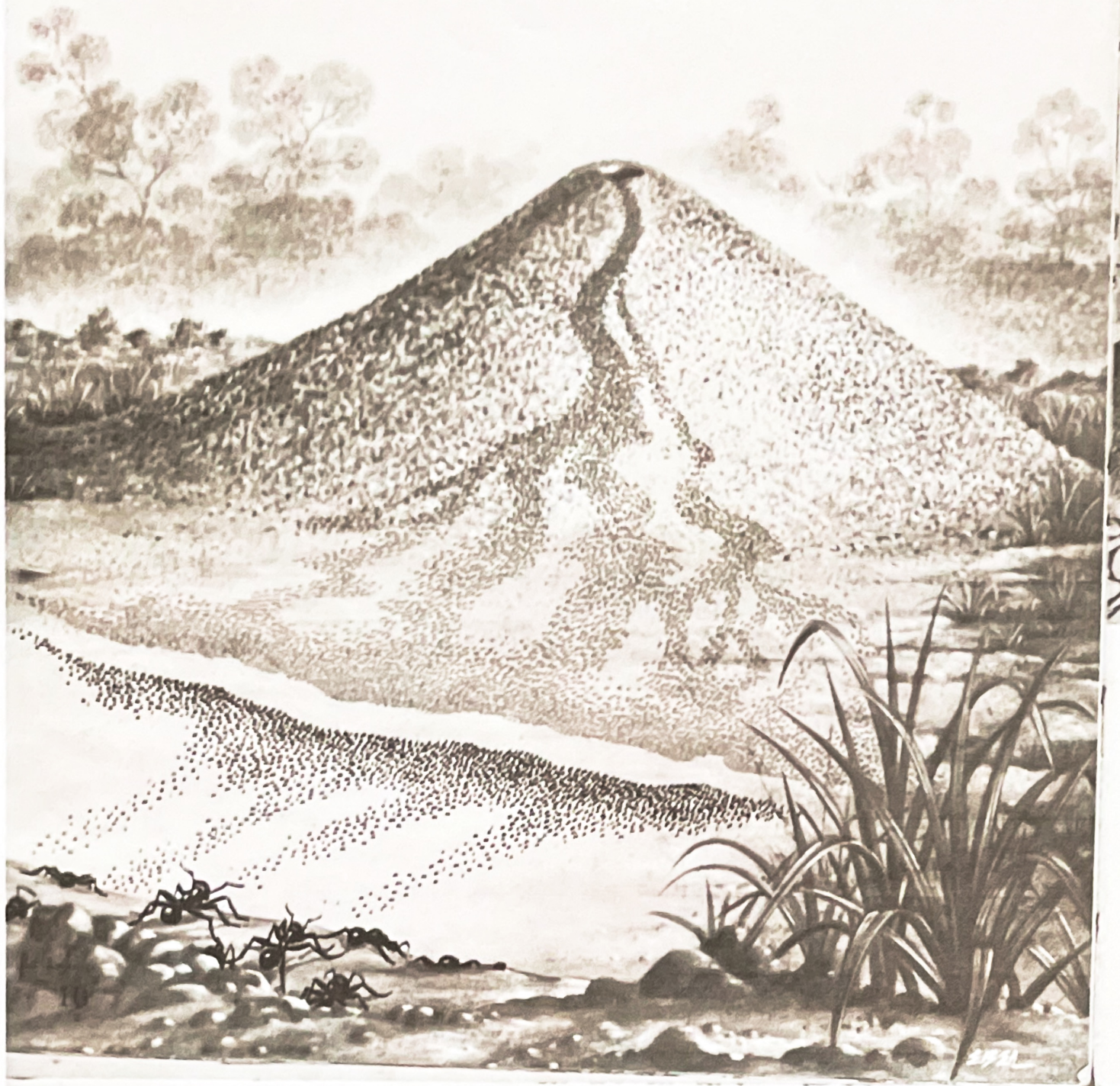
Birds, of course!





They build nests
wherever it's handy.

And anthills for ants
are just fine and dandy,

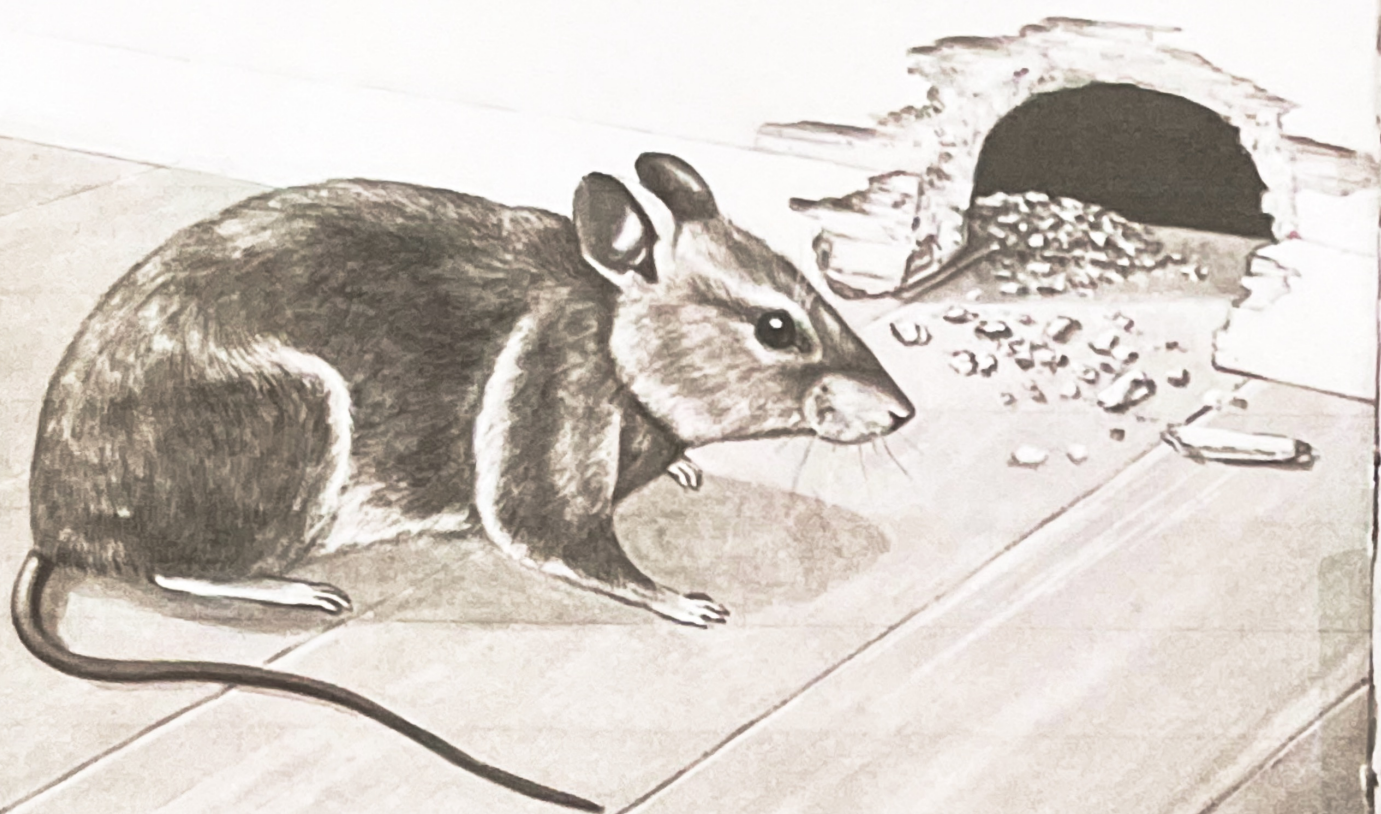


while home to a mole



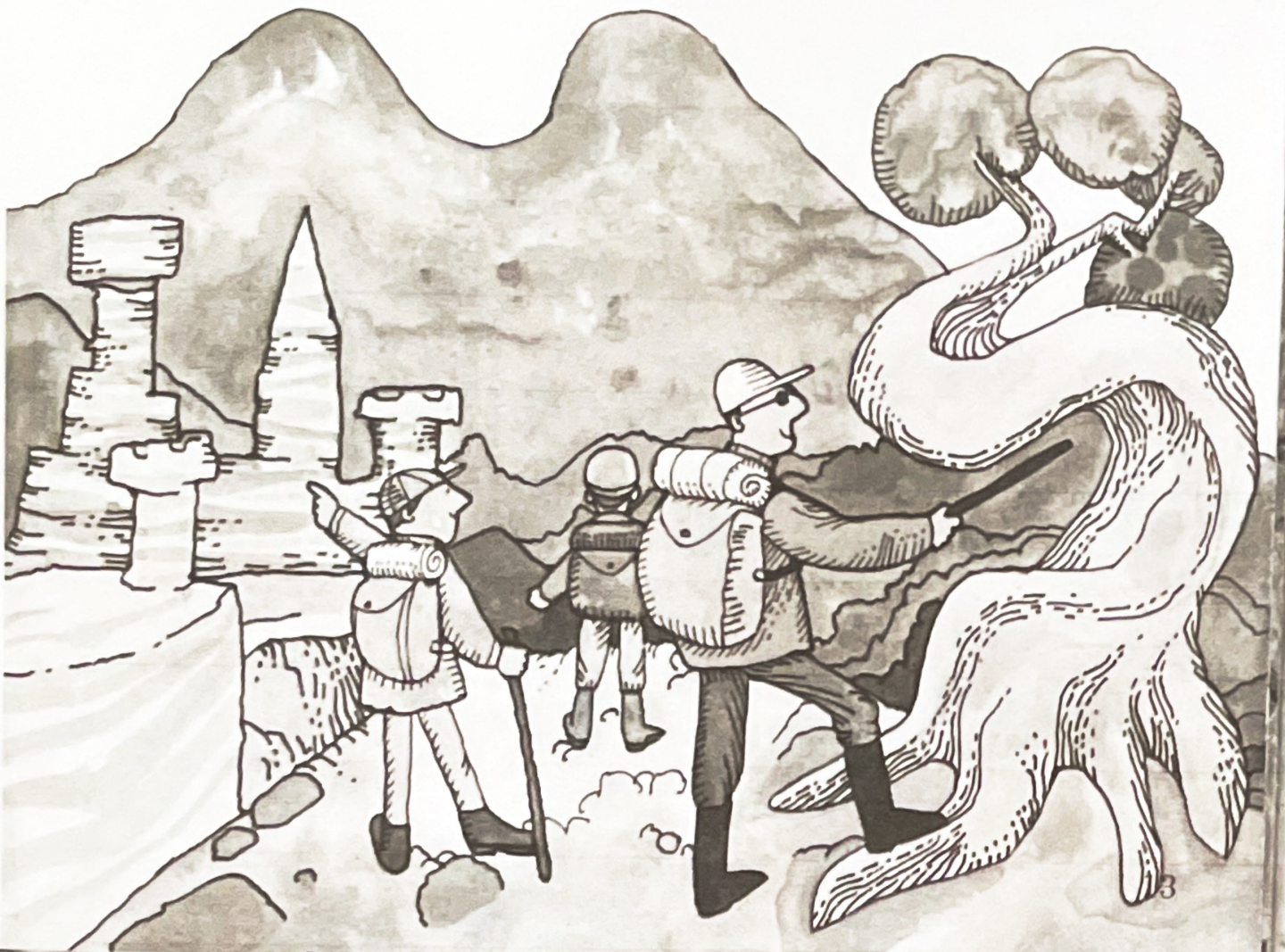
is an underground hole.

And of course don't forget
the furry gray mouse
that may live in a hole
that it makes in a house.



Some animals don't build homes —
they grow their own homes
right up on their backs
and carry them 'round
as campers do packs.

Can you think of any animals
with homes on their backs?



Did you think of
a turtle?
Its shell is its home.



If a turtle is scared
or sleepy, it can pull
its head and legs
inside its shell
and be safe.





But don't forget
snails, and
clams and
lots of
other
animals
that live
in the sea.
They grow
homes right
on their backs too.

When you find
an empty seashell,
remember it was once
an animal's home.



Take a look! Think hard!
And now can you see



other animal homes
and where they might be?

