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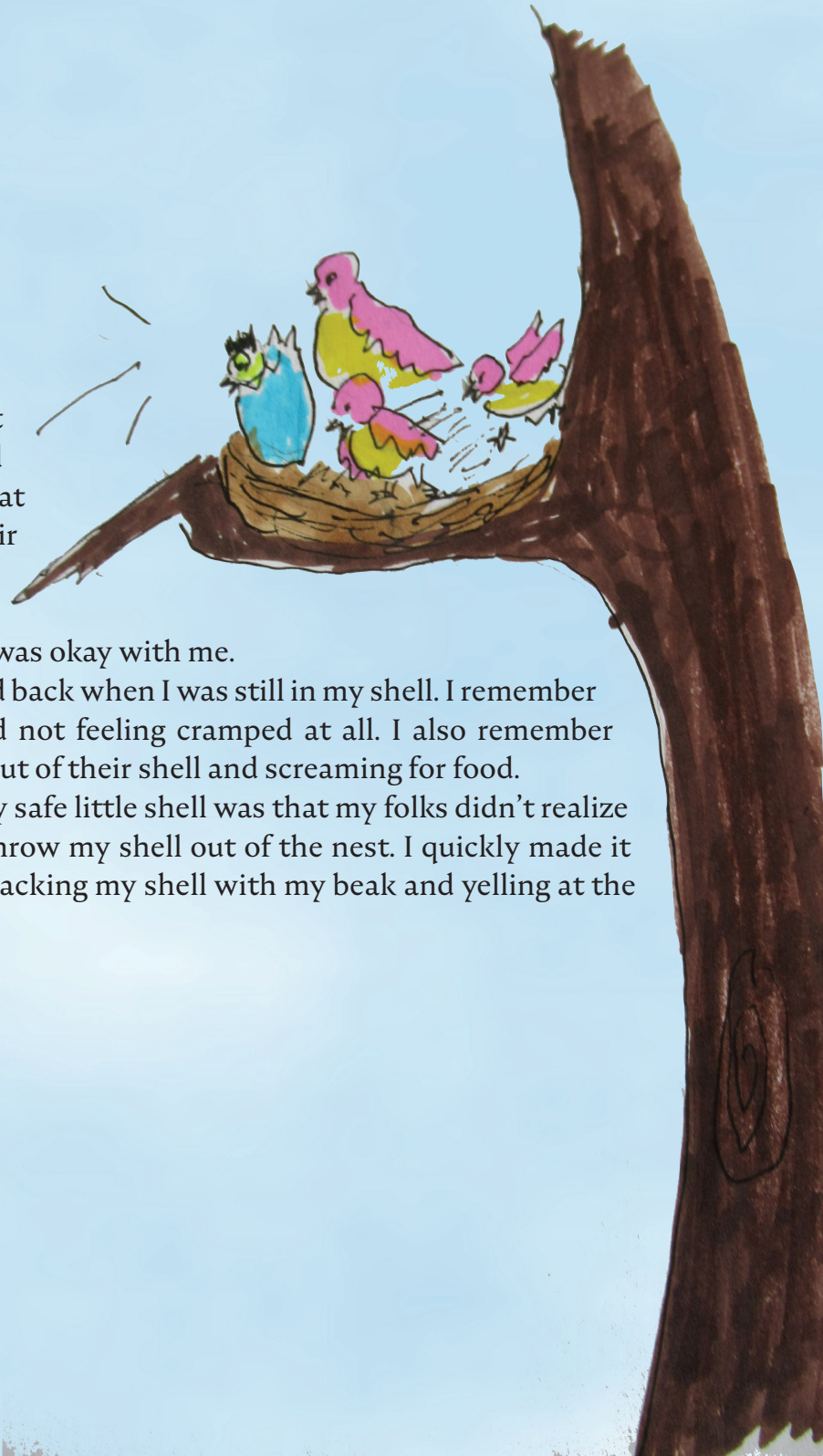
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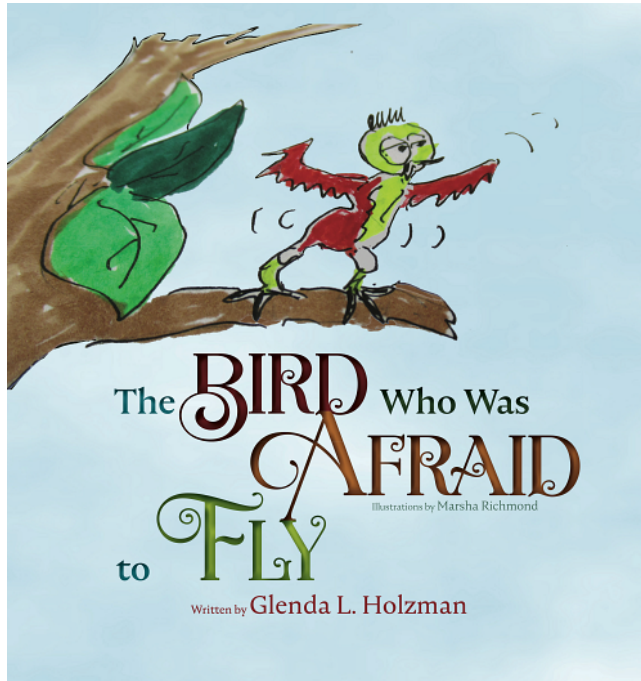
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**M**y name is Herman, I'm not sure why my parents named me that but that was what they called me and I guess they had their reasons. I was a very shy and afraid little bird. My brothers and sisters were brave and adventurous, but that was okay with me.

I guess you could say my story started back when I was still in my shell. I remember being very comfortable in my shell and not feeling cramped at all. I also remember hearing my brothers and sisters coming out of their shell and screaming for food.

The only reason I decided to leave my safe little shell was that my folks didn't realize I was in there and they were about to throw my shell out of the nest. I quickly made it known to everyone that I was here by cracking my shell with my beak and yelling at the top of my voice.





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