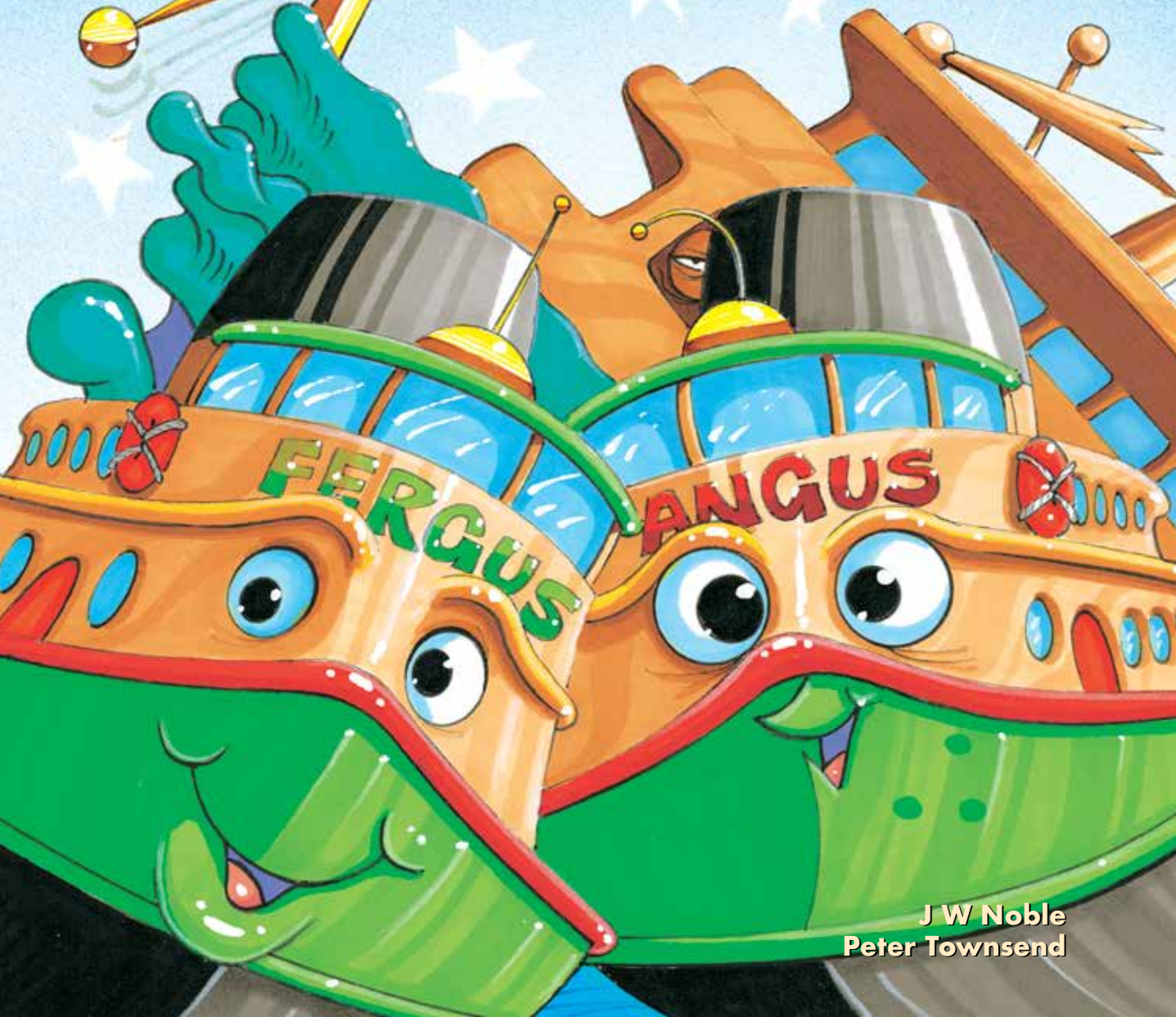


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Chug, chug, chug—what's that sound?

It's Fergus Ferry on his round.

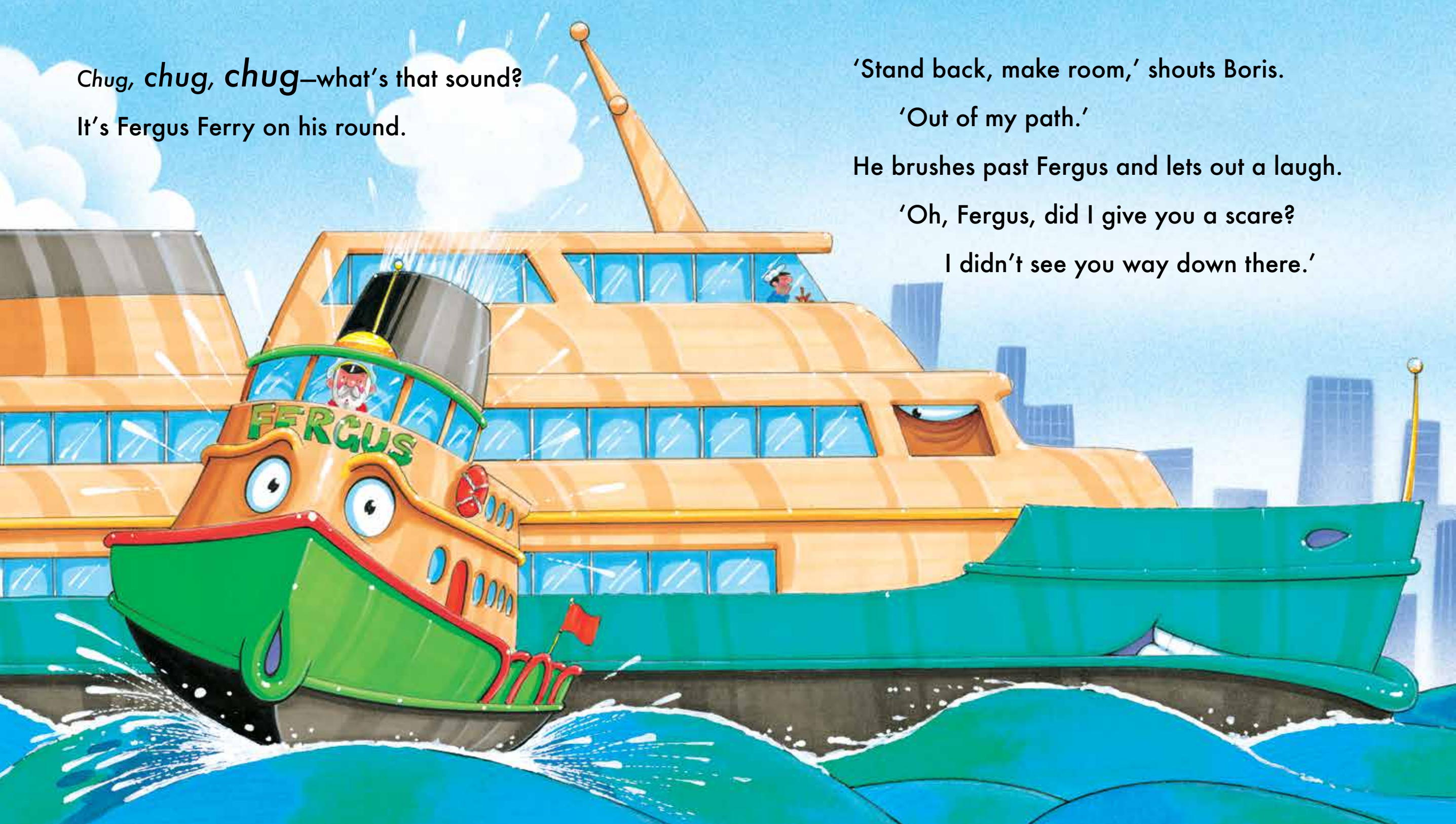
'Stand back, make room,' shouts Boris.

'Out of my path.'

He brushes past Fergus and lets out a laugh.

'Oh, Fergus, did I give you a scare?

I didn't see you way down there.'

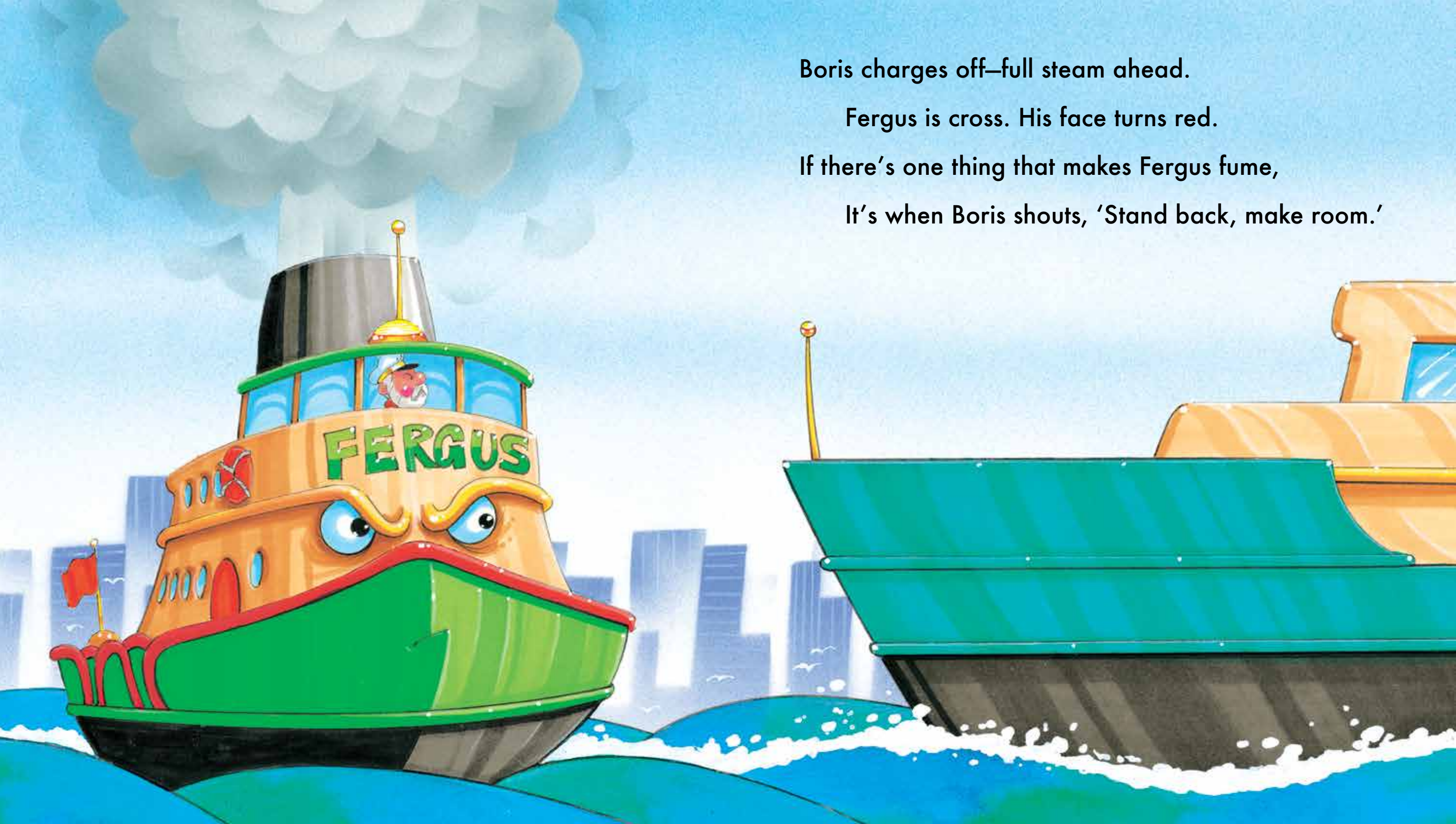


Boris charges off—full steam ahead.

Fergus is cross. His face turns red.

If there's one thing that makes Fergus fume,

It's when Boris shouts, 'Stand back, make room.'



Fergus chugs on, heading on his way,

When he hears a commotion out in the bay.

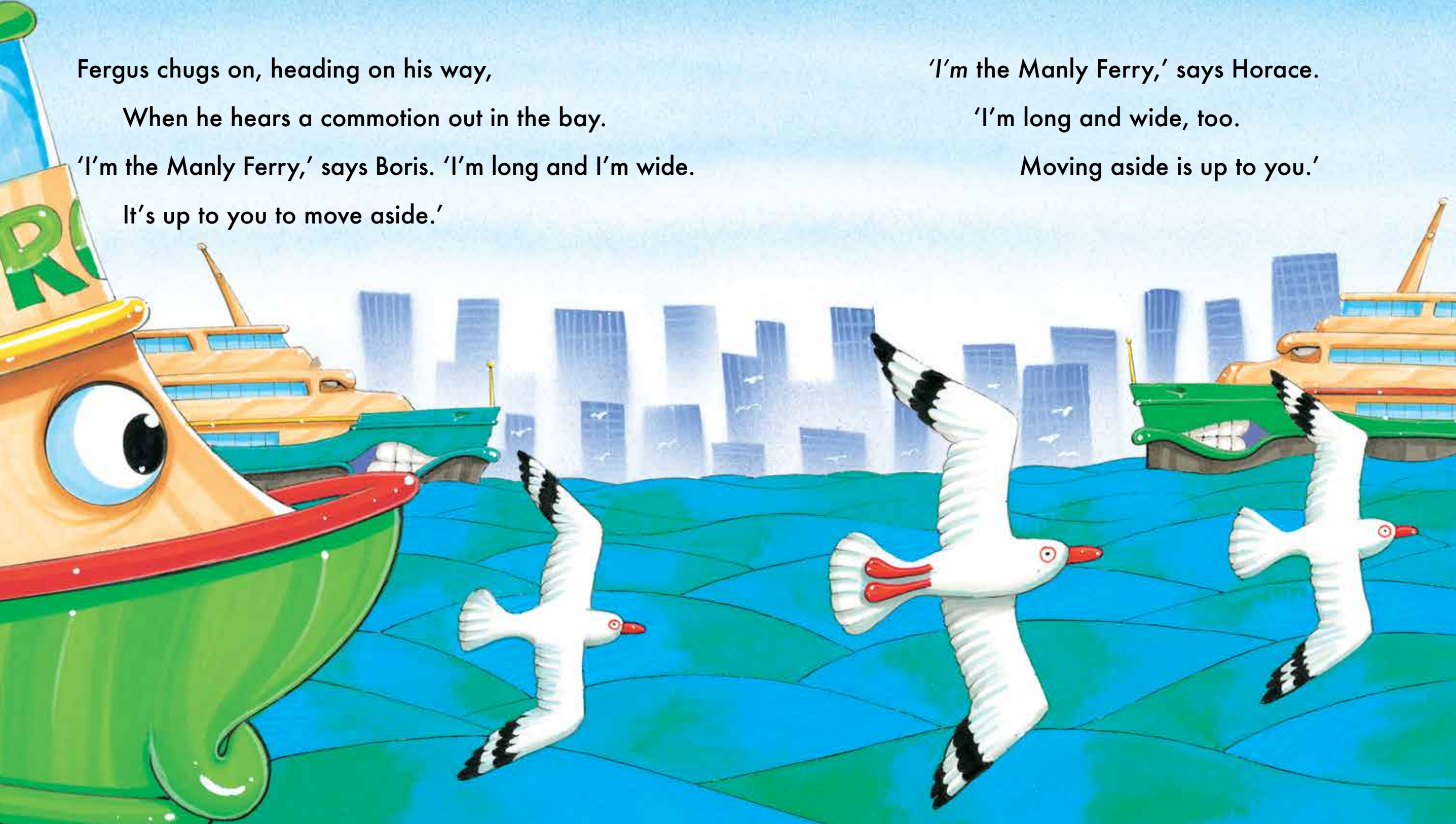
'I'm the Manly Ferry,' says Boris. 'I'm long and I'm wide.

It's up to you to move aside.'

'I'm the Manly Ferry,' says Horace.

'I'm long and wide, too.

Moving aside is up to you.'



'Barp, barp,' says Boris. 'You're on my route.'

'And you're on mine,' says Horace. 'Toot, toot.'

'Uh, oh,' says Fergus. 'This sounds like trouble.'

I'd better get help, on the double.'



When Fergus pulls in at Circular Quay,

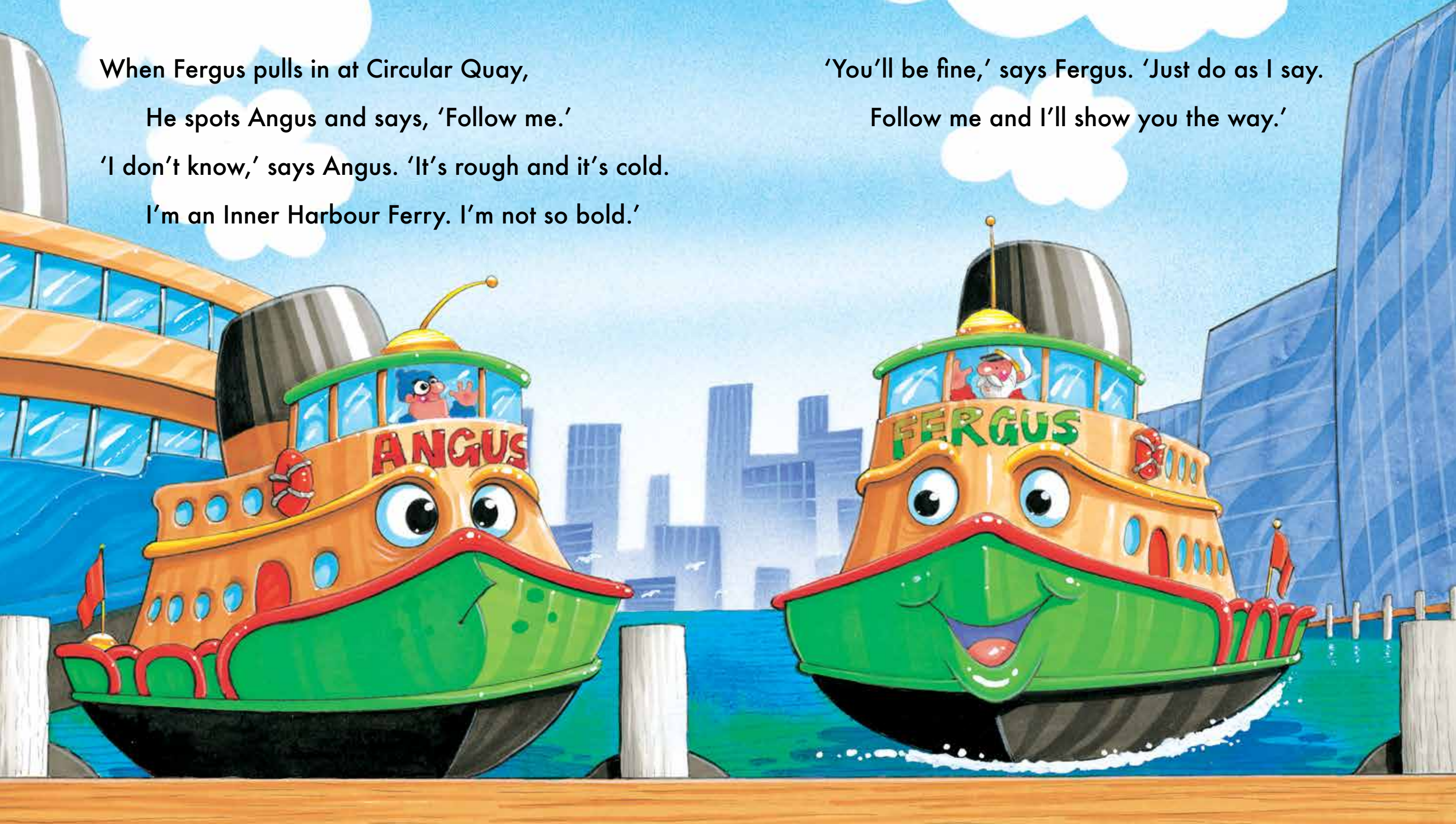
He spots Angus and says, 'Follow me.'

'I don't know,' says Angus. 'It's rough and it's cold.'

I'm an Inner Harbour Ferry. I'm not so bold.'

'You'll be fine,' says Fergus. 'Just do as I say.'

Follow me and I'll show you the way.'



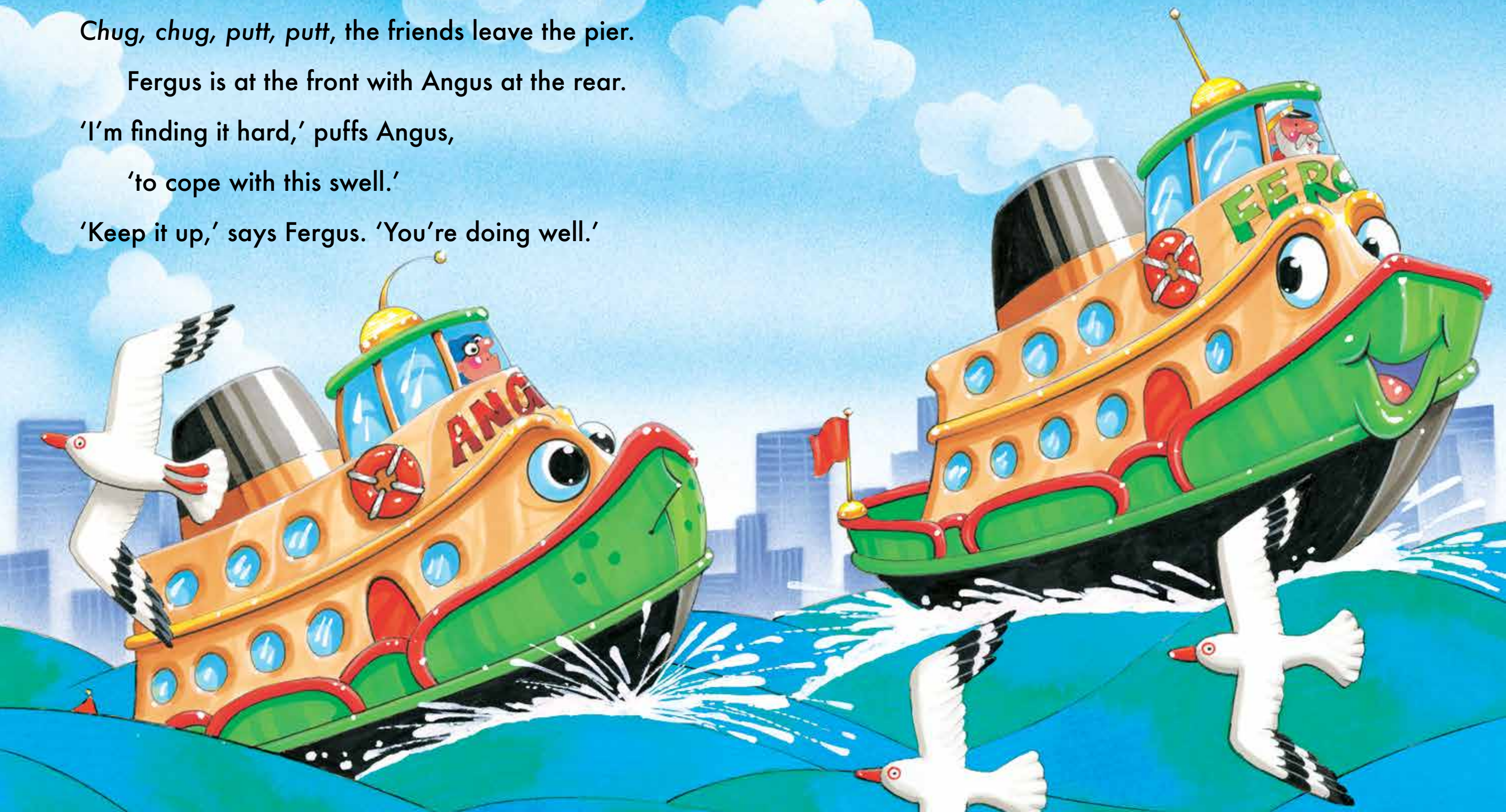
Chug, chug, putt, putt, the friends leave the pier.

Fergus is at the front with Angus at the rear.

'I'm finding it hard,' puffs Angus,

'to cope with this swell.'

'Keep it up,' says Fergus. 'You're doing well.'



In the bay, Boris shouts, 'Turn aside, or we'll hit!'

'No way,' shouts Horace. 'You turn, you big twit!'

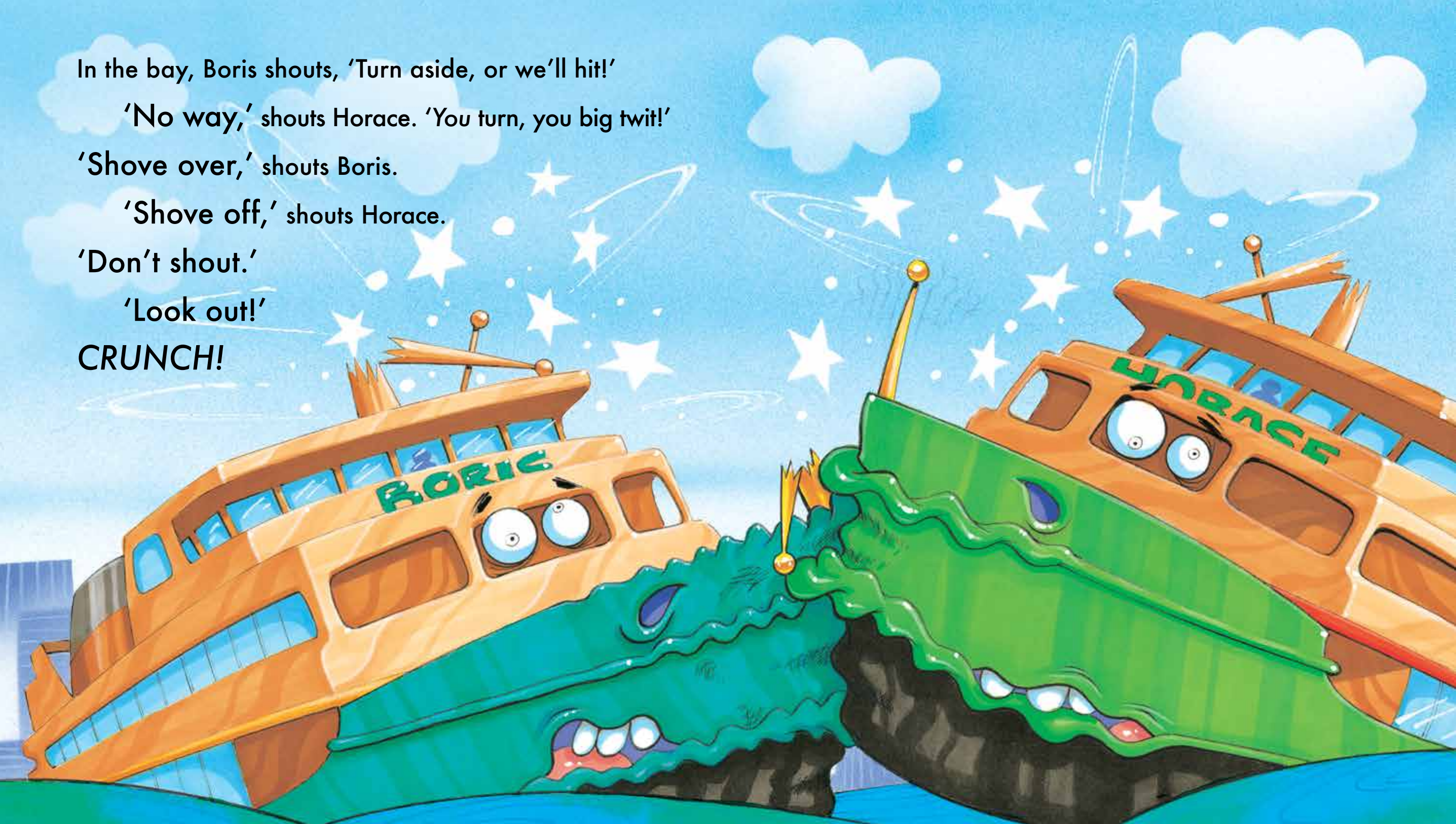
'Shove over,' shouts Boris.

'Shove off,' shouts Horace.

'Don't shout.'

'Look out!'

CRUNCH!



Boris moans and wails, 'We're in big trouble now!'

Horace gives a gurgle. 'There's a hole in my bow.'

Captain Jake is on the radio. He sends an SOS.

'It's Horace and Boris—we're in a real mess!'

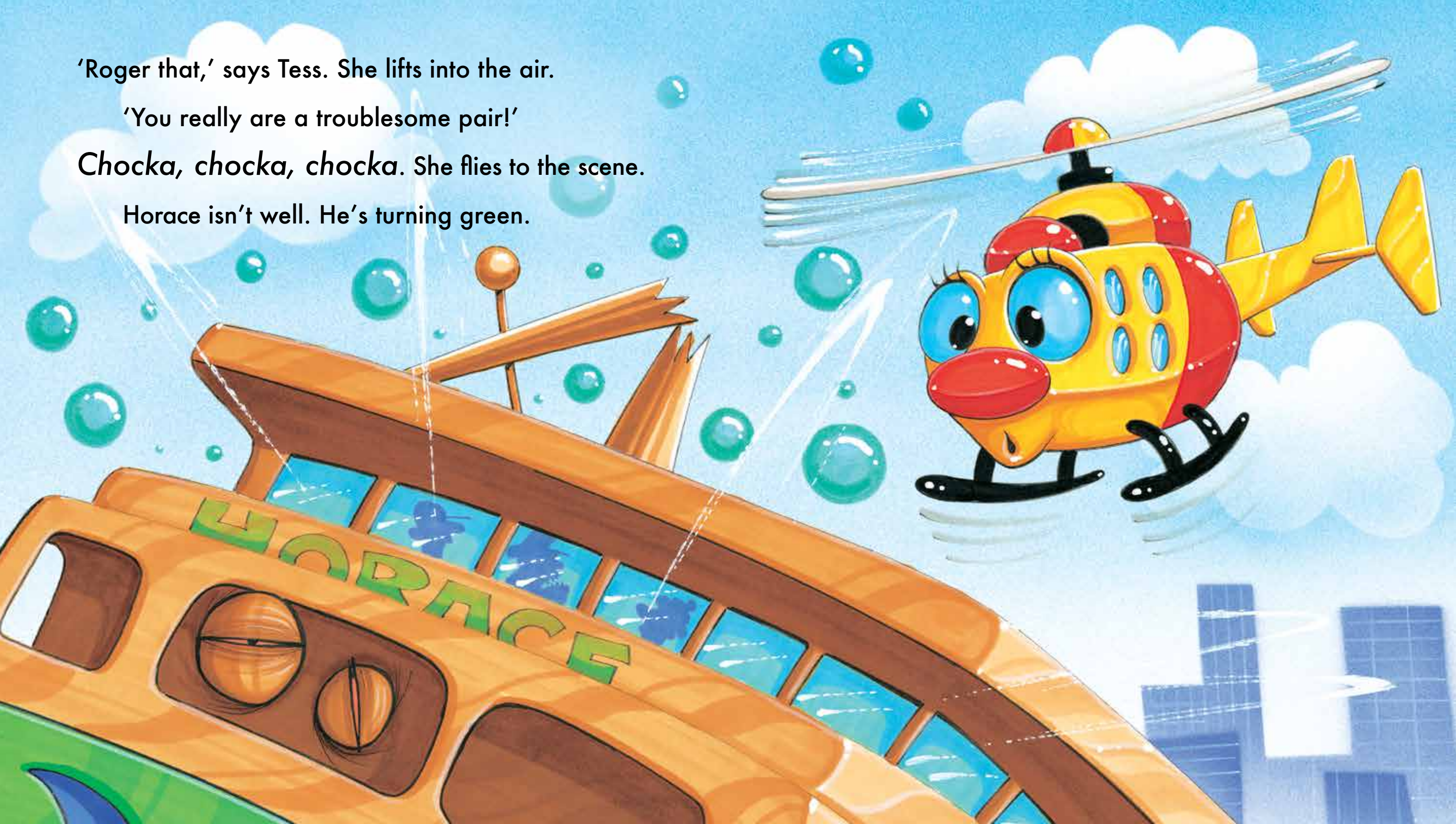


'Roger that,' says Tess. She lifts into the air.

'You really are a troublesome pair!'

Chocka, chocka, chocka. She flies to the scene.

Horace isn't well. He's turning green.



'Jimmy and Jock,' calls Tess, 'you'd better come fast.'

They're taking on water. They're not going to last.'

'Onto it,' says Jimmy. 'Onto it,' says Jock.

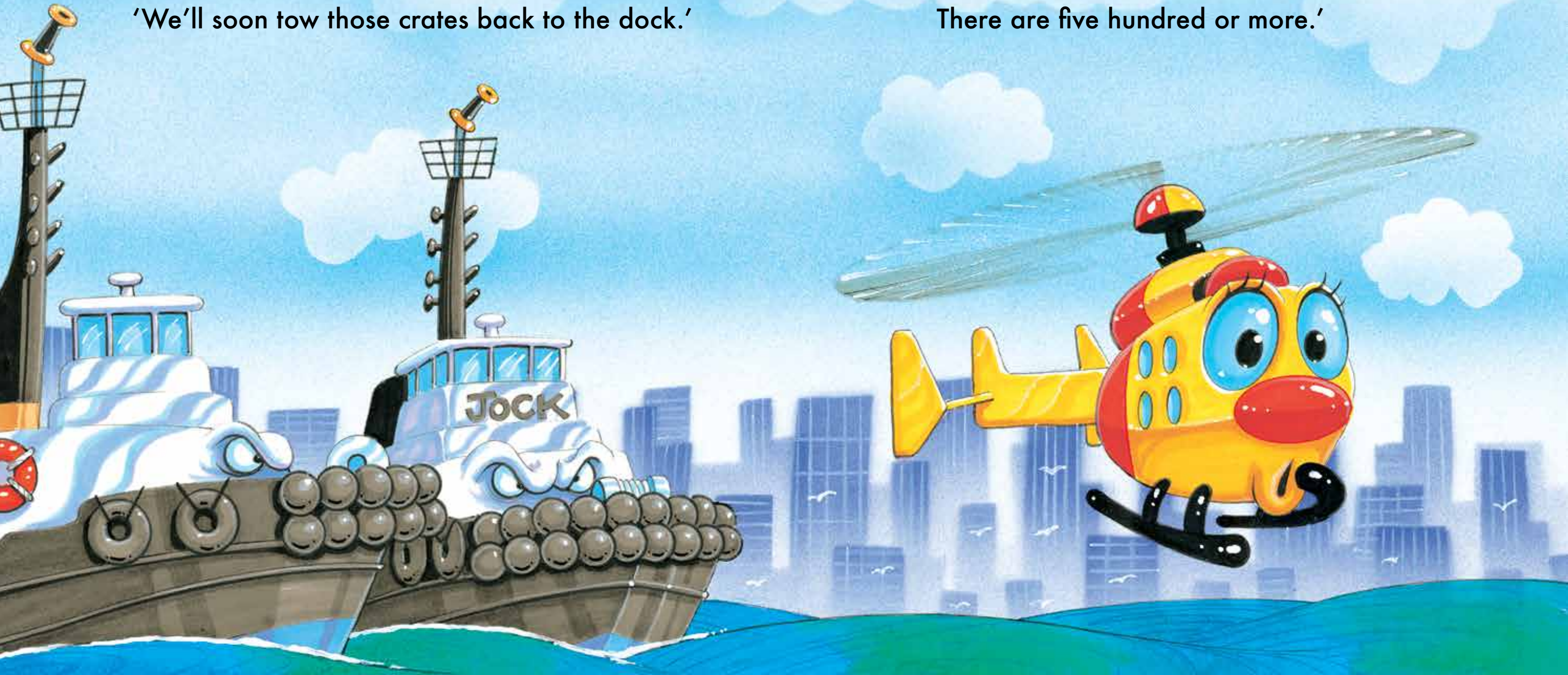
'We'll soon tow those crates back to the dock.'

'Wait,' says Tess.

'We need to get the passengers ashore.'

How can we do it?

There are five hundred or more.'

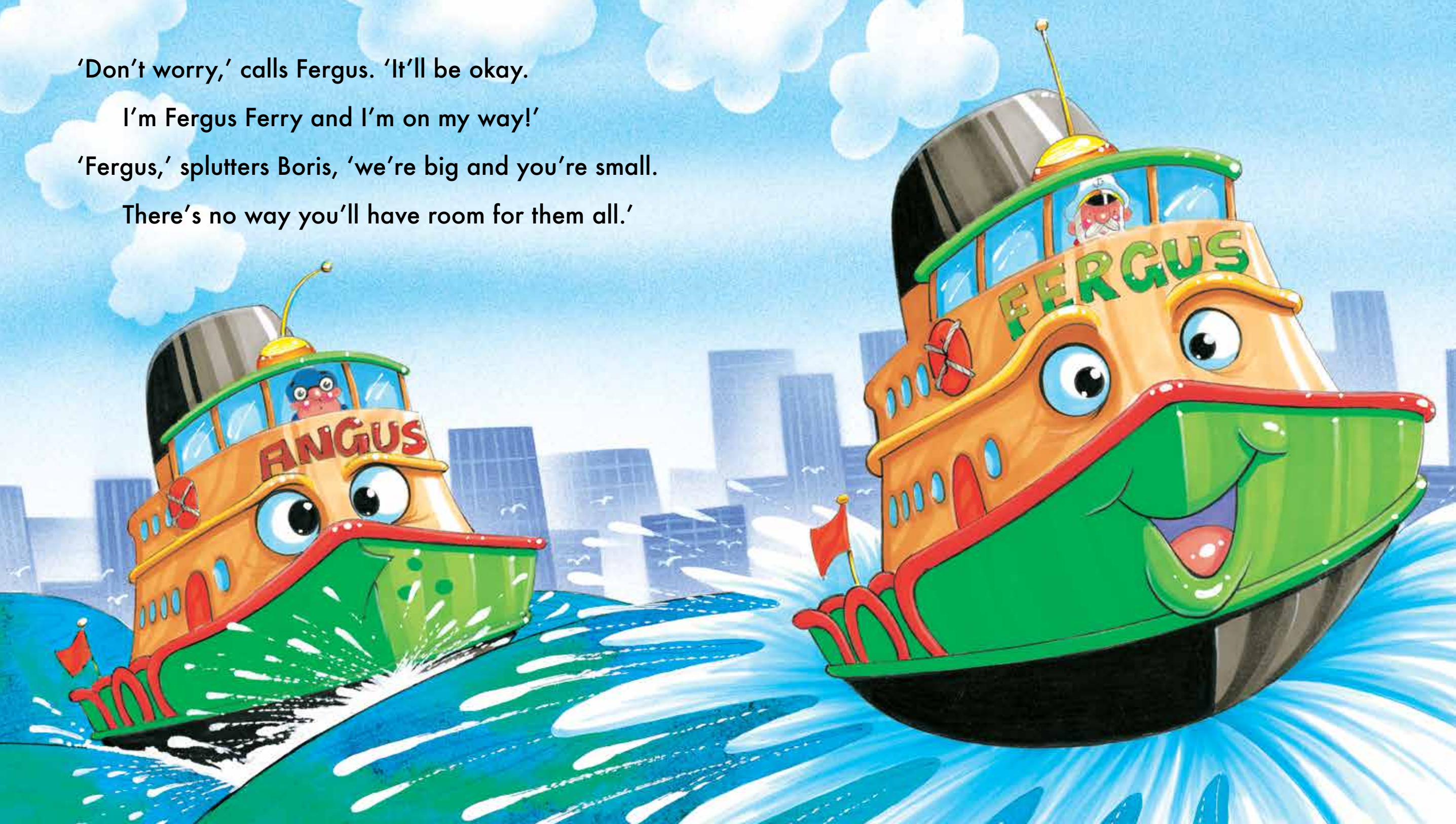


'Don't worry,' calls Fergus. 'It'll be okay.'

I'm Fergus Ferry and I'm on my way!

'Fergus,' splutters Boris, 'we're big and you're small.'

There's no way you'll have room for them all.'



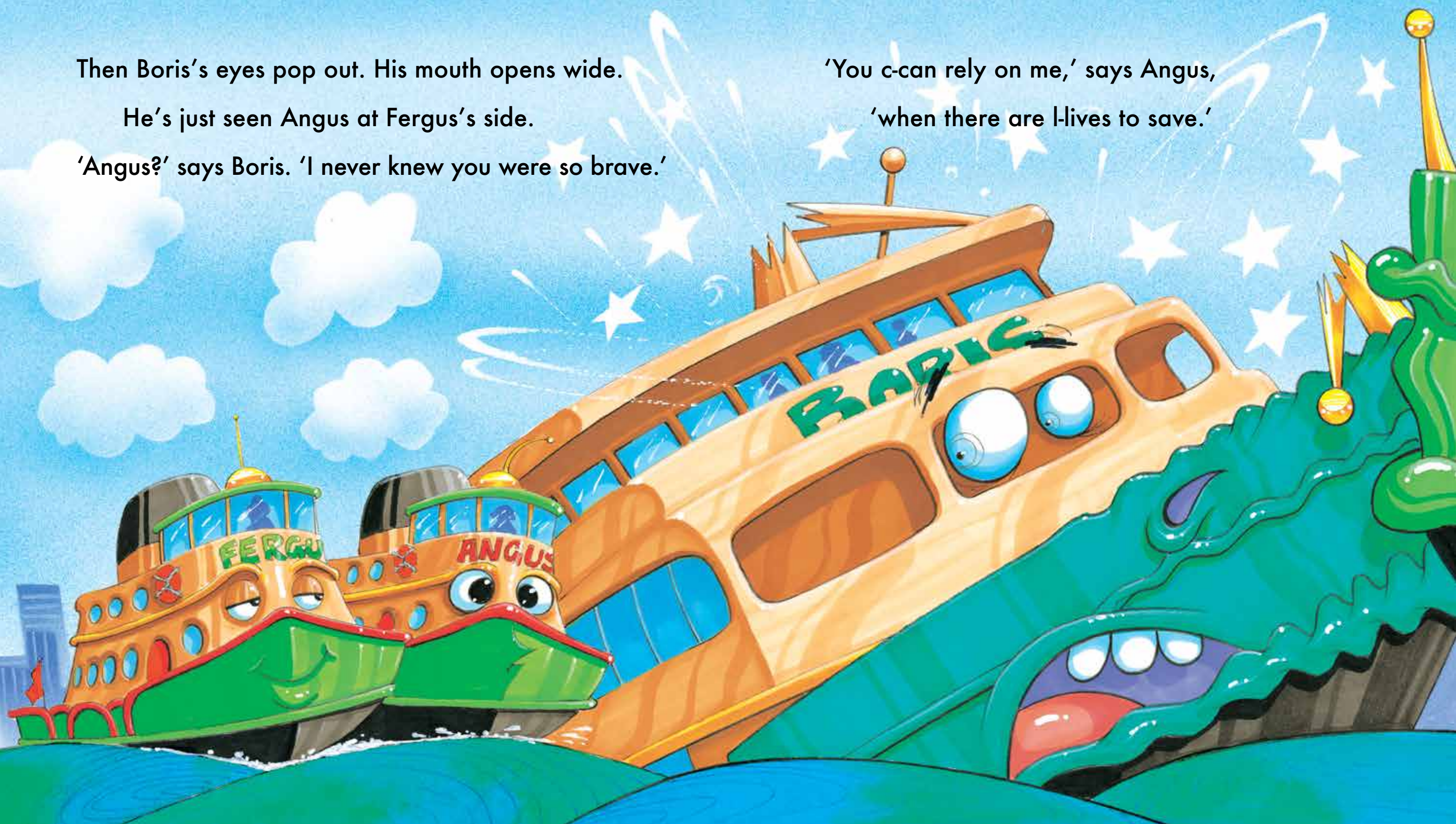
Then Boris's eyes pop out. His mouth opens wide.

He's just seen Angus at Fergus's side.

'Angus?' says Boris. 'I never knew you were so brave.'

'You c-can rely on me,' says Angus,

'when there are l-lives to save.'



They pull alongside and tie their ropes on tight.

'Jump aboard,' says Fergus, 'and you'll be all right.'

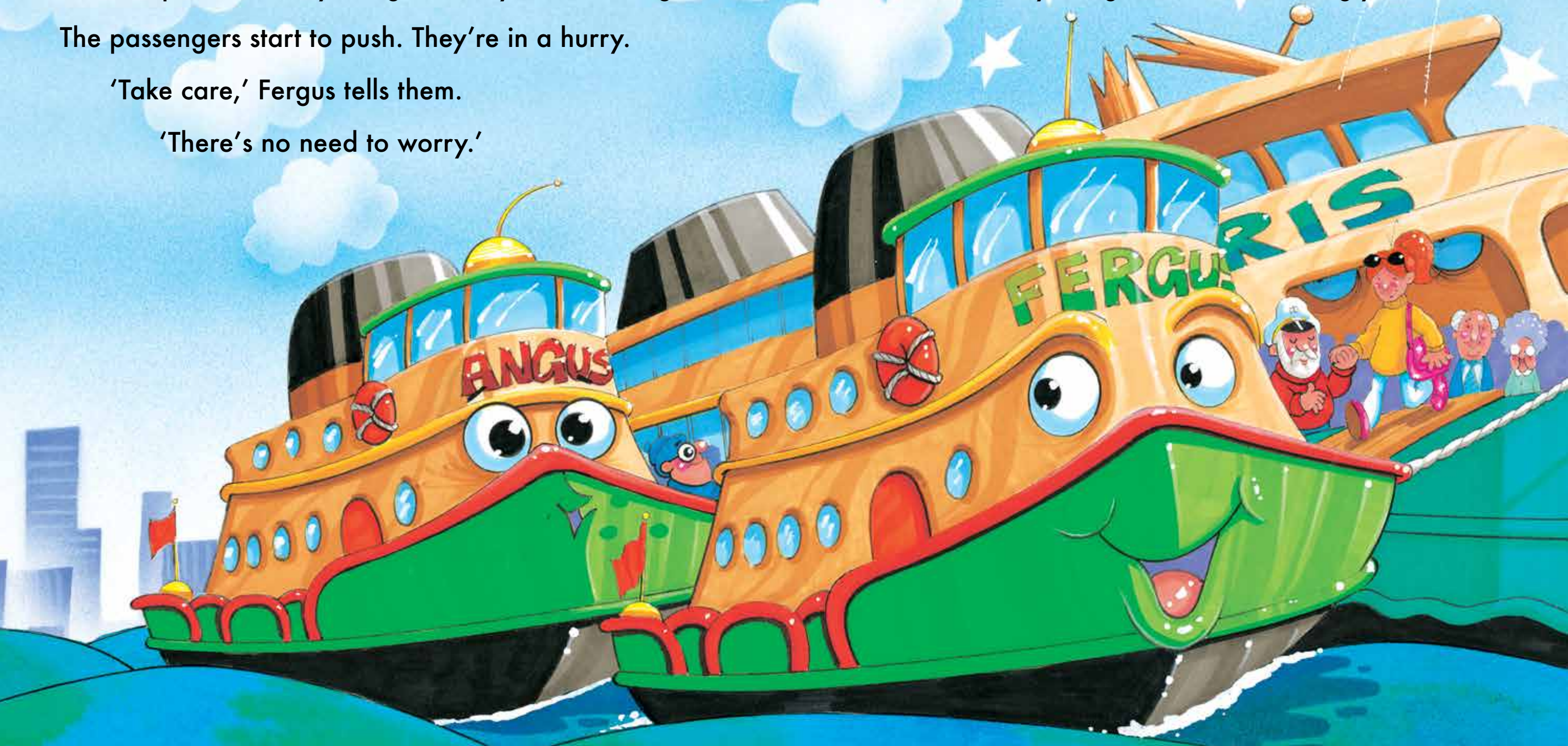
The passengers start to push. They're in a hurry.

'Take care,' Fergus tells them.

'There's no need to worry.'

Then he asks Angus. 'Do you know what to do?'

'Yes,' says Angus. 'I'll be following you.'



The passengers step ashore and then the crew.

'Three cheers for Fergus,' they shout,

'and Angus too!'

They all go home and leave Joe alone on the Quay.

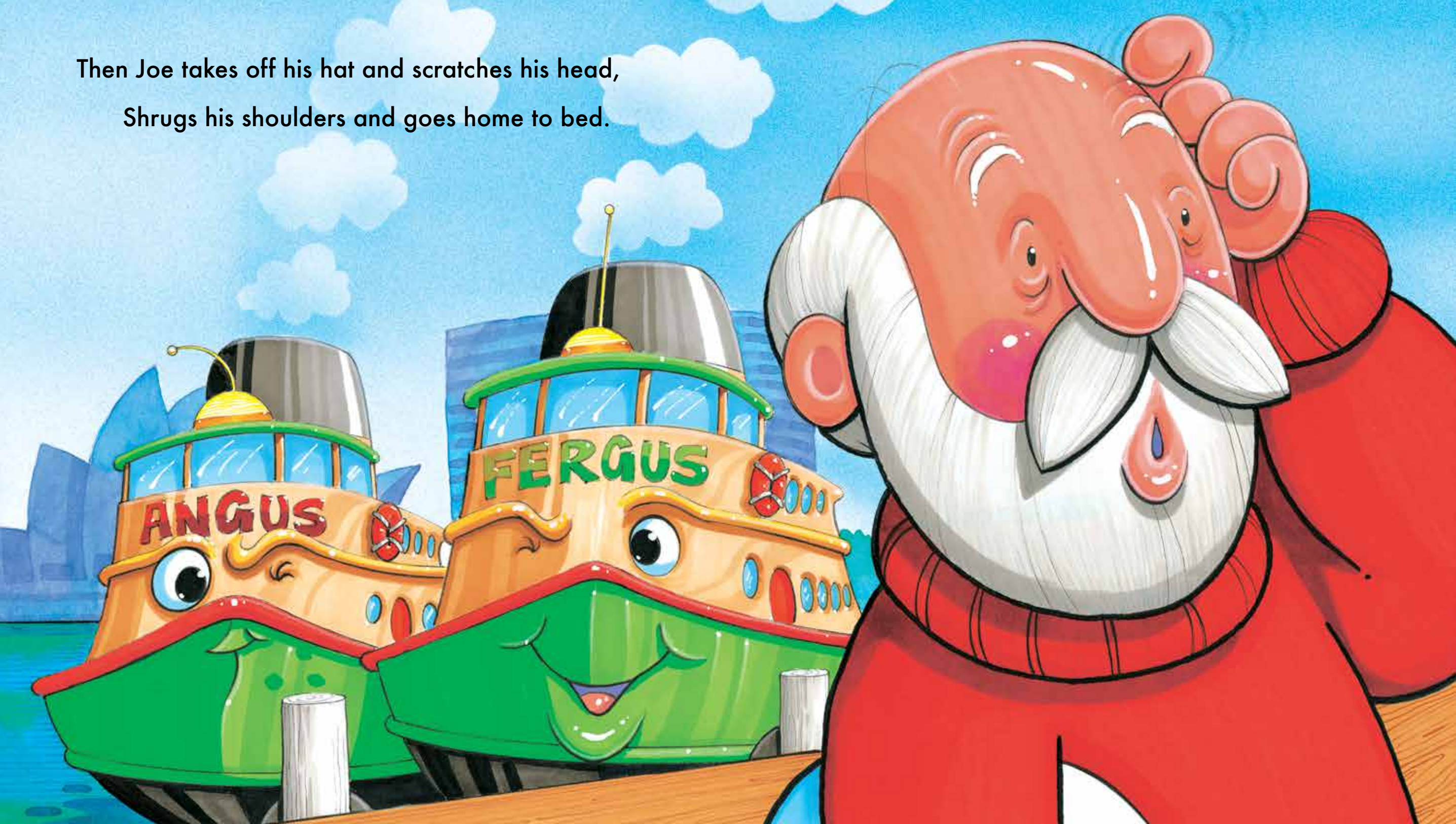
'There's one thing,' says Joe, 'that's puzzling me.

How is it you knew that Boris wouldn't turn?'

'Because,' says Fergus. 'Some ferries never learn.'



Then Joe takes off his hat and scratches his head,
Shrugs his shoulders and goes home to bed.



It takes an open mind to learn.

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