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Gulliver was a very clever young man, who loved to have adventures. He had a nice life, but Gulliver wanted to see the world. Gulliver enjoyed learning new languages and meeting new people. So, when Gulliver could, he left his life behind and went on voyages across the sea. He wanted to meet new people and to see and learn new things. This story is about Gulliver's greatest adventure ever.



When Gulliver left England for the South Seas, he had no idea of the adventures to come.

Gulliver and his crew climbed on their ship the *Antelope*. They felt excited and ready for their long journey. But after travelling for a long time in terrible weather, things started to go wrong.

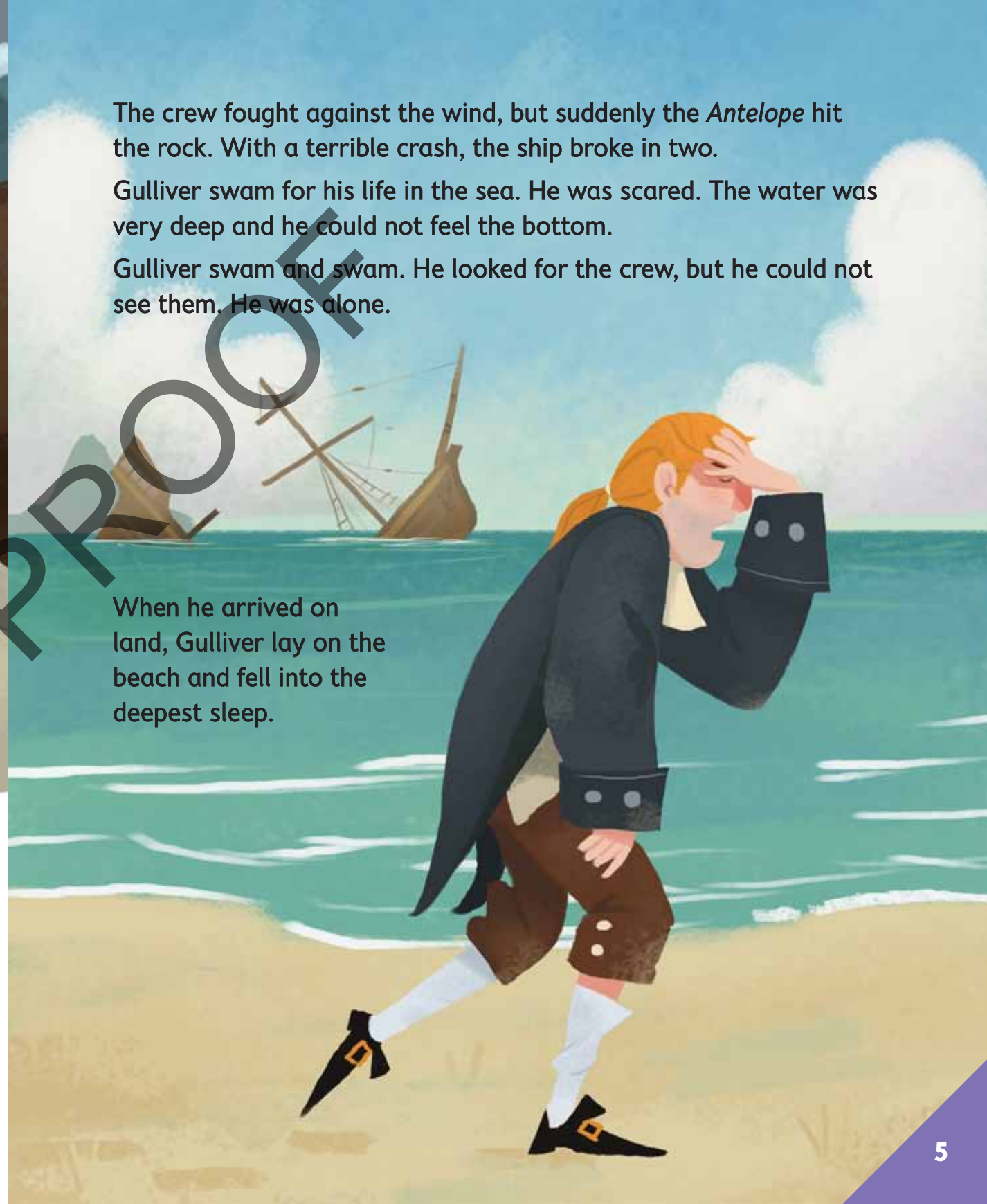
The wind blew hard and the seas were dangerous. Gulliver was the first to see the large rock in front of the *Antelope*.

The crew fought against the wind, but suddenly the *Antelope* hit the rock. With a terrible crash, the ship broke in two.

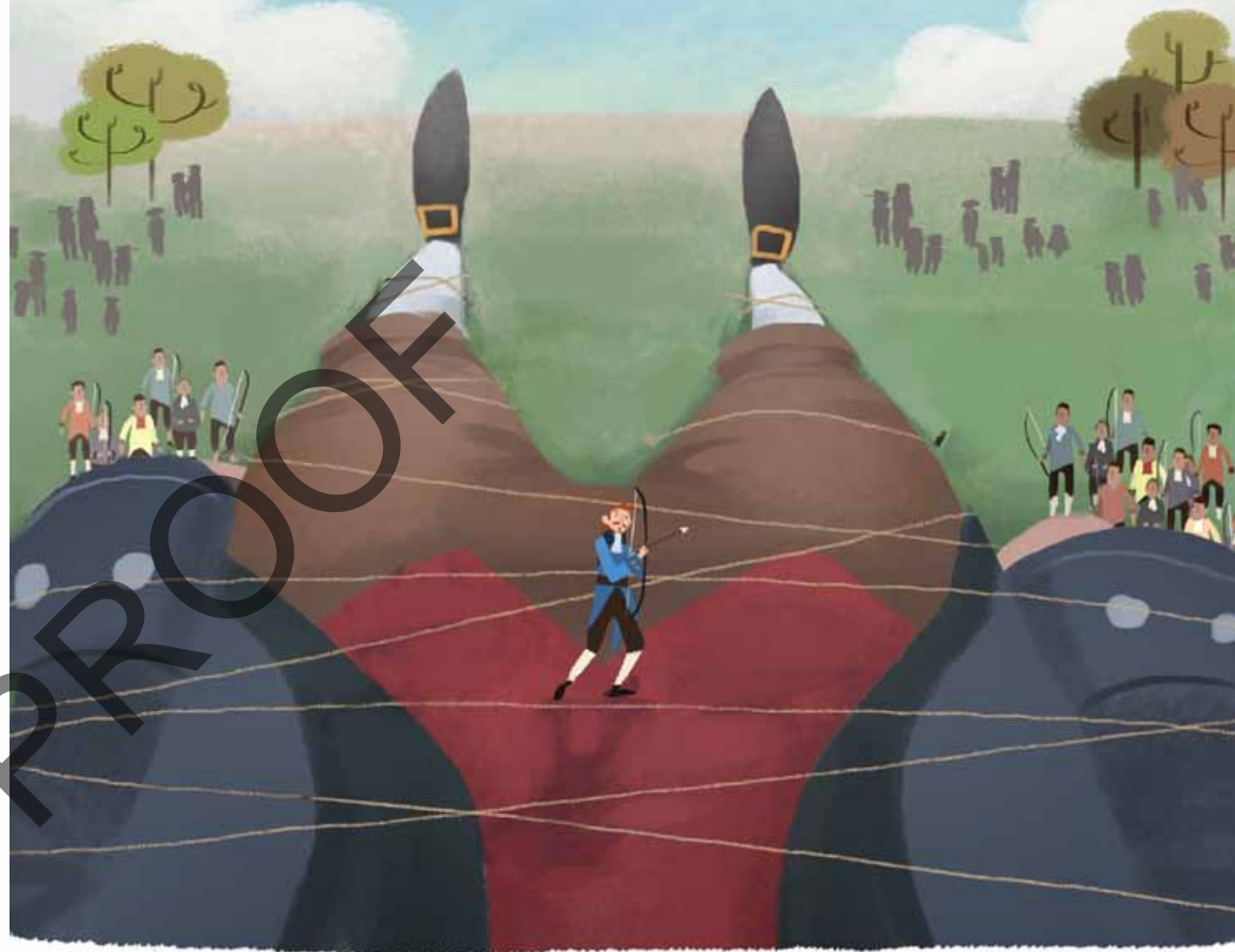
Gulliver swam for his life in the sea. He was scared. The water was very deep and he could not feel the bottom.

Gulliver swam and swam. He looked for the crew, but he could not see them. He was alone.

When he arrived on land, Gulliver lay on the beach and fell into the deepest sleep.



Gulliver woke slowly. He felt terrible. He did not know where he was. He remembered the crew and he felt sad. Where were they? He tried to move his hand. He could not. He tried to move his head, but he could not. He tried to move his legs and feet, but he could not move *any* of his body *at all*. It was hot and Gulliver could feel the sun on his face and body.



Was this a bad dream? Then Gulliver felt something move on his leg. What was it? A small animal?

The thing moved slowly up Gulliver's body and stood on his chest. Gulliver opened his eyes and cried out – 'Whaaaaat?'

It was a tiny *person*!

This person was only 15 centimetres high. He looked angry and a little afraid. In his hand, the tiny man had a bow and arrow. He pointed it at Gulliver.

Gulliver could not believe his eyes! Suddenly, he felt more things moving on his body. They were on his arms and legs and chest. There were a *lot* of the tiny people on Gulliver and they all had bows and arrows.

Gulliver shouted as loudly as he could! He could not move and these little people wanted to hurt him!

Gulliver heard tiny cries. When he shouted, some of the little people fell to the ground.



Gulliver tried to free his arms and legs, but he could not move. He looked down and saw a lot of tiny ropes which fixed him to the ground.

He pulled his arm up as hard as he could and it came free. Then he did the same with his legs.

Gulliver sat up and all the tiny people cried out. To them, Gulliver was HUGE!

Then Gulliver felt a shower of tiny arrows on his face and body.