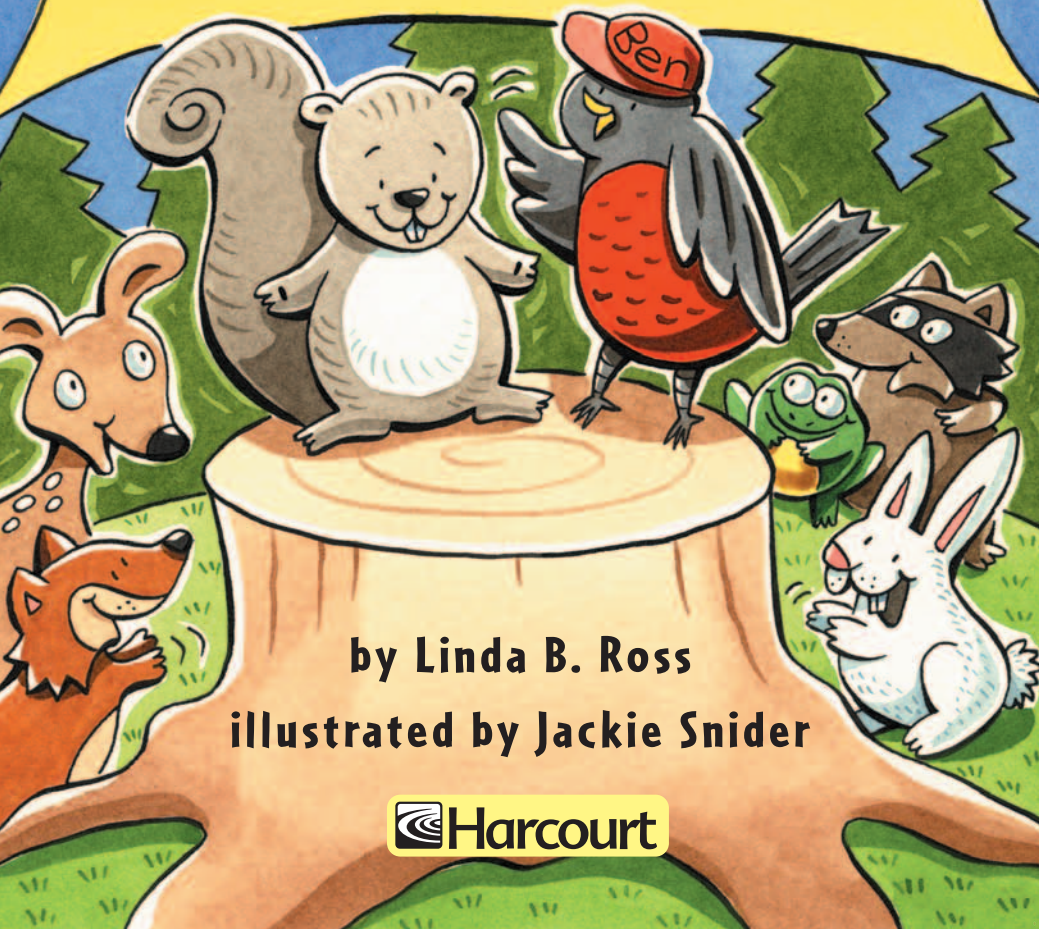


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Ben Bird and Fern Fox had a plan. They were going to plan a talent night!



🔊 “We’ll all perform!” said Ben Bird. “It will be terrific!”



▶ The animals planned their acts. Ben Bird wanted to sing. Fern Fox wanted to twirl.



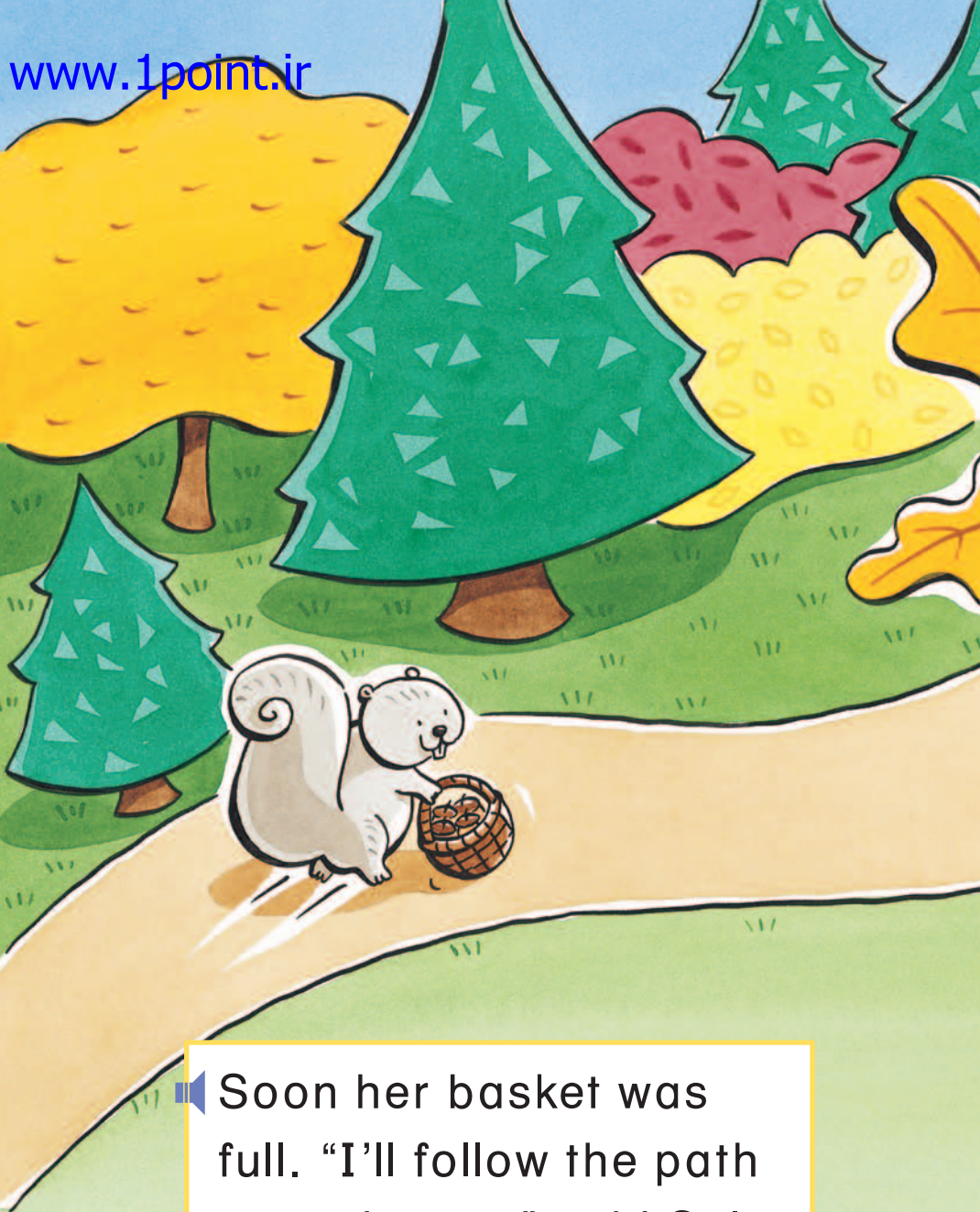
Sal felt hurt. “I don’t sing or twirl,” she said. “I can’t do these things!”



“Oh, well! I’ll gather some nuts,” she said. So Sal went on her way to find nuts for dinner.



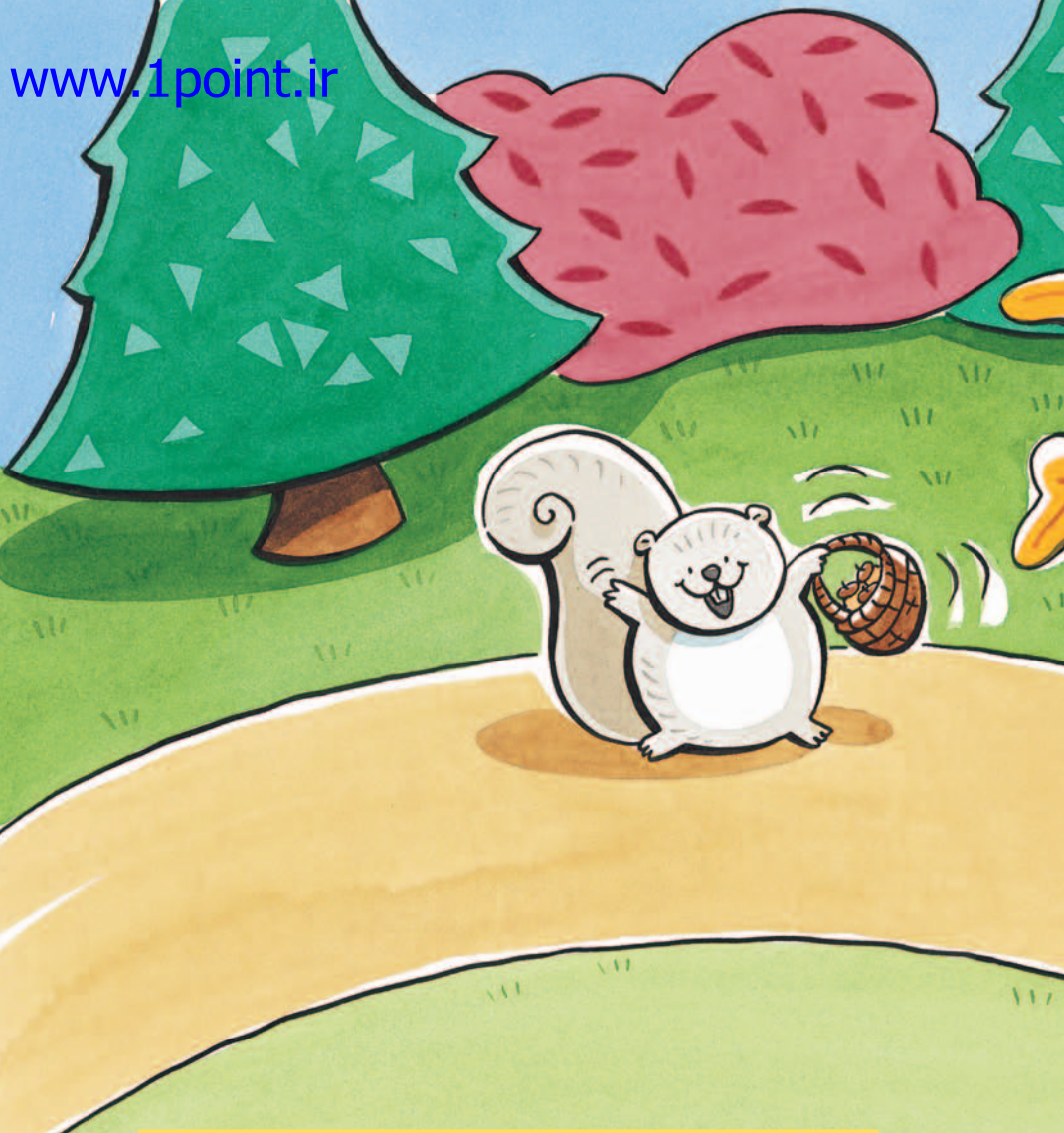
Sal found four nuts under a plant. She hummed as she picked them up.



Soon her basket was full. "I'll follow the path to my house," said Sal.



Sal hummed on her way home. Ben Bird was perched on a branch.



▶ “You are terrific, Sal!”
called Ben and Fern. “Will
you perform with us?”








“Oh, yes, Ben and Fern!
I will perform with you.”



So Ben Bird sang. Fern Fox twirled. Sal Squirrel hummed. They were perfect!

Think and Respond

-  **1** What do the animals want to do?
-  **2** What is Ben Bird going to perform?
-  **3** What does Fern Fox want to do?
-  **4** Why does Sal Squirrel feel hurt?
-  **5** How would you feel if your friends decided to have a talent show? What would you perform?



Fall Forest What colors do the leaves turn in the fall? Draw pictures to show the different colors you might see on the trees. Label the pictures with the color names.



School-Home Connection Think of a song that Ben Bird could sing while Sal Squirrel hums along. Ask a family member to join you in a role-play of Ben Bird and Sal Squirrel.



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