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Matmat and the Big Peanut

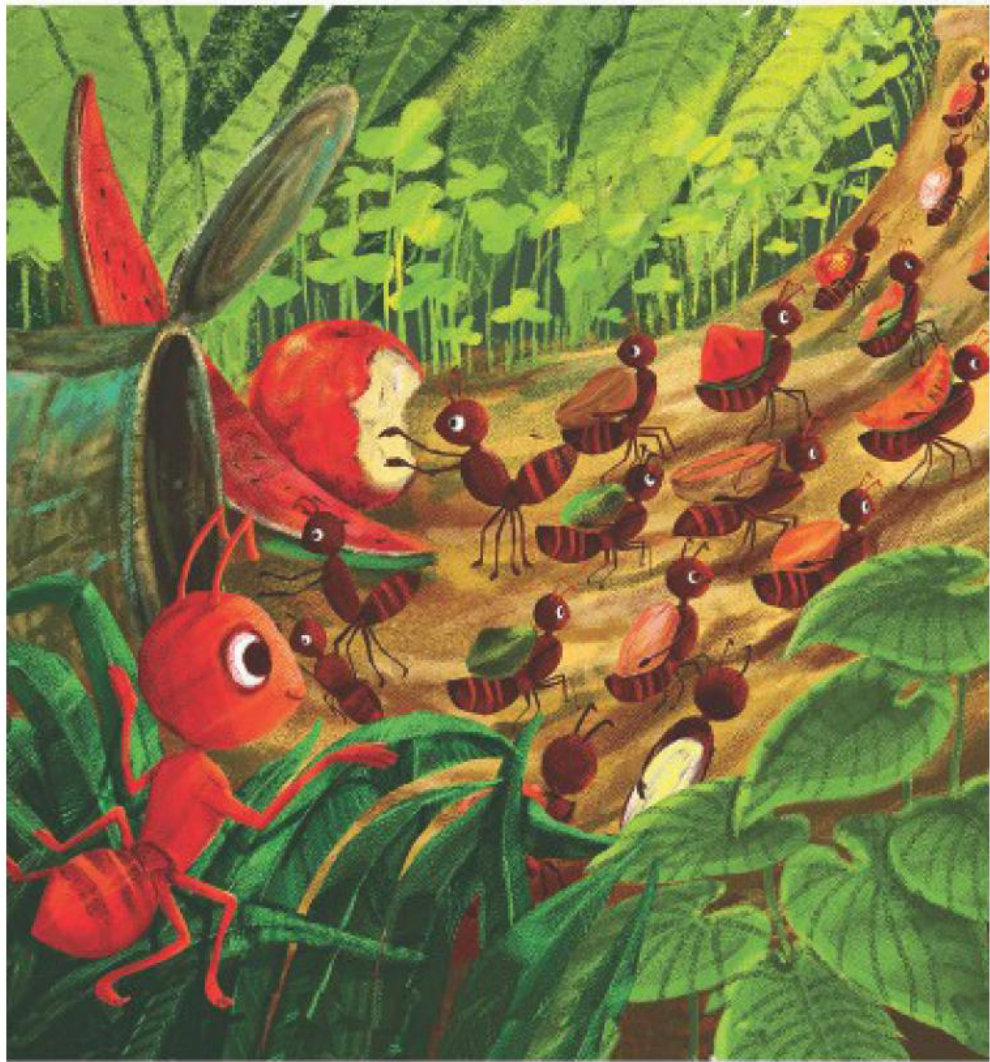


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Matmat was the youngest in their family. He was going on his first search for food.



His aunts and uncles
were easily carrying food
50 times heavier than
them!

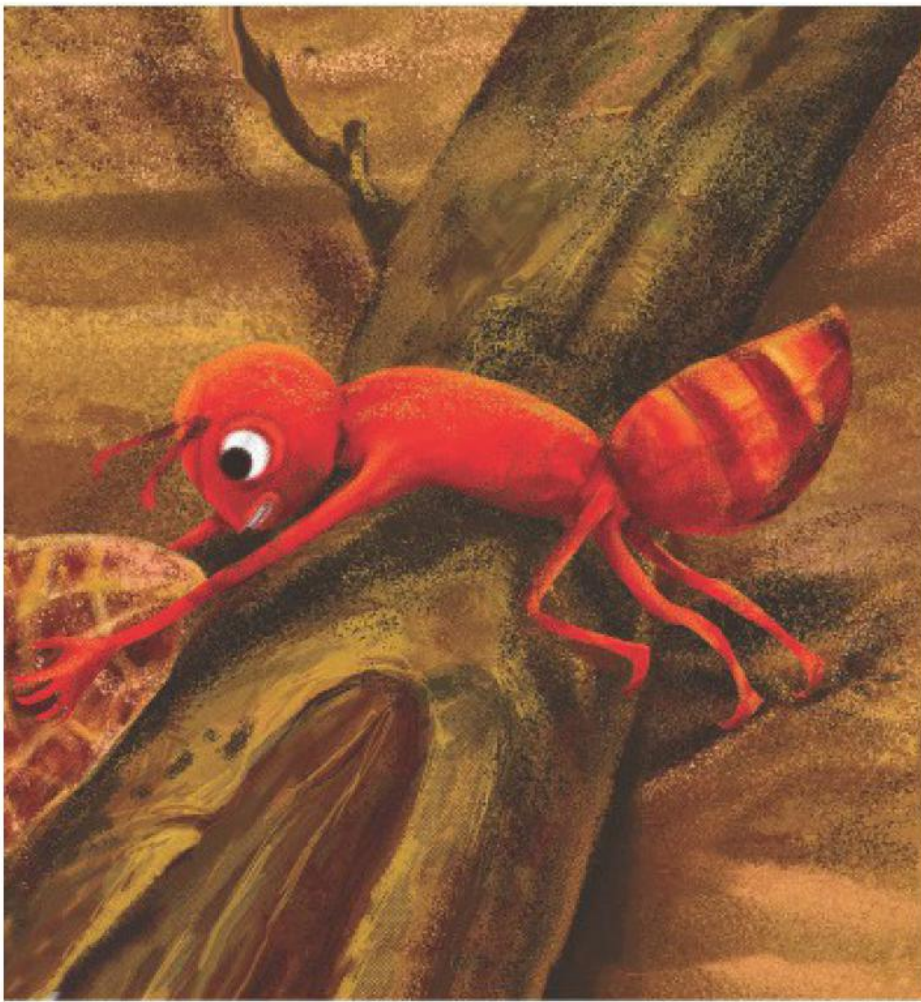
Matmat was energized
after watching them.



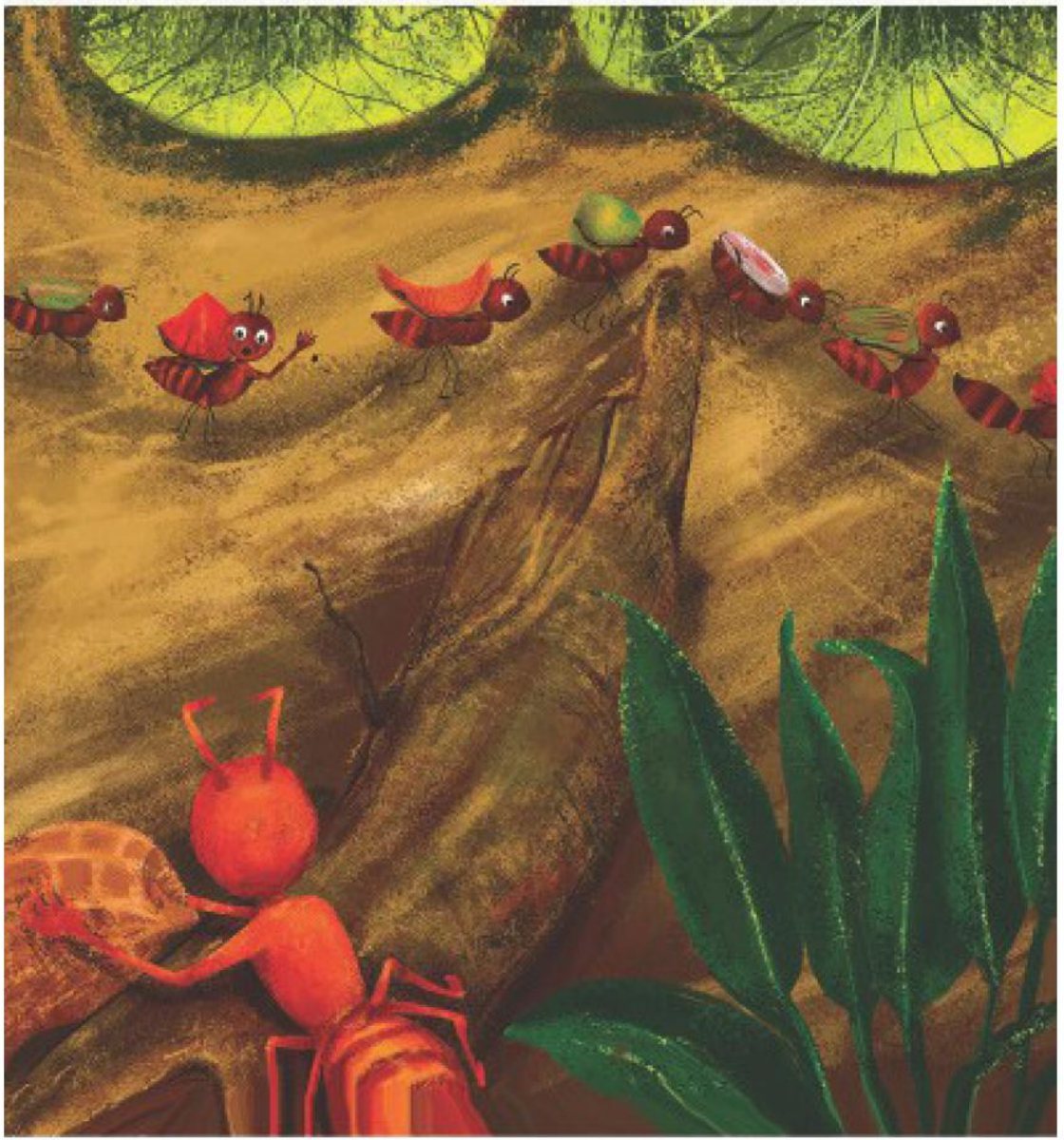
Matmat somehow managed to pick up a peanut. Poor Matmat, he was struggling. He could not even stand properly.



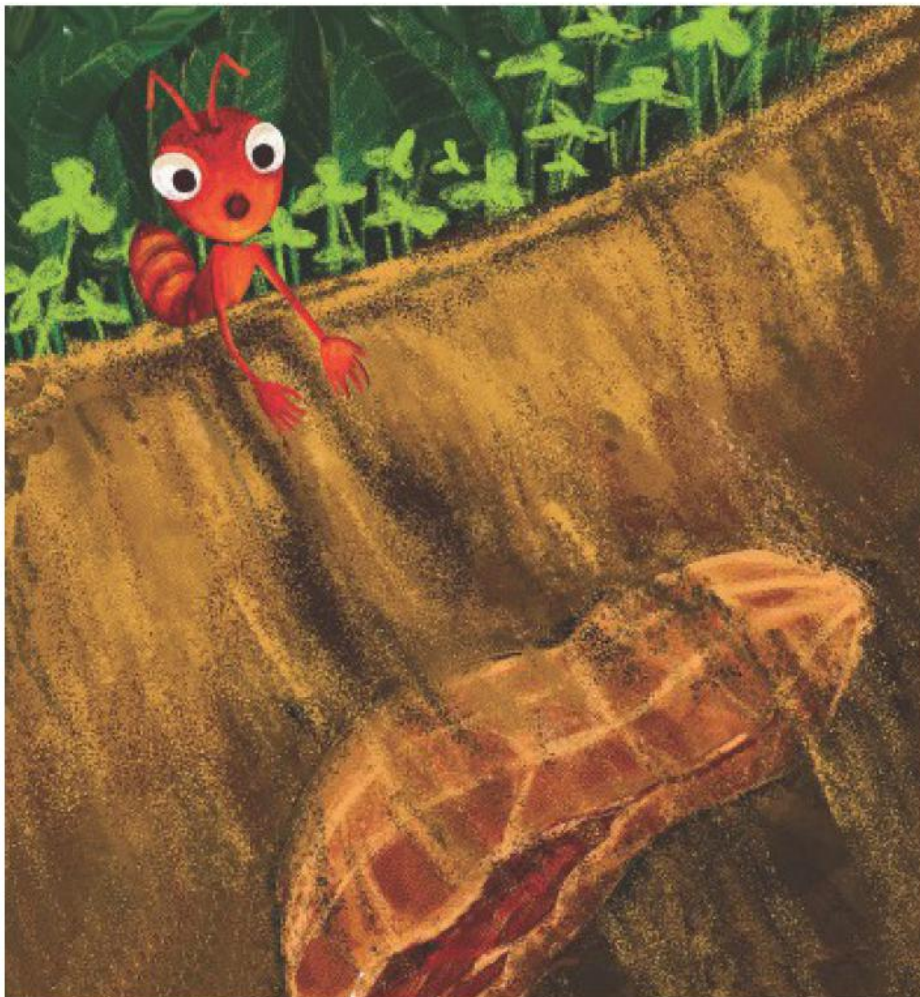
Matmat stumbled and fell into the water. He was nearly drowning when his friends saw him. They quickly pulled down a leaf for him to hold onto.



Matmat tried another way. He began dragging the peanut, but he crashed with a stick. “Oh! Why are there so many roadblocks?” he wondered.



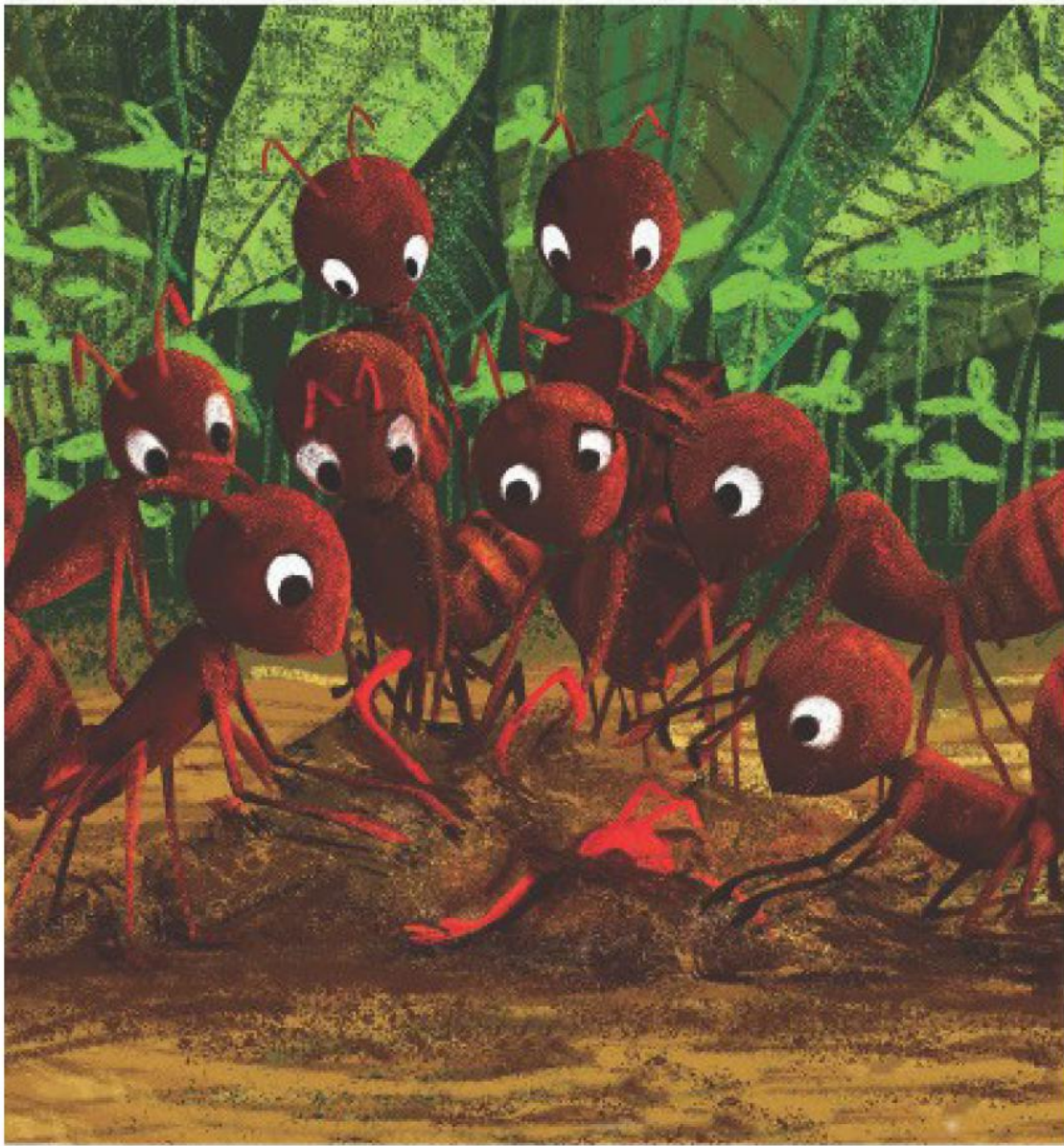
“Matmat, come this way!”
his friends directed.



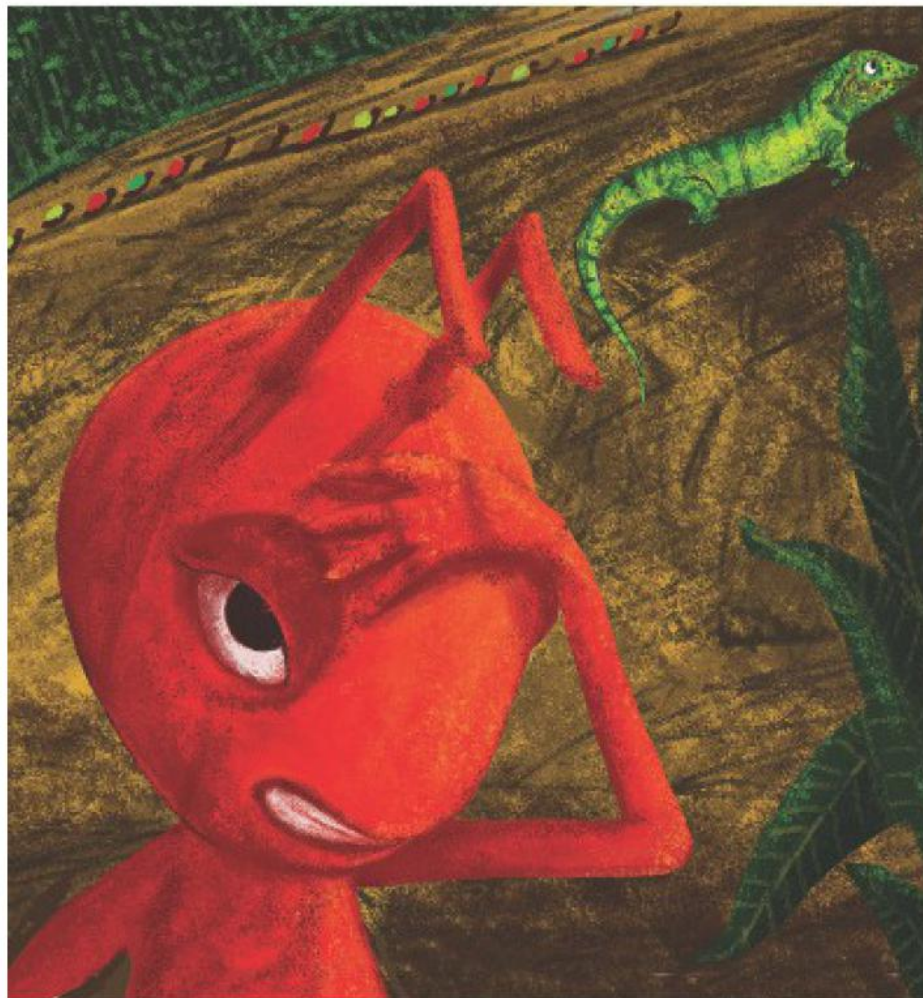
Matmat rolled the peanut. He did not notice that there was a slope. “Ouch! Ouch!” Matmat shouted as he fell. He got up, but the peanut rolled down!



As Matmat tried to grab the peanut, something knocked him over.



Matmat could not move at all. He had been buried. His friends rushed over to him.

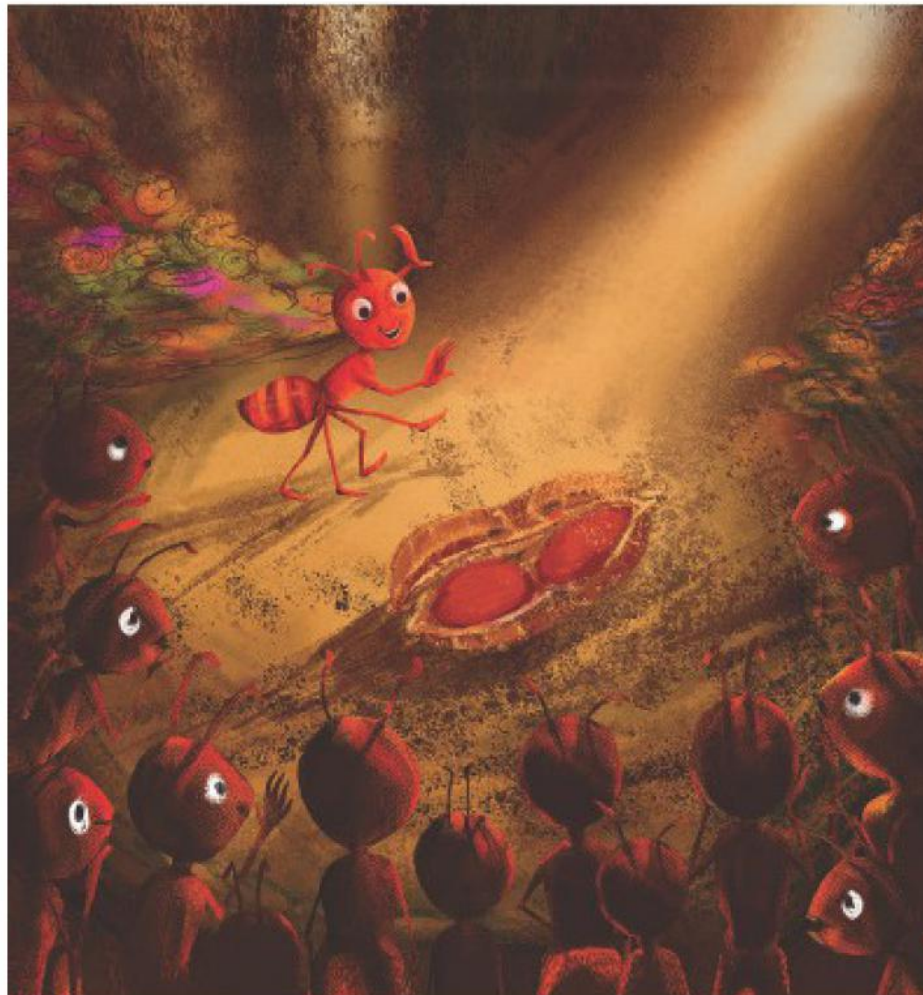


With their help, Matmat crawled out.

“Phew, I managed to escape. But where is the peanut?” he wondered. He could not see the peanut anywhere.



“Matmat, come quickly!”
his friend called.
His friend was standing
next to the peanut! With
the help of his friend,
even with great difficulty,
Matmat managed to
move it.



Matmat jumped with joy when he returned home. “Friends, I could not have brought the peanut this far without all of you,” Matmat said, thanking everyone.

