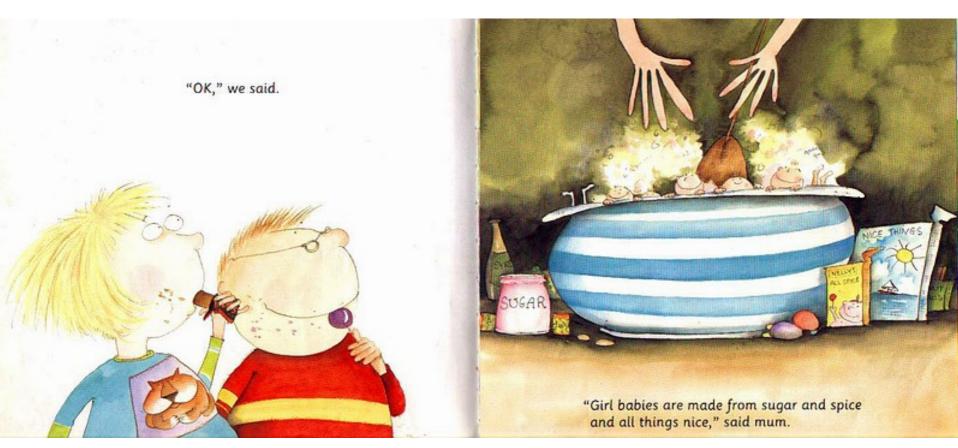
Mummy Laid an Egg

Babette Cole



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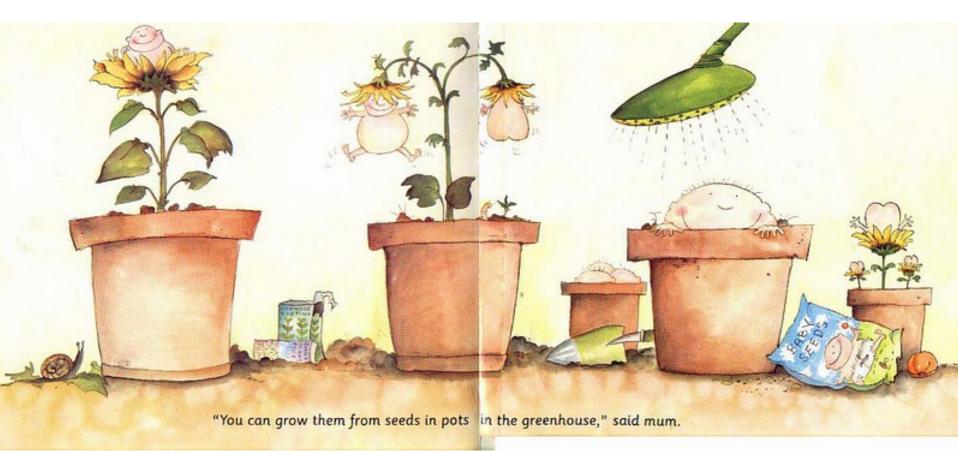


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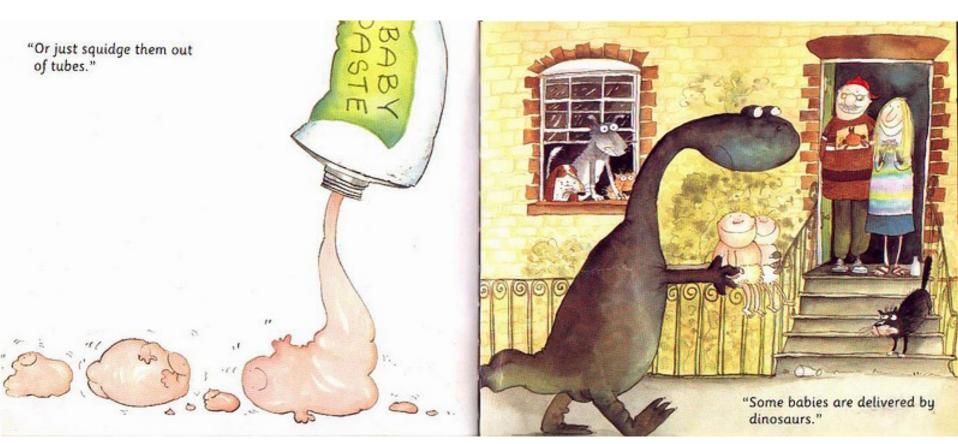
"Girl babies are made from sugar and spice and all things nice," said mum.



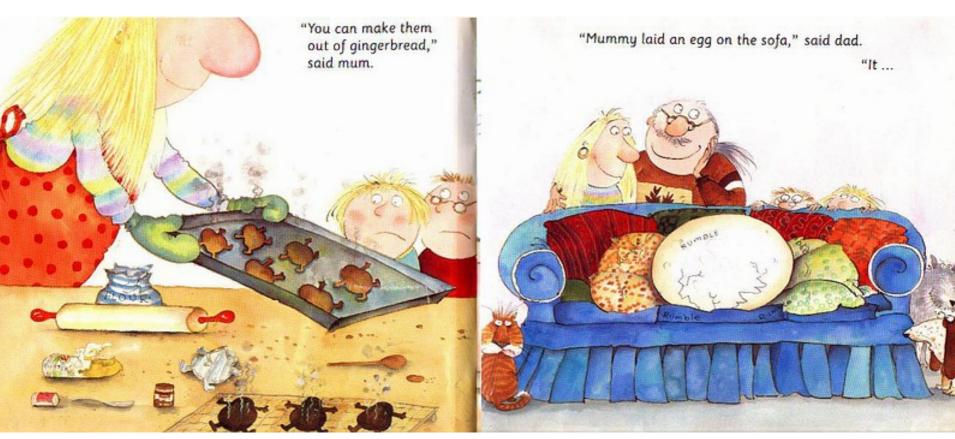
"Boy babies are made from slugs and snails and puppy dogs' tails," said dad. "Sometimes you just find them under stones," said dad.



• "You can grow them from seeds in pots in the greenhouse," said mum.



- "Or just squidge them out of tubes."
- "Some babies are delivered by dinosaurs."



• "You can make them out of gingerbread," said mum.

"Mummy laid an egg on the safa," said dad. "It...





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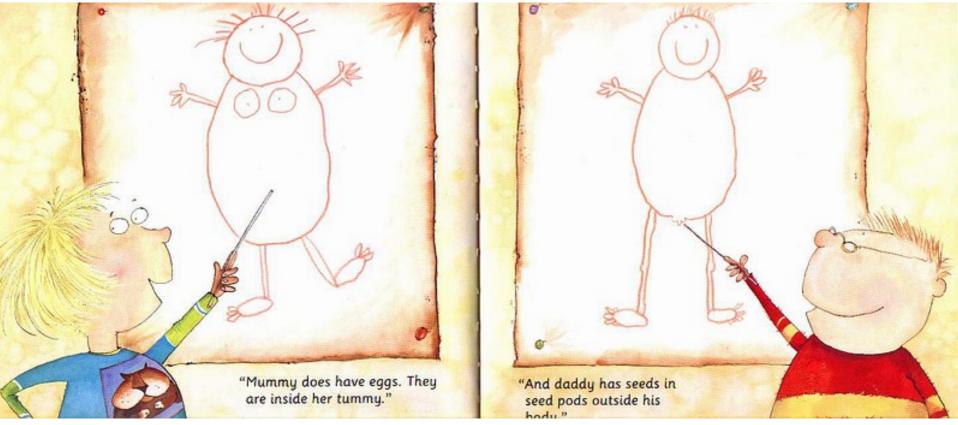
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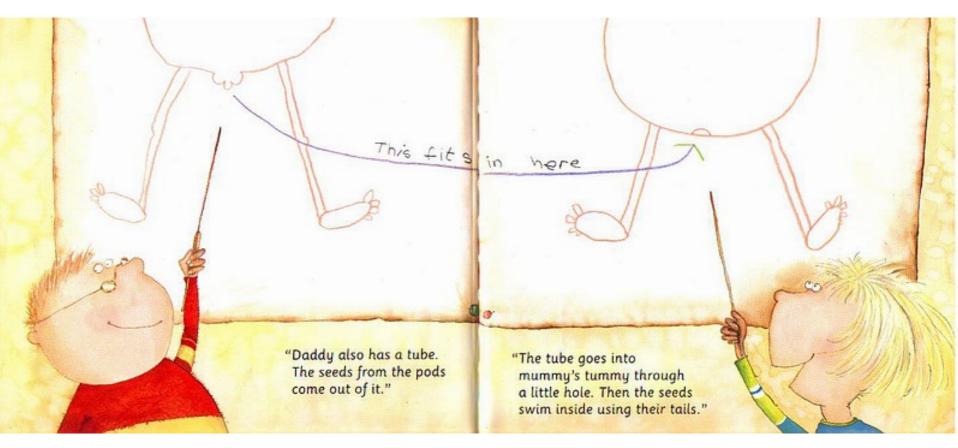
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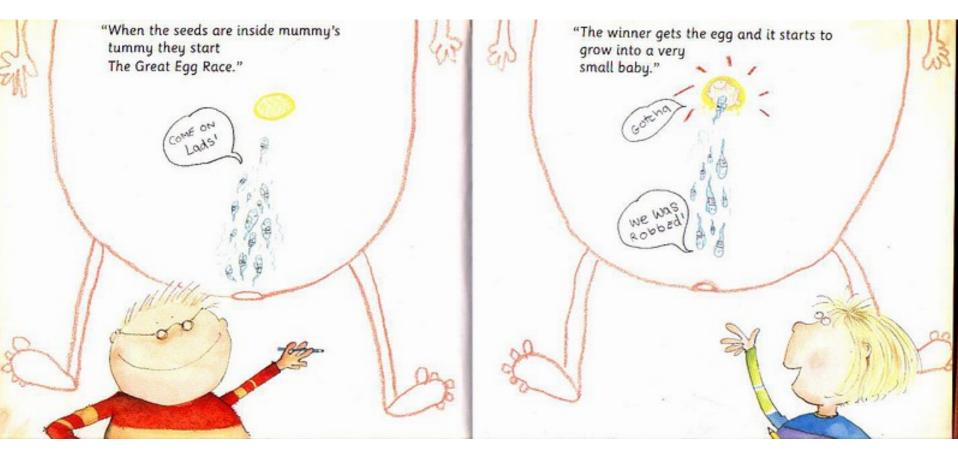
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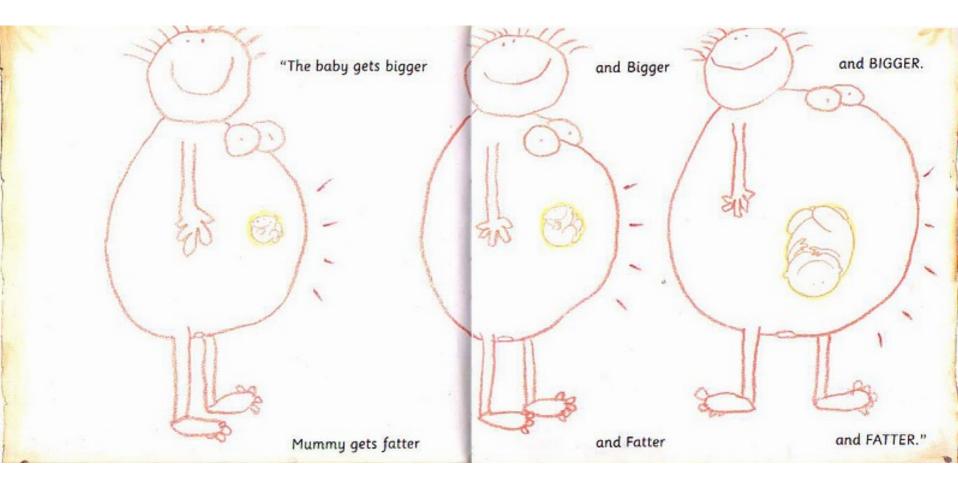
- "Daddy also has a tube. The seeds from the pods come out of it."
- "The tube goes into mummy's tummy through a little hole. Then the seeeds swim inside using their tails."



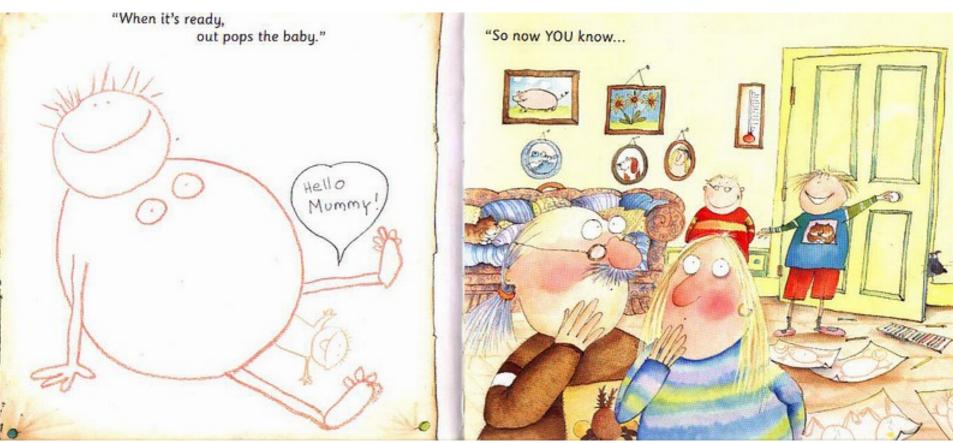
"Here are some ways mummies and daddies fit together."



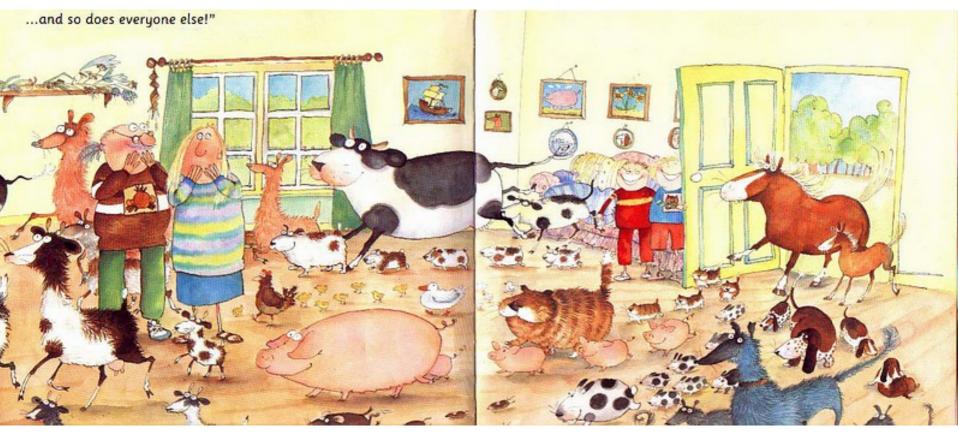
- "When the seeds are inside mummy's tummy they start The Great Egg Race."
- "The winner gets the egg and it starts to grow into a very small baby."



• "the baby gets bigger and Bigger and BIGGER. Mummy gets fatter and Fatter and FATTER."



- "When it's ready, out pops the baby."
- "So now YOU know...



...and so does everyone else!"