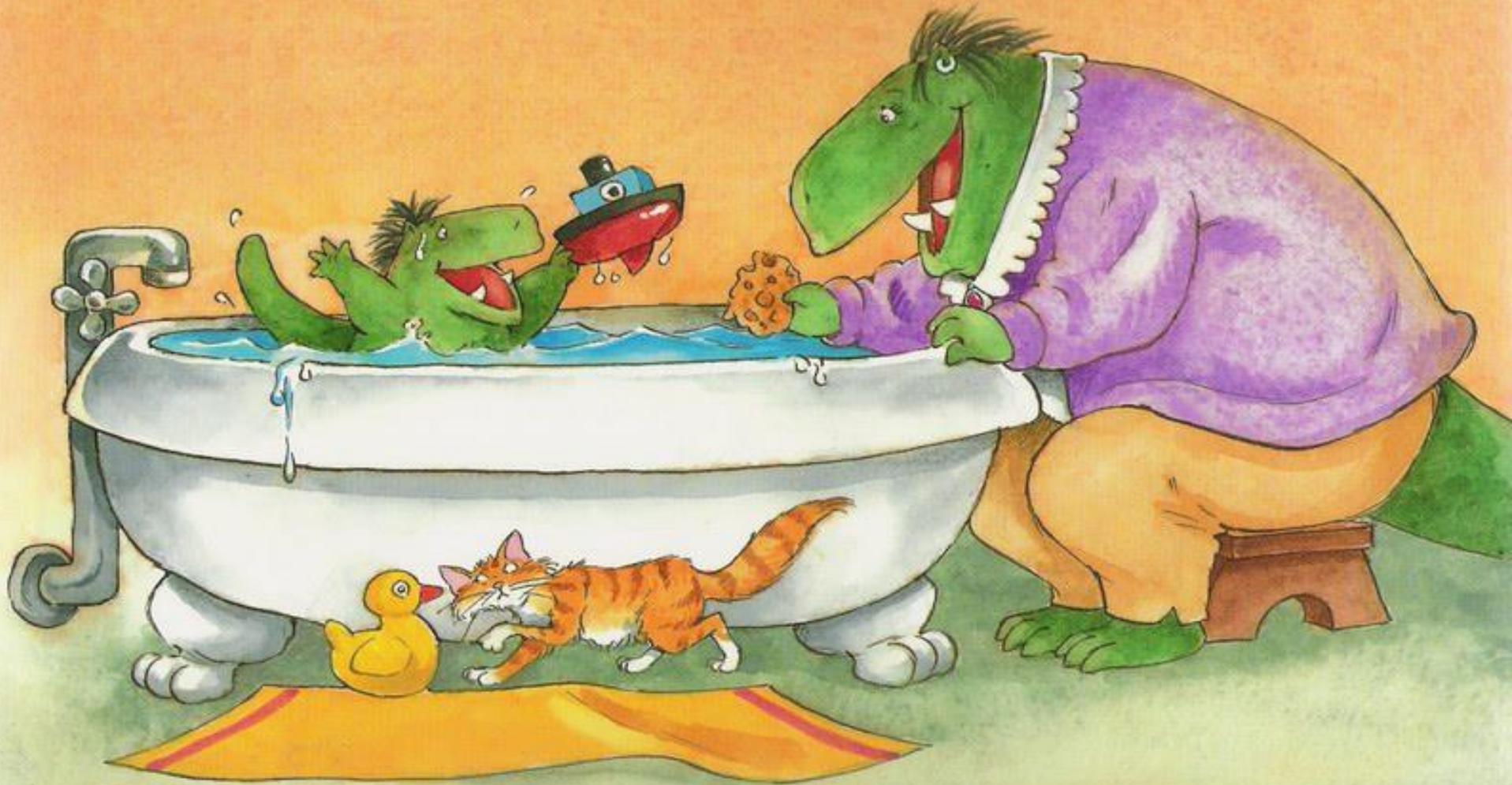
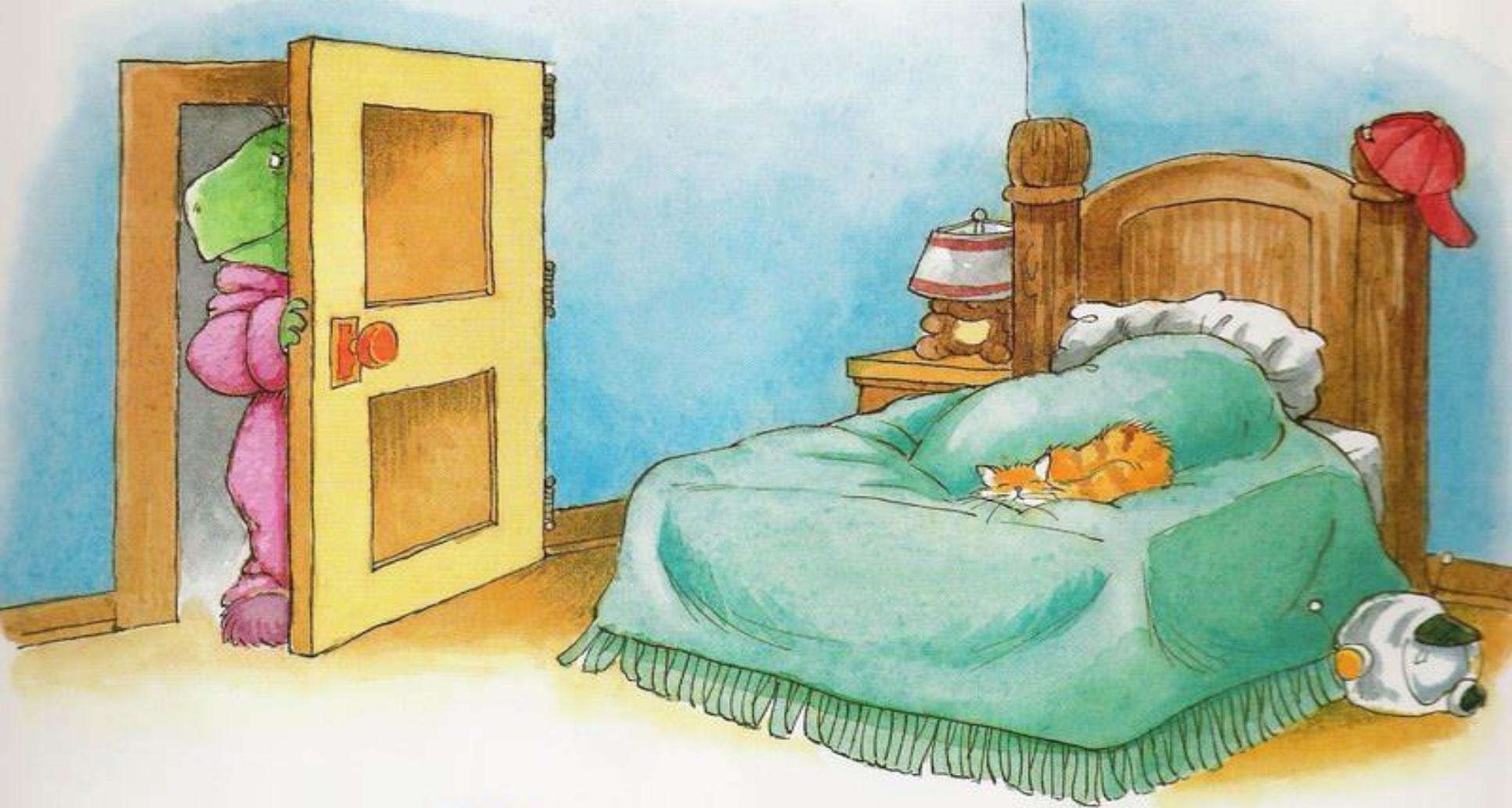


What Moms Can't Do



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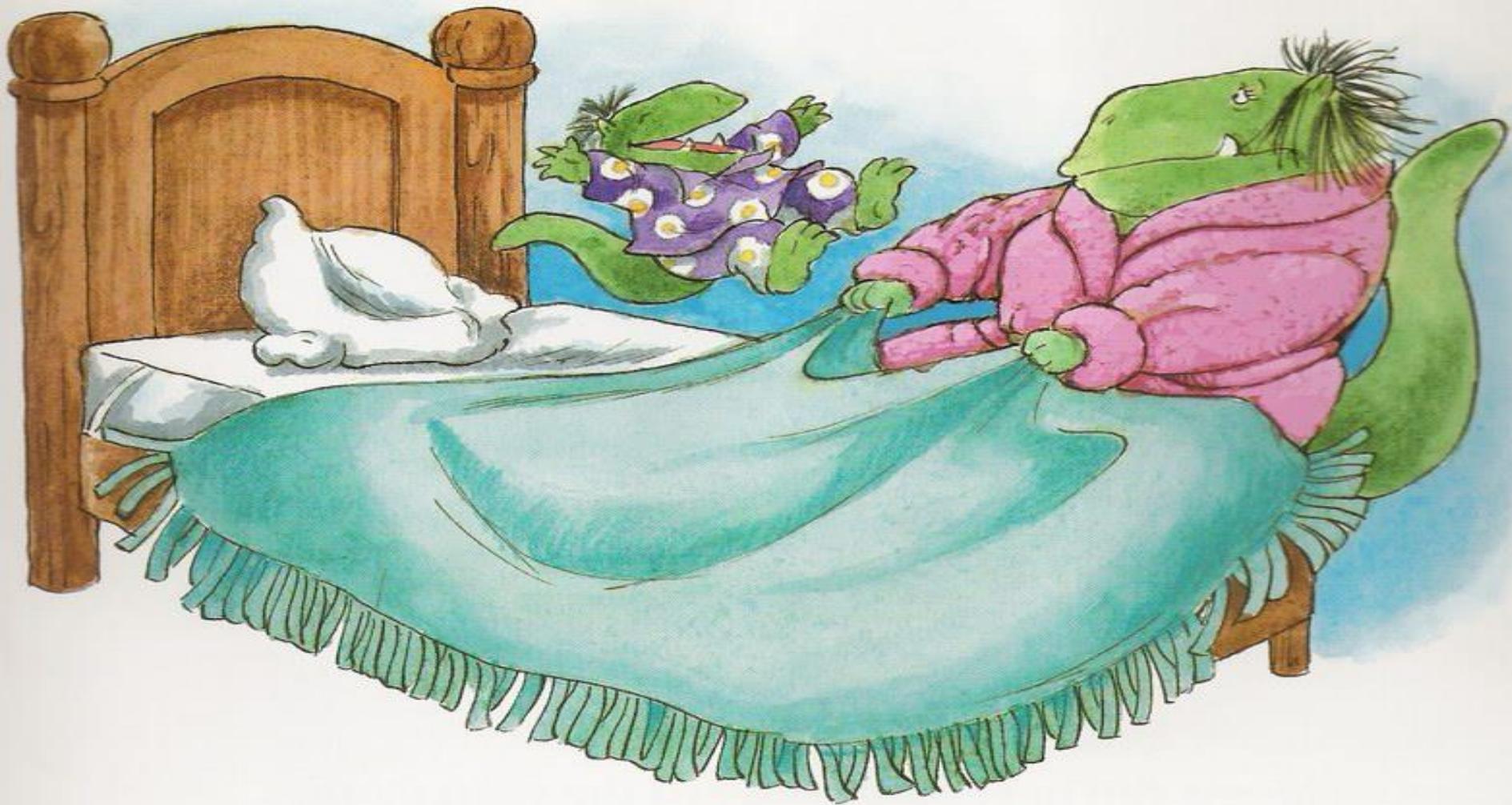
There are lots of things
that regular people can do
but moms can't.

Moms can't wait . . .



to wake up kids in the morning.

They can't make the bed
without lots of help.



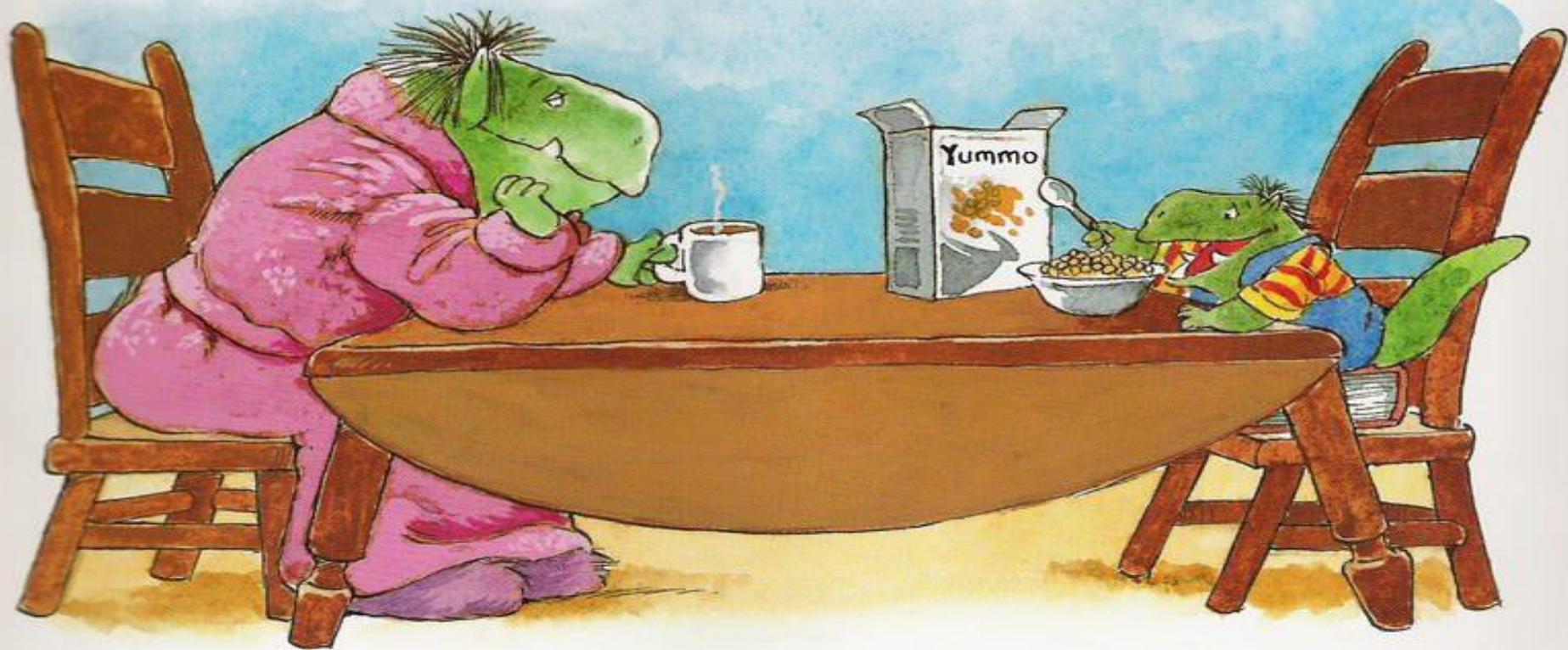


Moms can never pick out just the right clothes.

And they have trouble keeping things cleaned up.



Moms can't have Yummos with purple
marshmallows for breakfast. Only
coffee, or tea, or yogurt, or bran flakes.
Yuck.





They need a little advice when they're packing lunches.

Moms can't run very fast.





Sometimes moms can't hear themselves think
(whatever that means).

Moms are not good at saying good-bye.



Even to the teacher.





Moms can't push grocery carts fast enough.



And sometimes they need help opening doors.

Moms don't know how to keep
salamanders in their shirts.



Or toads in their pockets.





Moms aren't very good tacklers.

And they can't make a basket on their own.



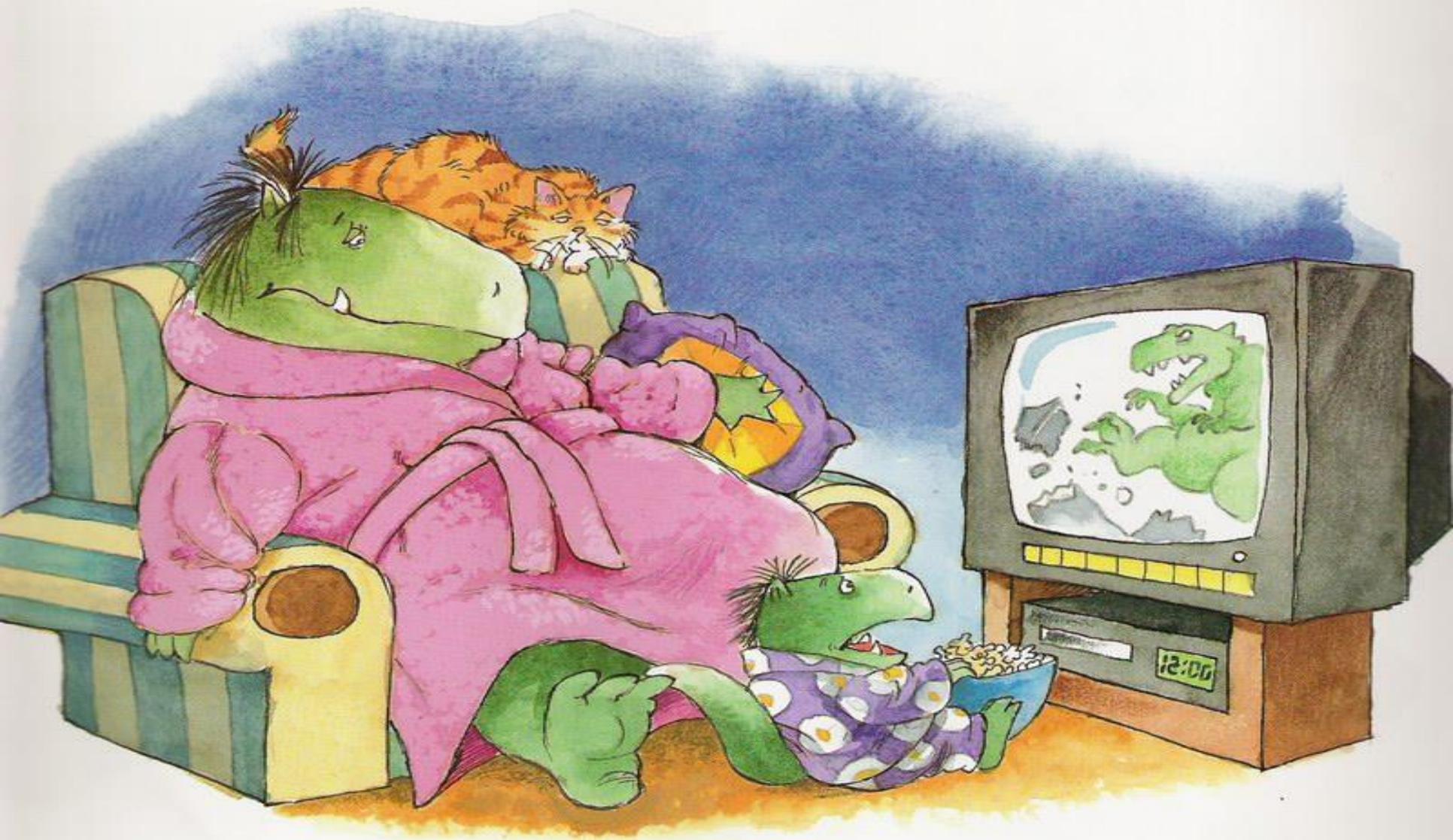


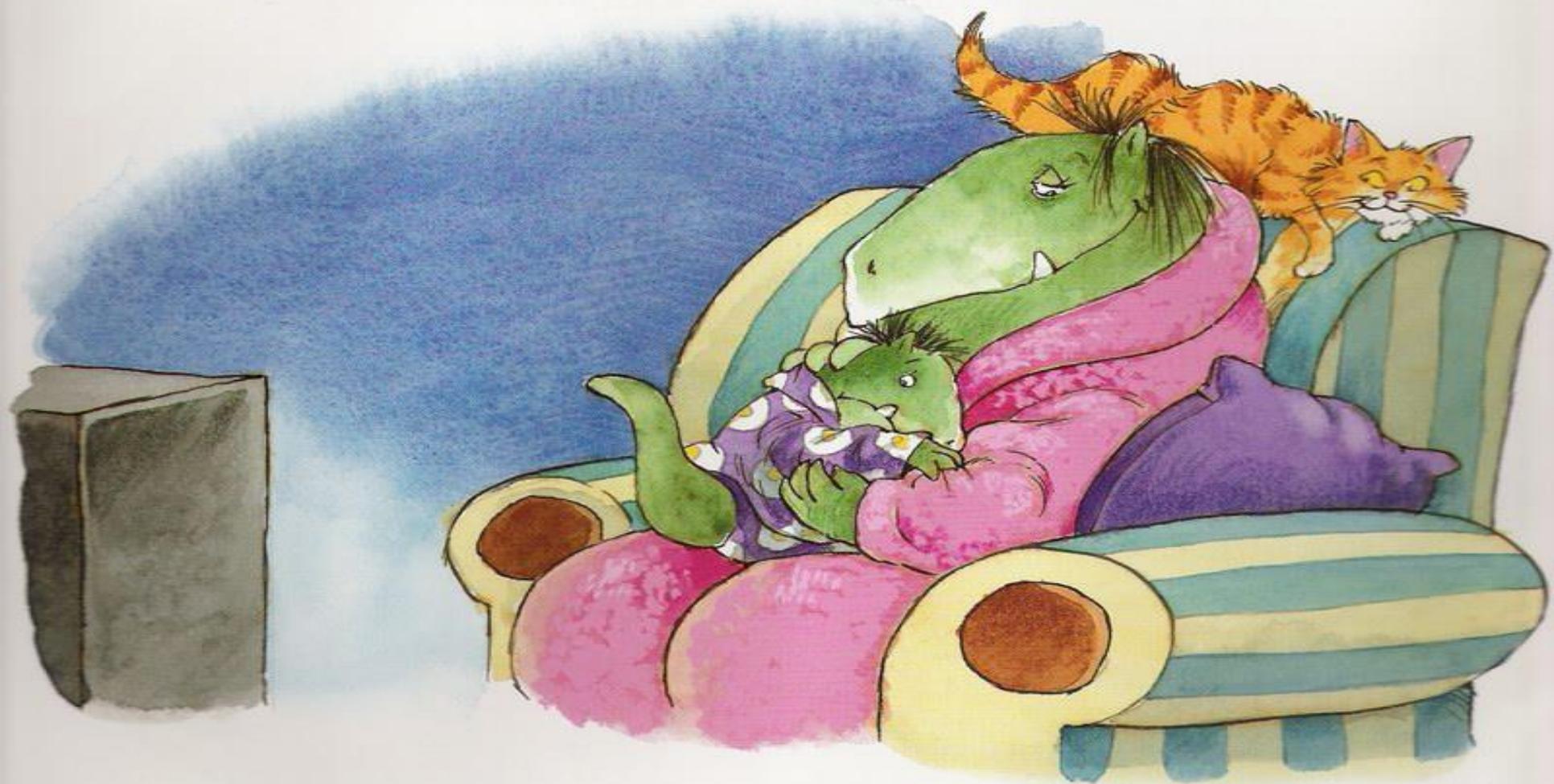
Moms are easy to squirt,
but they have a hard time squirting you.

Usually.



Moms really don't like to watch movies by themselves.

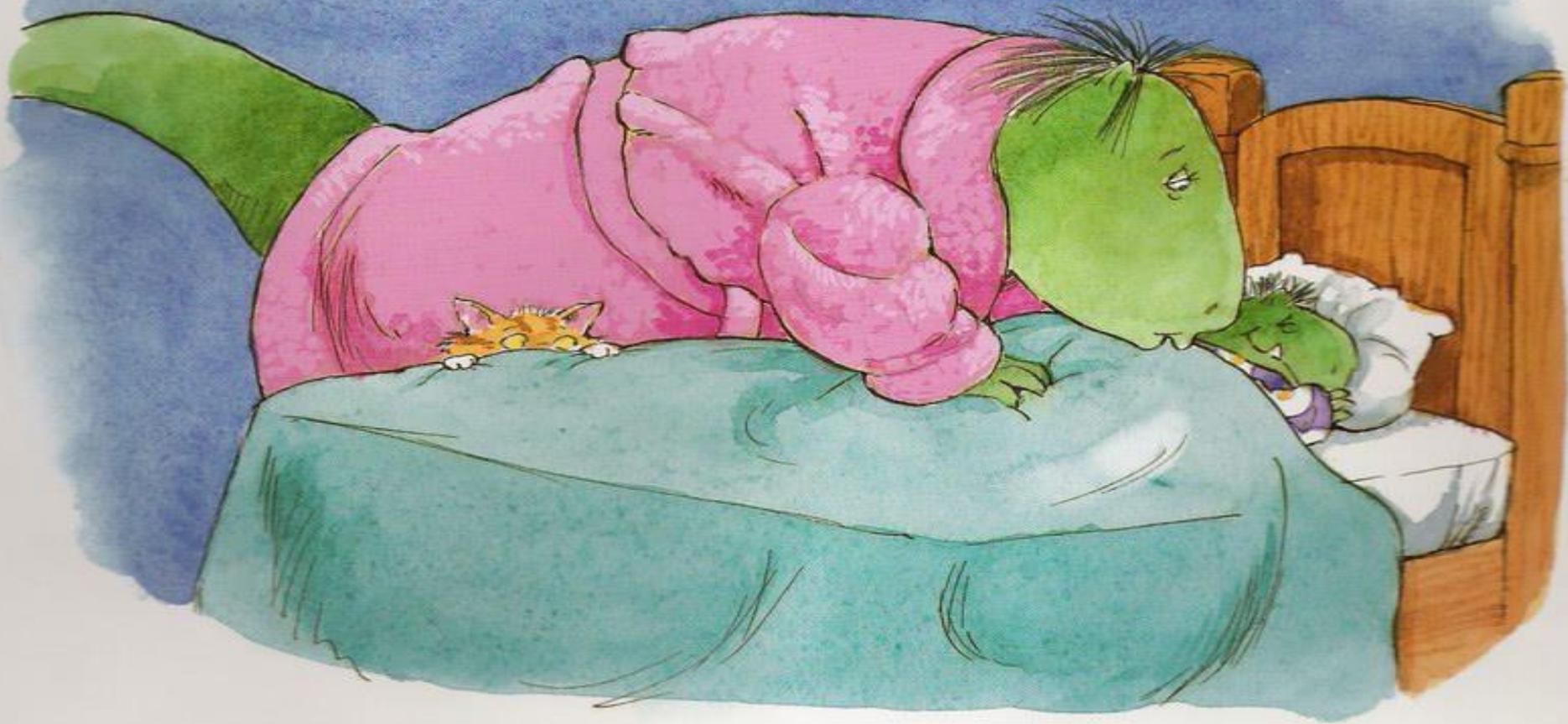




And sometimes they need protection
during the scary parts.

They feel much better with someone
on their lap.





Moms can't let go of a hug without a kiss.
Or two.
Or nine.

There are lots of things moms can't do.
More than you can count.
But there's one thing they do better
than almost anyone ...





Sometimes moms can't remember
where they put the car keys.

