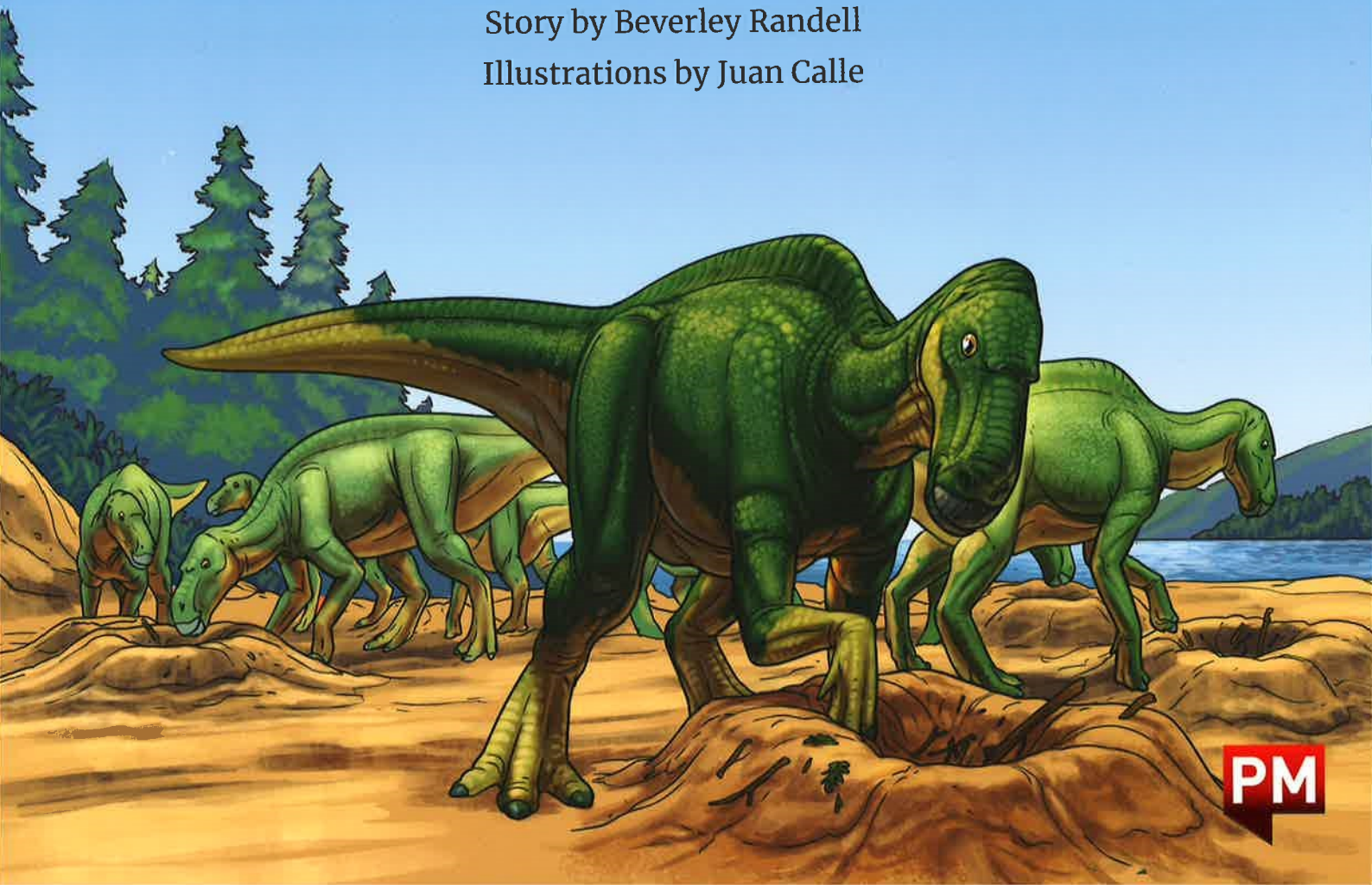
The Nesting Place

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Level 18

Running Words 356 **Text Type** Narrative

Curriculum Areas English (Literacy, Literature, Language); Humanities (Geography, History); Science (Biological Sciences)

Retelling to Encourage Critical Thinking About the Content

Ask each student to retell the story in their own words.

Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to Reinforce Meaning and Stimulate Discussion

Literal

1 Why did the Maiasaura (say: *My-a-saw-ra*) take mud from the old nests?
2 What did Long-head use to line her new nest?
3 What did Long-head do to keep her eggs warm?
4 What food did Long-head bring back to the nest for her babies?

Inferential

5 What were the 'little cries' Long-head could hear coming from her nest?
6 Why did the little meat-eating dinosaur wait until Long-head had left before it ran to her nest?
7 What happened to two of the baby dinosaurs in Long-head's nest?
8 Why did Long-head have more babies left than some of the other dinosaurs with nests on the outside of the nesting place?

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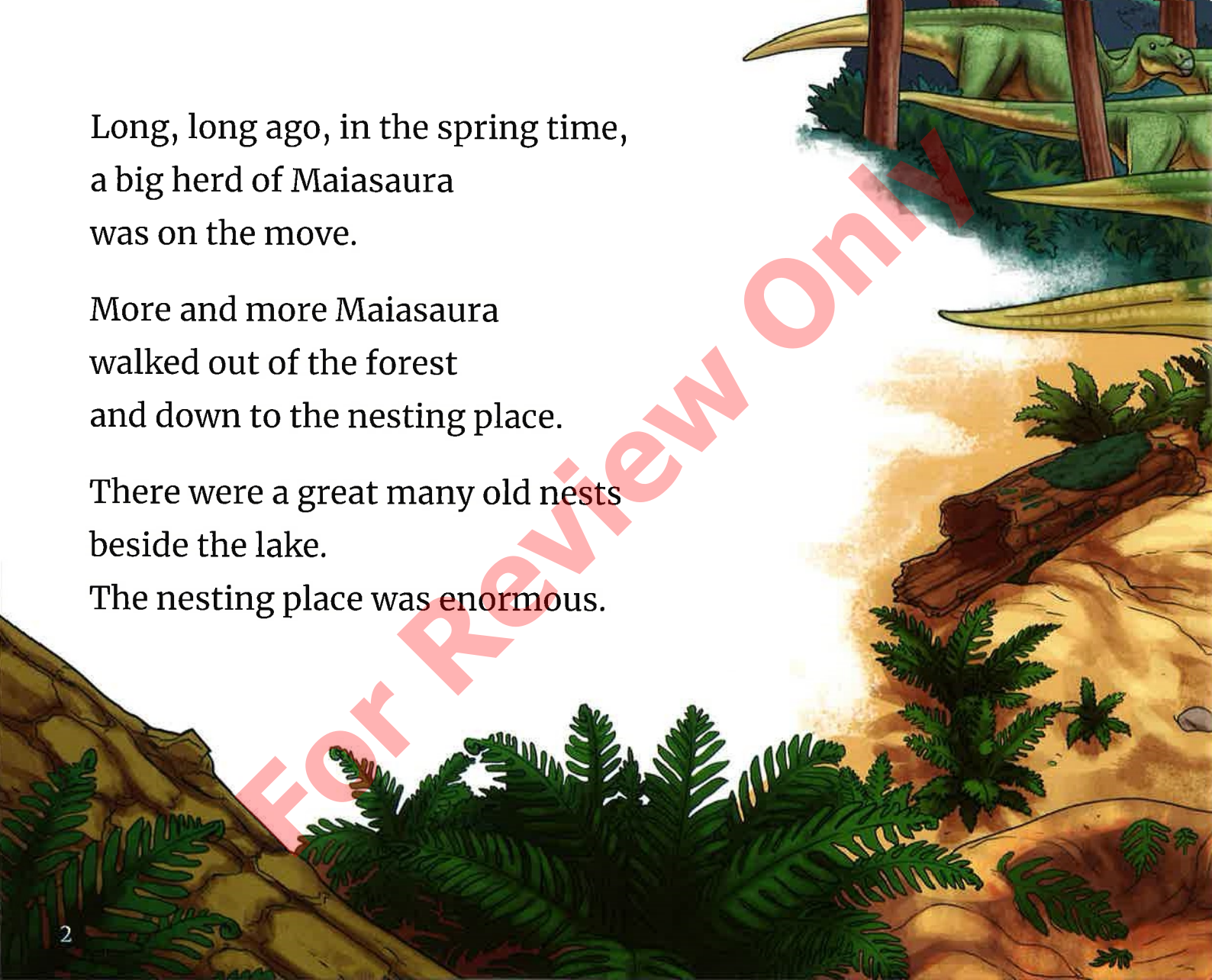
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Long, long ago, in the spring time,
a big herd of Maiasaura
was on the move.

More and more Maiasaura
walked out of the forest
and down to the nesting place.

There were a great many old nests
beside the lake.
The nesting place was enormous.



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Many of last year's nests were broken.

The Maiasaura took mud from the old nests to make new ones.



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Long-head, a young mother, worked hard.
When she had a big pile of mud,
she scooped it out and lined it with leaves.



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Now that her nest was ready,
Long-head could lay her eggs.
Round she went,
round and round the nest,
until she had laid 20 eggs.

Then, she put some leaves
and some sand on top of them.
The sun and the leaves
would keep the eggs warm
until the babies were ready to hatch.

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