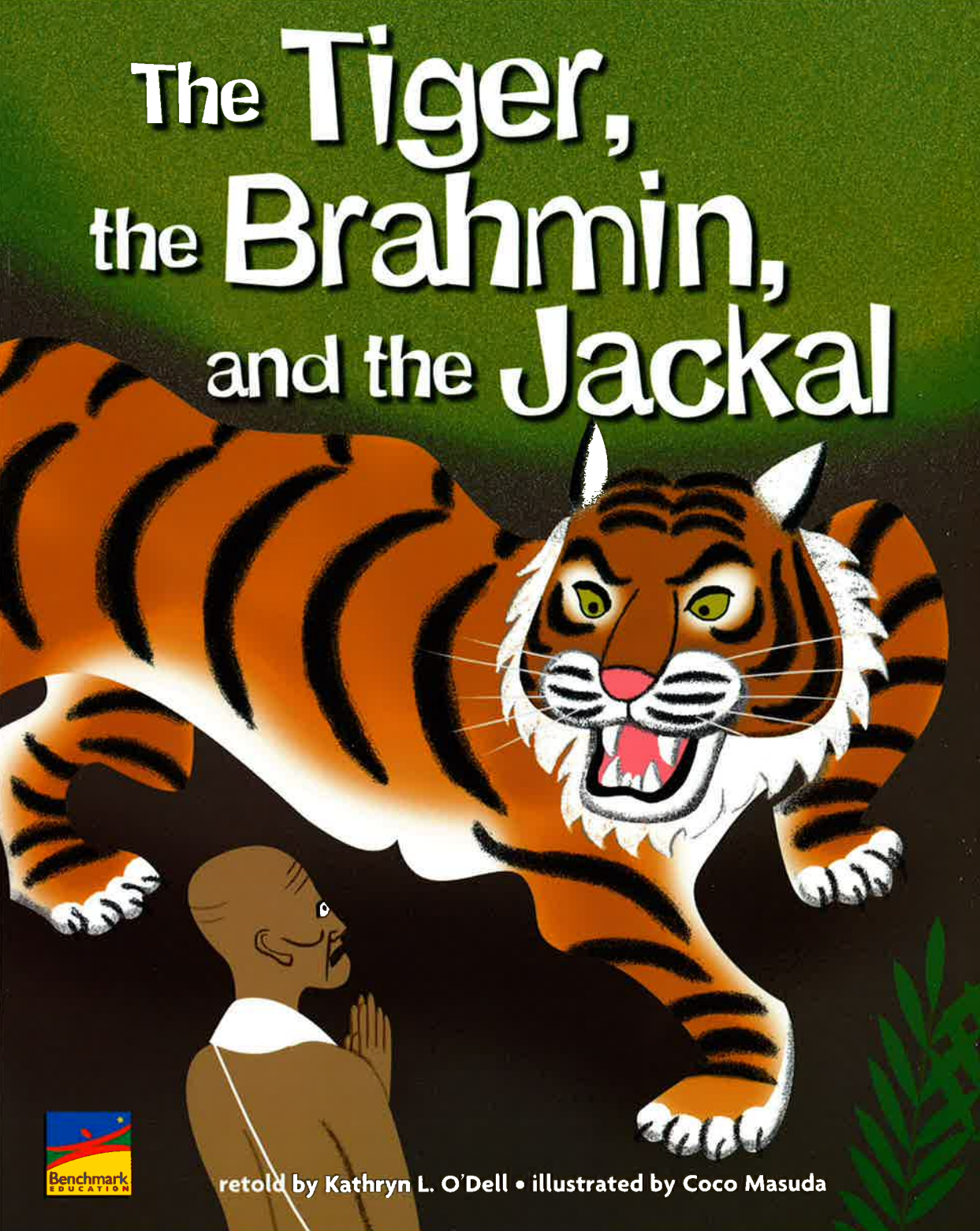
The Tiger, the Brahmin, and the Jackal



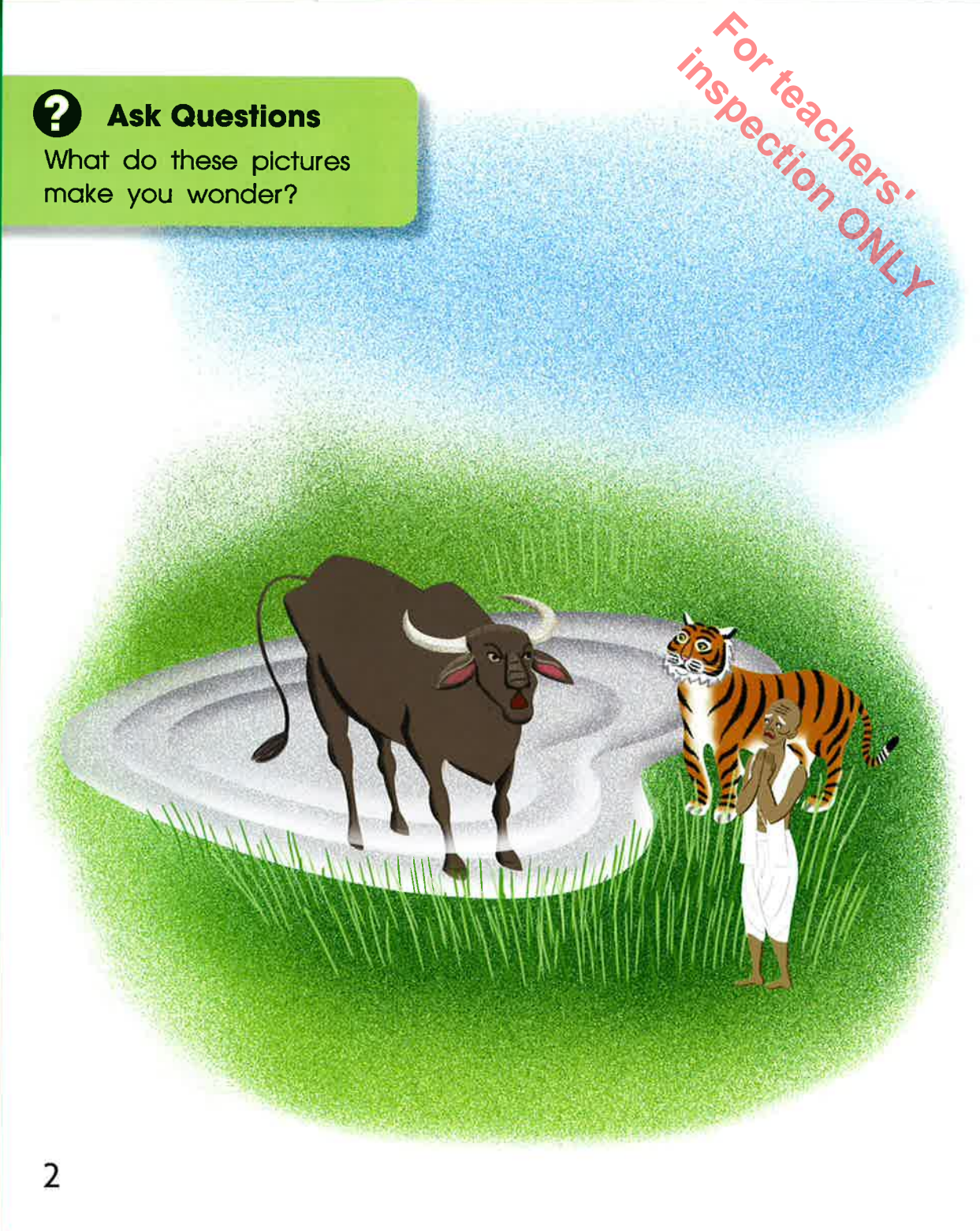
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Ask Questions

What do these pictures make you wonder?





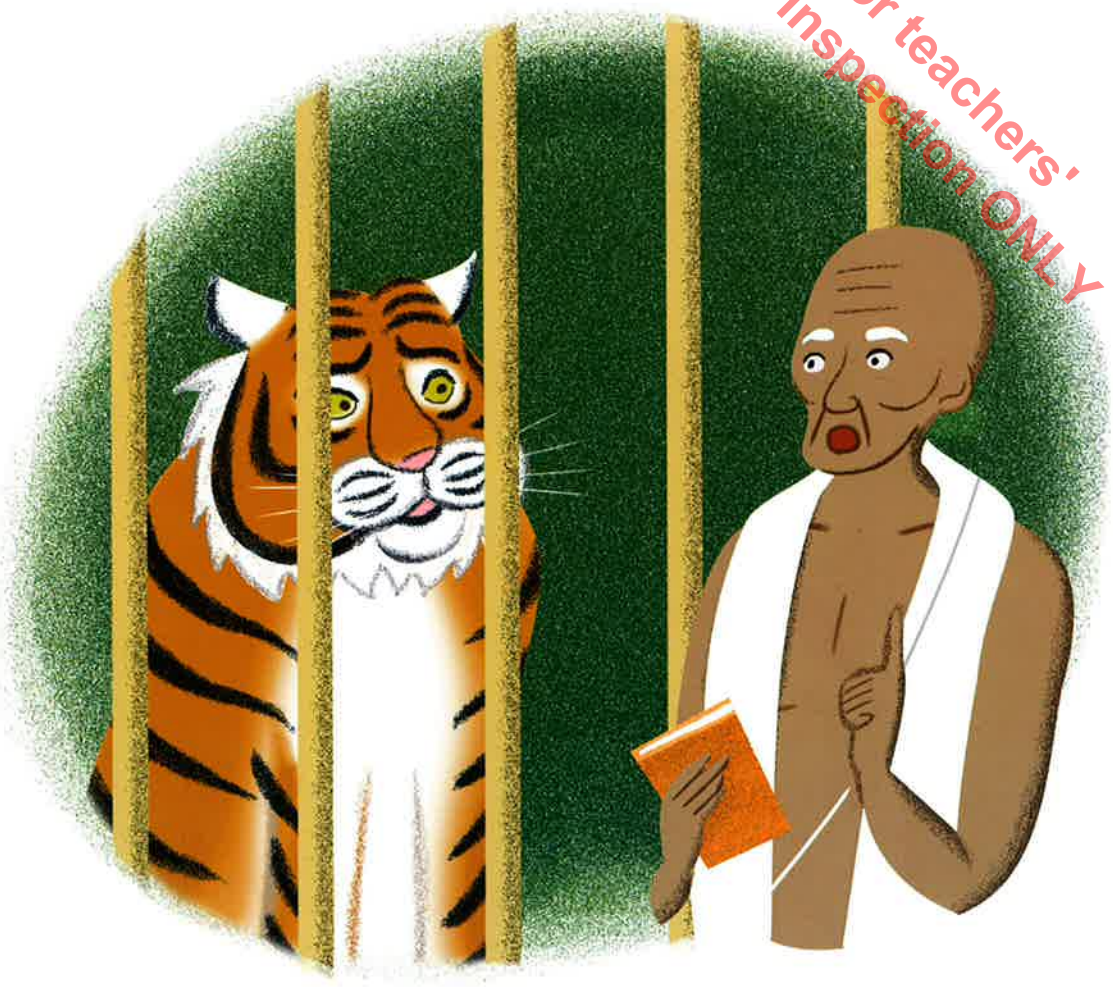
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A large tiger was in a trap.
He tried to get out, but he couldn't.



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A Brahmin saw the tiger. Tiger said, "Please help me."

Brahmin said, "If I let you out, you'll eat me."

Tiger said, "I won't eat you. I promise."

So Brahmin helped Tiger.



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Then Tiger turned mean. He said, "Now I'm going to eat you!"

"Please don't eat me," Brahmin said.

Tiger said, "We'll see what others say.
If others say I should eat you, I will.
If others say I shouldn't, I won't."



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Tiger and Brahmin found an old tree. Tiger asked, "Tree, should I eat Brahmin?"



Tree answered, "People can be mean. They have cut down a lot of trees in the past. You should eat Brahmin."

What happened in this fable?

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Draw Conclusions

Why did Tiger run away at the end of the story?