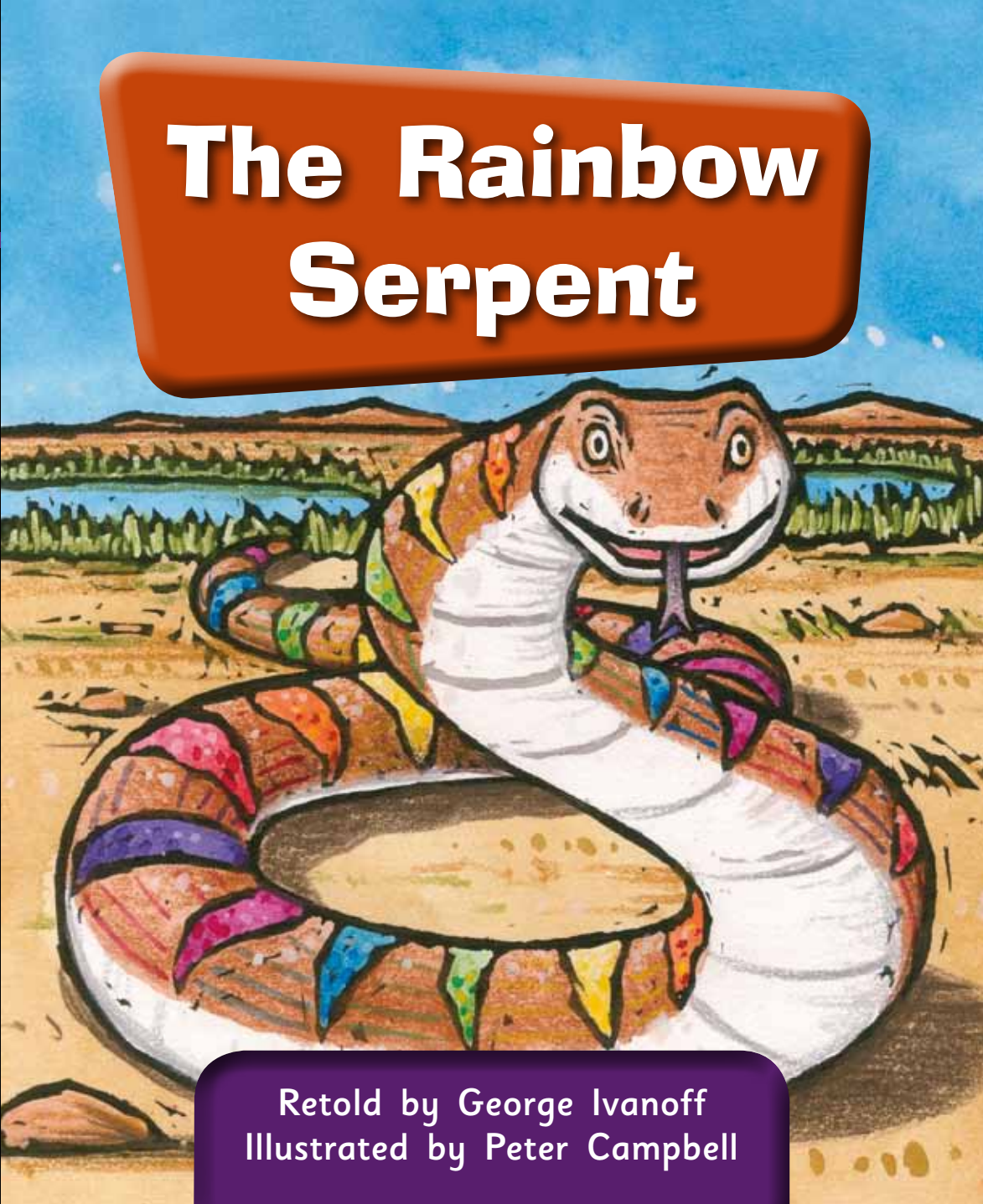
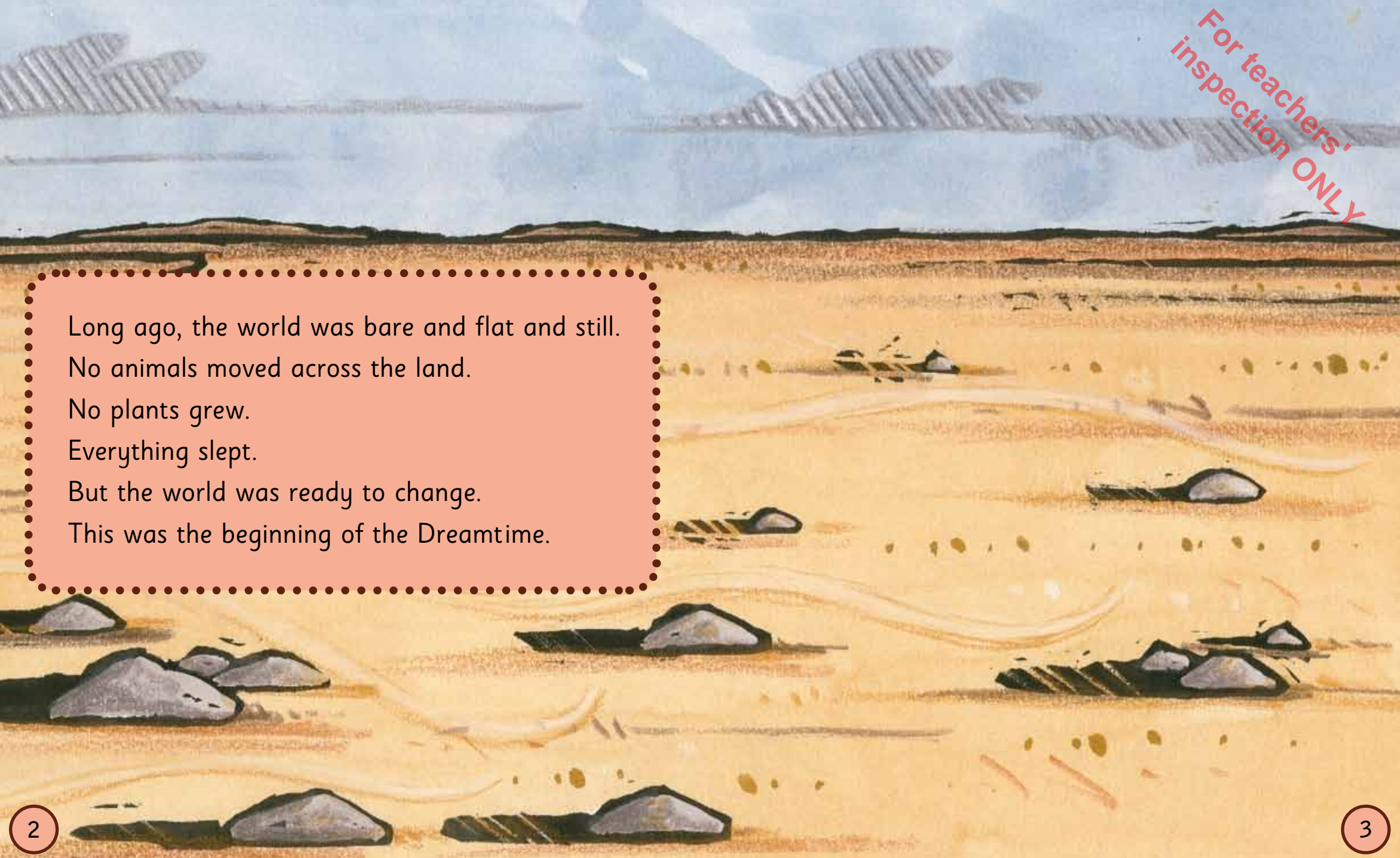
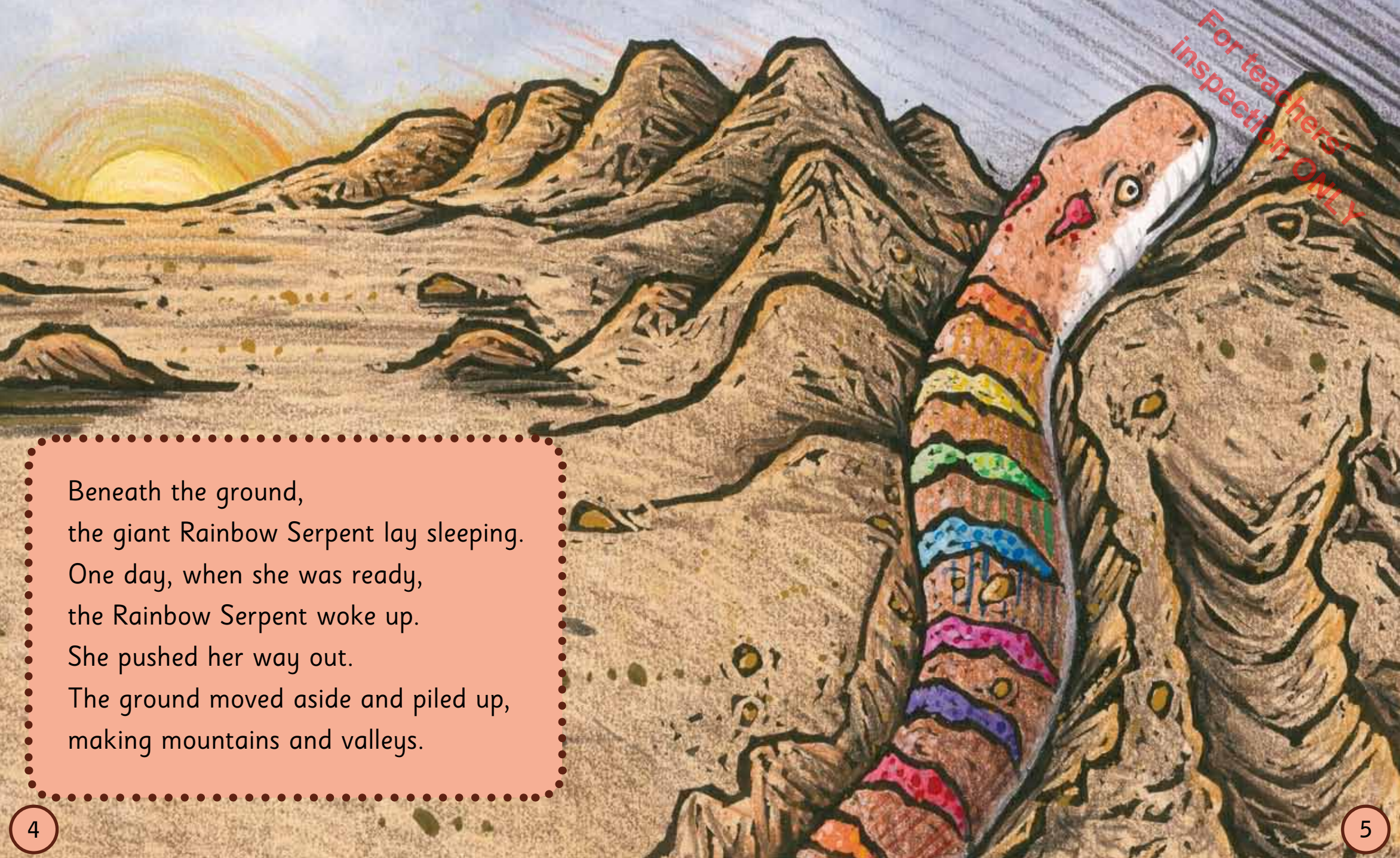

The Rainbow Serpent
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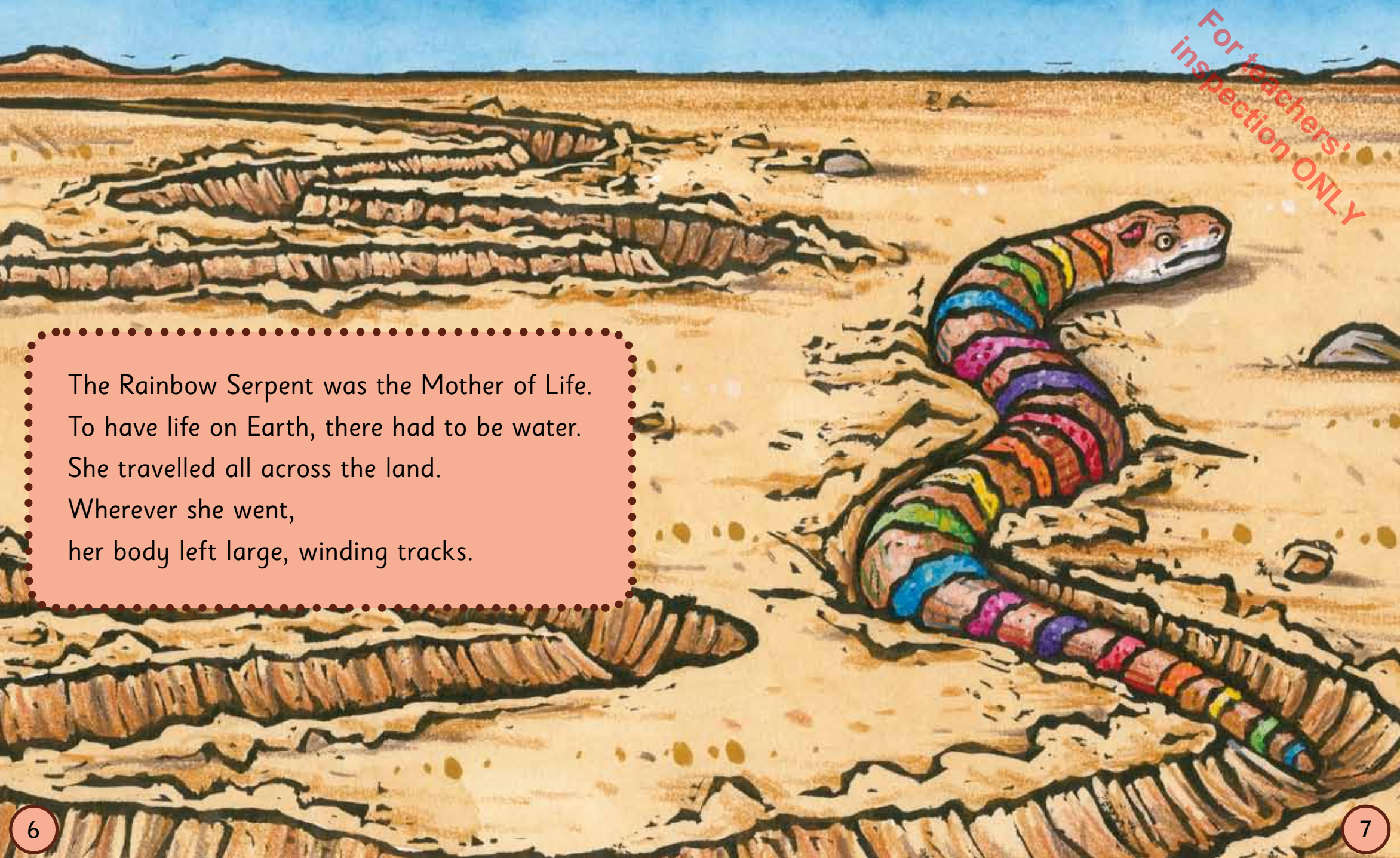
Long ago, the world was bare and flat and still.
No animals moved across the land.
No plants grew.
Everything slept.
But the world was ready to change.
This was the beginning of the Dreamtime.

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Beneath the ground,
the giant Rainbow Serpent lay sleeping.
One day, when she was ready,
the Rainbow Serpent woke up.
She pushed her way out.
The ground moved aside and piled up,
making mountains and valleys.

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The Rainbow Serpent was the Mother of Life.
To have life on Earth, there had to be water.
She travelled all across the land.
Wherever she went,
her body left large, winding tracks.

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