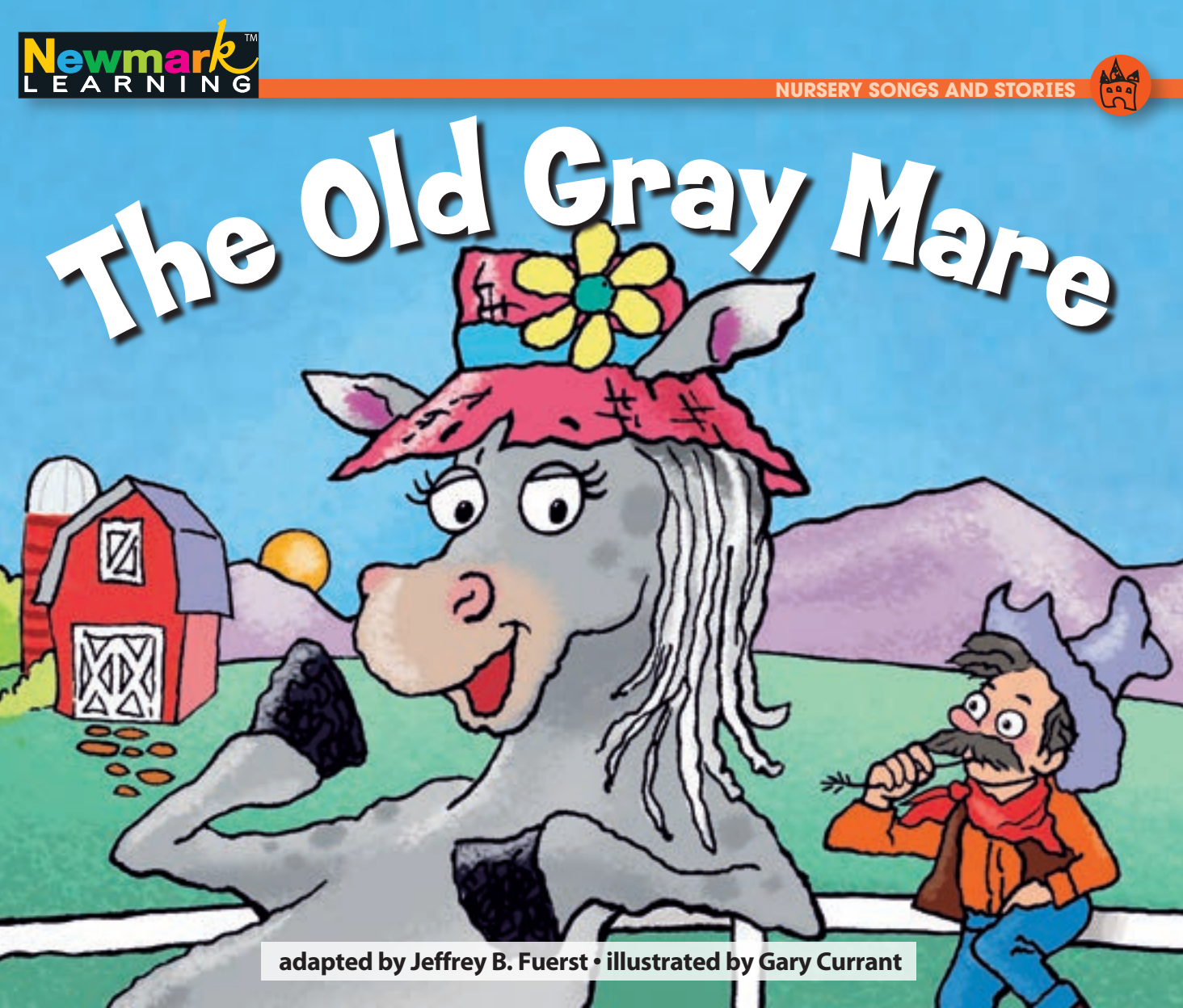
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The Old Gray Mare



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Level: **G**
Word Count: **94**
Fiction Genre: **Fantasy**

Skills You Can Teach

Sight Word Vocabulary

eats	**runs**
next	**says**
old	**slowly**
play	**things**

Story Word Vocabulary

farmer	**horse**
faster	**jumps**
gray	**mare**
higher	**young**

Phonics

- Words with inflectional ending **er** (farmer, faster, higher)

Comprehension

- Make predictions
- Make connections

How to Read This Book with Children



1. Read the title of the book aloud.
   Ask: *What do you think this book will be about?*
2. Talk about the pictures on each page.
3. Ask children to point to one or two words they know.
4. Read the first page to children.
   Encourage them to read along.
5. Ask children to read the rest of the book aloud.
6. Support children if they have trouble reading a word by using some of these prompts:
   - *What can you do to help yourself?*
   - *Say the word slowly. What sounds can you hear?*
   - *Look at the picture. What is happening?*
   - *Does that word sound right? Try reading the word again.*
7. Reread the book aloud together and talk about it.
8. Build language and comprehension by using the ideas at the back of the book.

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Oh, the old gray mare,
She ain't what she used to be,
Ain't what she used to be,
Ain't what she used to be.
The old gray mare,
She ain't what she used to be,
Many long years ago.

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The farmer has an old gray mare and a young horse. The old gray mare and the young horse do many things together on the farm.

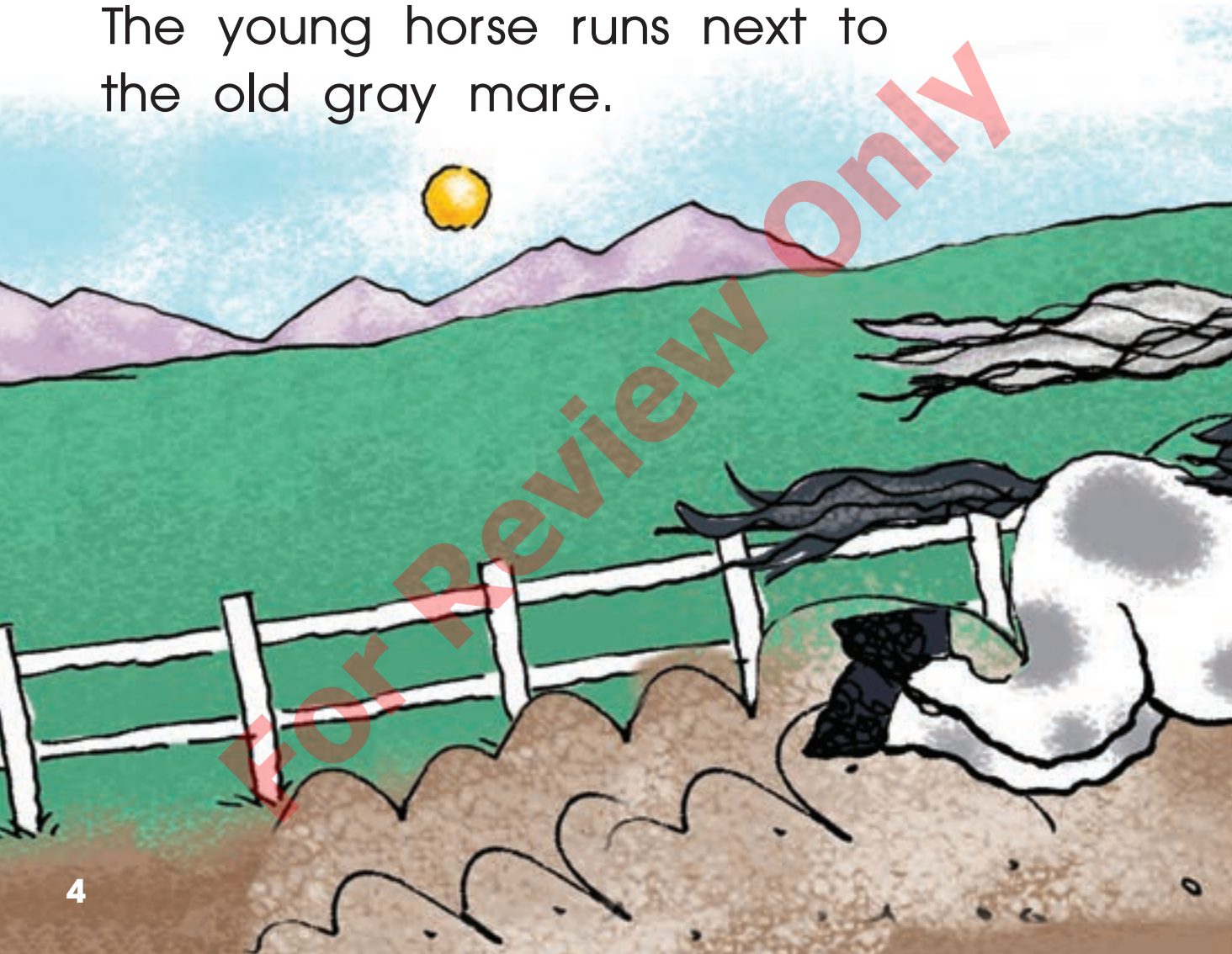


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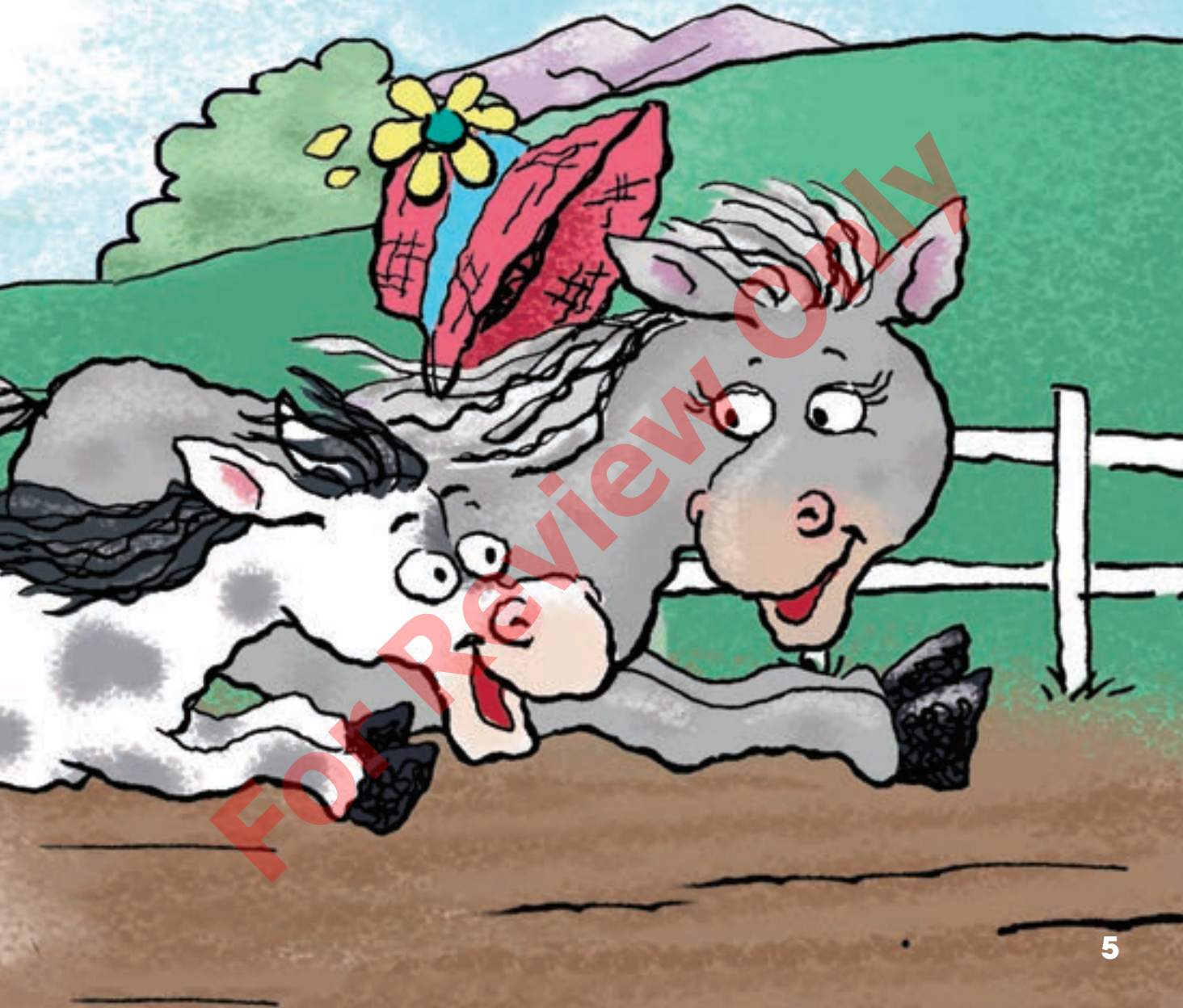


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The young horse runs next to the old gray mare.

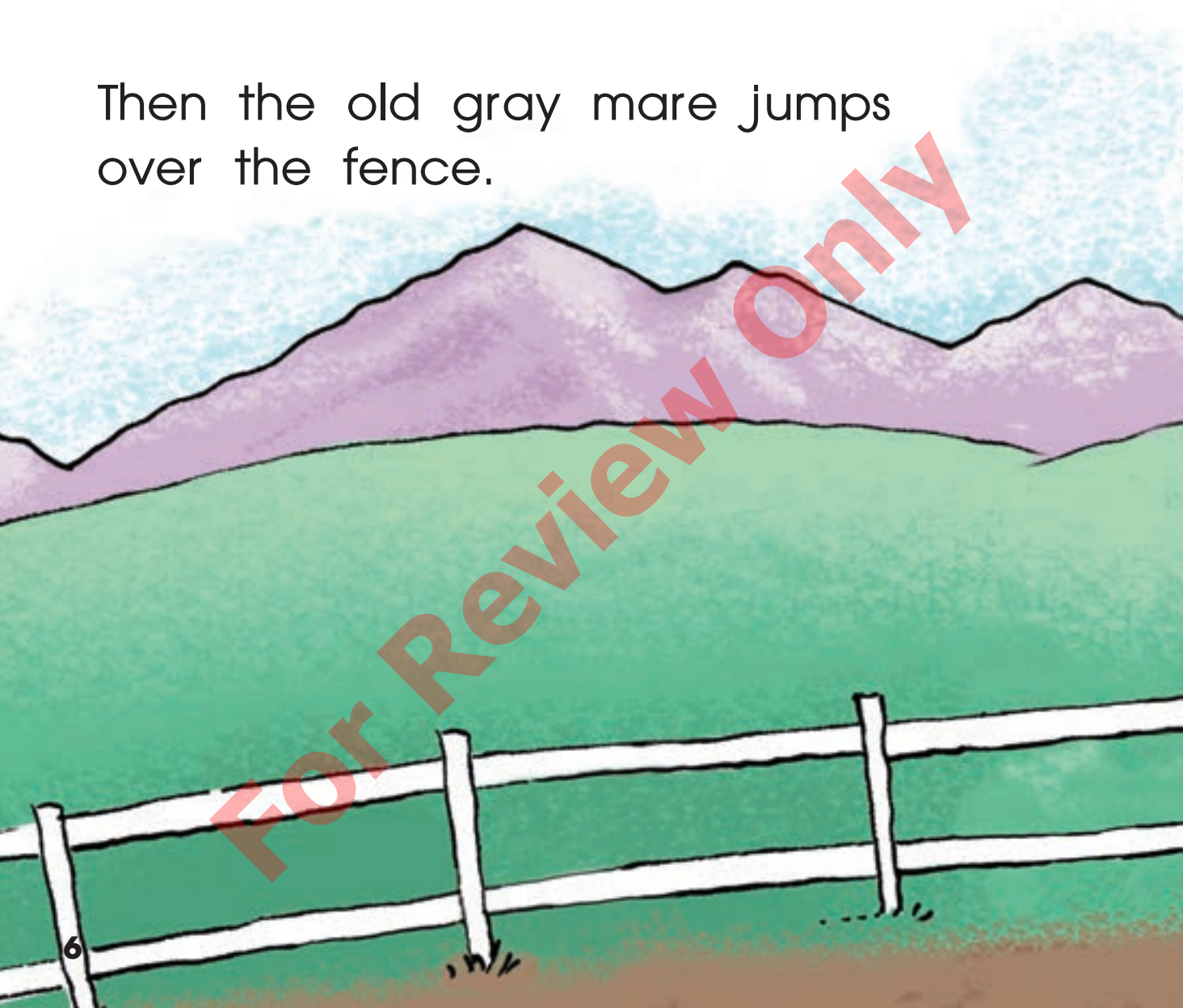


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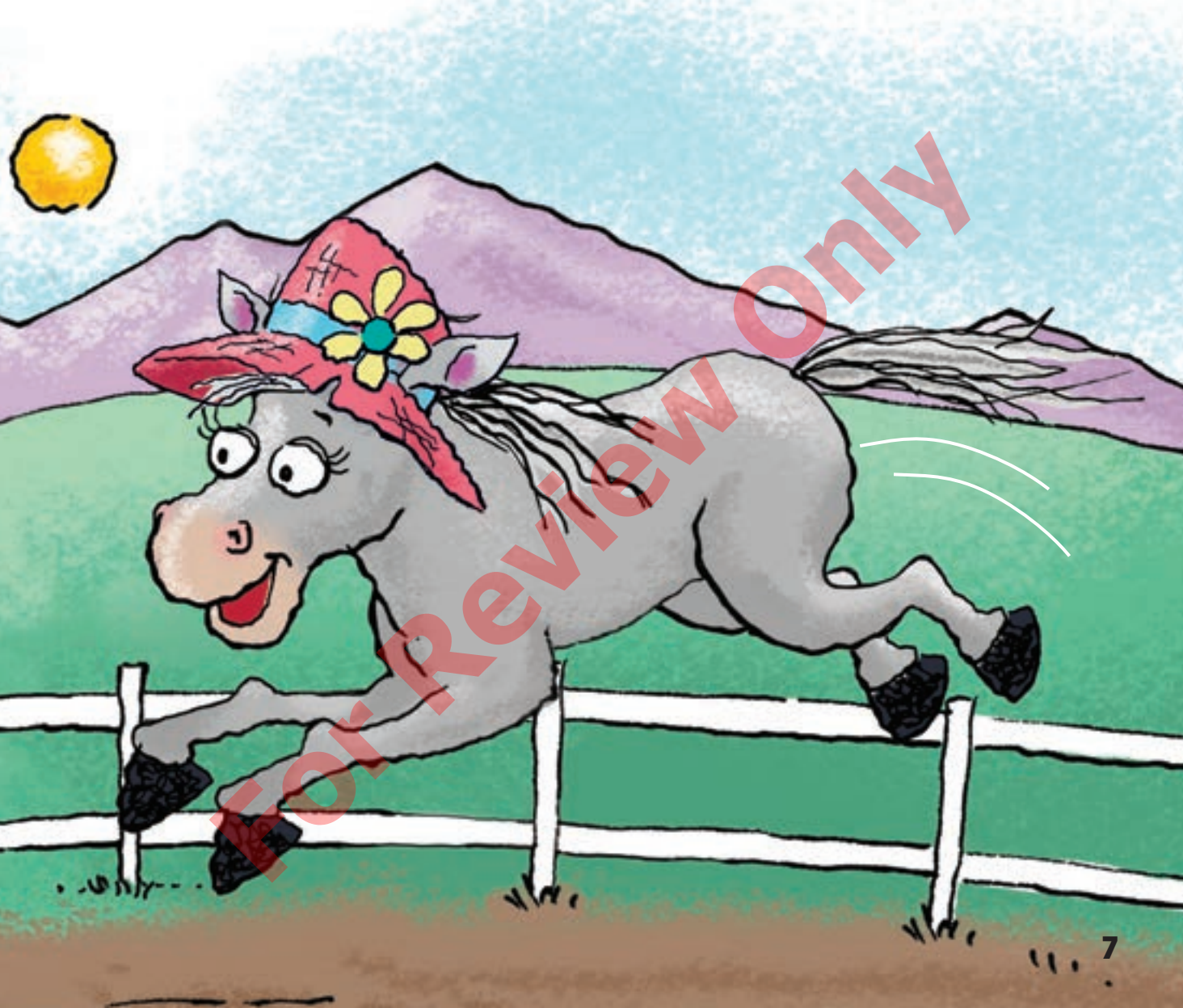


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Then the old gray mare jumps over the fence.



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