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Owl, Badger, Rabbit, Fox and Mouse
all try to wake him up, but whose plan
will work?

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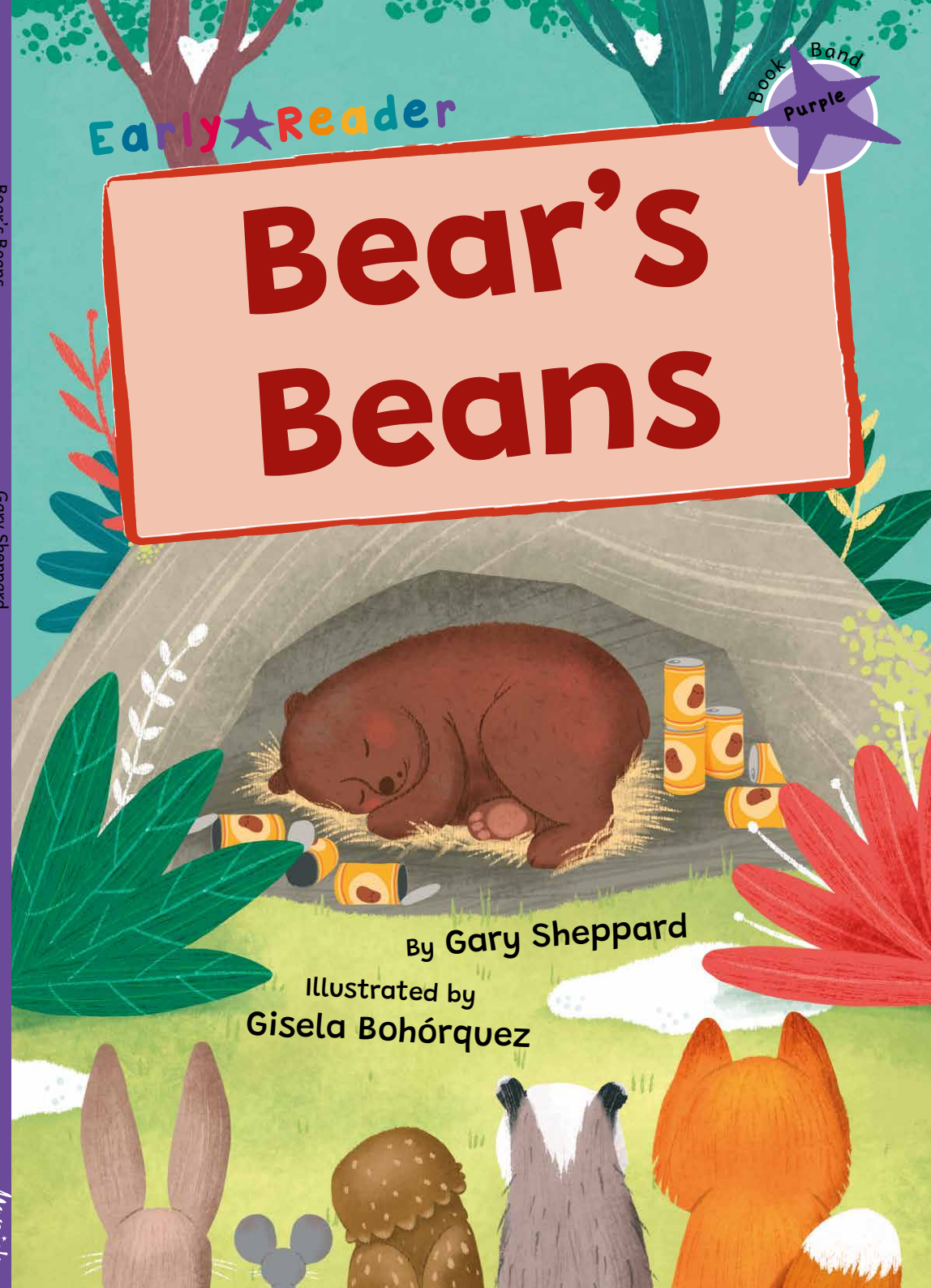
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It was a sunny spring morning in the forest.

Owl, Badger, Rabbit, Fox and Mouse were happy
to see each other after the long, cold winter.

But someone was missing.



“Where’s Bear?” Badger asked.



The others all shrugged. No one had seen him.



“He’s probably still asleep!”

said Fox.



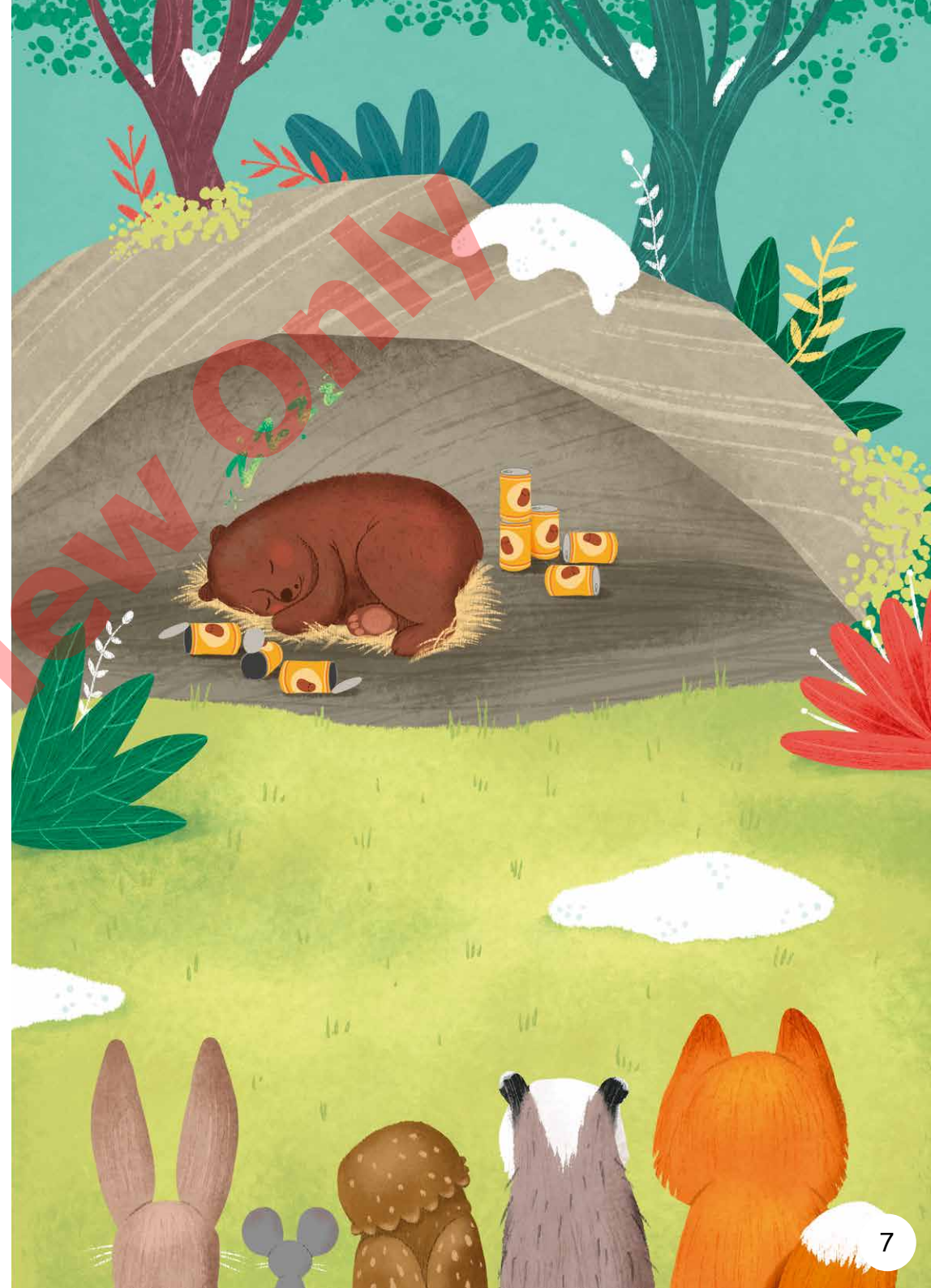
The friends headed up
the hill towards Bear’s cave.

But before they even got there, they could
hear him snoring!

They found Bear fast asleep, curled up next to
lots of cans of his favourite food – beans!

He would eat them for breakfast, lunch and
dinner – even as a snack!

“How should we wake him?” asked Rabbit.



All the friends had different ideas
and each thought theirs was the best.
They soon started to argue.

“I can wake him,” Mouse squeaked.
But no one could hear him over the noise.



“The problem is,” boomed Badger, “Bear is
just too warm and cosy. We need to make
him cold! That will wake him up!”