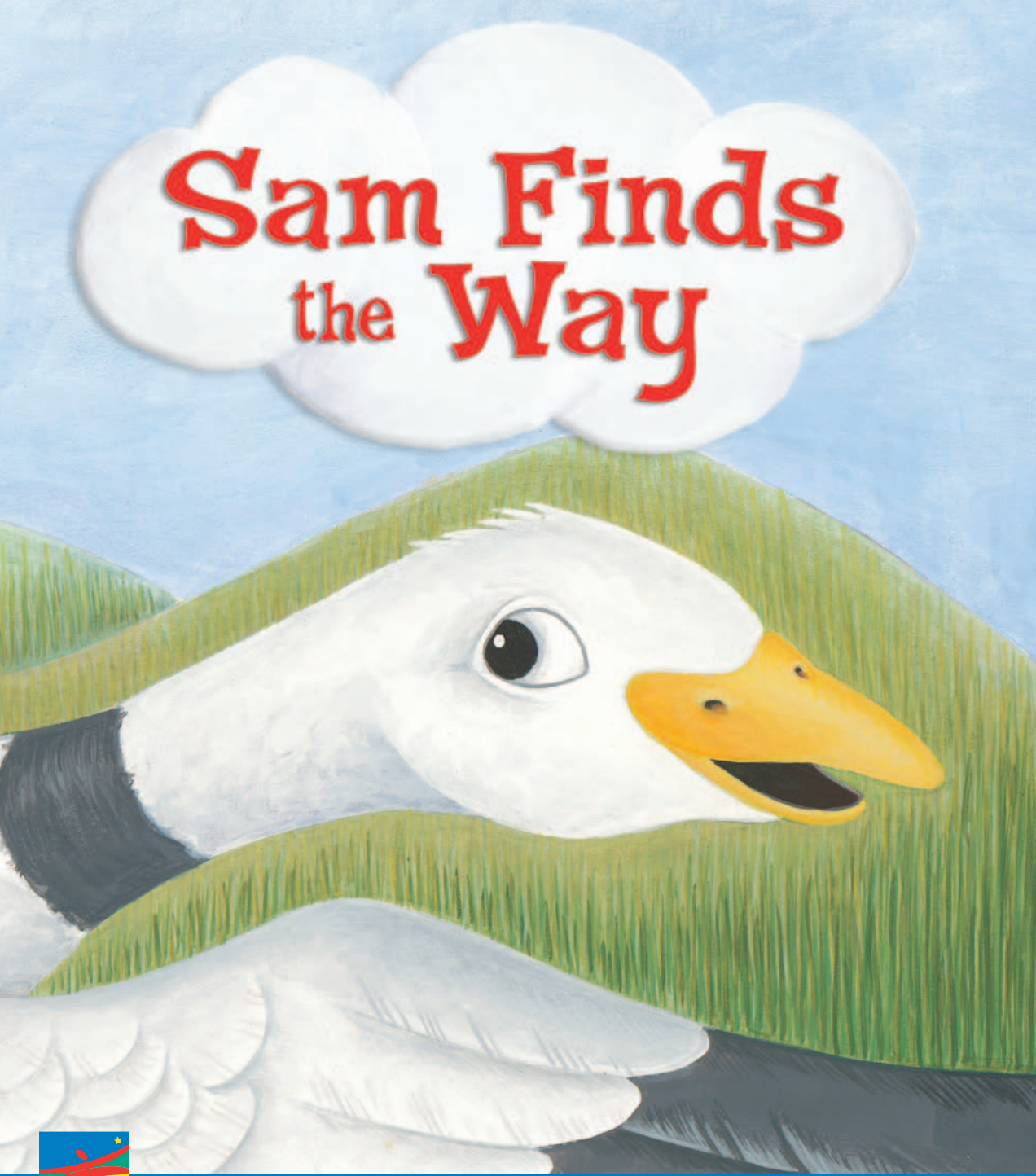
Sam Finds the Way



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Summary

Samthesnowgoosegetslostona long flight. Can he help his sisters find the way to their winter home?

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading
- Visualize

Comprehension
- Analyze character

Phonics
- Initial l-family blends (Cleo, flew, flying, Flo, glad, places)

Word Study
- Antonyms (front/back, sea/land)

Fluency
- Read with appropriate pitch

Fiction Genre
- Animal fantasy

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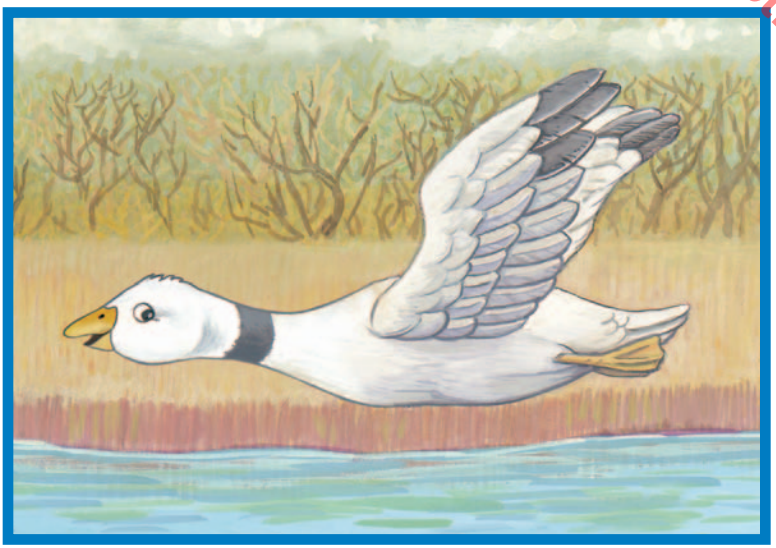
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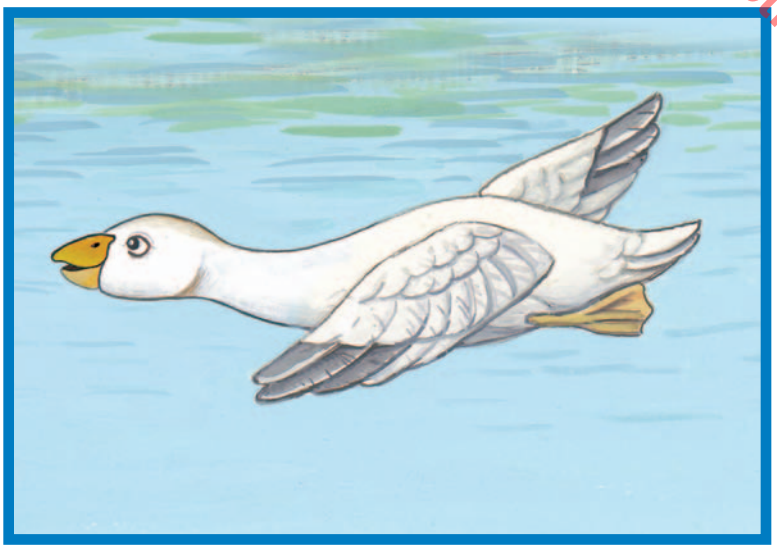


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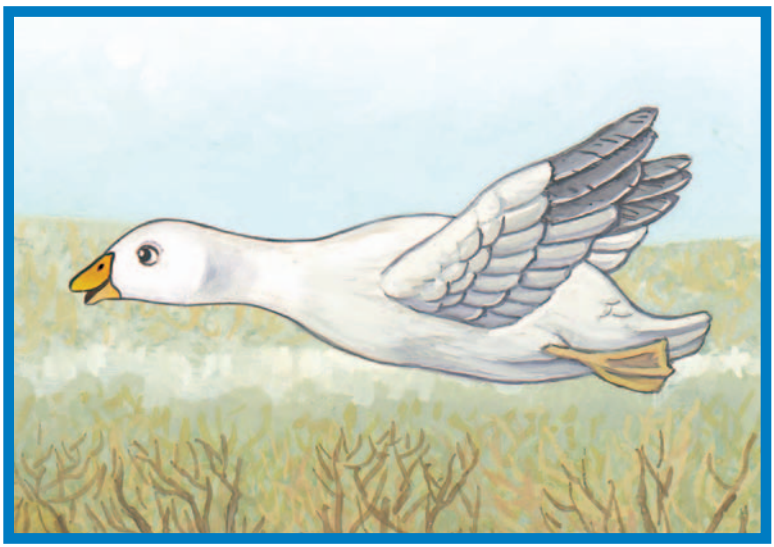


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Cleo



Flo

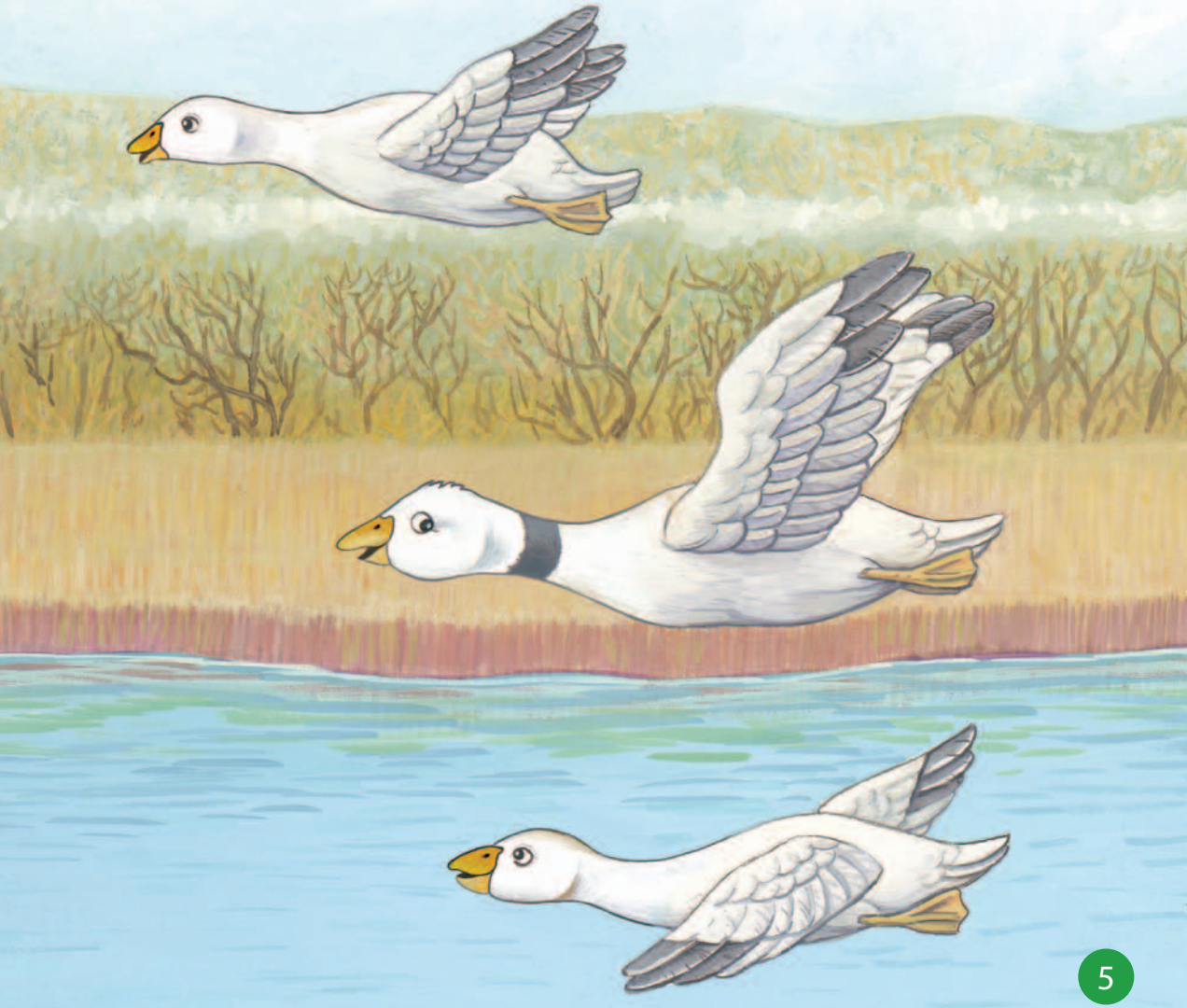
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Winter was here. The birds were flying south. The birds were flying to a warm place. Sam knew the place. The place was by the sea.



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Sam's dad flew in front. Sam flew in the back with Cleo and Flo.



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Dad knew the way. "How do you know the way?" asked Sam.

"I look at the landforms. I see places I remember," said Dad.



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On the first day, Dad looked for a river. On the second day, Dad looked for a forest.



Sam remembered these places, too.

"I see the mountains," said Sam.



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The birds flew into a snowstorm. Sam looked for Dad. Sam could not see Dad. No one could see!

