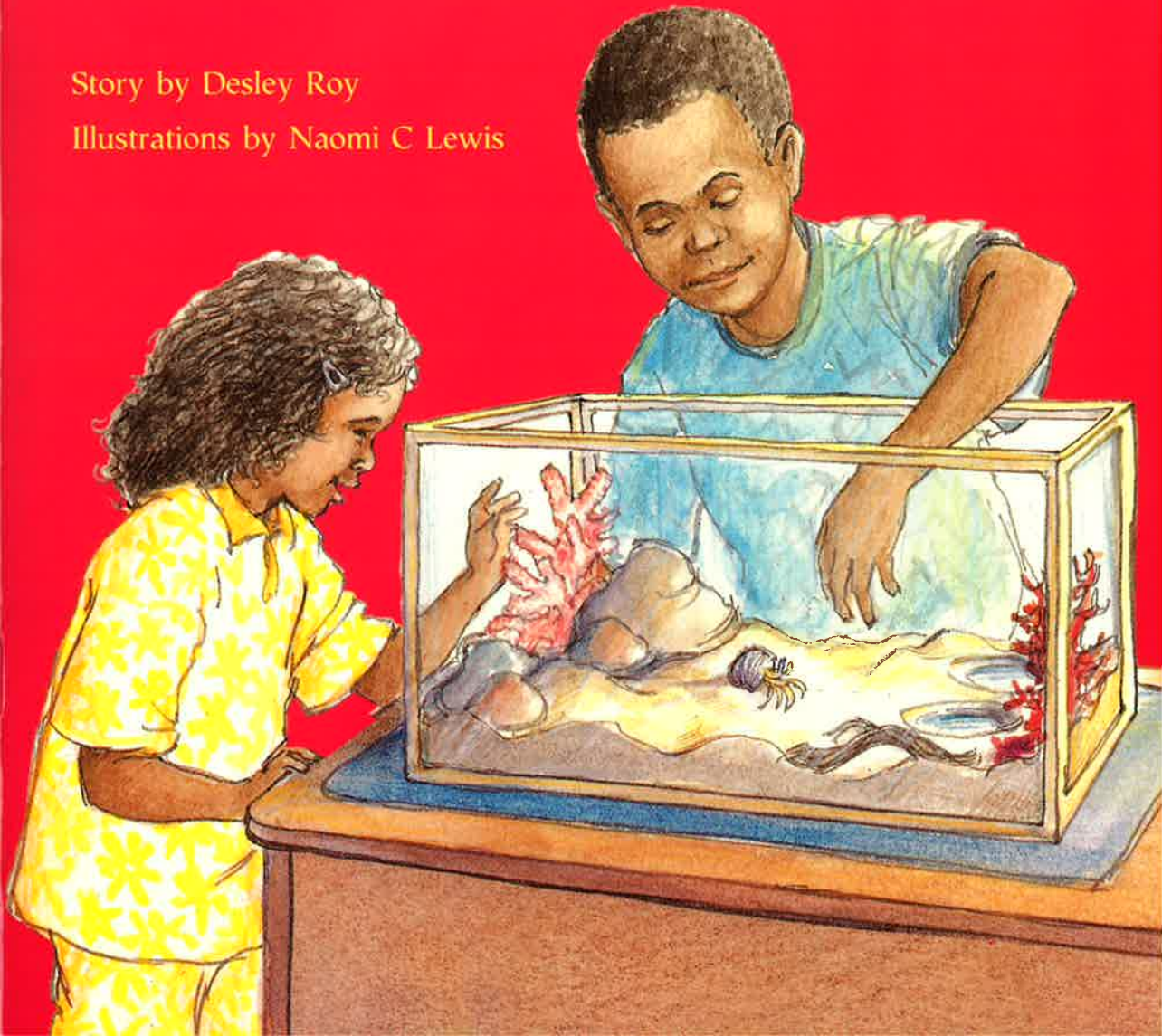
Hermie the Crab

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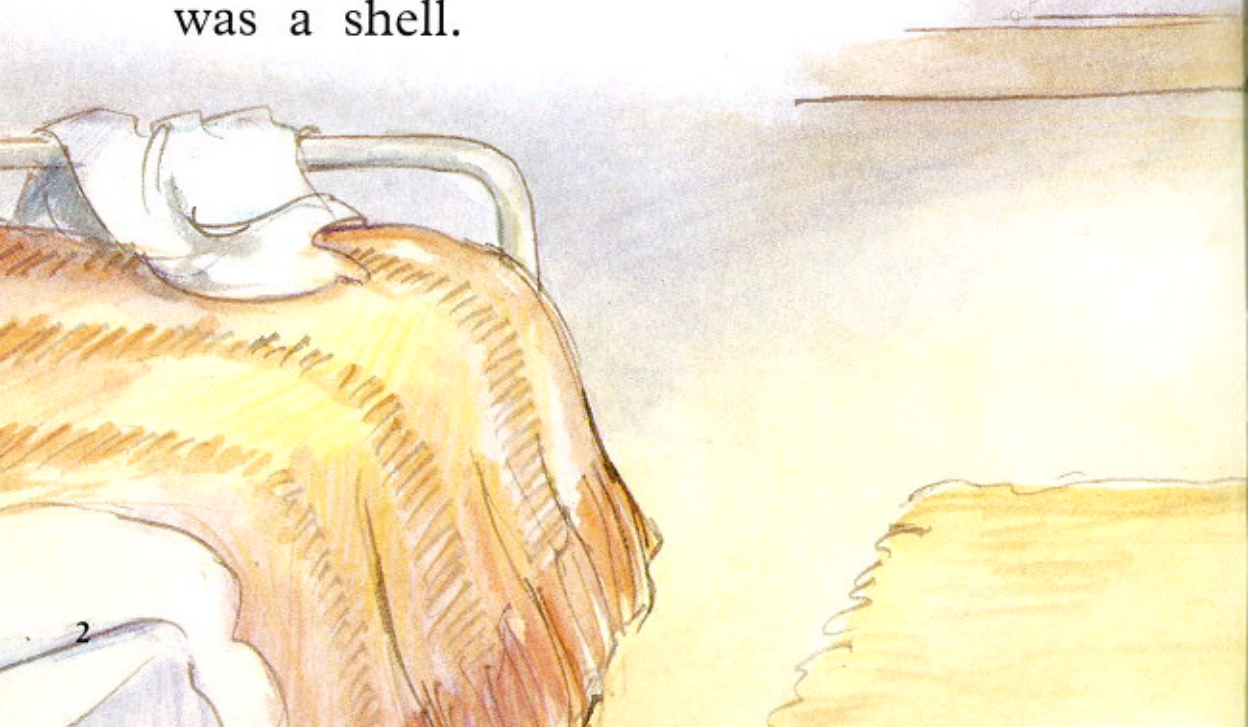
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Ryan woke up
at six o'clock one morning.
He crept out of bed
and looked at his fish tank.
"I wonder where Hermie is?"
said Ryan.

He lifted the lid off the fish tank,
and felt all around the rocks.
And there, under one of them,
was a shell.



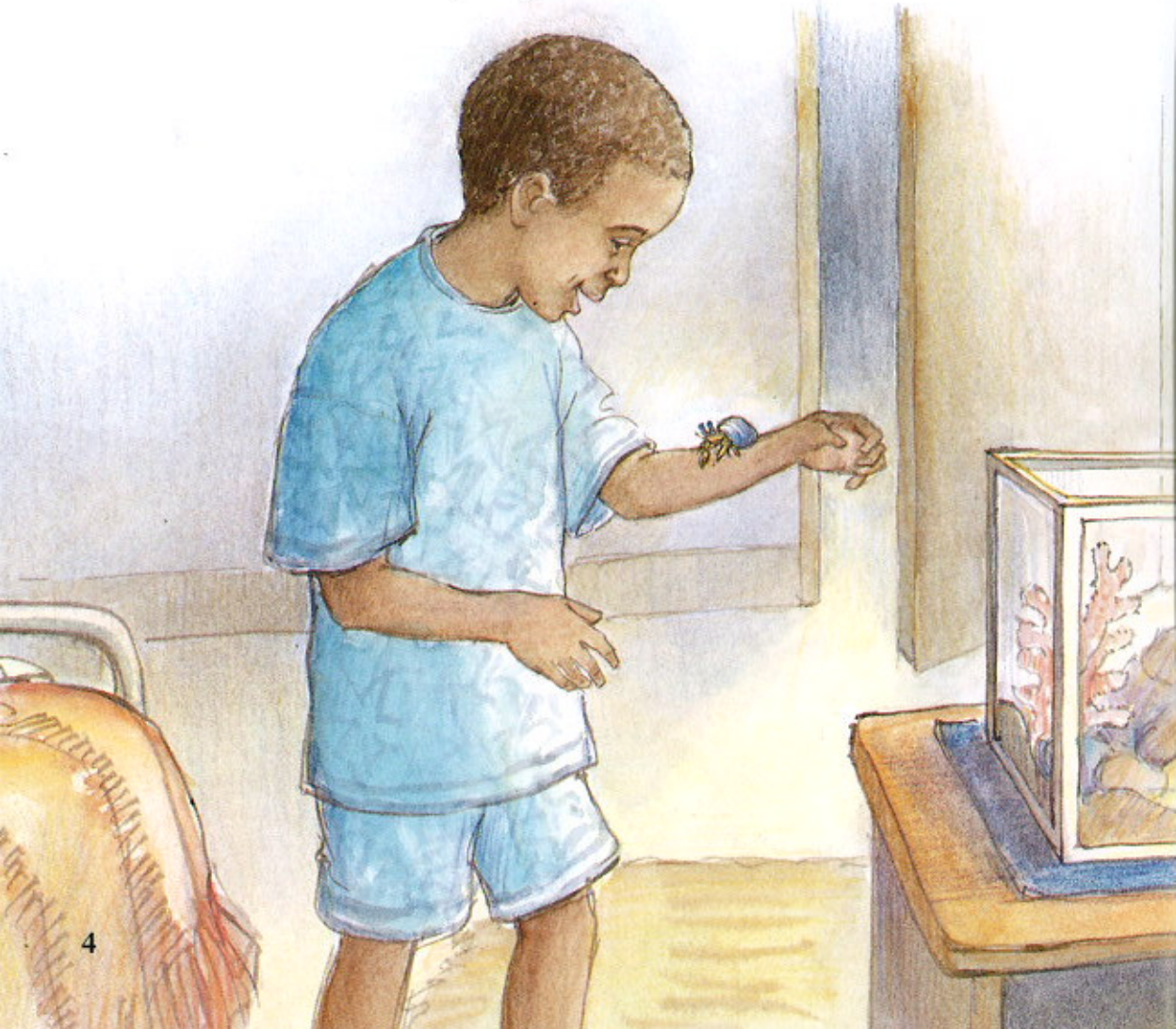


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Ryan put the shell on his hand,
and it began to move.

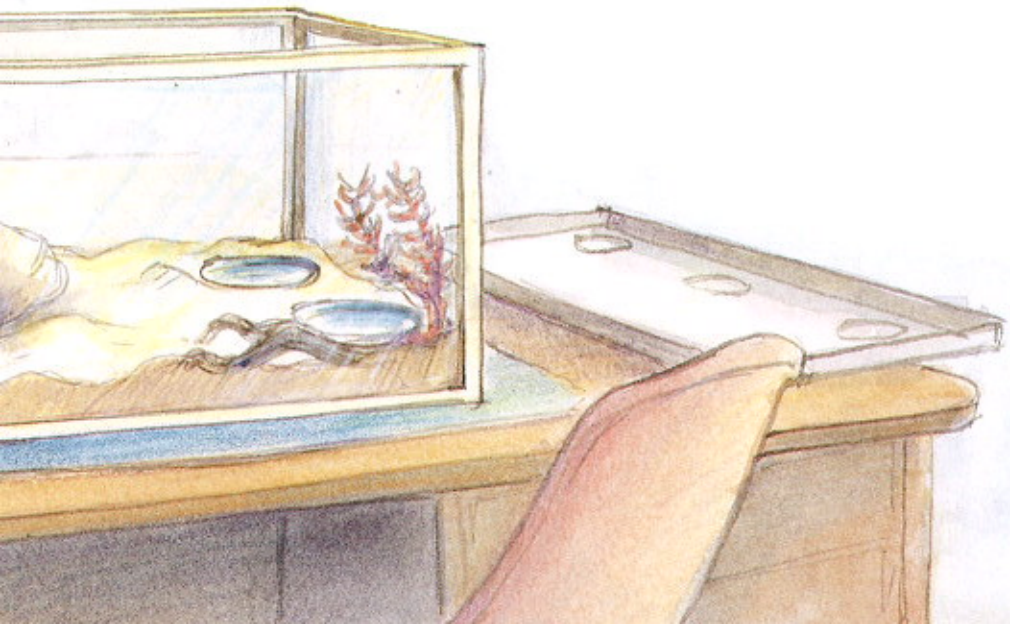
It walked up Ryan's arm.
Two bubbly eyes looked at him.



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"Hello, Hermie," said Ryan.
"It's good to see you."

Hermie was a hermit crab.
Ryan had bought him from a man
who kept a pet shop in town.
The man had told Ryan
how to look after Hermie.





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