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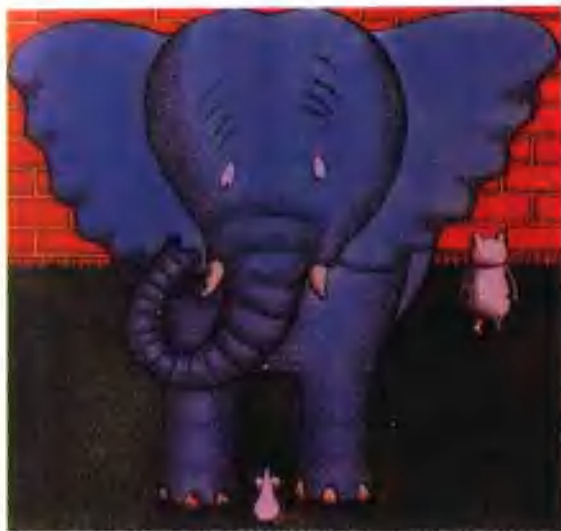
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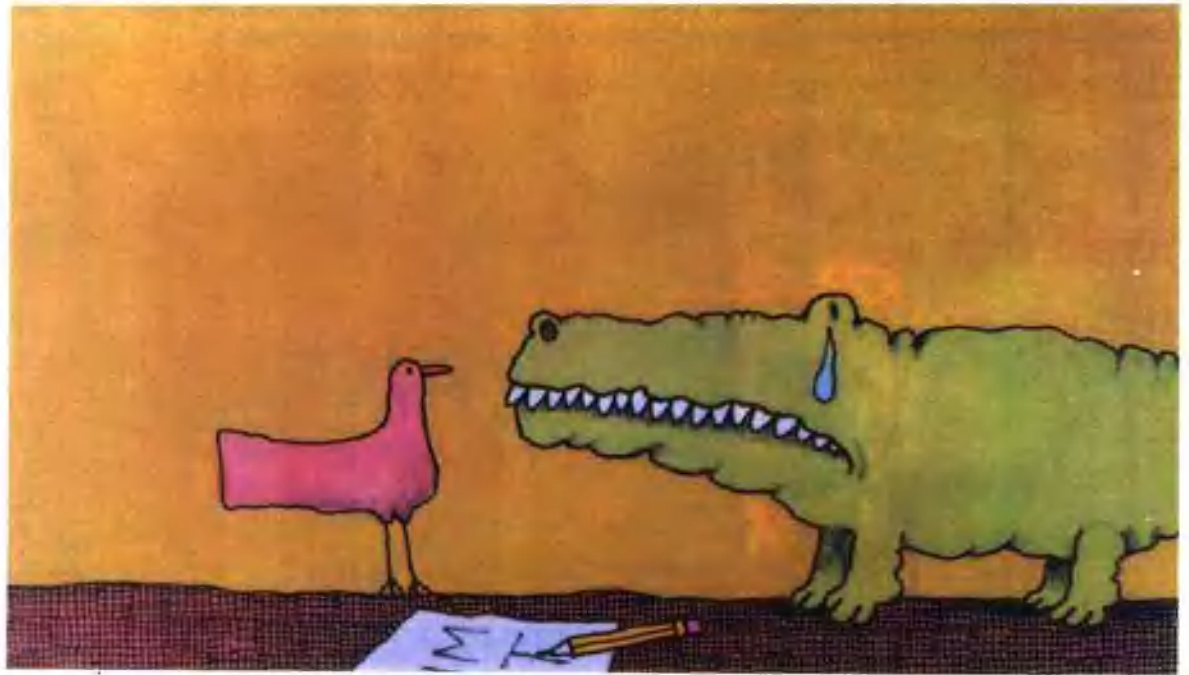
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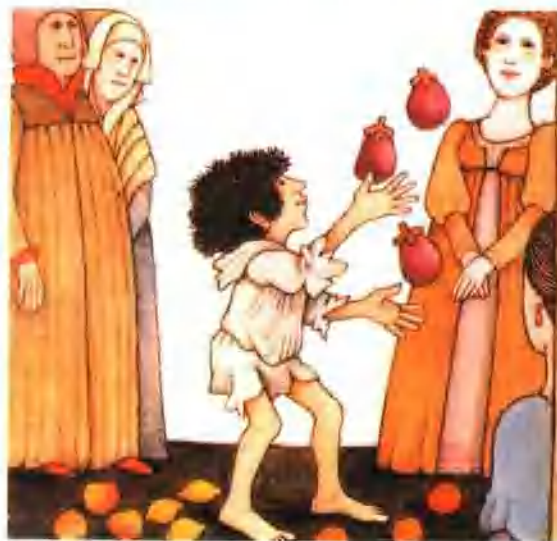








All right! but no money! A place to sleep,
the companionship of the finest playds in trays
and a bowl of noodles. That's all!





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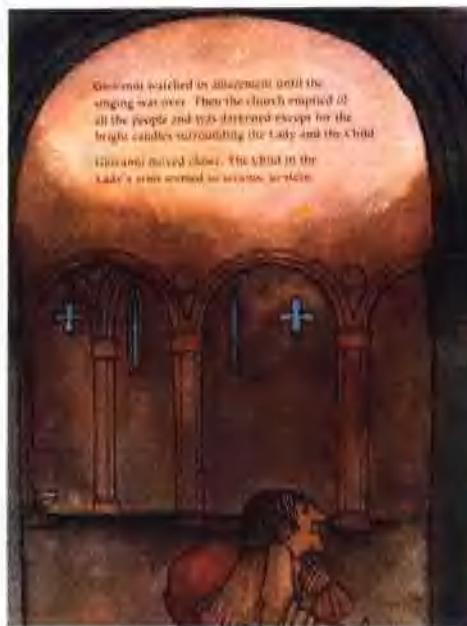
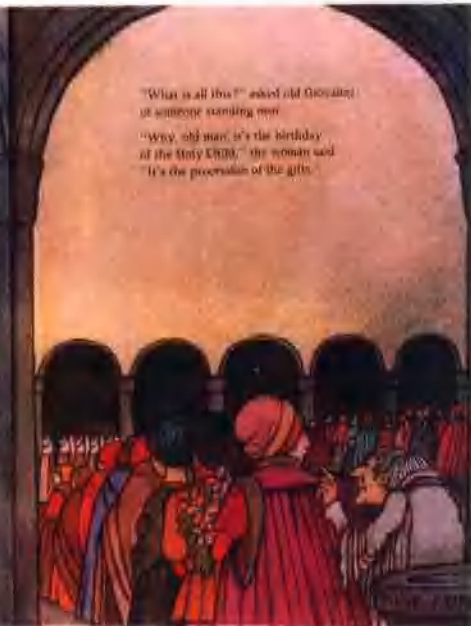
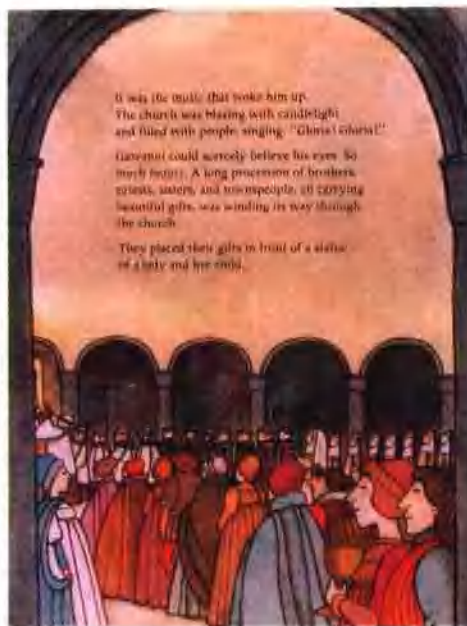
Many, many years ago in Sorrento,
there lived a small boy named Giovanni
who had no mother and no father.
He dressed in rags and begged
for bread and slept in doorways.
But he was happy, and he could do
something wonderful.

He could juggle.

Every day he would go to Signor Baptista's
fruit and vegetable stall and juggle.

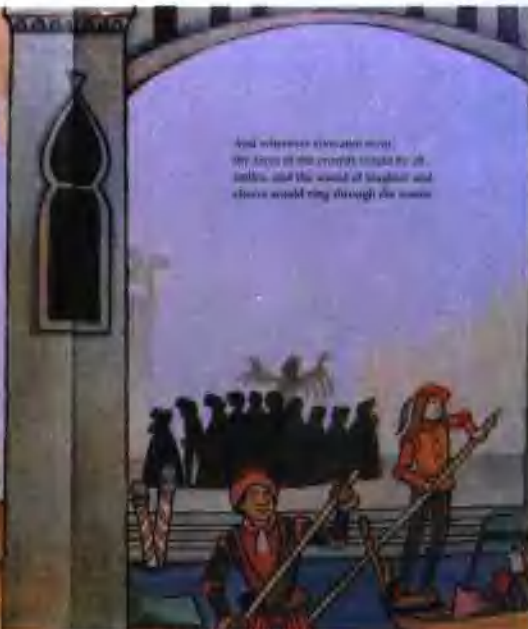








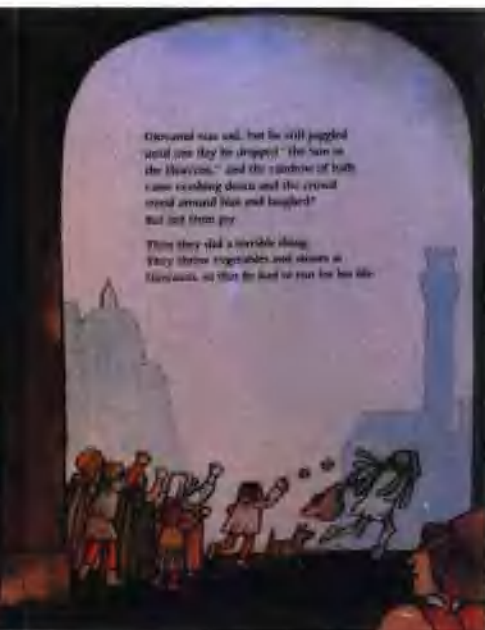
And wherever Giovanni went, the air
was filled with his flying tricks and pranks,
his clubs and rings and knives
and, always, his sash of both red and
the Sun of the MEDICI.



And wherever Giovanni went,
the faces of the people bright for joy,
and the sound of laughter and
cheers would ring through the town.



Years passed.
Giovanni grew old and times became hard.
People no longer stopped to watch.
"It's only the old clown who juggles things,
We've all seen him before," they said.



Giovanni was sad, but he still juggled
until one day he dropped - the Sun in
the heavens - and the shadow of both
came crashing down and the crowd
cried around him and laughed!
But not from joy.

Then they did a terrible thing.
They threw vegetables and stones at
Giovanni, so that he had to run for his life.