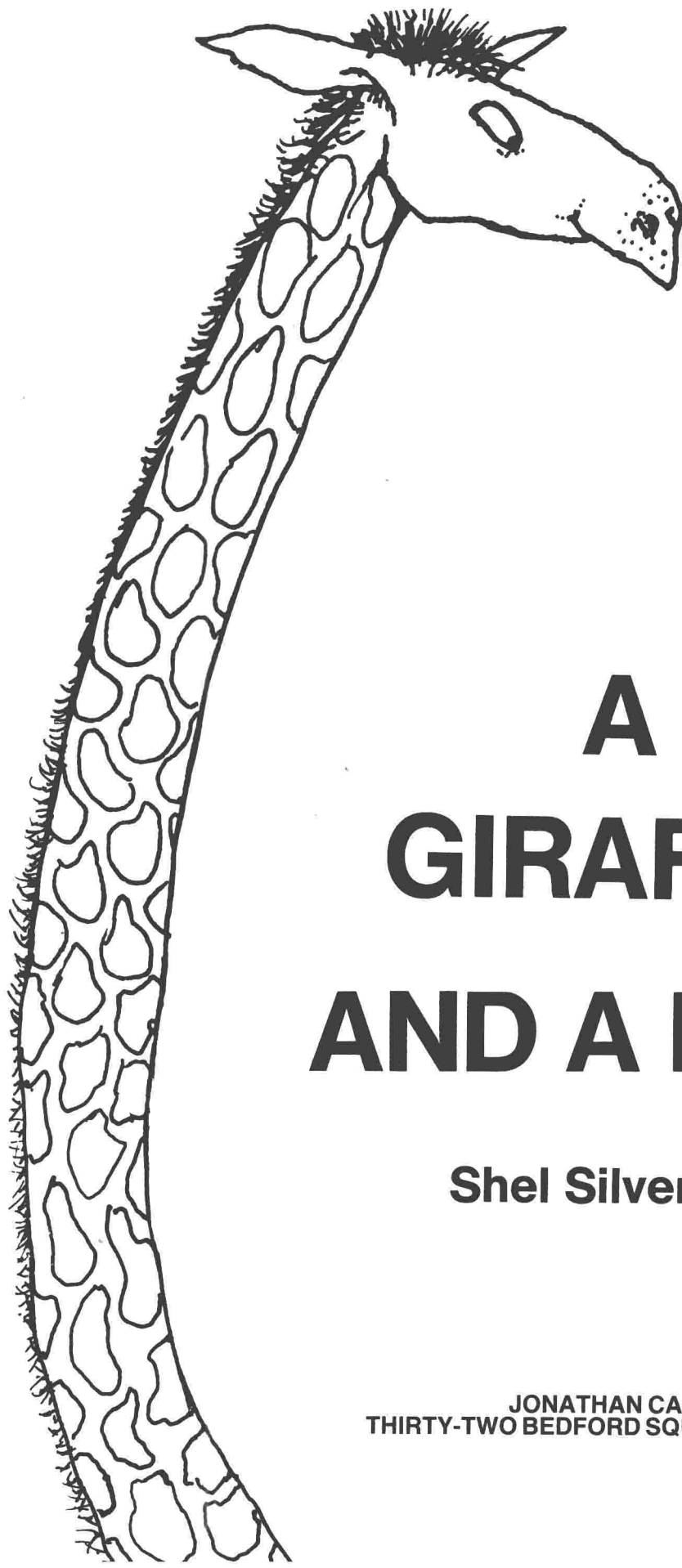


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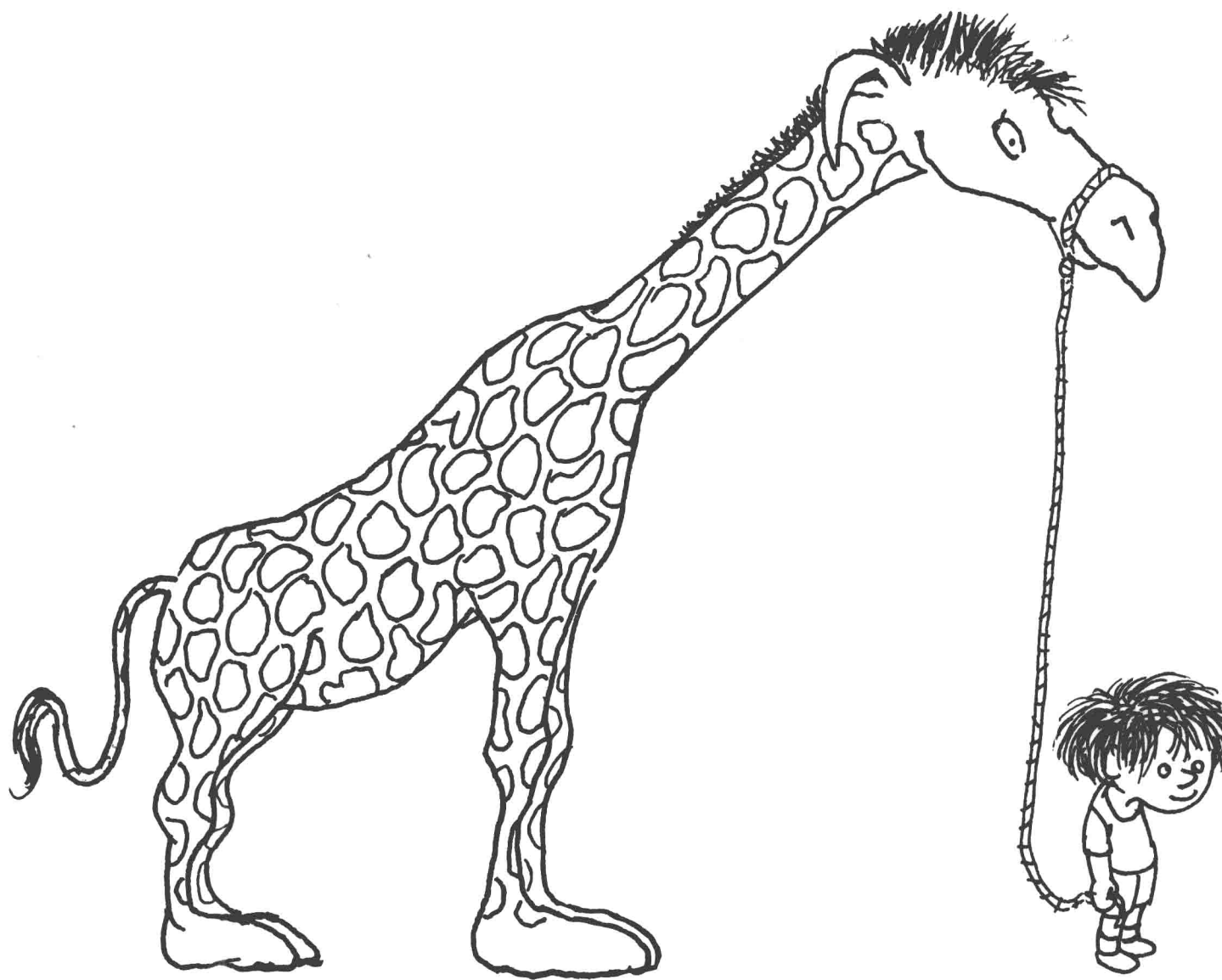
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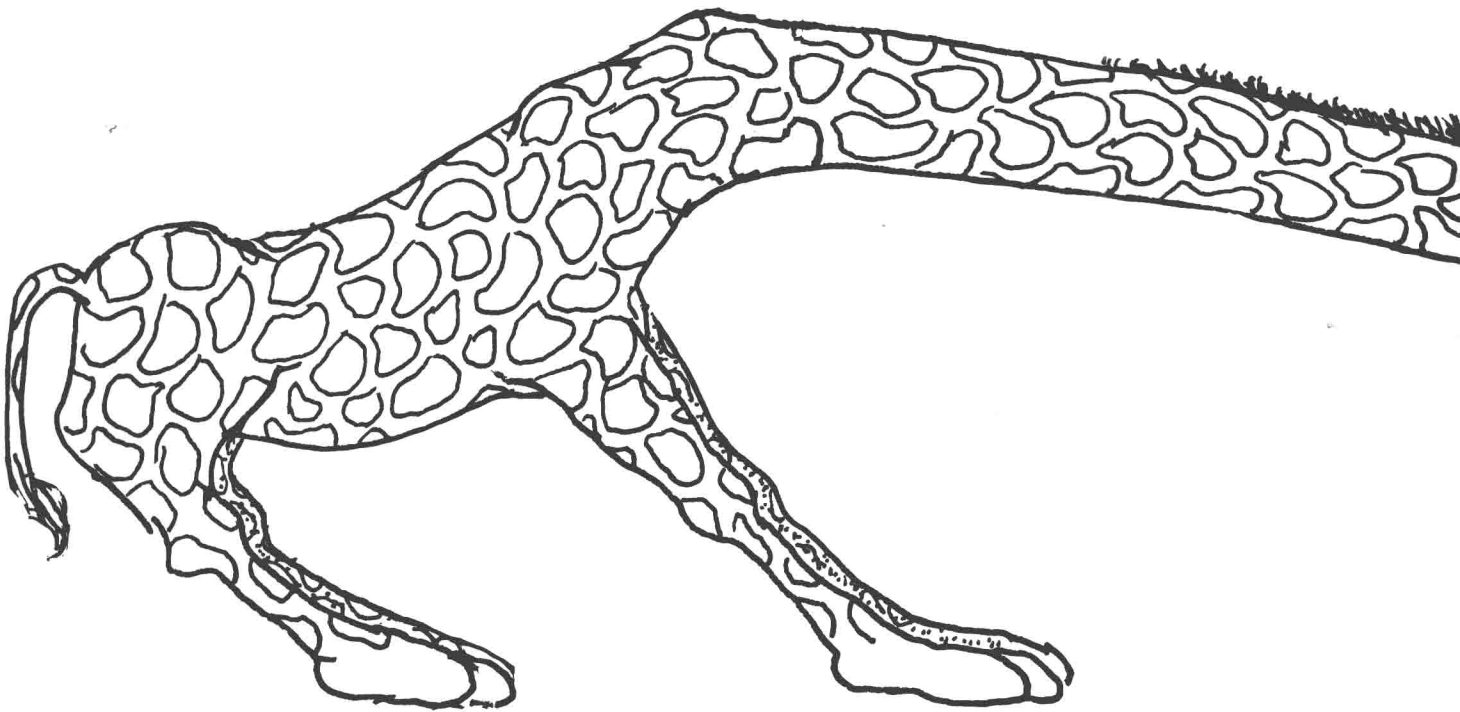
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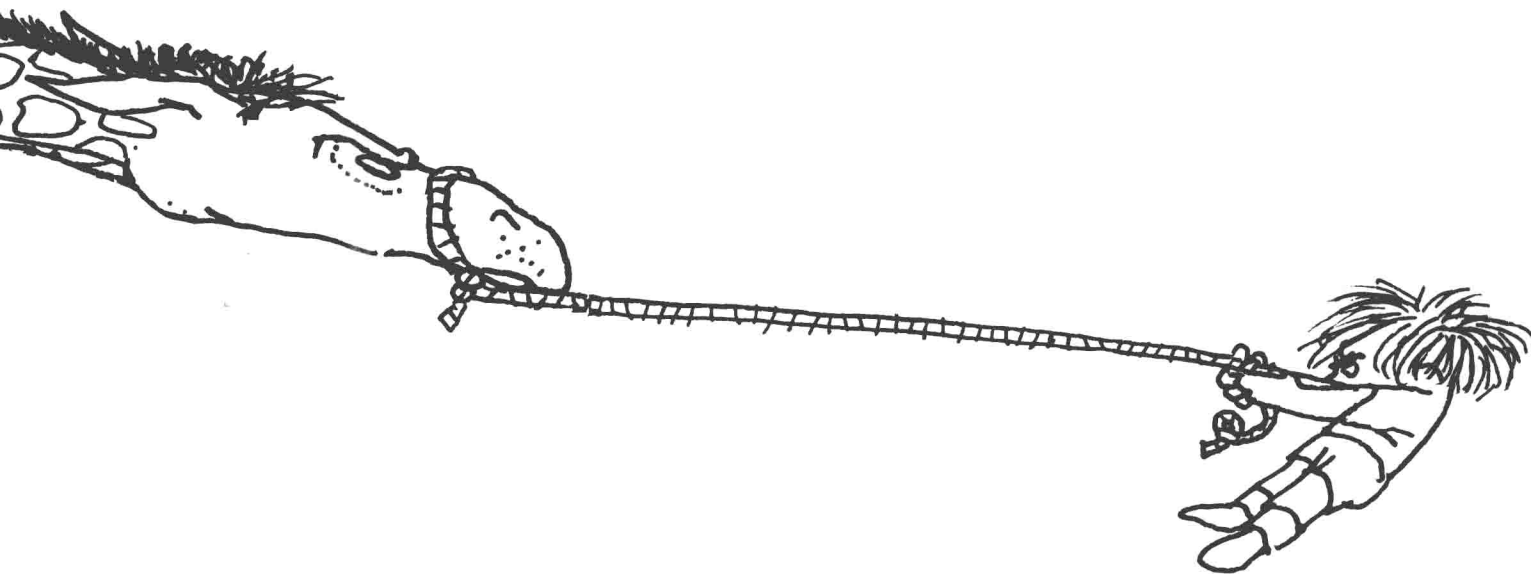
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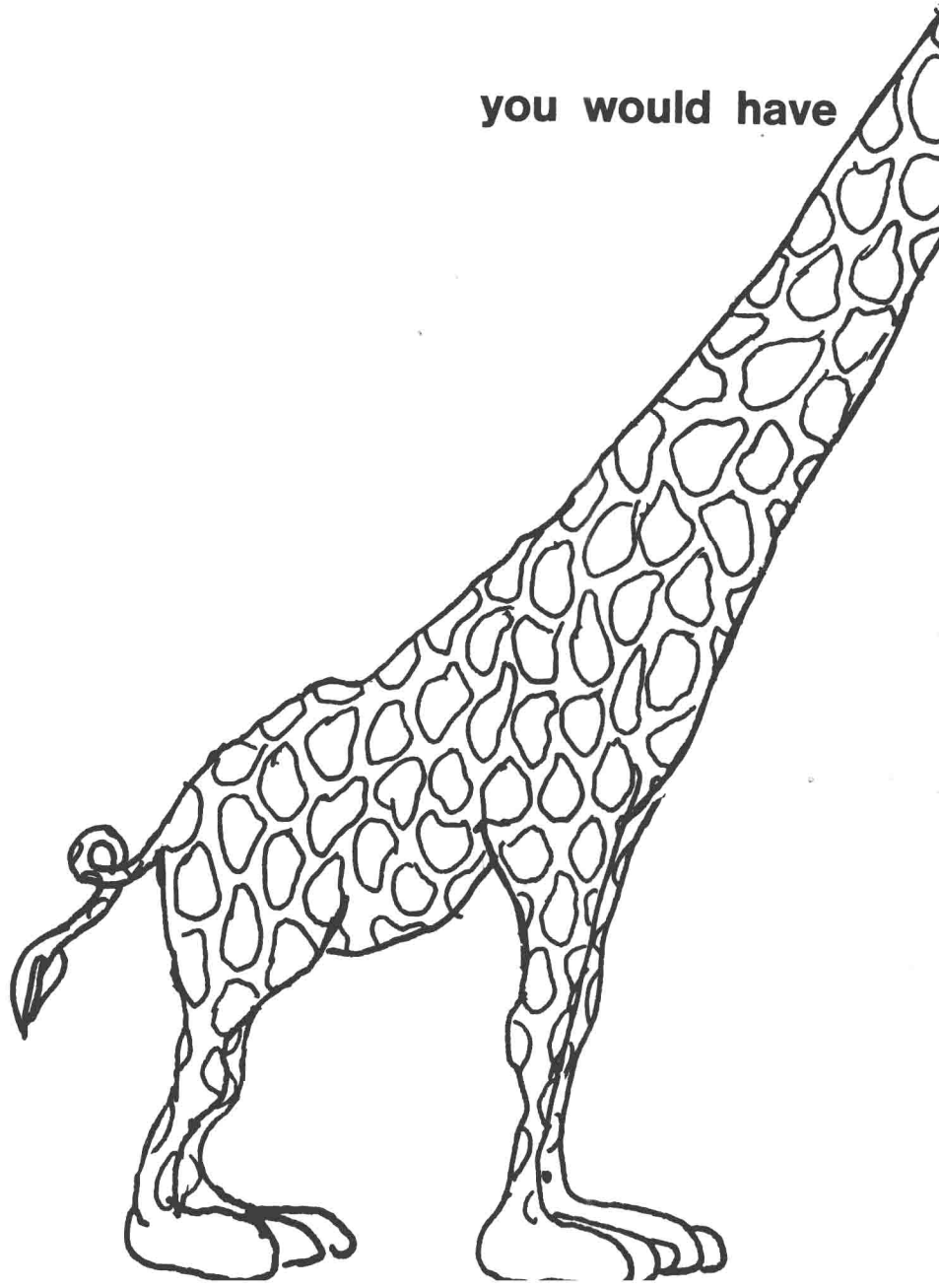
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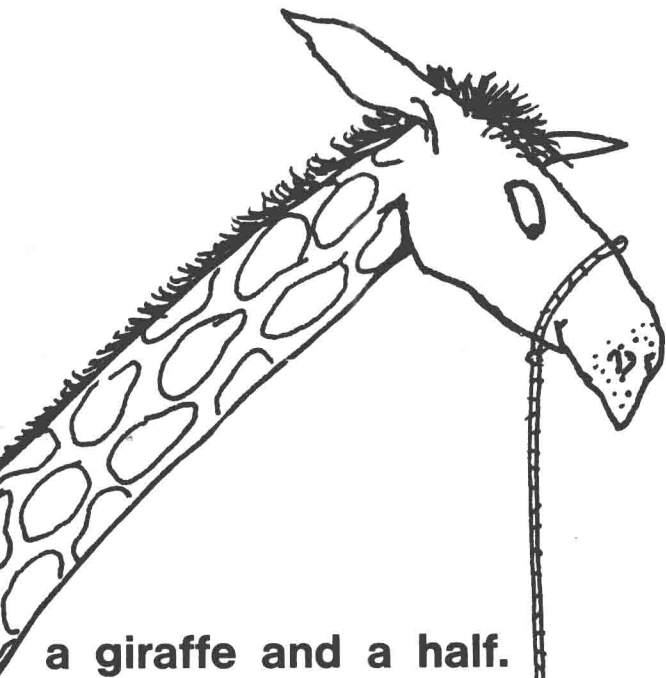


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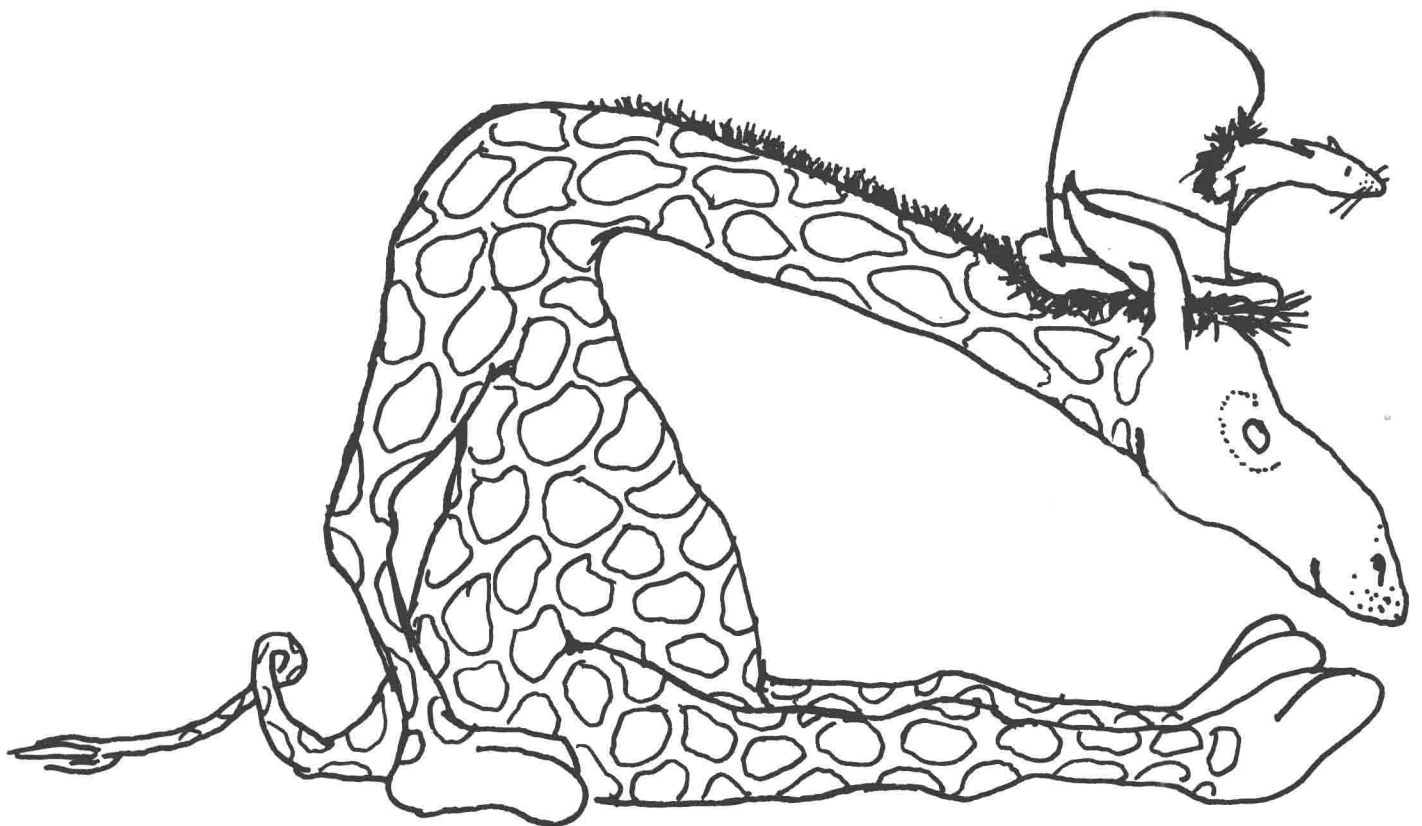




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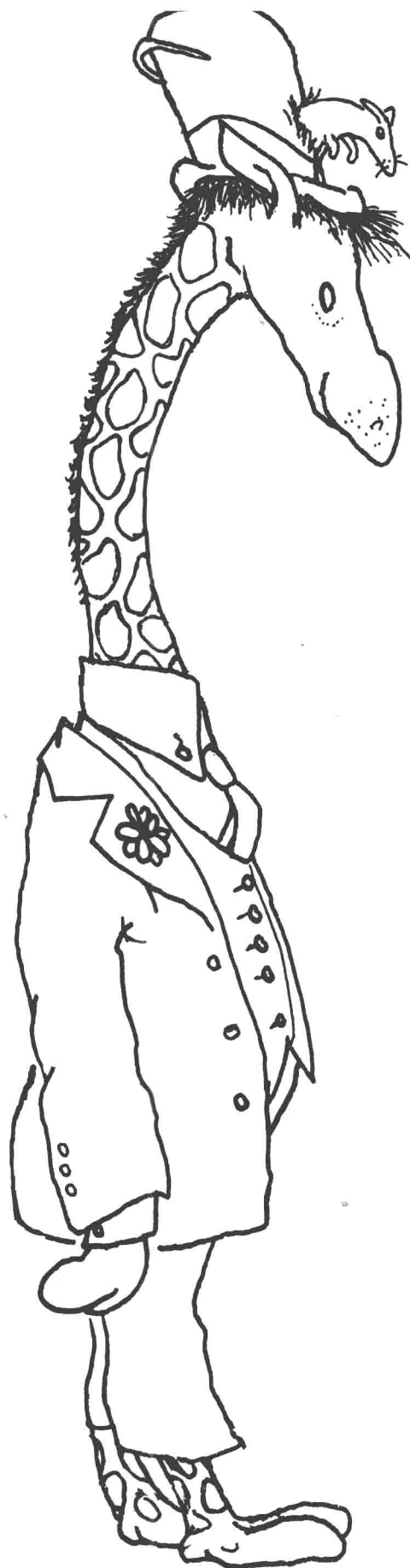
**If he put on a hat
and inside lived a rat...**



**you would have a giraffe and a half
with a rat in his hat.**



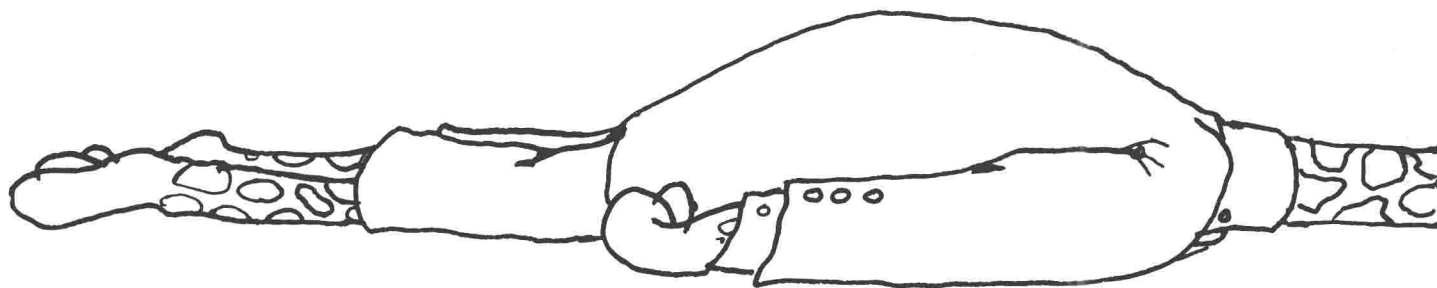
**If you dressed him in a suit
and he looked very cute...**



**you would have a giraffe and a half
with a rat in his hat
looking cute in a suit.**



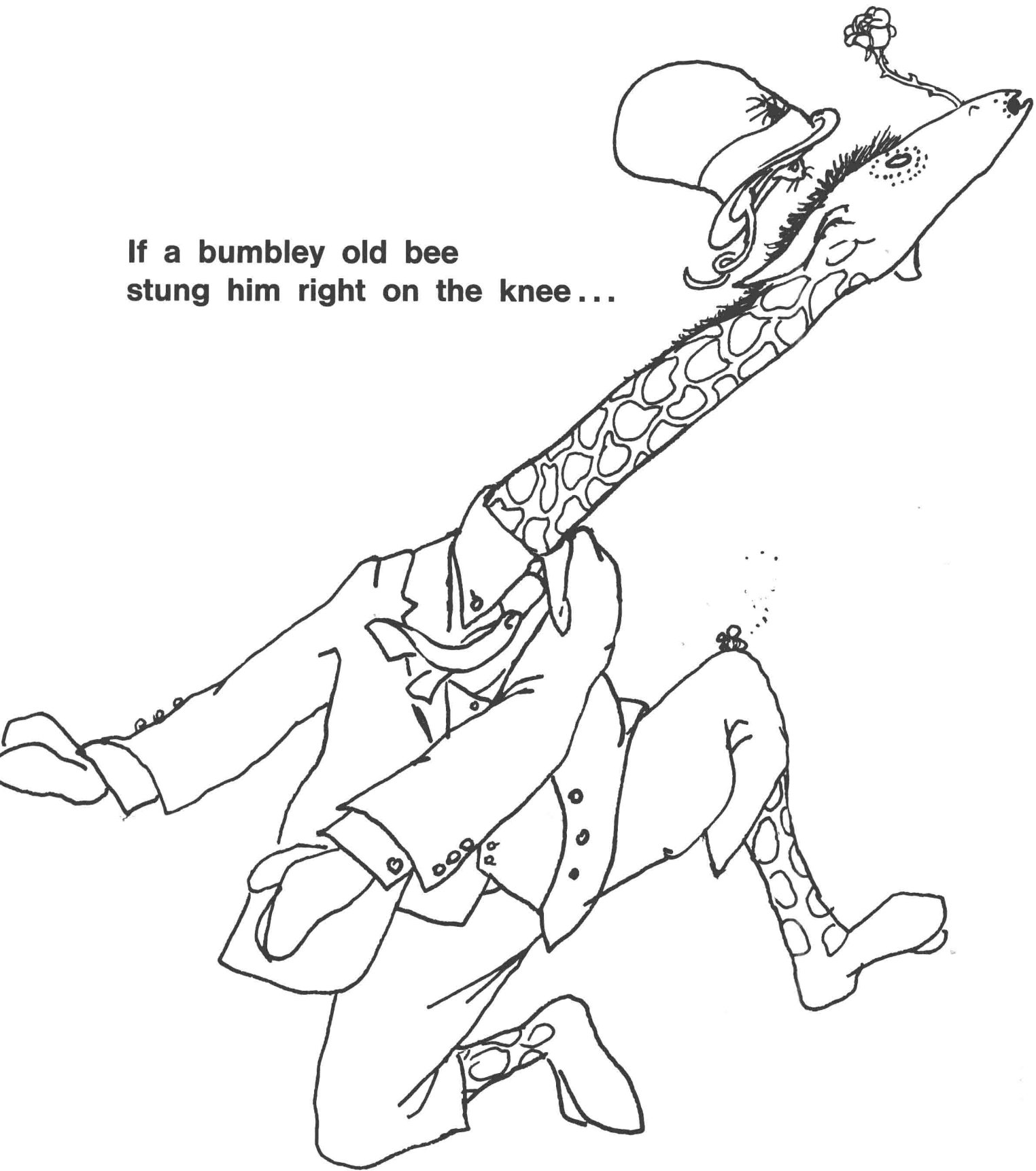
**If you glued a rose
to the tip of his nose...**



**you would have a giraffe and a half
with a rat in his hat
looking cute in a suit
with a rose on his nose.**



**If a bumbley old bee
stung him right on the knee...**



**you would have a giraffe and a half
with a rat in his hat
looking cute in a suit
with a rose on his nose
and a bee on his knee.**



**If he put on a shoe
and then stepped in some glue ...**

