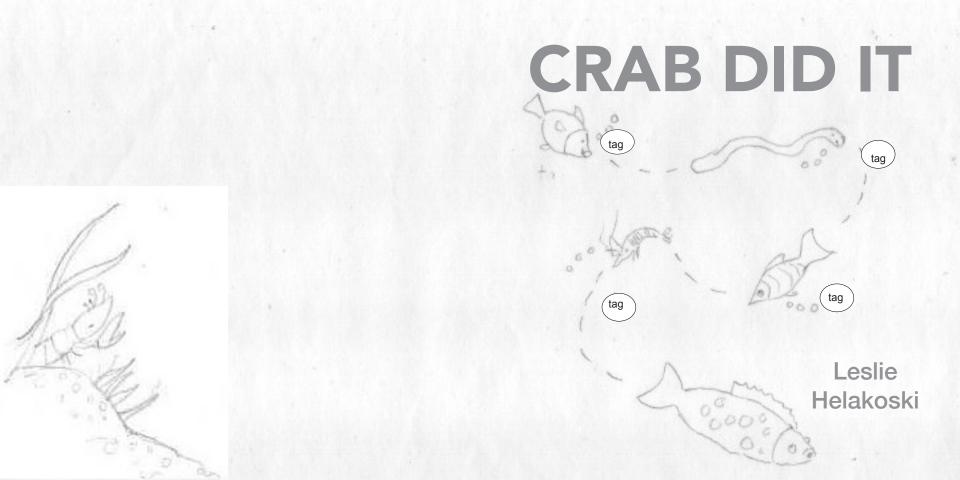
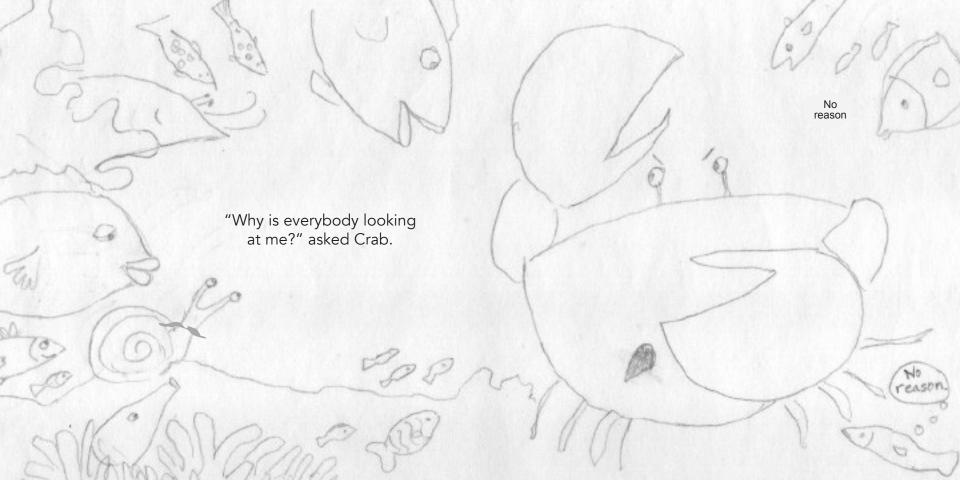


Oh yeah? prove it!

Leslie Helakoski







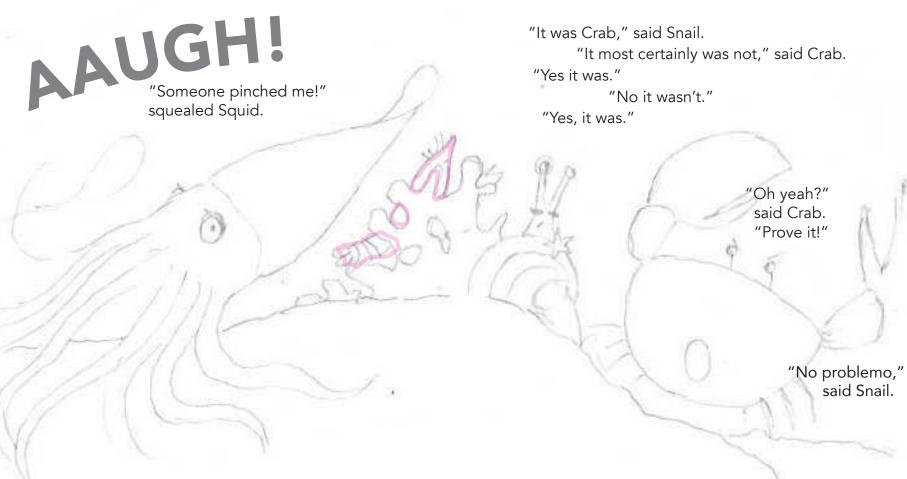
Nowage pinched well with the first

Someone pinched me!" wailed Butterfly Fish. "It must've been Crab," said Snail.

No offense.

None taken,

"Hold your seahorses," said Crab.



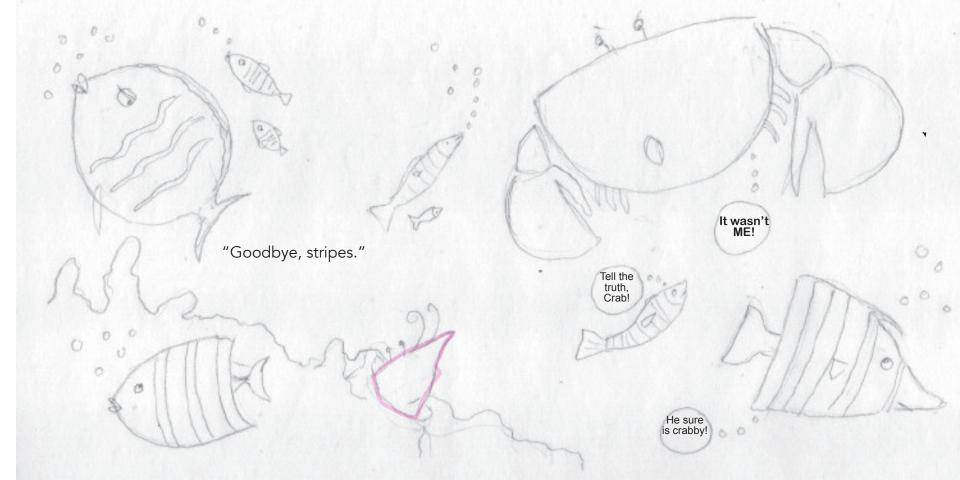
Snail lined everyone up. "Sea Star, what did you see? Did the pincher have stripes?"

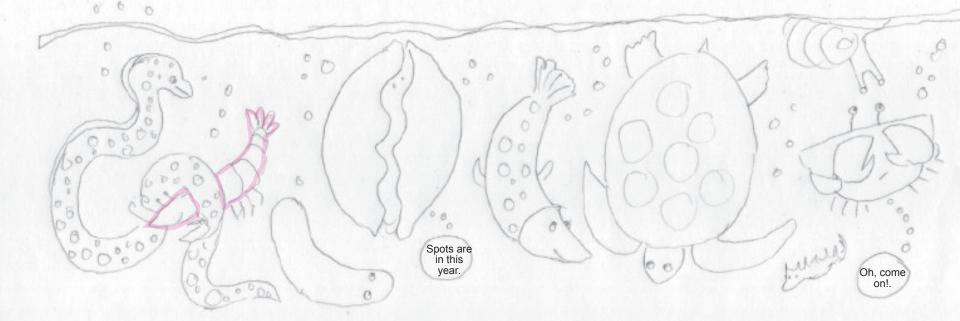
Take your time.

"Nope," said Sea Star. "No stripes--Just like Crab."

l'm a solid fellow.

"I knew it!"said Snail. "Everyone with stripes is free to go."





a

"What about spots?" asked Snail. "Did the pincher have spots?" "Nope," said Butterfly Fish. "No spots--just like Crab."

"Of course!" said Snail. "Anyone wearing spots is free to go." "Goodbye spots!"

"I hate to ask," said Snail. "But...Did the pincher have a shell?"

06

100

"YES! The pincher had a shell," said Squid.

Hey, come back here, Lobster.

> Just like Crab!

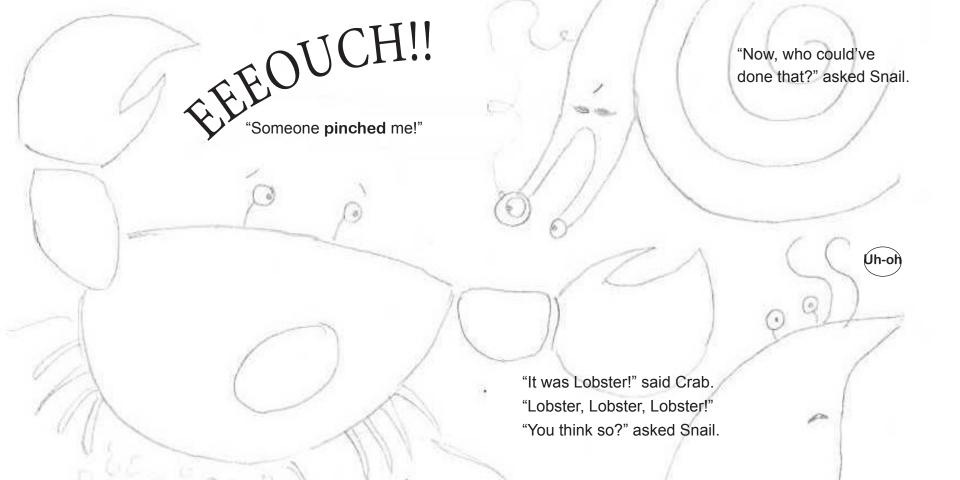




"Crab is the only one left," said Snail. "Which means...

CRAB DID IT!

"Now just a murky minute," said Crab. "I'm innocent! I didn't do it. I would never--



"Lobster doesn't have stripes. Lobster doesn't have spots. Lobster has a shell. Lobster is a fast swimmer.

AND...

"Lobster just pinched me!"

"Wow," said Snail. "I didn't see that coming."

"Absolutely no more swimming to conclusions," said Snail.

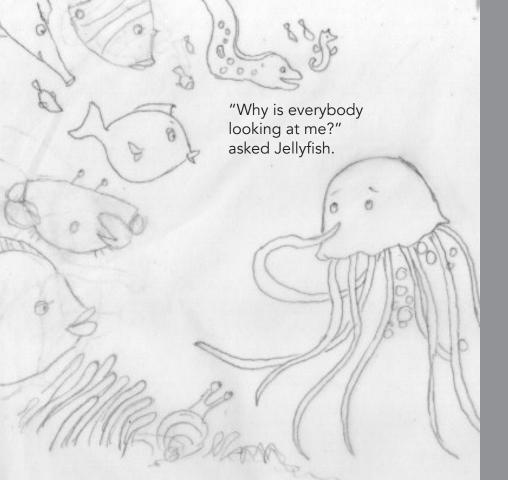
"Lobster, what do you have to say for yourself?"

We'll be more careful next time

61

I'm off the hook!





continue

