

On the way, they saw a mother duck  
hiding in the reeds.

'How exciting,' said Kiya.  
'Soon there will be **fluffy ducklings**,'  
said Big Ted with a smile.  
They didn't stop for long as they  
wanted to see their friend.

'She's sitting on her nest,' said Humpty.  
'She must be keeping her eggs  
**nice and warm**,' said Jemima.





Little Ted showed them the **empty** aquarium.  
'I feel sad that I won't see him again,' he said as he wiped a  
tear from his eye. 'My heart feels sort of **heavy** today.'

'It's **OK to cry**,' comforted Big Ted.  
'Swish knew how much you **loved** him.  
You took such great care of him.'  
Big Ted offered his friend a lovely hug.  
And Little Ted felt a tiny bit better.



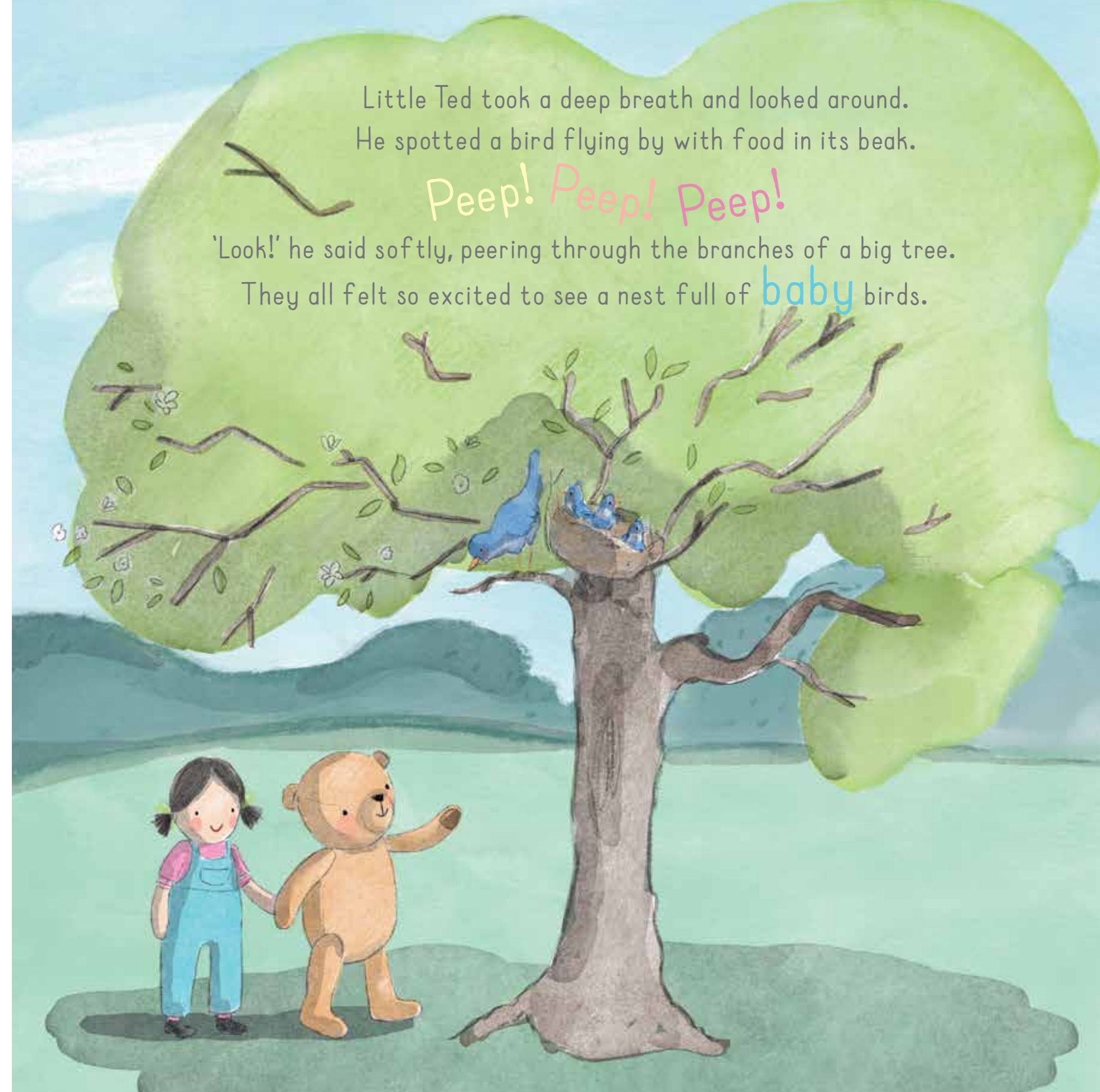




It was a **fresh** spring day and the sweet smell of jasmine filled the air.



The friends played some games . . . and kicked the ball . . . and ate some treats.



Little Ted took a deep breath and looked around. He spotted a bird flying by with food in its beak.

**Peep! Peep! Peep!**

'Look!' he said softly, peering through the branches of a big tree. They all felt so excited to see a nest full of **baby** birds.