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# Dogs versus Cats

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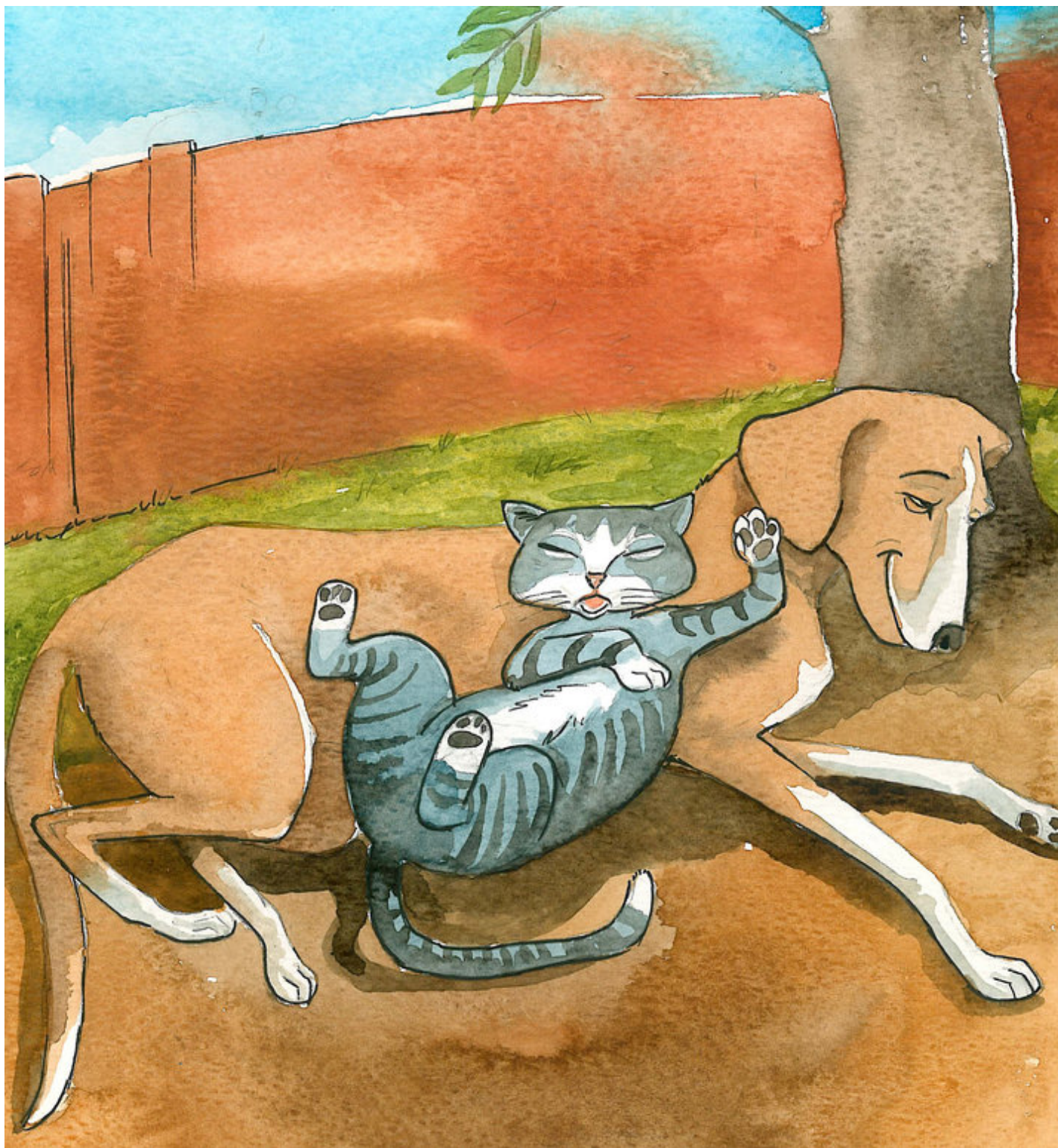




A dog and a cat were best friends.

Everyone knew that if they saw the cat, the dog wouldn't be far behind.





They ate, played and slept together. They were like siblings.





If the cat was away, the  
dog would not eat.

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One day, people realised that the cat was a great mouse catcher.

He was taken away to live inside a house so he could help get rid of pesky mice.





The dog was sad.

She was left alone, out in the rain. She decided to call a meeting with her old friend, the cat.





The cat arrived on time. The dog came along with fiery-red eyes.

“How could you abandon me to live in a house while I eat your leftovers?”





Soon, the meeting turned into a fight.

The cat had to escape through a rat hole while the dog barked and barked.





As the dust trailed behind the cat, he heard the dog's voice.

"From now on, you will always hide from me. I will hunt you for food. It is not fair that I eat leftovers dropped in dirty water, while you eat in fancy glass dishes!"

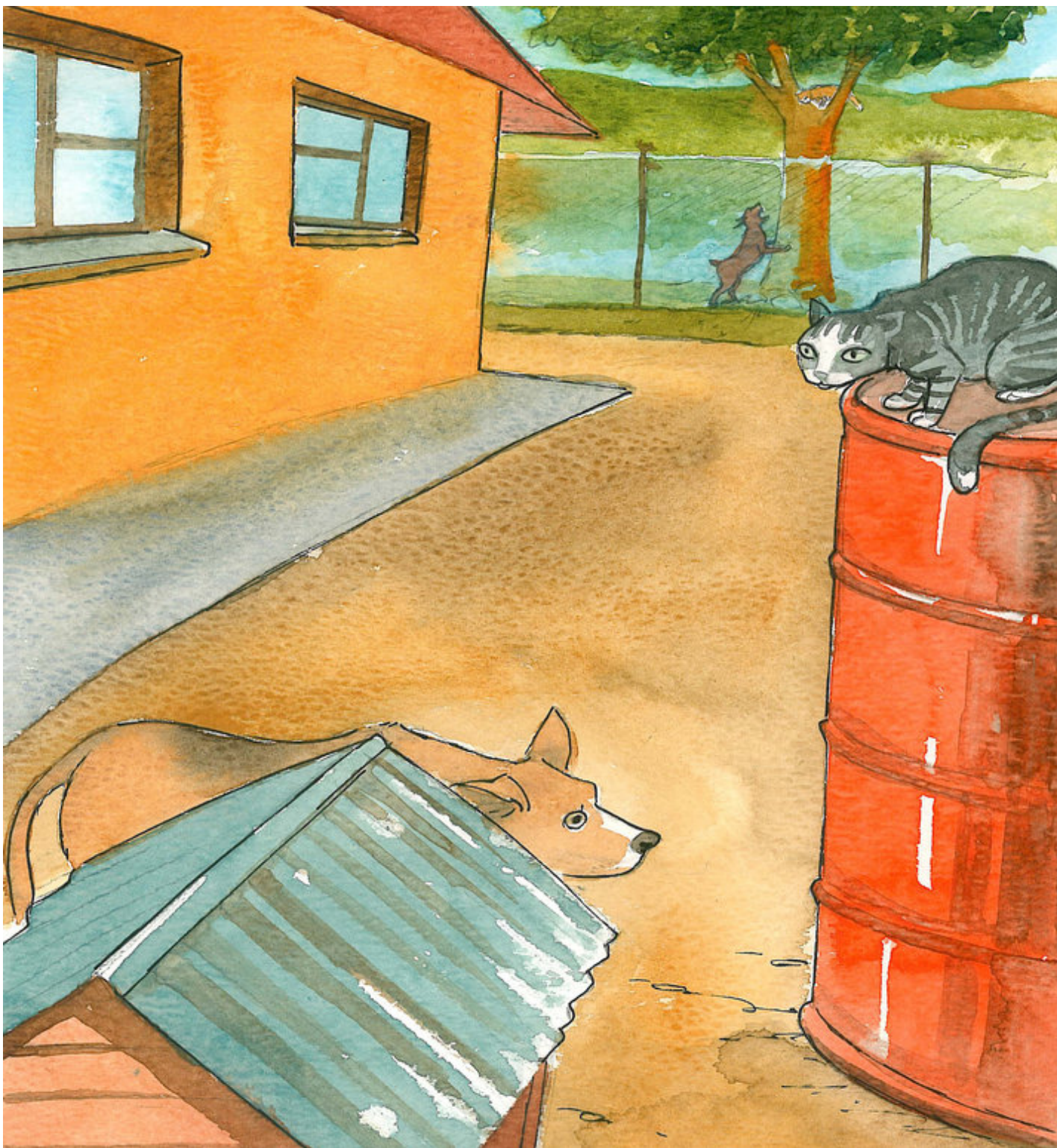




The cat ran back into the house, breathing heavily. Exhausted and with a defeated spirit, he said, "I will never go near a dog again. I nearly died. Besides, if I died, who would eat in *my* beautiful dishes?"

Cat wiped away his sweat, while looking at his dishes fondly.





Since that day, cats and dogs stopped getting along... most of the time.



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# Dogs versus Cats

(English)

Dogs Versus Cats is the story of an uncommon friendship between a dog and a cat. But what happens when the cat is invited to live inside a nice, warm house--and the dog must still live outside?

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



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