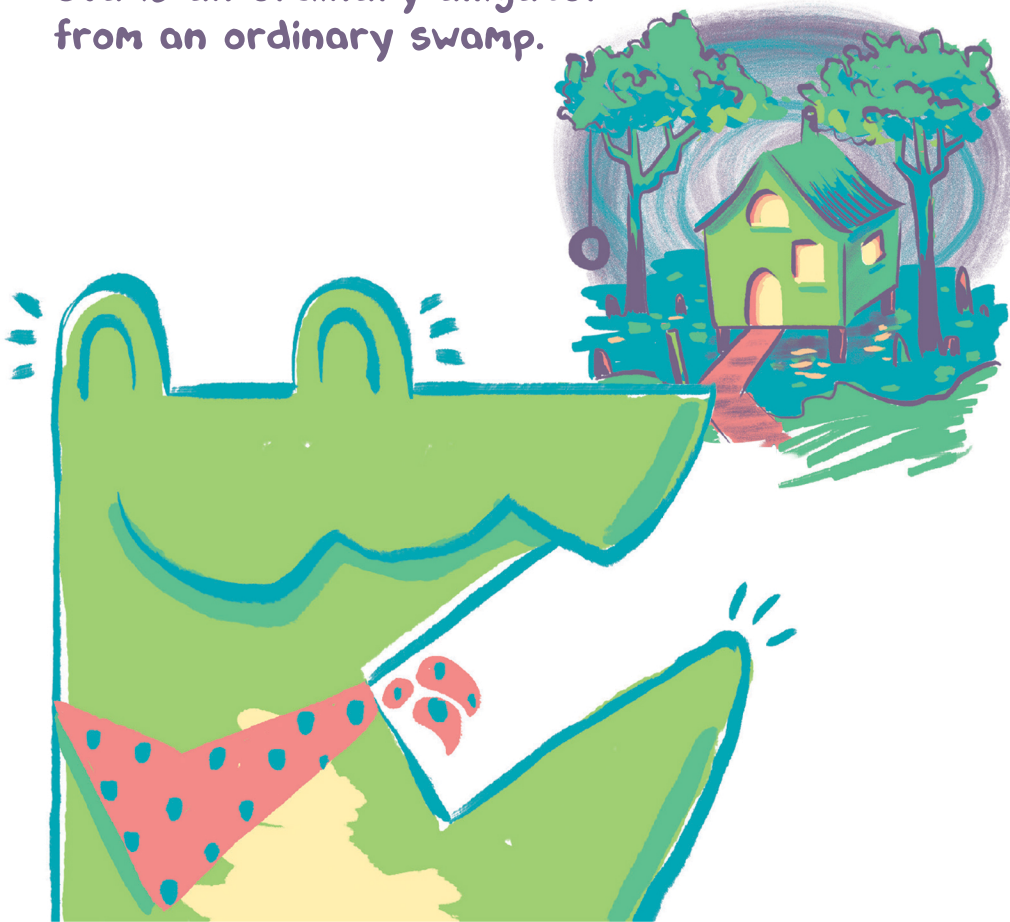


EVA'S LANTERNS

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Eva is an ordinary alligator
from an ordinary swamp.



Eva loves

sweet tea,

po boys,

and her big wooden pirogue.



One day, Eva got a letter from her friend, Yin.

nǐ hǎo
你好 Eva!

How are you? I hope you're having a good winter. I hope I can visit Louisiana again soon!!! ☺
I really miss the swamp.

I've attached a gift to this letter for you. It's Chinese New Year in Shanghai, and I want to show you my hometown. I hope you decide to visit!

See you soon!
Yin ☺

Yin invited Eva to visit her in China!

Eva didn't know what to do!

"Does China have

sweet tea,



po boys,



?

and pirogues?"



?



She
thought.

Eva decided to be brave!



She left her
cozy swamp

...and flew to China.

They were very happy to see each other.



Yin's mom cooked
yummy pork belly,



and the green tea
was delicious!

After dinner, they
walked to the Bund.



It was very
beautiful at night.

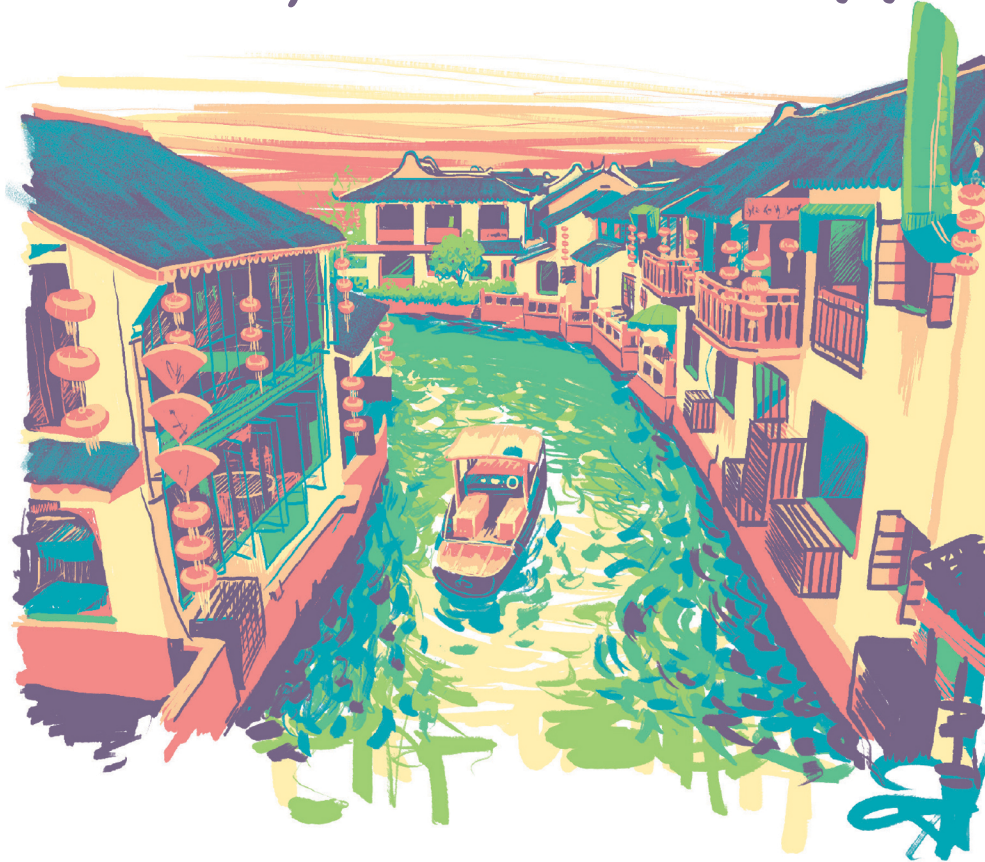
The next day,
Yin and Eva
walked around
Tianzifang.



Eva bought many cute gifts
for her family and friends.



The next day, Yin and Eva went to Zhujiajiao.



"You're so lucky to live close by!" Eva said.

Eva was having so much fun in Shanghai.



She didn't even miss her swamp!

On the last day,
they saw a big temple.



Eva ate snacks
called tiger paws!

Eva loved all of the beautiful lanterns.



...so Yin taught her
how to make one!

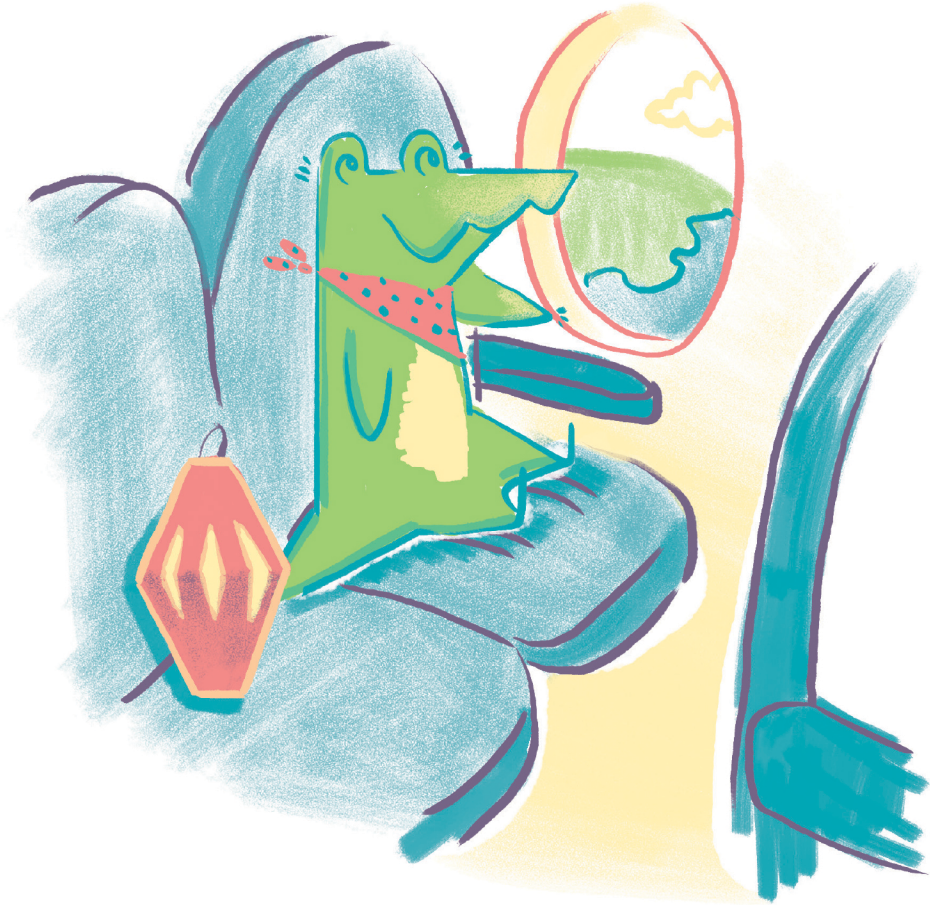


Yin gave Eva the lantern they made.



"Come back soon!" Yin said.

Eva knew that she would visit again.



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from an ordinary swamp.
She loves

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pork belly
po boys,

pirogues,



airplanes...



...and making lanterns.

