

- What do you think the book might be about?
- Why do you think that?
- Where do you think the story might be set?
- What do you think it might be like there?
- Why do you think the flower is in colour but the rest of the cover picture is dark?

The Tin Forest

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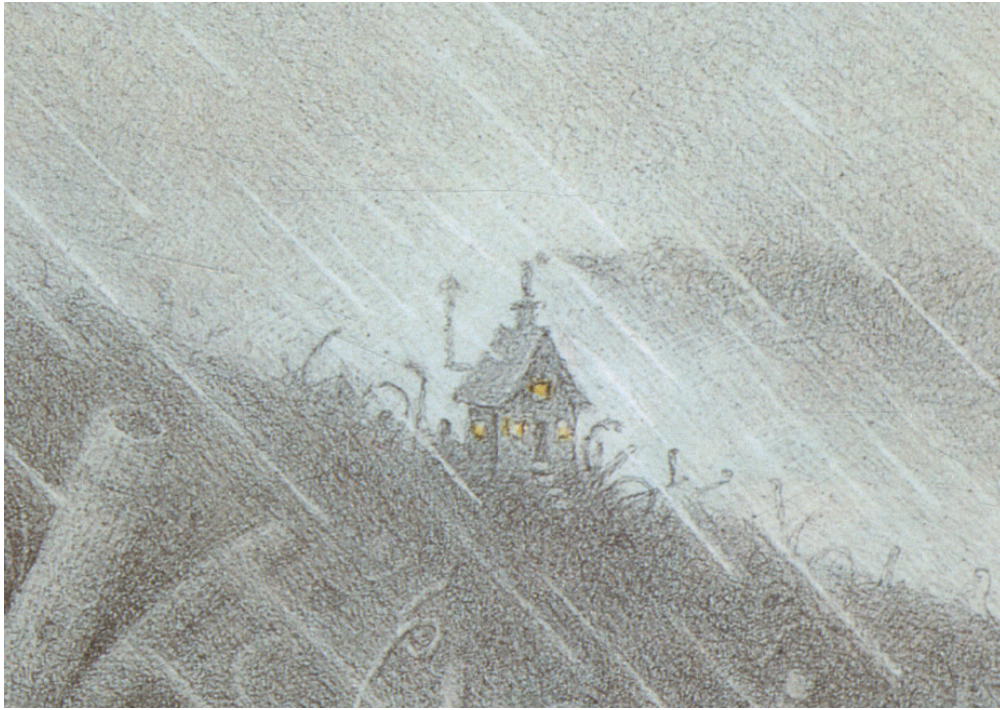
There was once a wide windswept place,

near nowhere and close to forgotten,
that was filled with all the things
that no one wanted.

Right in the middle was a small house,
with small windows,
that looked out on other people's rubbish
and bad weather.

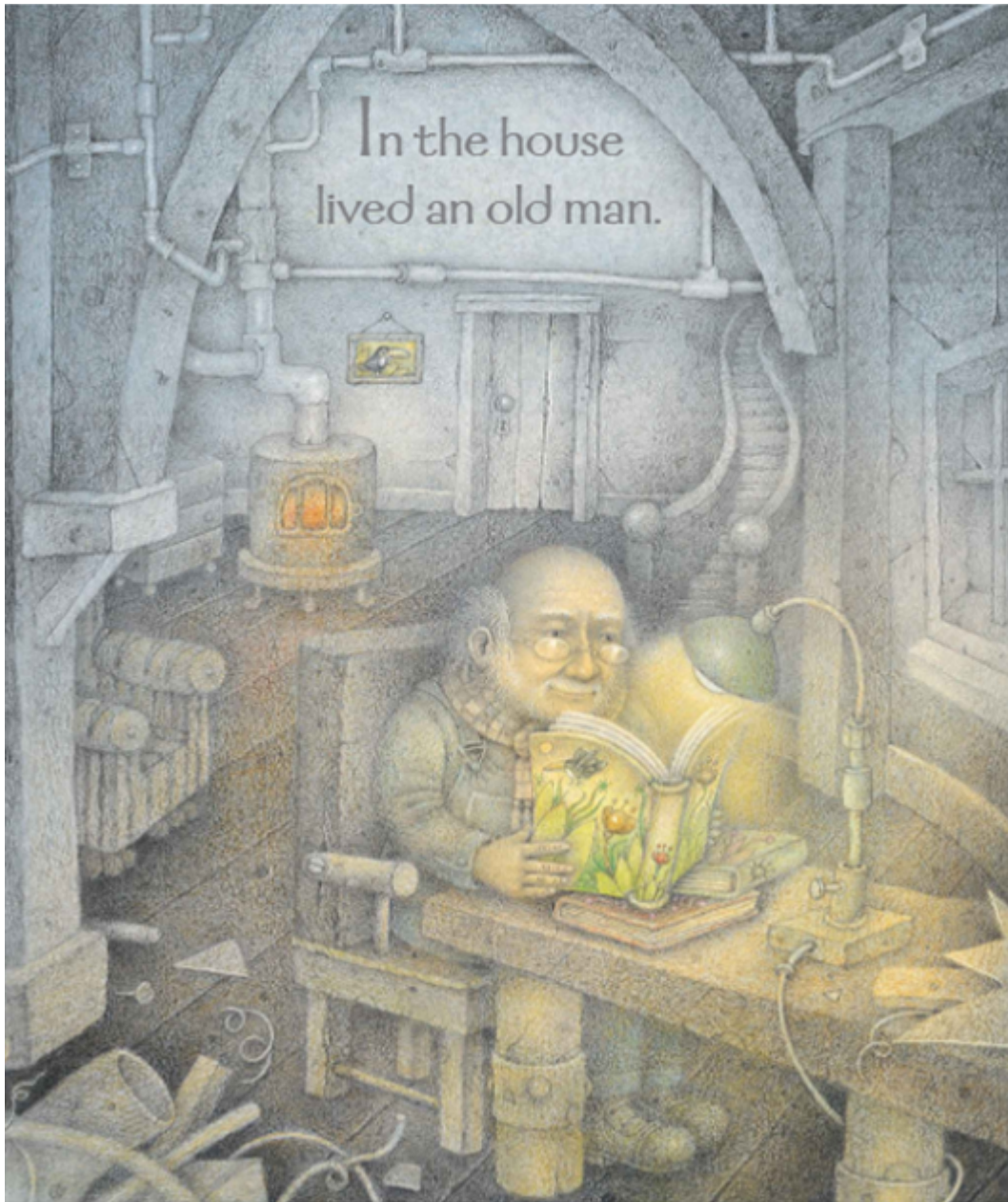


- What sound of place does this sound like?
- How does it make you feel?
- What words make you feel that way?
- What things might you find there?
- Which words are adjectives?
- Do you think anyone lives there?
- How do you know?
- Who could live there?
- What might they be like?



If we wanted to ask the person who lived in the house question what would you ask them?





Which bits are in colour?

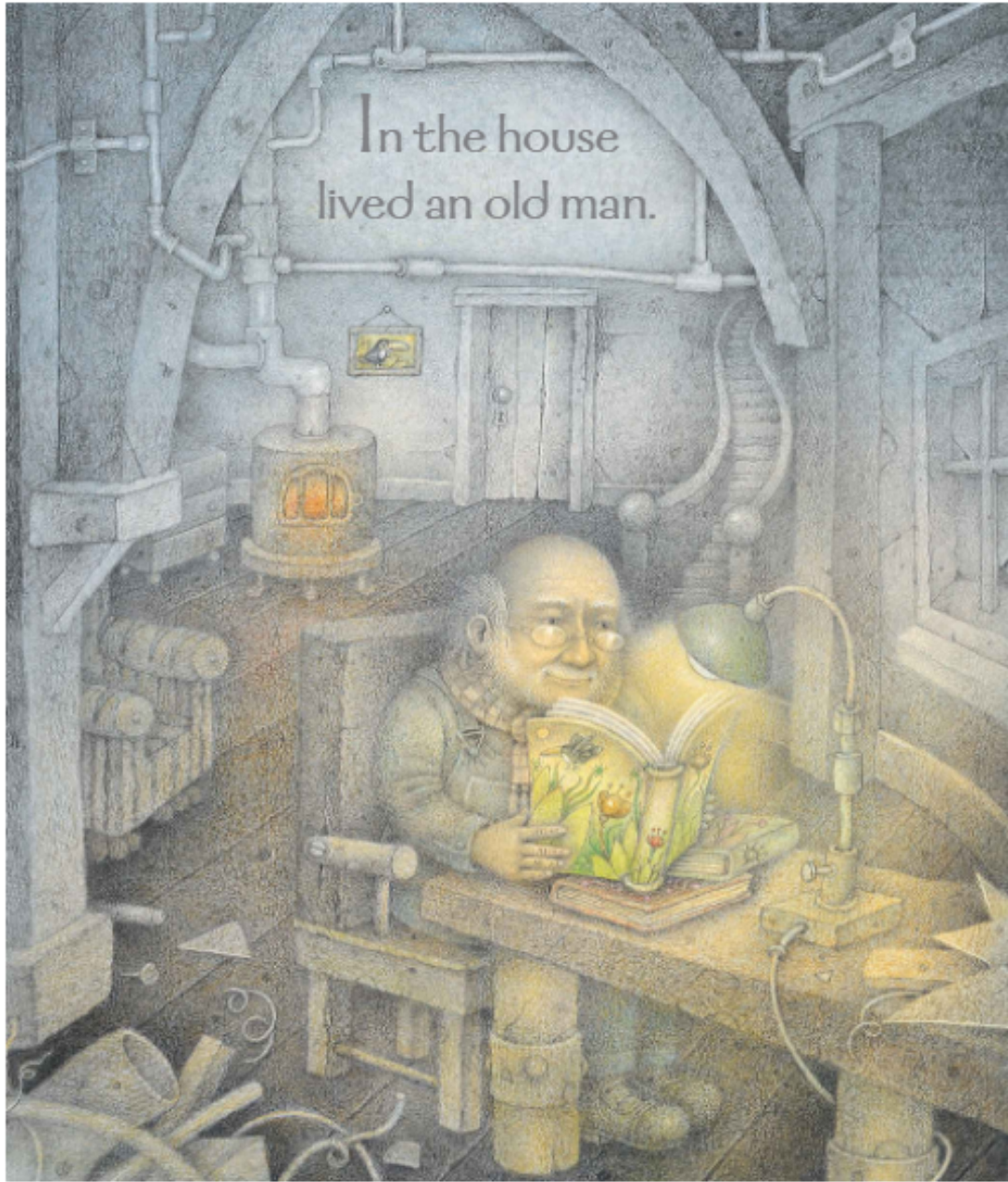
Why do you think they are colourful when the rest is dark?

Do you think the old man is happy in this picture?

Why is he happy?

How would you describe the old mans face?

How might he be feeling?



In the house
lived an old man.

Every day he tried to tidy away the rubbish,



sifting and sorting,



burning and burying.



Look at the old man in the pictures tidying up closely.



What does his facial expression tell you?
Why might he be feeling this way?

Alliteration

What is Alliteration?

he tried to tidy

sifting and sorting,

burning and burying.

Can we think of any others?

Compare this picture of the old man in his house to the ones when he's collecting rubbish.



Warm eyes
Smiling
warm glow
Gentle
contented



Hunched
Tired
Wrinkly
Exhausted
Depressed
sunken eyes

How are they different?
How are they the same?
Why has his mood changed do you think?