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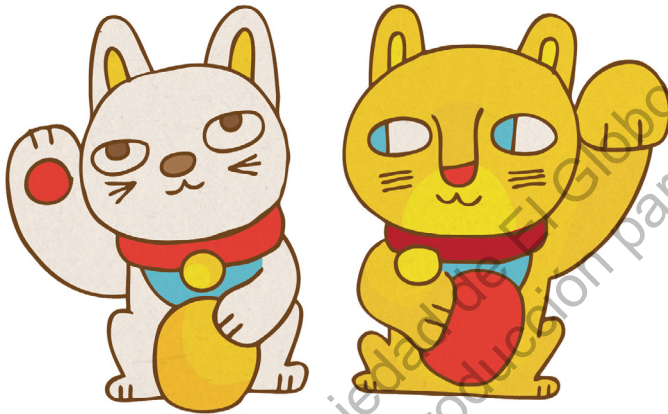
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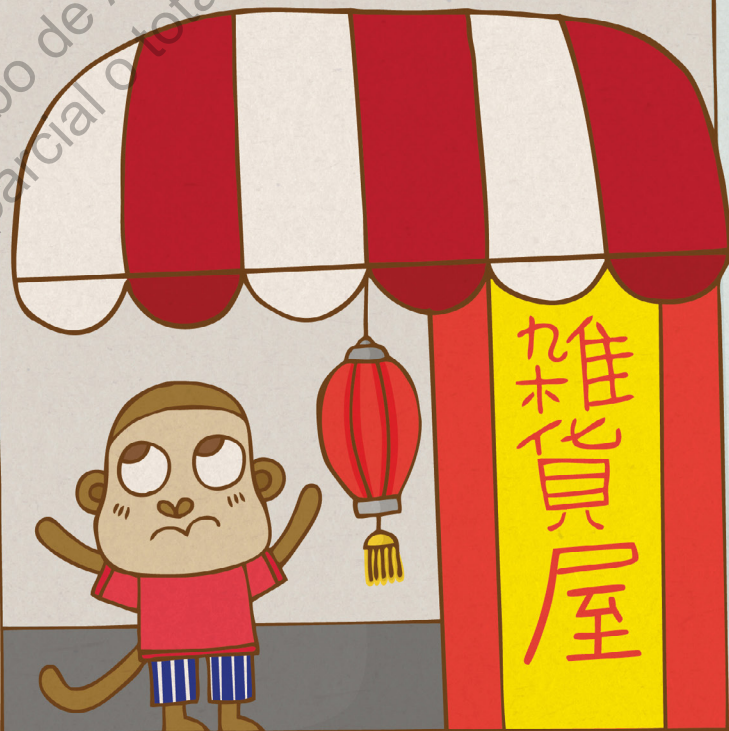
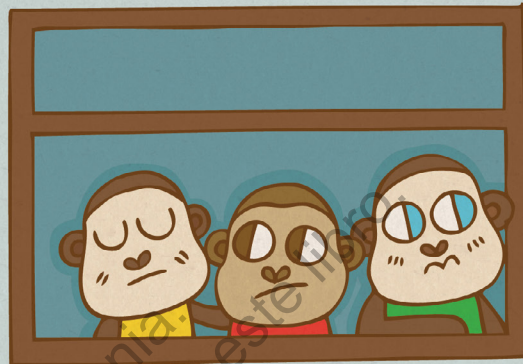


Chapter 1

The Vanishing Cats



One dreadful morning in **Tokyo** town, the shops were quiet, the lights wore a frown. No lucky cats waved from windows or shelves—they'd vanished, it seemed, all by themselves!



Those cats, called **Maneki Neko**, once proud with their beckoning paws, brought fortune and smiles, gained love and applause. But now they were missing, not one left in sight—was it magic or mischief that stole them by night?



Across the world, in a squirrel-sized chair,
Detective Equis shot up from the air.
A red button flashed with a blinking light.
“A mystery is calling! I must take flight!”

He whistled so hard that the curtains
flew wide. **Globe**, his
balloon friend, floated
inside.



But poor **Globe** looked gloomy, low on cheer, with fog in his eyes and a sigh you could hear.

“I miss an old friend who left long ago,” he wrote on a note as he drifted in slow.

“Then let’s help another,” said **Equis** with care.

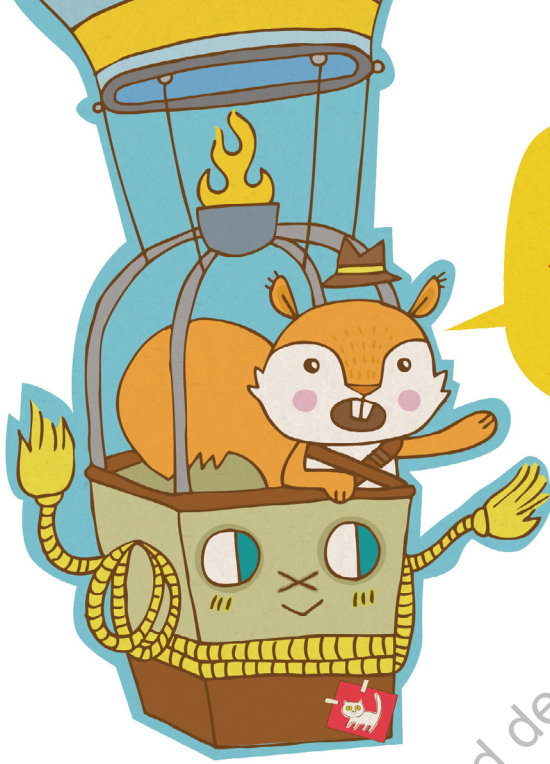
“**Tokyo** needs us—let’s rise through the air!”





Globe gave a wobble, then
started to rise. A spark lit his
belly, he stretched to the skies.

Together they soared with a
breeze and a song, toward the
bright land where the cats had
gone wrong.



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