## Stormingo!

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### **Connections**

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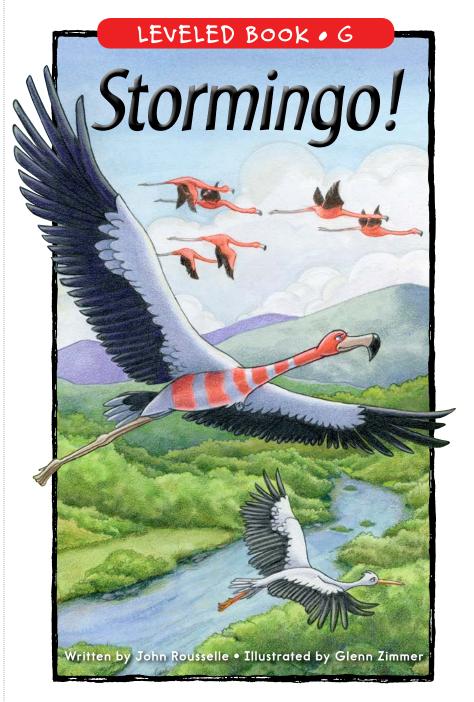
Why is it important to be kind to everyone? Write a sentence about it.

### **Social Studies and Art**

Decorate a paper quilt square with pictures and words that show why you are special. Put it with your classmates' squares to make a class quilt.



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### **Focus Question**

How does Stormingo change during the story?

### **Words to Know**

alone hippopotamus

flamingo stork

friend strange

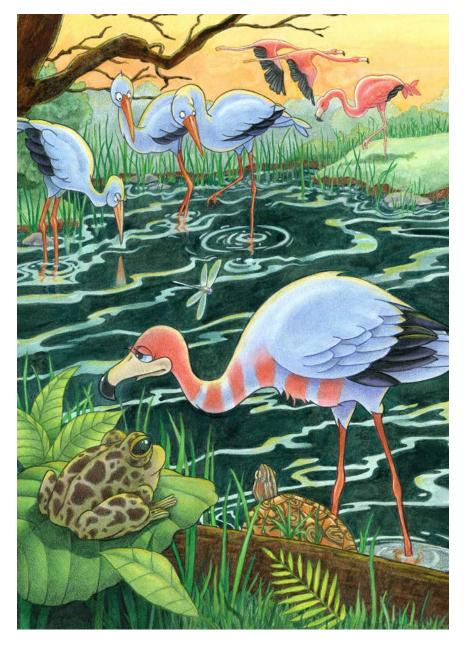
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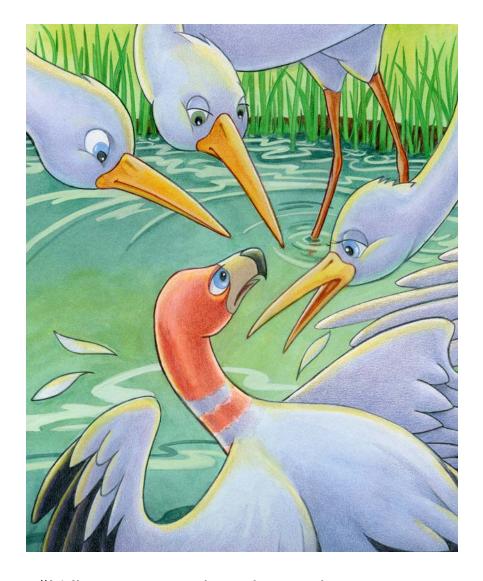
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#### Correlation

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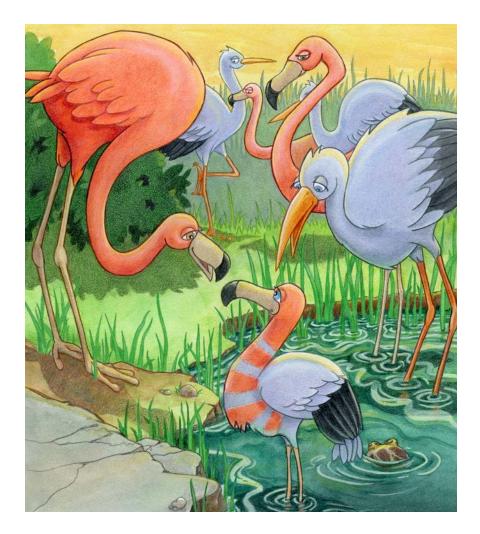
Stormingo didn't look like the other birds in the marsh.



"Why is your beak so short and crooked?" the storks asked. Stormingo didn't know the answer.

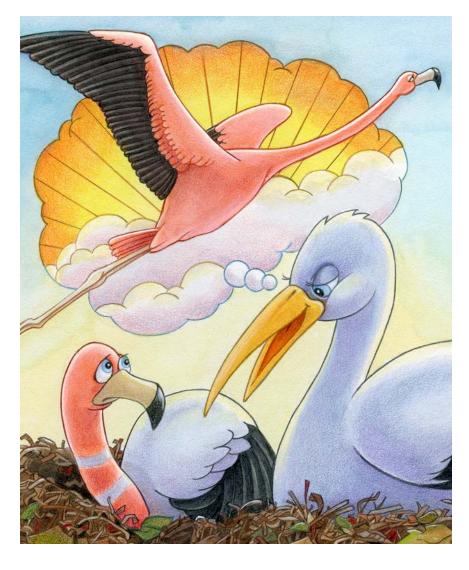


"Why is your neck so short and thick?" the flamingos asked. Stormingo didn't know the answer.

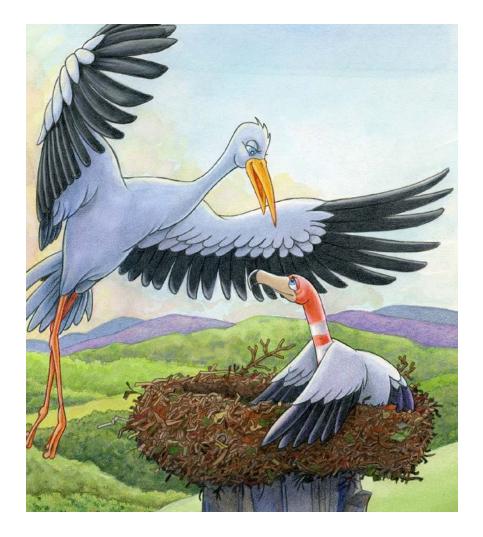


"Why are there pink stripes in your feathers?" all the birds asked.

Stormingo didn't know the answer.

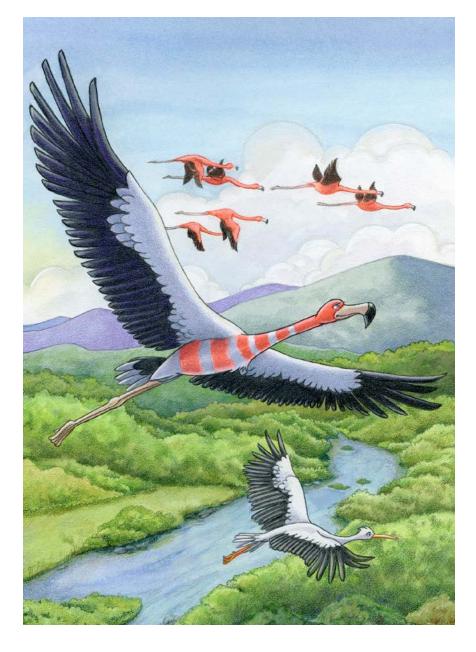


"Mom, why do I look different?"
Stormingo asked her mother.
"I am a stork and your father is a flamingo," Mom said.



"Parts of you look like me, and parts of you look like him," Mom said.

"A true friend won't care if you look a little different," she said.

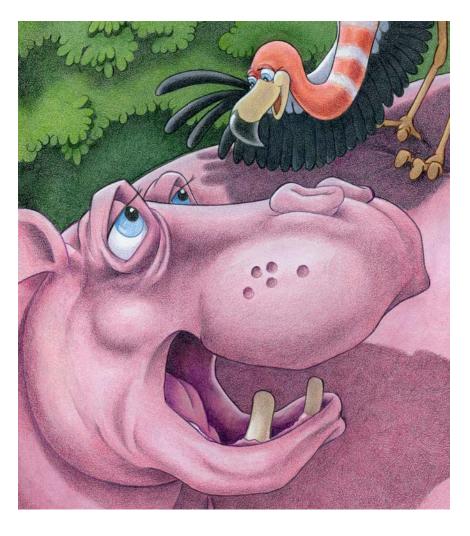


Stormingo grew older.

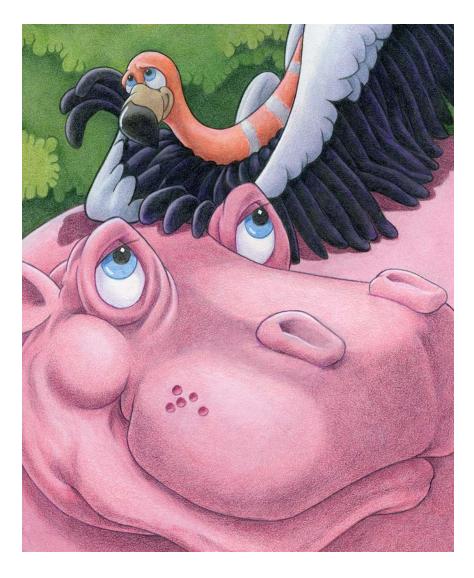
She began to fly far and wide.



One day, she saw something big in the marsh below. It was a pink hippopotamus.



"Why are you all alone?"
Stormingo asked.
"My herd thinks I'm strange.
It's because I'm pink,"
the hippopotamus said.



"I know the feeling!" said Stormingo.
From that moment on, the two were best friends.