



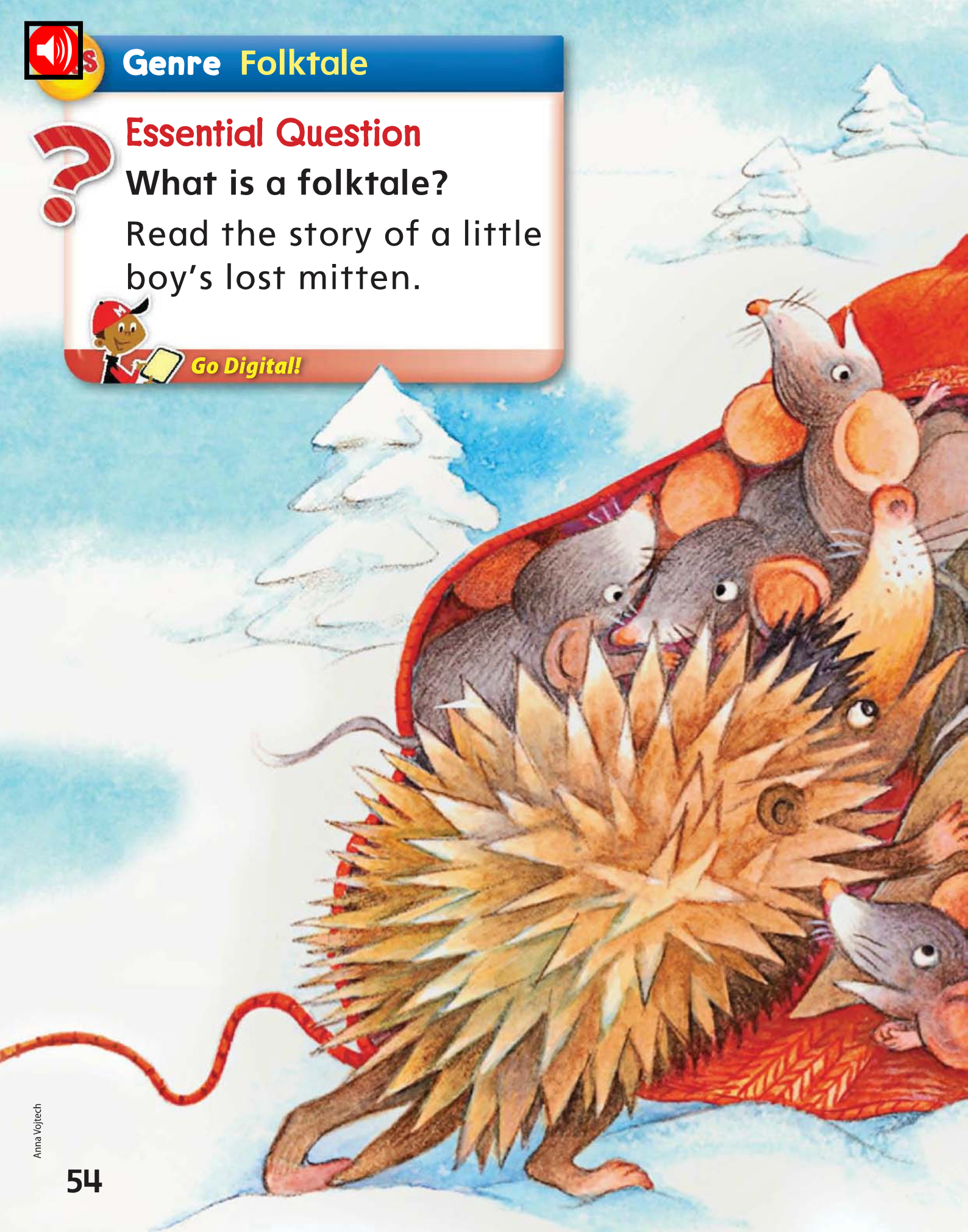
Essential Question

What is a folktale?

Read the story of a little boy's lost mitten.

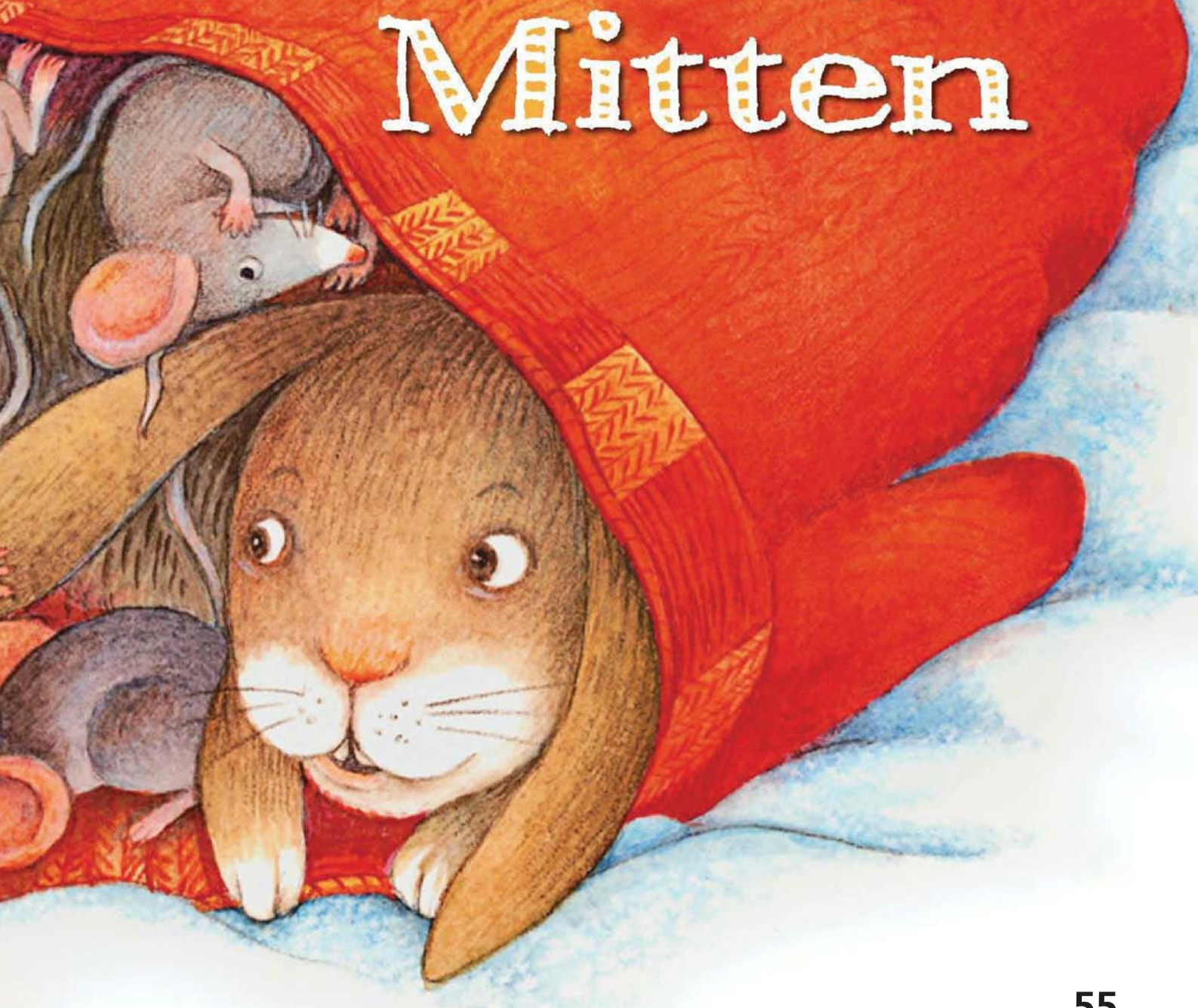


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The Nice Mitten





Once upon a time, a boy named Lance went out to pick up sticks. His mom gave him nice red mittens in case his hands got cold.



“Take the mittens and keep them safe,” his mom said. But as Lance left, he ran fast and lost a mitten at the edge of the wide forest.



Five mice saw the mitten. “This is a nice place to rest,” they said.


So the **happy** mice went in and rested.





Then, a rabbit raced by. “This is a nice place for hiding,” she said. So the rabbit went in and hid. The mitten puffed up a bit.



 Next, a hedgehog came sniffing by. “This is a nice place for taking a nap,” he said. So the hedgehog went in and slept. The mitten puffed up a bit more.



Just then, a big bear came by.
“This is a nice place to get warm,”
he said. So the big bear went in.
The mitten puffed up **from** all
the animals in it. It puffed up as
much as a mitten can.





At last, a black cricket came by.
“This is a nice place,” he said.

“We do not have **any** space,” said
the animals in the mitten.

But the black cricket went in. And
just as he did...



Rip! Snap! POP!

When Lance came back, there was not a trace of red mitten left. So sad!





Cause and Effect

A **cause** is what makes something happen in a story.

An **effect** is the event that happens.

To find the cause and the effect, ask:
What happened? Why did it happen?



Find Text Evidence

Find the causes and effects in the story.

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Cause



Effect

Lance ran fast.



He lost his mitten in the forest.

The animals wanted to rest.



The animals went inside the mitten.

Too many animals went in.



The mitten puffed up and got too big.



Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Talk about the cause and effect of story events in "The Nice Mitten."

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Readers to...



Word Choice Page wrote a poem using strong verbs.

Page's Poem

My mom baked a cake.

She mixed, baked, and sliced,

And served it nice and hot.

We will gobble it up on the spot!



Your Turn

COLLABORATE



- Name the strong verbs in Page's poem.
- What strong verbs will you choose for your poem?

Writers



Past- and Future-Tense Verbs Verbs that end in **-ed** tell about action in the past. Verbs with **will** tell about action in the future.

The verb **baked** is in the past.

The verb **will gobble** is in the future.

My mom **baked** a cake.

We **will gobble** it up.



Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Find other verbs about the past in Page's poem.