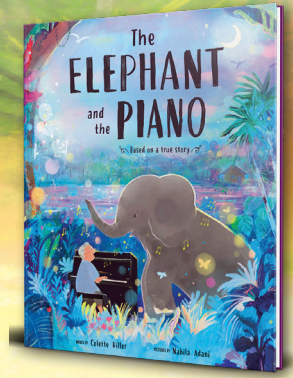
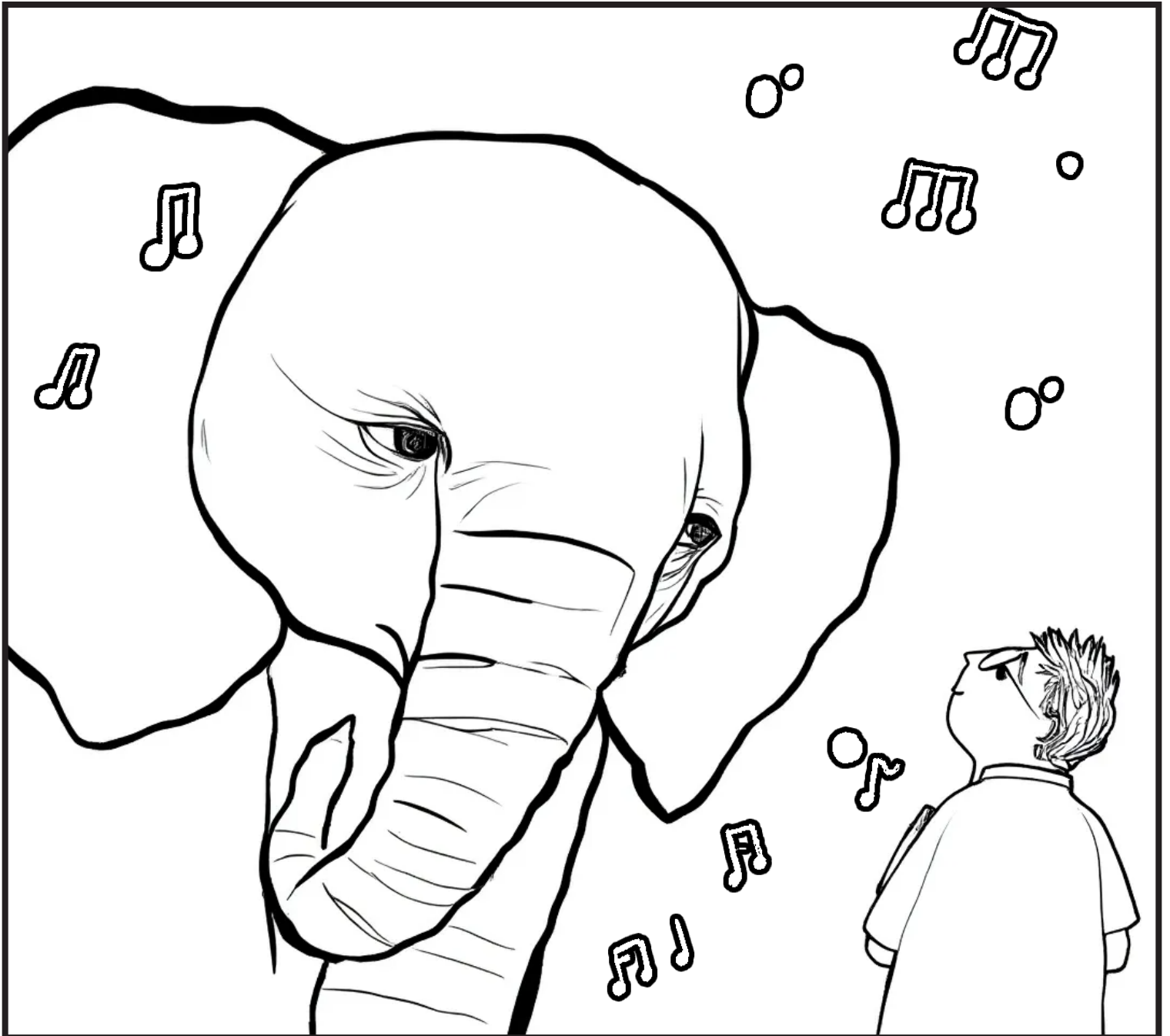


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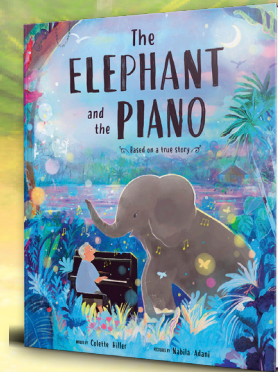
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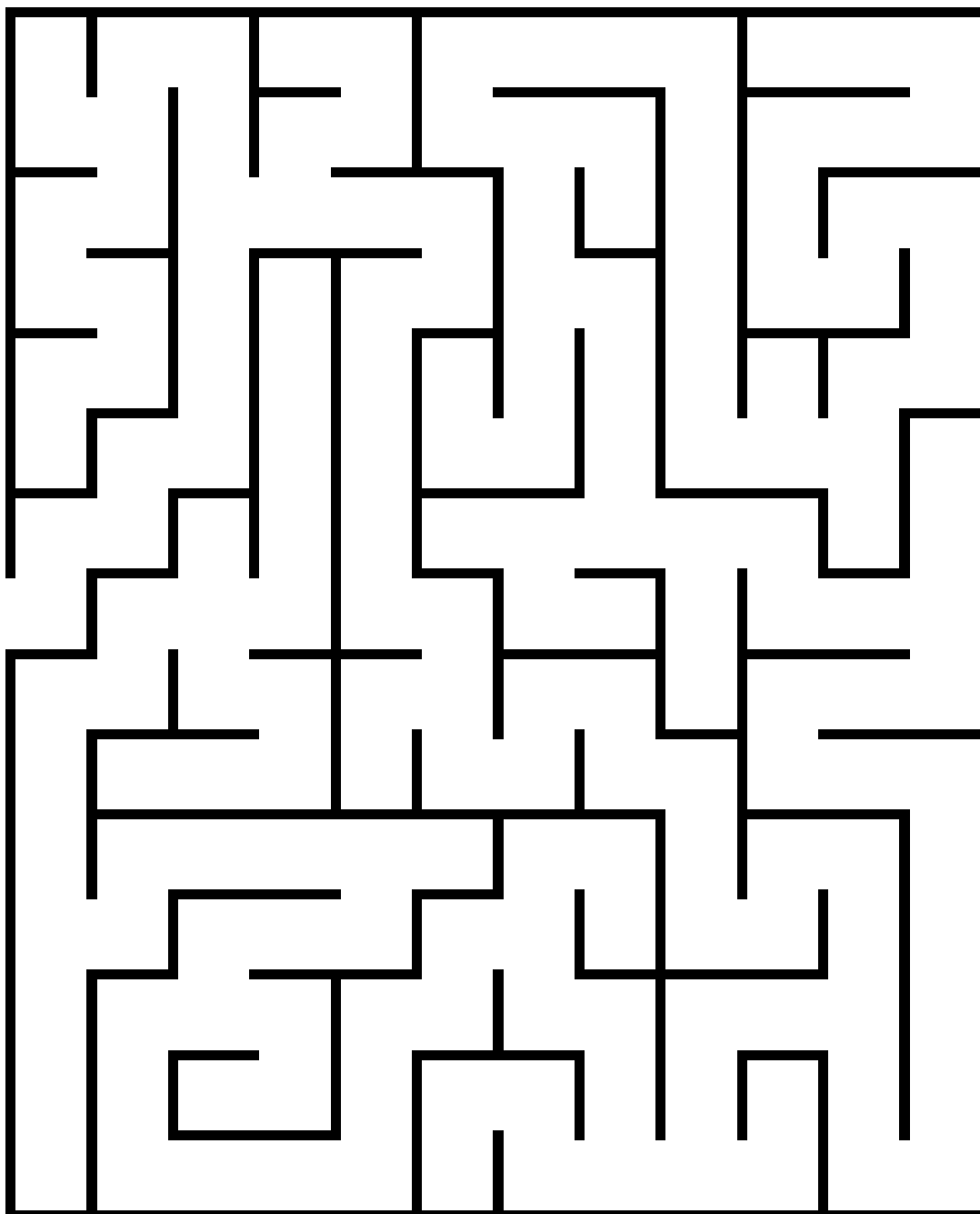
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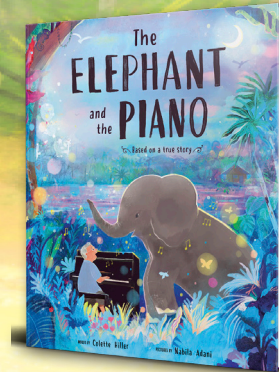
Can you help Bonti find the piano?





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### DANCE LIKE AN ELEPHANT

Elephants are enormous yet they are surprisingly graceful and light on their feet! Here's how you can do your own elephant dance.



#### START BY LISTENING TO SOME MUSIC

You can choose any song you like.  
Bonti especially liked "Moonlight Sonata" by Beethoven.

#### GIVE YOURSELF A TRUNK

Hold your arms out straight in front of you and clasp your hands.



#### LISTEN WITHOUT MOVING AT ALL

Remember that you're an elephant who has never heard music before! What might you be thinking?



#### START TO GENTLY SWAY

Shift your weight from side to side without moving your feet at all.

#### START SWINGING YOUR LONG TRUNK

Slowly lift it high in the air and then let it swing back down again. Find a rhythm you like and repeat the pattern.



#### ADD SOME FANCY FOOTWORK

Cross one foot over the other and take a tiny step. Then do it in the other direction.

#### MOVE YOUR ELEPHANT HEAD

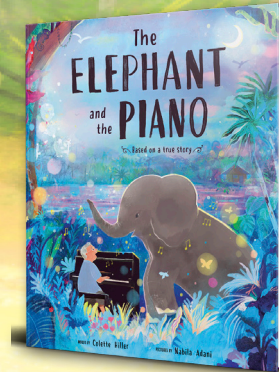
Time to go all out and rock to the music!





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### AMAZING ELEPHANT FACTS

#### ELEPHANTS ARE DEEPLY EMOTIONAL

They are compassionate and comfort each other by touching and vocalizing. They also express sorrow when mourning the dead by vocalizing and returning to the site of the bones.

#### LADIES RULE

Elephant herds are led by female matriarchs who guide herds to food, water, and safety.

#### ELEPHANTS CAN'T RUN

But they can walk very fast! Their "charging speed" is over 15 miles per hour.



#### CAREFUL AND GRACEFUL

Forest elephants walk almost silently, stepping over obstacles and navigating difficult terrain without disturbing their environment.

#### THERE AREN'T MANY LEFT

There are about 400,000 African elephants left in the world, but only 40,000 or so Asian elephants.

#### ELEPHANTS HAVE ASTONISHING MEMORIES

They can recognize each other, the people who care for them, geographical locations, and more...even after many years.

#### ELEPHANTS ARE SOPHISTICATED IN USING TOOLS

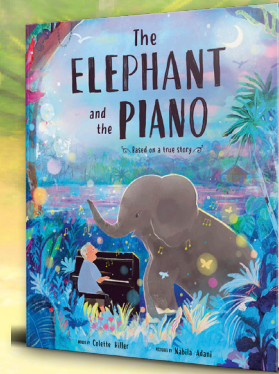
They use tools for comfort (branches as fly swatters), survival (bark to plug waterholes), and defense (throwing dirt and rocks at attackers). They even make their own sun hats by placing straw on their heads!





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### ELEPHANT JOKES

1.  
WHAT DO YOU GET  
IF YOU CROSS AN  
ELEPHANT WITH  
A FISH?

2.  
HOW DO YOU  
KNOW IF THERE'S  
AN ELEPHANT IN  
YOUR FRIDGE?

3.  
WHY DID THE  
ELEPHANT BRING A  
SUITCASE TO THE ZOO?

ANSWERS:  
1) Swimming trunks 2) The door won't close 3) Because it wanted to pack

### PLAY MUSIC FOR YOUR PETS

You may not have an elephant, but did you know that animals like cats and dogs enjoy music? Soothing sounds may help them relax and unwind.

#### PLAY AN INSTRUMENT OR SING A SONG

Start with something very soothing and gentle, like a lullaby.

#### OBSERVE YOUR PET

Do they seem to enjoy it and seem relaxed? Some ways to tell are if they lie down, close their eyes, tilt their head, or wag their tail very slowly.

#### WALK AWAY

Do they seem agitated? Are they barking, pacing, whining, or shaking? If they don't seem to enjoy the music, stop playing. You can always try another time!

