

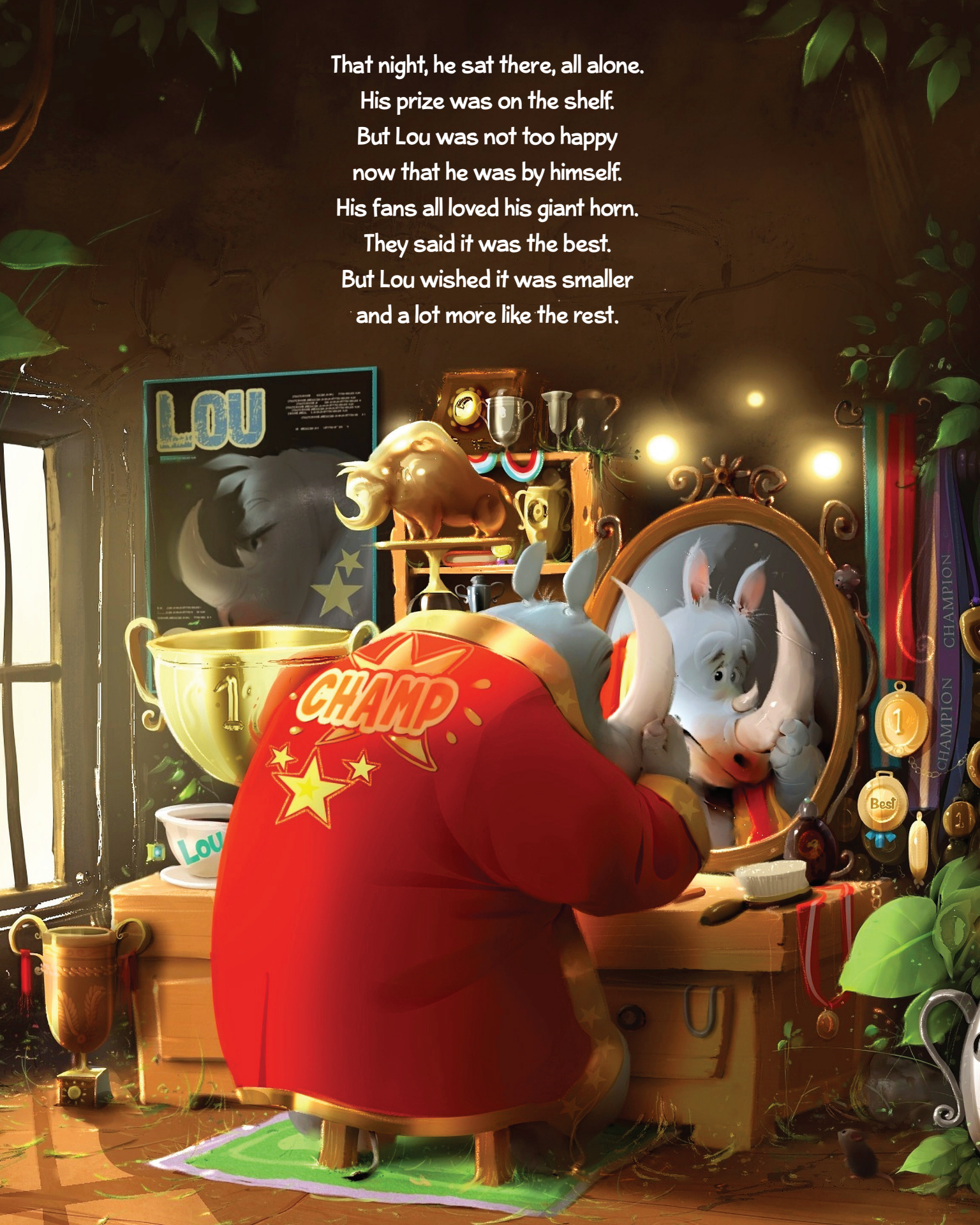
It was a hot and sunny day.
Lou's fans all stood and cheered
to see the rhino that they loved
and his opponents feared.
The Rhino Games had always put
these athletes to the test.
But no one was as tough as Lou.
He simply was the best.



The other rhino trembled as he saw Lou drop his head.
He thought, as he went flying, that he should have stayed in bed.

Lou did the same to every rhino that he had to face.
And for the tenth year in a row, he finished in first place.

That night, he sat there, all alone.
His prize was on the shelf.
But Lou was not too happy
now that he was by himself.
His fans all loved his giant horn.
They said it was the best.
But Lou wished it was smaller
and a lot more like the rest.



The next day, Lou went running.
He enjoyed the morning air.
He saw a poster on a tree
and read each word with care:
"Do you wish you were someone else?
Are you too tall? Too wide?
Let Doctor Feathers help unleash
the animal inside!"



Lou found the doctor's office, but he had to wait his turn. He sat and waited patiently to see what he would learn. They moved him to another room. He sat around some more. Then finally, he heard a knock. A duck walked through the door.



"Hello, I'm Doctor Feathers," the peculiar doctor said.
"I heard you have a problem with that horn there on your head."
"Well, doc," Lou said, "I always thought my horn stuck out. It's true."
I wish that I looked normal. Is there something you can do?"



“Of course,” said Doctor Feathers. “I solve problems big and small. Just look at all these pictures that are hanging on my wall. I’ve helped a lot of animals to come out of their shell. I’ve shortened necks. I’ve fixed their spots. I’ve changed their stinky smell.”

“In fact, I’ve done a lot of things that no one else would dare. Like giving this bald eagle an amazing head of hair. The horn you’ve always wanted, Lou. That’s just what I propose. If you say yes, I’ll make a work of art out of your nose!”