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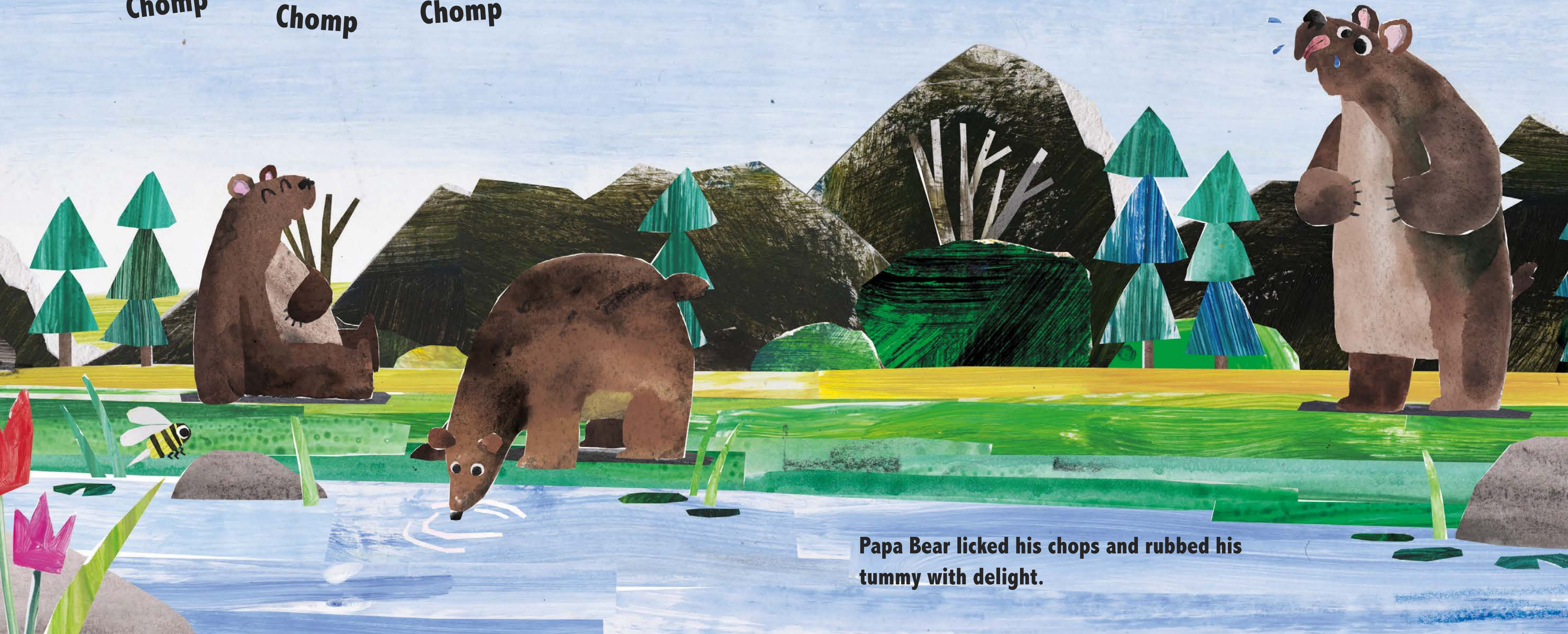
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The bears were finishing their lunch down by the river.

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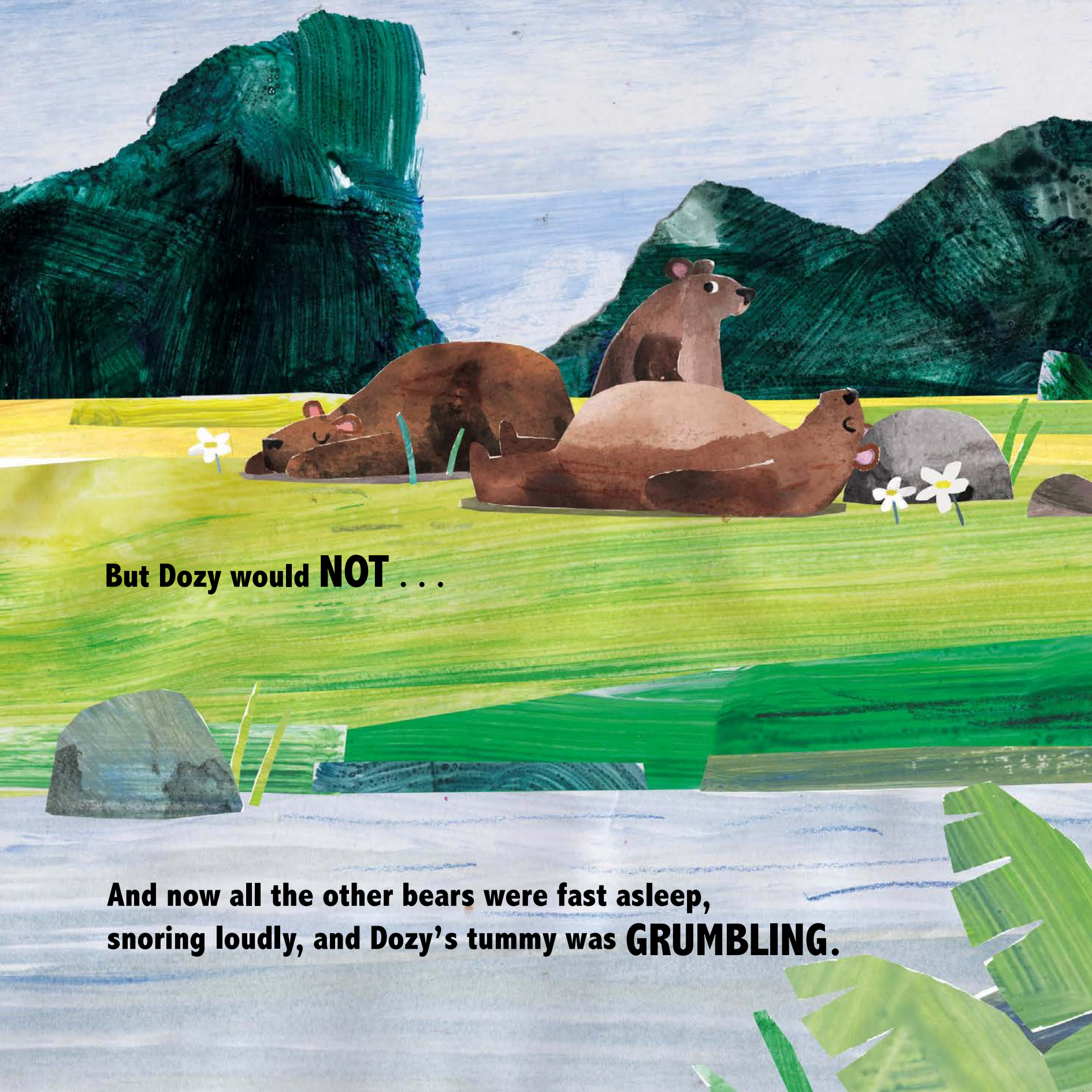
Papa Bear licked his chops and rubbed his tummy with delight.

But little Dozy Bear wasn't happy . . .

'Mama, I *only* want fish,' he said, shaking his head and wagging his paws, and pushing the food away.



'Oh, Dozy, do *try* something else,' said Mama Bear.



But Dozy would **NOT** . . .

And now all the other bears were fast asleep, snoring loudly, and Dozy's tummy was **GRUMBLING**.

A vibrant, stylized illustration of a landscape. In the foreground, a small brown bear stands on a grassy bank next to a blue pond. The pond contains lily pads, a purple flower, and a green frog. In the middle ground, there are green hills, a large tree stump, and several snow-capped mountains. The sky is blue with large, white, fluffy clouds and a few small birds flying. The overall style is painterly and whimsical.

Dozy Bear was HUNGRY!

*This is no good, he thought.
I'll find my **OWN** treats –
and off he trotted into the woods.*

And that's how his adventure began!