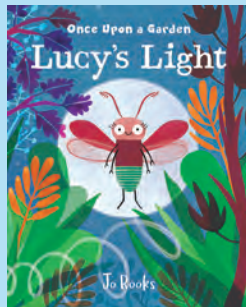




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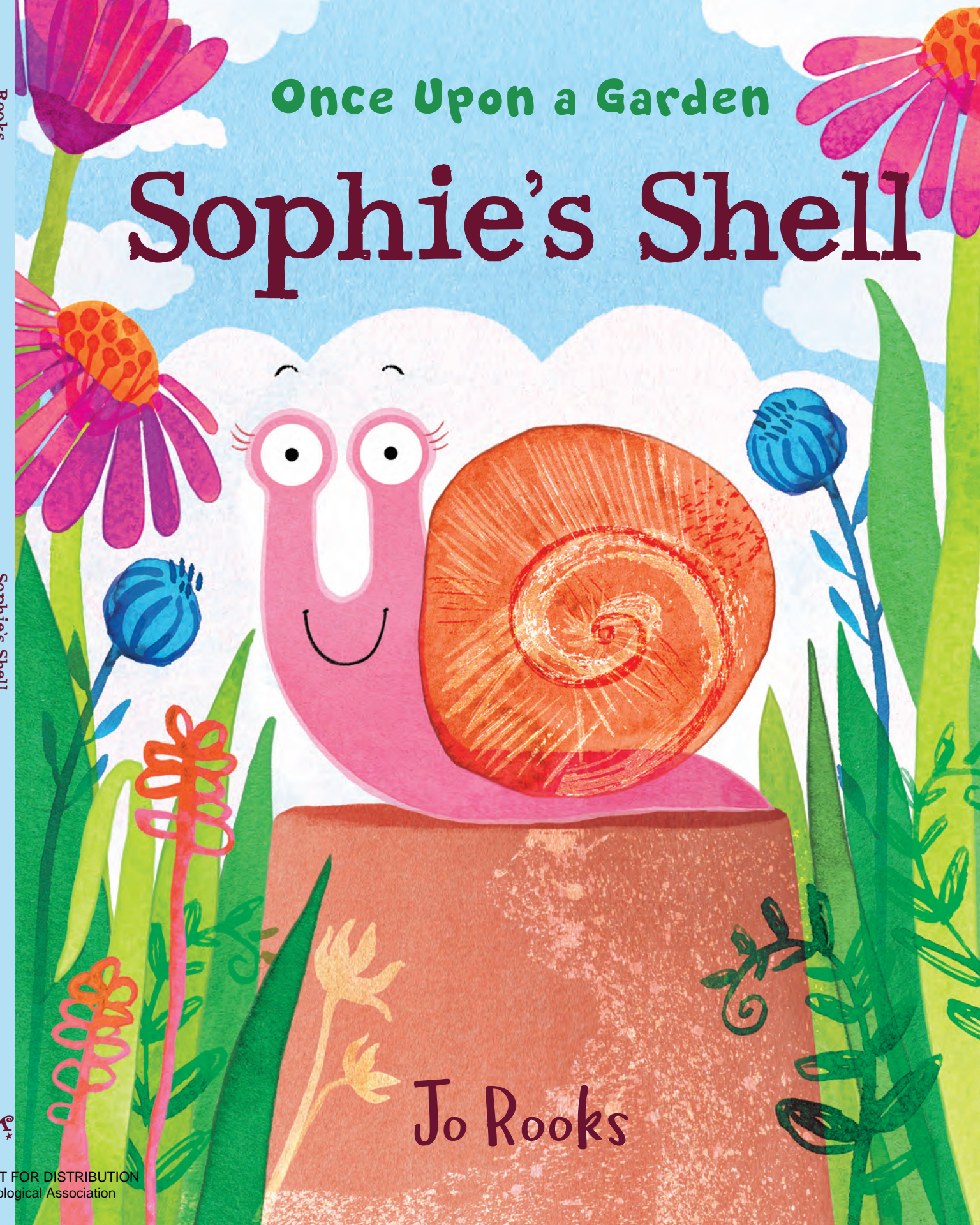
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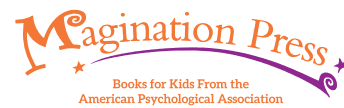
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With special thanks to Christyan. —JR



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This is Sophie.



Sophie **loved** learning about the world
and was always pondering **BIG questions** like ...



“Why is the sky blue?”



“Why are raindrops wet?”



“Where does the sun go at the end of the day?”



And ... what are stars made of?

Sophie couldn't wait to start school where she could find out the answers to all her questions.



And finally, that day **arrived!**



Sophie was so excited!

But when she reached the school gates, she felt a *wobbly feeling* in her tummy.

“Come meet the class,” said Miss Flutterby.

But Sophie felt shy. **Too shy** to say hello.

When suddenly ...



POP!



“Oh dear,” thought Sophie.

In art class, Sophie painted a **big** picture.

“That’s beautiful!” said Beatrice.



Sophie felt shy. **Too shy** to reply. **When ...**