

# Memory Marbles



This is Koko. He's a very special teddy bear.



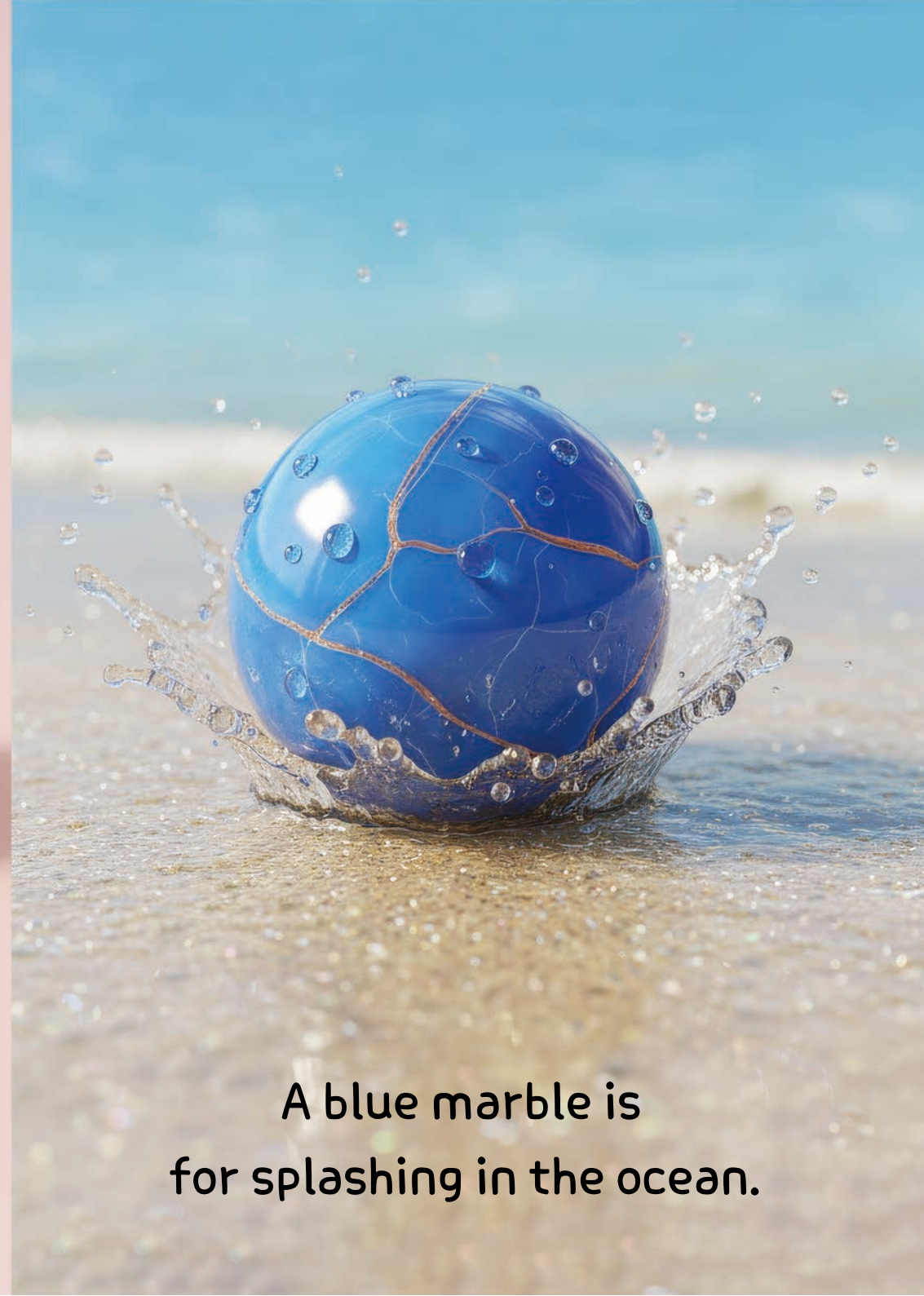
Why? Because Koko has a secret pocket. It's called... his Memory Pocket!

Whenever Koko feels happy, or has fun, or tries something new,  
a colorful 'Memory Marble' appears in his pocket!



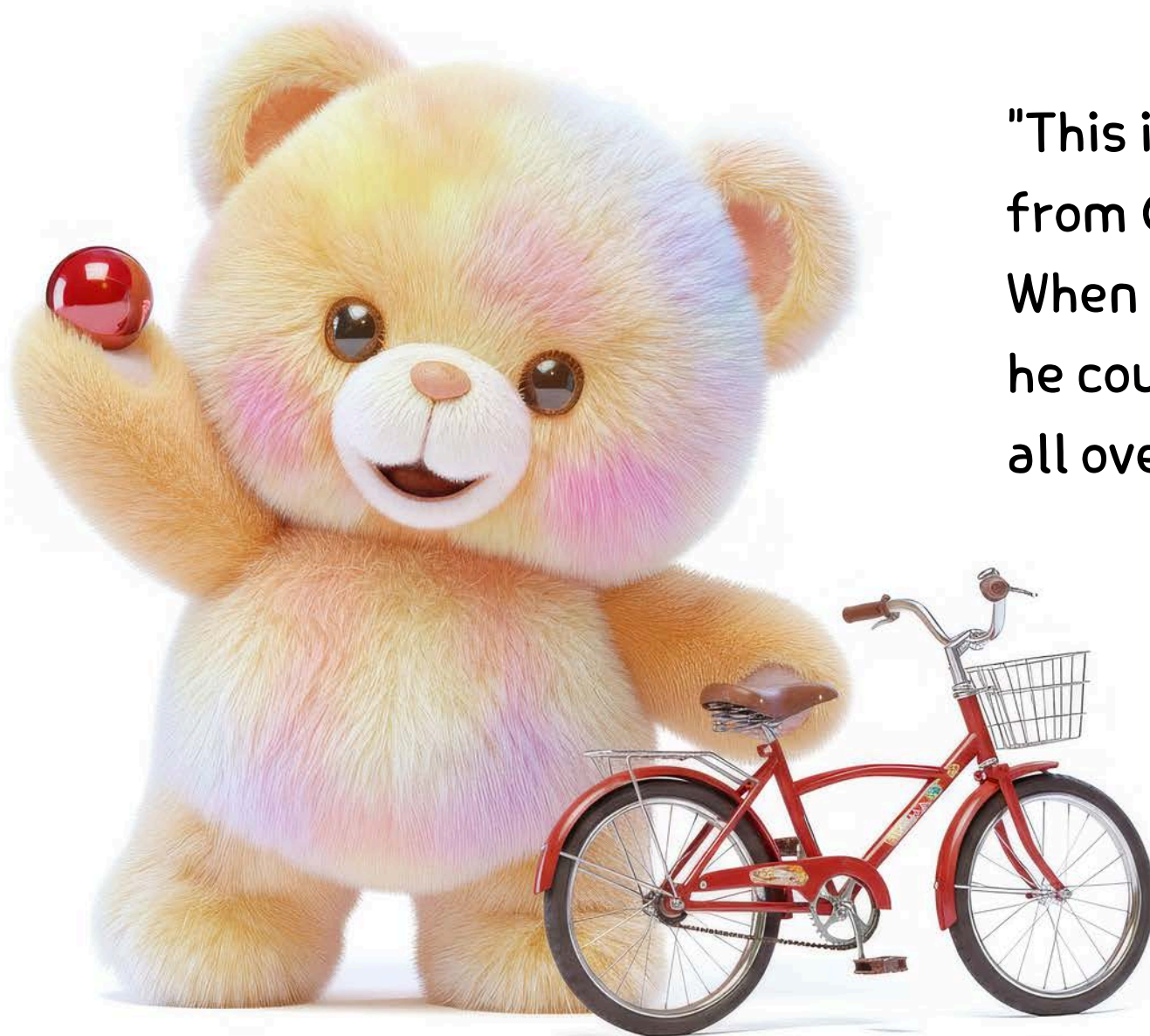


A yellow marble is  
for a sunny picnic.



A blue marble is  
for splashing in the ocean.

Koko loved to look at his marbles.  
"Oh, I remember this one!" he'd whisper.



"This is my red bicycle marble  
from Grandma!"  
When he held a marble,  
he could feel that happy day  
all over again.



One day, Koko was very sad.  
He couldn't find  
his favorite marble anywhere.  
It was his 'Pink Cotton Candy Marble'.  
"Where did it go?  
My sweet, fluffy cotton candy marble..."

Koko searched everywhere.  
He looked under his bed. He looked in the toy box.  
"It was such a special memory... What if I lost it forever?"  
Koko's eyes started to get watery.



If Koko don't look at a memory marble for a very, very long time,  
its color starts to fade... Then, like a little gray dust cloud,  
it floats away into the sky!



"Oh no!"

"Did my cotton candy marble float away?"



Just then, Koko closed his eyes and thought very, very hard.  
"cotton candy... at the amusement park...  
riding on Daddy's shoulders..."

Koko hopped up and grabbed his sketchbook.  
He found his pink crayon and drew a giant, swirly cotton candy.  
"That's right! It smelled like strawberries!  
And it melted in my mouth!"



And just as he finished drawing...

Ping!

A little light sparkled on the paper.

There it was!



"I found it! My memory marble!"  
And now, it was shinier than ever before.



Koko learned a very important secret.

When Koko thinks about it, talks about it, and draws it...

Memory always comes sparkling back!

"Everyone!" Koko shouted.

"Do you want to hear my cotton candy story?"



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