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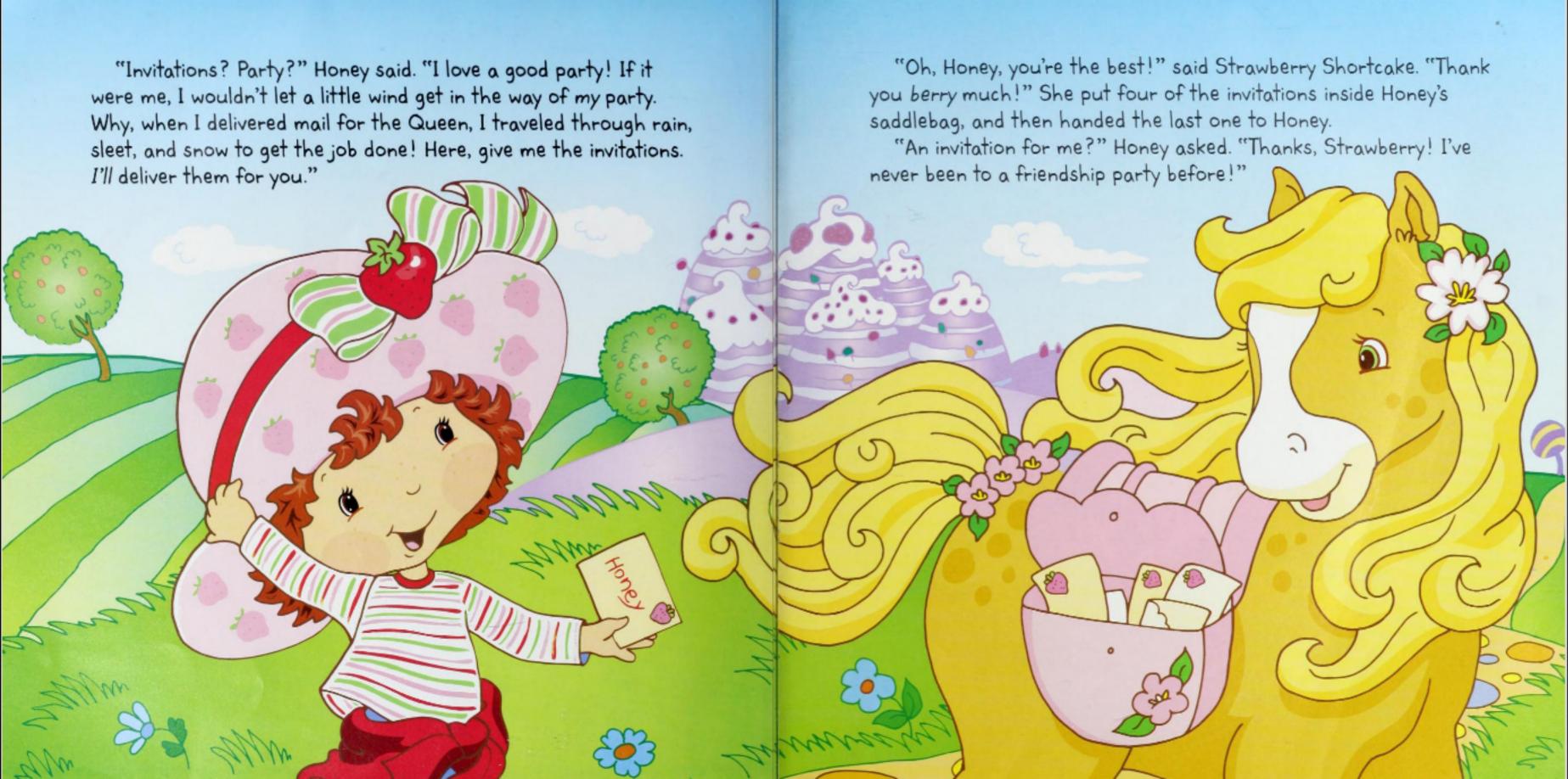


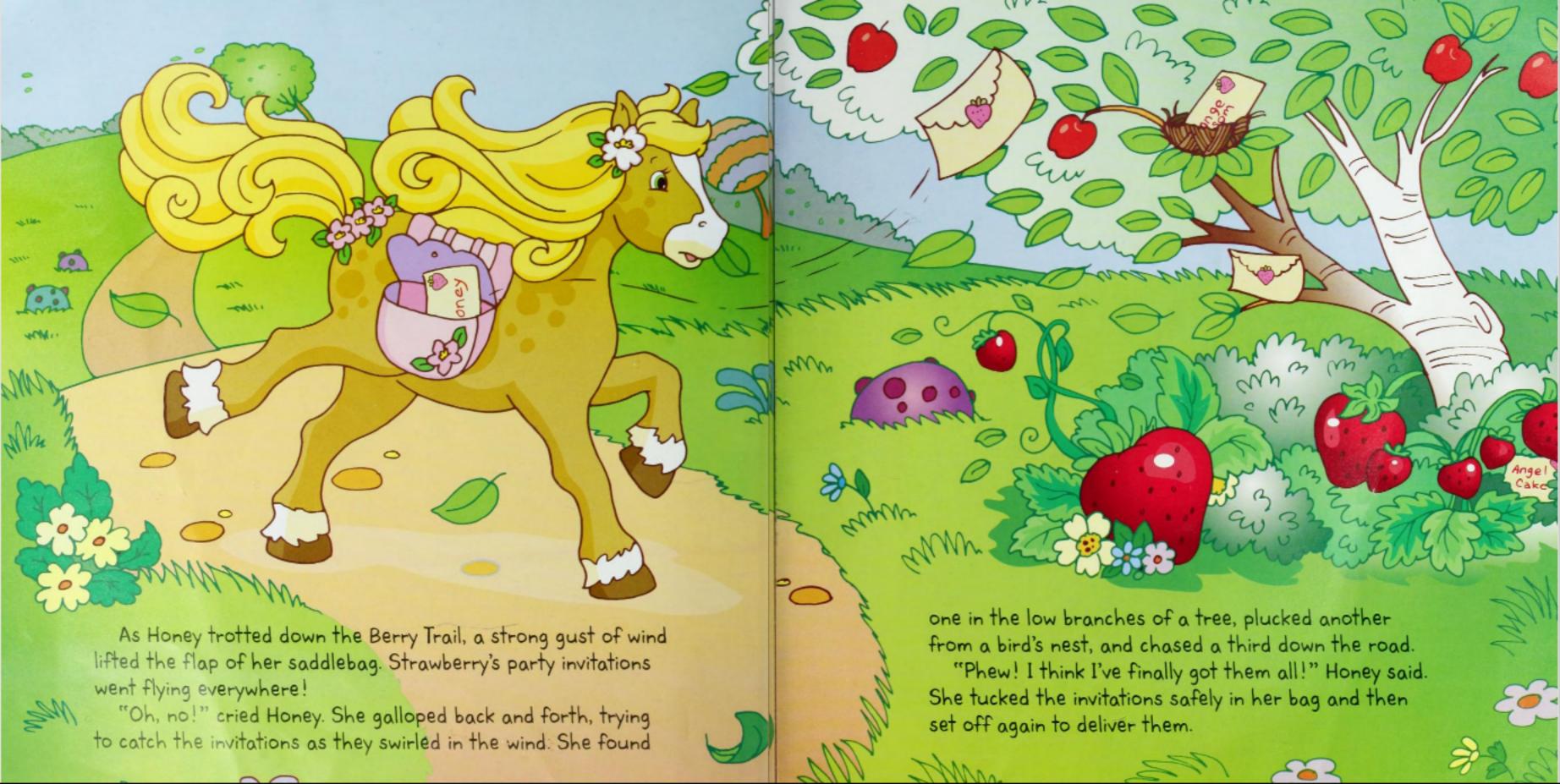
Strawberry Shortcake quickly got out her art supplies and made some invitations.





"There!" Strawberry said happily when she had finished the cards. "I have invitations for each of my friends—Orange Blossom, Huckleberry Pie, Ginger Snap, Honey Pie Pony, and Angel Cake! Now all I have to do is deliver them."









"Honey, Orange Blossom, Ginger Snap, and Huckleberry Pie are all coming to my party!" Strawberry said happily. Then she frowned. "But I haven't heard from Angel Cake yet. Oh, well—I bet she's on her way over right now to tell me she can come."

Strawberry waited for Angel Cake, but she never came over.



Later that afternoon, Orange Blossom stopped by Angel's cake shop. "Hi, Orange Blossom!" said Angel Cake. "Did you come over to play?" Orange Blossom shook her head. "I can't today—I have to pick some oranges from my orchard," she said. "I want to order cupcakes for Strawberry's friendship party. Bring them over on Saturday and we can go to the party together, okay? See you then!"

Orange Blossom gave Angel a friendly wave and left.





"Strawberry's having a friendship party?" Angel said sadly. "Why didn't she invite me?"



For two whole days, Angel tried to figure out why she hadn't been invited to Strawberry Shortcake's party. Is Strawberry mad at me? Angel wondered. Did I do something wrong?

On Saturday, Angel slowly walked over to Orange Blossom's tree house to deliver the cupcakes.

"Thanks, Angel!" Orange Blossom said with a big smile. "Your strawberry cupcakes are Strawberry's favorite kind. Ready to go to the party?"

"No, I'm not going," Angel Cake said sadly.

"Why not?" Orange Blossom asked, surprised.

"Because Strawberry didn't invite me!" replied Angel Cake with

