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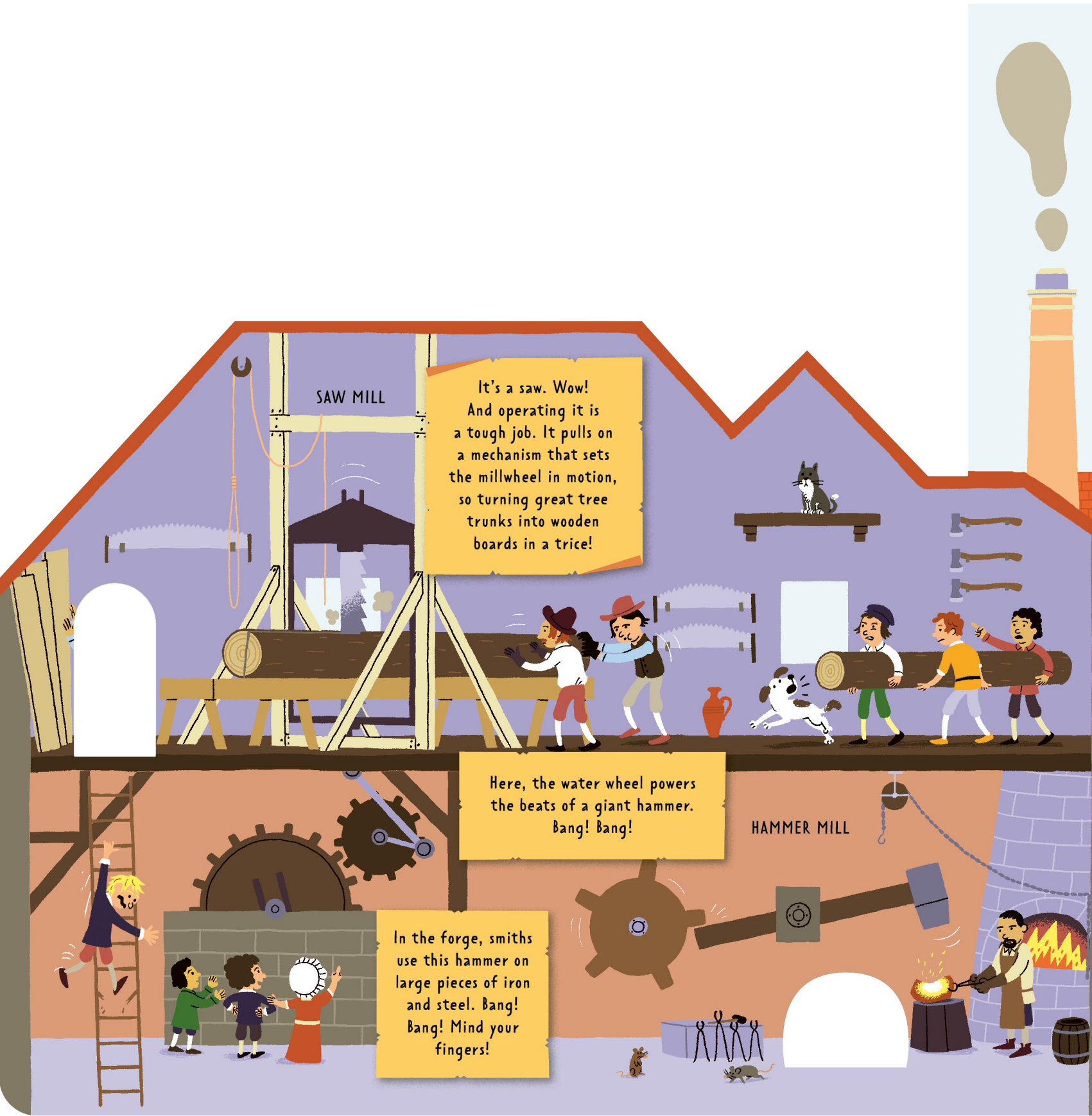
Hi! Can you hear me?  
It's pretty noisy at a mill,  
so I have to raise my voice!

WATER MILL

The great millwheel  
outside is powered by  
a current of water from  
a pond. The millwheel  
turns the gear wheels,  
and these turn one of  
two millstones. The miller  
is pouring wheat grain  
between these right now.  
See how the stones are  
grinding the grain  
into flour!

The flour is made finer  
in a large sieve. Coarser  
flour ends up in small  
flour bins. Miller's  
assistants gather this  
flour into sacks, which  
they carry away on their  
backs. Phew! These  
sacks are heavy...

Look - two more wheels! But they look  
different. These wheels are driven by  
groundwater, which flows under them  
rather than falling from above. What's  
that screeching and banging coming from  
inside? Well, let's go in to take a look...



SAW MILL

It's a saw. Wow!  
And operating it is  
a tough job. It pulls on  
a mechanism that sets  
the millwheel in motion,  
so turning great tree  
trunks into wooden  
boards in a trice!

Here, the water wheel powers  
the beats of a giant hammer.  
Bang! Bang!

HAMMER MILL

In the forge, smiths  
use this hammer on  
large pieces of iron  
and steel. Bang!  
Bang! Mind your  
fingers!



The yard is for loading  
and unloading. Sacks of  
grain arrive, and sacks  
of flour are taken away.  
Other carts come for  
the wooden boards and  
iron products.

Everything must be counted,  
checked and recorded, so that  
no one gets cheated. Be careful,  
children! Don't fall in!



The miller's man, miller's assistant and powderman have sleeping quarters at the mill. The job of the old tomcat is to keep greedy mice away from the sacks of grain.

The mill's parlour is a merry place. A journeyman miller has called – and no one tells such amusing stories as he does.



This mill has a special feature: its roof can turn along with the sails. This helps it catch the best wind.

Water, water... But wind, too, is a powerful thing. It turns the sails of the windmill with ease!

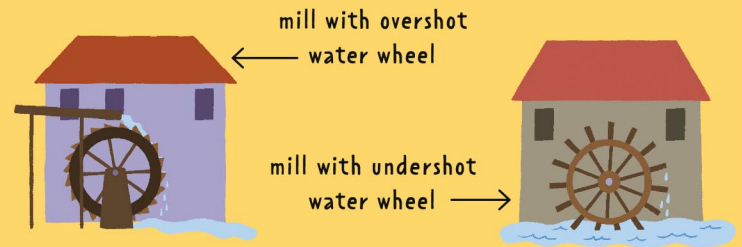
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According to some stories, mills are haunted places. I wouldn't know about that. But even without ghosts, there is much to marvel about at a mill. Water and wind are used to turn a heavy millstone, cut wood, swing a giant hammer, even dry out a lake... If you want to know about the miller's man and the hatchet-man, this is the very book for you! Can you hear that merry clatter? That's our mill at work...



## TYPES OF MILLS



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