Julia Owl tried to push the crate-with-Pinka-in-it over. But it was too heavy.

"Yes!" answered Pinka. "Please help me."

"Are you stuck?" asked Julia Owl.

She saw the crate. She saw Pinka IN the crate.





So Julia Owl came into into the story.

"Yes!" answered Pinka.

"Do you want me to let another character come into the story now?" asked Grandma.

But no one was there to help. Pinka was the only character in the story.

"Help!" cried Pinka.

Pinka could not move her wings.

There was a little bit of space above Pinka's head, but side to side, the crate was EXACTLY Pinka-sized.

Pinka fell into the crate.

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She bent forward to take a closer look....

She stood on the edge of the crate.

Pinka flew over to take a look at the crate.

So Julia Owl went looking for a strong rope.

She fastened one end to the crate.

She fastened the other end to Pinka's tractor.

Julia Owl started to drive.

"How is this going to help me?" cried Pinka.

Julia Owl did not answer.

She was busy driving.

Pinka and the Crate



One day, Grandma asked Pinka if she wanted to be in a story. Pinka said, "Yes.... but I want to be the ONLY ONE in the story."

So the story began.

One fine day, Pinka decided to drive to town. Here is Pinka, driving her tractor.





Soon Pinka came to a crate.

It was a big blue crate.

It was right in the middle of the road.

Pinka chuckled. "I learned that a story is always better if you have a friend in it!"

"What else did you learn?" asked Julia Owl.

"I learned to be very careful around Pinka-sized crates."

"I learned two things today," said Pinka.

Pinka and Julia Owl rode off in the tractor.

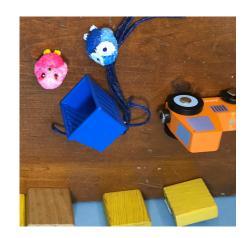


Julia Owl said, "You a r welcome."

"Thank you for helping me!" said Pinka to Julia Owl.

She was glad that she was NOT the only character in the story.

Pinka was glad to be out of the crate.

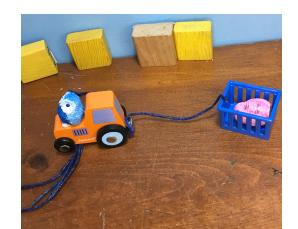




THE END

Julia Owl was aiming at a BIG bump in the road.

Over the bump went the tractor.



Then over the bump went the crate-containing-Pinka.

The crate-containing-Pinka flipped up on one side.

Pinka came rolling out of the crate.





Pinka stood up.

She shook her pink feathers.

She shook her pink head.