



This was new—
an addition! Sidney was
on a pre-position mission!
She called them out loud, one by one,
in snail-voice, like a magician:

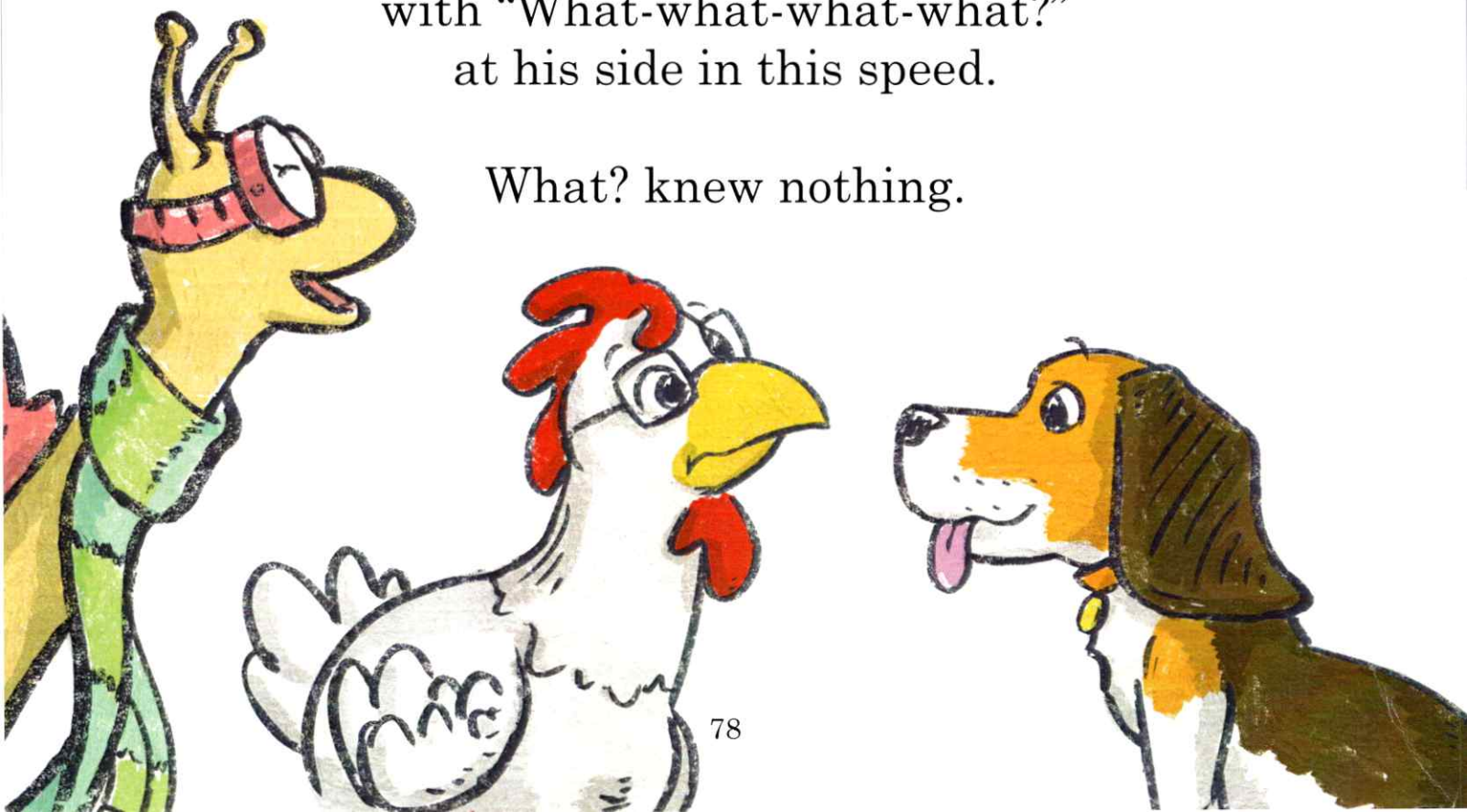
“IN THE SOUP...
IN is in the pre-position.

AT THE TOP...
AT is in the pre-position!

BEFORE THE FALL...
BEFORE is in the pre-position!

“PRE before?” Poodle thought,
and What? agreed,
with “What-what-what-what?”
at his side in this speed.

What? knew nothing.



PRE before—that was it.

The secret, I mean,
like others we've seen,
like an egret in a scene.

“Yes!” Sidney called
as they cruised to a stop
on the new land before them.

Poodle touched down
with only one hop,
and What? just went plop,
and hit on his nose
(not what he chose),
and barked, “What?”
and Sidney called, “Drop!”

Welcome to the Plane of Prepositions
in our next chapter, Six,
where chickens can quicken
their cleverest kicks!

These are great words, an art,
all in their *pre-positions*!

They start
a word group so smart.
They show how things
are related—what heart!”