

RUBY

gets into

HOT WATER



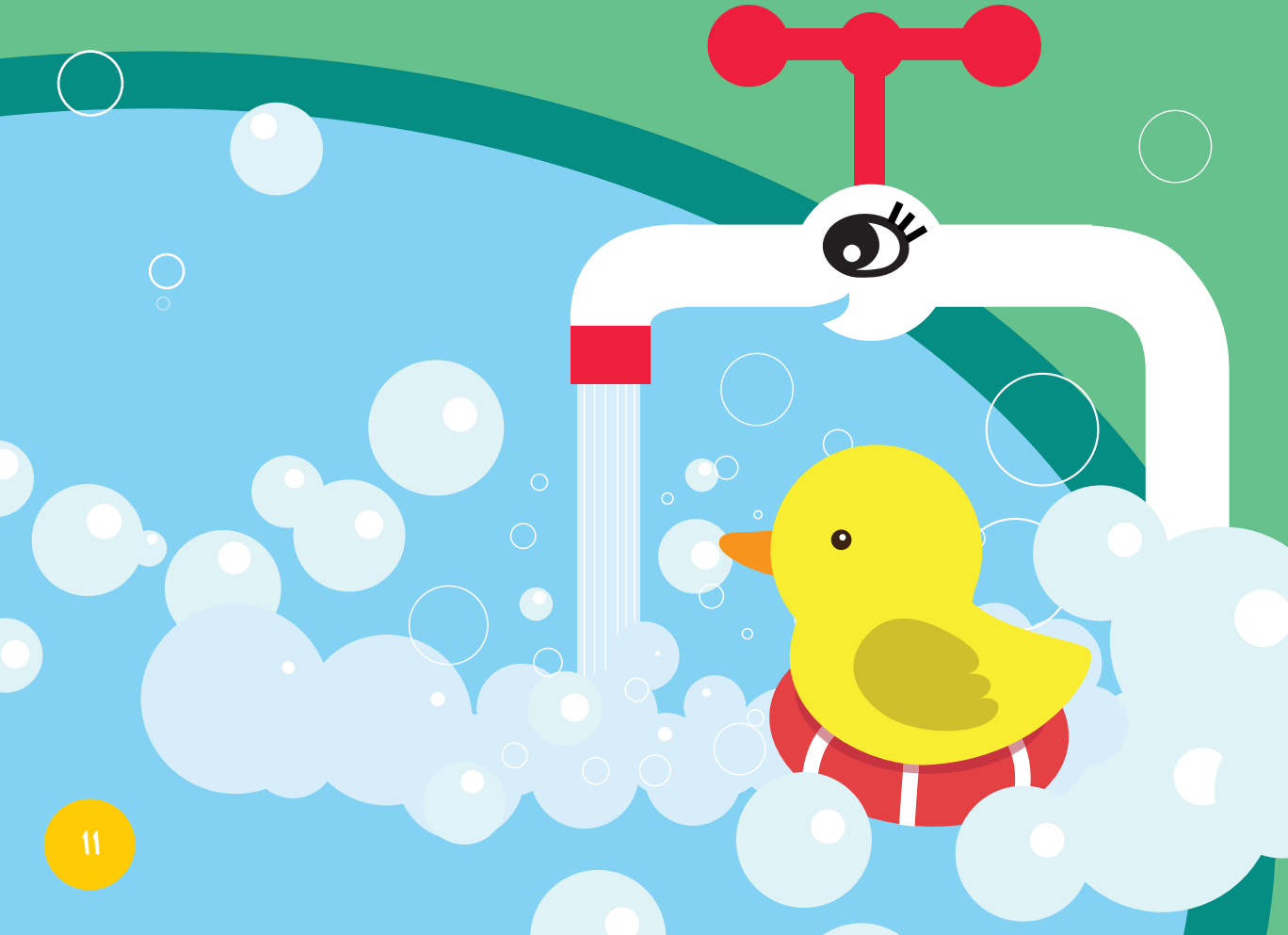
Sweet Little Ruby she just loved to **BATH**,
She'd paddle and babble and giggle and laugh.



She loved to have baths where the water would pour
Right up to the top, "Mommy, fill it some more.
The longer, the warmer, the better," she'd say,
"I do so love bathing

I COULD DO IT ALL DAY!"

And Hottie the Hot Tap just wanted to **PLEASE** her,
But Hottie depended on Gertie the Geyser.
And when too much **HOT** water was used...



Gertie would shout,



“STOP

wasting **HOT** water,
I'm going to run out!”



But Sweet Little Ruby just wanted to play.

**AND MORE PRECIOUS HOT
WATER WASTED AWAY.**

As Ruby, in daydreams, went back to the day
That they went to the beach on their last holiday.



She saw **HERRINGS** in fishnets and **SALMON** in pink,
And big purple **STARFISH** and **SEAGULLS** that wink,
And giant **SANDCASTLES** they built in the sand,
And **PENGUINS** that ate from the palm of her hand.

Sweet Little Ruby then opened her eyes.
She was still in the water and what a surprise:
The bath had gone cold and run over the brim,

**AND HOTTIE THE HOT TAP
WAS ANGRY AND GRIM.**



A stylized illustration of a bathtub scene. At the top, the lower half of a person wearing a red dress and green boots is visible, standing in the water. A yellow rubber duck with a red and white striped ring around its neck is floating in the water. The water is depicted with green and blue wavy lines. Blue raindrops are falling from the top of the frame. A blue speech bubble contains text, and a white speech bubble contains another. The page number '15' is in a yellow circle at the bottom left.

IT WAS **SOGGY** AND **BOGGY** AND **SMELLY** AND **WET**,

And Ruby did not like it, not one little bit.
So, even though Ruby was only just playing,
She now had to hear what that Hot Tap was saying.

"It takes so much
POWER
To make a hot bath.
It's better to shower,
It's cheaper by half."



Take care of your share of
HOT WATER –
You know it's the right thing to do.
You just take a shower,
WE'RE SAVING THE POWER
'Cos others are needing it too,
LIKE YOU!



At bath time now, Ruby plays the **DON'T WASTE WATER GAME**.
She sometimes takes a shower, it's like standing in warm rain.
And Hottie is so happy and Gertie's calm again
'COS RUBY NEVER LETS HOT WATER JUST GO DOWN THE DRAIN.