

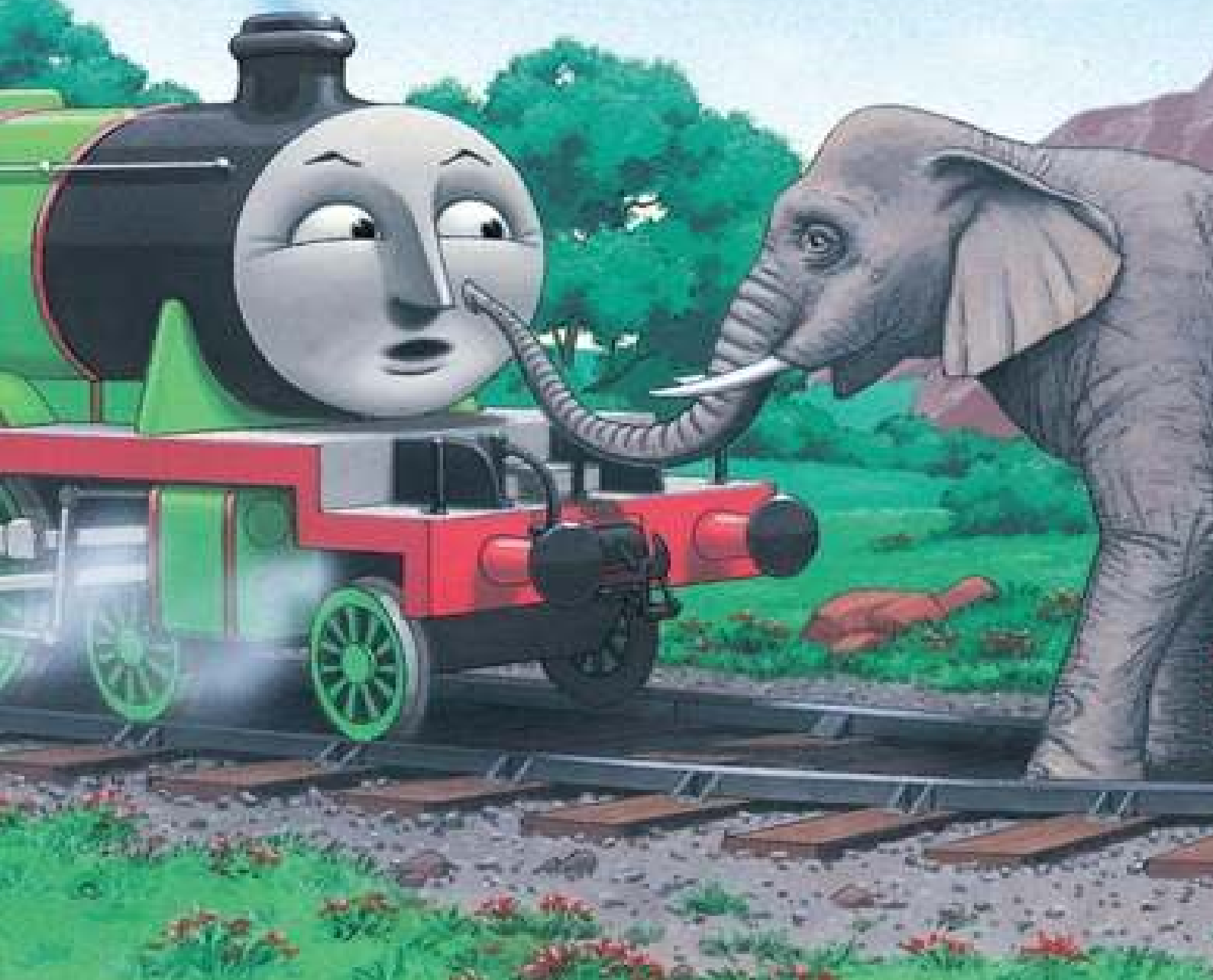
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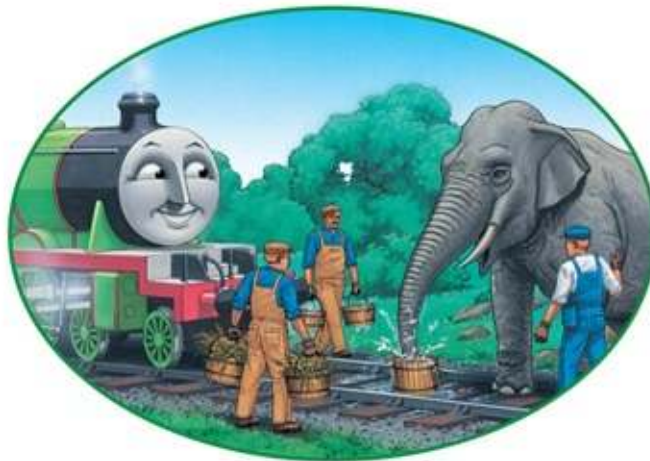
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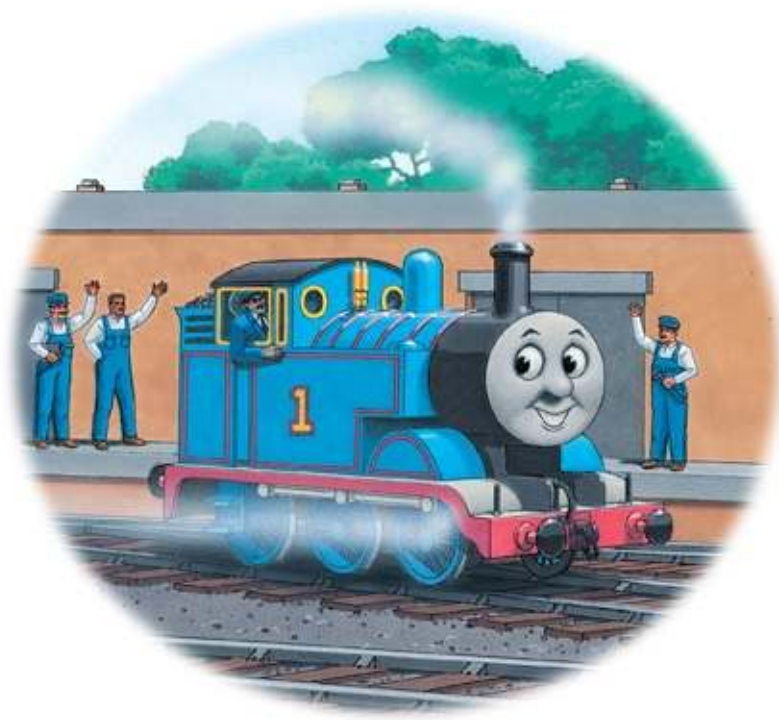
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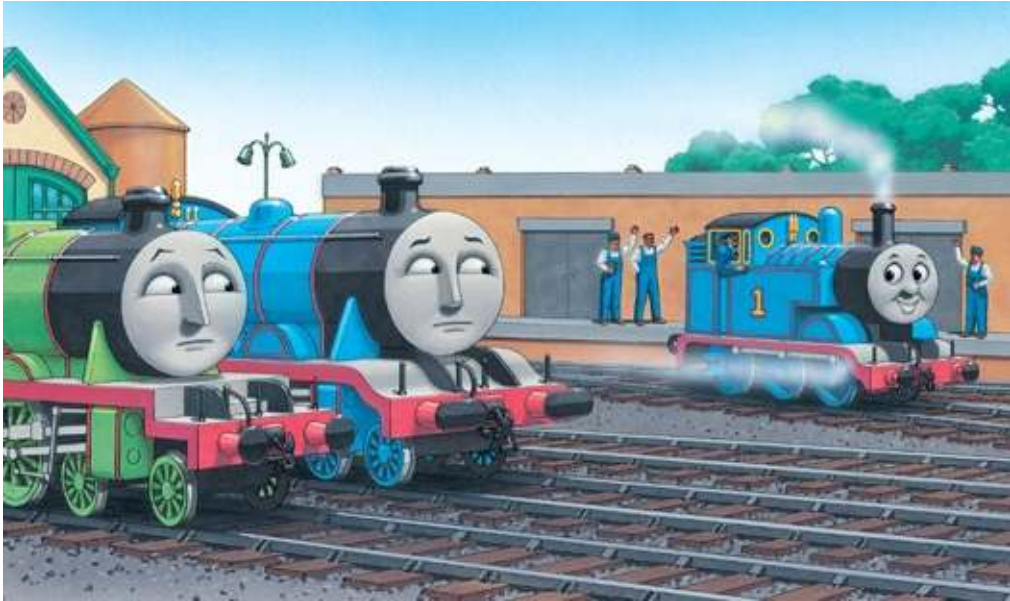
Thomas left the Yard.

He went to run  
his own Branch Line.



Henry and Gordon  
missed Thomas.

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With Thomas gone,  
there was more  
work to do.  
Henry and Gordon  
were cross.

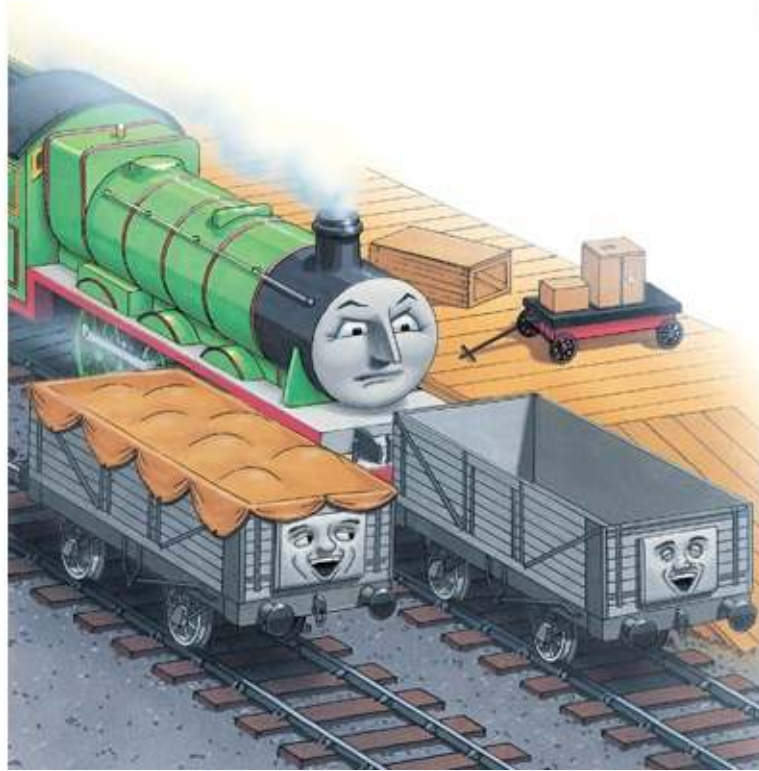
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Henry grumbled  
as he pushed trucks.

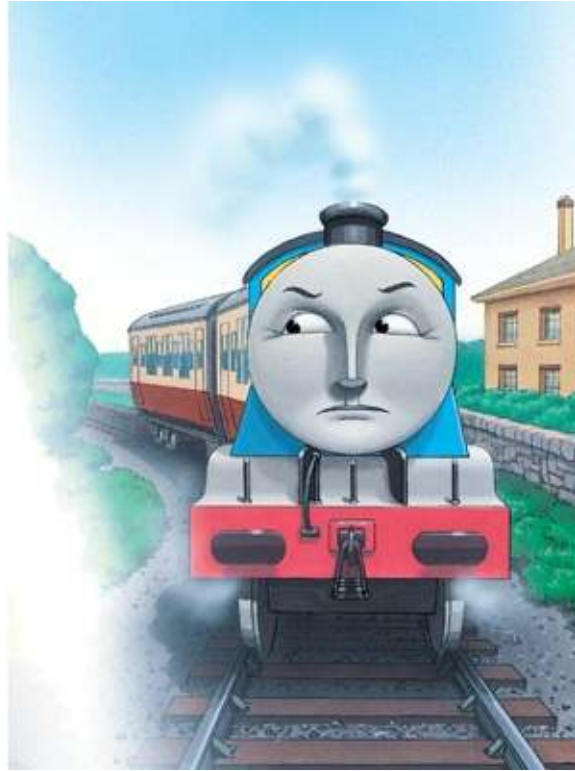
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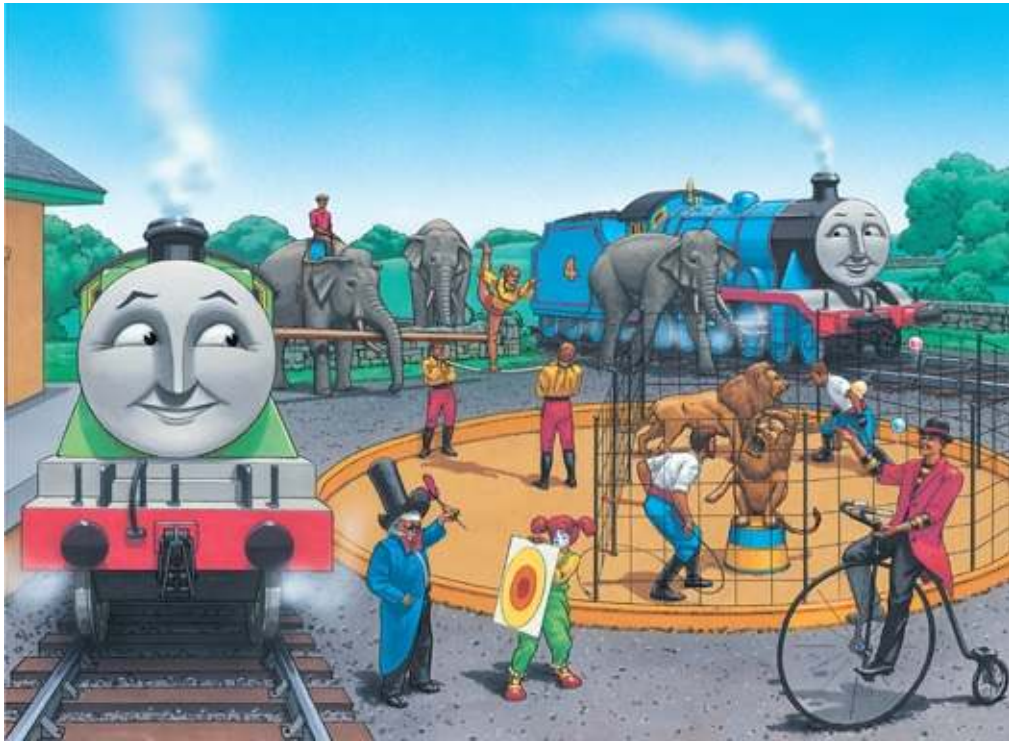


Gordon grumbled  
as he pulled coaches.

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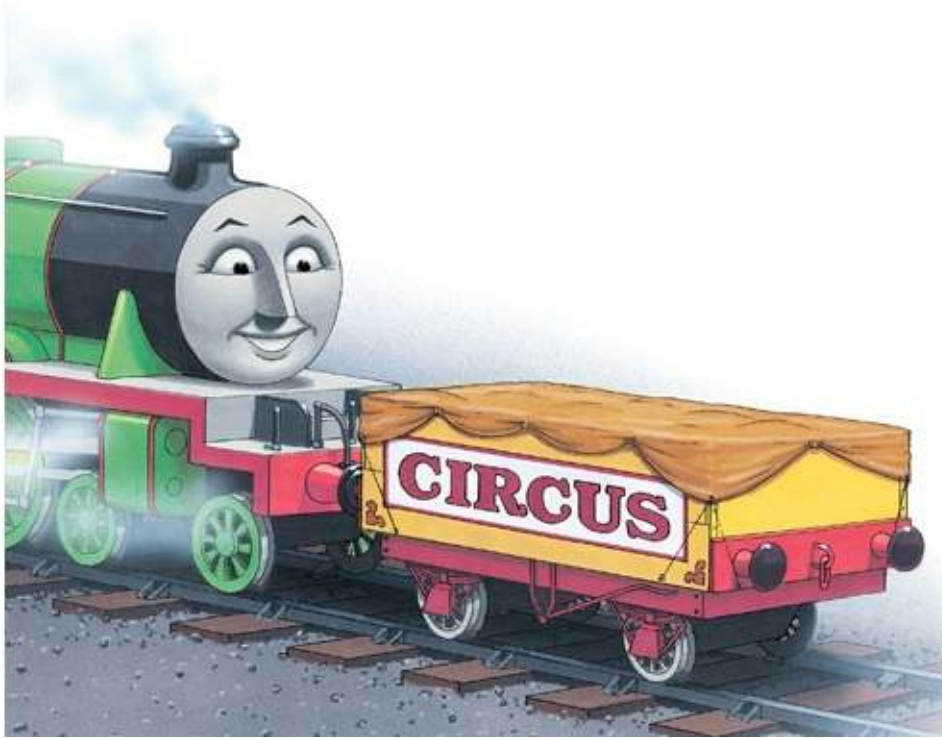


One day,  
a circus came  
to town.  
Now the engines  
were even busier.



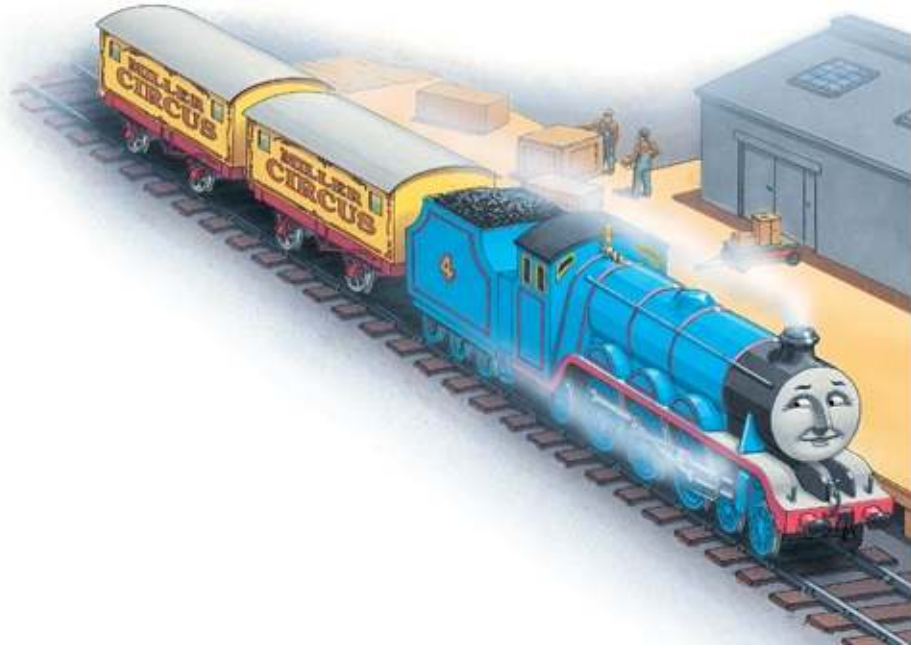
Henry pushed  
the trucks.

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Gordon pulled  
the coaches.

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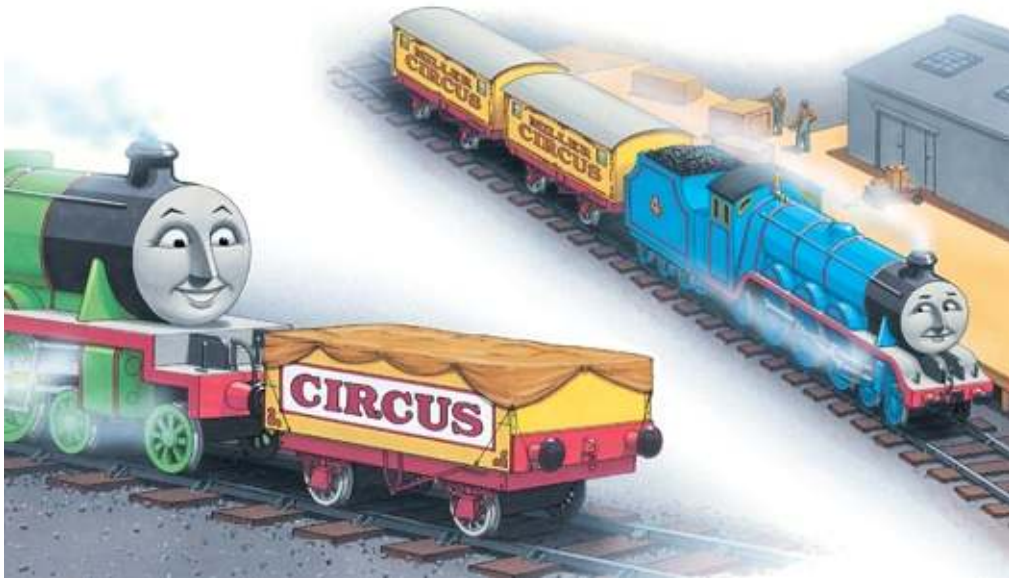


They did not

grumble.

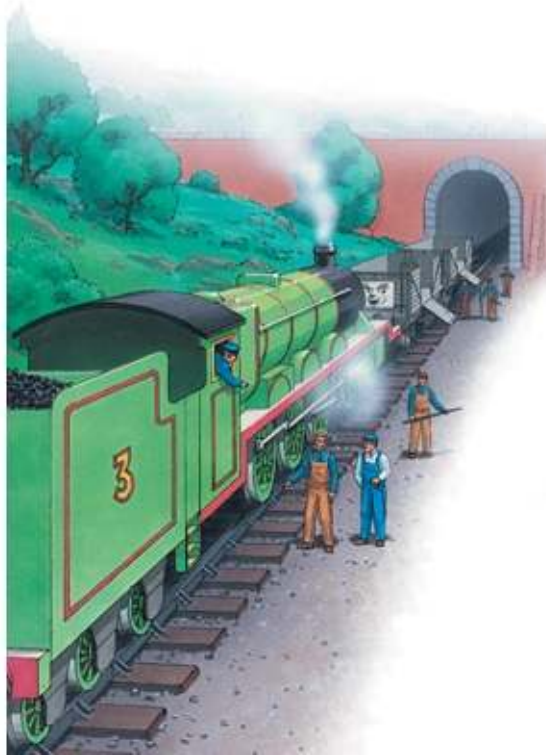
Henry and Gordon

liked the circus.



The next day,  
Henry took workmen  
to a blocked tunnel.

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The workmen

picked up their tools.

“Time to clear the line.”

They walked inside.





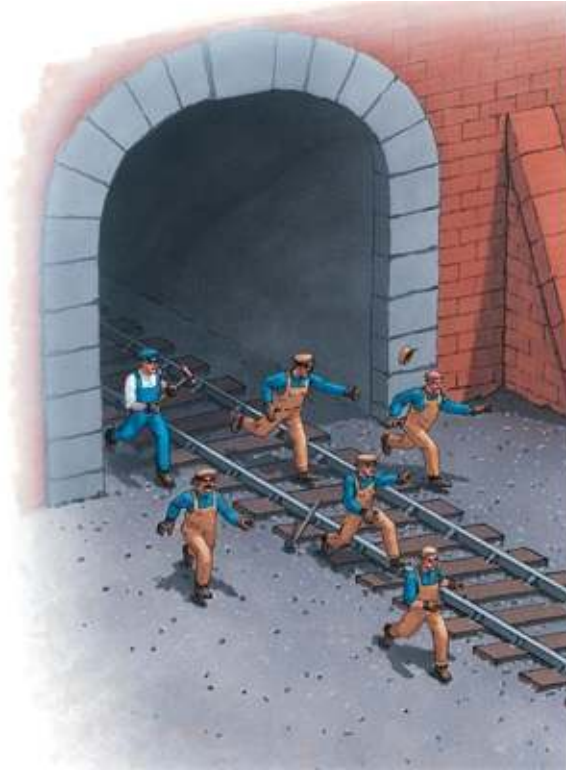
Something big was  
in the tunnel.  
It would not move.  
It grunted.  
It was alive!

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They ran outside.

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The Foreman had a plan.  
Henry could push trucks  
into the tunnel.

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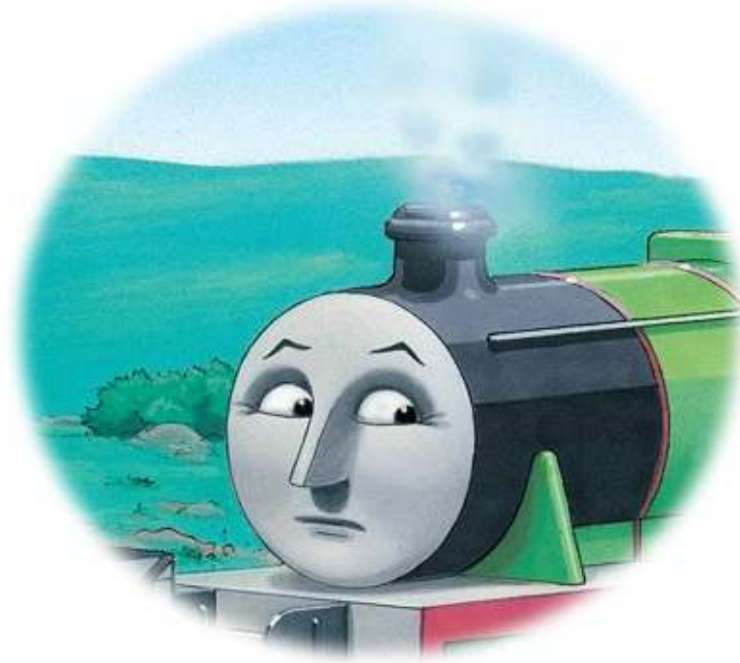


“Wheesh,” said Henry.

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Henry did not like  
tunnels.

He was scared.



Henry pushed the

trucks.

They went

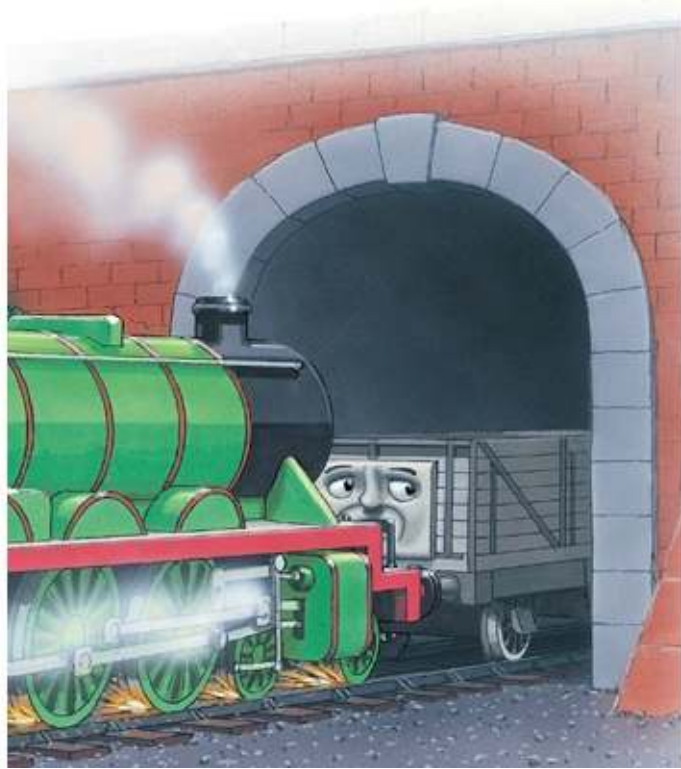
into the dark tunnel.

**BUMP!**



Henry pushed hard.

The big, scary thing  
pushed back.

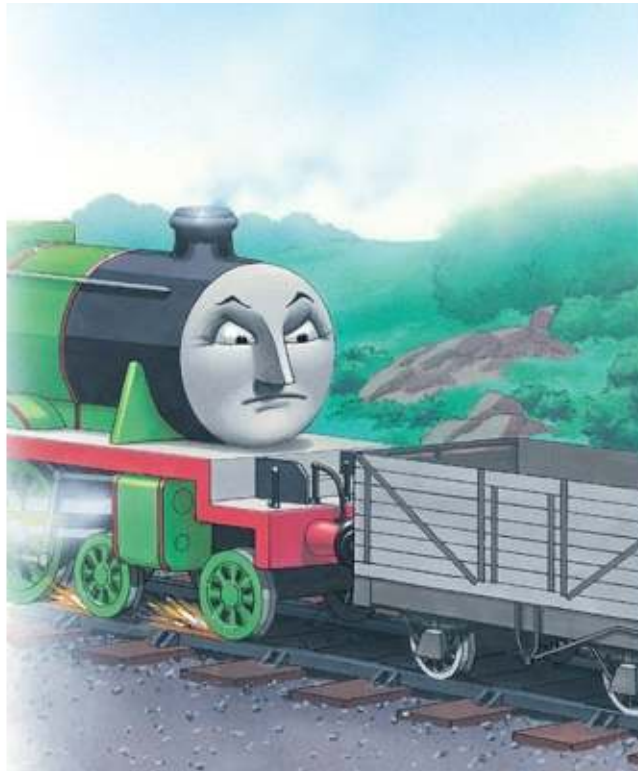


Henry pushed harder.

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The big, scary thing  
pushed hardest!

Henry inched  
backwards.

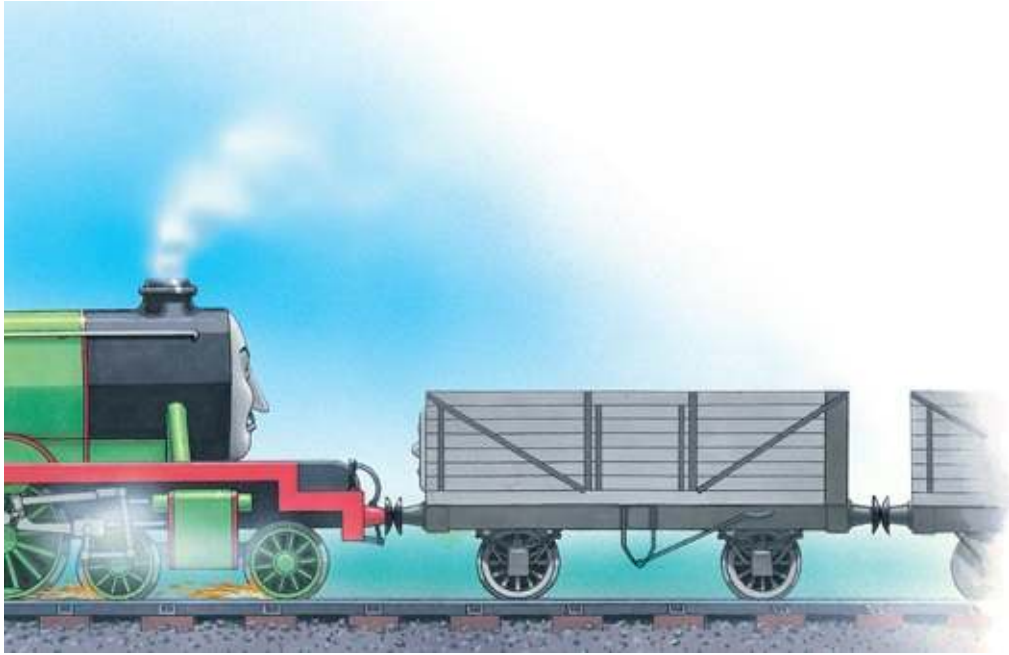




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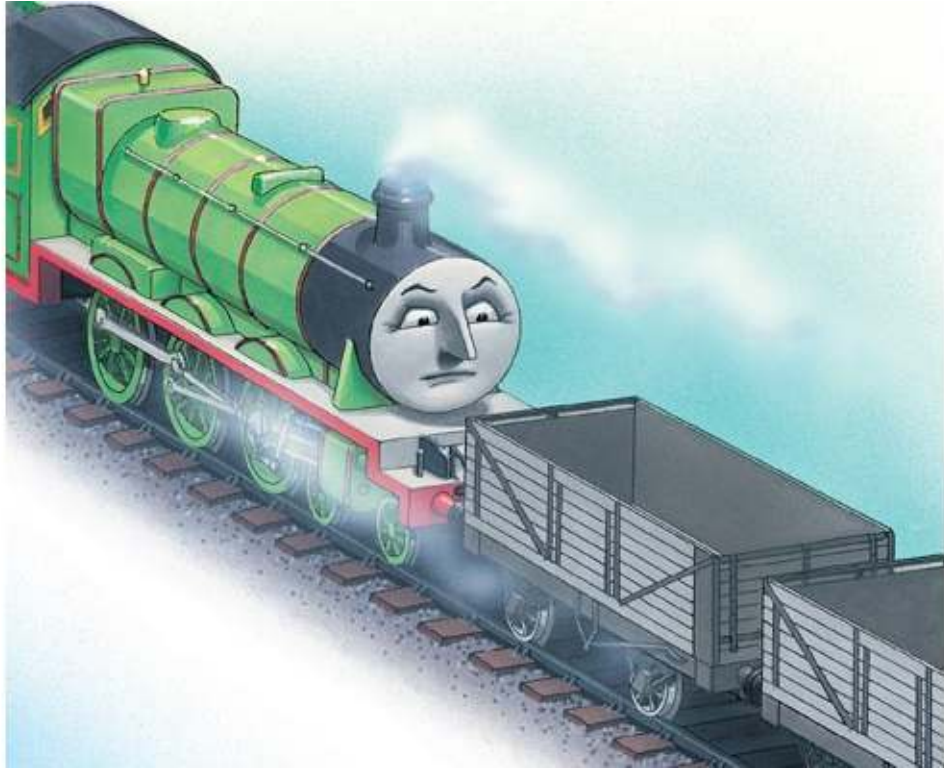
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Henry was pushed  
out of the tunnel.



Then the trucks  
were pushed out.

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