



As children, author **Kate Klise** (left) and illustrator **M. Sarah Klise** (right) were lucky enough to visit Scotland on a family vacation. They loved seeing the lush green countryside and marveled at the mysterious lakes or “lochs.”

They did not, however, see the Loch Ness Monster. (Not on that trip, anyway.)

Kate now looks for mysterious monsters at her home in Norwood, Missouri. Sarah searches for sea serpents and other creatures at her home in Berkeley, California.

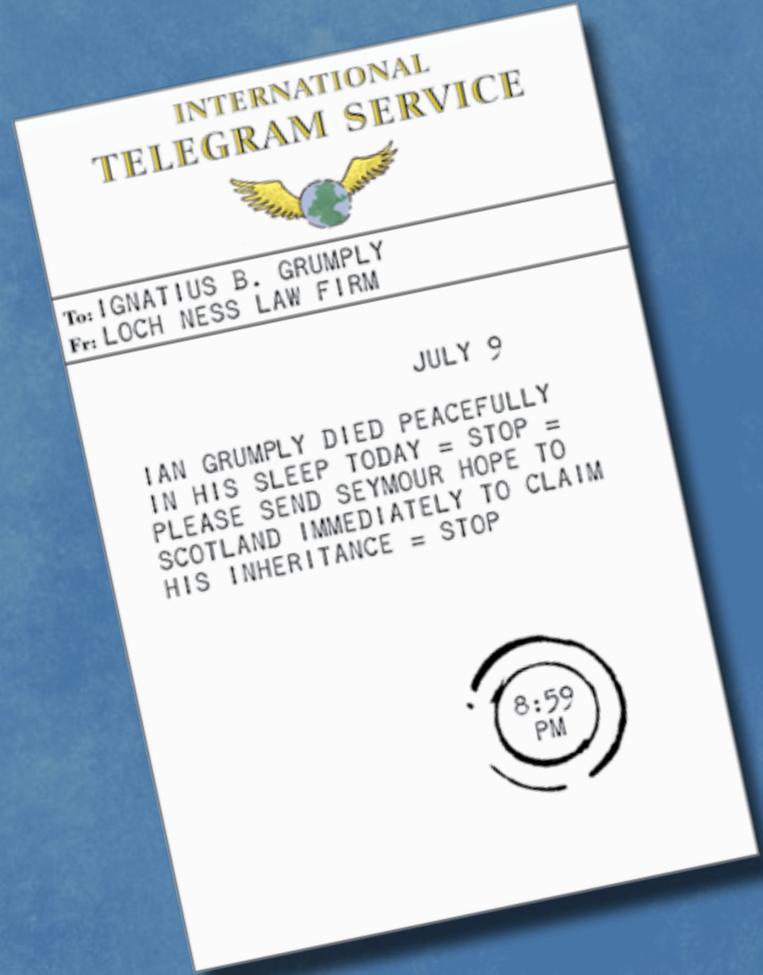
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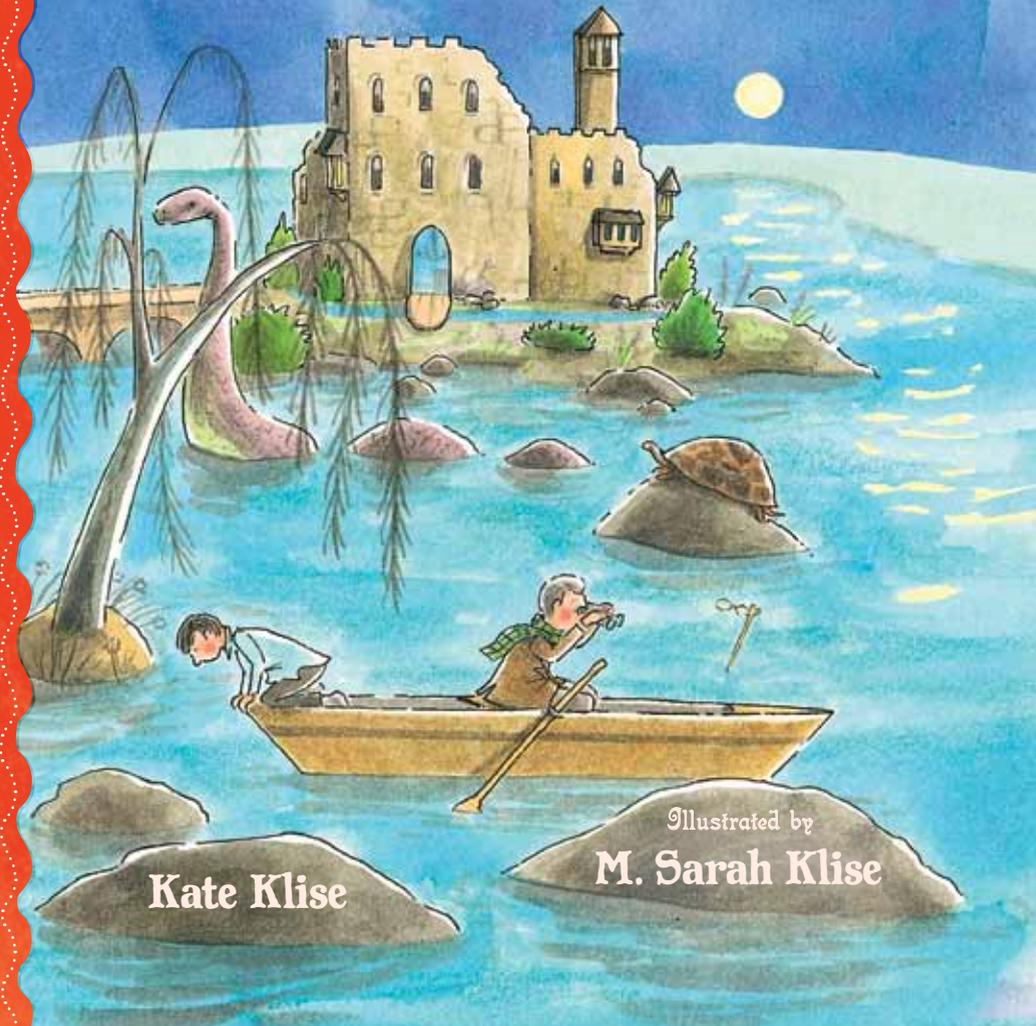
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Have you heard
the one about the
tortoise and the heir?

Great Scot! A telegram has just arrived at Spence Mansion with news that twelve-year-old Seymour Hope has inherited a castle in Loch Ness, Scotland. It could be the perfect summer vacation house for Seymour and his parents, Olive C. Spence and Ignatius B. Grumply. But Iggy wants *nothing* to do with the castle. Why? Because it was owned by his uncle Ian, world-famous psychiatrist and world's *worst* punster. So while Iggy stays home to write, Seymour and Olive set off for Scotland—each with a secret.

Meanwhile, it's no secret that the Ghastly Public Library's Borrow-a-Pet summer program is turning into a disaster. Pets are unruly. Library patrons are unhappy. An expensive tortoise is missing. And no one is grumpier than Iggy, who has an unexpected houseguest: the ghost of his uncle Ian.

Told in letters, drawings, instant messages, and a series of ghostly conversations, *The Loch Ness Punster* will make you feel *loch*y to be alive in a world full of laughter, love, and legendary surprises.

