An ostrich with brown and white feathers is shown in profile, looking to the right. It is standing in a grassy field under a blue sky. In the foreground, a large, cracked eggshell is visible, with a jagged hole on its side. The entire scene is framed by a purple border with a white, torn-paper-like edge.

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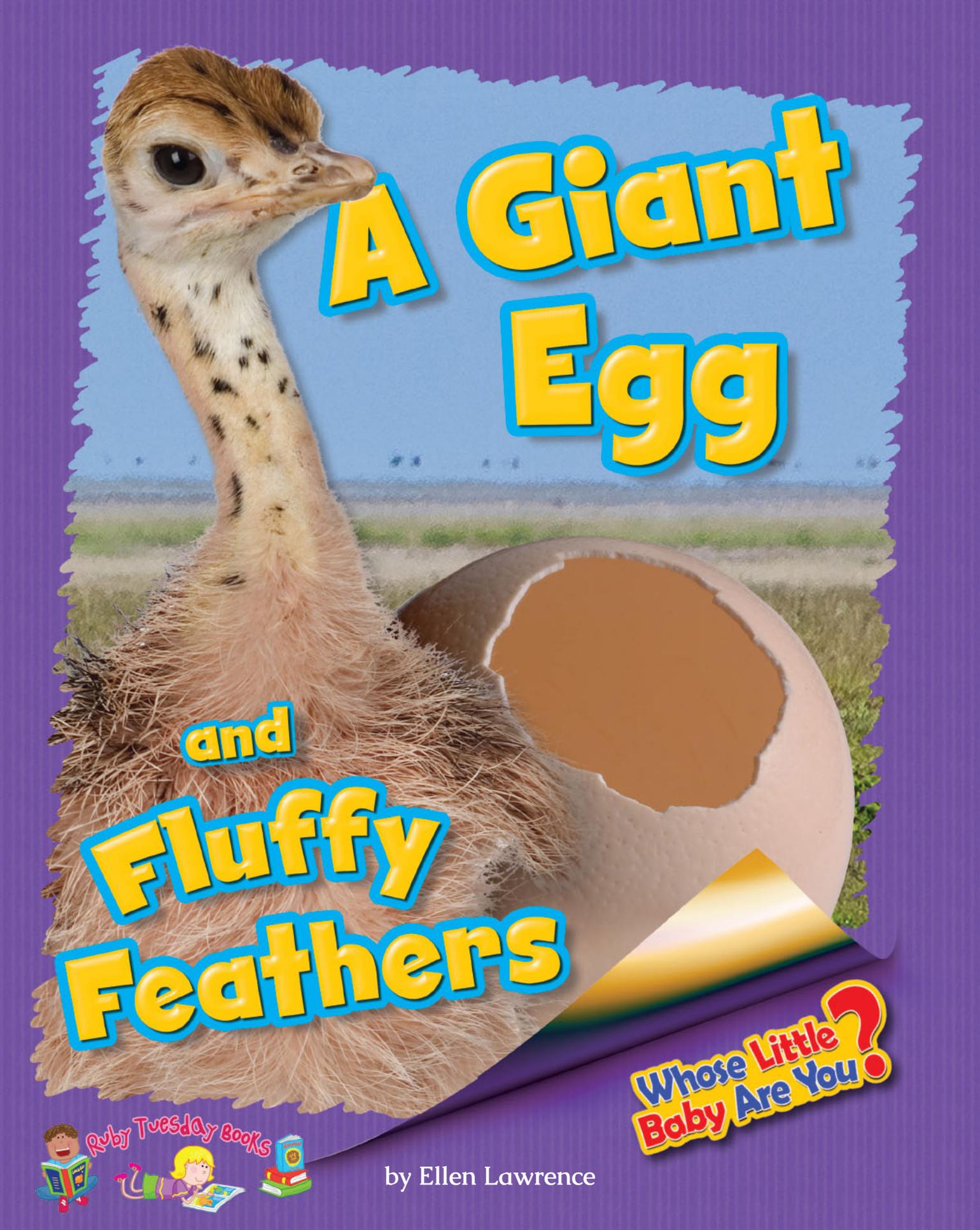
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A Grassland Chick

On a hot, dusty grassland, there lives a little chick.



The baby bird is just a few days old.

He has a long, speckled neck, and his body is covered with feathers.

Chick

Feathers

Who does this little baby belong to?

The little chick belongs to a mother and father ostrich.

Ostriches are the biggest birds in the world.

They are much taller than an adult human!

Father ostrich



The father ostrich has black and white feathers.



The mother ostrich has brown feathers.

Glossary

grassland (GRASS-land)

A habitat covered with grasses and other low-growing plants. Only a few trees grow on a grassland.

hatching (HACH-ing)

Breaking out of an egg.

mate (MATE)

An animal's partner with which it has babies.

predator (PRED-uh-tur)

An animal that hunts and eats other animals.

shallow (SHAL-oh)

Not very deep.

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A Giant Egg and Fluffy Feathers

Whose Little?
Baby Are You?

On a hot, dry grassland, a little chick has just hatched from his egg. The baby bird is a little wobbly, but he's soon following his huge mom and dad as they search for food. Who does this little baby belong to?

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Fuzzy Orange Hair

Tiny Paws and
Big Black Eyes

