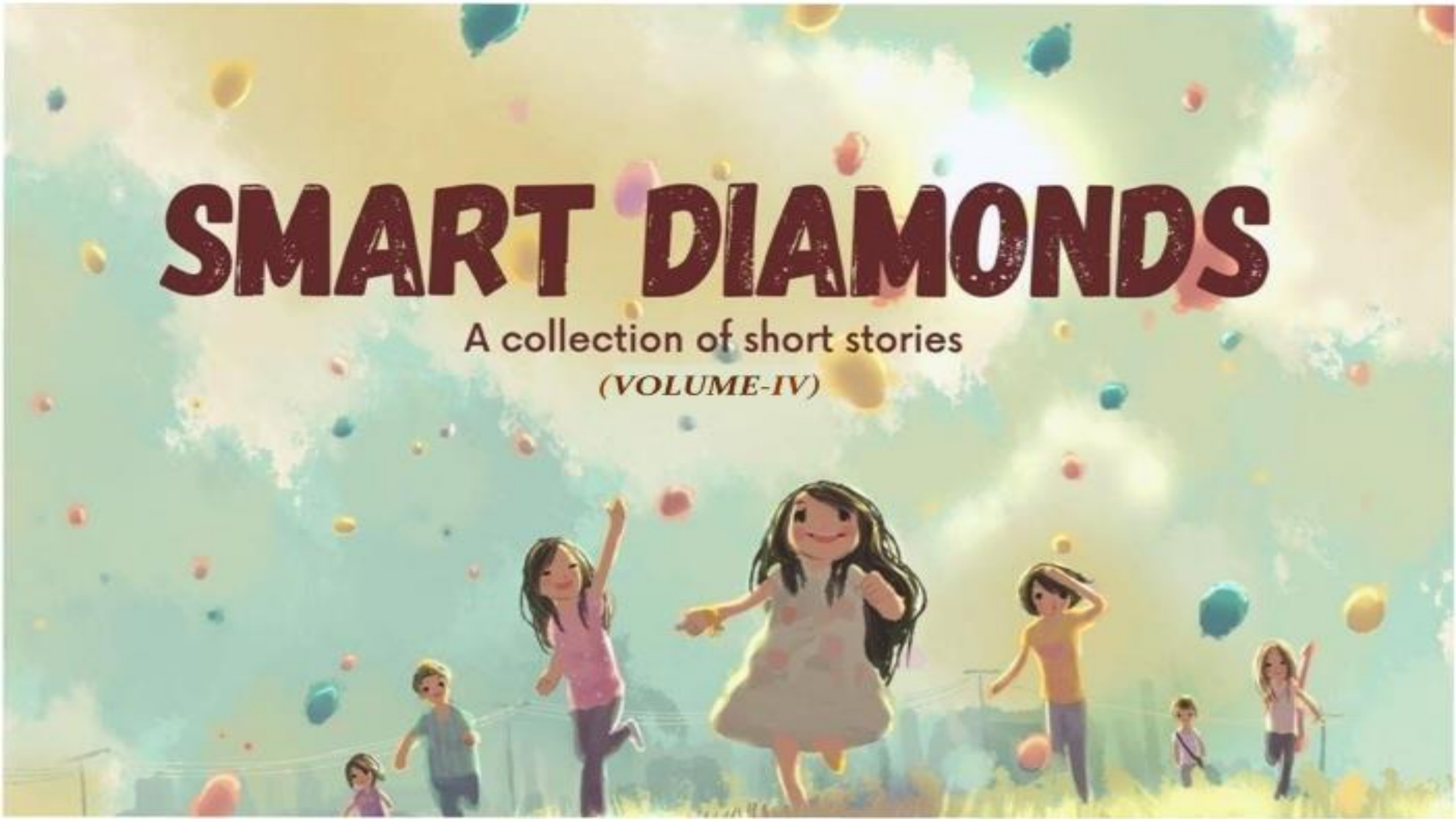


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# **A breeze away**

Vidhi Baid

Imagine if we were a  
dandelion...about to be  
blown away.  
(In this story humans are  
depicted by dandelions,  
vice-versa)





On a field filled with yellow dandelions and a blue skyscape spread above, the dandelions swayed side to side. They were waiting to bloom and eventually to be blown by a soft breeze.





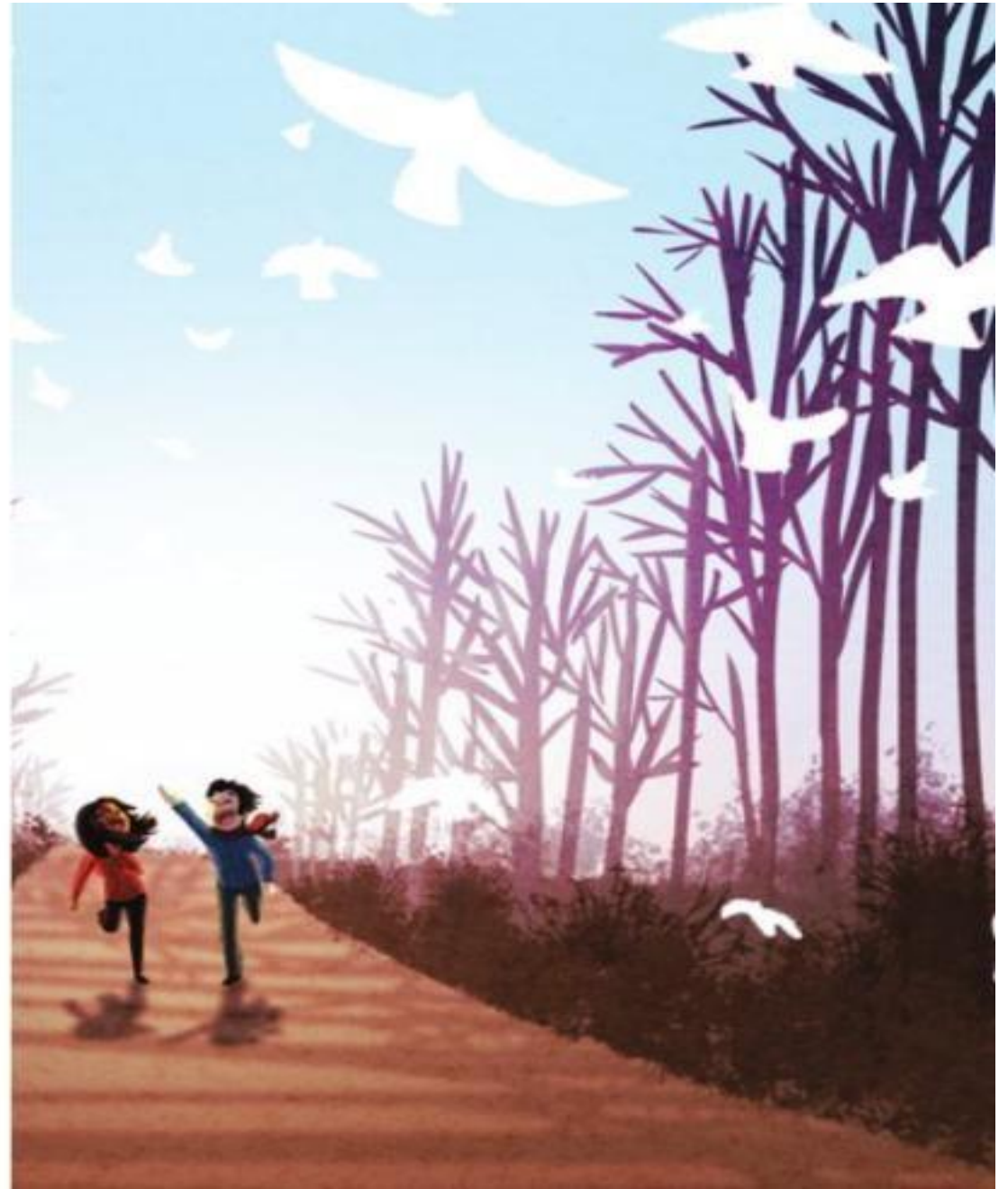
When they were held  
under a white allure, they  
were under the warmth of  
the sun and the shade of  
the clouds and trees. Just  
waiting and waiting...



The most awaited day for the dandelions finally arrived. But one seed stuck on and didn't want to detach itself. It was afraid of what would happen. Would it survive?

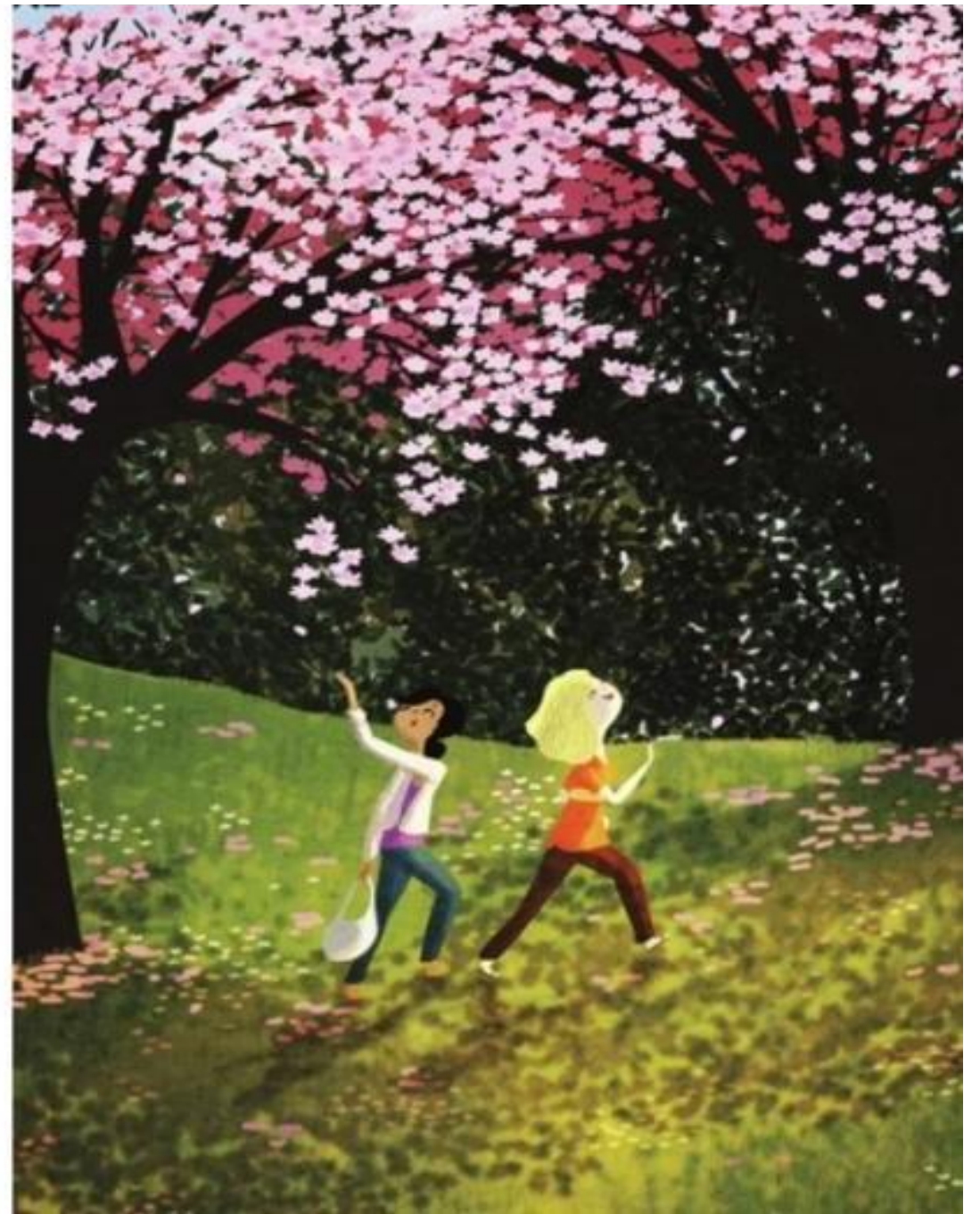


After much hesitation, it stood there. It knew it had to make a decision either way. It gained some courage and flew away with the wind.





It was fascinated by the glimpse of places it had seen on its journey through the wind. Soon, it had landed on the ground. In about a year, it was a fully-grown individual plant, ready to bloom.



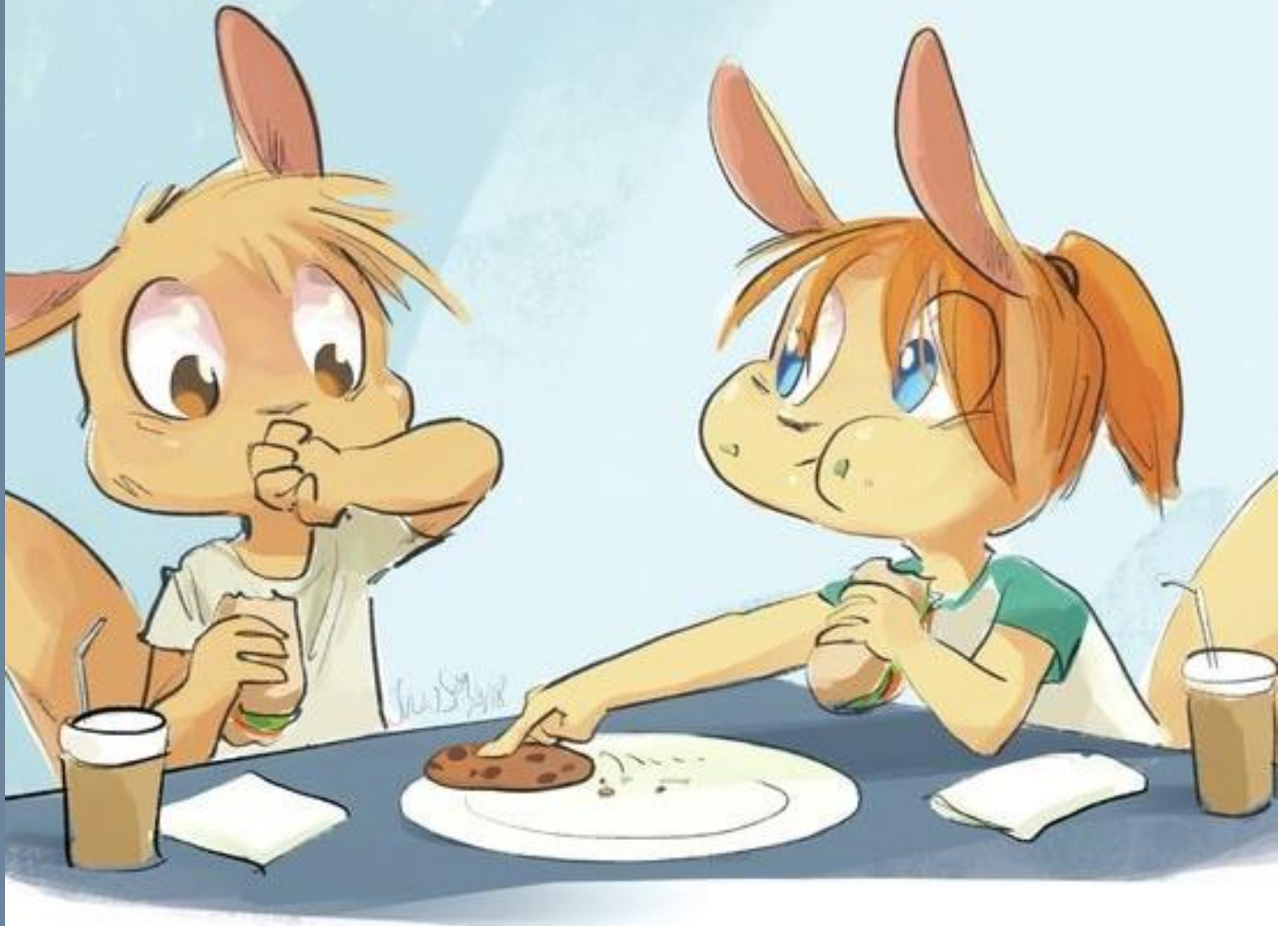
*Moral - At some point,  
you have to let go,  
summon all your strength,  
and start heading in a  
new direction because it'll  
lead you closer to your  
true path.*







# A cookie which killed the cat



by Kruthi\_1710

A Storybird

**A cookie which killed the cat**

by Kruthi\_1710

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Once upon a time in Jamaica, lived two cute little girls named Tinni and Pinky. They both loved sandwiches and cookies. Tinni loved dogs. But Pinky hated dogs.



Pinky loves cats and rabbits.  
Both the friends used to have  
petty fights over their favorite  
pets.



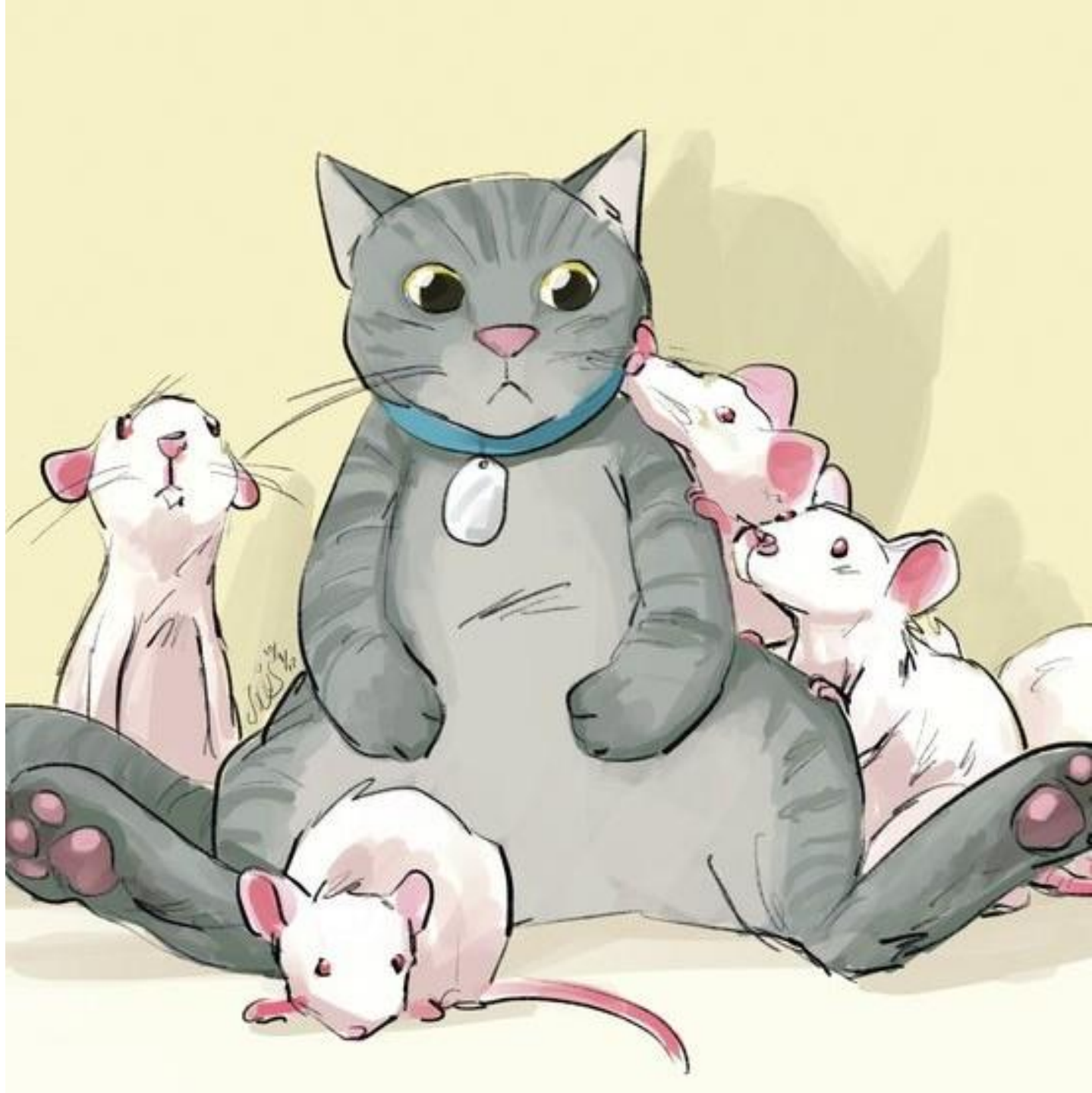
On one fine day, Tinni got a parcel. There was no name written on it. But she was getting cat noises from the box. She then understood that her friend Pinky sent this parcel to her.





She immediately called  
Pinky and said "Hey, why  
did you send me this  
disgusting cat?"

I accidentally wrote down  
your address instead of my  
sister's.





They both fought and didn't speak for a few days and Tinni was craving Pinky's cookies, but unfortunately, she is unable to go over to Pinky's house and ask for some.



Afterward, she developed a fondness for the cat. She now has greater affection for cats than dogs.



While playing with her dog, she heard some noises from her backyard. In her backyard, she spotted Pinky. She got worried and went to her backyard.





Then, they both encountered a talking bunny searching for her friend.





Tinni searched for her cat but was unable to find it. After three days she found the cat to be dead.



She discovered that the cookie given to her by a bunny was poisonous, causing the cat's death.



THE END





# **A Wild Life Photographer**

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A guy named Suresh who is a 18 year old professional photographer. He likes clicking pictures in jungle. One day he planned to go to jungle.







When he entered the jungle, he saw few birds. They were looking weird. he looked at them strangely and clicked a picture of them.

After clicking the strange looking birds, he saw another bird who is fighting with his friend.

he laughed at them and clicked a picture.





Then he saw a chick which was holding a flower. He found that the chick was looking adorable. And he clicked a picture which she was looking cute.



He saw a baby duckling and his mother feeding him. He was recognising that when the guy was young his mother was also used to feed him the same way.





Then he saw his favorite animal Tiger. It was his first time to see a real tiger in his life. He felt so happy and clicked many pictures of it.

After clicking pictures he looked very tired and went back to his home. After reaching his home he kept all the picture in social media. Within few minutes only he got so many likes. He felt so happy and it was his best experience for him.

**THE END**







# AGENT SREE-THE MISSING CROWN

by Vallabha 7 A

one day when agent sree was chilling in his untidy room he got a call from the admin of international museum saying its most valuable crown is missing .so, he got up wore his coat and got on his car to a one way trip to the museum...





he arrived at the burglary spot he inspected the museum around looking here and there for clues. He checked every window every door. every in and out possibilities. He checked near the place where the crown is kept. The crown is guarded by security members. He observed every nook and corner of the museum.





he went outside and was looking at the grass and soil. He went to the back of the plants and the person in front of him said he looked hideous he checked for tracks or foot prints and found 2 types so they presumed one of the burglar and the other one of the gardener. the gardener wore boots so they could see the hard patterned boots and the burglar wore soft and sound proof shoes to avoid being heard....



the detective found  
the only possible route  
to escape is front  
route so he found how  
out how he had come  
in and stole.....





he said that the guards have been inhaling sleeping gas because everyone fallen asleep at once and then the CCTV got switched off which gives us 30 seconds to re generate the power...





after the power regenerated he continued that ... he covered his face and is wearing an airforce 1 shoe size 10 cm .he also should be close to the museum people because we could see the original blueprints of the museum in his bag which was half open and the bag was from wildcraft designers from a specific shop named "customtimers.pvt.ltd"



he asked his secret agents to go retrieve some stuff from a certain location without the owner noticing it. Sree called up the museum and asked the admin to come to the press conference meeting with his brother and sister





at the meeting he explained that the brother of admin of the museum Nihal Sudhakar who is Akshat Sudhakar stole the crown for personal vengeance and a thirst for power and turning toward Akshat who was caught handcuffed by police he asked am i right Akshat? He stammered and walked away...





after the  
case the news  
spread like  
wild fire and  
Sree is known  
everywhere.





Sree finally took off the coat and was chilling in his office as usual waiting for a case that is interesting, confusing and fun to solve...



# Bow and Curtsey

by- Poshika IX





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**Bow and Curtsey**

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In a small town lived a handsome, little boy named Noah. He was a very obedient boy and would always listen to his mother, after all, she was the only family he had. He was often made look down upon by the village people because of his caste. When he was six his mother said to him, "Weak people take revenge, Strong people forgive and Intelligent people ignore."

On the other hand lived a cute, naughty girl named Milley. She was known all over the town for her mischief. She used to knock on the doors of people, climb trees, and catch thieves but never used to look down at people. She was helpful. She basically bought beauty for the town. She has a big family her mother, father, big sister, two big brothers, uncle, aunt, grandmother, and grandfather. She was the youngest in her family.





Now back to Noah. Noah used to help his mother after school by selling fruits. Their earnings used to bring them scarce money only for education and food. One afternoon after school Noah was cycling to his mom to take care of the shop and bumped into a girl. OUCH! he exclaims. The girl had freshly picked up flowers in her basket which went flying up and came down going here and there. The girl then says, "OH NO! my flowers, my hard work all gone in a second."



Noah said, "Sorry miss" and asked her how could he make it up to her. The girl said that it was okay and requested him if he could help her pick up new flowers. Noah agreed to it cause he had felt guilty. The girl took Noah to a beautiful garden. Noah asked the girl for her name and she replied by saying "My name is Milley Bobby Brown you can call me Milley" ooo that's a cute name said Noah. Milley then asked Noah for his name Noah replied to it and they both became friends.







Noah helped Milley pick up some nice flowers and then laid down on the grass. Milley picked up few more flowers and later went to Noah they both talked to each other for hours until the sun began to set. Noah recalled that he had to help his mother and said bye to Milley. Milley thanked him for his help and time. Soon they became best friends. They together used to go to places where Noah found peace and sometimes to places where Milley enjoyed. They were soon inseparable.





After a year or so Milley's father got a letter of transfer to a big city miles away. Milley felt sad as she didn't want to leave her friend she tried convincing her father but he wouldn't listen. It was hard for Milley to break it to Noah. She somehow put the courage and told Noah about Noah was upset but he knew the every bad thing leads to something good. Milley and Noah took a promise that they would keep sending letters and stay close. That evening Milley left for the city

Years passed Milley and Noah grew up. They grew up a bit distant and got busy with their lives. Milley was sleeping and had a dream in which she saw a promise she had given to Noah, the promise was that they would both study their best and achieve something awesome in life. Milley and Noah both kept their promises and achieved something big. Hoah became an entrepreneur of a very big company where as Milley was a lawyer.





Milley one day recieved a letter from her firm that there was a ballroom party in her city, it was the biggest ballroom party every and she had got free tickets to it. She felt so happy as it came to her mind few days ago and she got a ticket. Milley quickly picked up a long gown and a matching pair of heels. She started preparing it from that day itself, the ballroom party was in two days after all.

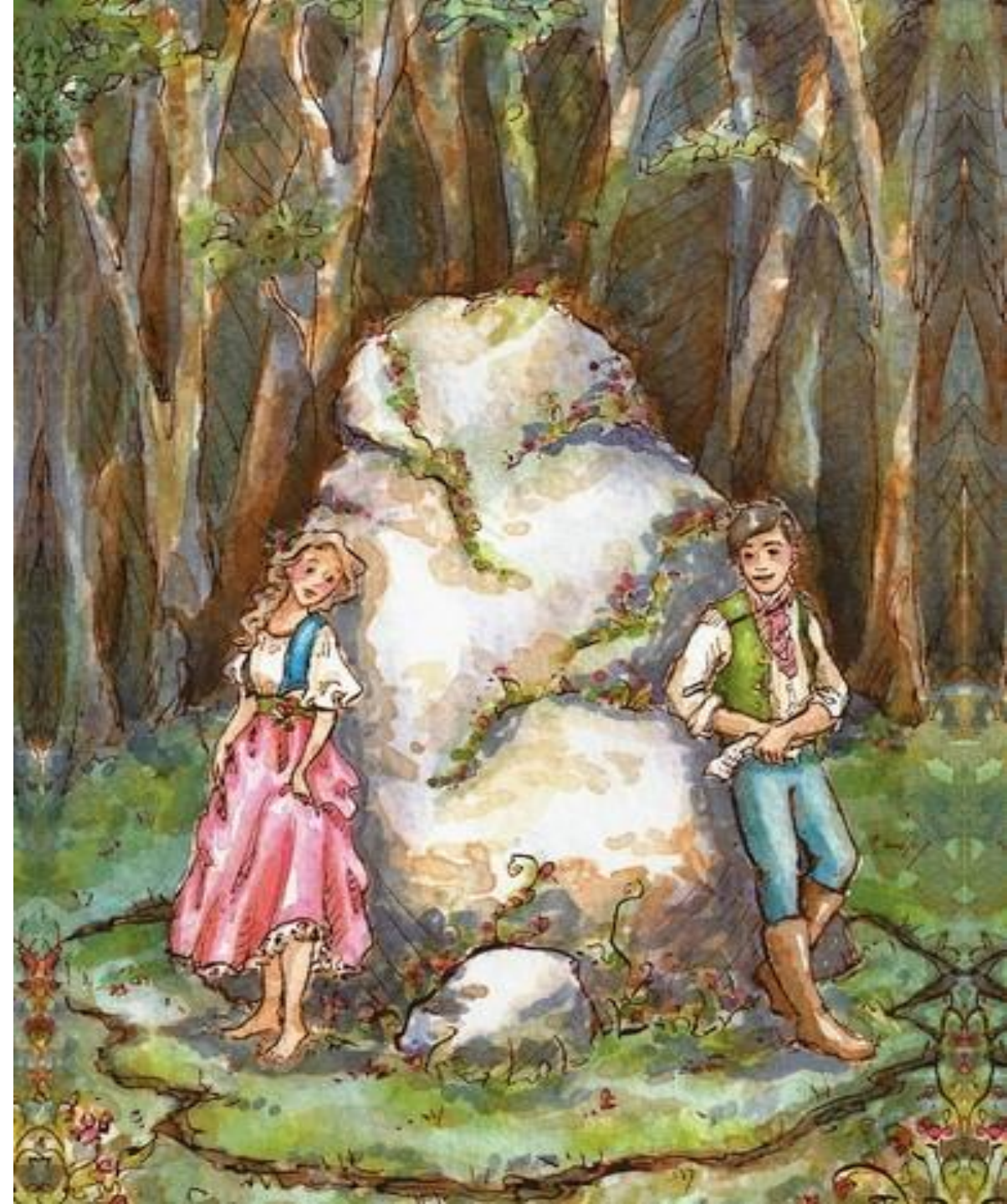


After two days the day had come. Milley got ready and left. She met a few of her colleagues and enjoyed with them after some time she saw a familiar face. When she looked closely she recognized that it was Noah. She went to him and hugged him, as she met him after a very long time. In no time few bodyguards pushed her away. She asked them what are they doing, and why are they separating her from her friend. The bodyguards said, "We are doing our job miss we are not allowed sir to be with someone he doesn't know". Milley tries to explain that she was his old friend but Noah





ignored her and went. Later she came to know that the party in which she was at was hosted by Noah. She understood that Noah was trying to keep his surrounding with upper-class people and thought people would feel disgusted having her around him. Milley did a curtsy and left while Noah bowed down. Milley went home after the party and thought after all it was only a bow and a curtsy.



# DIALING MY OWN NUMBER

by Shreyasi





A Storybird

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One dark night, Simone's parents left for a business trip. Simone was home alone. The idea of inviting her friends over passed her mind.

The next moment she called her parents to take their consent for having her friends over..





Her parents had granted her the permission to invite her friends home!



After all her friends arrived, Simone got some popcorn with soft drinks. They decided to watch a movie.





After the movie got over all the friends started acting as the ghosts in the movie. Mike who was a great friend of Simone started doing the mimicry of the ghosts in the movie.



Soon, they all burst out laughing....

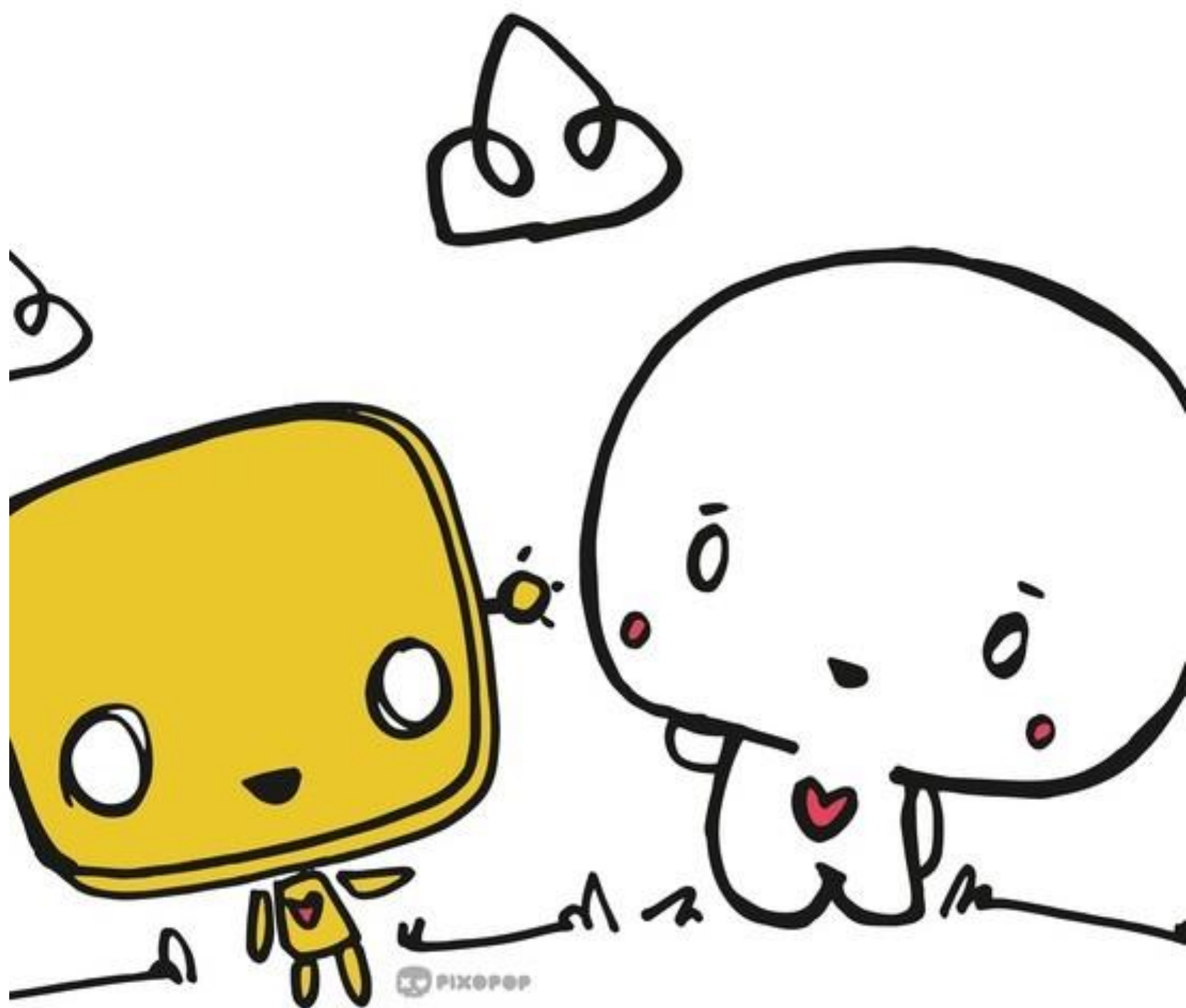




After a few minutes, Fiona another friend of Simone alarmed not to waste time. They all decided to play the game of truth or dare.

Fiona gave a dare to Simone that she should call her own number from her cell phone for fun.

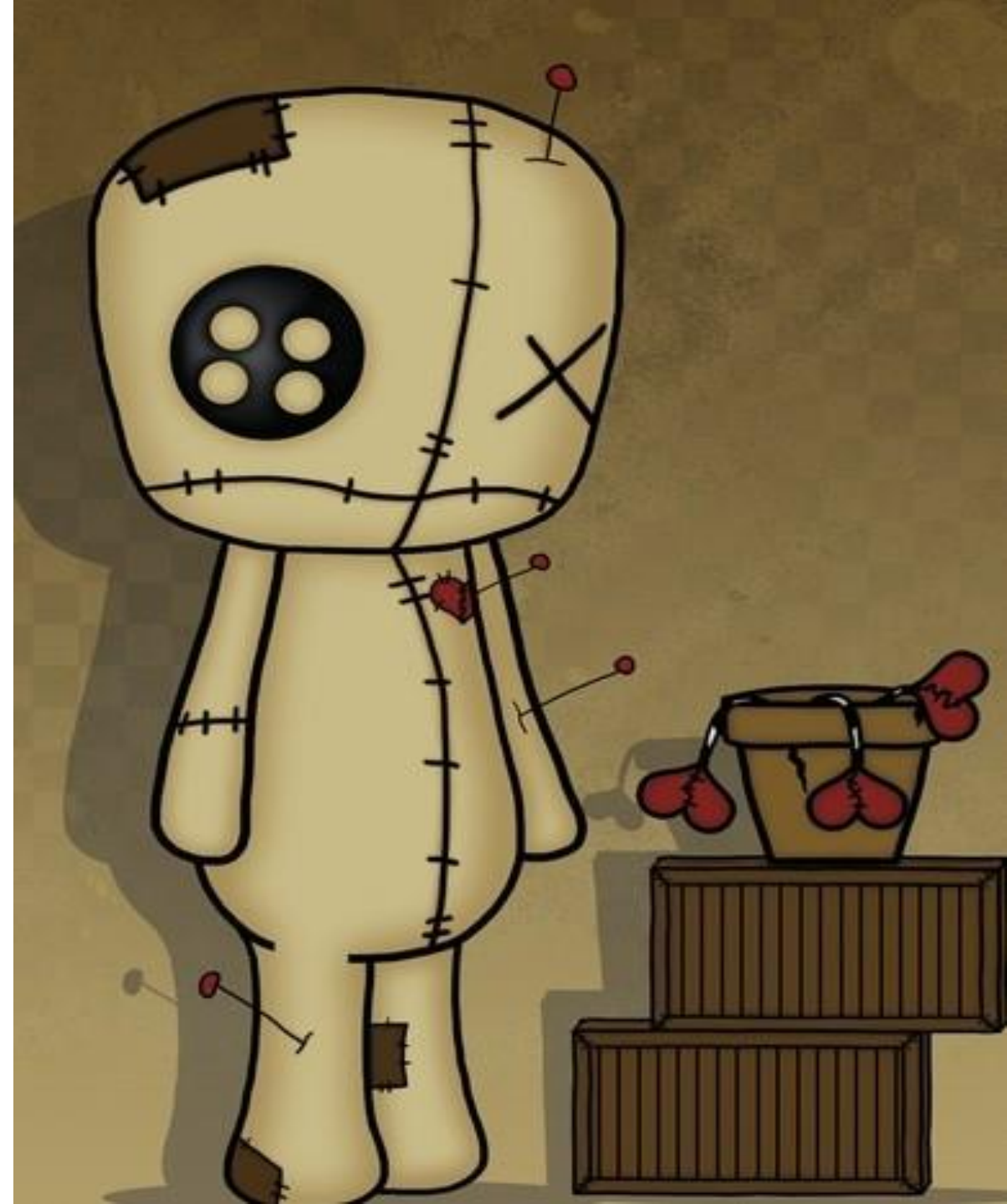
Simone agreed...





**U wont believe what happened after that.**

Someone picked up the call from the other side. All of them were horrified. Simone got the guts to keep talking. She was talking to the creepy stranger who picked up the call from her own number!



Fiona was regretting her decision of choosing such a dare and was terrified.





Soon Fiona and Mike started hearing creepy laughing noises from the other side of the phone!







Later on Fiona and Mike got to know that Simone was just messing with them. She had planned this while they were watching the movie. She texted Jake who unfortunately wasn't able to join them.



They all started laughing. Fiona recieved a call from her mom saying that she is on her way to pick her up. As, Mike had to go home with Fiona he had to leave too. Simone was home alone again but had fun trolling her friends!

***THE END....***





# Friendship: How did I meet my best friend



- Kunwar Baid VI A

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# **Friendship: How did I meet my best friend**

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This story is about two people Kunwar and Abubakar. They both did not even know each other. But one time an incident happened and they both became best friends forever.

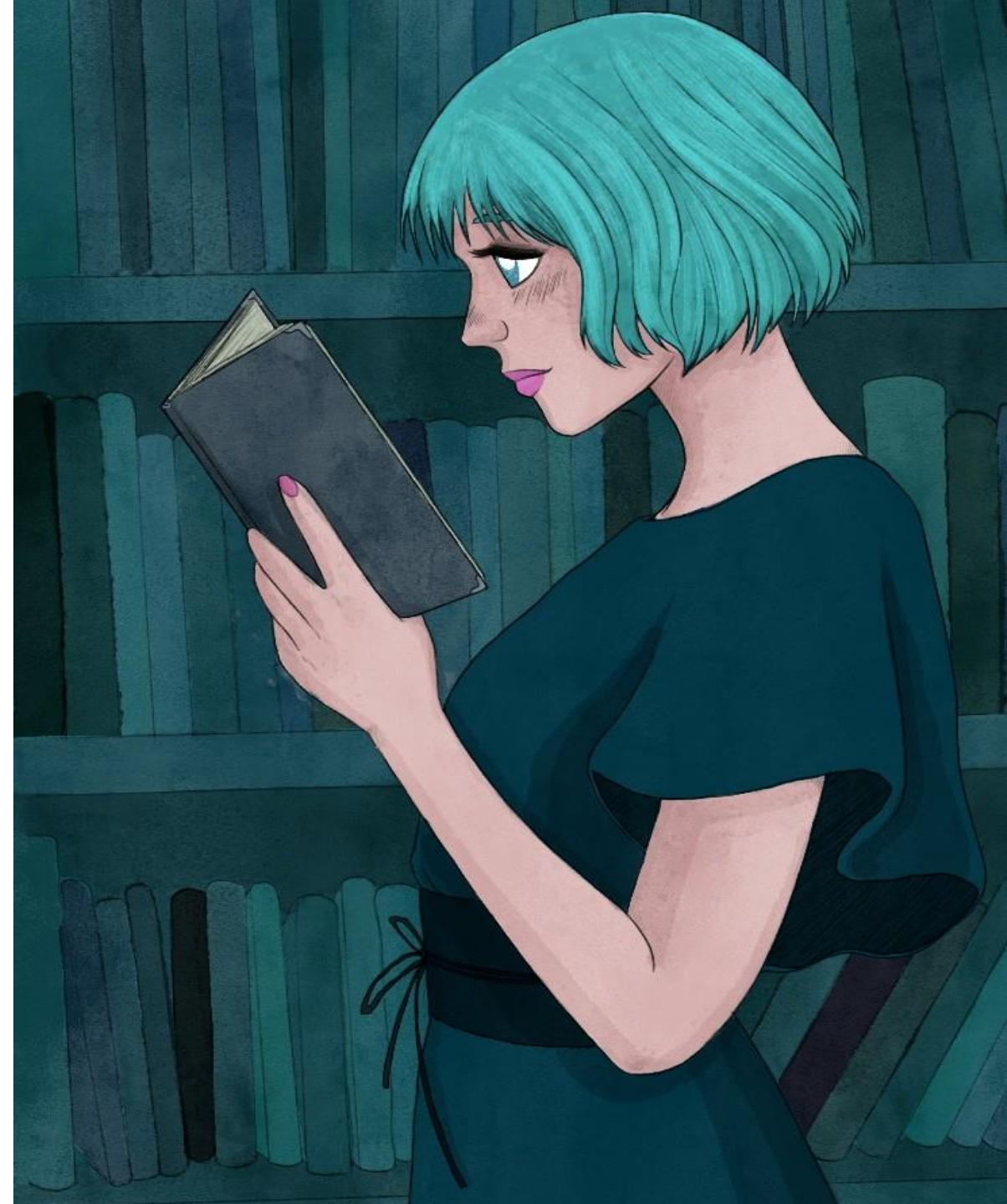




So it all started on a typical day. Both these kids were in 1st Grade and it was all normal. Kunwar was very hyper and naughty and used to always run with his other friends in the class. While on the other hand, Abu was always very quiet in class and calm. They all used to play when the teacher used to go from the class. Until Kunwar and his friends were playing and by mistake, the curtain of the classroom fell. They all were in **great danger**. The teacher came into the class



running. She saw what happened and became very angry. She asked who did this. All of the friends blamed it all on Kunwar. The teacher started scolding Kunwar so much. Kunwar got very sad and started crying. While she was scolding him, a small voice came from the last bench. It was Abu's voice and he told to the teacher that he made the curtains and that Kunwar should not be punished, I should.





Kunwar was shocked to hear this. He became happy and a smile flashed on his face. Abu was ashamed looking at the teacher. The teacher started scolding Abu but not that much because he was a quiet student and this was his first time doing anything. After the teacher went, Kunwar went near Abu and asked him why would he take the blame. Abu said I knew you were innocent and you did not do anything but everyone blamed you so, I thought if I take the **blame** then I would not get





that many scoldings or any kind of punishment because I am quiet in the class and I am in the last bench. Kunwar became very happy and hugged Abu and they both became best friends from that time. That day Kunwar got to know the real meaning of the famous quote "**A friend in need, is a friend indeed**"



An illustration of two children running happily on a path. The child on the left has dark curly hair and is wearing a green jacket and black pants. The child on the right has reddish-brown hair and is wearing a blue patterned shirt and black pants. They are running on a path with a wooden railing. In the background, there are trees and several small blue butterflies. The title 'Link Of Minds' is written in a white serif font across the top of the illustration.

# Link Of Minds

by Krishika9

Once there were two best friends, Akash and Rahul, who used to live in the same room in the college hostel. Both stated, "We are inseparable and we can give our lives for one another." Wherever they went, they were always together. Both of them were good at studies and sometimes Akash scored the highest while sometimes Rahul used to be the topper.

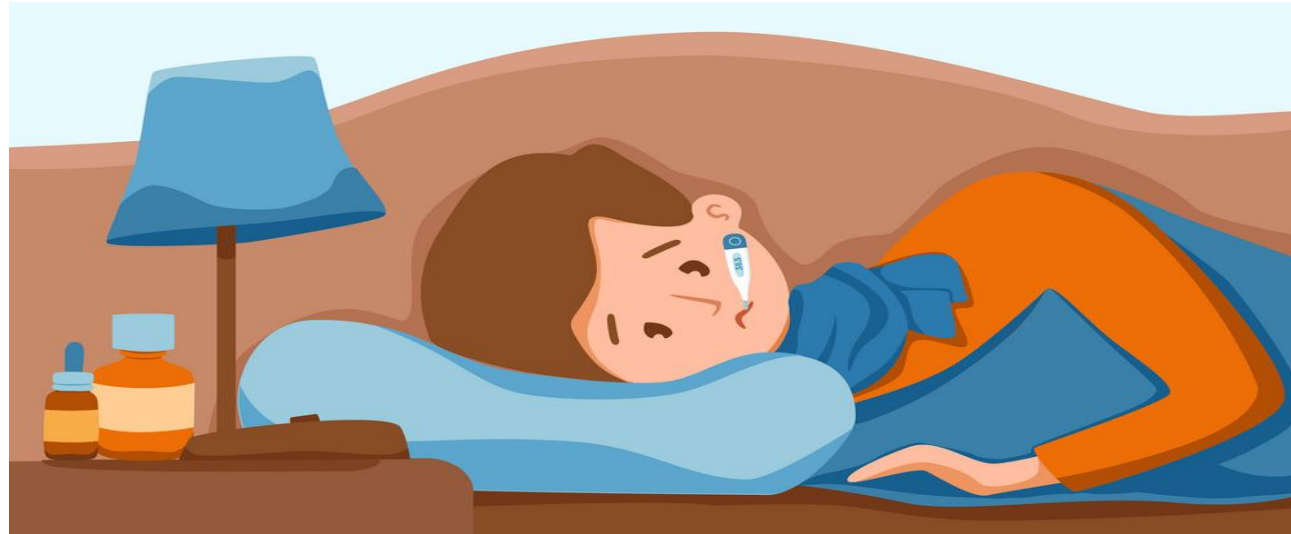






One night they visited a saint to know about their future and in front of the saint they claimed, "We are best friends and can sacrifice our lives for one another." The saint said nothing, only smiled.

They went back to the hostel room and slept. The next morning Akash was very ill with a high fever. he was about to ask Rahul to buy him some medicine, suddenly he realized that he could read what Rahul was thinking. And to his utter surprise, Rahul at that moment was thinking, "I hope Akash's fever continues till the exam, then no one can stop me from becoming the topper." Akash was shocked, how could his friend wish him to be ill? Further, he also read that Rahul was very happy to see his friend ill and even thinking of not buying him any medicine so that he would not recover soon.



In anger, Akash called Rahul and asked him, " Why are you thinking ill of me? What kind of friend are you?" Rahul was surprised. He couldn't understand how Akash could read his thoughts. He was about to answer and then realized that he too could read the thoughts of Akash who was now thinking, " I wish this fever to be contagious and from me, it will spread to Rahul also. When I will start to recover, Rahul will fall ill and will not be able to give the exam." Rahul realized both of them were not at all true friends, they were jealous of each other.







Only the saint smiled sitting on his holy shrine.

# On the wings of nature

Anushree Sarkar



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**On the wings of nature**

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Once there was a girl named Layla who loved nature and the animals which roamed in it. She was obsessed with the ideas of sitting in flowers, so she made a customised chair that looked like a flower. As you can see, she is trying to float on water in that chair.



Layla thought " If I apply a waterproof paper to the bottom of a leaf, surely it will float and I could sit on it, reading a book". She was tempted by this idea and really wanted to try it but didn't know when and how to do it. Layla asked her mother, but she said 'no'. This picture is what she had imagined.



Layla was only a seven-year-old, and she did not know that a single piece of waterproof paper would not support her weight. She dreamed and dreamed of sitting on treetops, climbing mountains, swimming in cold glaciers and flying with her pet bird, whose name was Andromeda. Layla thought, "I could try to do the leaf and water experiment today when mom and dad go out for work". Layla named the project "LEAFY."





Layla's parents both went to work, and Layla began to work on *her* plan. She checked in the storeroom and found waterproof paper. She began working on project LEAFY. It wasn't a success as all. In fact, it was a *real disaster*. After the disastrous first attempt, Layla was about to drown. At that precise moment, the bell rang, and Layla knew that it was her parents. Panic surged through Layla.



Layla could have eaten 50000 rotten apples and a living snake to not answer the bell at that time. Layla clambered and scrambled out of the lake and reluctantly opened the door. Layla tried to look innocent, all too aware of her dripping body and hair. Layla's mother asked Layla "Oh Layla, you haven't been working on that water-and-leaf project again, have you? Layla shook her head as opening her mouth would reveal lots of water.



Layla's mother told Layla "It's okay dear, but don't go off wandering into the pond in the backyard again. I was worried sick about what you were up to. Layla opened her mouth at last and said at a rush " I'm sorry mom I didn't-" But then Layla's mother cut across her and said, "Its ok". Layla smiled and hugged her mother, and that is where our story ends...





**MORAL-**

**Curiosity is good, but as too much of anything is not good, same goes for curiosity.**





THANK YOU FOR READING!

# The Accidental Sister

by kartav





One summer evening, a baby lost under an oak tree, sweating and crying out of hunger abandoned by her parents was waiting in her cradle under the burning sun. Jessica a tall girl with slim eyebrows was going to the market to purchase food.



She bought food and snacks for her brothers and sisters, right as she was about to return home she noticed a faint sound. As she was a curious girl she went to find out where the noise is coming from. Just as she reached there she noticed a white, small baby in her cradle crying. She quickly ran towards her and took the baby in her arms, as seeing her painful plight she took the baby to her home.





At her home, there were many kids playing in the backyard and there was a granny sitting by the fireplace reading a book. She informed her grandmother about the baby and they fed the baby milk. After feeding her the baby fell asleep. Jessica's grandmother said "we need to find her parents as soon as we can". So Jessica reported about the baby to the police, but after further investigation they couldn't find her parents.





Jessica's Grandmother decided to adopt the baby, so for this happy moment for the kids they decided to name the baby. There were many suggestions but it didn't quite match the baby, so they decided to go with Rukia. The small family watched Rukia grow up and go to school.



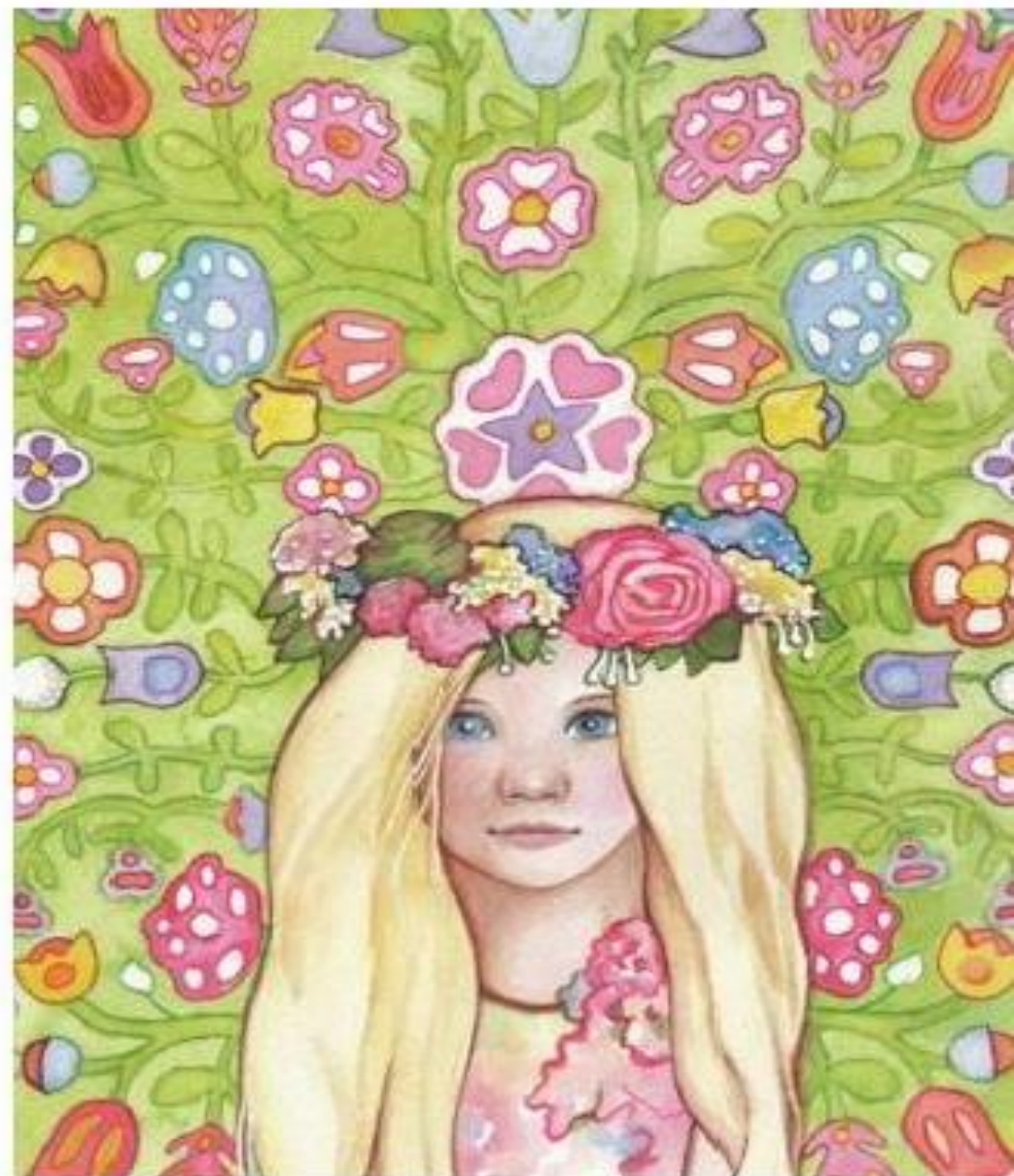


As Rukia grew older she started going to school and she made many friends. She was very active in class and was very popular in school. After school she goes to her house and plays with her siblings and spends time with her elder sister Jessica. Rukia and Jessica were like two promising and caring bestfriends, they share their thoughts with each other, they help each other during tough times etc.



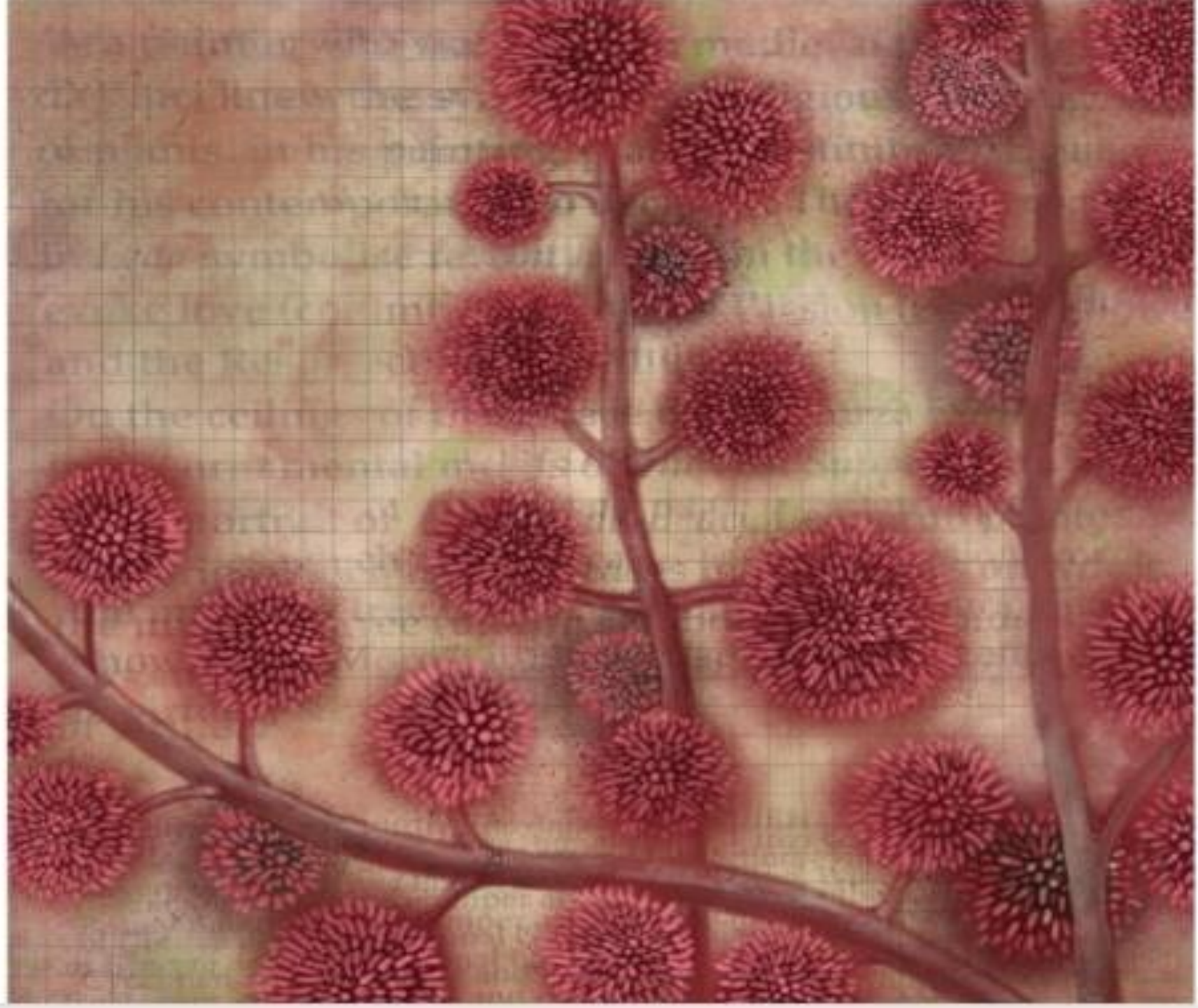


One day when Rukia went to school, Jessica found out that she forgot her lunch at home. Jessica decided to deliver it to her. She walked her way to school eager to see her reaction when she finds out that she left her lunch at home. As she arrives to her school, she was immediately met with gossips and judgement by Rukia's schoolmates. As they were from a poor family they didnt have many good clothes to wear.





She ignored them and walked towards Rukia's classroom. Only to be greeted by more gossips. Rukia was not happy about this and felt angry on her sister for wearing such dirty clothes and making her a joke in the class. Rukia was very embarrassed, she snatched the





lunch box from her and said Jessica to leave immediately. Seeing the anger in Rukia's face, Jessica left and was very sad. Rukia was angry on Jessica as now people would call her poor and she now became embarrassed of her sister. She started hating Jessica. When she arrived home she was misbehaving with everyone who were trying to talk to her. Seeing this grandmother asked Jessica to talk to Rukia.





Rukia was crying on her bed until Jessica arrived. Rukia asked her to leave her room quickly, but Jessica didn't. Rukia was mad at her sister and she refused to talk to Jessica. Jessica ignored her and tried to confront her but she lost her temper and said bad about Jessica which made Jessica lose her patience and scold her. Rukia was very sad and she stopped talking to Jessica.





Rukia ignored her friends at school when they mocked her. A few days later everyone forgot about that. One day Rukia got hit with a car, she was rushed to the hospital. Jessica was worried about her and she started crying. Rukia unconscious could surprisingly hear everything. After her treatment and surgeries, Jessica sat near Rukia and was remembering all the sweet moments together. Rukia who was still lying unconscious was



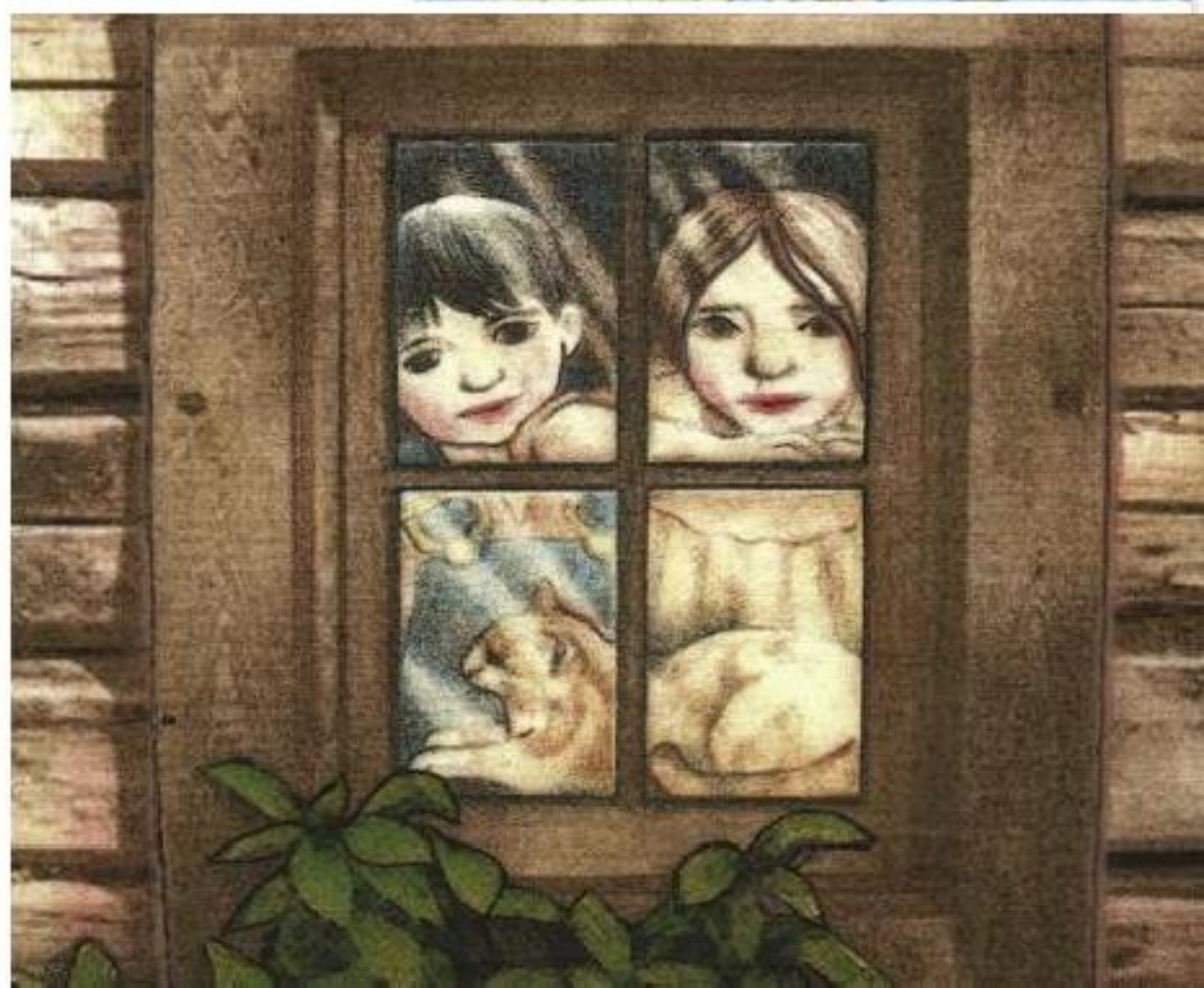


emotional. Jessica went ahead and told her the story on how Rukia came into her life and changed it. Rukia on hearing this was shocked and emotional at the same time. She suddenly woke up and after a few seconds she hugged her sister, and was asking for forgiveness for everything she did and they had a sweet moment together. After her recovery she was back on her feet again she she returned to her previous form





and she started talking with everyone and apologized to them for her arrogance. She realized that *family comes first and they always care about you no matter what happens, they are always with you.*





# The early boys

by viratman1



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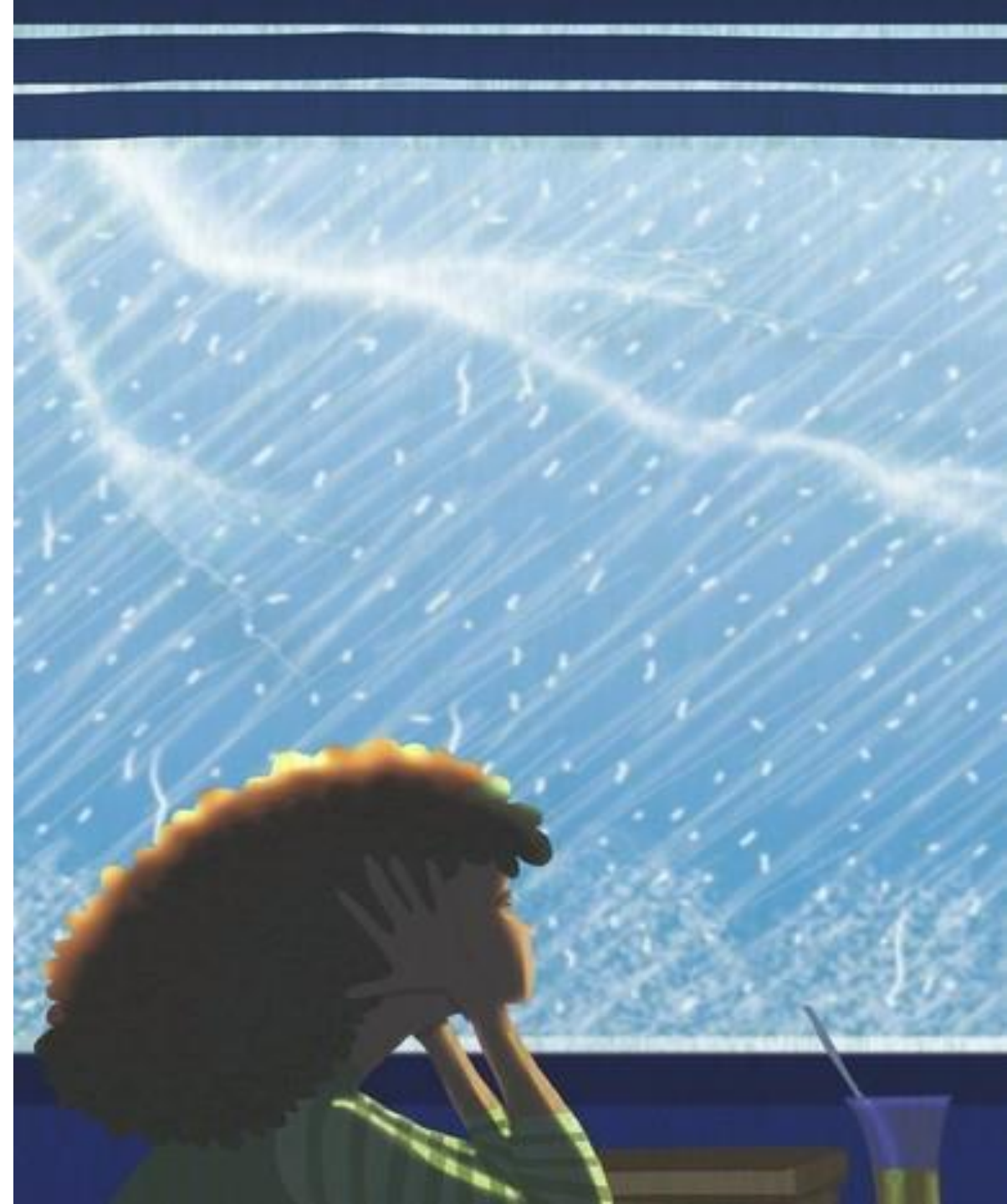
The four friends





One day the four friends were playing football . Suddenly it started raining then parents came and told lets go home quick !

Then Michael told no need we like to  
get wet in rain. parents told no you will  
get cough or cold don't play more.  
Everybody told please we will play. But  
parents no we wont allow



The four friend ran away . after they returned they saw all so wet and all got cold all said sorry to their parents . next day when they were playing they saw one boy passing trough

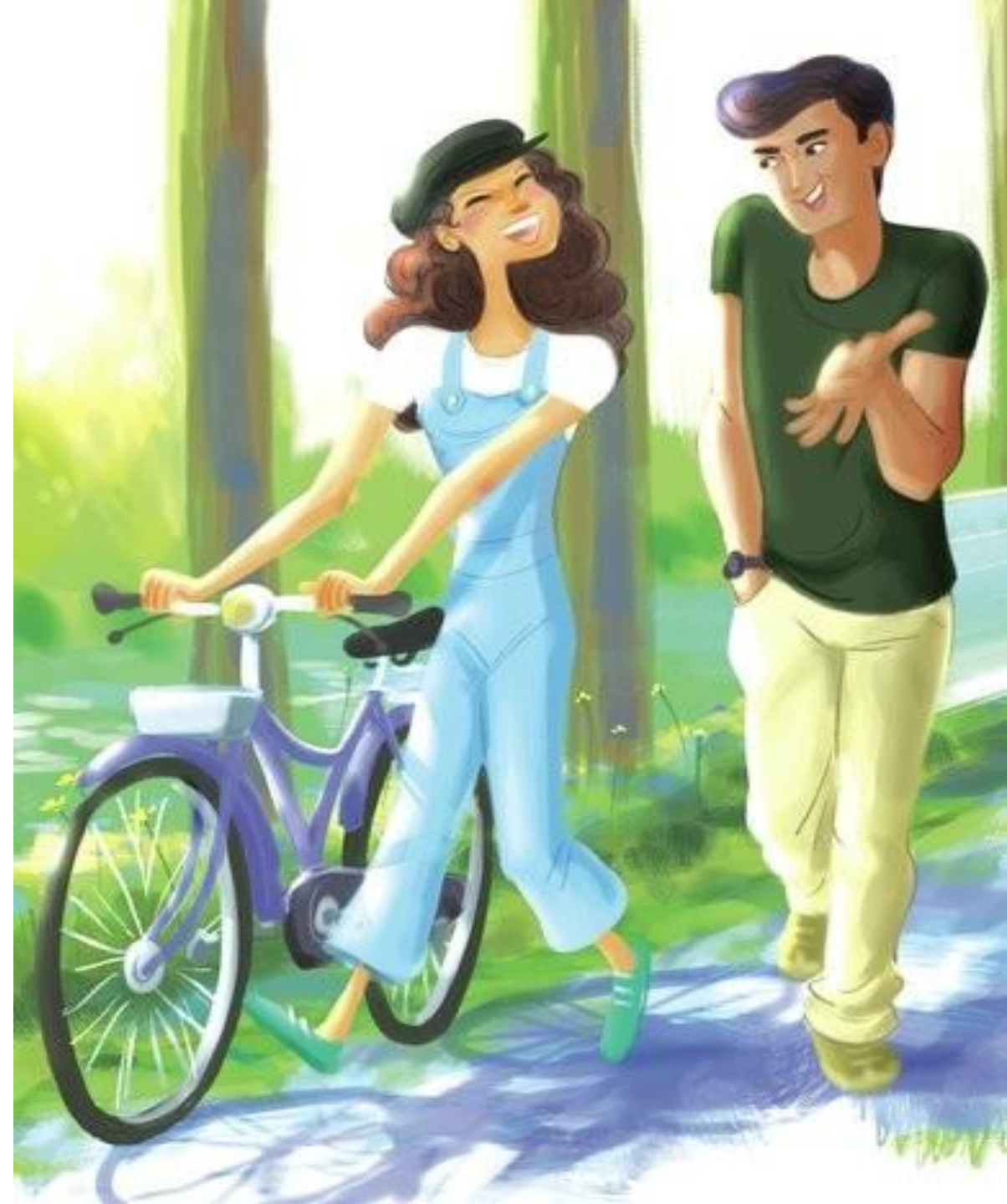




the boy asked them that  
'can I also play with you  
guys please'  
but all were laughing at  
him. he asked why are u  
guys even laughing what  
happened the john said  
how could u play with us  
you are fat hahahahaha



he became very much sad because the  
made fun of him he went to his home.  
The four boys parents we seeing this  
were very angry at their children they  
thought to do some acting



their parents made some children to do acting for a chocolate while they were playing parents said to go they were shouting and telling HAHAHA see the fat four friends hahahaahaha





other boy told yes these fat people then the four boys also became very sad and went to their parents and said mom dad see they are making fun of us the parents laughed and said when one boy came to play with you u did the same they all said sorry to the boy



# the magic cookbook

by Gokshetra

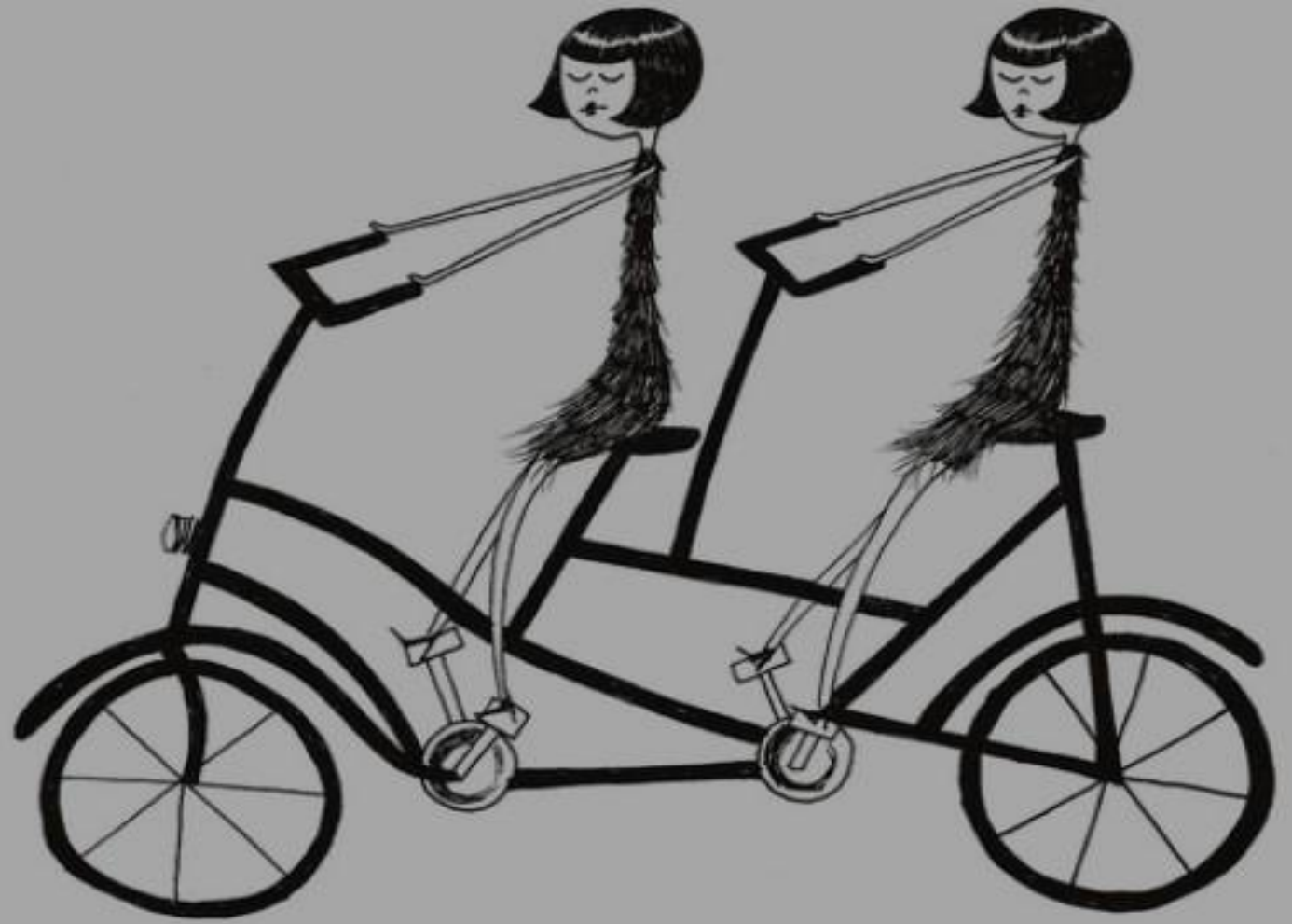




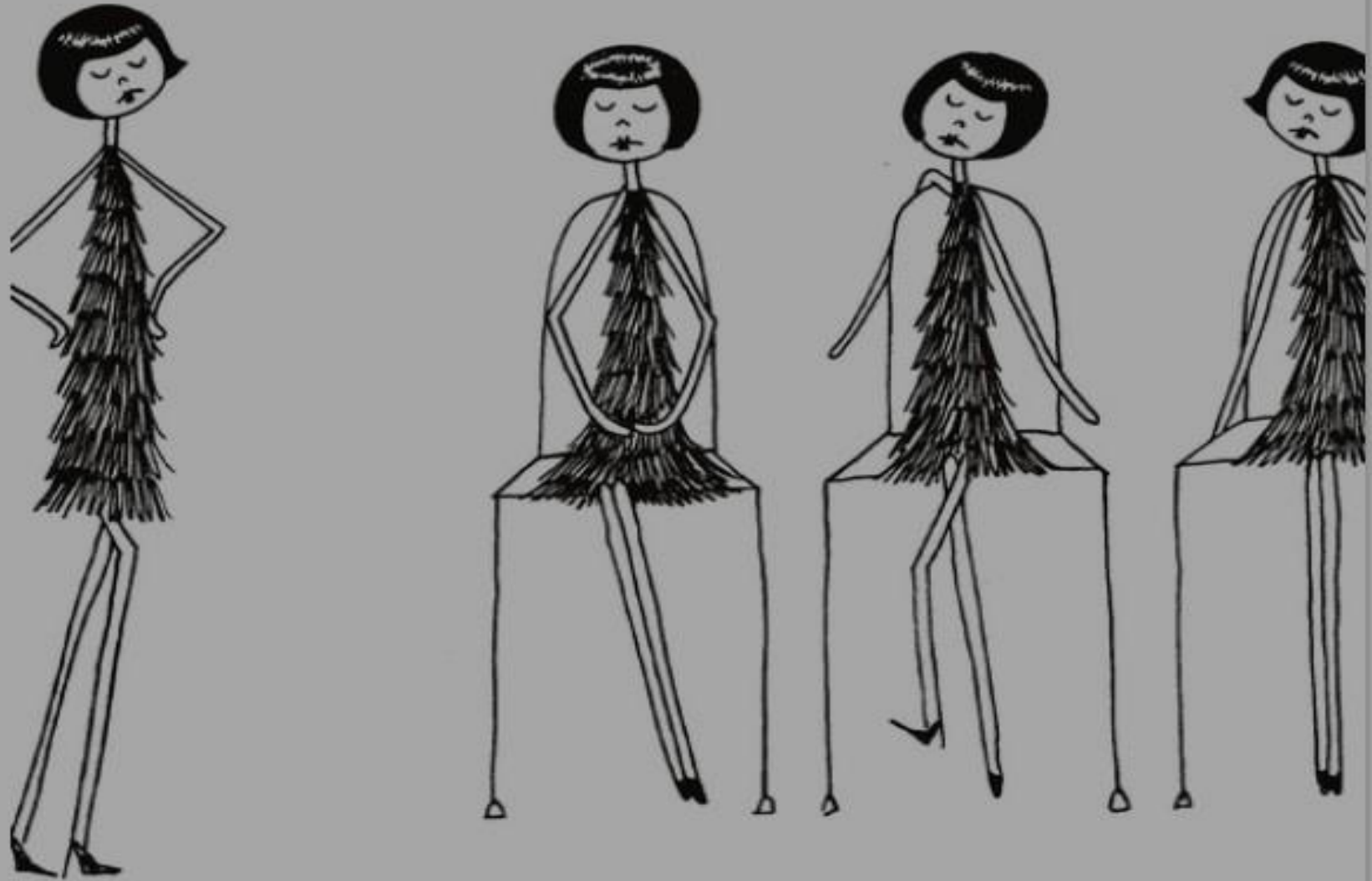
In the town of Saffron Falls, teenage girls Kelly, Darbie, and Hannah are best friends who love cooking. While making a cake for Kelly's grandma's (who has a mysterious illness and cannot talk) birthday, the girls make a recipe using an ancient mysterious cookbook they find in the attic of Kelly's house.



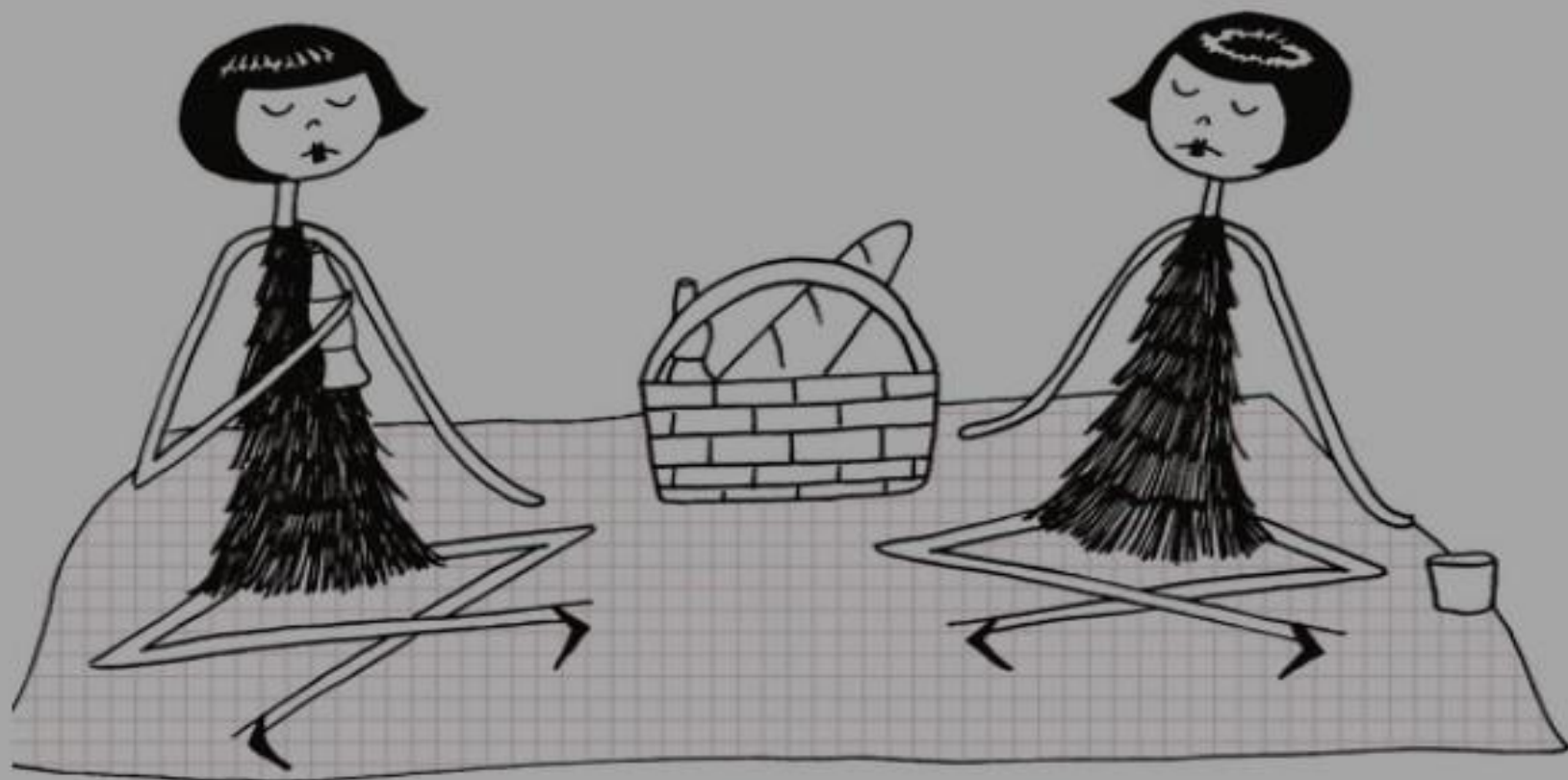
The recipes have strange names, like "Shut'em Up Shortcake" and "Hazelnut Healing Tart", and require unusual ingredients, such as "Cedronian vanilla" and "Taurian thyme". The girls visit Mama P's shop to get the ingredients for recipes. Mama P reveals that she knows what the ingredients



and the girls conclude that Mama P knows about magic because she appears to have extensive knowledge of magical ingredients. Kelly, Darbie, and Hannah investigate the magic recipes and face the temptations of using magic to help overcome the everyday challenges of being middle school girls.

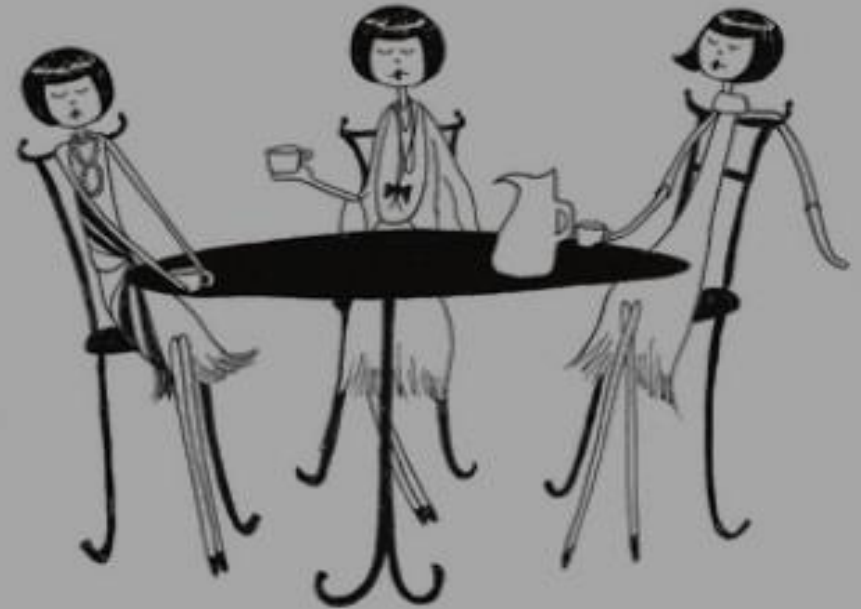


Furthermore, they discover that Kelly's odd neighbor Ms. Silvers also has a connection to magic. The girls realize that they are the protectors of the magical cookbook and that there were many others before them, three of whom were Mama P, Ms. Silvers, and Grandma Becky.





Among all this, Kelly has one main goal: to find the magical recipe that will fix her grandmother's mysterious illness. As the girls work together, they find out that Kelly's grandma Becky is under a curse, and so is Mama P. (whose curse does not let her leave Saffron Falls ) and Ms. Silvers (whose curse does not let her play the piano in public).



Mama P curses the whole town to save herself from the curse that Ms. Silvers put on her, she gives the whole town her magical pluots but Hannah, Darbie, and Ms. Silvers knows she is evil and cursing the town and they don't eat it but Kelly trusts her so she eats plenty of them, for that curse to break Mama P has to eat the last bite of it. Before something bad happened Darbie and Hannah make a curse protection drink for Ms. Silvers, Hannah, Darbie, and Kelly. They give it to Kelly but she throws it away.



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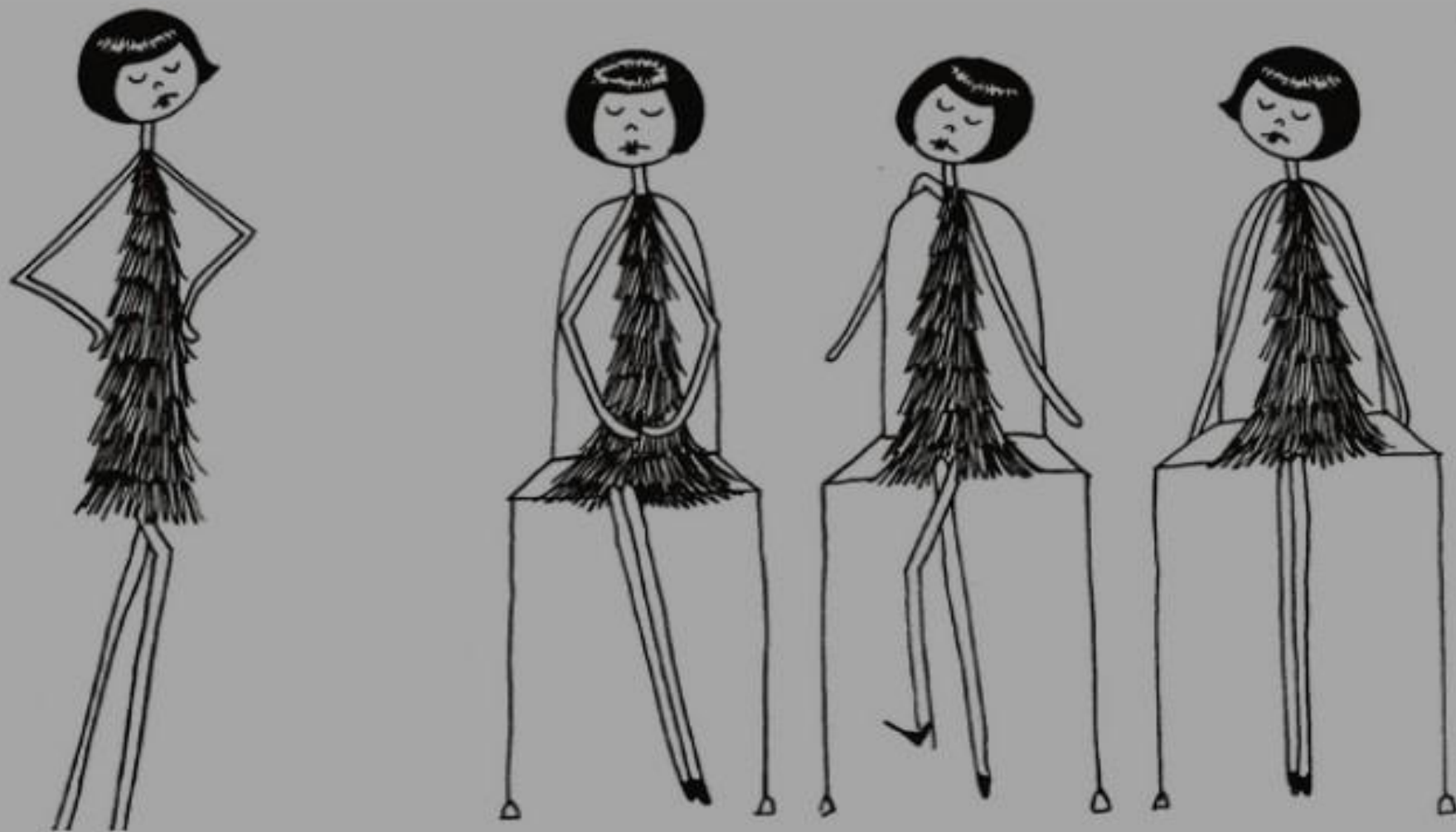


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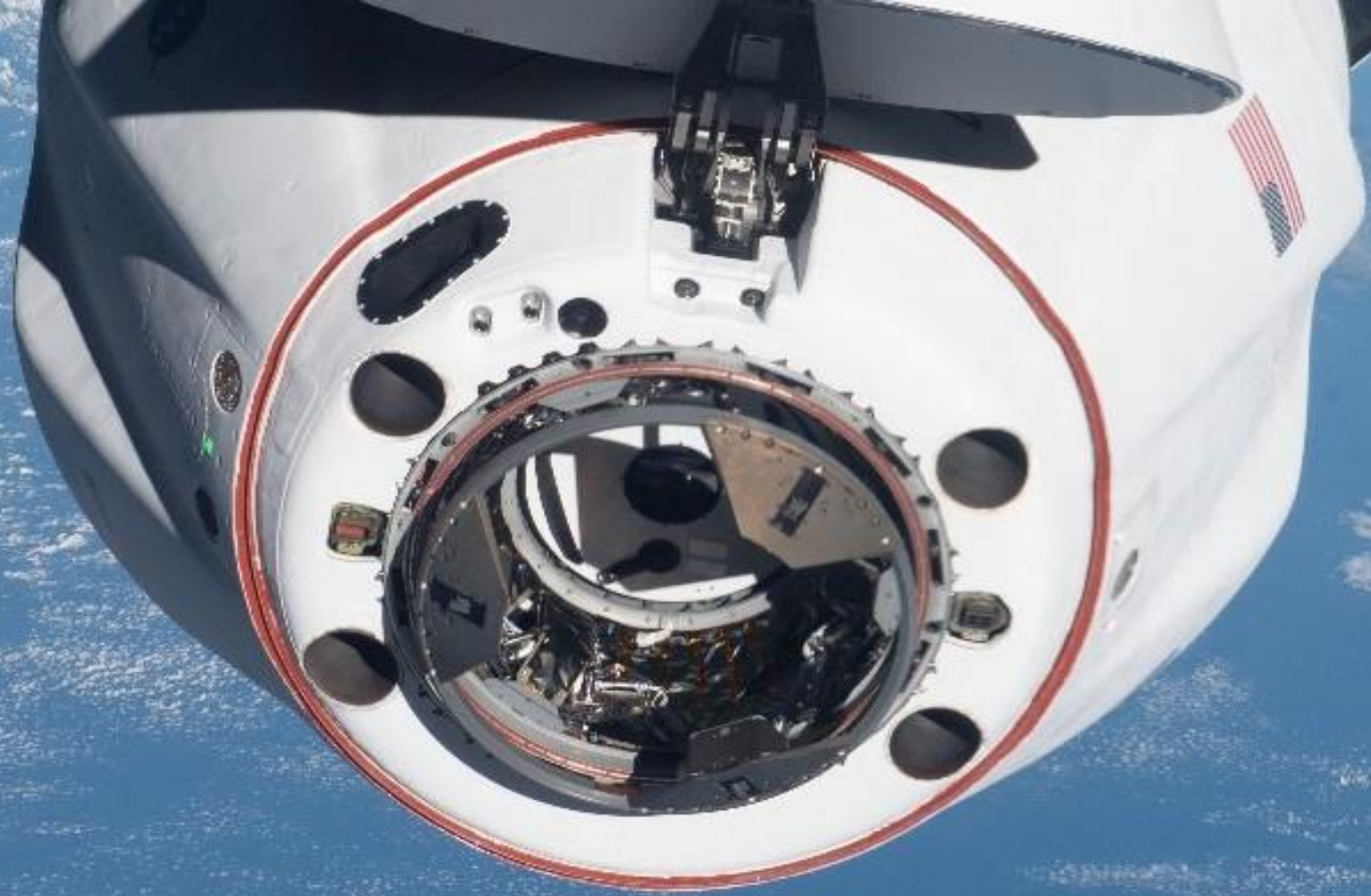
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Then, they bake a curse-breaking pie which breaks Grandma Becky, Mrs. Silver, and Mama P's curse.





# The Quantum Paradox

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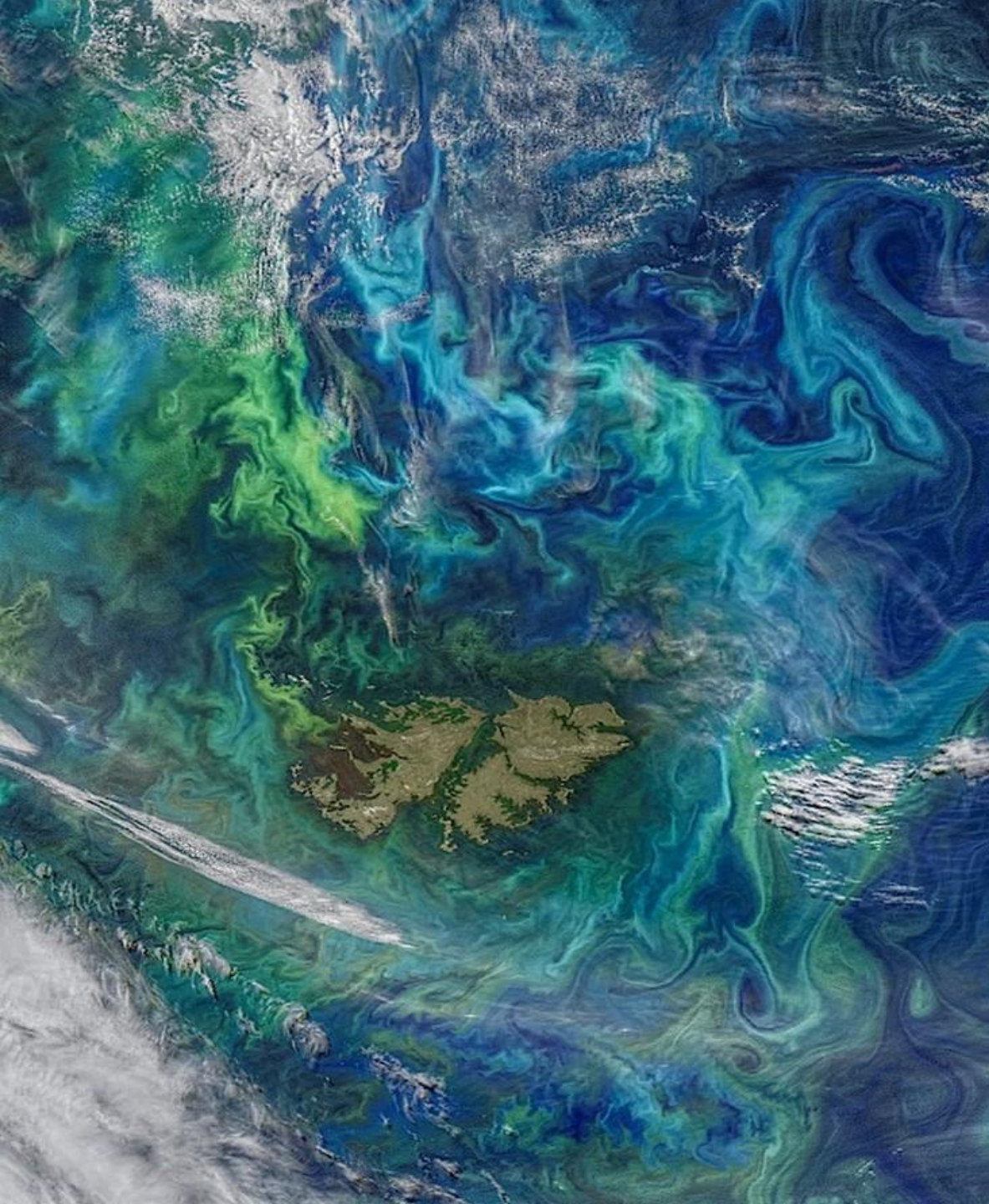
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Quantum Mechanics is a theory which describes the behavior of atomic and sub-atomic particles like protons, neutrons, electrons and photons. These particles are basically small and can be viewed through very highly powerful microscopes. That is the reason, they are atomic. The most common and the good part of them is that they all behave in the same manner irrespective of their charge or characteristics.



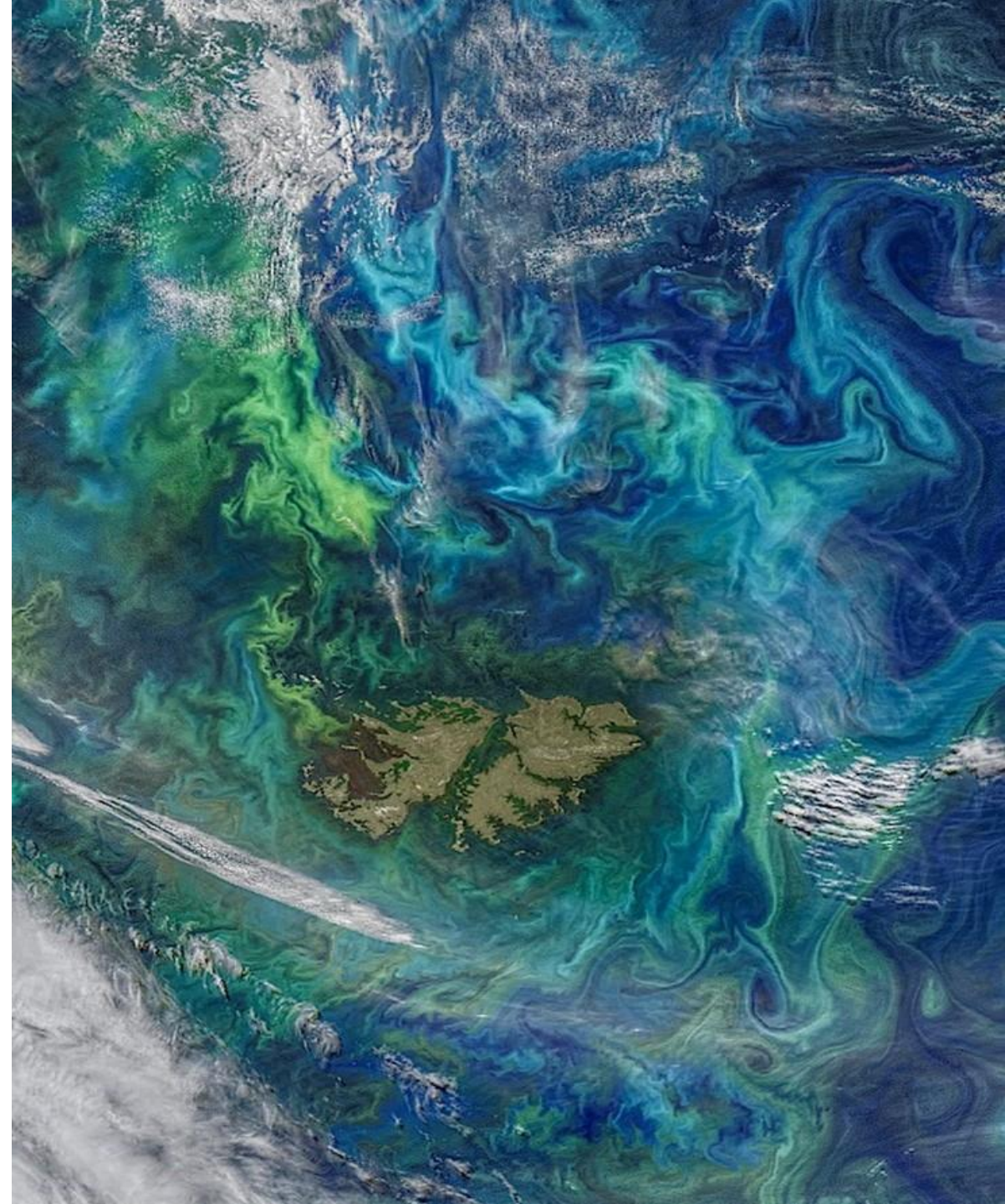




"What is this place? Where is this place? Am I on Earth? Is this some kind of a flux? What does this place even have? Is this place even existing or is it just a dream?" "A.S.H.E.A! Where am I? I need all the information of this place. If something is in the form of quantum data, decode it and give me in the form of morse or binary." " Ok Roger! The data is in the form of quantum. I will send it in morse." "Ok A.S.H.E.A!"

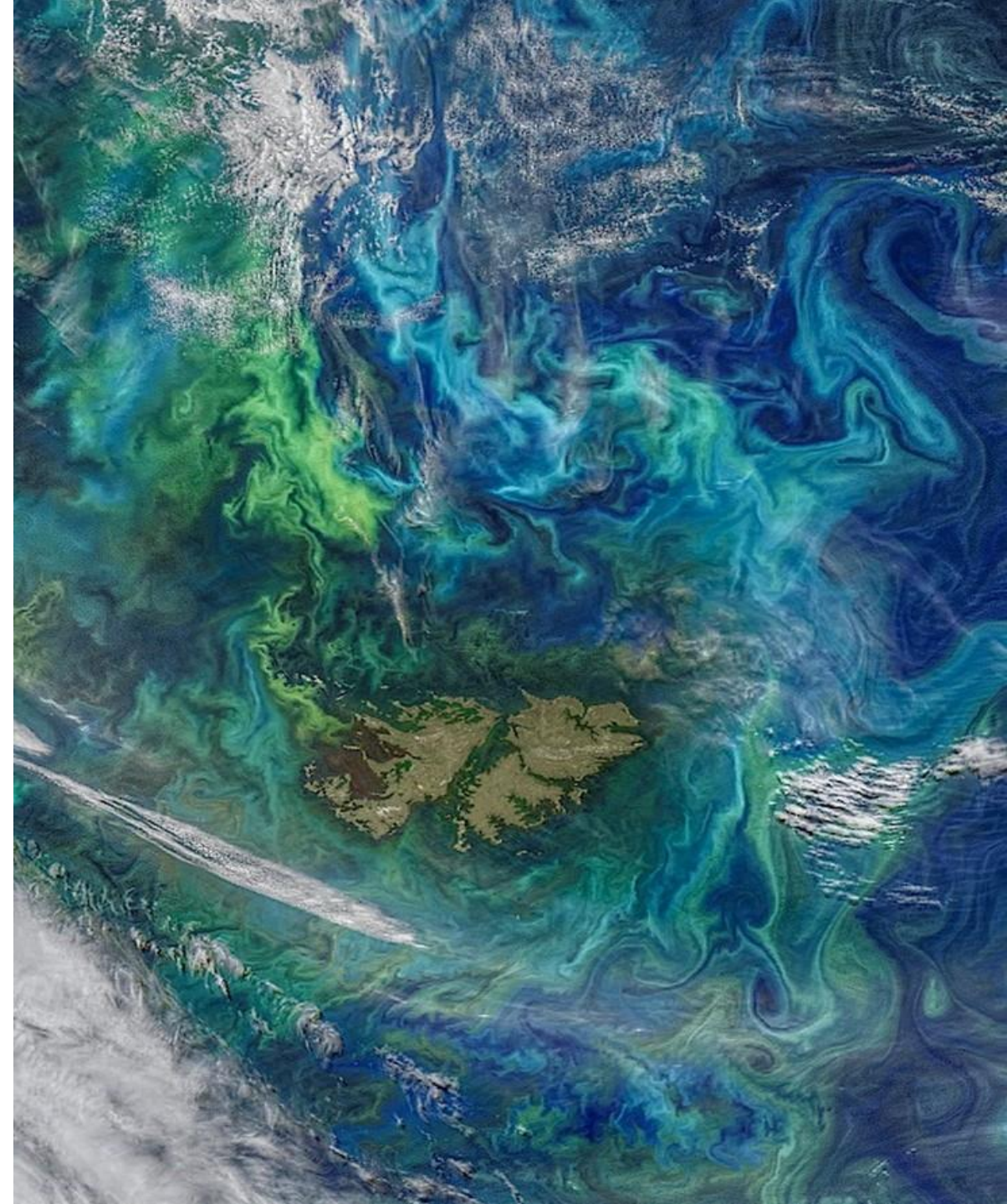


"What? Is this even possible?" "Roger, your oxygen levels are below 50%" "How can this be?" "Roger, you have only 4 more days." "How, can a 5th dimension even exist?" " It can roger! Only if it is created." "Who could create this?" "Well, we in 2131 perhaps! Or the people ahead of our time!" "It is after all, space." "You're true!" "Roger! I have also got to know that this is a 5 dimensional tesseract in a 4 dimensional sphere in a 3 dimensional universe." "What!" "Yes roger."





"One more thing is that time is a physical dimension and here, you can run towards the past or walk into the future." "Wow! This is so good! But what is the use? I need to at least be alive to even discover this place. The people out there on Earth do not even know that I am alive." "Roger, there is a way to let the people on Earth know that you are alive." "How is that possible A.S.H.E.A?" "Roger! I can just say the method but, I can't say how to also implement the method"

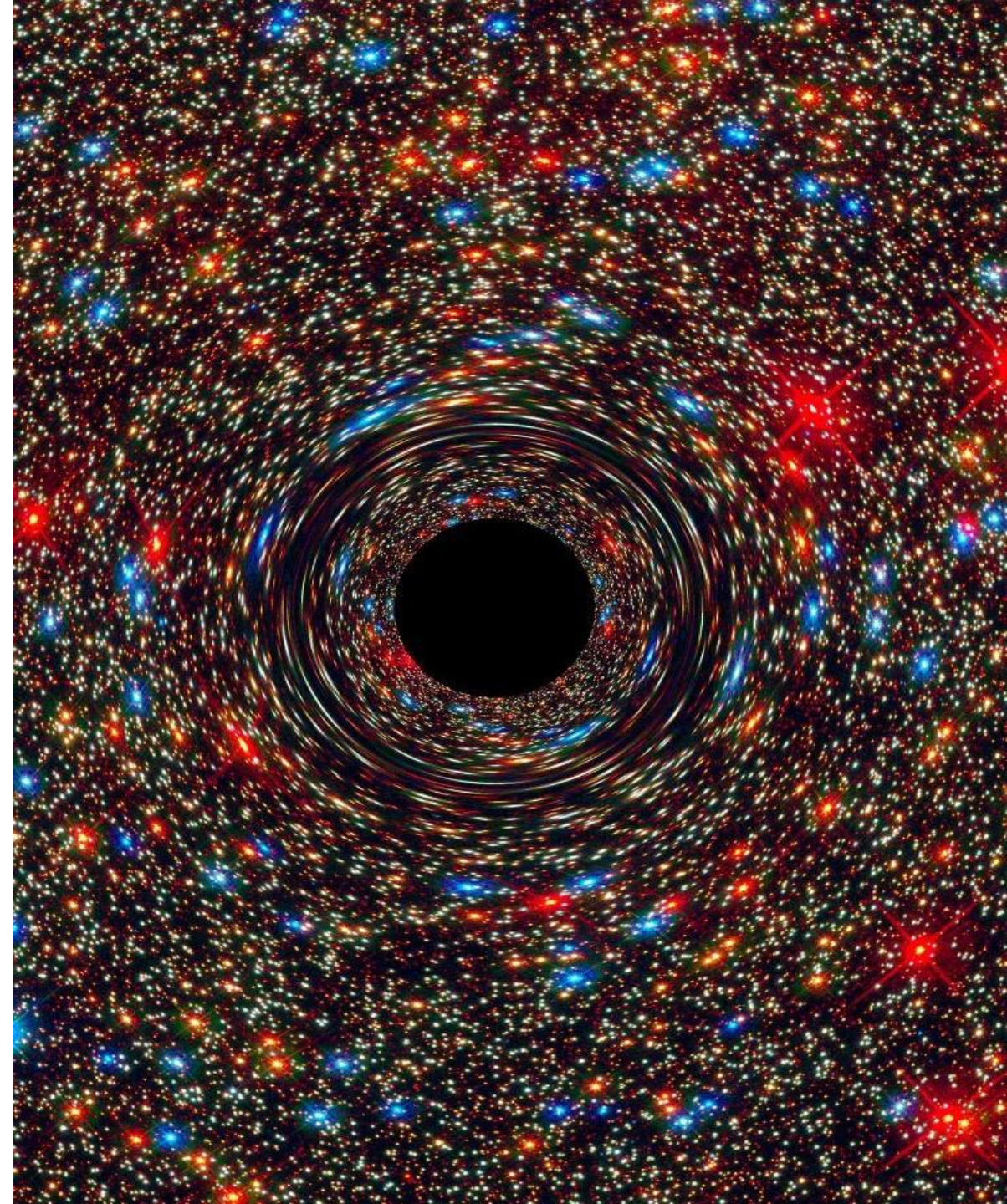






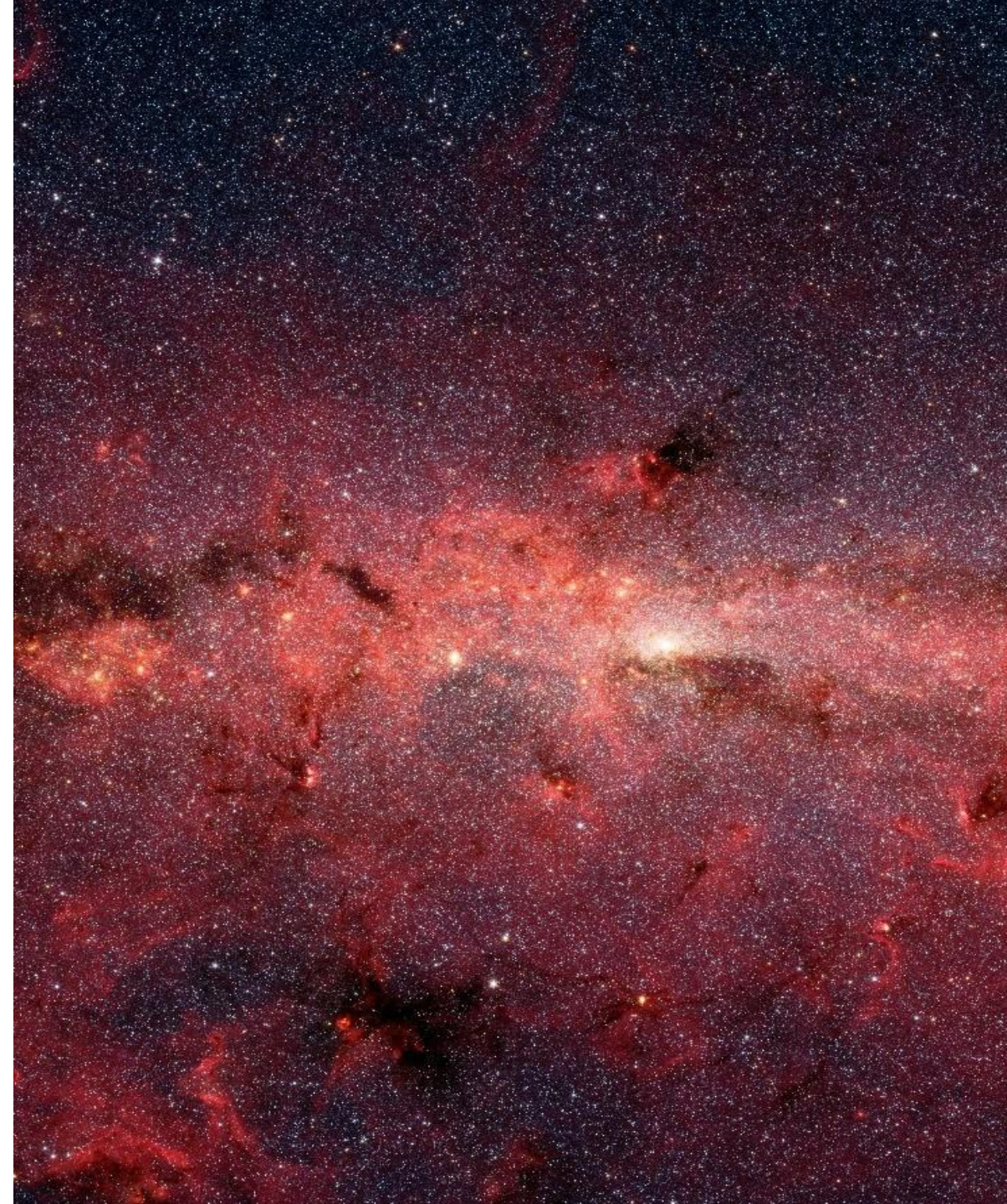


"Oh! Wow! This is amazing. A wormhole in a flux! It is so good. I wonder what would be on the other side of the wormhole. The spacetime curvature. Ok! Lets go" "Ok looks like it is a bit of attracting me." "Woah! The gravity is attracting a lot." "Oh my god!" "No! What is even happening?" "T.E.R.E.N. What is even happening?" "Eject! Eject! Eject! Eject!" "Ok! Ejecting in 3...2...1.... Aaaaaaaaaaaaah."





"Ok! Here we are! In a 5th dimension. Now, I should try to send a message to the people on earth that I am alive." "A.S.H.E.A said that this is a 5th dimensional tesseract right! So, according to quantum mechanics, I can just do out the slit experiment maybe. But I don't know what to do and what I should use to do the experiment. Because, this tesseract is in our own universe, it did say in a 3rd dimensional universe. And it is only our universe.





"Looks like, he has found it sir!" "He would come out of the trap which we have placed for the young scientist." "No chance! He just got to know that he needs to apply a bit of quantum mechanics but, he doesn't know what he needs to use to get the communication done." "But sir! Why did you even trap him? I mean, what did he do?" "He did something which the whole world is now suffering." "The nuclear leak." "What is that sir?" "He made a nuclear reactor!"



"Then sir! You must be happy for that."  
"But, tried to mix uranium and plutonium and then, he thought of using the fusion method." "Everything was all right when suddenly, the magnets stopped working and the whole of the plasma leaked out." "Due to the other magnets working, the plasma which was leaking out started to rotate and then, he, without stopping the machine, increased the magnetic attraction and all the uranium and plutonium leaked out and he,





"He started to use pressure in the whole lab and ignored all the cautionary advises given by the government and the research organization. This made the nuclear fission start and the whole lab, the whole city and the whole state turned to ashes." "The shockwaves went around the earth for 6 times causing tremendous earthquakes and catastrophic disasters. The president then thought of executing him. We and all the other survivors who were in the other branches got to know it.



"We then, made this trap and we locked him inside this." "Now, by the time he comes out of the trap, the world would forget him. Time dilation." "He would also be a normal person in the society and, he would never be allowed into the agency." "But sir! Would he come?" "Don't know. I can just be probabilistic in his case now....."





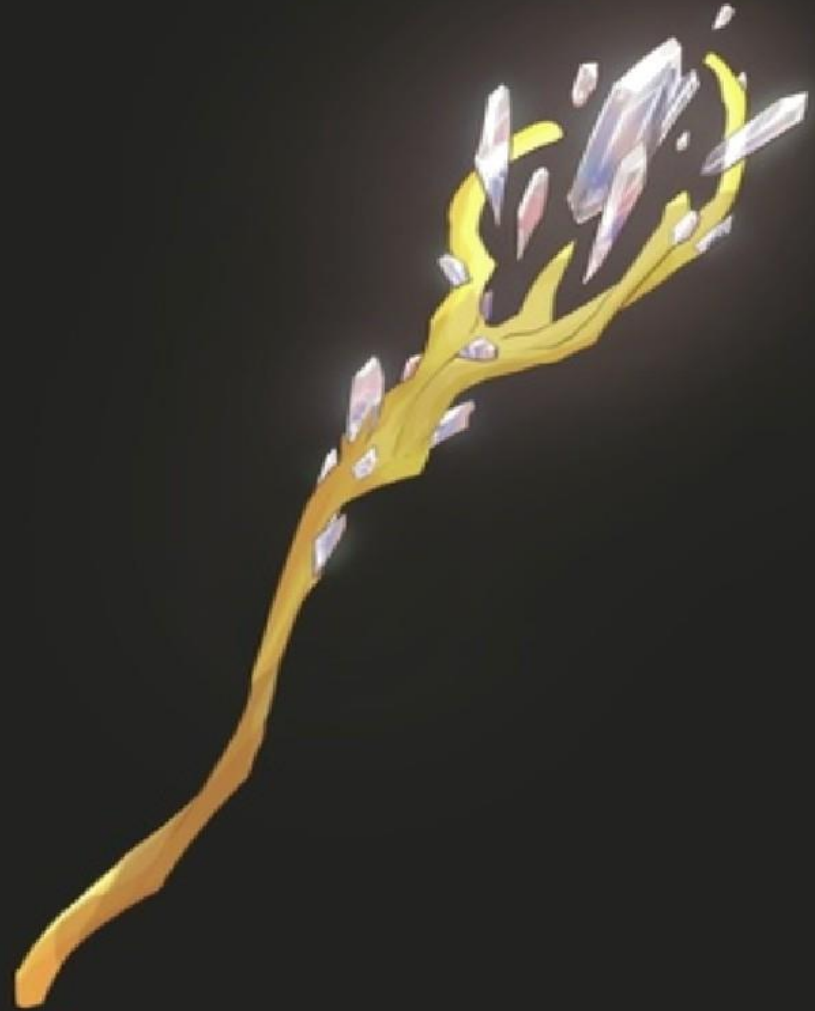


PART II  
COMING SOON...



# The Rubidious wishing wand

by Chaitrika Lakkam





In a realm distant from our own, nestled between two shimmering oceans, lay a marvelous discovery —The Rubidious Wishing Wand. This wondrous wand is crafted from the extraordinary crystal, Ruby, making it truly special.





Once, in a land ruled by a relentlessly greedy king, his insatiable desire for power drove him to covet the Rubidious Wishing Wand to guarantee victory in battles. Without a moment's delay, he commanded a hundred of his finest soldiers to embark on a quest to locate this mystical anifact.



Unbeknownst to the king, a young and kind-hearted farmer named Elara had heard the tales of the wand's existence. Filled with a burning desire to help her village and protect her loved ones, Elara yearned for the wand to bring prosperity and peace. She knew the wand was guarded by challenges meant to test one's worthiness, yet her determination knew no bounds.



As the greedy king's army returned empty-handed, he grew more furious, blaming his soldiers for their failure. Meanwhile, Elara had gathered a small group of loyal friends who shared her noble intentions. Together, they embarked on a perilous journey, overcoming trials that tested not only their physical strength but also their moral compass. Throughout their quest, they remained steadfast, relying on each other's courage and wisdom.



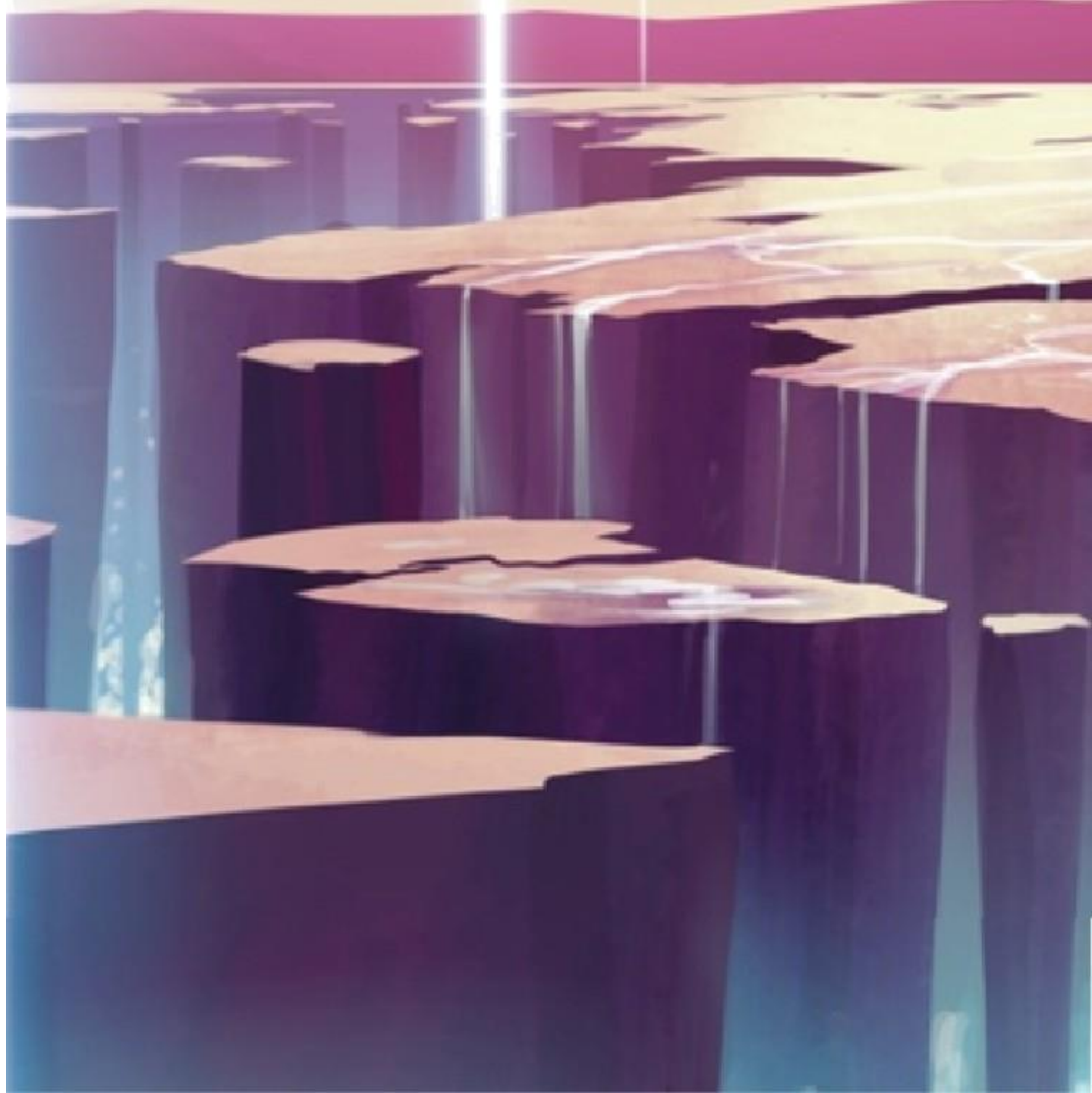


The king, consumed by his selfish desires, hired mercenaries and plotted to take the wand by force.

He launched a surprise attack on Elara and her companions Yet, when faced with the purity of Elara's heart and her unwavering commitment to good, the wand seemed to resist his touch.



In a surprising twist of fate Wand sensed the true essence of the one who sought it. The wand glowed brightly and revealed its true purpose —to bestow its powers upon those who would use it selflessly. As the king's hands recoiled from the wand's energy, he finally understood the error of his ways.







Enlightened by the wand's wisdom, the king fell to his knees, humbled by his greed and the suffering he had caused. He sought forgiveness from his people and promised to amend his ways. Realizing the true strength of compassion, he pledged to rule with fairness and justice.

In the end, Elara and her companions proved themselves worthy of the Rubidious Wishing Wand. With its power, they transformed their village into a haven of harmony and prosperity, fostering a new era of unity and understanding.





And so, the legend of the Rubidious Wishing Wand became more than just a tale of magic; it became a testament to the power of selflessness and the triumph of good over greed. From that day forth, the wand's true magic lay not in the crystal of Ruby but in the hearts of those who believed in the greater good.



# The Adventure of Kavya and Shikhar the Fox

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In the serene village of Nandapur, lived a brilliant 12-year-old detective named Kavya. What truly set her apart was her knack for solving mysteries that baffled even the grown-ups. Kavya's closest ally was Shikhar, a quick-witted fox, with whom she shared an unbreakable bond.

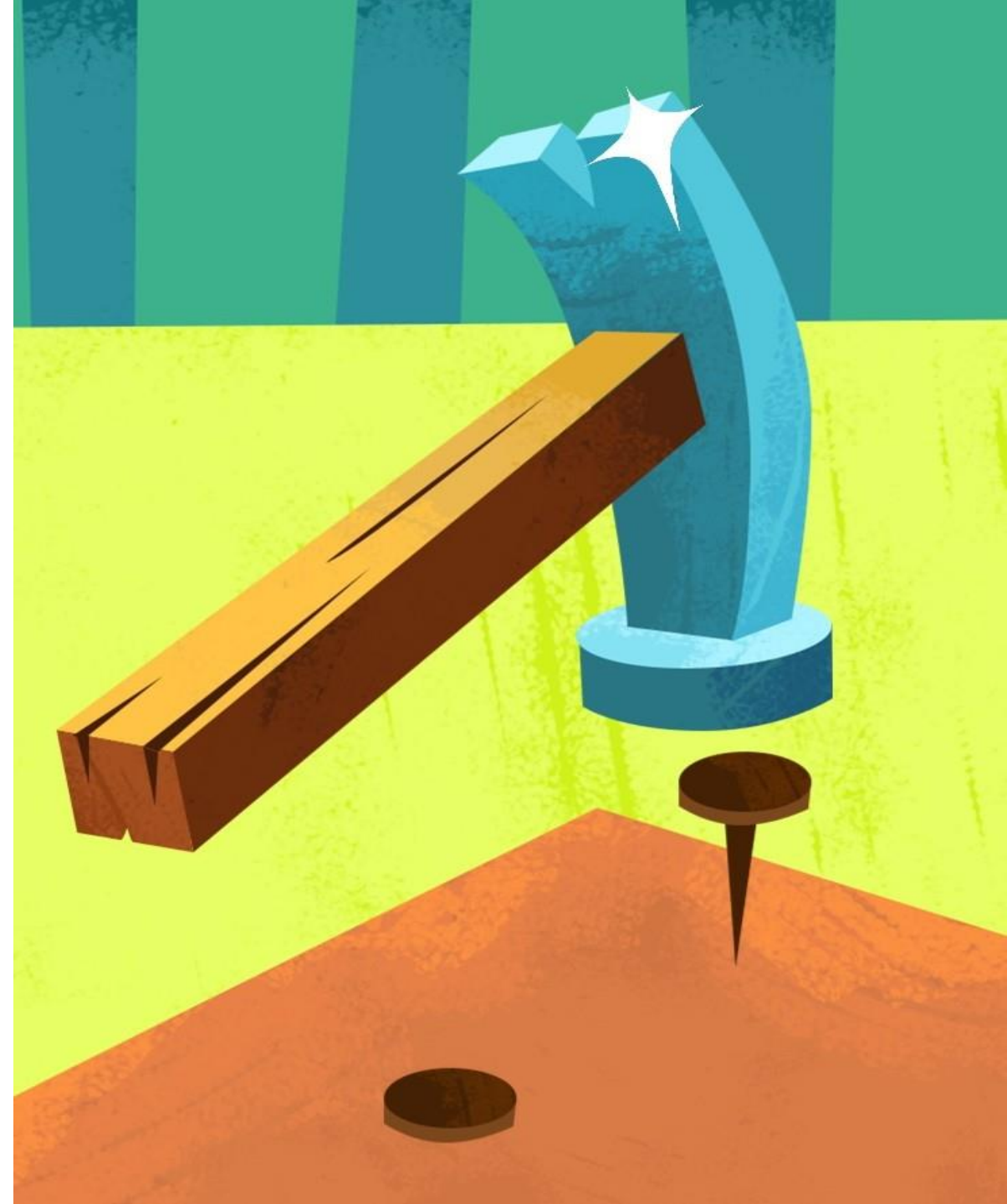




One morning, a farmer named Vikram approached Kavya with a problem. His precious heirloom necklace had mysteriously vanished from his farmhouse. The necklace held sentimental value, as it had been passed down through generations in Vikram's family. Kavya and Shikhar set off to the farmhouse to investigate the crime scene. As they arrived, they noticed muddy footprints leading away from the farmhouse.



Kavya observed the footprints carefully, and they seemed to have a distinct pattern, almost resembling those of an animal. She knew this might be a clue worth pursuing. Beside the farmhouse, they found a water bucket and a hammer lying on a bench. Kavya recorded these clues in her notebook, wondering if they could be linked to the missing necklace.

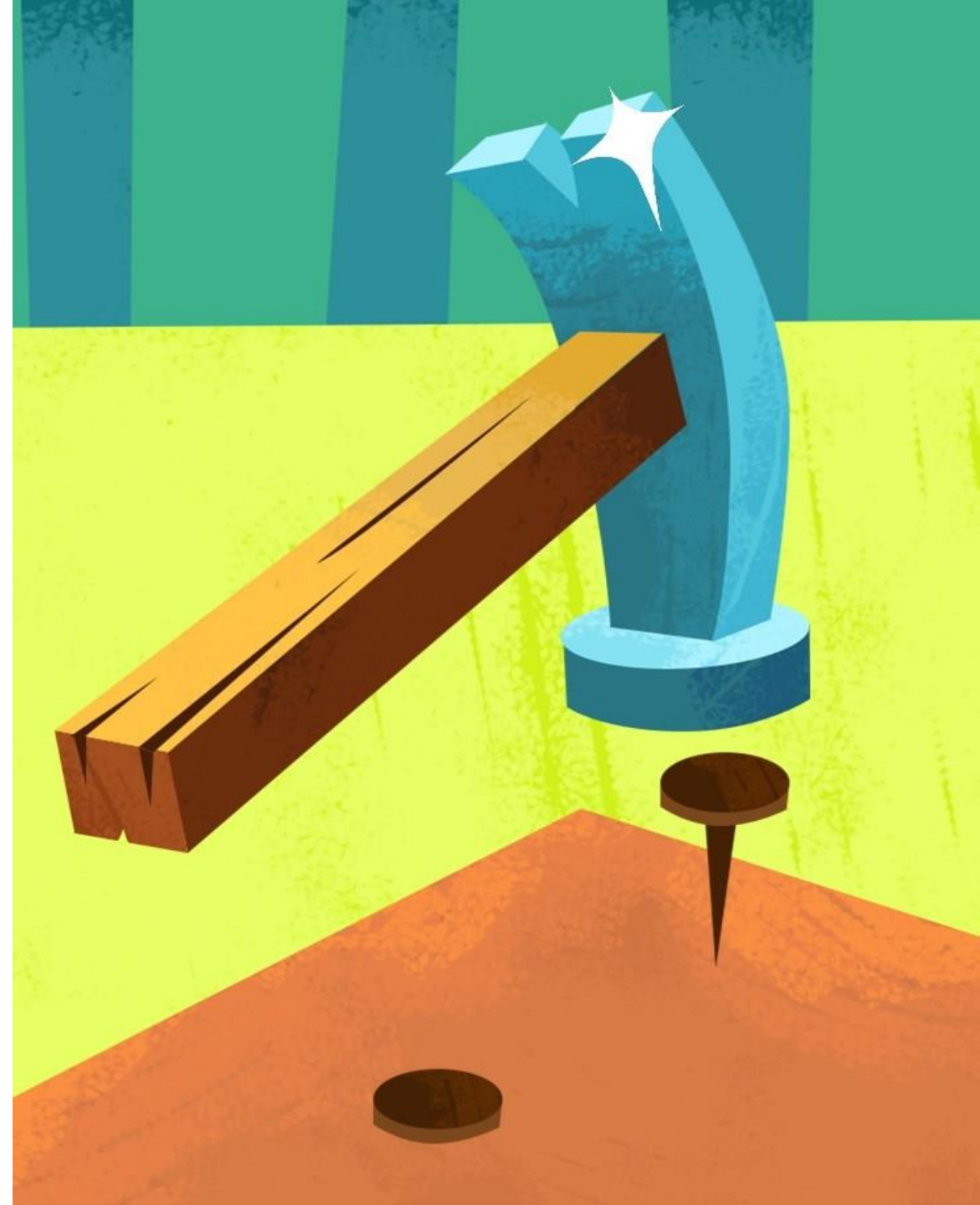




Following Shikhar's instinct, they traced the footprints to the outskirts of the village, where they discovered an abandoned warehouse—rumored to be the hideout of the bandit, Kalia. Peering through a open window, they spotted Vikram's missing necklace! But before they could make a move, the door opened, and there stood Kalia. Kavya bravely confronted Kalia and demanded the return of the stolen necklace.



Impressed by the young detective's fearlessness, Kalia proposed a challenge. If Kavya could outsmart him in a game of wits, he promised to surrender the necklace. Kavya asked Shikhar to fetch the water bucket and the hammer from the farmhouse. Kalia watched as Kavya arranged the objects on the ground, forming a pattern reminiscent of a traditional Indian game called 'Pithoo.'





Tossing a small ball-shaped stone into the air, Kavya skillfully knocked down the water bucket and the hammer, creating a momentary distraction. While Kalia was momentarily confused, Shikhar, who had been trained by Kavya, swiftly retrieved the necklace and placed it behind her. Then they all saw people. Kavya had also told to inform the sheriff. Kalia was then forced to surrender and Vikram got his necklace back. The End.



# The Ashram

by Prashant





Rohit was young teenager who worked part time in a law firm. This part time job managed to earn him some extra money which would help in playing his student loan.

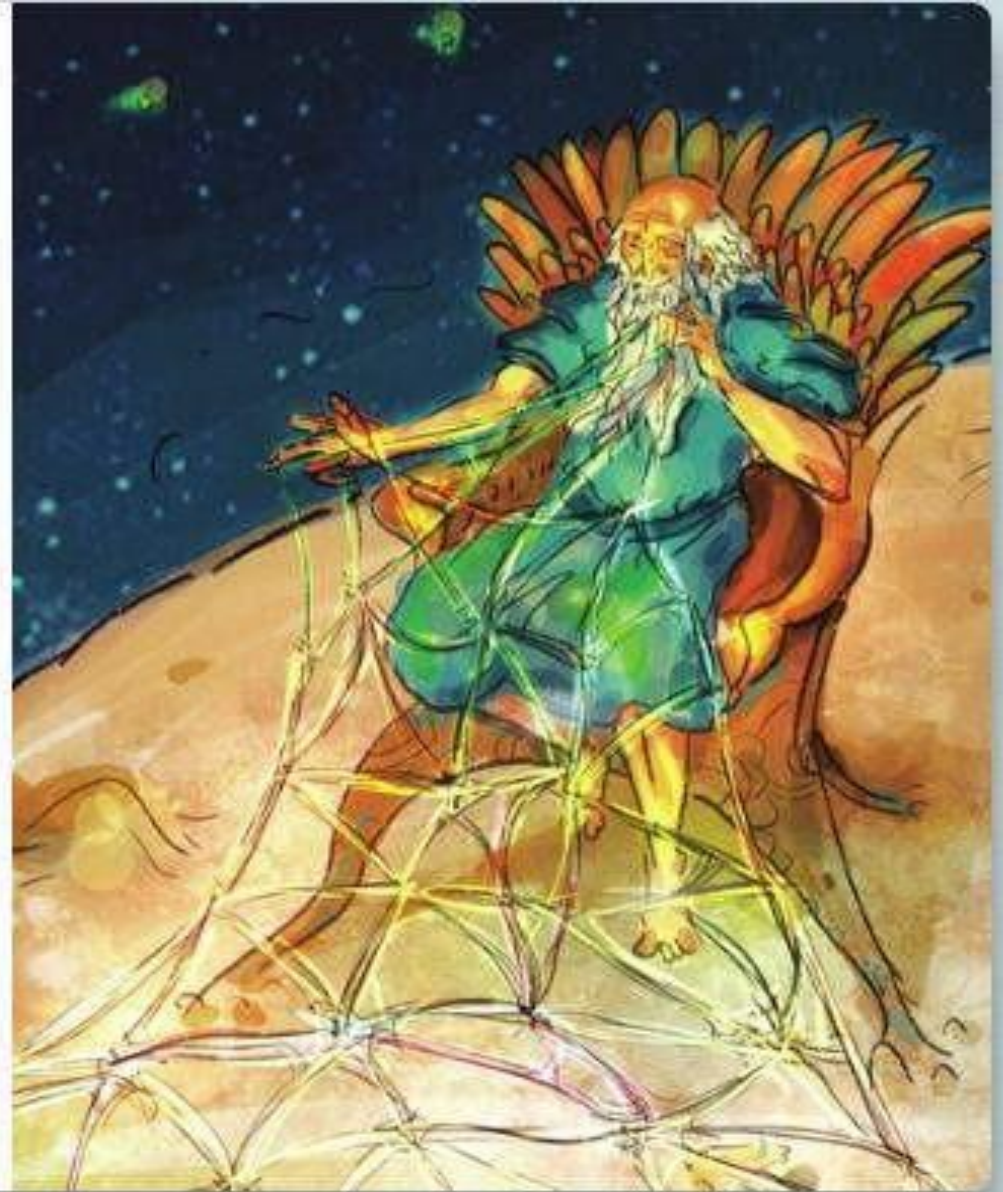


One day, when he was going from work to his apartment. He heard a strange sound, this sound was majestic and compelling. He was attracted towards it.



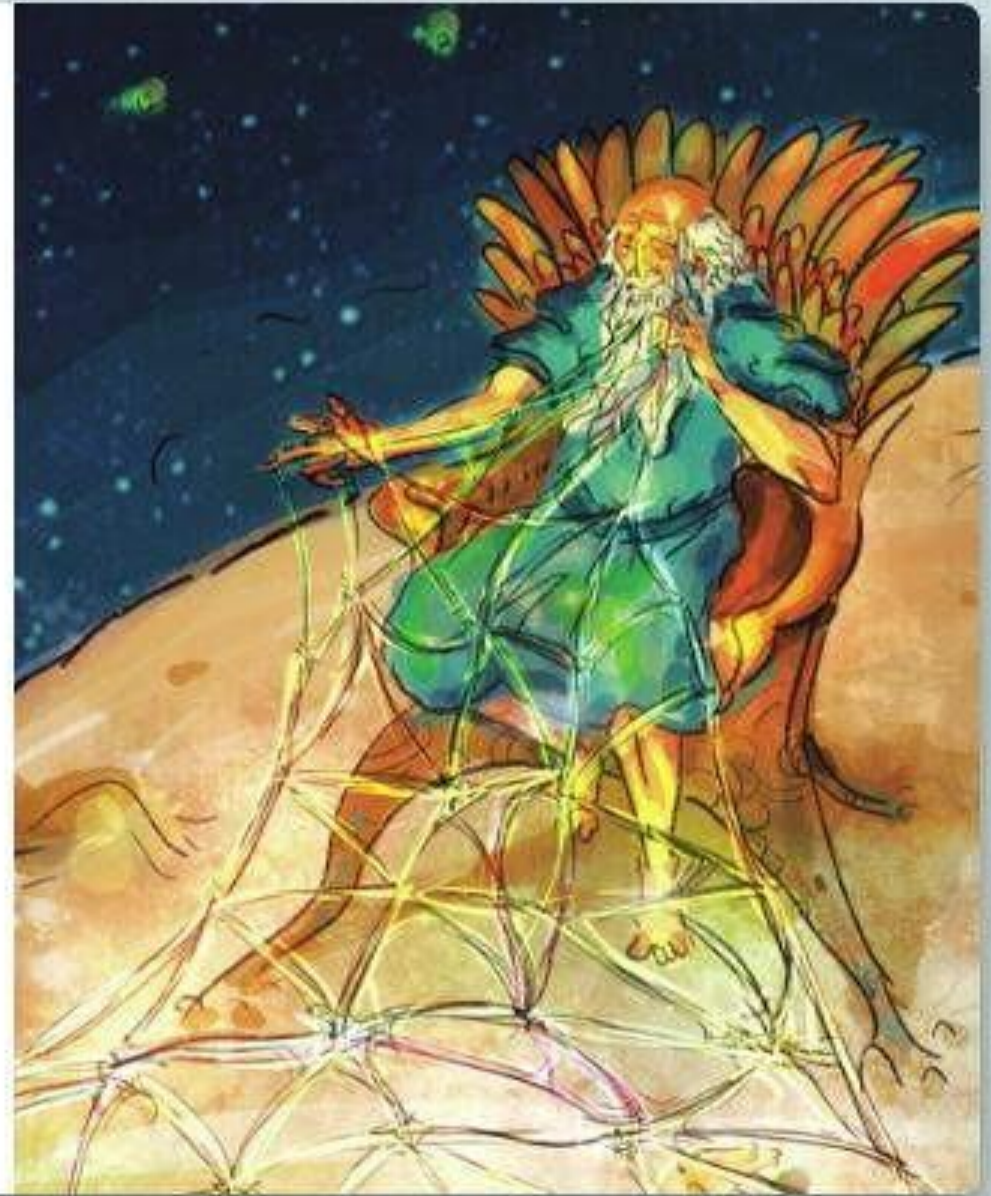


He saw an old man in a distance was doing something. The light emitted was bright, it looked as if he was doing some kind of magic. He was sitting on a wooden chair beside him where some people which looked like his students.



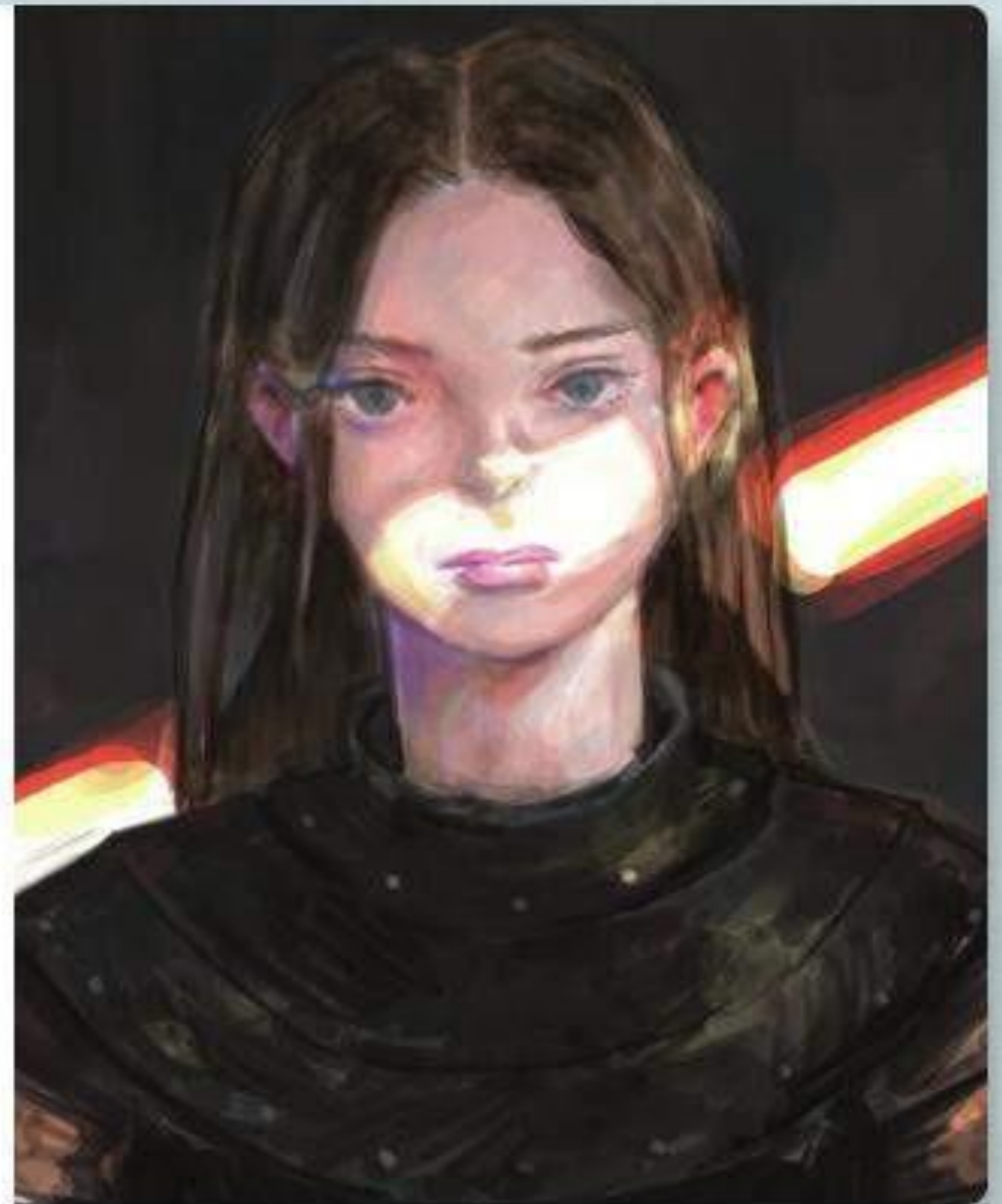


He asked the old man that what technique he was using and he replied asking if he wanted to learn it. Rohit replied with a yes. He introduced him to his students.





One of students name was Riana. She had the ability to craft things without any material. He said it was all possible of the life force inside our body which needs to be awakened by intense training and determination. He further introduced Rohit to John.



John was tall and muscular. He had been in army for 2 years and had been training at the old man's ashram for 5 years. He had ability to form clones of himself. The only limitation was that he could not make more than 2. Sitting beside him was a women named Naomi.





She was rather shy in showing her abilities. She was a descendent of a ninja family. Her abilities where moving extremely fast and had was proficient at the use of katanas.



Rohit joined the ashram and starting training. He used to train day and night but he did not get his abilities. The old man said when the times comes you will be gifted with your abilities. He kept and kept training. He would sit under the waterfall for 2 hours and then go for 10km run.





One day, he saw something in the sky. It was an angel who had come to him and said that you have been working hard, you shall be given your abilities. He was given the angel wings and he had received the ability to fly.



He flew  
around the  
sea and lakes.  
He was very  
fast, and he  
even raced an  
aeroplane.  
The old man  
was delighted  
to see his  
progress.





After seeing his progress, the old man decided that he must now leave the ashram and protect the world from evil with his new abilities. He wished him good luck. After taking his leave, he saved the world from robberies and criminals. He had become a saviour of the world. He was thankful to the ashram.







# The Princess, The Bear, And the Commoner

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Way way back near the Indus Valley, there lived a princess.





She had a grizzly bear as her pet. It was surprisingly friendly!





Once when the princess was going towards the hills she saw a house to the corner of it and decided to go towards it.





As she reached, she saw a man whose aura looked like one of a phoenix. The princess was awed.



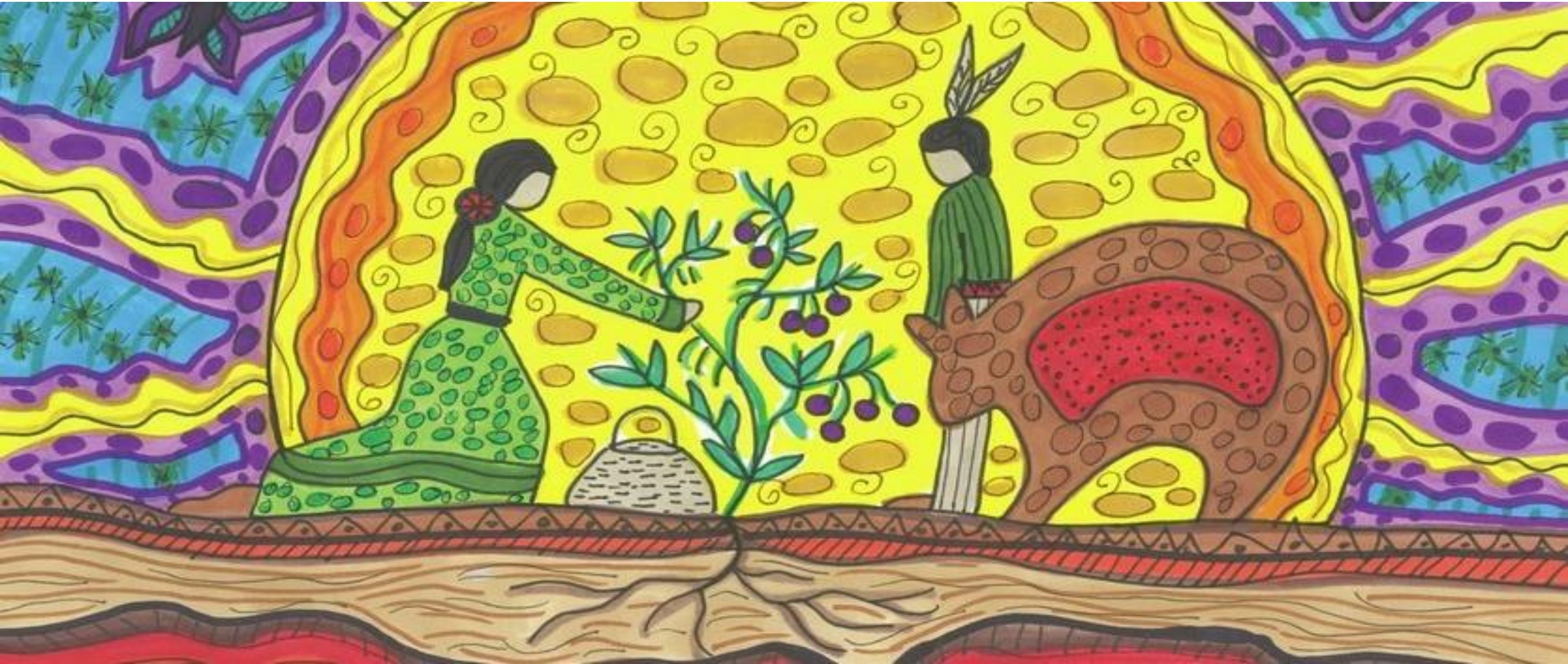


He didn't know how to control his endless aura that it was visible. The princess was coincidentally an expert at suppressing it.



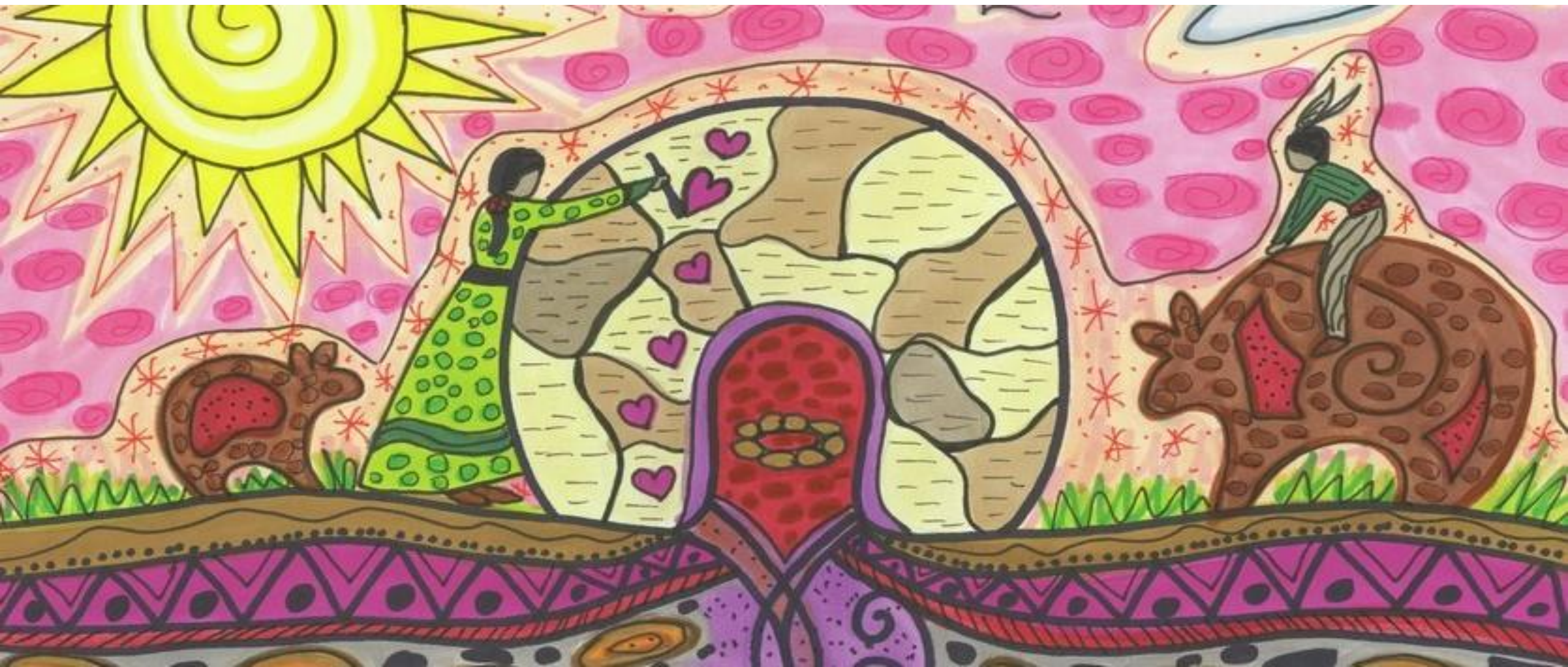


She decided to talk to him about it and persuaded him into suppressing his endless aura.  
The bear also assisted the princess to suppress the aura.



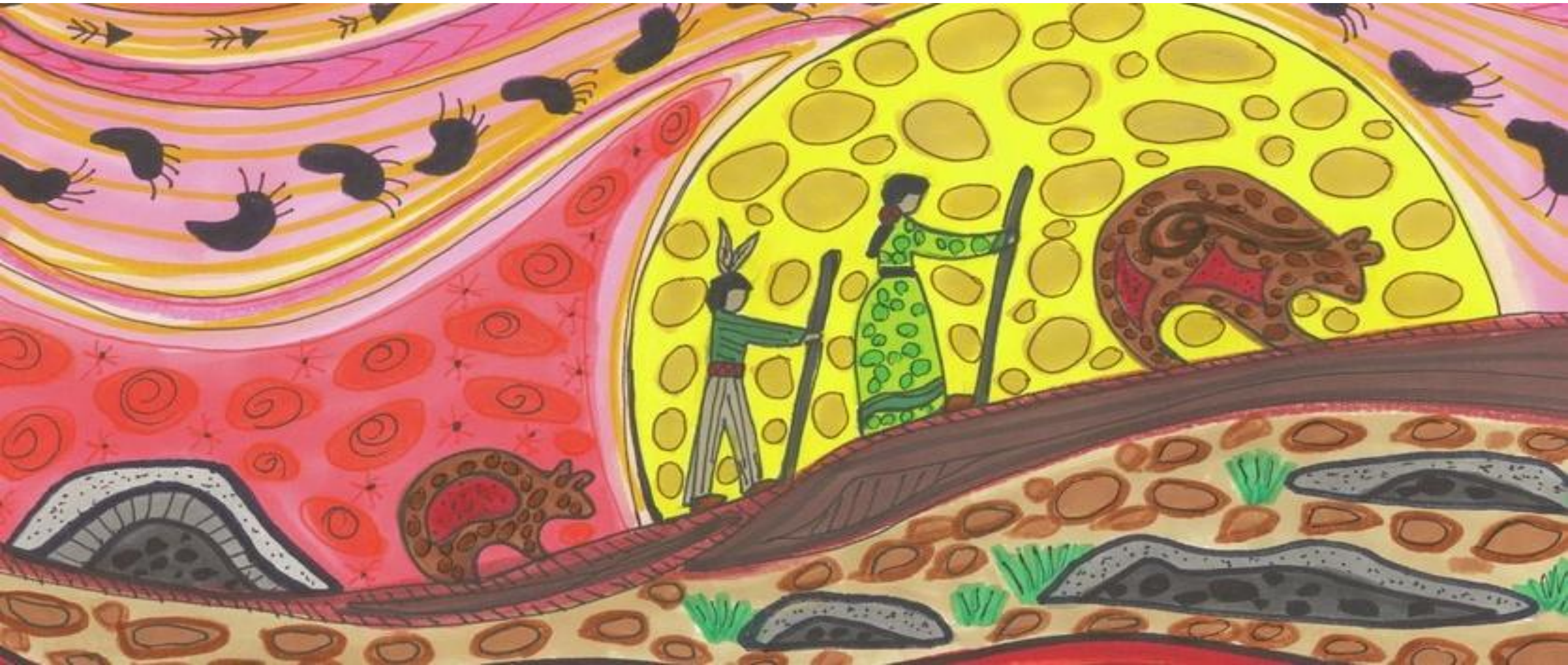


It took them one month to suppress all the aura and finally the man acquired the ability to control his aura at will.





The man was extremely thankful to the princess as he couldn't interact with anyone due to his endless aura as people would fall unconscious.





All the princess asked was, " Be my prince and stay by me at all times " .





The man accepted the proposal. They got married and led a happy life with the bear as their protector.





# The Proud Rose

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Once upon a time, in a desert far away, there was a rose who was so proud of her beautiful looks. Her only complaint was growing next to an ugly cactus. Every day, the beautiful rose would insult and mock the cactus on his looks, all while the cactus remained quiet.





All the other plants nearby tried to make the rose see sense, but she was too swayed by her own looks. One scorching summer, the desert became dry, and there was no water left for the plants. The rose quickly began to wilt.

Her beautiful petals dried up, losing their lush color. Looking to the cactus, she saw a sparrow dip his beak into the cactus to drink some water. Though ashamed, the rose asked the cactus if she could have some water. The kind cactus readily agreed, helping them both through the tough summer, as friends.







Moral: Never judge anyone by the way they look



# The Ultimate Explorer and Adventurer

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Chris was an explorer. He was very much into exploring new places and he was a a freak when it comes to travelling . He used to enjoy the culture. He was interested in getting to know about new things like how we do!







One day as part of his scout, he went to the wide and never ending Sahara desert with his friend.

He found that they were the only one who were there. In the middle of the desert, he started to search if there was any tribe or group of people present. He was trying but his attempts failed as he kept searching.

There was no clue of any living being over there. Eventually he started getting thirsty and hungry. It was so hot that he felt like he was being boiled in a hot pot. He started to lose hope. In the night the temperature was way opposite than the temperature in the morning. It was freezing cold. He had no shelter!





Chris slept on the sand for the night as he had no other option. He was feeling very cold but luckily he had a plastic sheet with which he could cover with but it couldn't help him much. He managed to sleep for rest of the night.



He finally found a cactus. Chris had a good knowledge of trees and plants. He had a brief idea about each part of the plant. He started to cut some of the edible parts of the cactus and ate it just like that, as if he was used to it. He did not hesitate. He confronted a very poisonous snake, the Russell's Viper. He even faced other venomous and non-venomous creatures like the scorpion, rattle spider ,etc.





The next day in the morning, he started the day by searching for food. He did not eat anything the previous day and was starving. He was a well trained person when it comes to adventures. Chris was wearing a torn pair of shoes. He only carried a bottle of water, a knife and a cover.



He even had to eat some of the insects he found as food was important for him to survive in the extreme weather conditions and move forward. Chris tried his best to find a group of people or a tribe and pushed himself very hard. He kept searching and his strive to go back to his home did not fail. He finally found a tribe named 'Tuareg'. They helped him to go back to his country!!





Chris never stopped exploring, travelling and adventuring as he was very passionate towards his dream to explore....





# Animal Loyalty: A Heartfelt Tale

by Arunima X





Animals, with their unwavering loyalty, continue to inspire and warm our hearts. Whether it's the faithful dog who waits for their owner's return or the zealous cat who comforts us in times of need, their loyalty knows no bounds.



Even in the wild, stories of animals risking their lives to protect their young ones or sticking by their companions through thick and thin serve as a testament to their remarkable devotion.







The story of Hachiko, the loyal Akita dog from Japan, waiting at a train station for his owner every day for almost a decade, touched the world, reminding us of the enduring loyalty that exists between pets and their owners.



Horses, domesticated for centuries, establish deep bonds of loyalty with their human companions. Their willingness to carry us on their backs and follow our lead highlights their incredible trust and loyalty.



A lion and his owner share an extraordinary bond, defying traditional expectations. Through trust, respect, and training, the owner has formed a unique companionship with the majestic beast.





Whether in the wilderness or in our houses, these heartwarming tales remind us that loyalty is a remarkable and universal quality shared by creatures great and small, and their loyalty towards their owners is a testament to the enduring connection between humans and the animal kingdom.



# Airplane





"Here comes the little airplane Ria." He chuckled guiding the spoon of cereal into her mouth. Gloria and her father had always been close. From playing basketball to cooking to watching horror movies, they did everything together. They were a team, and to Gloria, he was nothing less than her superman.





When Gloria won the lead role in her school play, he was there. When she lost the basketball match in her school and came home crying, he was there with a bucket of vanilla ice-cream till she snorted loud enough to forget all about her bad day. And when Gloria locked herself in her room all day because her new little brother was receiving all the attention only she deserved, he stayed up all night convincing her he loved them both the same.



Even after the insecurities Gloria faced after she was gifted an annoying little brother for her eighth birthday, she knew no matter what, nothing could ever come in between her dad and her. Because the best thing about her father? Like a brave superhero, he always showed up. Until one day, he didn't. It was the most awaited time of the year, Gloria's annual day, and as she had been raving about for months now, she was being awarded the best student of the year in the ceremony.





Anxiously biting her nails on the side of the stage, her eyes were restlessly searching the crowd for the grinning face of someone she wanted to see the most today, with his video camera on and a bright thumbs up to encourage her, the reason for the big smile she couldn't hold back. Only, he wasn't here. Her eyes glistened over and she blinked her tears away on her name being announced, cracking a small smile walking up to the stage.





A moment which was supposed to be so important to her had suddenly turned into the most dreadful day of her life. Swallowing the lump in her throat, she wondered why her biggest motivator was absent when she needed him the most.



Tears welled up in her eyes as she walked home, upset and frustrated, only to find an...ambulance parked in front of their house? Her eyebrows furrowed and she quickened her pace before her breath got caught in her chest on the sight of her dad in the ambulance.







Suddenly, everything was a blur. The ambulance sirens, her mother weeping with her brother held to her chest, the trophy cup she was holding falling to the ground. 'This couldn't be.' 'They are saying it's a heart stroke, but he is my superhero. And superheroes never go weak. Right?'



# Stargazing

Hasitha S



Star gazing, simply just lying on velvet grass looking above to glance on a little shining light from afar. Something about it is undeniably magical perhaps it's the sense of wonder that comes from looking up at the night sky and realizing the vastness of the universe. Or maybe it's the feeling of connection to something much greater than ourselves.





Ellora, a little girl, was always fascinated with stars, perchance because she went to a mystic spot on a steep hill often with her brother. She admired the gleaming lights with a perspective distinct from others.



Her brother always enjoyed the massive tress he could climb, to see the brighter view or the oceans that made the blue atmosphere seem never ending. But Elora more than that enjoyed the time she could spend with her brother misgiving about thoughts that bothered her.





As the saying goes, unfortunately, all good things come to an end. The activity she always awaited for the most, the one thing which she would look up slowly seemed like it was disappearing. Ellora avoided to overthink on the fact she might not have the same moment ever again and something would change. A change she might not adjust to.



It was her brother's graduation, he was going to a not so nearby country to continue his studies and wouldn't be home anytime soon. In the night for the first time she wasn't on the steep hill where she was always found. Ellora lay on her bed, finally facing the reality of the situation.





It had been months Ellora had gone out in the cover of night to stargaze. She convinced herself into going. But was different this time; the stars created a sense of comfort, a similar sense of shared bond Ellora had, with her brother before he had left.

