# Smart Diamonds A Collection of short stories



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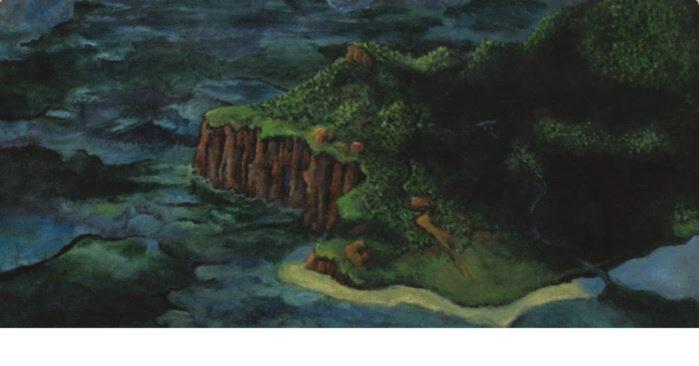
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### A Path Of Roses

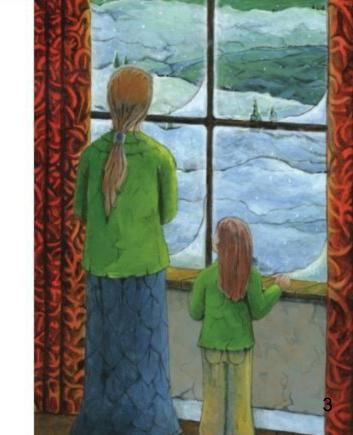


by Ancy Siya



A very long time ago...

Mura, a young, ambitious girl, destined for greatness, stood at the windowsill with her mother and watched the 'Science parade'. The parade was one of the finest in the world. Scientists would travel over seas to take part in it, and show case their inventions to the world.





As a science lover, Mura found the parade amusing. That year, a very renowned scientist and explorer, whom people called 'The queen of the seas' brought one of her greatest inventions to the parade. Mura urged to be as great and successful as her. But, she wanted to explore the sky instead.

People referred to her as a lunatic, just because she dreamt of floating in the skies above.



But nevertheless, Mura was never discouraged. She worked hard, and completed her higher studies in the stream of science, with flying color's. She could see her beautiful destination lying up ahead of her, but the path was covered in thorn's.





Mura worked hard, day after night on designs of a flying vehicle. After many failed attempts of testing...

Her cousins were sure that she had lost it, and they planned on sending her to a mental asylums.





Upon hearing the news, Mura was assured that she had no support from her family. So, she decided to escape, somewhere very far away. Where she could peacefully design her flying cart.

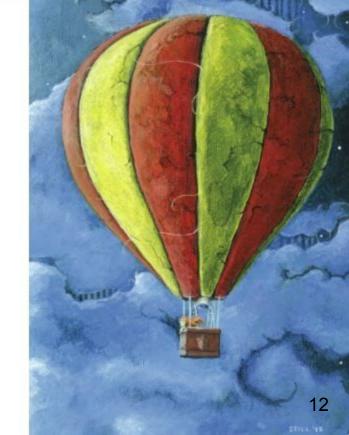
Mura fled to a jungle, where no one could ever find her. She began working determinedly on her designs. After a several tries, she successfully designed, what she called a 'hot-air' balloon. All that was left now, was to test it.





It was a huge challenge, but Mura somehow managed to collect all the materials she needed to built it.

She assembled her hot-air balloon, and set course into the endless blue skies. Soring in the clouds, the young girl was proud of herself. Mura brought her dream into reality, and proved it to the world that, today's wild dreams become tomorrow's great inventions.

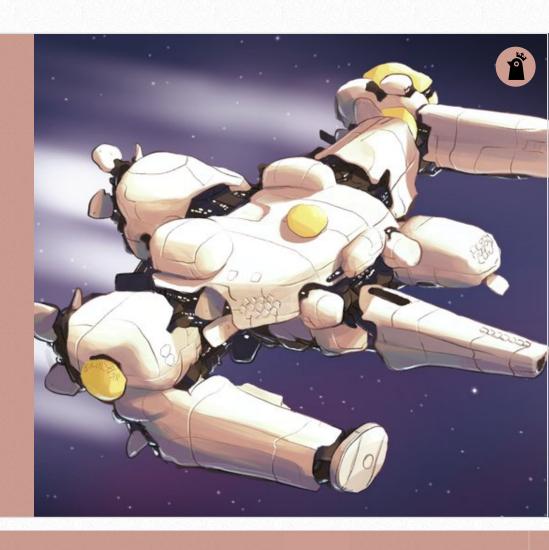


Soon after, she participated in the science parade and show cased her invention to the world. She became an eminent scientist, and was referred to as 'The conqueror of the Winds'.



ORGANIC

by Shreyan2006



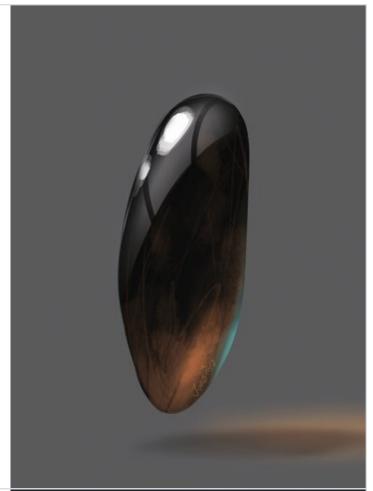
It was the year 2450, 200 years after humanity was at the verge of extinction. Earth was no longer habitable due to the sheer lengths of the damage done by us to the environment.



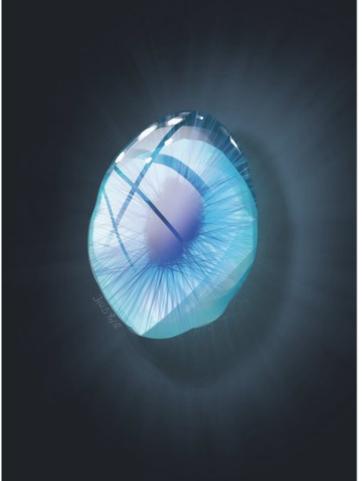
His perception of reality was bounded to stories and anecdotes told by his grandparents. It all happened so long ago that it was hard to put a finger on the exact series of events.



Captain Yuzi stood there with a worried look on his face. Everett had a feeling that something bad had taken place.



we will be employing a standard meal rationing system which will be implemented from today. Crew members will be served a maximum of 2 meals a day. I hope you all understand the gravity of the situation"



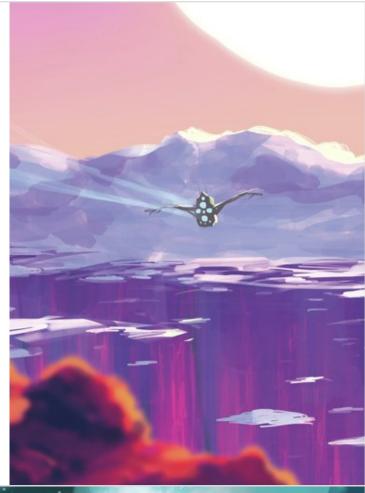
He was thinking about whether or not it would be feasible to go back to earth and collect organic samples to essentially rebuild a farm in space.

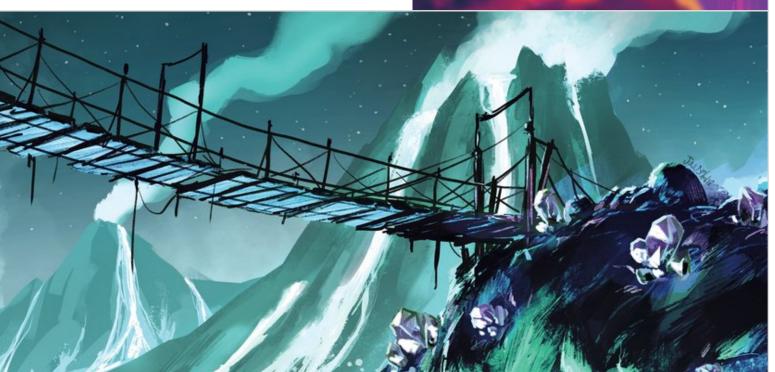


Yuzi was known for taking bold decisions and disregarding any consequences, as a result he said yes to Everett within a moment's notice.

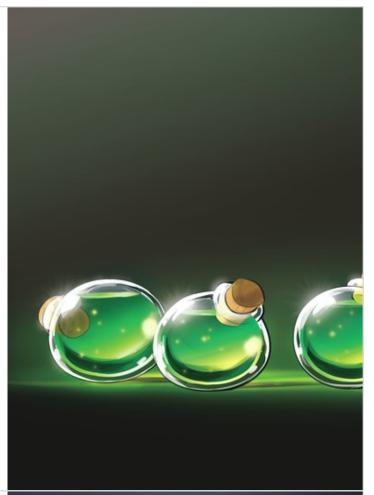


He stepped out of the airlocked vehicle and finally laid eyes on the place which was once called home. He walked out and noticed piles of waste materials spread over the land. Not a single plant in sight.





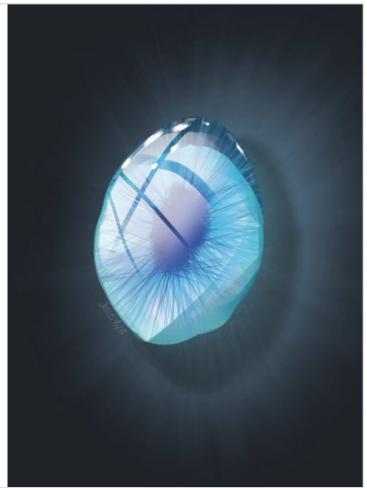
He starts taking photos of the places around him so that he would be able to show this to his friends. He travelled far and wide in search of any sign of organic life, he failed to spot anything of use. It was amusing to think that such an insignificant plant could hold the key to human survival. He carefully plucked it and stored it in a vial.



Eventually a rudimentary farm was set up and it lasted the ship for many months. The team of biologists figured out a way to actually turn this into a sustainable project which could potentially support the ship for years to come.



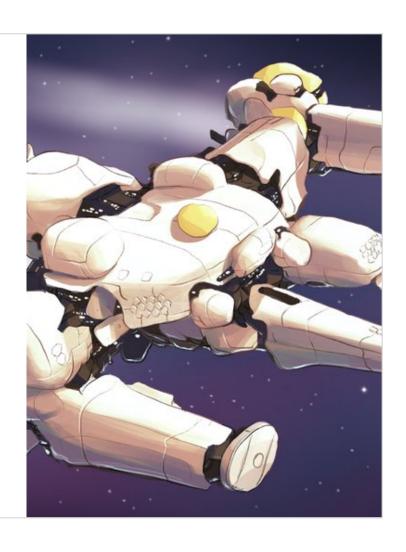
This experience had truly changed him. He was thinking about how things had gotten so bad, why did humanity have to leave behind earth even though it was the key to our survival.



Everett knew that although Earth maybe damaged beyond repair however a fragment of it's past still lives on in the form on an insigficant plant......



He came to realise that we had essentially left behind a part of our natural environment and the consequences manifested themselves in the form of the food crisis which was on the verge of occurring 6 months ago.

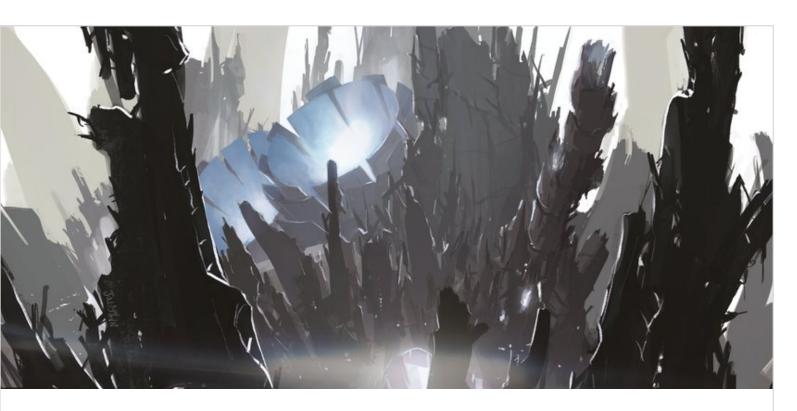


He was extremely excited to show Yuzi about his finding. As soon as he reached home he stormed into Yuzi's office with the plant and then asked him to immediately consult the biologists on the ship in order to get a farm up and running.



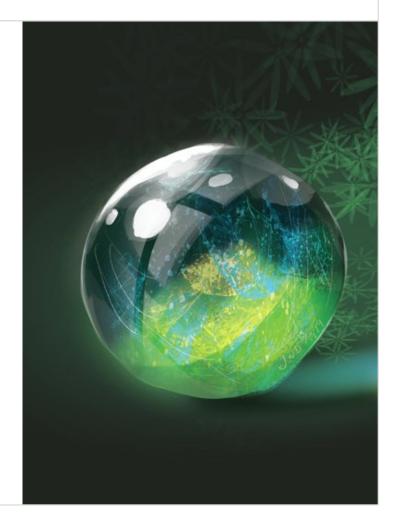
6 months had gone by, the ship had a sustainable food source, Everett was given a medal of honour for his excellent work.





An unsettling feeling took over, he thought to himself "Was this going to be worth it?". He quickly suppressed that feeling and went ahead with his exploration.

He finally arrived at what looked to be a broken down supermarket, and in there he noticed a small vine growing from a crack in the wall.



This idea of going back to earth had been at the back of his mind for quiet a while and now he had found the perfect opportunity to put it into action. He walked past the crowd with a sense of conviction and confronted Yuzi with the idea.



Everett was exhilarated, he would finally be able to go to his place of origin and finally attain closure. The very next day a shuttle was arranged and Everett was sent on week long mission to Earth. After 2 days, he finally reached his destination.



The captain finally broke the silence and with a deep, anxious tone he announced "Dear crew members, It is with great sadness that I inform you all about the recent shortage in food supplies that has taken place,



The members of the ship murmured amongst themselves, amidst all of this chaos, everett stood there thinking.

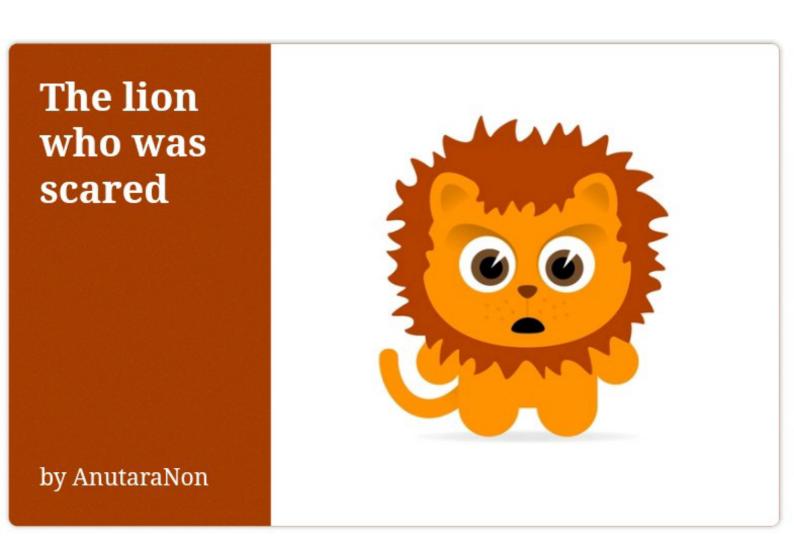


The people had to be evacuated on massive spaceships and sent away to Mars. A young man named Everett sat by the airlock in the ship looking into the darkness of space and trying to comprehend how life must've been like back in the old days.



It was then that a loud voice tore through the speakers in the ship calling the crew members to assemble at the main hallway.





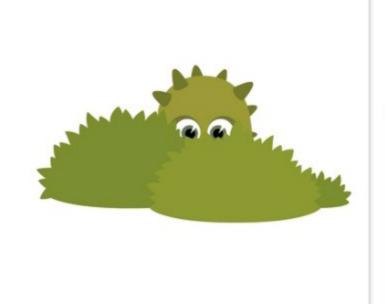
Once upon a time, there was a lion who was scared. His mother and father were bunnies. His parents always taught him to stay away from animals.



His parents even taught him that apart from bunnies and lions every other animal is scary. That was the reason he was even scared of a little dog.



One day when he was passing by the forest he heard something. He was so scared he could not move. The noise was coming from the way of his home. The lion had nowhere to go!But then the lion thought that he wanted to try to be brave.



So , he took a deep breath and started looking for what the noise could be. And then he got to know what it was . Just a little bird.And after that incident he was never scared .Moral-

- •WE OFTEN FRIGHTEN OURSELVES FOR NOTHING
- •BELIEVE IN YOURSELF.



## A Leap Of Faith

by Ancy Siya



#### "And they lived happily ever after...".

That is how all the classic stories and fairy tales have an exotic end, not life... Or so people assume.

Normally people reckon life to be 'hell on Earth', but I think otherwise!!



That is me... Mia.

Often referred to as 'boring, passionless, spiritless, and lifeless'.

Of course, all those allegations weren't wrong. I was stodgy. Perhaps, that is why I was always very lonely, and self-kept. As a consequence, I never knew what *'happy' meant*.



I worked as a journalist... My life was a mess, I always heard an earful for not getting a 'good scoop'.

Not a day passed by, that I missed asking myself <i style="font-weight: bold;">"Why am I such an unwanted, jobless shamble?". I knew the reason to that, but I could never get myself to accept it.



Like every twist and twirl in life, came the day that changed the way I looked at life... the way I looked at myself.



That day, my colleague and my only friend, Jim got promoted. He oath that he would take me on a treat. So, after work, we took off to a French restaurant. But, fate wanted us elsewhere. By the time we reached the restaurant, all seats were full and there was a very long queue outside.



We did not want to wait that long, plus, it was raining too. So, Jim suggested we go to his granny's house. His granny made the best food in town and she was very good with pep-talks...

We were soaked in rain by the time we reached.



Mrs. Dwell, Jim's grandmother cooked us delicious mojo's with fresh bread she made, that night. While the meal, Mrs. Dwell spotted out the worry on my face for my new assignment. After the meal, while washing the dishes, Mrs. Dwell told me something that I still remember.



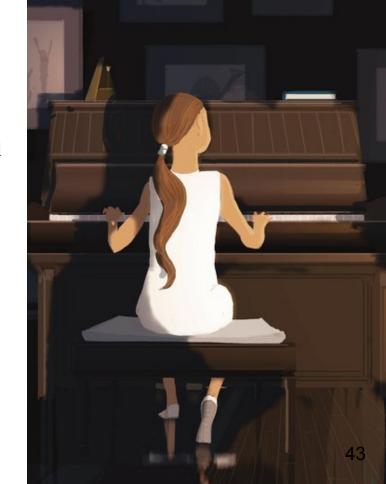
She told me, "No matter what others think, always trust yourself and do what you love to do, do what you are passionate about. You may face hurdles, and obstacles on your path. Welcome it with open hands. Face them being yourself...". I thought about Mrs. Dwells words for days...



Then I realized, thinking wasn't enough, and that I had to try and see the end results.

Leave the sad life, and start a joyful one.

There it is, I am now a professional pianist. I have many albums of my own, many of them being bestsellers.



People keep asking me in interviews, "How have I achieved success?" and my answer to that, believe yourself, and the steps you take. Follow what you are passionate about, even if you face difficulties. Appreciate yourself for what you are...



Never ever forget 'now' is the best time to start. So, take a leap of faith in yourself, and you will find it all true!! That is how I became the new me!!

That is how I think we decide whether we want our life to be a 'Hell on Earth' or 'Heaven on Earth'.



After all, it is us who shape our own future!!



Discovery
of a new
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Woods



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On a stormy night, when I was fast asleep, I dreamt that we were finding a treasure. In that dream, this happened-

I was in my room writing a funnysimple comic storybook when a paper
came into the room from the window.
It was a map to find a hidden
treasure. 'Is it real?' I said to
myself. But even then I was superexcited about finding a treasure.





I packed some supplies and started for the journey. My sister is very good in finding things, so I asked my sister 'Will you come with me on a journey to find the Treasure? 'and showed her the treasure map.

She said 'Of course but when Mother and Father are sleeping'.

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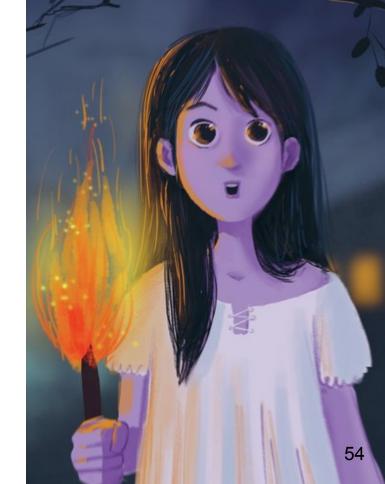
I carried a notebook along with me for recording the time taken. I even wore my Zoop wrist watch to keep a track of time.



I was thrilled but at the same time frightened after seeing the map. For reaching the massive palace where the treasure was kept, we had to go through the Dark woods



We started our journey late at Night because everyone was asleep. When we reached the Dark woods, I was petrified and horrified. 'But how could I write if it is so dark? ' I said to myself. It was good that my sister had brought a box of matchsticks and we collected many woods from the forest. We used the matchstick to light a fire with the wood.



After half an hour, it looked like the palace was very near to us but it was easier said than done. It almost took another half an hour to reach the front door of the palace. We then discovered that it was the backdoor of the palace!!. 'It was an Illusion 'I said to my sister. She said 'yes'.



Then we rested for sometime, before proceeding further. We wanted to be fully alert when we reached the palace.





Then we started again for the treasure after eating the snacks that we had brought with us. After we ate our snacks, it started raining. After coming inside the palace the map showed a path four steps front and then 5 steps left. WHAT!! Four steps front and five steps left. It was in front of us but there was nothing

Instead, a hole was visible on the ground. 'Does this mean that someone had found the treasure' I said. 'No, I think the treasure was inside the hole in the ground'. 'Okay, Let's check' and we went into the hole.



When we got down into the hole, we found ourselves in a new city!!



'Welcome guests' said one person who we found standing where we had reached. 'You were invited in this place for the treasure, but you will get it only when you will accept one deal'. I said 'Which deal?' 'You have to fight against five strongest Dragons in the world and those are in front of you'. I gasped. 'These big giant Dragons?' said my sister.



'How can we fight those Dragons without any sword or a tool?' 'Yeah, That's why we will give you a sword and an armour. She will get a bow and some arrows'. 'okay' we both said at the same time



We fought with courage and we won. 'WOW!! BRAVO!!'everyone cheered. 'You did it and we will give you the treasure that is a bag full of gold coins. One thousand coins'. 'THANK YOU, THANK YOU' we both said after taking the treasure.



That's when I woke up. I finished all my regular chores as fast as possible as I really wanted to write this story. When I completed writing this story, the same events happened that I had written in the story but there was a small difference.



After getting that paper from the window, instead of the map it had the text written: 'Please go inside the notebook'. When I opened the book a window opened in the book from which I went inside the notebook and then everything happened same as what was written.



Moral of the story - Even if it is hard to do something, you can complete that task by trying it again and again.

## VALUE OF MONEY!!!

By - AKSHITHA KANAKAMEDALA





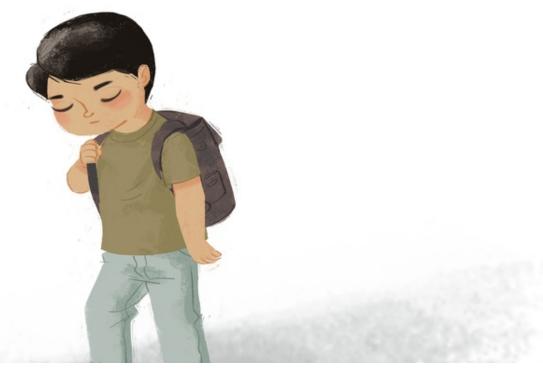
Once upon a time, a two thousand rupee note and a one rupee coin were found in the same wallet. When one rupee coin saw two thousand rupee note in the same wallet, one rupee coin was cheerful and surprised. It kept on staring at two thousand rupee note.

Then two thousand rupee note asked, "What friend, you are staring at me like that?". One rupee coin replied, "Nothing friend, your value is two thousand times more than me. In your life, you have solved many people's problems and fulfiled many people's hunger. If I see you like that, I can not make a sound."



Two thousand rupee note said with sorrow, "No, I did not get a chance to fulfil people's needs, because I had gone to a businessmen's house and he locked me in his locker. As he did not pay the tax, in the recent IT attacks, I became free. The joy of coming out is not even for a few days. From money seized in IT attack.





I have been given to IT executives in the form of a bribe and again the officer locked me in the locker. My life has been spent in the locker itself... I came out the day before yesterday only. What about you friend?" Then one rupee coin said "I can't tell you where I turned in my life, I have been in the beggar plate and satisfied his hunger. I gave chocolate to a crying child and saw the smile on his face.



In the priest's hearth plate, in God's hundi, from there touched the footsteps of God. So what in one place, there is no place where I have not gone, friend." Then said two thousand rupee note, "No matter how valuable it is, friend it's important to get close to people and satisfy their hunger."

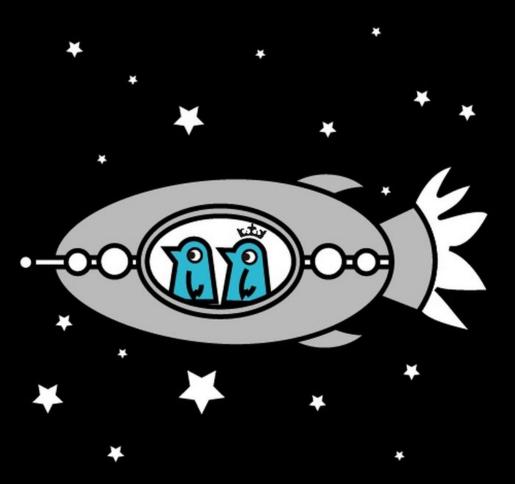
MORAL - No matter how superior we live, how many people's needs we satisfied is more important.



The find of the century:
Aliens



by Naitik Jain



SpaceX had just launched the 7th spaceship to mars, and to their surprise, they landed on a huge discovery, *A SKULL*, and it was not human.



The officers quickly started examining the skull carefully, they couldn't take it back to earth since it would compromise the skull by putting it under the temperature of a spaceship, so they put a request to SpaceX to send in more help to examine the skull.



After getting help, they learned that the skull didn't belong to any animal known to mankind, and hence it was put for further examination before determining whether they belonged to an alien or not.

They discover and publish the skull to be of an "alien". As they are researching on the conditions of Mars, they stumble across an eerie looking object that seems to move, "it" also makes noise, not that humans can fathom, the agents try to understand what "it" is trying to say. After spending almost an hour with it, the agents call in for help. Many psychiatrists try to understand it's body language but fail.



The so called **alien** is put together as evidence, trying to find out the places where other aliens could possibly be. After top class research, they discover that alien life is prevalent on Jupiter.

They send a team to search Jupiter and find aliens.



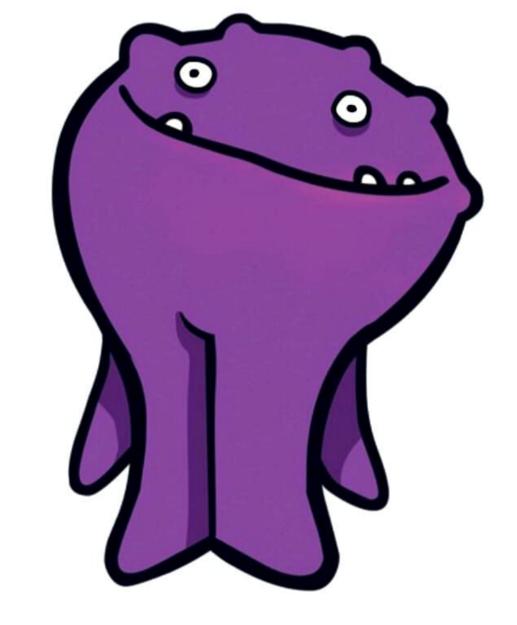
It took 6 months and almost 1B\$ for SpaceX to make the tools to get to Jupiter. After the first group landed, they were not able to see any "aliens", but after travelling for about an hour, they finally interacted with aliens.



The humans and aliens lived happily ever after!



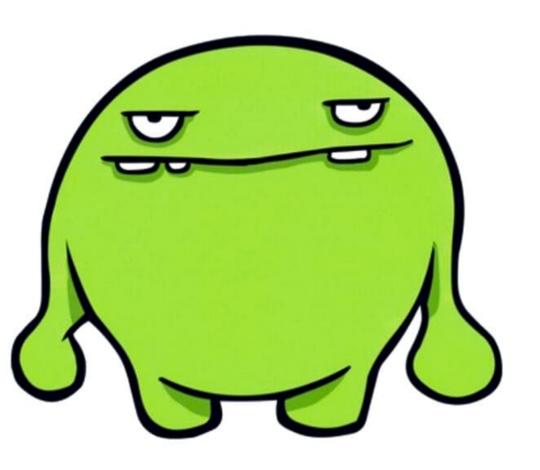
## A Boy Who Saved Earth



by Ranadheer

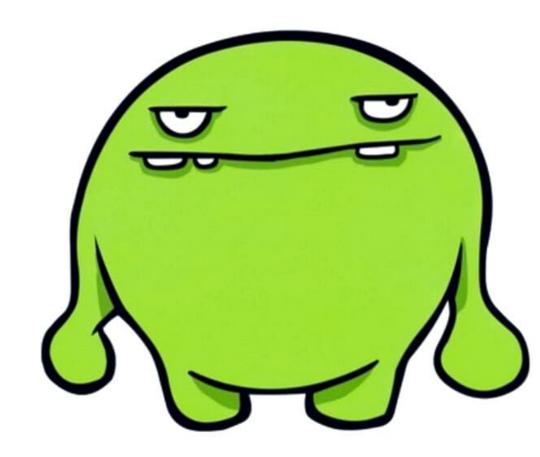
There was once a six-year old boy named Dave. He always used to be on his own. Not that he did not like the other children. He just likes to be alone reading books and watching videos.





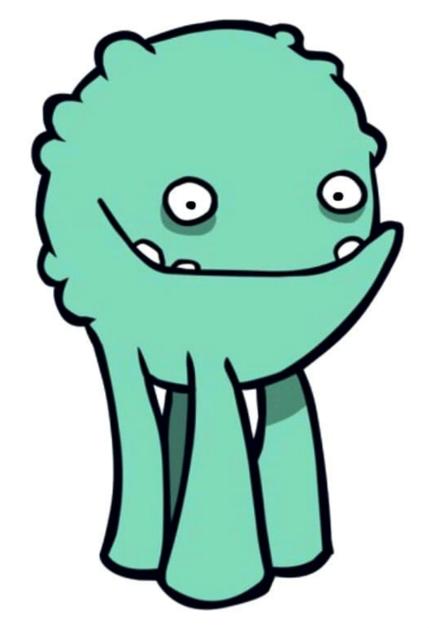
One day when he was walking in a forest which was near a park, with a chocolate in his hand, there came two aliens with two hands and legs. They walked towards Dave. "Hello human. I am Gaygar and he is my assistant Spottar. We are from planet Resking, millions of light years away from Earth."

"We have been watching Earth since ninety-two Earth years. We are upset with what we are seeing", said Gaygar."You endanger other organisms for your own use. You humans always go oh a war for no reason.", said Spottar.

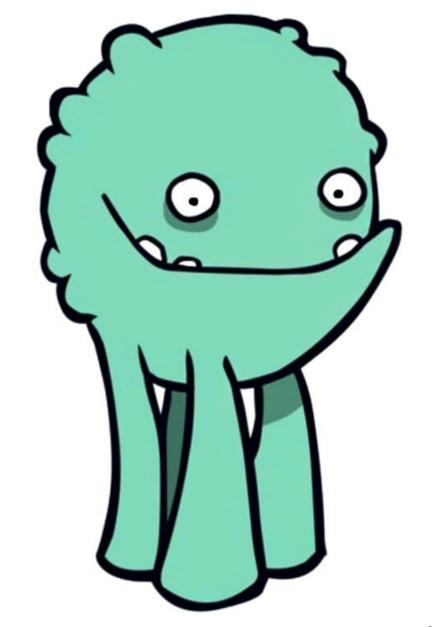


"So for the sake of the universe, we are planning to destroy Earth.", he said. "But, out of mercy, we will spare your planet if you give one reason why we shouldn't destroy Earth.", said Gaygar.

What would a six-year old boy know? Besides, crying and running away seeing something scary is what many children do. But Dave didn't do that. He wanted to tell the aliens that Earth is a very good planet, but how?



Then looking at his palm, he got an idea. He pushed the chocolate into Gaygar's hands and mimed eating, indicating what the alien had to do. The alien took a bite, then another and another and licked his hand. He let Spottar have bite and then took it from him.



"This is delicious. I have never tasted anything like this.", said Gaygar. "Yes. What is this though? Oh, it's written here. Cho-colate. You say this is made hear?", asked Spottar. The boy nodded. Dave said they could take the chocolate with them.

The aliens tried to grow the crop by which you could make chocolate, but didn't succeed. The crop needed special conditions through which it could grow. But, those weather conditions were only available on Earth. So, this is how a six-year old boy saved Earth from getting destroyed.

The Hungry Mouse



by Jessica6jhcs

A mouse was having a very tough time. She had no food for many days and made strenuous efforts to get her food. All her effort went in vein. She looked everywhere to find her food.





As the days pass by, she became very thin. One day, the mouse found a basket with cheese. She also noticed a tiny hole in the basket, which was sufficient enough to move her in. She easily moved inside the hole.



Since she had no food for many days, she ate lots of of cheese without realizing her, she continuously ate more and more cheese. She realized later that she ate lots more than she actually required. After eating a big piece of cheese, she became very fat!

Satisfied with cheese, the fat mouse tries to come out of the basket through the small hole. Unfortunately, the tiny hole could not accommodate the big mouse!!!!!!!



The mouse started screaming 'oh god! Let me come out, how can I come out'?

A rat after hearing mouse's Screaming voice from the basket, asked her what happened!





Mouse told the story and asked the rat a solution. Rat told, if you want to come out the basket, wait for some time or even days to lose your fat until you grow thin. The mouse started to starve, but with lots of food to come out the trap!

Moral of the story: Anything too much is good for nothing



## Patience and Value of time





by Rohitha Kandagatla

There was a boy named Rashid. He was not patient. Once, he wanted a toy robot which he saw while he was passing through a toy shop. But, his parents said: 'No, We just bought you some toys from the mall, Play with them!' Rashid was not satisfied at all and forced his parents to buy him the toy.



He was very lazy too, he always delayed things.

One day, his teacher understood the impatience of Rashid and decided to teach him a lesson. The next day, the teacher gave some homework to all the children and asked them to present it tomorrow. But for Rashid, she asked him to submit it immediately. Rashid thought that it was unfair.

After 10 minutes the teacher came and said 'Did you understand? Being impatient is a bad habit. It was so hard for you when I asked you to submit the homework because I was being impatient. Rashid realized that he should be patient.

But wait!
He had another bad habit, right? Being lazy ..

On another fine day his father saw him wasting a lot of time playing games and watching TV. He expounded to him that time is valuable. Rashid promised his father that he would never be lazy again.

The next day, he got a call from his school. They said that he won the first prize in a singing competition and asked him to collect the award on the very same day.



As usual he was lazy and went to collect his prize the following day. But now the award was useless because the award was a ticket for a circus. But the circus ended yesterday. He returned home sad but he learnt a lesson on his laziness.

Finally, Rashid had got taught lessons of both the bad habits he had. From then he never wasted his time and was patient.

## A spoonful of heart



by taesthetic3012

In the vast outer space, there was a little shining star. Pixie, a magical fairy lived on that star.





Pixie, had the special power with which she could breathe life into anything. She could make all non-living things come to life!

"I want to make more living things, so that my star will become as awesome as the neighbouring star. Alright, let's get to work!" Pixie said to herself.



Pixie started bringing more and more objects to life. "Great, everything's ready!"



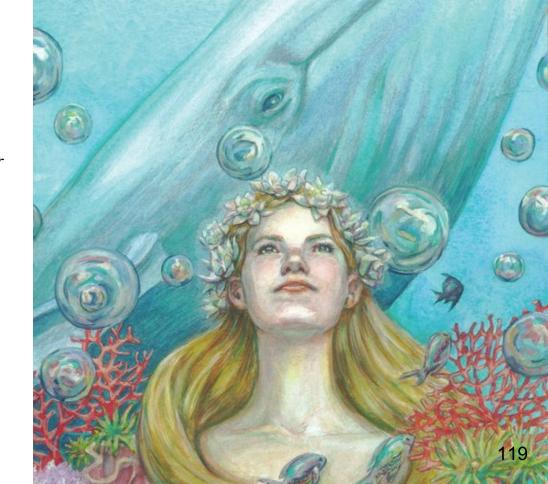
"Hello, I'm Pixie" When Pixie said this to the creatures she brought back to life, they didn't answer her.



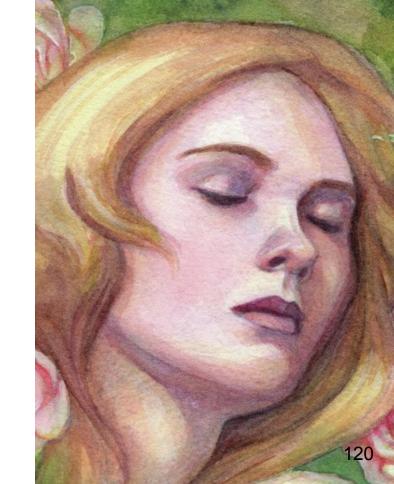
Pixie got dismayed but she was not going to give up. She started thinking why the creature wouldn't respond or react to her. "I wonder what's missing..." She named the creature "Gon".



"Hello Gon, I'm Pixie!" Gon gave no answer, so Pixie thought of another way. "Should I dress it up?" Pixie made new clothes for Gon and dressed him up. "Hi Gon! You look great in your outfit." Gon still didn't answer her.



Pixie was now very sad and began to cry.
"Why won't Gon talk to me.." As her tears
dropped, flowers began to grow wherever
her tears fell. She noticed it soon after.



She came to a conclusion that a sincere heart is what matters the most. Slowly, Pixie started giving life to things, but this time she put her heart into every little detail. This time around she made Gon with a happy face!



"All done! Hello Gon, I'm Pixie." Pixie introduced herself once again. "Hello! It's nice to meet you!". Pixie was happy to finally hear Gon's voice. Her face glowed with happiness. Gon and Pixie became best friends and together, they made their star brighter and better than ever!



~The end~



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## An unlikely pair



Aarya Rajput



We've all heard the myth of sirens, evil singing mermaids that live by the shore and lure naive sailors in with their voices and continue to eat them. Well, this siren has had a change of heart.



Maia's voice was definitely a gift from the gods, which is ironic considering that they're the reason her family and herself were stuck on an island for eternity with their only purpose being to lure in callow sailors and eat them, but Maia never really minded it. To her, it was entertainment, the stupidity and lack of will in mortals. Except, nowadays her routine was getting boring, wake up, locate sailors, sing, eat sailors. She wanted more, something more than a meaningless lifestyle 27



Celine was a pirate, she was born on the sea, raised on the sea, her entire life was on the sea. Settling down in one place seemed like a dream she'd never be able to achieve. Not that she didn't love being a pirate, in fact, she was one of the greats. One of the best, if not THE best fighter on the crew. Though she loved her way of life, she wanted a break, a break from the sea, a break from the crew, a break from her way of living.



One day, the ship was passing by an island and the crew were ready with their gear, ready to attack and steal from the poor people they thought lived on the island. The captain was leading them out and that's when Celine heard them. The enchanting voices, harmonizing together, pulling her toward the port, voices clouding her brain, an image of her life as a commoner blinking in her mind, she could see it, right in front of her, she kept walking towards it, the voices merging together, pulling her in closer and closer, urging her to jump off the ship, she was two steps away, when she stopp 129



Maia noticed that the girl on the ship had stopped. She had resisted the power of her voice. That was supposed to be impossible, she was taught that every human was weak, no one had enough willpower to withstand the power of the sirens. What she was witnessing was a miracle, a once in an infinitely long lifetime opportunity. She was convinced her eyes were playing tricks on her but then again she was fascinated by the sight in front of her, finally a challenge, everything had come to her easy and now she finally had something that interested her. Something new.



Almost all of the pirates had fallen off the ship by now but Celine had stopped. She woke up, she knew life on land for her was impossible, she knew she was walking towards something unattainable, something only a fool would do. Celine was many things but she was most definitely NOT a fool. She rubbed her eyes, and as the weird shapes in front of her had started to vanish, she noticed a beautiful woman staring right at her, agape, eyes widened. She tried to get a closer look and saw that the woman had a tail for legs, a siren. A smirk built on her mouth. She began to walk of 131

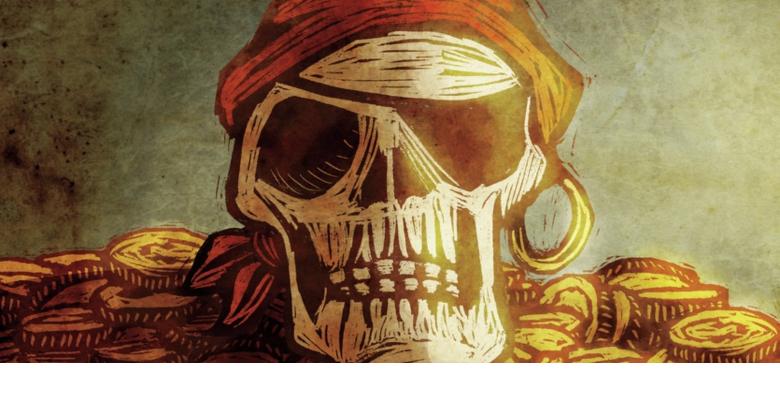


Celine got off the ship and took in the sight in front of her, an island full of sirens, she knew it wasn't the wisest choice but she knew she could fight them off, and she was extremely interested. She walked up to the siren that she saw on the ship. The siren's eyes were slitted, just like a snake. Celine felt as if the siren was trying to look right through her soul. They continued to stare at each other with great interest when she finally spoke, "why hello there, siren lady" "Maia, the name's Maia" "Hello Maia" "You resisted my voice" "I guess I did" "How?" "Willpower, why of course"

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Finally, a worthy opponent, thought Maia. Though, she didn't really want an enemy, she wanted to befriend this pirate. A little offbeat for a siren, yes, but this was new, a person finally on her level, someone like her. "What is your name?" "Celine" "Well, Celine, your willpower might as well be a weapon" "To some level, it is "Why don't you come here and tell me about yourself?" "It might not be the best idea to be up close and intimate with a siren, what is my guarantee you won't try to eat me?" "You have a sword, and I can't stand" "Point taken"



Celine and Maia sat next to each other and just talked and talked for hours, while the remaining crew members slept on the ship, still under the spell cast by the sirens. Celine talked of her dreams to finally settle doesn't in one place someday and Maia talked of her dreams to see the world.

Completely different dreams yet they were both alike in so many ways. They understood each other, their dreams. Maia was living Celine's and Celine was living Maia's. Though they would never live out their dreams, listening to each other live the other's dream felt surprisingly good.



Sure Maia was a little jealous but listening to Celine speak about her adventures so very vividly, she felt as if she had lived them out. She could've talked to Celine for days and days on but it was getting dark and although she really wanted Celine to stay, she knew she had to leave. " It's getting dark, I should probably wake your decrepit crew up " " I would use a different choice of words but yes that would be great " " I really wish you could stay " " So do I, but I can't leave them behind, they're my crew and we don't really have an appetite for human beings " So, she woke them 13.5

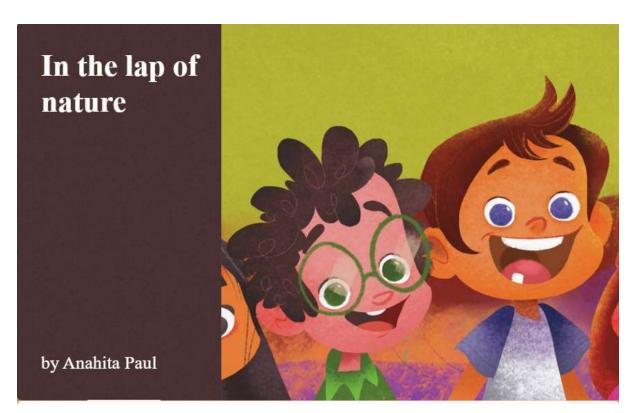


Maia watched as Celine brushed the sand off her trousers and got up to get onto the ship. Maia didn't want this pirate to forget her, she wanted her to have something that would remind her of this day. So she grabbed a seashell, a pearly white one, elegant and beautiful and gave it to her. " What's this for? " " A souvenir from today " " Ah, thank you very much " she took the shell and put it inside her breast pocket.



"Goodbye, fellow kindred spirit" said Celine "Goodbye" said Maia. "Hey, don't be sad, I'll find you again and then you can enjoy my company for longer," said Celine with a chuckle "I'll be waiting," said Maia with a smile. She meant it.

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Once upon a time, there lived a boy named Tommy in a village. He was 9 yrs old. He was a nature lover and was gregarious. One day he and his friends decided to visit a forest for a picnic.

They carried sweet rasgullas, hot-tasty aloo paranthas, freshwater, spicy vadas, coconut chutney, a sheet of cloth, an enormous plate, carrots, crispy gulab jamuns, and sweet honey. Everything was in small quantities.

It was five kilometers away from their village. They decided that they would walk, enjoy the environment and that's how they would reach the forest. When they reached the forest a cold wind blew and it started to rain.



The forest was very beautiful, beyond their imagination. Its atmosphere was encrusted with tranquility and serenity. It was embellished with waterfalls, mountains, rivers, and lakes. There were many bright and colorful flowers they were besieged with very active and tiny animals of the forest. They could hear the soothing voices of birds.



They gaped at everything. It was the first time they had seen such lush green surroundings. They could not decide which spot was suitable for the picnic.

"We can sit under that waterfall", suggested Raju. "Oh my! My phone has flooded with pictures. Which ones should I keep?", asked an ambivalent Ron. "Well why not near that humongous tree, the flower patch near it resembles a rainbow!", suggested Rina. All of them agreed with her.



They were about to start and a rabbit came running towards them. They offered him carrots. Rabbit felt thrilled with joy. All the friends were very excited to have a small, rabbit as their friend. As if for saying thank you! He took them to a nearby place that really looked like heaven on earth. This area was having a beautiful lake with ducks swimming, bushy shrubs, and green trees all around.

They thanked the rabbit for leading them to such a serene place. They all sat together encircling the tree. Everyone was hungry so they arranged all the food items and started eating. They felt blessed to be part of such green nature, away from their village and away from pollution. They also looked around and enjoyed watching different animals like squirrels, deer, elephants, and fish.





Suddenly they encountered a bear. He was perspiring and panting and it seemed as if he has not eaten anything from the last few days.



Ron got horrified after looking at the bear. Tommy said, "He looks very hungry". Sonu added, "He also looks tired and exhausted ". Raju said, "I think he will not eat us if we give him something to eat".

All of them were very clever and wise. They had read in the stories that honey is the favorite food of the bear. So instantly they made a plan.



When the bear came near them they did not get scared and offered him, honey. The bear happily ate it. Then he also ate the food which was laid down. He said that the food is delicious. He enjoyed it. This is how they made one more friend. The bear thanked them for serving him a yummy and sumptuous meal.





Overall it was the best picnic for the friends. Before wrapping up, they cleaned the place where they had had the picnic. They learned that human beings should not destroy the forests. Spending time in the lap of nature can be a blessing.

## Mother's Day



Once upon a time,
In United States, there lived a
mother named Mary. She had 1 kid
and a teddy bear. At night on
Mother's Day, his mother was telling
him a story. After telling him a story
he slept of.





When he slept of, his mother remembered that tomorrow was mother's day. Mary's boy woke up early and he thought to surprise his mother on mother's day. He made their house really beautiful.



The child wished his mother saying happy mother's to my beautiful mother. His mother kept tears of happiness. The child was happy to see his mother surprised. He gave his mother so many gifts.

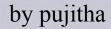
### Moral of the story:

A mother is a person who brings us on this Earth and this world. We must respect our mother and our parents.



# The Sculpture





Varna was the king of the kingdom named Pundravardhan and his wife Devi Kumari had been sad for a long time as they did not have kids and rain. They did many rituals but no kids. One day some soldiers found a cave under the mountain and informed it to the king. Next day the king and soldiers went to the cave. To their surprise they found a sculpture of a baby girl. The king took the sculpture to his wife Devi Kumari. The queen liked the sculpture. That night she kept the sculpture next to her and slept.



That night she kept the sculpture next to her and slept. At midnight she heard a cry and she woke up to her surprise the sculpture turned into a baby girl. She was so happy. Devi Kumari named her Rani Gayatri Devi there was a heavy rain. Rani Gayatri Devi used to love plants, trees, birds and animals. This was the happy ending of the kingdom.



By KDurgaKarthik

# The Story Of Boy

#### Chapter 1

## Chapter one-1

Introduction

The Boy:-Joe

The ghost:-Bloody Mary

A friend of the boy:-Chad & Max

The people in the school:-Olivia, Emma, Sophia, Poke,

James, William, Lucas

Once upon a time, a boy named Joe lived in a City. Joe had a lot of fun in his school. He had two friends named Chad & max. And the days passed on. One day he didn't have fun in his school but he felt like someone was watching him when he went to take his book from the locker but his friends went camping and also invited him but he said maybe I will or not....but he saw someone running in the hallway he went to see who was pranking him but he didn't see anyone but he heard someone running when he started walking out of the school again

heard a sound of running in the hallway but this time he didn't waste his time in checking he just ran to home as fast as he can but again he felt like someone was again following him but he still stayed like he was happy....when he reached home he just went to sleep but in mid of the night he woke up and he tried to sleep again but he was not getting sleep and felt he was thirsty so he started drinking water so he went back to his bed and sat on the bed he started hearing like someone is crying he thought that Joe: huh? Who is crying at this moment but it's like midnight right now? But let me check the time so he went to check the time it was 3 am he said woah it's 3 am everyone is sleeping right now so what should I do? oh my god,

I think it's getting even louder than before I think like I should go but on the other side, I feel like I'm not ready I'm going to check and after that, I will only go to sleep that's it so he walks down the steps and reaches the front door he opens the door and checks what's happening when he stepped out of his door he saw that a girl is crying near a pole when he walked up to that girl he asked are u ok? Where do you stay? I will help you to find it out or else is there a problem in which I can help? The girl just kept on crying...Joe: HELLO?? PLEASE

ANSWER ME!! the girl kept crying..... WHAT DO U WANT?HELLO??? ARE U OKAY?!? The girl stopped crying and said hi the boy said Hi there but what are u doing here at night do u feel like your mom and dad might be finding you now I think you should go home but the girl kept quiet the Joe said bye-bye and good night. The Joe starts walking to the door the girl started to make some kind of sounds like no one has made. Then Joe turned back and saw the girl. The Girl had no face...Then he ran into his house and went back to bed. Then he saw from the window that no one was there. When he tried to check again he saw the girl on his window and said AHHHHHHHHHHHH!!!!! And he fell asleep. He woke up in the morning and told his friends about this but his friends said are you trying to prank us? The boy said no, why would I prank Dude. But I'm telling the truth....

#### Chapter 2

### Time to end this

Chad: Dude I think you need rest from books and come with us to the camp. We are going to hangout with you at the campsite!. Joe: What do you mean you went to the camp yesterday right? ..chad: We went but we were busy. Joe: Oh Ok so.. Max: WAIT YOUR COMING AND DON'T SAY ANYTHING JUST COME WITH US AND DON'T BRING YOUR BOOKS PLS LAST TIME YOU GOT THEM YOU DIDN'T EVEN TALKED TO US.Joe: but..Max: NOPE I'M NOT HEARING YOU JUST COME THAT'S IT!!Chad: Dude DUDE CHILL. Max: Ok ok ok I'm chill now.. Joe: But i was saying that i will come! Max: oh..ok I'm going to drink water now. Chad: Hmm...Do you feel bored? \*bell rings\* Chad: Oh we better hurry to the class. Joe: Yeah i will go and get Max I know where he is. Chad: Ok bro, come fast okay?!Joe: Yeah I will. Chad gets to the class...Joe goes to the ground to find Max and he hears

the sound of the girl AGAIN....Joe looks around and he does not find anyone near...Joe: HUH?! IT'S YOU AGAIN?WHAT DO U WANT FROM ME WHAT DID I DO TO YOU? The Girl: hehe...wake up Joe: wh-what? The Girl: This is just a Dream...Joe: You what? The girl: Open your eyes AND GET READY FOR SCHOOL IT'S 8:00 FAST!!Joe wakes up Joe: what....?Joe's Mom: It's time for school wake up and get ready!!.Joe's mom goes down stairs Joe: So it was all a Dream Oh well I think it's because of the movie I saw last night the horror. Let's get ready for school!!Joe goes to school and tells Moral his friends about it.\*laughs\*.....The Of The Story is :-Don't watch horror movies at night time. Before sleep about good things. THE END...

Story made by K Durga Karthik

food habits and physical exercise



Once upon a time there lived two friends. Andrew and Michael. Andrew was a very good boy he had very good eating habits he used to never eat junk food and everyday he was doing 1 hour physical exercise. where as Michael he was very fat he used to eat lot of junk food and always play video games like GTA 5, Minecraft, Call of duty and more. He never used to do any physical activity. One day a problem arrived when Andrew got a disease related to food.

the doctor told that Michael will have to do a lot of physical activity and play outdoor games like cricket, football, basketball and many other. And the doctor also told that he should eat healthy vegetables and fruits instead of eating junk food. Then his friend Andrew came and told Michael that i have told you many times everyday when i do physical activity please do along with me you didn't listen to me and you got this disease. Then Michael said to Andrew that i am sorry Andrew i didn't know that this would lead me to such a disease.

From the next day Michael everyday did physical activity and stopped playing video games and eat junk food. and after doing all these Michael too became fit like Andrew.

Moral

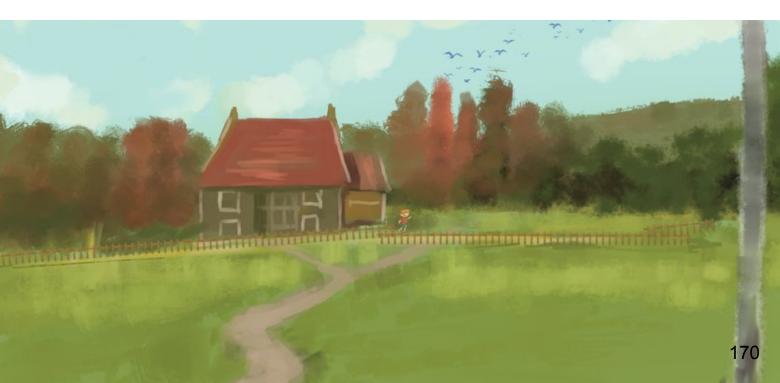
of the story- Always eat good food and do physical exercises.



## Raju's best friend

by Sindhuja Reddy

Once upon a time there lived a boy named Raju who lived near the forest.





One day Raju was playing outside then he saw a man with long black dress and a stick. Who brought a kitten.



Then man came to Raju and gave the kitten and said this is a small gift from myside as you stay alone . And the boy happily took the kitten and the man went back.



Raju and the kitten were very happy spending their days. Raju had got very good company.



One evening Raju and the kitten were having a race between them both and the kitten ran faster than Raju. The kitten went in wrong way and it lost its way to home. And the boy was searching for the kitten all night but couldn't find the kitten.

The kitten lost its way and it got stuck in an open place in the middle of the forest and Raju was searching all night for the kitten but couldn't find. The man who gave the kitten to Raju saw the kitten and he thought that the kitten ran from home and he gave some food and water to the kitten to eat and drink





Next day morning Raju went to the middle of the forest searching for the kitten and finally he saw the kitten with the man and he felt very happy seeing the kitten.



Kitten ran to Raju. The man was very happy seeing Raju and the kitten. And Raju thanked the man for giving him his best friend



# Where is my mom?



That is the little Lily Bob-tail lying next to her mom.



Lily had happy life with her mom untill she lost her mom way to school.



It was a rainy day, and lily thought the wheater matched how she felt.



After the rain stoped lily thought she would set out to find her mom



She went to the circus in the field next to the one she lived in,and asked a friendly lion there. The lion said he didn't see her mom.



Lily was going to post a letter to her granny ask if her mom was at her house. On the post box there was a little bird. Lily asked her if she had she would seen her mom. But the lilte bird said no



Lily saw a black and white rabbit flying a kite on the beach. Lily doubtfully ask the black and white rabbit had seen her mom."No" he said. "Maybe they will know" he pointed to some wild horses on the chilf next to the beach.



Lily hoped slowly up the cliff path. She asked to of the wild horses if they would seen her mom they said no like all the creatures Lily had asked has said.



Lily sadly and slowly was watching all the other rabbit families from the rabbit village picking apples and riding bikes and having fun together. A little rolled slowly down the cheek of little Lily. Bobtail





when she was walking home she saw something flying throught the trees. It looked like a butterfly gone wrong? No it look like some fairy rabbit thing!Lily thought she was dreaming or just seeing things, so she kept on walking to her house. The fairy thing followed her and gave Lily a fright as it flew tight in front of her nose! I will grant you one wish little rabbit. Don't be scared, I am a good rabbit fairy I grant wishes, and as I said, I will grant you one.

Lily was shocked. She was shaken. She was full of Glee! She started dancing a round and round shouting "I wish! I wish! I wish!" "Goddess child" the rabbit fairy said "calm down what do you wish for." "I wish to have my mom back"



Shouting Lily."Okay the rabbit fairy said. "Go to the place where you last saw your Mother. In the woods on the way to your school. Go into your school and you will find her. "Okay!" said Lily and she ran. She went to the Woodland path and followed it to her school. She went inside the school and guessed she should go to school playground. There was her Mom, taking to miss cotton about Lily being lost. Lily sprang out to her Mom, who was gently rocking herself on a tyre swing.



Lily's Mom got such a fright, that she felt with a thump right of the swing! Miss cotton shouted, "There is Lily! Lily is back!" Children all around the playground shouted and cheered and Lily's mom got up off the ground, and gave Lily a great big hug. "Where were you dear Lily? I have been so worried about you". It's a long story Mom I will tell when we get home. I am just so glad we are together again.



And then they lived happily!

The End....

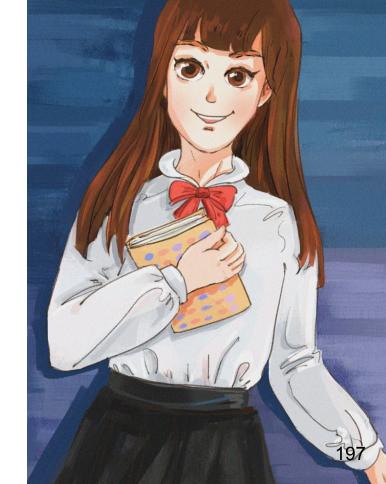




## The Sunken Cruise Ship

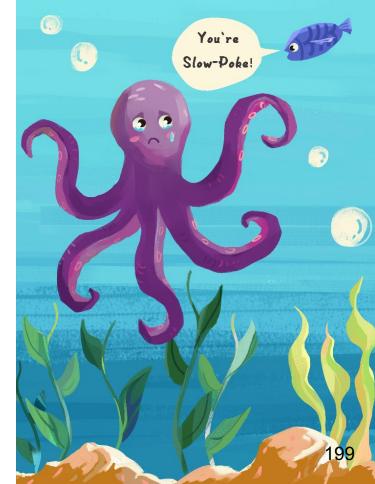
by Jyoshna

Once upon a time, during the lovely days of summer. A ten year old girl named Alyssa just returned home from the last day of school. She was in a hurry because she was about to leave on a cruise trip with her family.



While Alyssa and her family were enjoying their time on the cruise ship. The ship hit a big rock and got a big hole in it. All the passengers managed to get off the ship. The ship was completely submerged.

At the bottom of the ocean the sea animals were keeping a race to see who is the fastest. The loser had to leave the place. At the end of the race the octopus had to leave since he had lost the race.



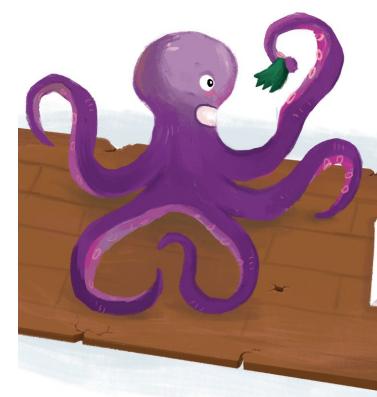


He was very sad to leave. After swimming for a while he felt hungry. He saw a sunken ship and went close to it.



Suddenly, the rock under the ship broke. The little purple octopus was scared but she was brave to go in.

While she was about to go in . She found some food floating. She quickly grabbed it and ate it because she was so hungry.



She took a little peek to make sure that there was no one who could harm her.





She saw that there was no one except little fish friends.



As she was exploring. She found a spiked green ball. She liked playing with it.



She was playing with the spiked green ball until her eyes shifted to some brown mountained shaped thing. She thought it was food and ate it but spit it out immediately .yuck!



The little purple octopus came out of the ship .

She saw five flippers. They had red ,pink , yellow , green and blue colours on it .



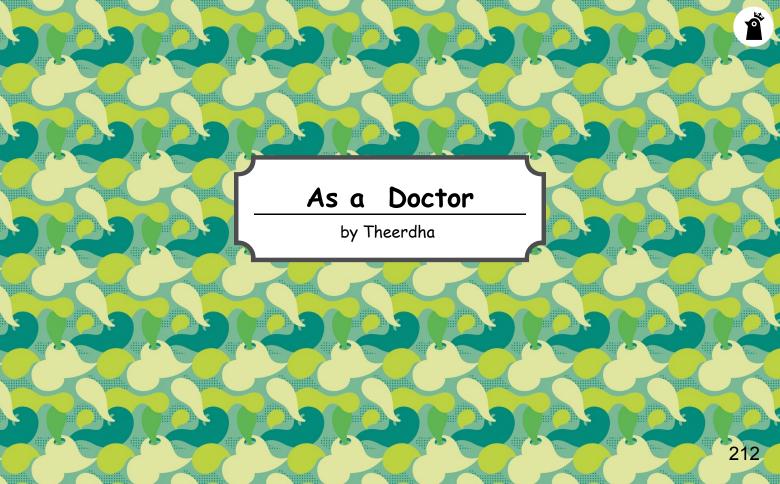


She put them on and thought they were pretty. She went back to her place to perform a show for them.

They all enjoyed the show. They even let the little octopus stay with them. The little octopus felt happy and stayed with her friends forever.



The End



<i style="">As a Doctor

There was doctor named veer, who got a job in government hospitial.



<i style="">He was
really fond of
his profession



But, he was very nervous and tensed though he knew how to treat people very well.



It was his first day, so he was not that comfortable.



then ,He went to his cabin, and was waiting for the patients.



He waited for an hour, but no patients have arrived to the Hospital, so he decided to call his mother.



Soon after he called his mother, there was a shout "Doctor "Doctor", please save my son, He is bleeding so badly .Save my son Doctor





what is your son's name? what had happened to him? asked veer.

she told, "Good morning sir, my name is Komali and my son's name is Rudra. He is 10 years old. He had met with an accident, A car has hit his cycle, he fell out of the cycle and was bleeding. Please save my son, sir.



Yes komali ma'am, I will save your child, Do not worry.



Veer has left to the o peration theatre, and after 45 mintues, he came back to his cabin.



komali had decided to ask about his son to the doctor. she ran inside his cabin , she saw that the doctor was sitting worried and she got scared . She immediately asked the doctor "how is my son now " sir



The doctor told, "I cannot say anything now, operation is still in progress. By hearing this she went out of the cabin.



Veer had again went into the operation theatre, he found out that the boy had a serious injury .He thought I should save Rudra for sure. He was also scared " what if the boy dies , he also knew the pain of losing a child .



He took it as his responsibility, he had a pain whether he could loose him but had a confidence that he could save him.



After an hour, veer came out of the operation theatre and told Rudra's mother, a good news. Your son is saved, you can take him home in 4 days. Komali cried out loud and thanked the doctor for saving his son.



Veer went to his cabin, and stared to cry , he had never got scared in his live as much as today . He was proud of himself . He has shared this experience with his parents . He was very glad to choose this profession and he knew that he had taken the best decision.

## THE END

-Doctors find happiness and pain in there professions .

