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# WATER SAVERS

SAVE WATER,  
SAVE LIVES

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# WATER SAVERS





Riiiiing!!



YAWN

I'M LATE!!

Lost water,  
lost love



Riiing!



YAWN



WHAT  
TIME  
IS IT?



I'M LATE!!







I THINK  
I'LL WEAR  
MY DRESS  
TODAY~  
AND YOU?

RING!

RING!

DON'T  
WORRY,  
I WON'T  
BE LATE.

PERFECT!~







I HAVE TO CLEAN THIS, BEFORE...

IT'S TERRIBLE!!

SUADA!!

NOTHING, GRANDMA! EVERYTHING IS ALRIGHT. PLEASE, DON'T COME IN!

WHAT HAPPENED?!



IT'S JUST WATER, GRANDMA.

SUADA, DID YOU FORGET TO CLOSE THE TAP AGAIN?

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU, SAVE WATER!

I'M GONNA BE LATE, LET'S TALK ABOUT IT LATER.















HMMM... SHE IS LATE~



HEY, SUADA! I'M ALREADY HERE. DON'T SAY YOU FORGOT ABOUT ME~



DON'T THINK ABOUT IT. ARE YOU OKAY? DO YOU NEED MEDICINE?



HELLO, MURAD! NO, I JUST FEEL SICK. I THINK I CAN'T GO WITH YOU. I'M SO SORRY!



OKAY. SO SEE YOU LATER. GET WELL SOON.

NO, DON'T WORRY. I'LL BE FINE.

HOW EMBARRASSING. HE'S SUCH A GOOD PERSON.



BUT HE WORRIES ABOUT ME~



ACHOOO!



ON



OFF

NEXT DAY...

I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON.

FROM NOW ON I'LL SAVE THE WATER.



END



What goes  
around.



comes  
around











LISTEN,  
WE HAVE  
OTHER  
IMPORTANT  
ISSUES!

BUT...

BOOM!

BUT IT'S  
IMPORTANT!

CASH

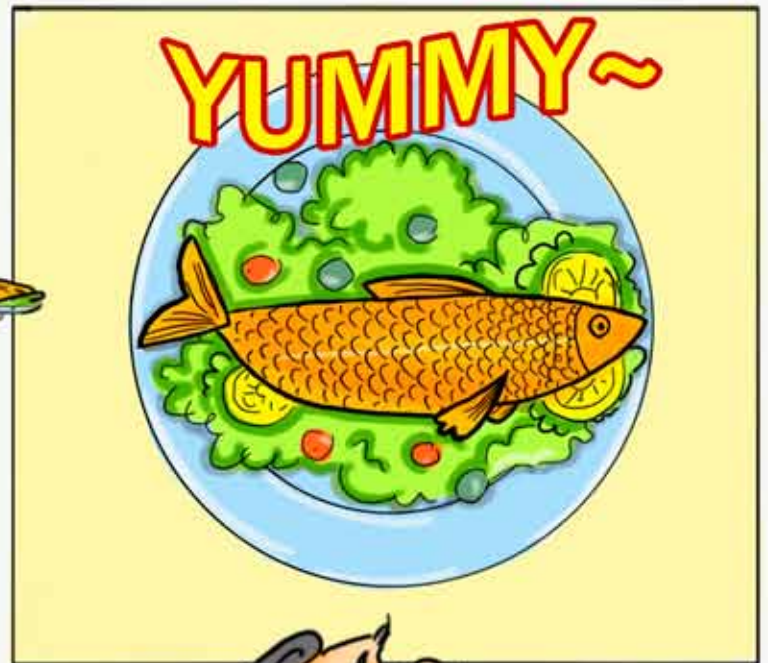
EVEN IF  
IT IS,  
CAN YOU  
IMAGINE  
HOW MUCH  
IT'LL  
COST?

GO BACK  
TO WORK!

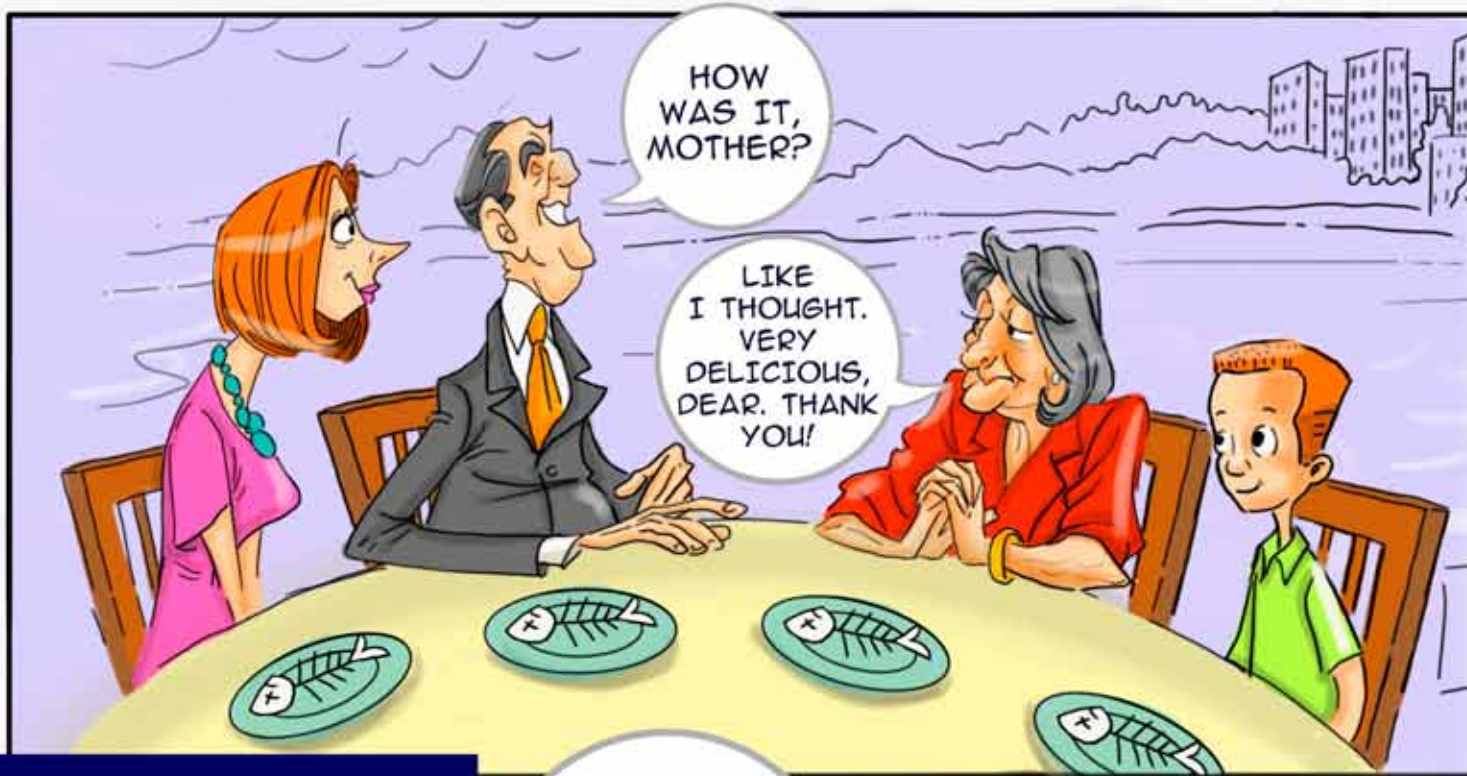












SOME TIME LATER...





DOCTOR,  
HOW COULD  
THIS BE? WE  
GO TO THIS  
RESTAURANT  
EVERY WEEKEND.  
EVERYTHING  
IS ALWAYS  
FRESH THERE.

EVERYTHING  
IS SIMPLE...  
I'LL  
EXPLAIN.



I'M AFRAID  
THAT THE FISH  
YOU ATE HAD  
ALL NASTY  
THINGS THAT  
WE HUMANS  
DUMP INTO  
THE WATER...



**OH!!**



END





An important  
lesson









HMMM...  
NO WATER  
LEFT.

I'D JUST  
RECENTLY  
REFILLED  
THE  
DEPOSIT  
CARD.



MAY BE...







IT'S  
MY FAULT.  
LAST TIME  
I FORGOT  
TO CLOSE  
THE TAP.

I'M  
SO  
SORRY...



IT'S  
NO  
GOOD,  
BUDDY.

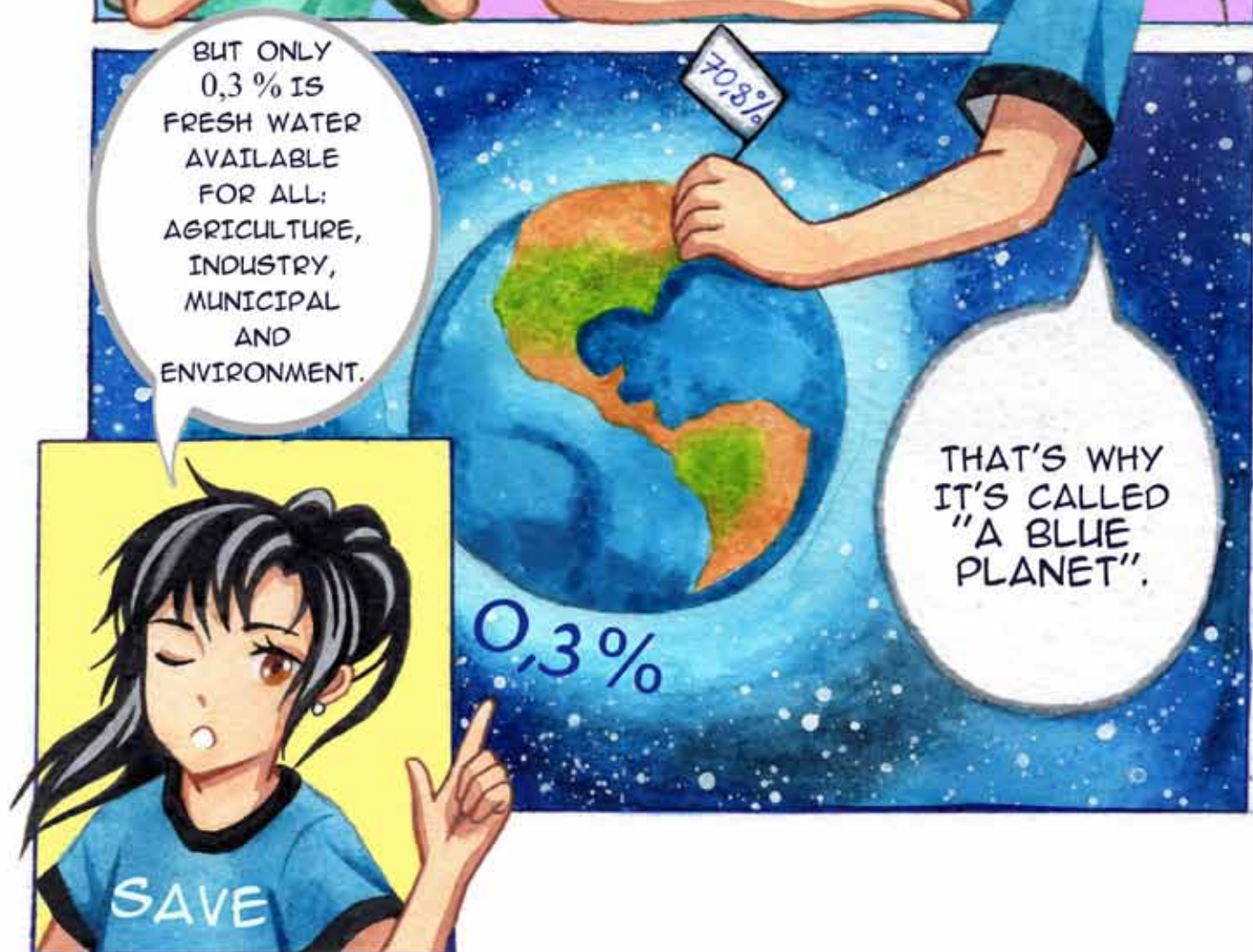
LET ME  
TELL YOU  
ABOUT THE  
IMPORTANCE  
OF WATER.

WATER  
IS  
EVERYTHING.

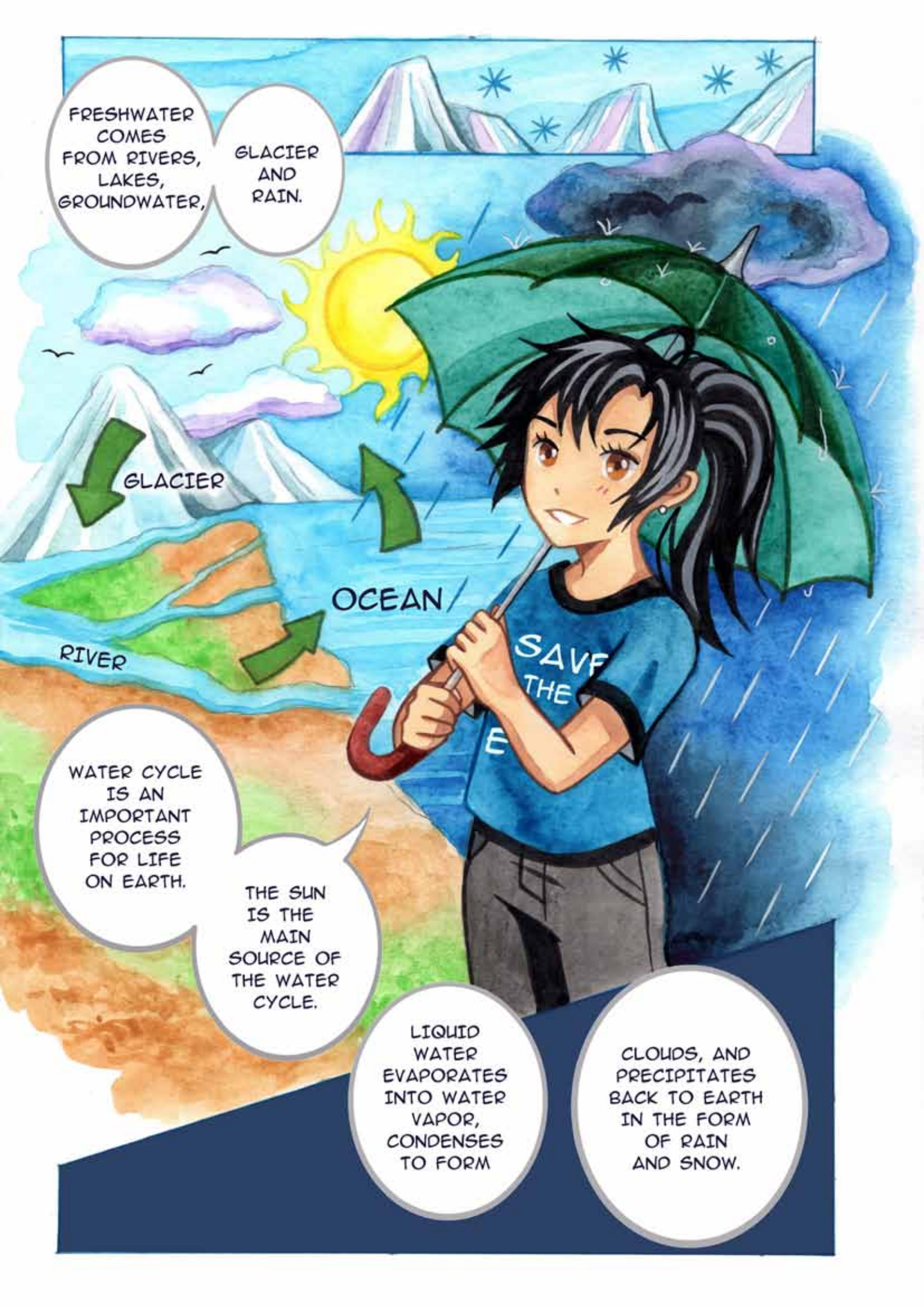
IT'S  
A SOURCE  
FOR ALL  
LIVING  
BEINGS  
ON EARTH.











FRESHWATER  
COMES  
FROM RIVERS,  
LAKES,  
GROUNDWATER,

GLACIER  
AND  
RAIN.

GLACIER

OCEAN

RIVER

WATER CYCLE  
IS AN  
IMPORTANT  
PROCESS  
FOR LIFE  
ON EARTH.

THE SUN  
IS THE  
MAIN  
SOURCE OF  
THE WATER  
CYCLE.

LIQUID  
WATER  
EVAPORATES  
INTO WATER  
VAPOR,  
CONDENSES  
TO FORM

CLOUDS, AND  
PRECIPITATES  
BACK TO EARTH  
IN THE FORM  
OF RAIN  
AND SNOW.





PLANTS.

ANIMALS.

MRRR~



WE SHOULD REMEMBER THAT NOT ONLY HUMANS, BUT OTHER LIVING ORGANISMS ALSO NEED WATER.

MOREOVER, WATER FORMS THE ENVIRONMENT WHERE ORGANISMS LIVE, AND IT PLAYS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN CREATING ECOSYSTEMS.





NOWADAYS,  
MANY PEOPLE  
FACE A WATER  
SCARCITY  
PROBLEM.

SOMETIMES,  
PEOPLE HAVE  
TO USE  
POLLUTED  
WATER

WHICH  
AFFECTS  
THEIR  
HEALTH.



DRINK,  
KIDS.

THANK  
YOU!




## FEW WAYS TO SAVE WATER...



TAKE A SHORT 5-10 MINUTES SHOWER INSTEAD OF A BATH.




DON'T FORGET TO CLOSE THE TAP WHILE BRUSHING TEETH.




ONE CAN WASH DISHES IN THE SINK FILLED WITH WATER

INSTEAD OF WASHING UNDER THE RUNNING WATER.



ONE CAN COLLECT RAIN WATER INTO EMPTY CANS AND BARRELS.



THIS WATER CAN BE USED FOR WATERING THE PLANTS.





EACH OF US CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



WE HAVE TO SAVE WATER AS EACH DROP MATTERS.

DON'T FORGET THAT, MY FRIEND.



I GOT IT, SIS!



I WILL SAVE WATER.



END



# A tiny drop



can save  
the world





SHHHHHH~



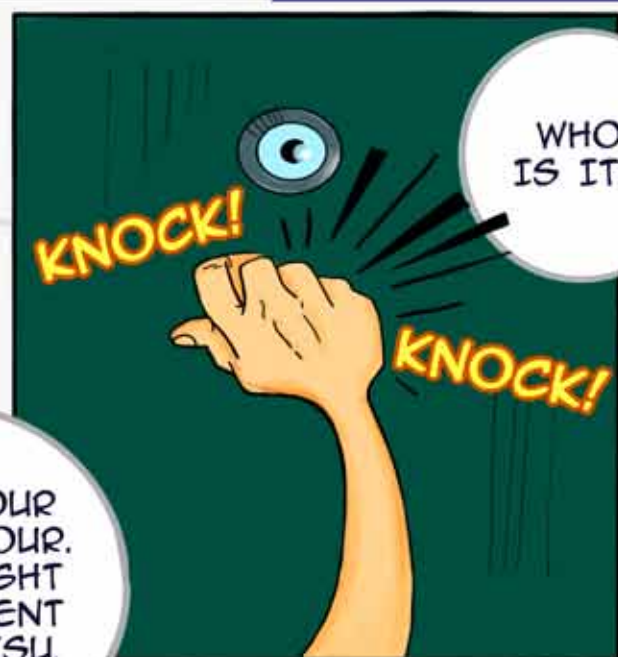




NEXT MORNING...



IT'S YOUR  
NEIGHBOUR.  
I BROUGHT  
A PRESENT  
FOR AYSU.



WHO  
IS IT?



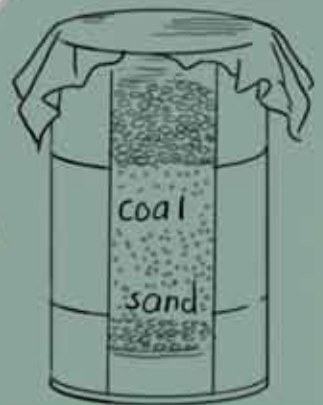




WOW!  
THANK  
YOU!



THIS IS  
HOW YOU  
CAN CLEAN  
WATER.



SUMMER  
HEAT















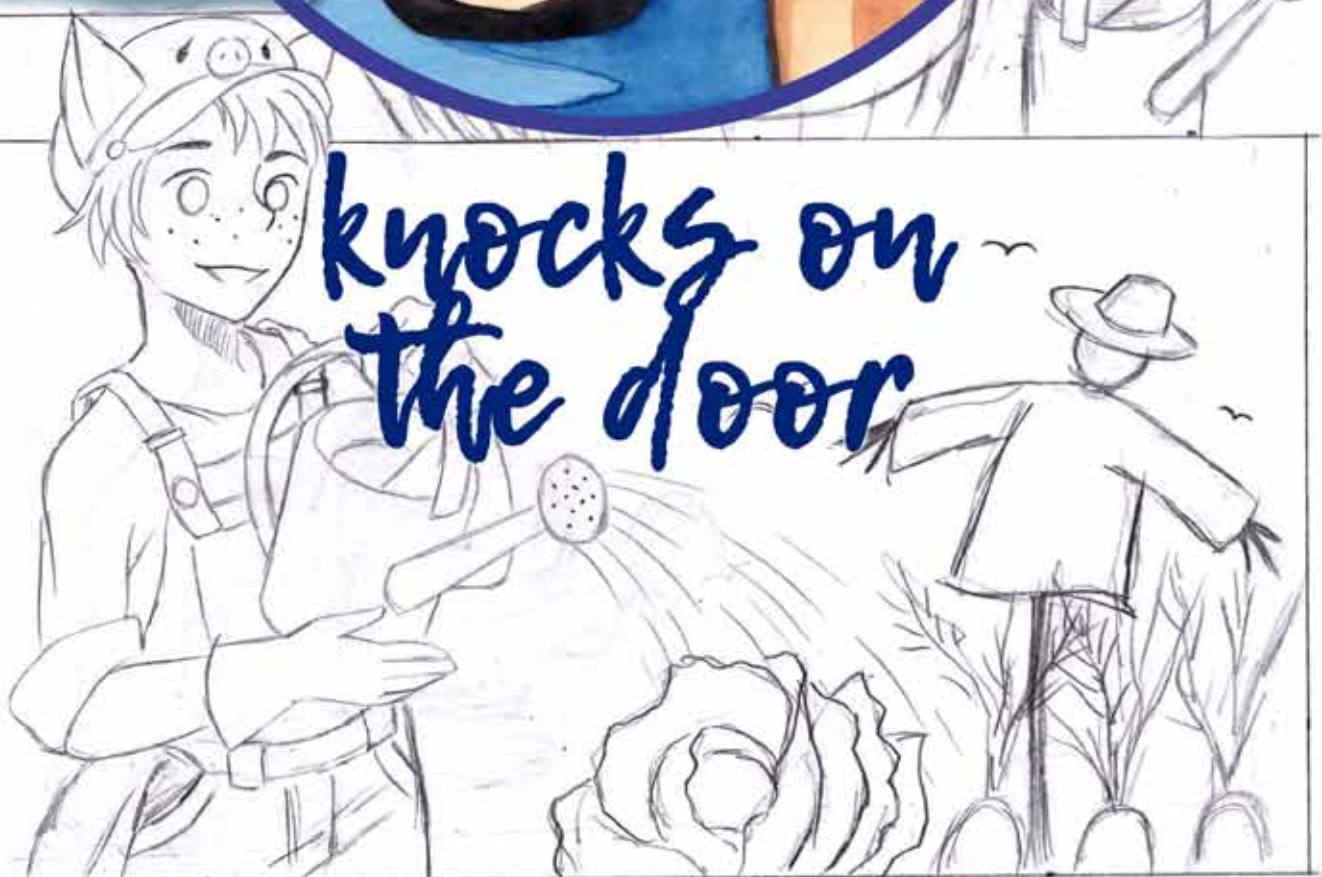
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Climate change



knocks on  
the door







THIS IS A STORY ABOUT  
ONE SISTER AND TWO BROTHERS.



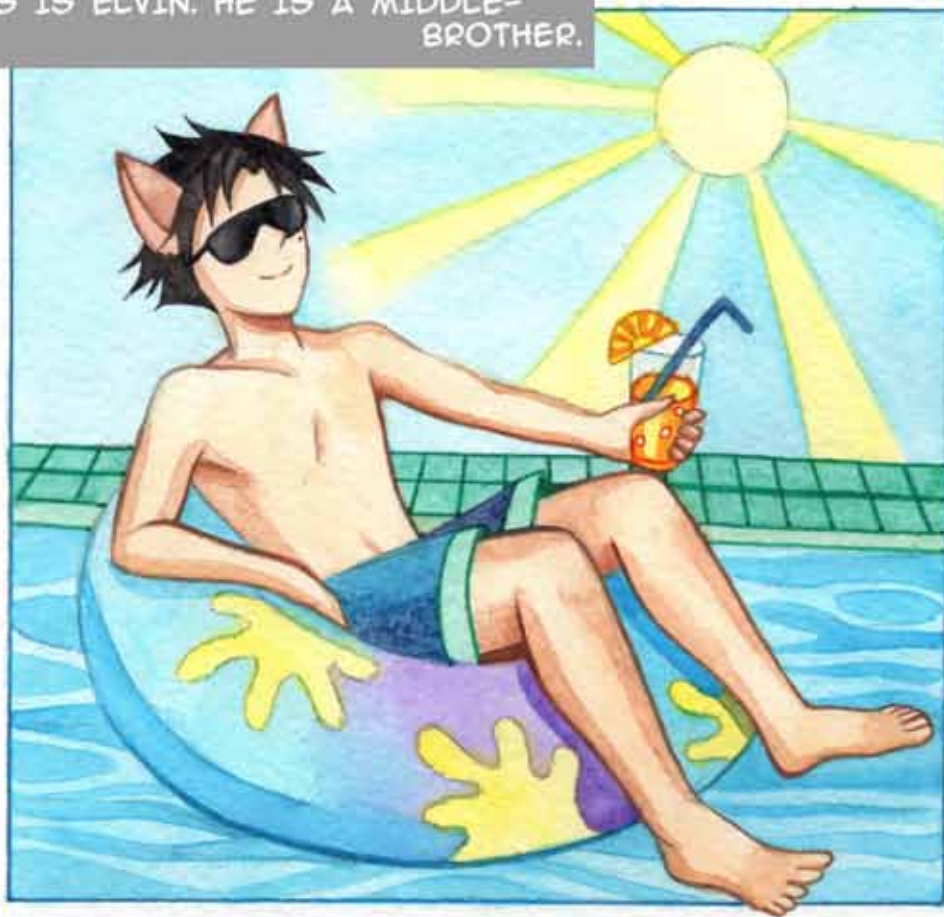
BUT SHE  
WATERS HER  
PLANTS USING  
TRADITIONAL  
METHODS OF  
WATERING.



THIS IS LALA.  
LALA IS AN  
ELDER SISTER.  
SHE LIVES IN A  
GREAT BIG HOUSE.  
SHE LOVES  
FLOWERS AND HAS  
A BIG GARDEN  
WITH A LOT OF  
FLOWERS AND  
PLANTS.



THIS IS ELVIN. HE IS A MIDDLE-  
BROTHER.



HE ALSO  
LIVES IN A BIG  
HOUSE WITH  
SWIMMING POOL  
AND FOUNTAINS.  
HE HAS A LAWN  
WHICH HE  
REGULARLY  
WATERS WITH  
LOTS OF  
WATER.





AND HERE IS ELDAR-THE  
YOUNGEST BROTHER.  
HE LIVES IN A SMALLER HOUSE.



HE PLANTED  
REGION-  
SPECIFIC  
VEGETABLES  
AND FRUITS  
AND USES  
DRIP  
IRRIGATION  
SYSTEM.



ALSO HE  
COLLECTS  
GREY WATER AND  
USES IT IN HIS  
GARDEN.





HERE WE MEET  
CLIMATE CHANGE.  
HE CAME WITH  
NEW RULES AND  
NEW REALITY~

HI, LALA!  
WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING?

CLIMATE  
CHANGE

HI! I'M  
WATERING  
MY  
FLOWERS.

THEY'RE  
BEAUTIFUL,  
BUT YOU  
SPEND TOO  
MUCH WATER  
FOR  
WATERING.

DID YOU  
HEAR  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT DRIP  
IRRIGATION?

YOU  
KNOW  
NOTHING  
ABOUT  
PLANTS~

CLIMATE  
CHANGE







IT'S TIME  
TO TEACH YOU  
A LESSON...  
PEOPLE FORGOT  
HOW TO  
APPRECIATE  
THE GIFTS  
OF NATURE.

IT'S  
TIME TO  
REMIND THEM  
THAT WATER  
IS LIFE.

CLIMATE CHANGE

NEXT DAY...

MY  
FLOWERS!!

MY  
POOL!!





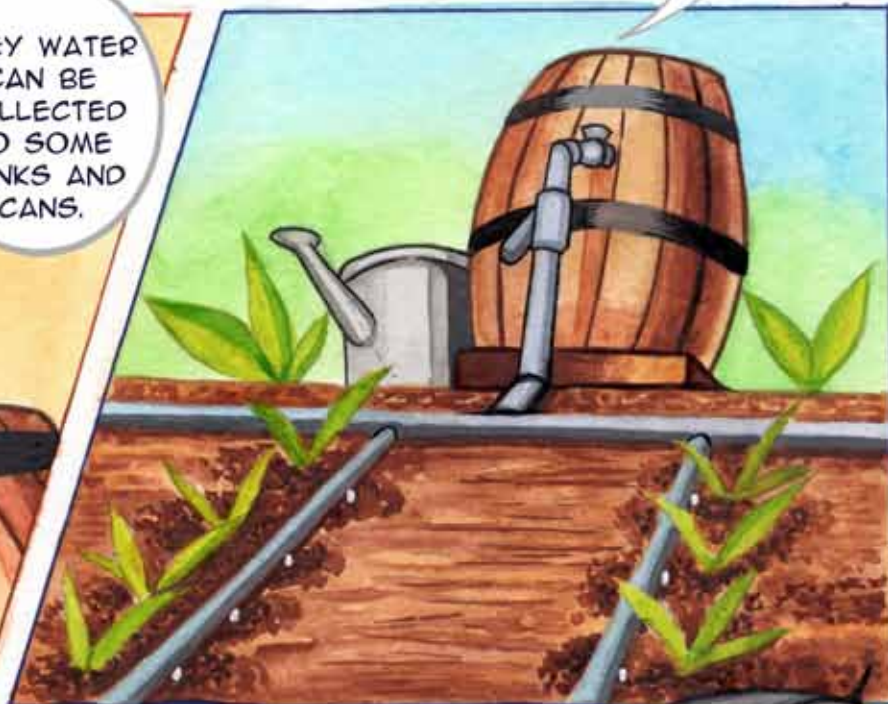


FIRST OF ALL, USE DRIP IRRIGATION AND GREY WATER FOR WATERING YOUR PLANTS.



IT'S BETTER NOT TO USE BIG SWIMMING POOLS AND TAKE SHORT SHOWERS INSTEAD.

GREY WATER CAN BE COLLECTED TO SOME TANKS AND CANS.



ALL OF THESE CAN HELP YOU REDUCE WATER LOSSES.



THAT'S BETTER~



END





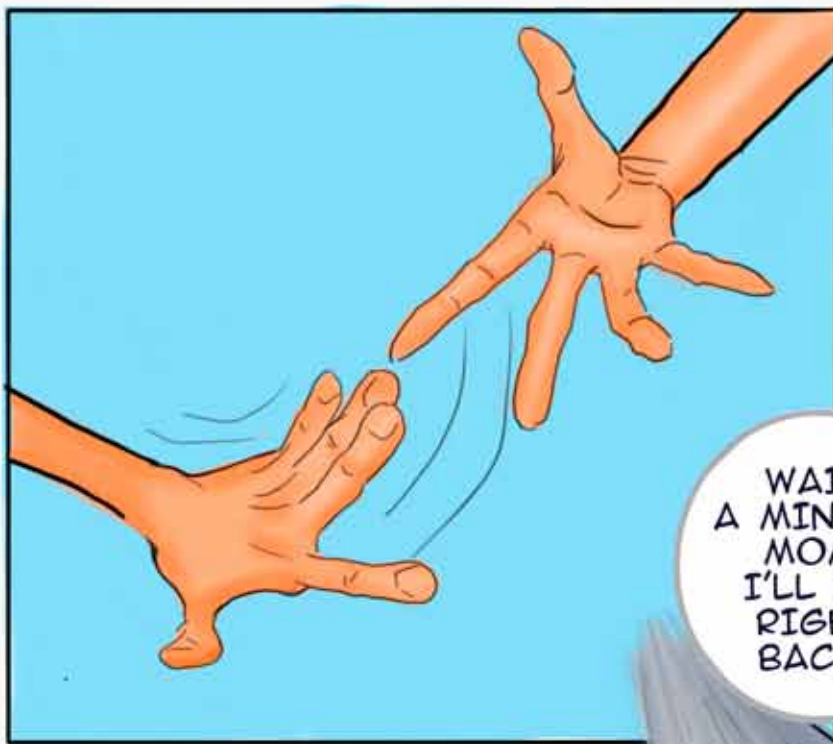












WAIT  
A MINUTE,  
MOM.  
I'LL BE  
RIGHT  
BACK!



**SWIISSHHHHH!!!**

WHERE  
ARE YOU  
GOING?!  
COME  
BACK!

??  
??





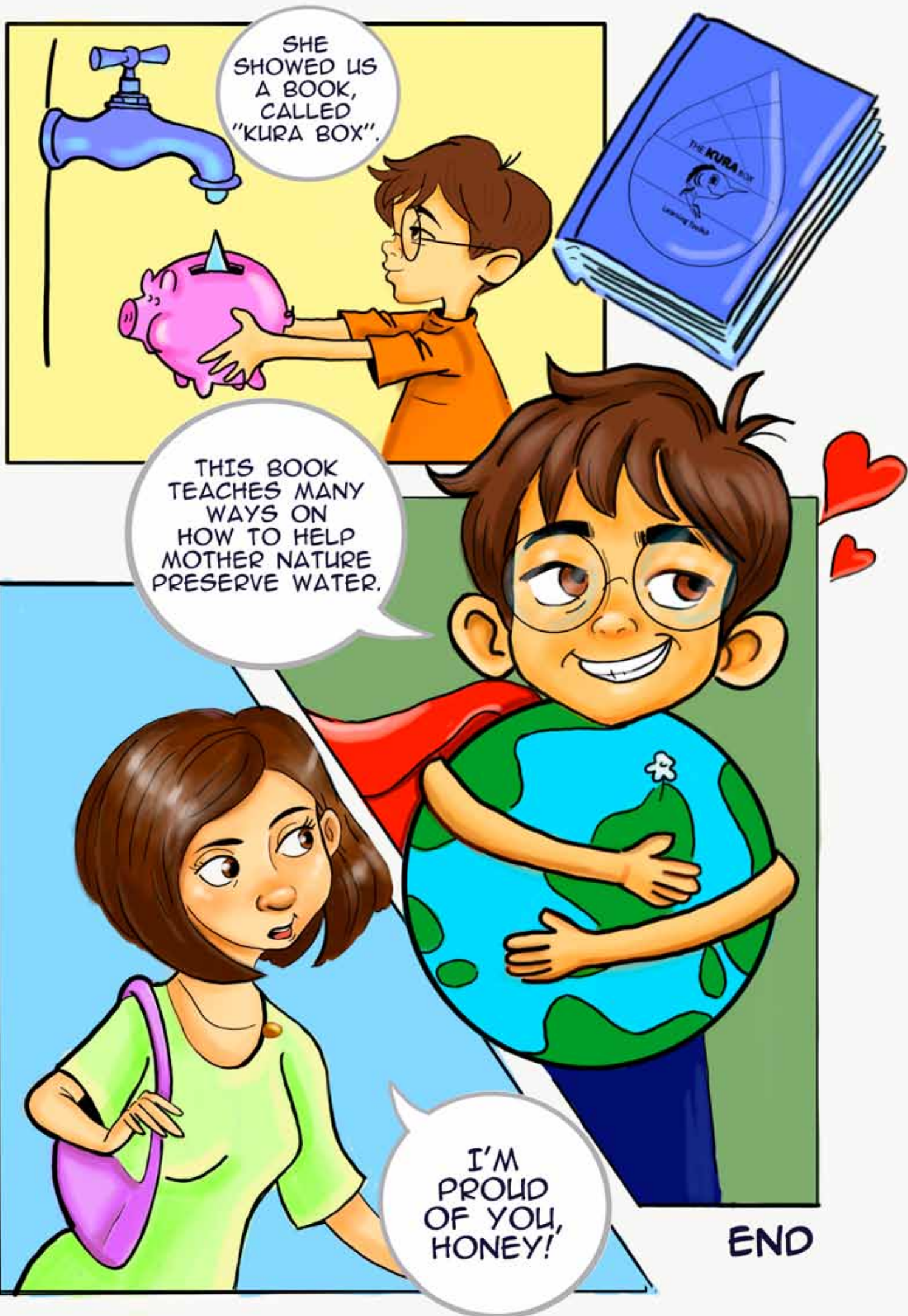




HELP ME!







SHE  
SHOWED US  
A BOOK,  
CALLED  
"KURA BOX".

THIS BOOK  
TEACHES MANY  
WAYS ON  
HOW TO HELP  
MOTHER NATURE  
PRESERVE WATER.

I'M  
PROUD  
OF YOU,  
HONEY!

END





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