

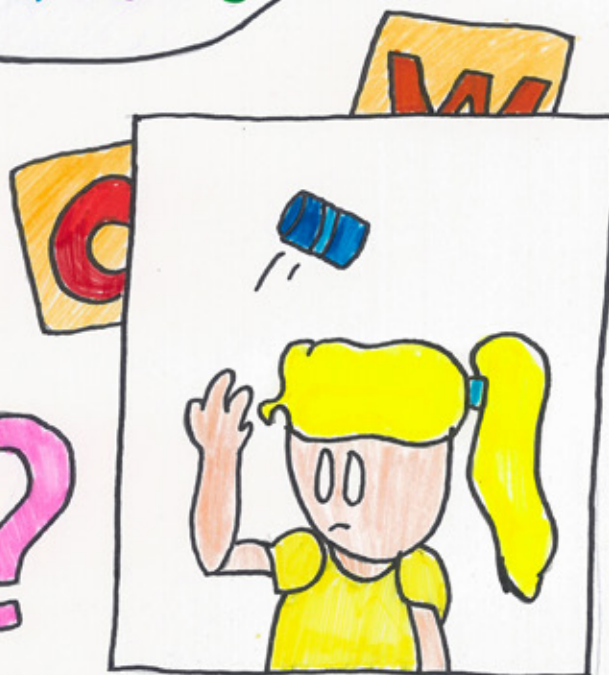


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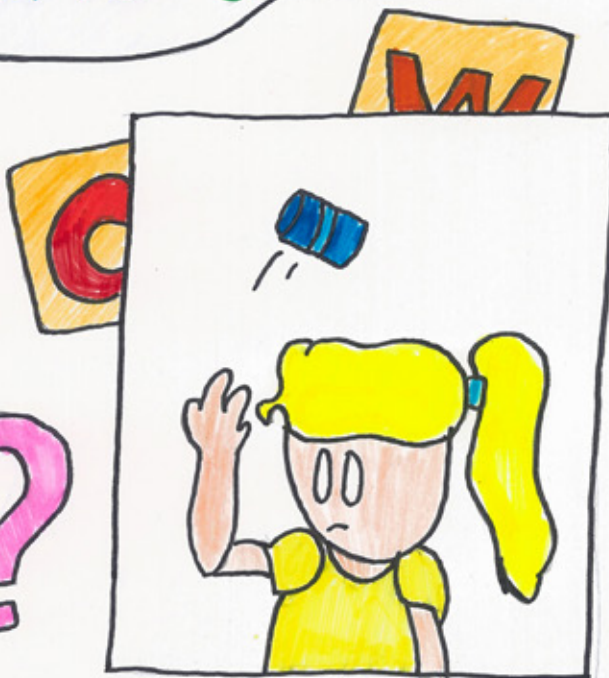
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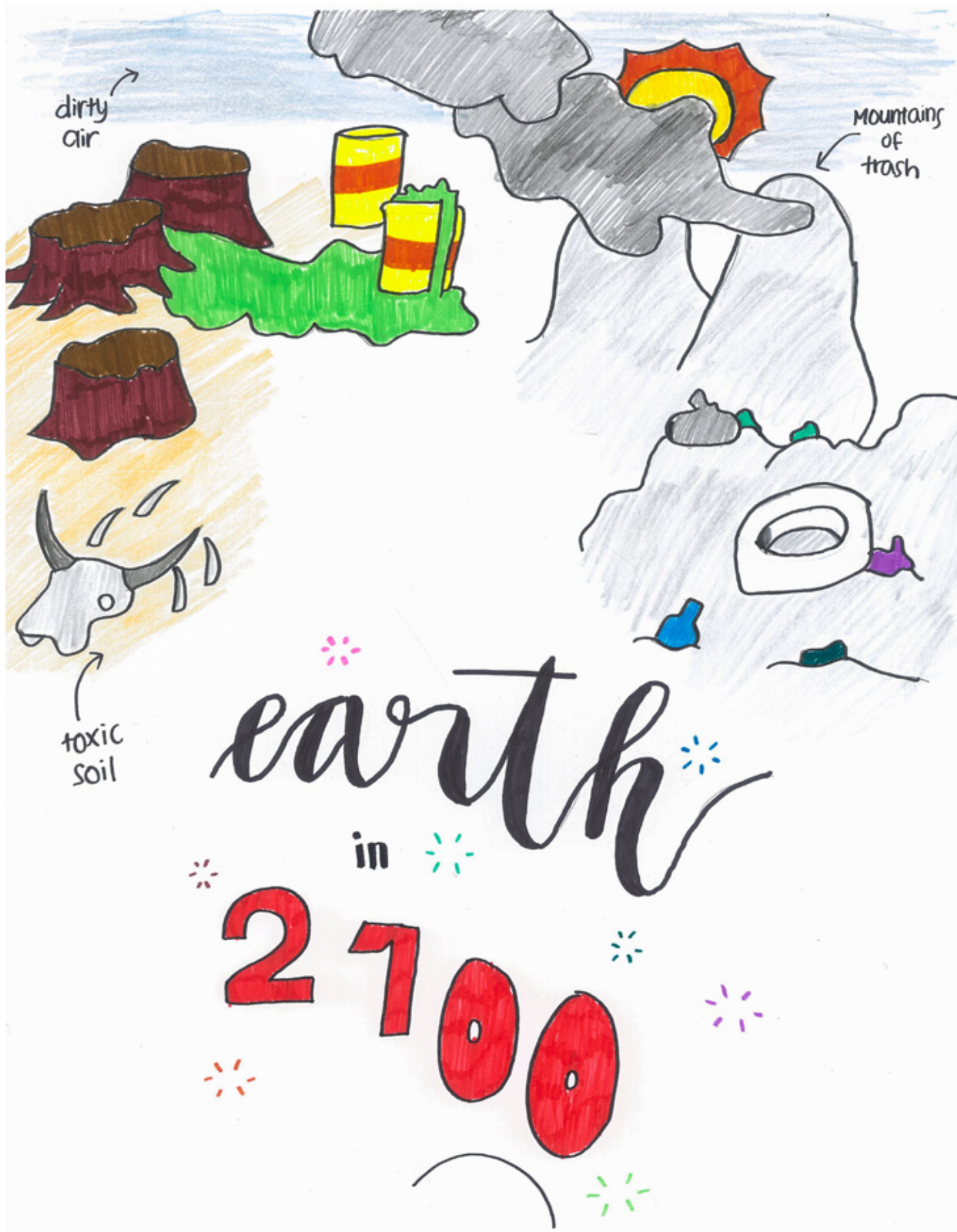
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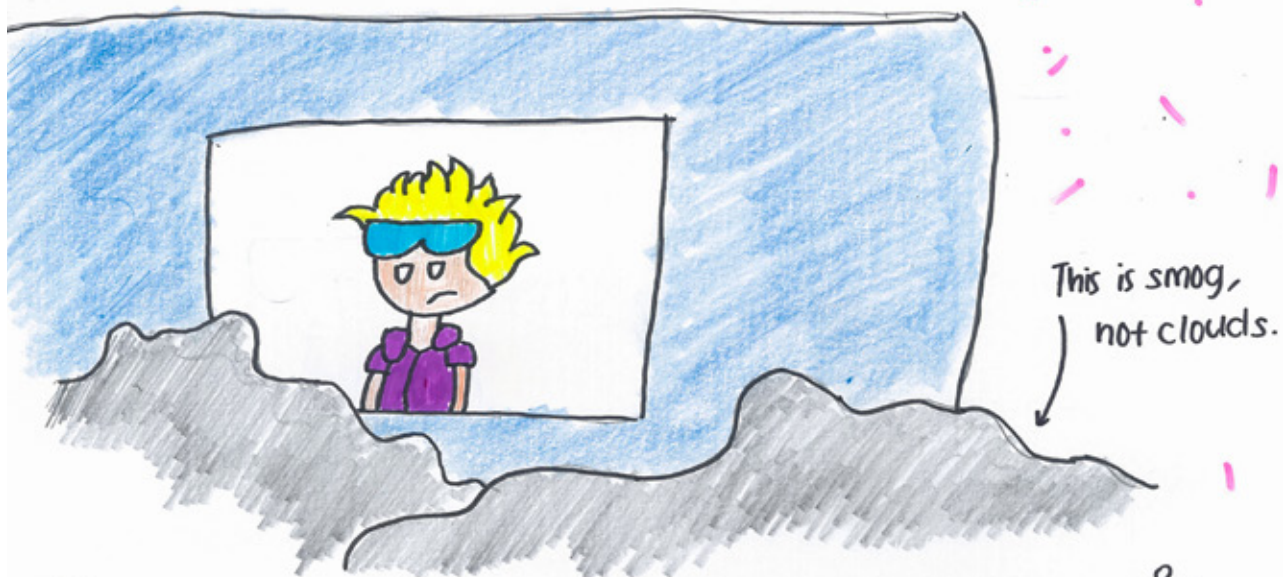




Earth is cramped to the brim with trash.
Pollution levels blow out of the room,
rendering the ground completely unlivable.



And yet, humanity still thrives
but suffers terrible living conditions,
with civilization built above
the ground, in floating residences.



But somewhere far above, someone is gazing out of his window, he is very determined to go back to the past, to find out what caused these eerily standing mountains of trash.



(The time machine)

Abeem is sick of such living conditions that humanity has to bear.

Filled with determination, he is going to fix these problems by going back to the past with his rubber duck time machine!



he rotated the key.

His reality seemed to blur ...



Breaking down...



Parts of his surroundings
were transformed into what
Earth was years back.



poof!

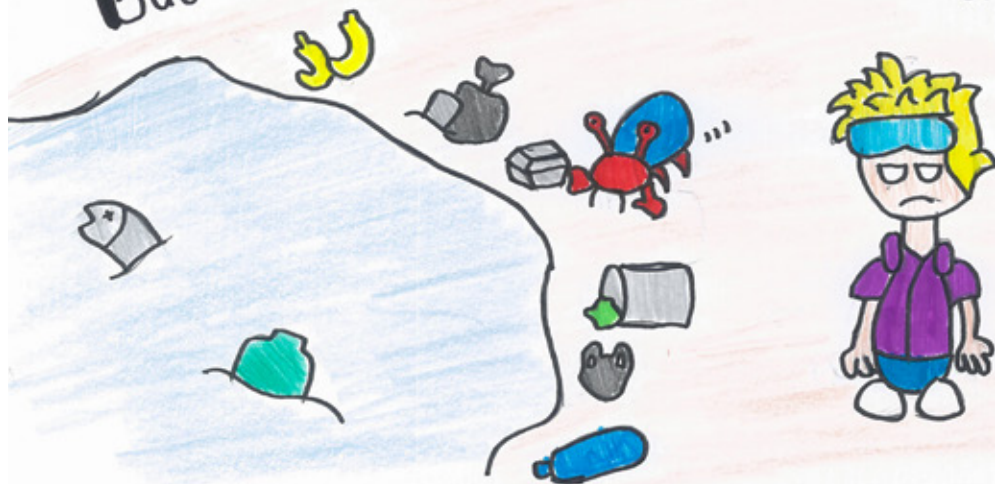
He is now standing
by the seaside
of Ancol Beach!



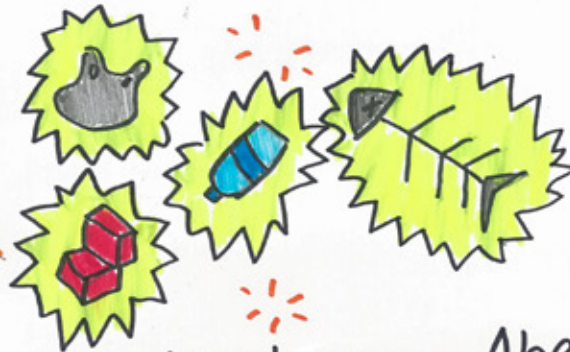
It looked as beautiful as the promotion
tabs back in the future...



But something came awash on the
shore...



Trash, trash, and more trash.
Just name it! Chips, plastic bottles,
everything.



Disgusted by what he had seen, Abeem used a tool from the future to transform the trash into clean air!



Citizens were amazed yet they wondered who did all of this?

But Abeem had moved further already.





Now, he lands upon the industrial area of PuloGadung.

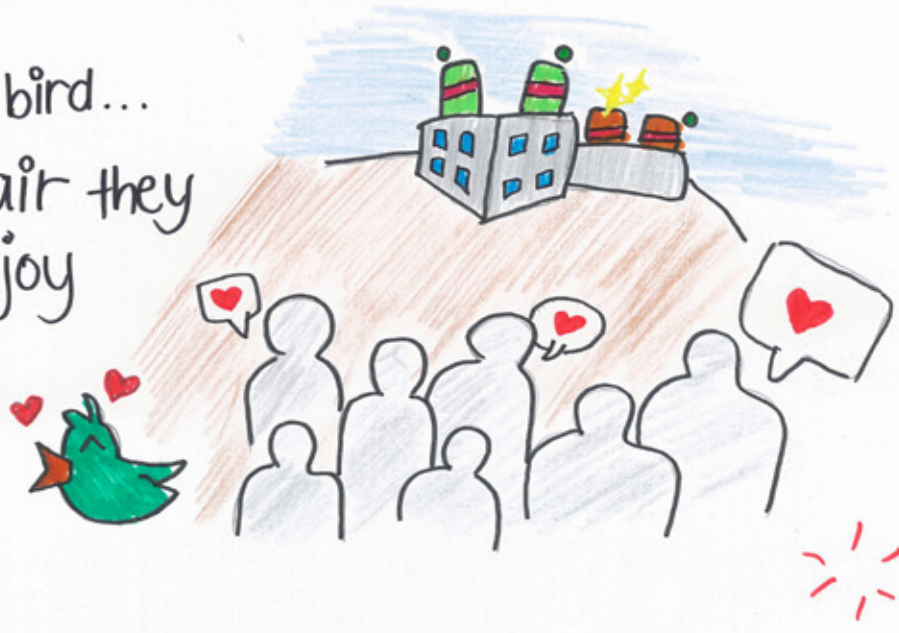


"For insane profits, clean air is sacrificed, and in return residents are given specks of dust!" he said.



He then pulled out and spread orbs to dissipate the smog.

People and that bird... love the clean air they can finally enjoy at last.



As he landed
in Lake Toba, the
vibe was amazing.

"What a breathtaking view!"
he said.

Suddenly, thundering sounds
of heavy machines filled the sky.



Abeem saw a bulldozer,
one of many, driving over
trees.

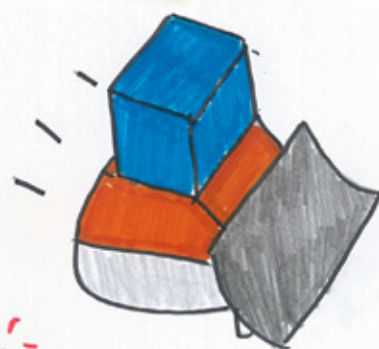
He was very enraged.

"This is what I have to
stop! I've come a long
way to end this!"





With all his might,
he managed to overturn
the bulldozers with his
tools in hand.





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The still image of his acts against the aggressors went online.

It hit the front page the next day. People acknowledged his deeds.

No wonder, the news came upon the president's desk in a matter of minutes.

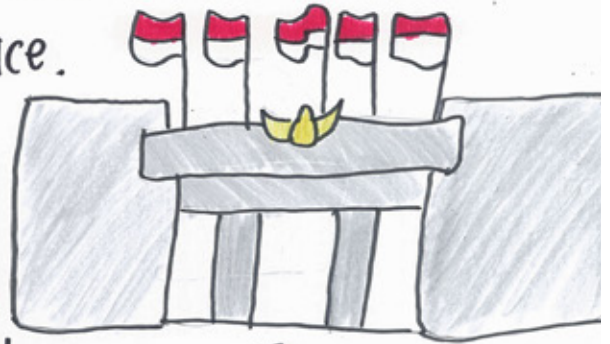


And people might or might not like Abeem's work.

❖ of course, Abeem got the call to visit the palace.



"Howdy there, you must be Abeem! You are the hot news these days," the president said.



Presidential Palace

❖ "That doesn't matter, sir, I need to talk to you about climate change," Abeem replied.

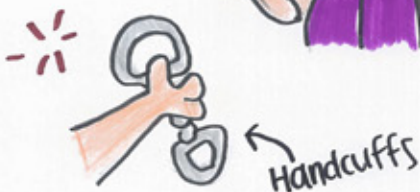


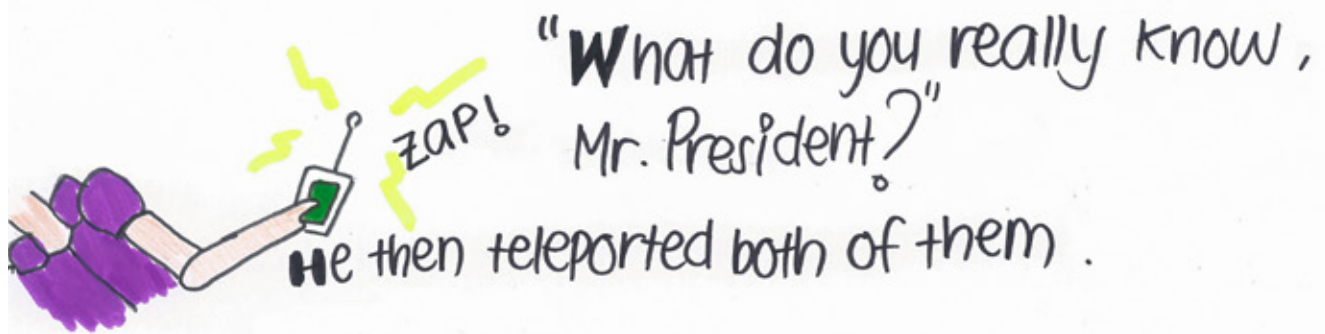
"And how may that benefit me? You have messed up my important agenda!" the president said.



❖ "Your honor, I need you to listen, I am from the future, I have to..." Abeem said.

"You speak lies! Guards, confiscate this man and his weapons!" the president shouted.





“Wha--how did you? Help me!” the President panicked.

“Enjoy the fall, for I have much to show you.”



"Look at the hole in our ozone layer, caused by profit driven factories and their ever coughing chimneys."



Even aliens felt uncomfortable



"Is it the answer for unlimited economic growth? You people are willing to sacrifice the future?"

even trees cough

piles of trash

"Look at **MONAS** in the future! Sinking under a thousand splendid mountains of trash!"

Higher than
skyscrapers

National monument
for scale



"I've... I've never thought of such unforeseen consequences..."



"Can you help me with it? I'll make you a made man, I promise!"

"These problems are ours to face together, better do it sooner than later."



"My time has come, best of luck from the future!"



somewhere

in the future...

There are a thousand splendid suns
to shine on you.

Little kids are enjoying the sun, whilst
reminiscing about a hero from the
future, that had forewarned the world.

Do we really need to experience it beforehand?



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