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I LEARN ABOUT
THE WORLD

with

the **Little
Prince**



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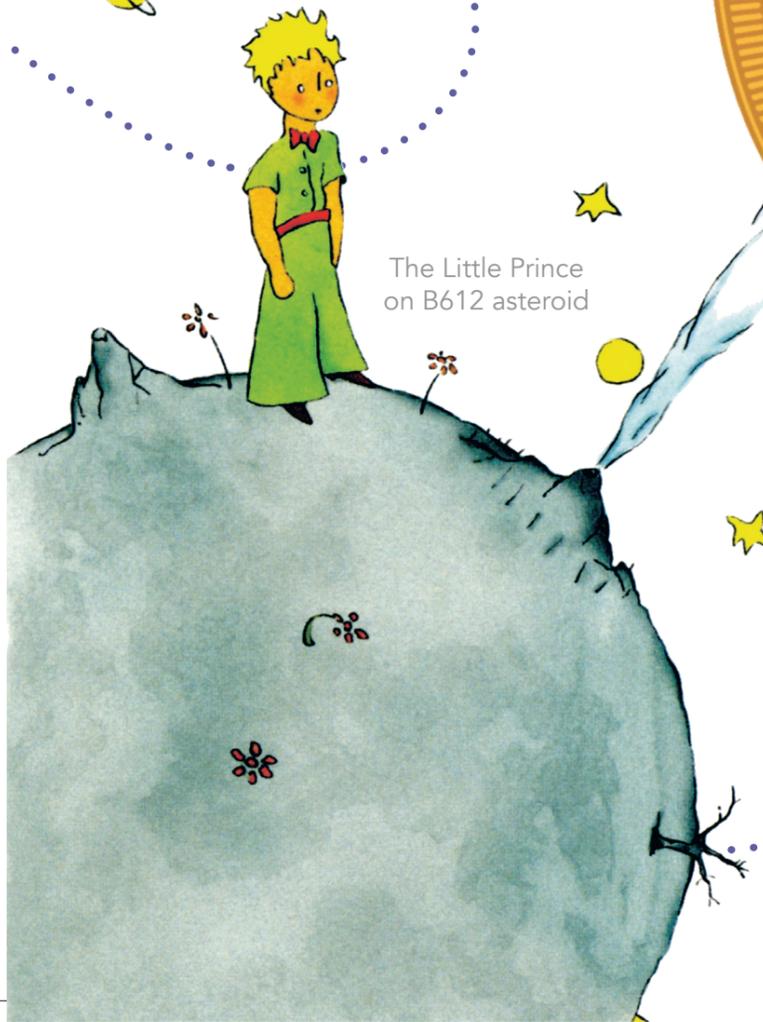
THE COSMOS

This is the Little Prince, a boy slightly older than you. He's got blond hair and he sometimes wears a long, red and green coat.



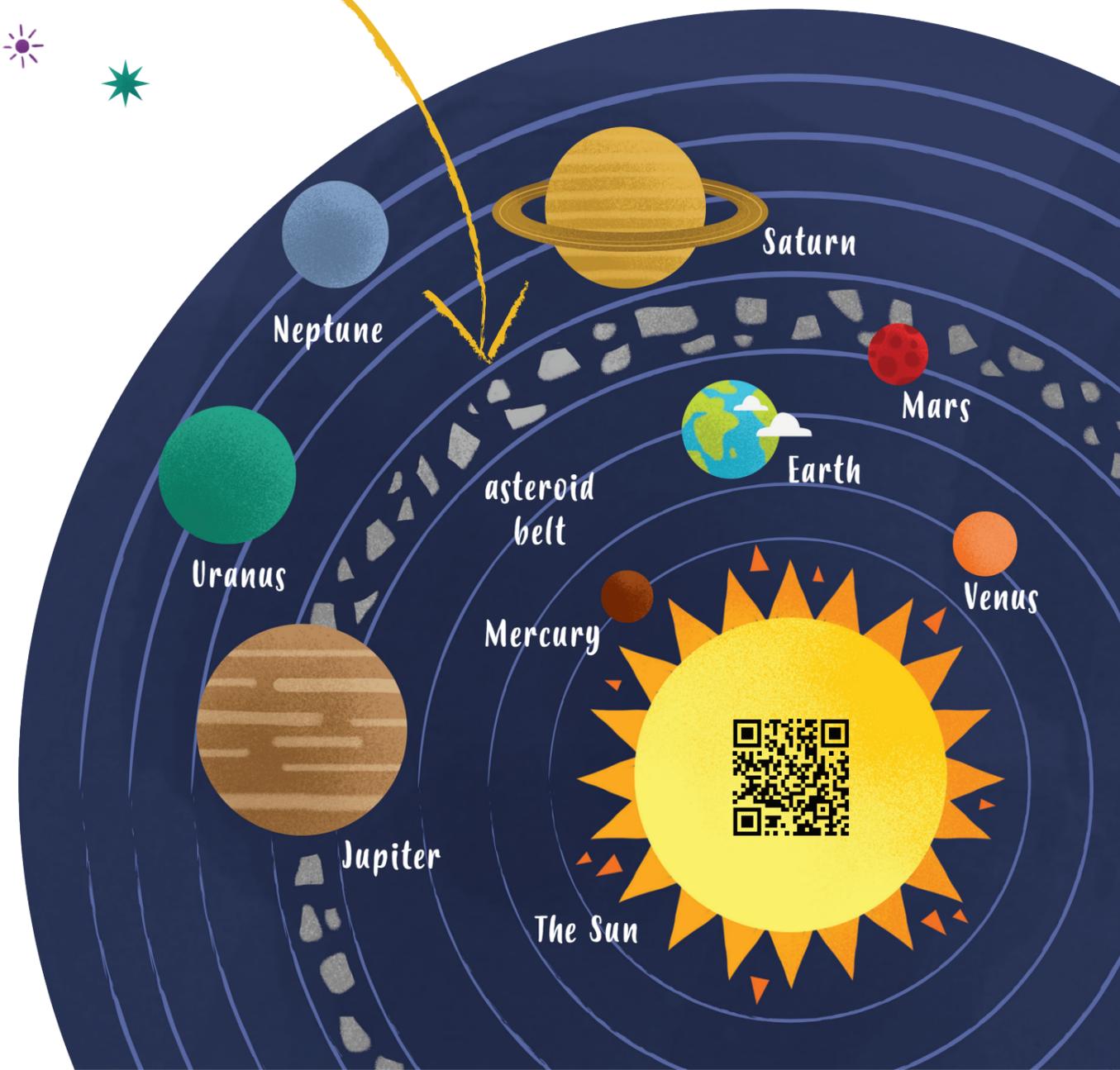
The Little Prince in his elegant clothes.

The Little Prince on B612 asteroid



He lives on Asteroid B 612, which is not far bigger than a house. Asteroids are small planets that revolve around the Sun.

Eight planets revolve around our Sun. There is an asteroid belt in the space between two of them. The Little Prince's asteroid must be somewhere in this belt, among other asteroids.



Neptune

Saturn

Mars

Earth

Venus

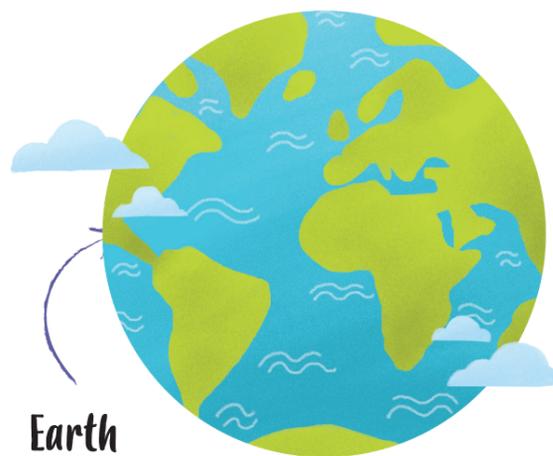
Mercury

Uranus

Jupiter

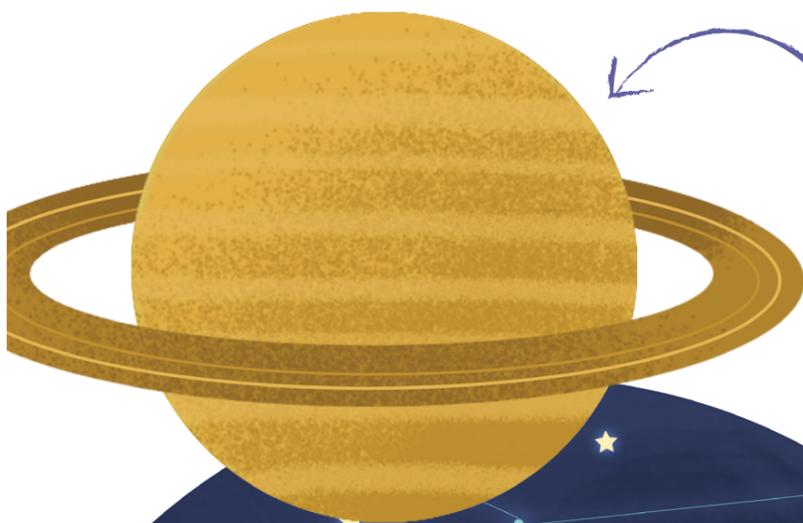
The Sun

asteroid belt

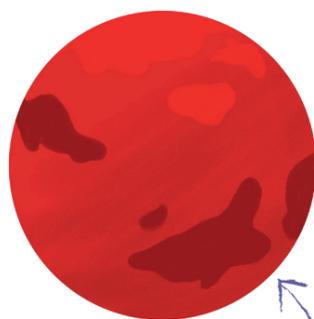


Earth
The Blue Planet

Earth is the third planet from the Sun. It is sometimes called the Blue Planet, because when you look at it from space, you can see the blue oceans on it. Saturn can be identified by its surrounding rings, Mars is red, and Neptune lies farthest away from the Sun.



Saturn
and its rings

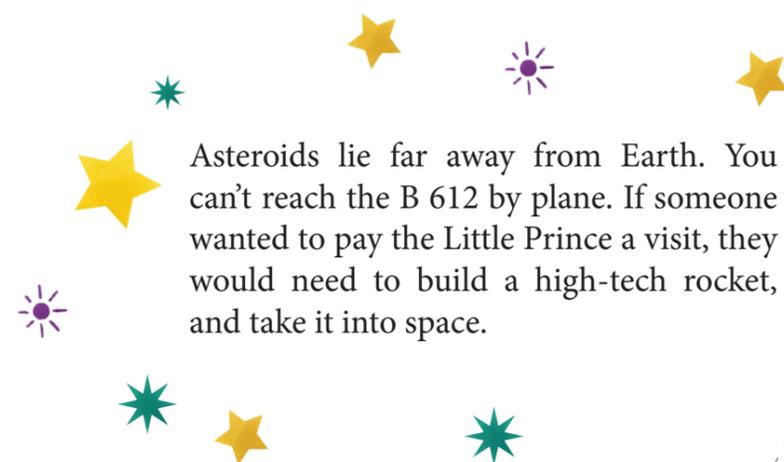


Mars
The Red Planet



An astronomer observing the Asteroid B 612.

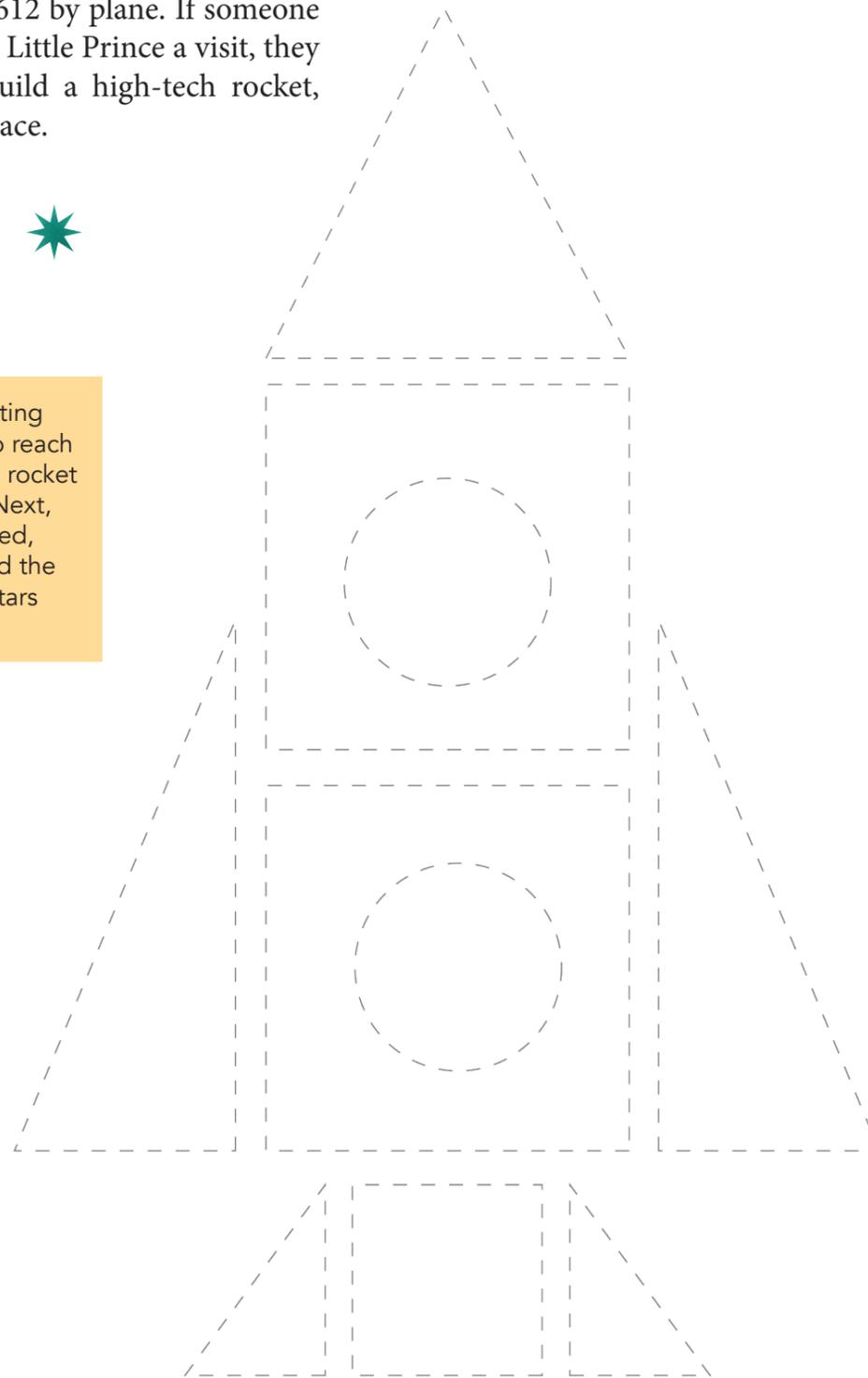
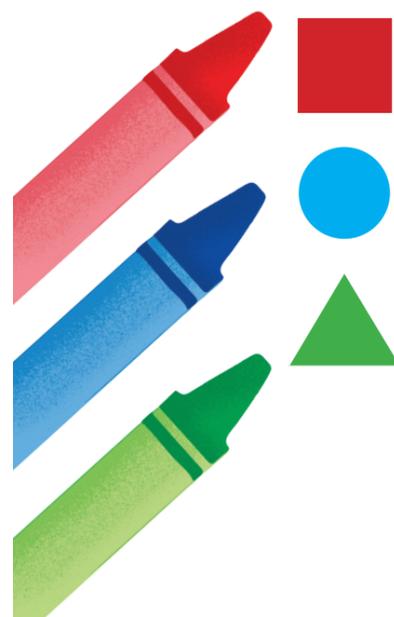
Astronomers watch stars and planets. They use special instruments for this purpose called looking glasses and telescopes. These devices resemble the binoculars; however, they are considerably stronger than the binoculars, that is they magnify the things under observation in greater detail.



Asteroids lie far away from Earth. You can't reach the B 612 by plane. If someone wanted to pay the Little Prince a visit, they would need to build a high-tech rocket, and take it into space.

EXERCISE

Imagine you are constructing a rocket which is going to reach Asteroid B-612. Draw the rocket by connecting the dots. Next, colour all the squares in red, the triangles in green, and the circles in blue. Stick the stars around the rocket.



TREES

Baobab seeds sprout every day on the Little Prince's asteroid. What is a baobab? It is a gigantic tree growing in Africa. The Little Prince has to pull up the little baobabs from the soil every day.

The Asteroid B-612 infested with baobabs.

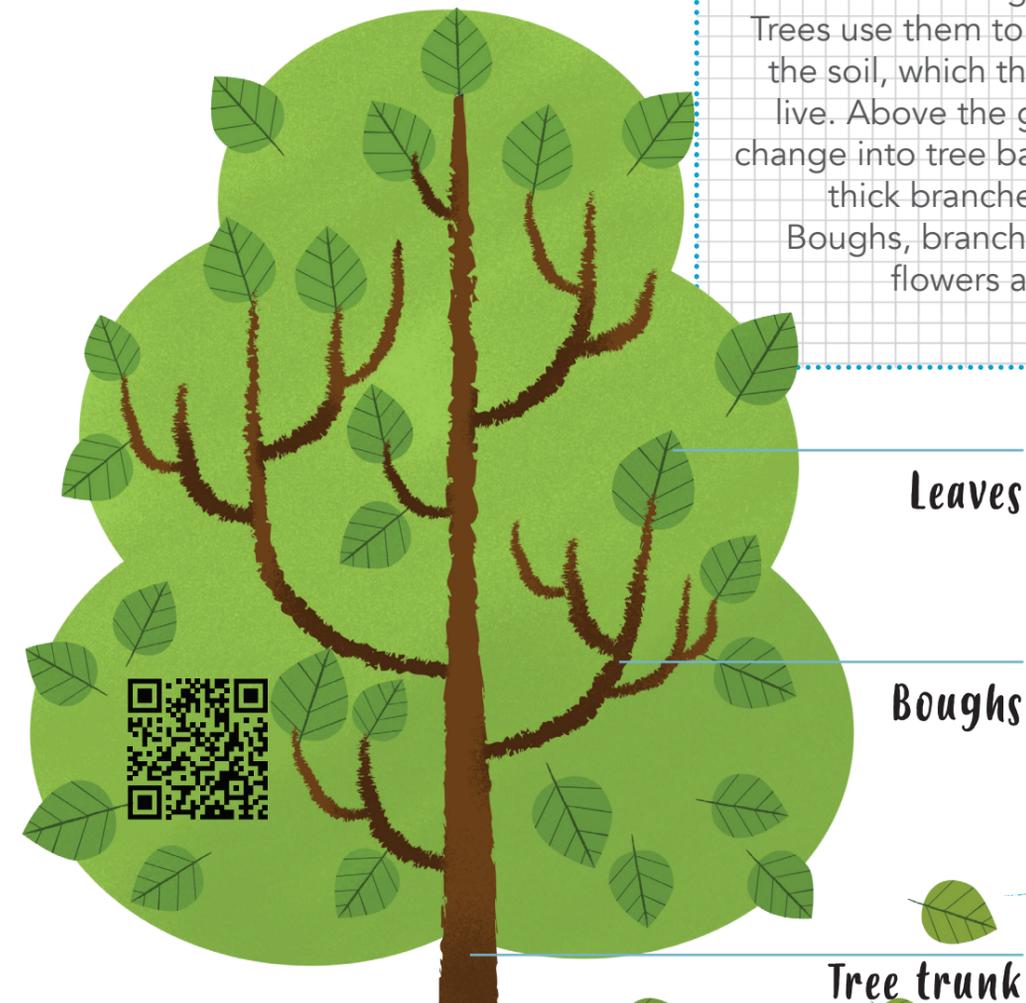
The Little Prince pulling up the baobabs.



If the boy didn't pull up the baobabs with their roots, trees would grow out of them, and they would split his tiny planet in pieces.



The roots of trees grow underground. Trees use them to drink water from the soil, which they need to do to live. Above the ground, the roots change into tree bark which has got thick branches called boughs. Boughs, branches, twigs, leaves, flowers and fruit build the crown of a tree.



Roots } The subterranean part





When you sow a seed in the ground and then water it, it begins to sprout – a tiny plant emerges. It grows slowly to become a tree. With time, the tree blooms – colorful flowers appear on its branches, and these flowers eventually turn into fruit with yet more seeds.



Seed



Sprout



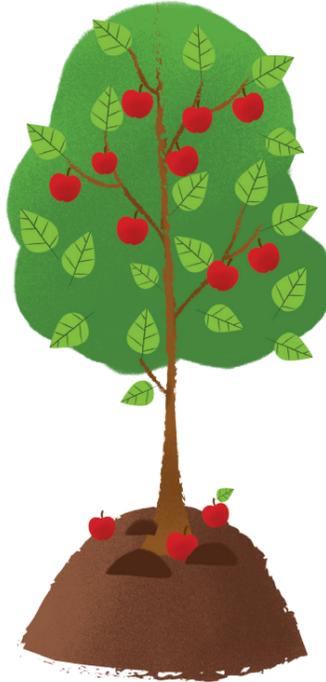
Young tree



Tree



Flowers



Fruits

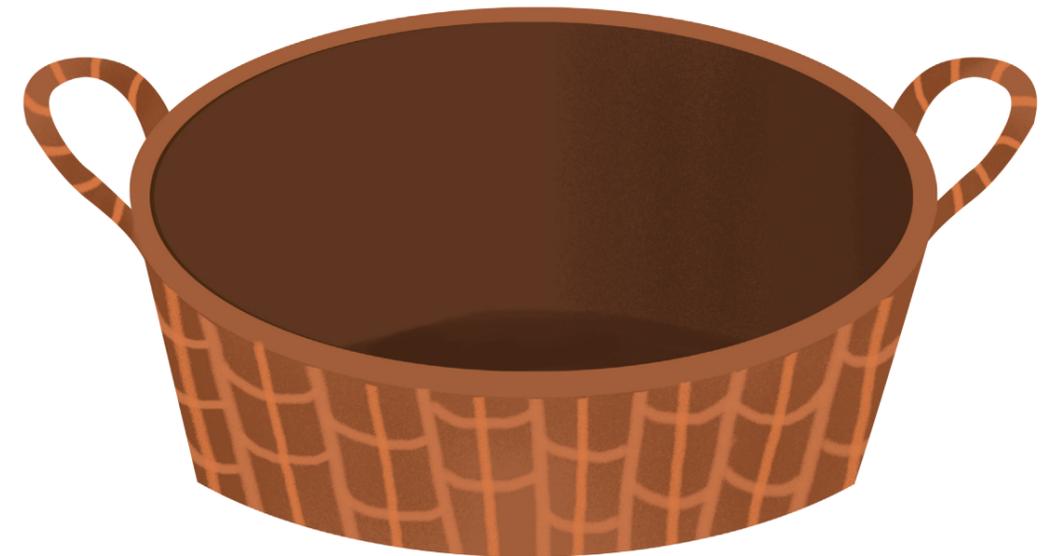
EXERCISE

Make a tree out of the stickers found inside the book.

EXERCISE

Put the varieties of fruit into the basket and name them. You can find the fruit stickers inside the book.

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| the crown | the crown |
| the bark | the bark |
| the roots | the roots |



FLOWERS

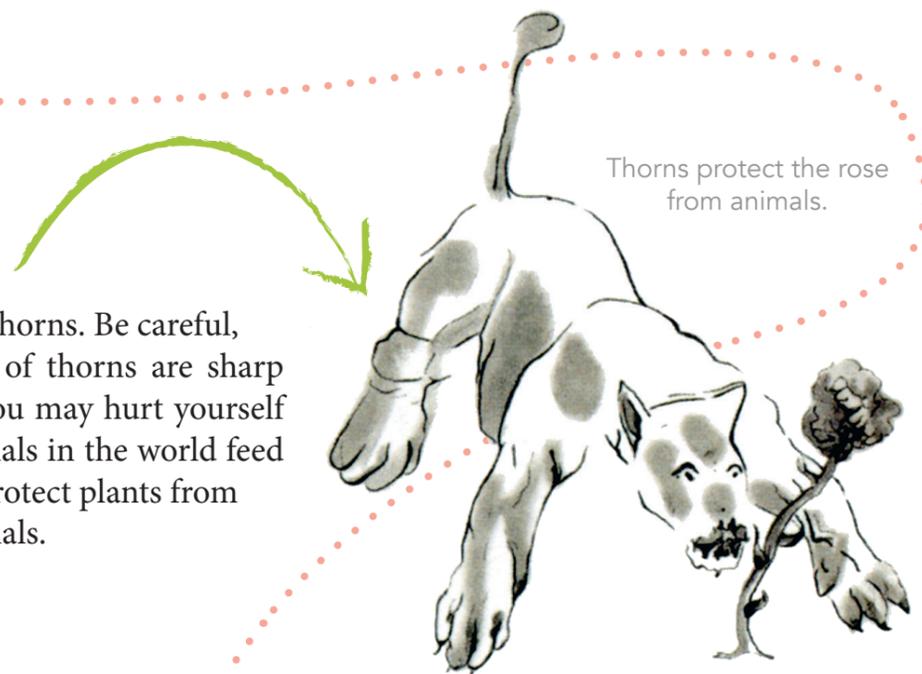


The Little Prince waters his rose.



The Little Prince protects his rose from wind.

A beautiful rose also grows on the Little Prince's planet. The boy takes care of it – he waters it and every evening protects it from draughts.

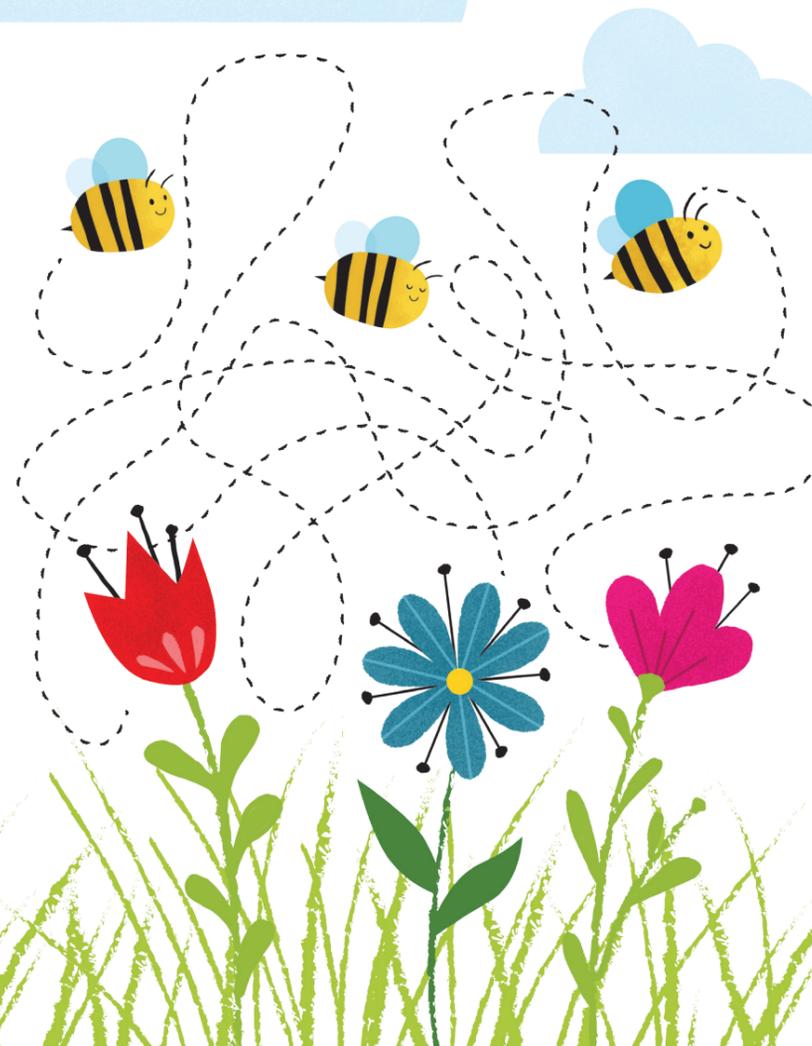
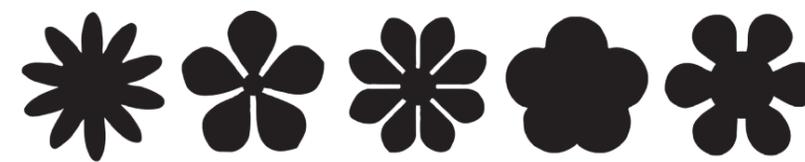


Thorns protect the rose from animals.

Some flowers have thorns. Be careful, because the points of thorns are sharp like a needle and you may hurt yourself easily. A lot of animals in the world feed on plants. Thorns protect plants from being eaten by animals.

EXERCISE

Match the flowers with their corresponding shadows.

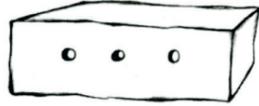


A variety of insects sit on flowers, for example, butterflies and bees. They drink the nectar – special juice secreted by plants. Bees use nectar to make honey.

EXERCISE

Show which bee has chosen which flower. Use different colours to draw the route of each bee to its respective flower.

ANIMALS

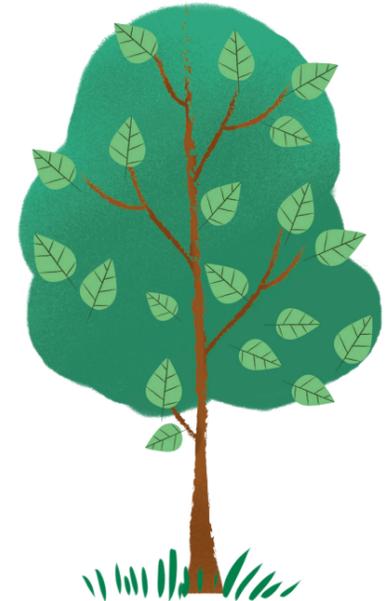


The Little Prince kept a sheep. The animal lived in a box and fed on grass. The boy wondered if there was enough grass for the sheep on his small planet.

The sheep and the box

EXERCISE

Put the stickers with farm animals under the pen. Next to the tree put the stickers with wild animals.



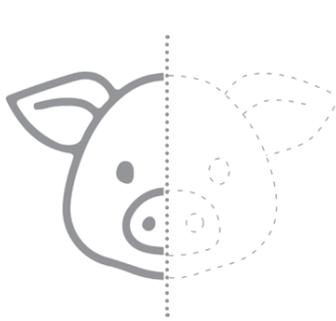
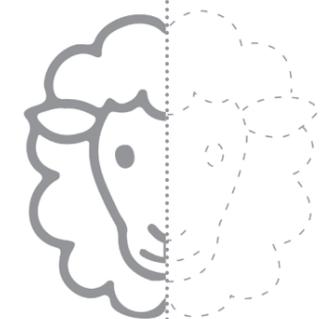
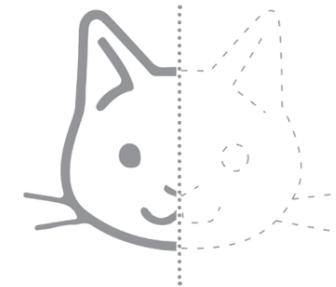
Wild animals live in almost all climate zones and on every continent. For instance, foxes have their lairs in the forest. Stags and elks wander in the woods among the trees, and bears live in the mountains. Hares and mice hide in the fields and meadows. Lions hunt on African savannas; zebras and antelopes nibble the grasses. Penguins swim in the cold waters of Antarctica. Wild animals get their own food. They were never accompanied by humans and are afraid of us. These animals are usually under protection, which means they mustn't be killed or hurt.



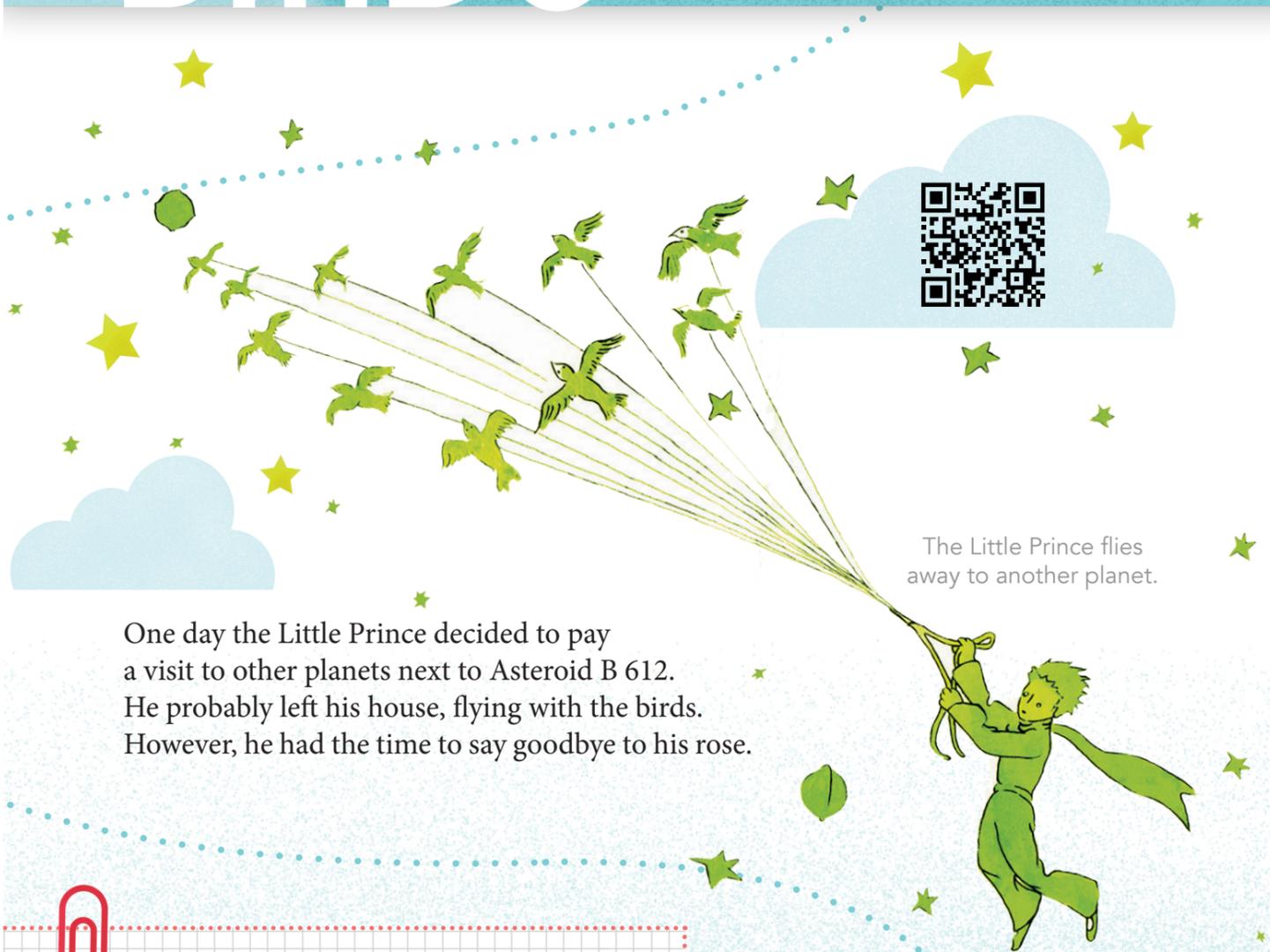
A long time ago sheep and rams lived free at large, that is, they grazed on grassy meadows without being watched by humans, like deer today, for example. With time, humans domesticated sheep and rams and began to raise whole herds of them. Delicious cheeses can be made from their milk, and from the fleece – wool for warm clothes.

EXERCISE

Somebody must have left these drawings unfinished! Finish them and guess which animals they represent. Are they wild or domesticated animals?



BIRDS



The Little Prince flies away to another planet.

One day the Little Prince decided to pay a visit to other planets next to Asteroid B 612. He probably left his house, flying with the birds. However, he had the time to say goodbye to his rose.

Birds can fly exceptionally well. Their bodies, including the wings, are built especially for soaring in the air. Bird bones are very light because they are filled with air. The feathers also help with flying, in addition protecting the birds against warmth loss. The feathers can be very colourful.

Some birds fly away to warm countries in winter. Others are guests at bird feeders quite often, especially when there is snow outside. The best food to feed the birds are seeds, for example sunflower seeds.

EXERCISE

Stick the stickers with birds in such a way so that they match the descriptions.



The bullfinch, which comes to us in winter, has a red belly.



The golden oriole is yellow and has black wings. It flies away for the winter to warm countries.



The swallow is black and white. It is the harbinger of spring.



The kingfisher has blue wings which are perfectly visible on the snow.



a stork



a magpie



a swallow



a tit



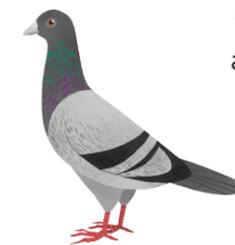
a golden oriole



a seagull



a sparrow



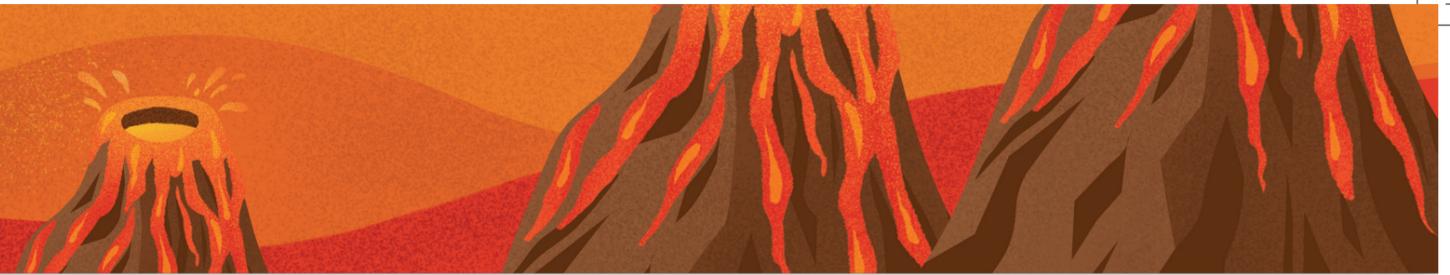
a pigeon



EXERCISE

Show the birds you can see in winter. Draw a line linking them to the bird feeder.

VOLCANOS

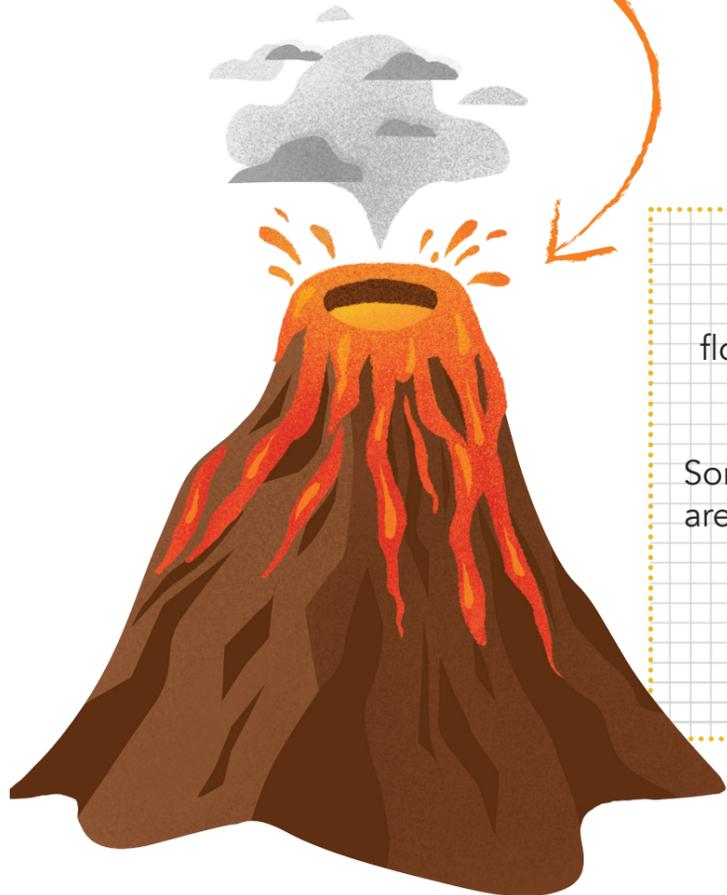


There are also volcanos on the Little Prince's planet. The boy cleans them every day for them to burn slowly and steadily, so that they don't erupt. He finds them useful for heating his breakfasts.



The Little Prince cleans volcanos.

An active volcano spurting up lava



A volcano is a mountain with a chimney inside. When lava – a hot, dense mass – flows out of the chimney, then we say that the volcano erupts. Before the eruption happens, the chimney produces smoke. Some volcanos no longer spurt lava – they are called extinct volcanos. These volcanos which still erupt and produce smoke are active. A volcano eruption can be very dangerous. It may happen that lava inundates a whole city.

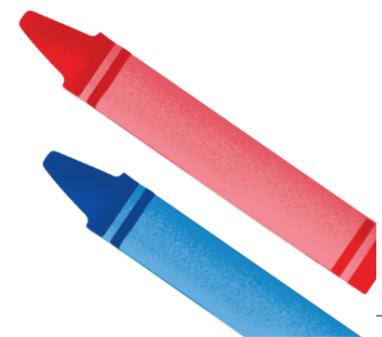
EXERCISE

Which drawing is missing? Put the stickers into the empty square.

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EXERCISE

Lava is very hot; it is as hot as a candle flame. Circle in red the things which are hot as well. Circle in blue the things which seem to you cold.



EVERYBODY IS DIFFERENT



The Little Prince's home planet was tiny. The boy knew it well. He was very curious about the world and wanted to know what was life like on other asteroids. Because of that he travelled to space.

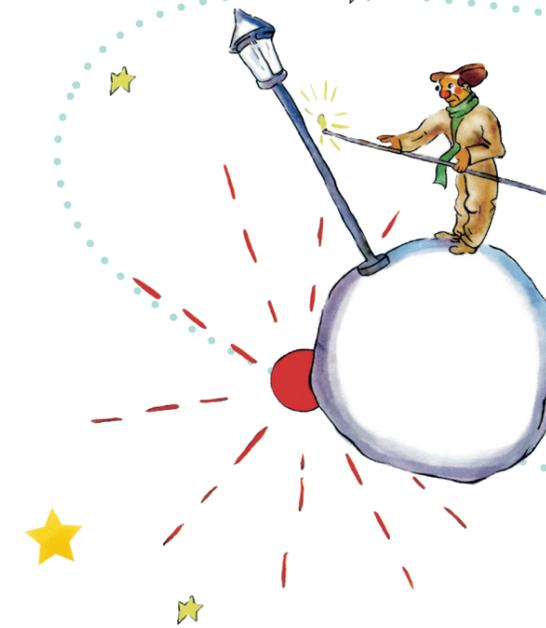
He met a king on one of the asteroids. The ruler's coat was so long that it covered almost the whole planet. The king's only dream was to rule and give orders. He didn't have any subjects because he lived alone.



On the next planet he visited a Conceited Man who wore a hat. The Conceited Man wanted to be admired all the time. He didn't do anything else but waited for someone to applaud him. He taught the Little Prince how to clap one's hands.



Another planet on the Little Prince's journey was inhabited by a Businessman who was busy counting the stars. He thought the stars all belonged to him and was happy to have them in his possession, although he couldn't reach them, play with them, or hug them.



The next planet the Little Prince visited was the tiniest of them all. It was so small in fact that it barely carried a Lighthouse Keeper and his lighthouse. The Lighthouse Keeper constantly turned on and turned off the lighthouse. This was his job.

On the next planet, a considerably bigger one, the boy was welcomed by an older man sitting at a desk and reading an enormous book. That man was a Geographer, that is, a wise man who knows where to find seas, rivers, cities, and mountains.



As you can see, the planets the Little Prince visited differed from one another to a great degree. They were inhabited by different people with different jobs and tasks to perform. Each of them was different from the others. Earth is like that too. Our planet is inhabited by people with different skin colour, with bright or dark hair, by people speaking different languages, doing different jobs, or liking different things.



I am from Poland



I am from Mexico



I am from Greenland



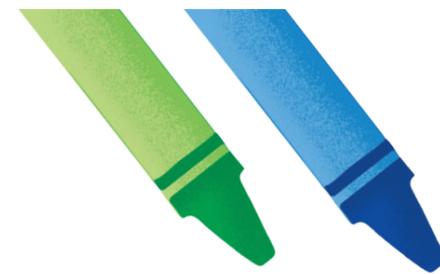
I am from India



I am from China



I am from Ethiopia



EXERCISE

Here are people inhabiting different countries wearing their national costumes. Colour in the pictures.

The people living on different continents wear different clothes. They have their own colourful clothes which not only protect them from hot or cold weather, but also show their country of origin. For example, the Japanese women wear kimonos. The women from India wrap their bodies with a long stripe of fabric called the sari. Native Americans wear shirts with tassels and the traditional feathered headdress.

EXERCISE

Here is a map of the world with continents on it. A continent is a large mass of land surrounded by the ocean. We live in Europe.

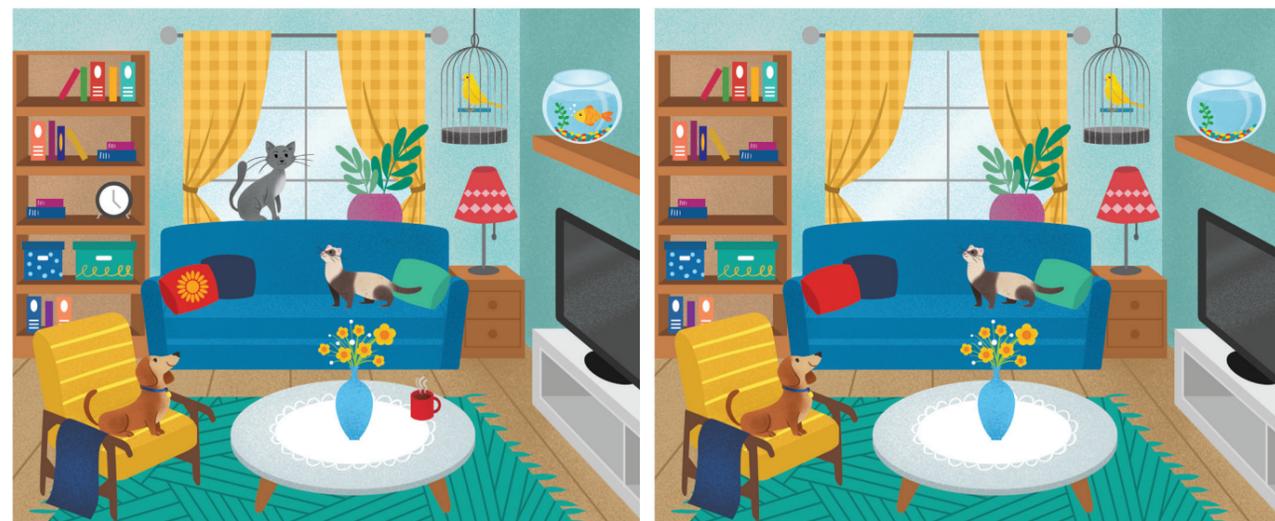


PET ANIMALS



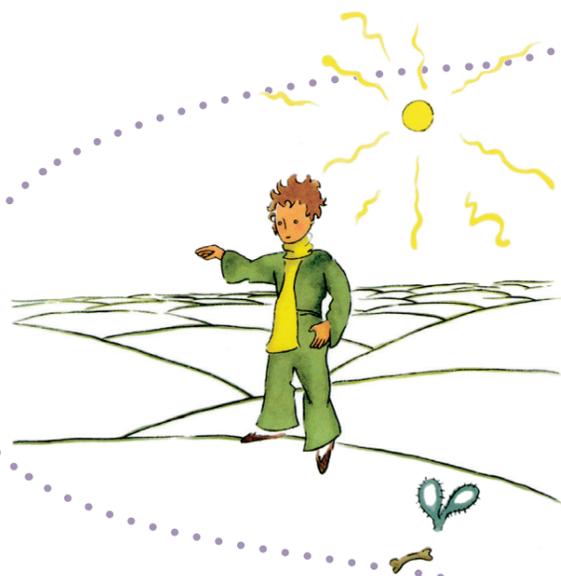
EXERCISE

Look at the two pictures and find five differences between them. What kinds of domestic animals are there in the pictures?



EXERCISE

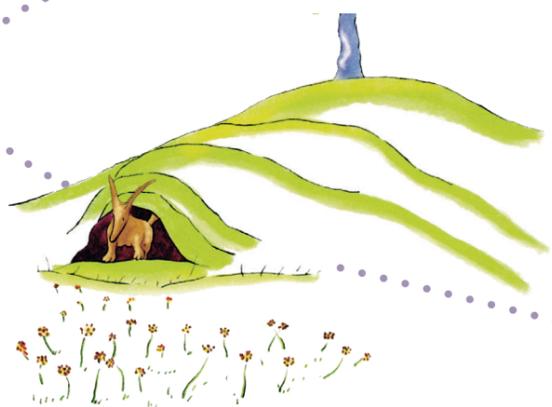
Say how properly to take care of the cat or the dog. Out of the given objects, choose those which are for the dog (circle them in blue). What are the others used for?



The Little Prince finally arrived at Earth. He literally fell from the sky... He found himself on a desert in Africa.



Initially, he thought that Earth is uninhabited, because there was nobody around him. Yet, he continued to wander for a long time, and he travelled very far. He saw high mountains and rose gardens. He also spoke to a snake, and, one day, he met a fox.



The boy wanted very much to play with the fox, but the animal was not tame.

A lot of people keep an animal in the house: a cat, a dog, a hamster or a ferret. These are our companions and friends who are happy when we come back from work or school, who play with us, and who love to be scratched behind their ear. They are pet animals.

EXERCISE

The Little Prince also came to Earth. This is the place in the desert where he landed... For the picture not to be so sad, finish it. You can draw flowers, animals, the Little Prince, or even yourself.



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