

Colour Our Story is a global, creative initiative founded by Michelle Euinton in 2016. It has a big heart and a bright, promising future. We facilitate the creation of colouring in books and cards, by children for children.

All books from our ever growing global collection are intended to help support children around the world through the therapy and joy of creative exchanges, supplies and opportunities. This is made possible with the help of our volunteers, sponsors, partnerships and collaborations.

Our vision is to empower and give voice to disadvantaged, vulnerable children locally and worldwide. At the same time, inspiring a future generation of global citizens who understand the importance of caring for and uplifting one another. The children become connected through the power of story and creativity - drawing, writing and colouring across borders. Imaginations are unleashed, stories created and stories shared.

Diversity is celebrated, regardless of each others circumstances or where we call home. Because despite these differences, we are all one - we all grow up with hopes and dreams and are all deserving of bright futures.

In Africa there is a word 'UBUNTU' - I am because we are. This concept truly captures the essence of this project.

At colour Our Story we also urge children to remember 'The one thing that you have that nobody else has is you. Your voice, your mind, your vision. So write, draw, build and dance, play and live only as you can.' Author unknown.



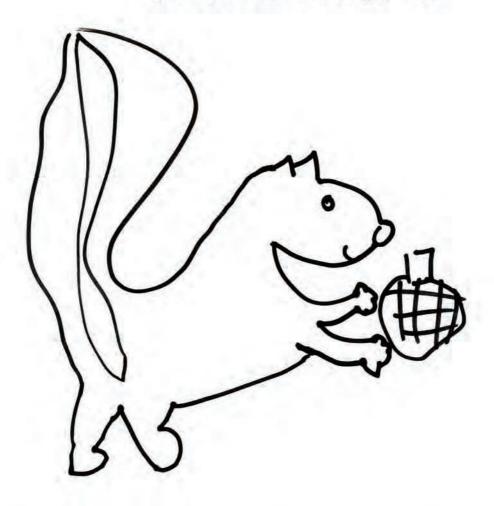


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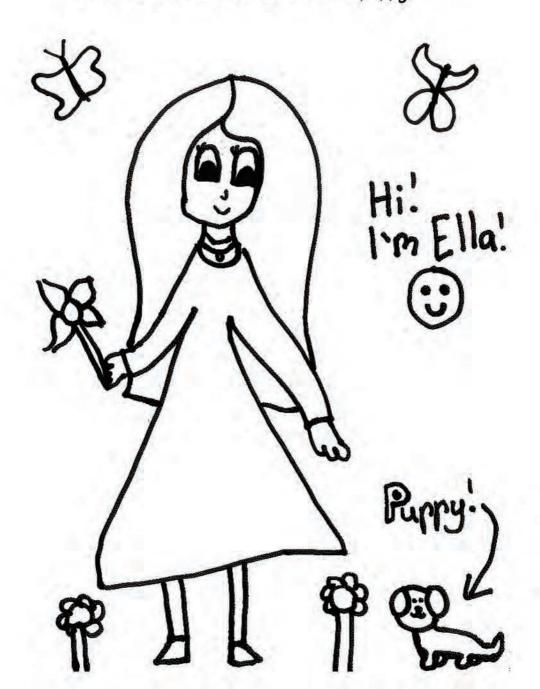
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Ava. Auckland, New Zealand 'I love squirrels! are there some in Uganda?'

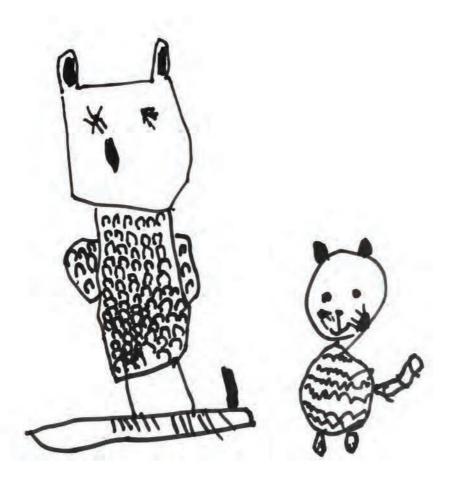


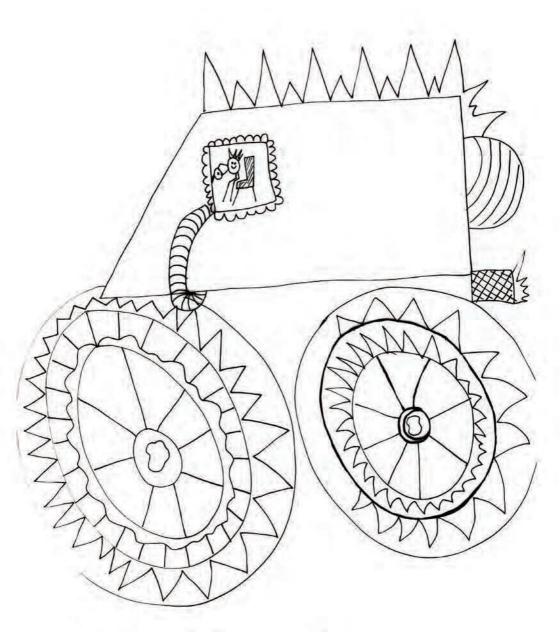
Acorn Yum?

Pearl. Melbourne, Australia
'This is Ella and her cute little puppy.'



## Chloe. Auckland. New Zealand 'The owl and the pussy cat.'

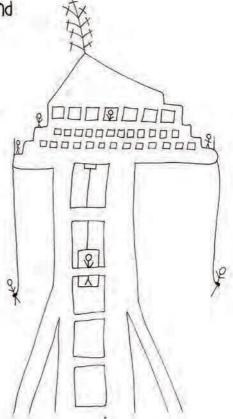


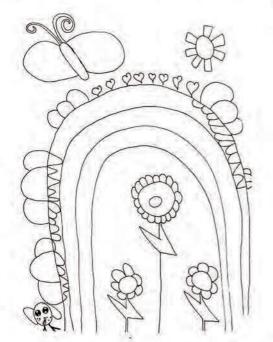


Lorenzo 7. Auckland, New Zealand
 'This is my monster truck and it can do stunts..'

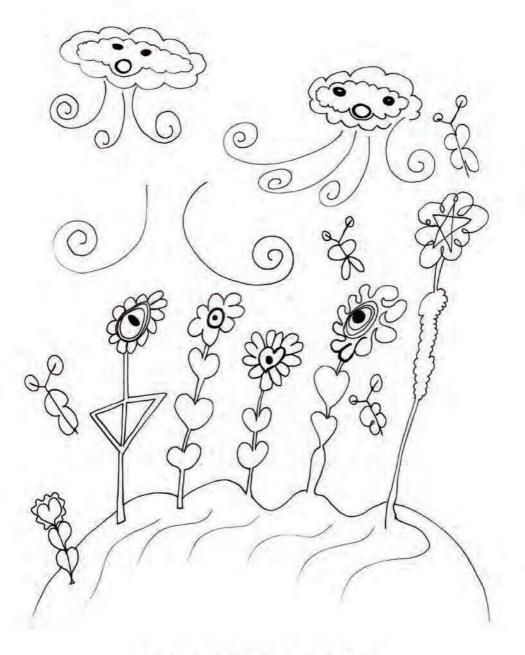
Hugo 8. Auckland, New Zealand This is the Sky Tower.
The Sky Tower is the

biggest tower in the world."





Brooklynne 8. Auckland, New Zealand This is a rainbow with flowers.

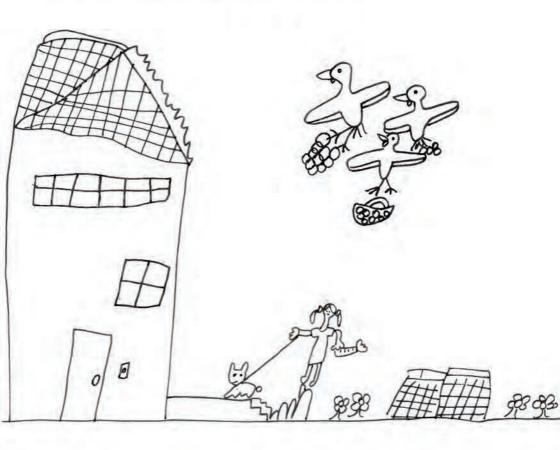


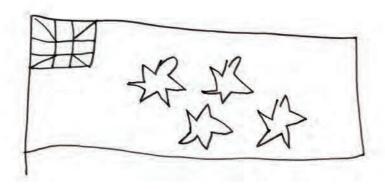
Caty 8. Auckland, New Zealand



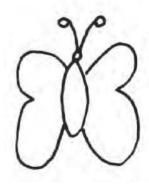
#### Michelle, 7 Auckland, New Zealand

'Hi. My name is Michelle and this is me and my rabbit. I am walking her. My rabbit's name is Snowball and she is black and white. She is only a bunny so she has to get used to being leashed. I feed her carrots, apple and veges. I love my rabbit.'





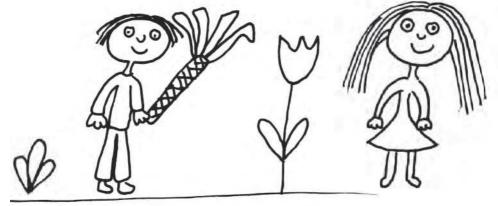
Amber 8 Auckland, New Zealand
'Hello. This is the New Zealand flag.
The blue background represents the Pacific Ocean.
The stars are red. The cross is red and white.

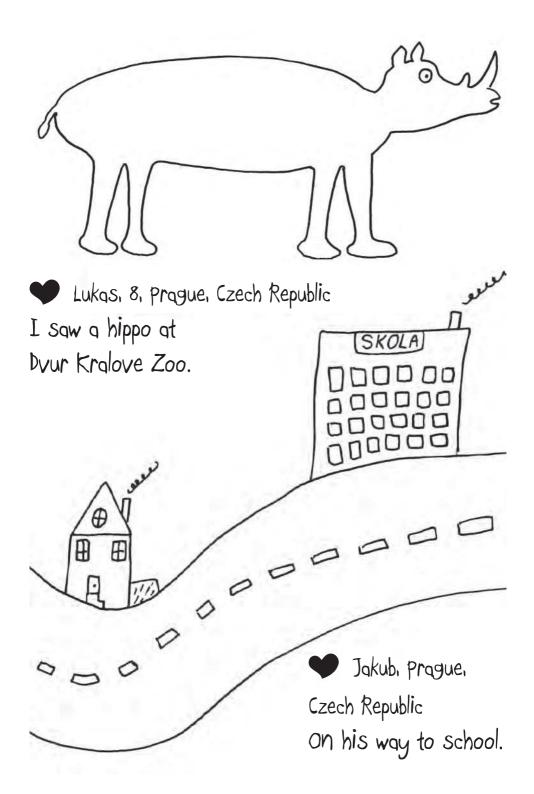


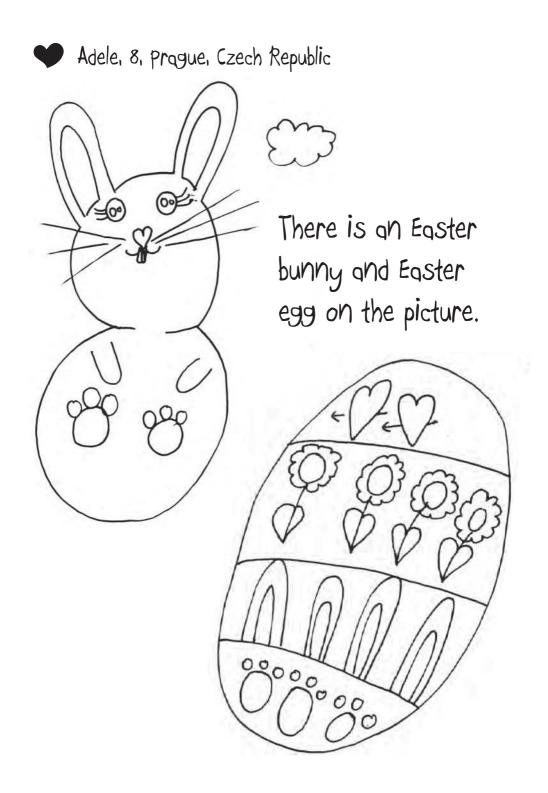
💙 Claudie, 8, Prague, Czech Republic

Spring is coming, I am living in Prague, these are kids, my friends Kuba and Mona, I like school.







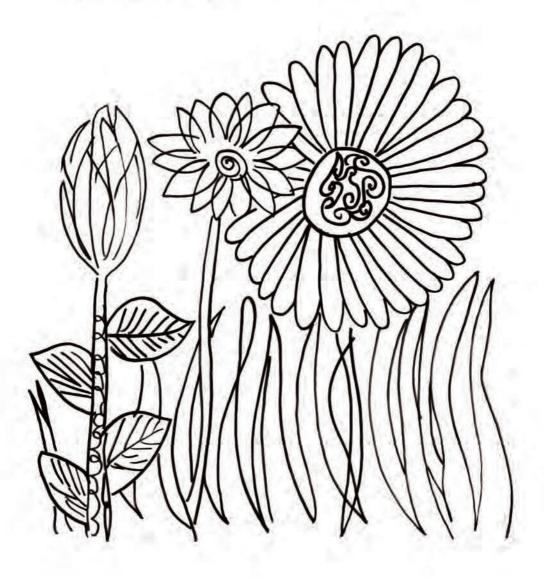


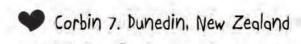
Hannah 9. Dunedin, New Zealand 'This is an owl from New Zealand. Do you have owls where you live? What sort of animals do you have?

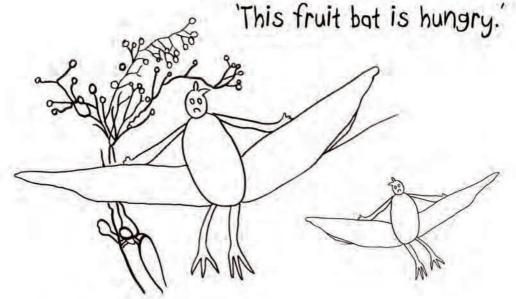


### Rebecca 9. Dunedin, New Zealand

'Flowers are popping up in Dunedin, its spring, our school has lots of flowers. I like flowers, there's a lot in New Zealand. Do you have lots of flowers in India?.'



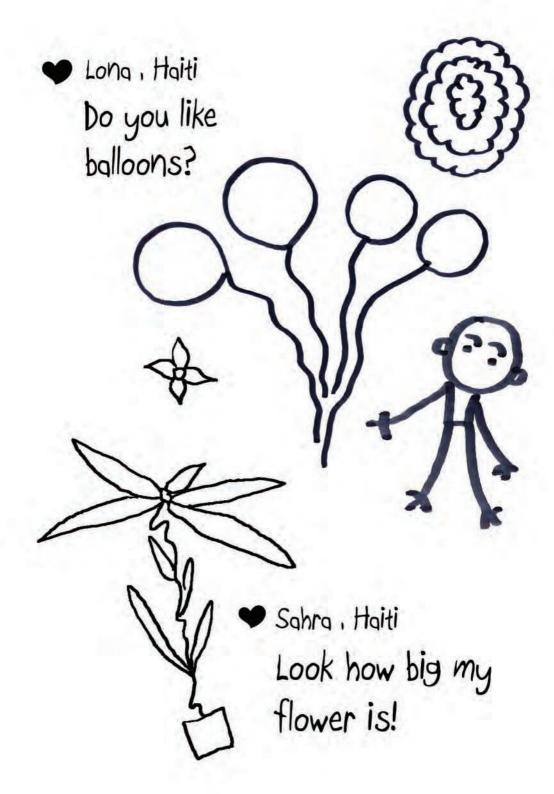


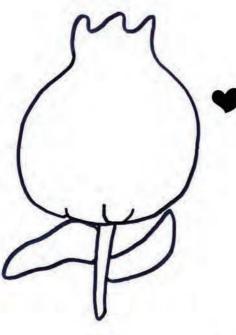


■ Iris 7. Dunedin, New Zealand

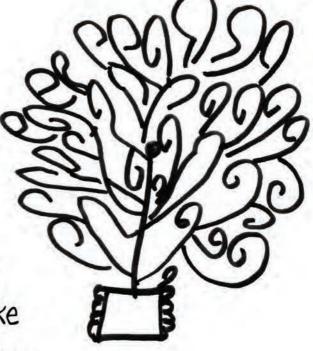


Blanc, Haiti We speak french here. My drawing says: Haiti "what's up?" This is my tree!





Etienne, Haiti Would you like to color my tulip?

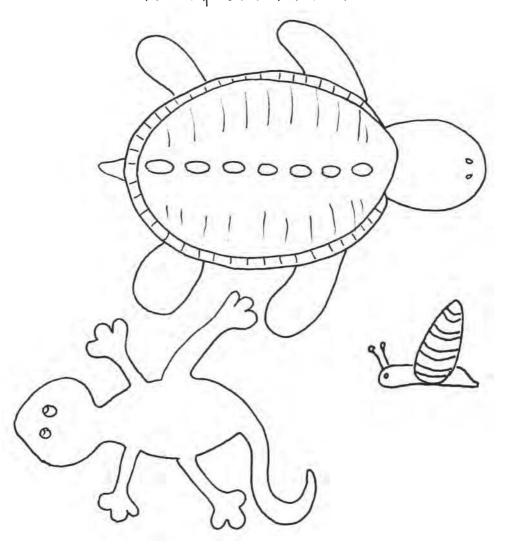


Semesier , Haiti
 I hope you like
 my special tree
 I drew for you

→ Harriet. 6 on holiday in Bali, from Christchurch, New Zealand.

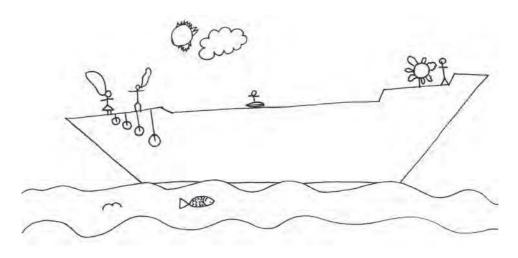
Today my wiggly front tooth fell out in Bali.

I put it up high because in Bali you don't have tooth fairies. You have geckos and they take the tooth and swap it for a new one.



✓ Tahun (boy) 10 yrs old. Sumbawa

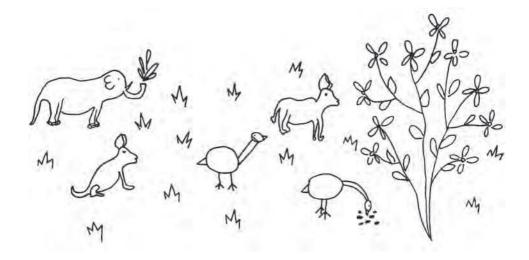
My big boat in the ocean.



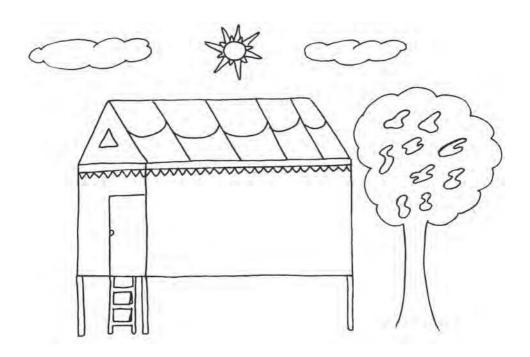
★ Kadek (boy) 10 yrs old. Bali.

These are my pet animals like dog, chicken and duck.

I am feeding them everyday.



# ▼ Tania (girl) 12. Sumbawa. This is a traditional house in the village. This is my home.

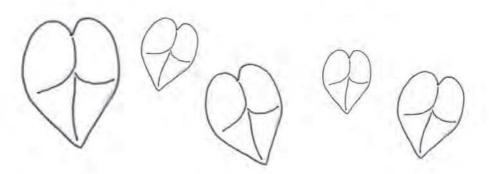


Mohamed Turay (boy), age 17, Sierra Leone

'I like this tree because it grows and bares fruit.

That is the same way
my life will be in the
future. The more the
tree bares, the more
life is good. I hope in God.

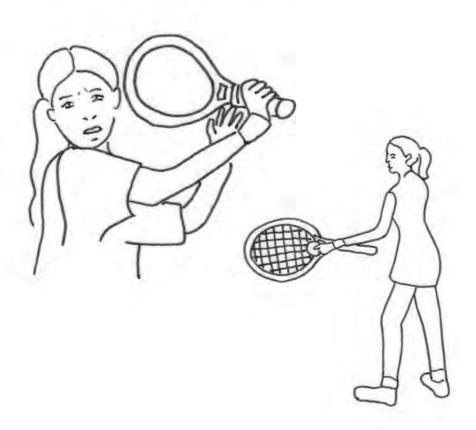
I am Sierra Leonia by
nationality and also Therrine
by tribe. I love my life.



Without your heart you can not exist in the world. I remember a time when I had pain in my heart.' James Palmer (boy), age 18, Sierra Leone

'Tennis is my favourite game, and any time I play it, it reminds me about my late Mum and Dad and the time they were alive. They usually took me to the tennis field in my village.

We would play and share fun times.

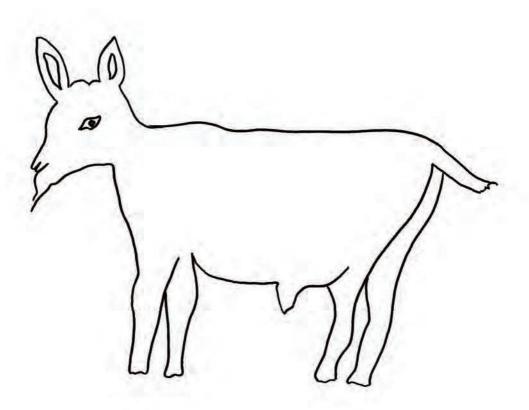


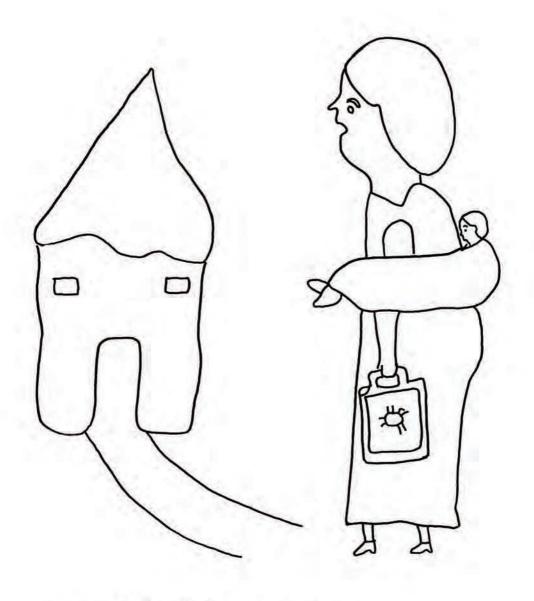
♥ James Palmer (boy), age 18, Sierra Leone

'I believe that Education is the key to success. I usually study very hard to pass all my exams and to become an educated person. Mathematics. Financial Accounting and Economics are my favourite subjects because my dream is become an accountant in the future.'



Zonus Mumbere. Kasese. Uganda
'This is my good goat for you.'





Janet Kabagombe. Kasese, Uganda 'A Ugandan woman carrying a baby on her back.'

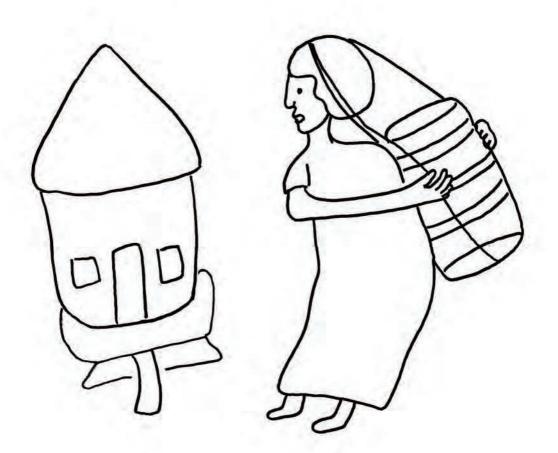


Mariam Biira. Kasese, Uganda 'A story about a monkey... this monkey has a small nose.'

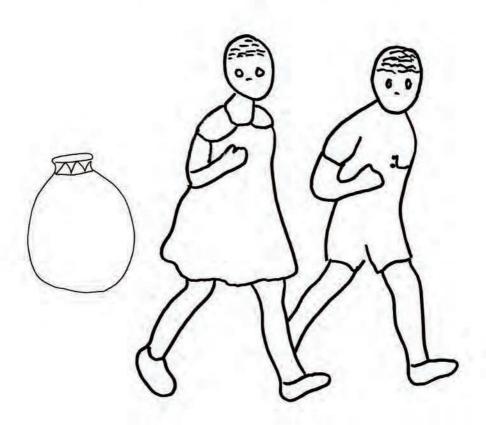


◆ Jofred Mbusa. Kasese, Uganda

'This is a picture of a hut and
a woman carrying wood on her
back for cooking.'



Nuriyat Kusemererwa. Kasese, Uganda 'I drew an african pot and a boy and girl walking to school'



Draw your own pictures here!

This project would not have been possible without the help of our wonderful team of volunteers around the world, as well as the creative imaginations of all kids involved!



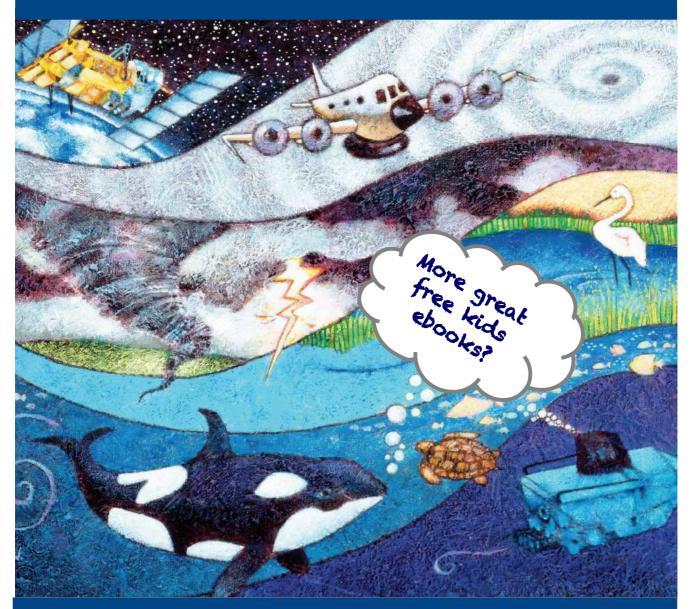
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