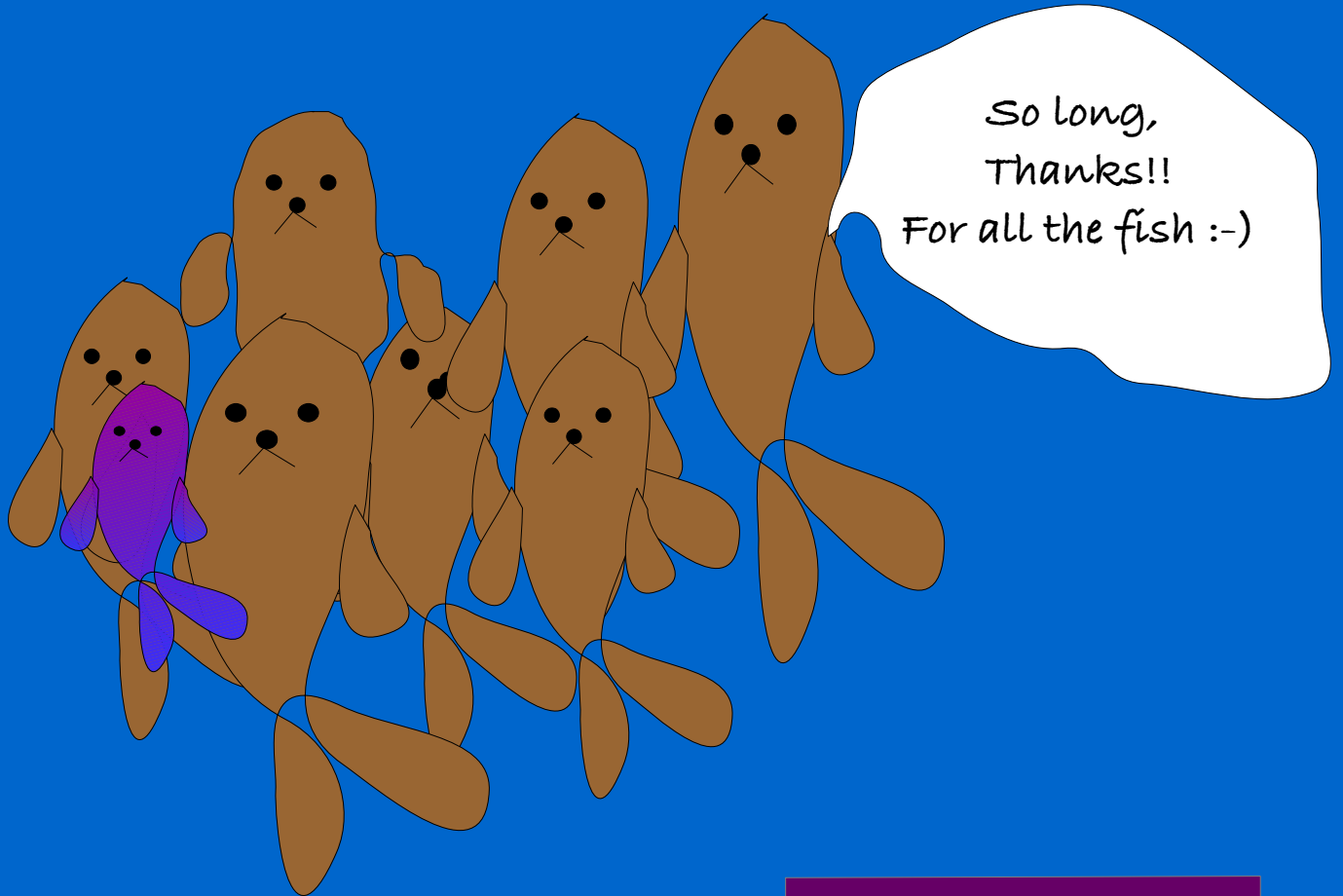


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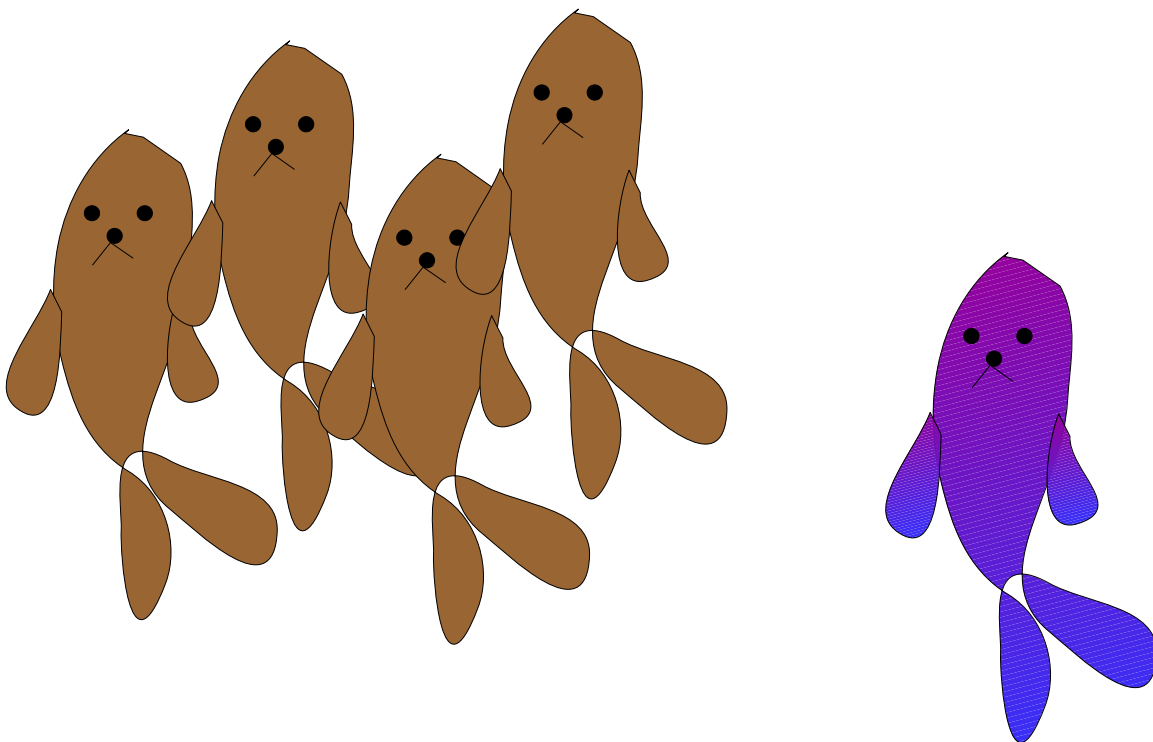
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Psychedelic seal was different to all the other seals. The other seals were all brown. They blended in on the sandy shores and in the ocean.

Psychedelic seal didn't blend anywhere.



slcedelic sEl woz diferent too orl the uther sElz.  
the uther sElz wur orl brown.  
thA blended in on the sandE shorz and in the  
Oshen.  
slcedelic sEl didnt blend enEwer.

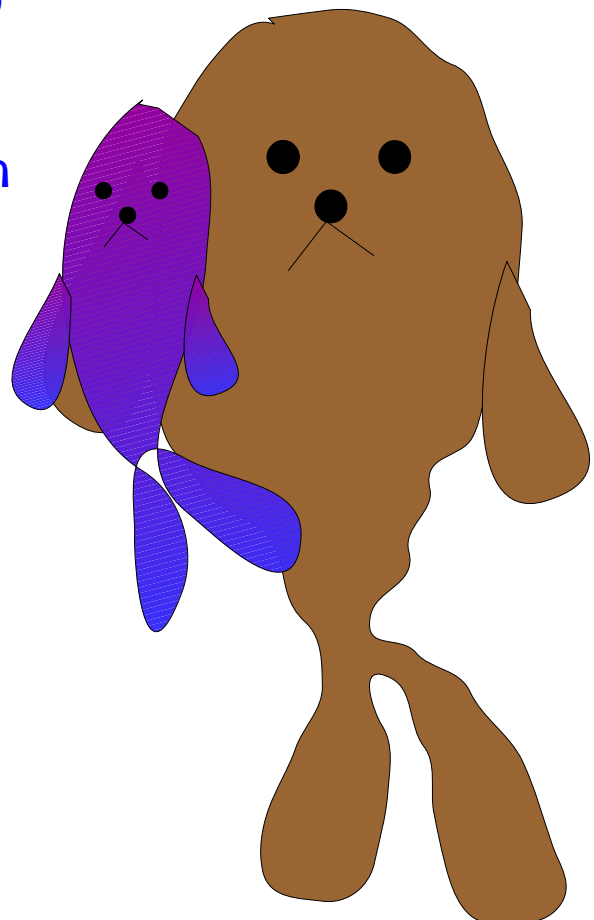
Psychedelic seal's mum tried to protect him from the big bad world out there – she worried about two problems, not only did the other seal pups tease and laugh at poor Psychedelic seal, but she worried that he was a big target for a predator.



slcedelic sElz mum trld too  
prOtect him from the big bad  
world owt ther shE wurEd  
about too problems not OnlE  
did the uther sEl pups tEz  
and laf at pooer slcedelic  
sEl but shE wurEd that hE  
woz a big target for a  
predator.

But Psychedelic's father was more practical and told Mama seal – we have to make Psychedelic strong: Physically – so he can fight off predators, and emotionally so he can brush off the cruel taunts he might get from being different.

but slcedelics father woz mor practical and tOld  
mama sEl wE hav too mAc  
slcedelic strong fisicalE sO  
hE can fght of predatorz  
and emOshunale sO hE can  
brush of the crooel tornts  
hE mlt get from bEing  
diferent.



While kids can be cruel and Mama seal considered keeping Psychedelic in home school to protect him, Papa seal said – no. If we bring him up to be proud of his differences, and teach him to be physically and emotionally strong – one day it will pay off. Cruel taunts don't always stop when kids grow up, Papa seal reminded Mama seal.

Mama seal realised wrapping Psychedelic seal up in cotton wool wasn't good for anyone, so she agreed to Papa seal's plans.

The family went about a program of physical and emotional training that in fact helped them all become better seals.

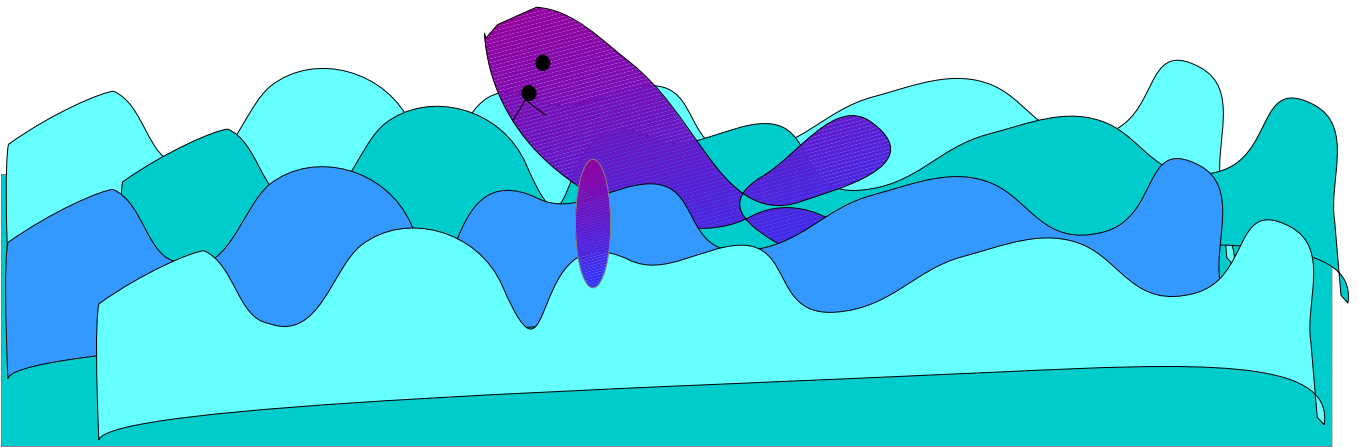
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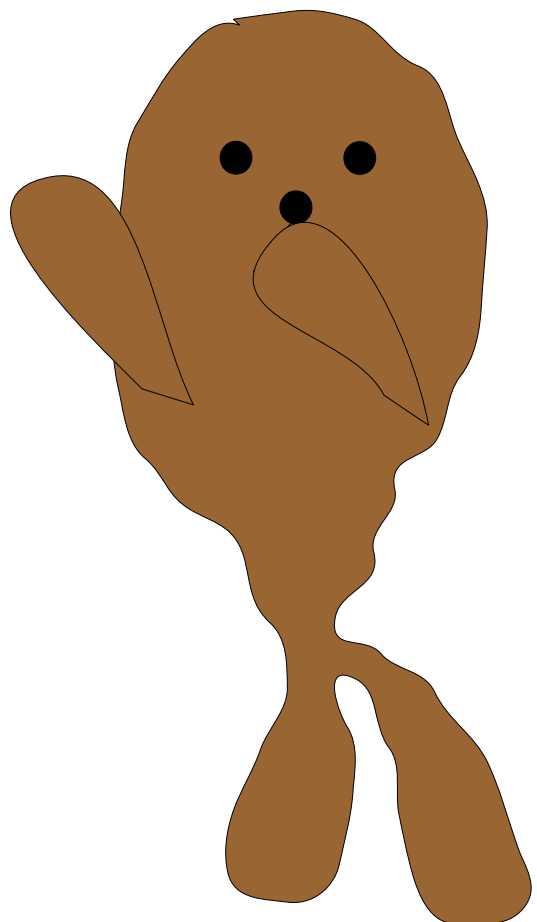
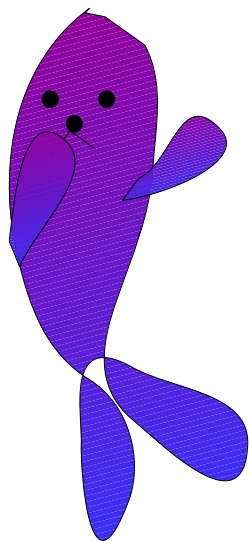
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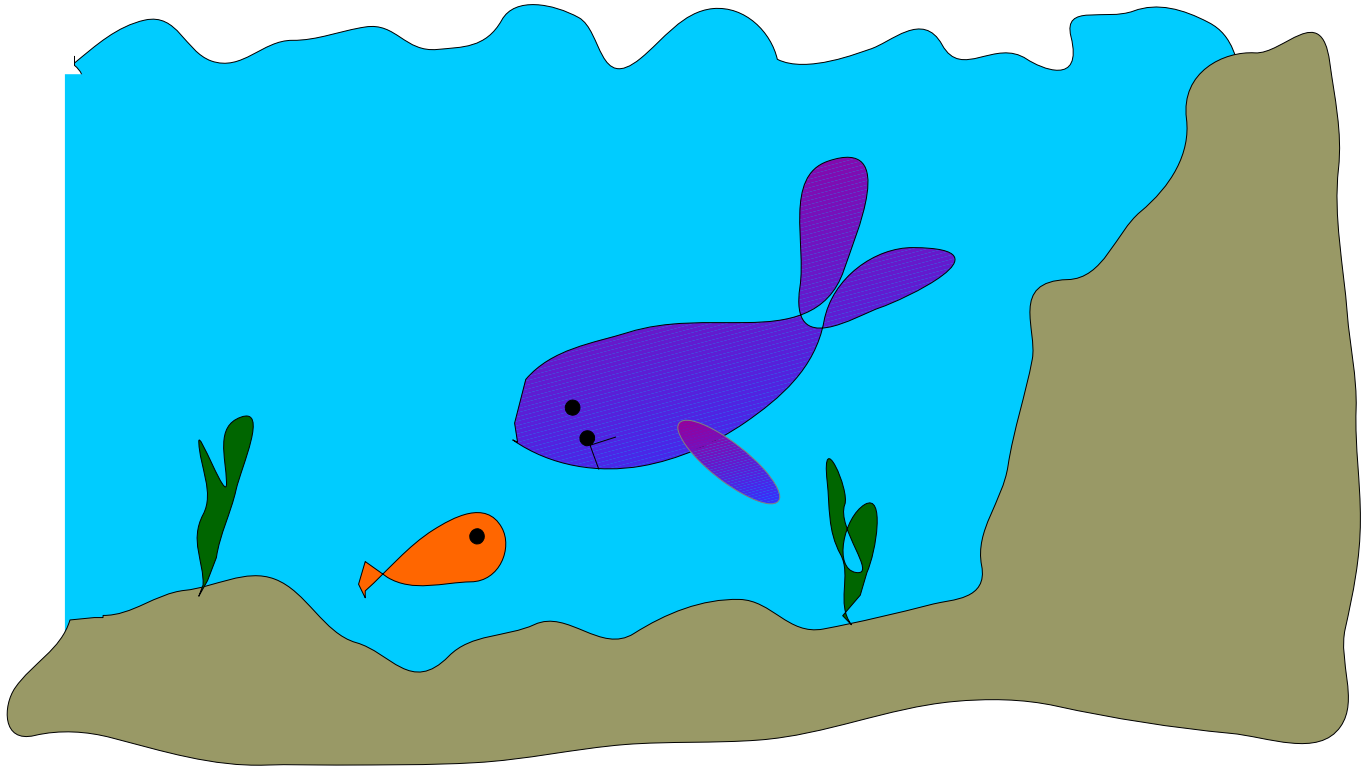


Physically they swam long distances, dove deep in the ocean regularly, and Papa and Psychedelic practiced sparring until he got very good.

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Oshen regUlarlE and papa and slcedelic practisd  
sparing until hE got verE goud.





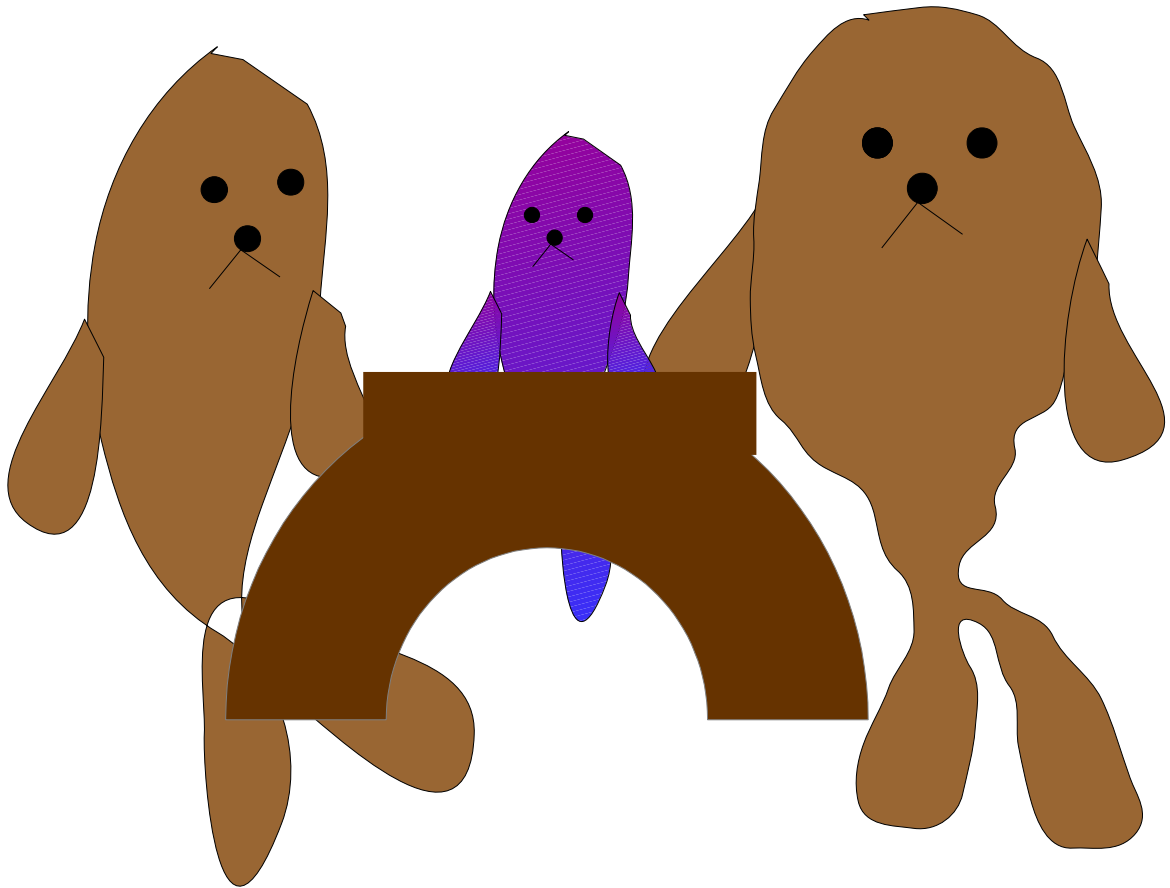


Emotionally and cognitively they practised meditating, debating, and reading philosophy texts from the ancients.

The family also engaged in long discussions around the dinner table about seal rights, environmental concerns, and dealing with discrimination among other important topics.

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meditAting debAting and rEding filosofE texts  
from the Anshents.

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Besides continual physical and emotional strength, Mama seal and Papa seal made sure that Psychedelic knew that his differences made him special and that he shouldn't be afraid of them. If others couldn't see that, the problem

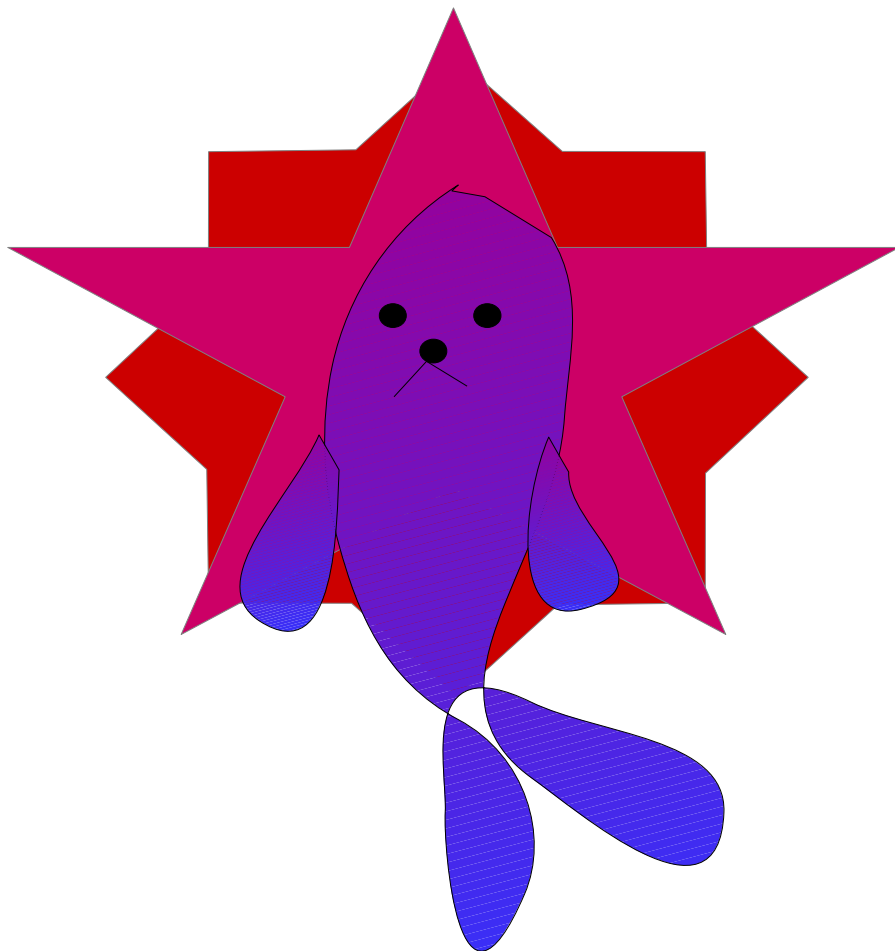
was with them, not him. He should be happy in his own skin – psychedelic as it may be, and not worry about what others think or say. He always remembered this.

bEsldz continUal fisical and emOshunal strenth  
mama sEl and papa sEl mAd shooer that slcedelic  
nU that hiz diferenses mAd him speshal and that  
hE shoudnt bE afrAd ov them.

if utherz coudnt sE that the problem woz with  
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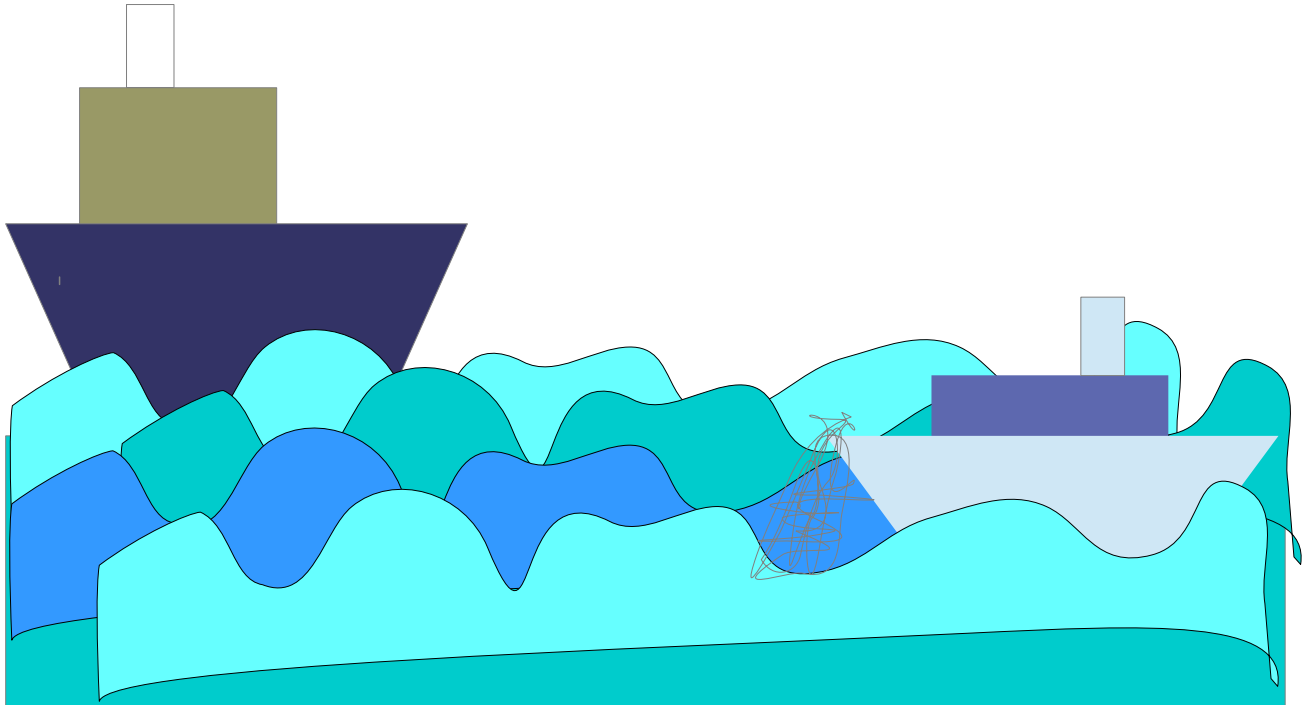
As time went by Psychedelic grew into a dashing, competent young seal, and while he still stood out like a sore thumb, and he was still sometimes the butt of the jokes, his emotional and physical maturity allowed him to give back as good as he got. Psychedelic seal would always be different, but he had learned from his father and mother that differences are what make us special and he could in time be stronger for his differences.



az tlm went bl slcedelic groo intoo a dashing  
competent yung sEl and wll hE stil stoud owt llc  
a sor thum and hE woz stil sumtlmz the but ov  
the jOcs hiz emOshunal and fisical matUritE  
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lurnd from hiz father and muther that diferenses  
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stronger for hiz diferenses.

Over time the seals noticed that their resources were getting fewer and farther between. It was apparent that the sea vessels were overfishing the resources. There were research vessels also patrolling, but the seals didn't know how to reach them as they were very far out and it seemed they couldn't see the colony or what the fishing vessels were doing. Suddenly Psychedelic seal had an epiphany. This was HIS time to shine :-).





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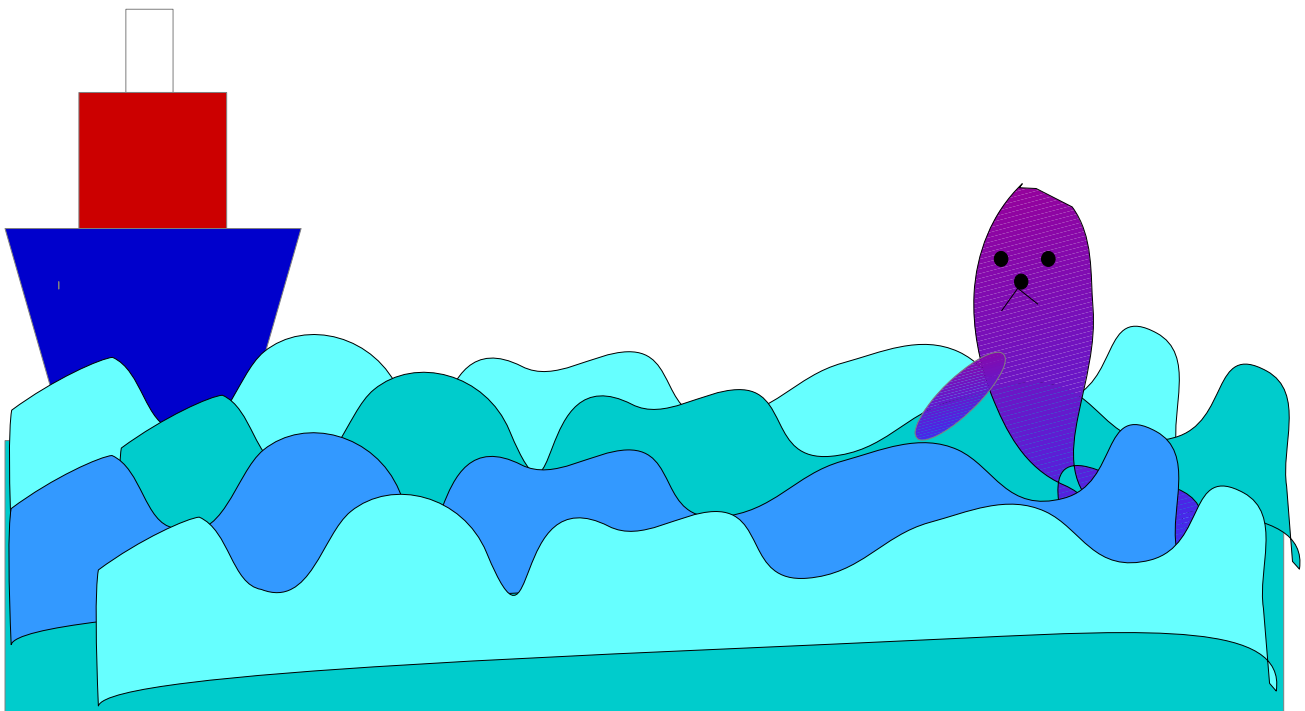
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the rEsorses.

ther wur reserch vesels olsO patrOling but the  
sElz didnt nO how too rEch them az thA wur verE  
far owt and it sEmd thA coundt sE the colonE or  
wot the fishing vesels wur dooing.

sudenlE slcedelic sEl had an epifanE.

this woz hiz tIm too shIn.

Digging deep down and sourcing everything he had learned during his youth – improving his physical and emotional well being, Psychedelic seal swam as far and as close as he could to the research vessels. When he got out to the vessels he sang out in his very best song. Because of his bright colours and sweet voice, the research vessels took notice immediately. They were intrigued colour and clear song and wanted to study the colony because of this.



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reserch vesels touc nOtis imEdEAAtIE.

thA wur intrEgd culor and clEar song and wonted  
too studE the colonE bEcoz ov this.

Psychedelic seal went back to the seal colony not knowing if what he did worked or not.

Low and behold, shortly after, smaller research vehicles started coming in closer to the coast – The researchers had seen Psychedelic seal and they sent smaller vehicles to investigate. Soon the researchers realised the troubles the seals were facing from the overfishing and they began campaigning to the authorities to limit the quotas for fishing in the area. The researchers, after more campaigning, established a special protected area around Psychedelic seal's colony and thereafter the colony was for ever safe. The seals rejoiced and praised Psychedelic seal as a hero responsible for their means of continued survival.



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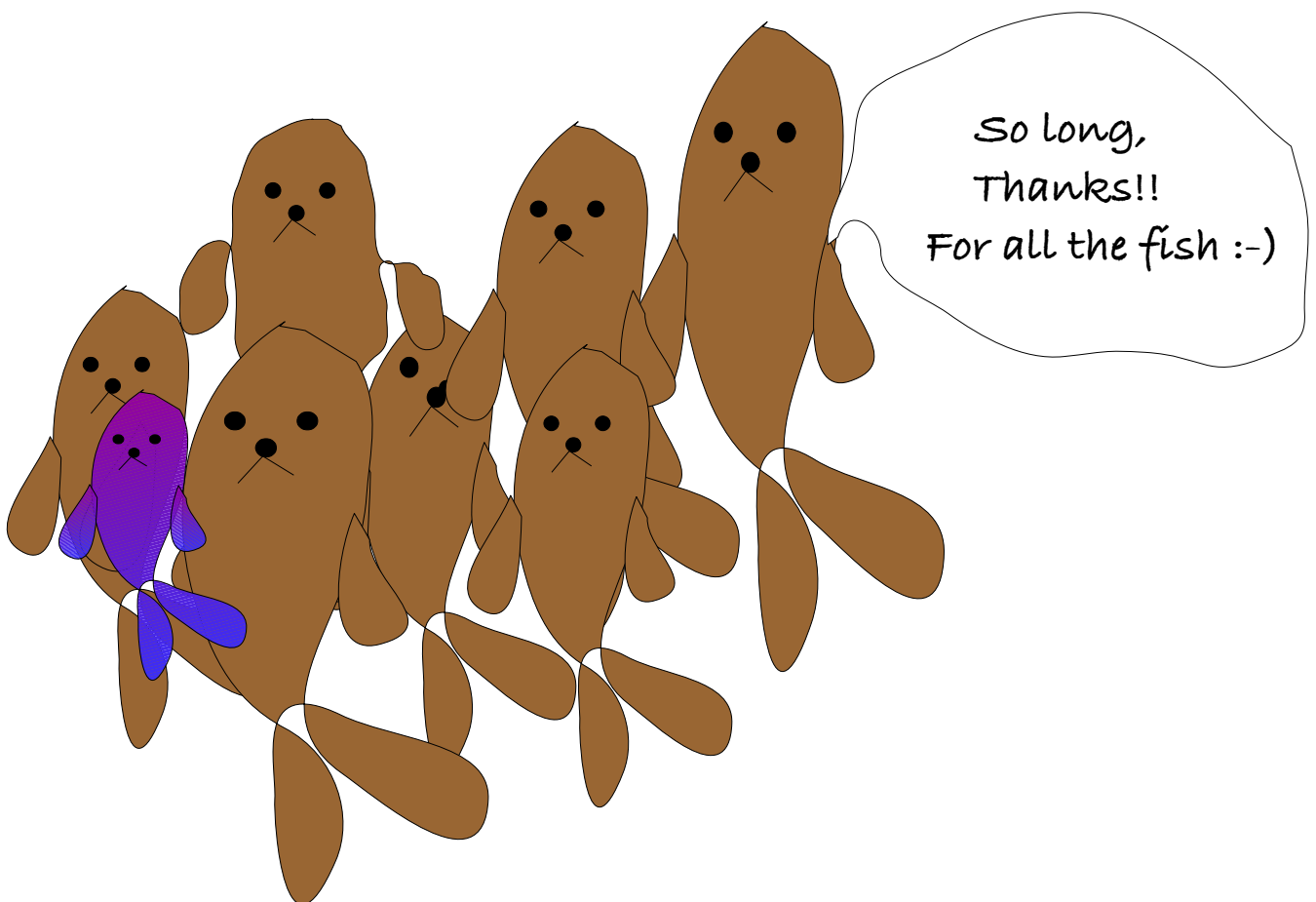
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After the colony was protected, Psychedelic seal began promoting anti-discrimination to schools and communities. The colony elders heard his message and promised to develop programmes for schools to teach children to celebrate diversity and not to discriminate against those who might be different. Going forward as generations learned better behaviours, gradually the younger generation no longer felt the pain of being ostracised for being different.



after the colonE woz prOtected slcedelic sEl  
bEgan prOmOting antE discriminAshun too scoolz  
and comUnitEz.

the colonE elderz hEerd hiz

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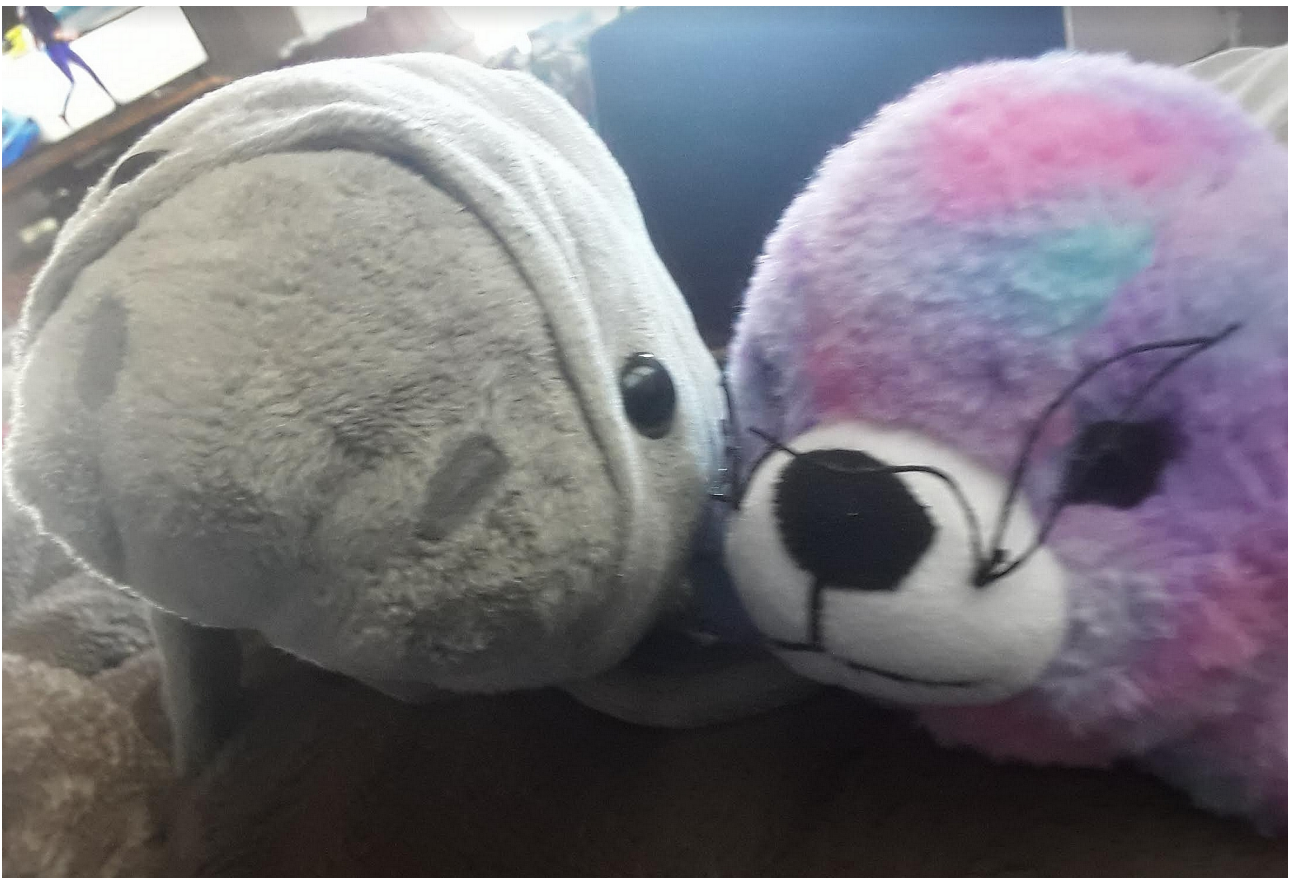
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– THE END –

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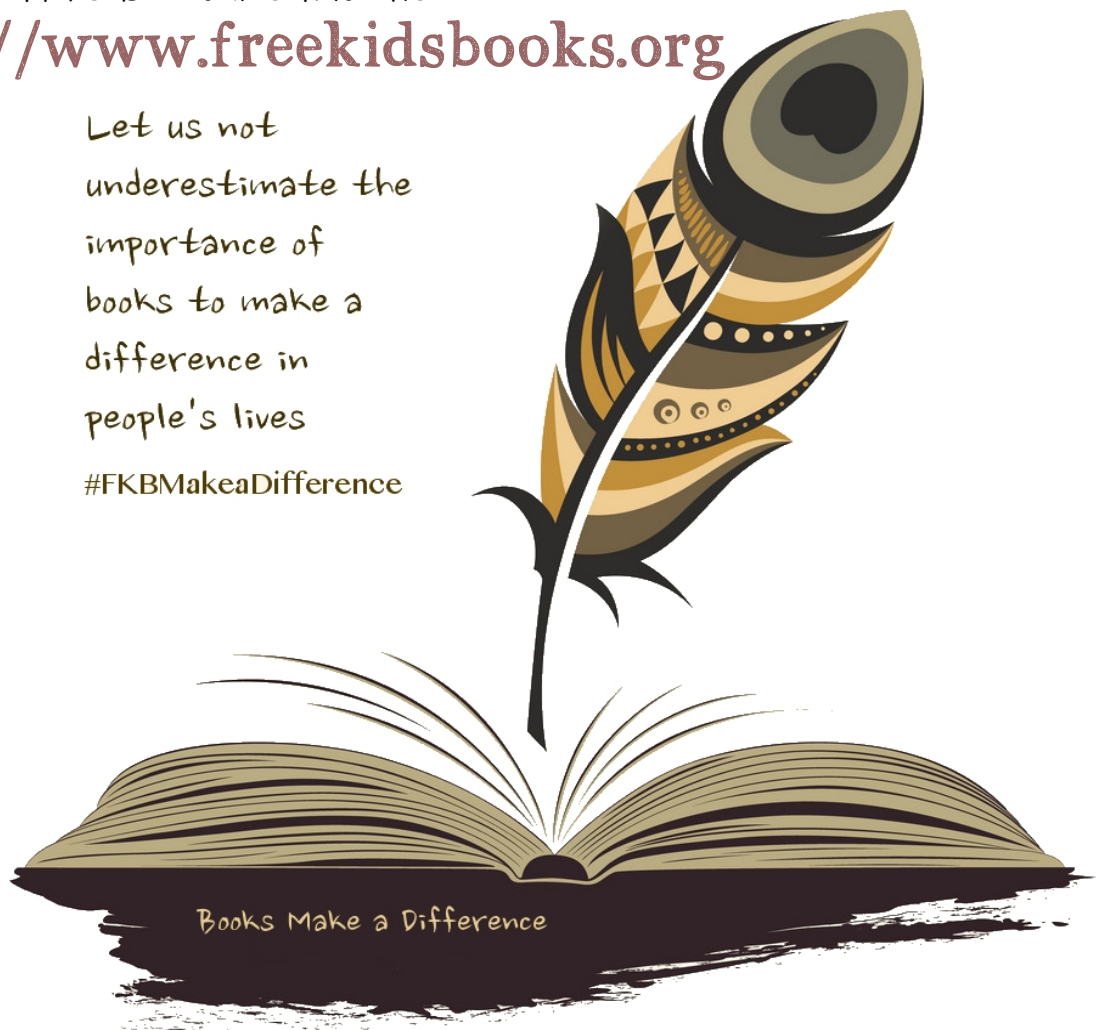


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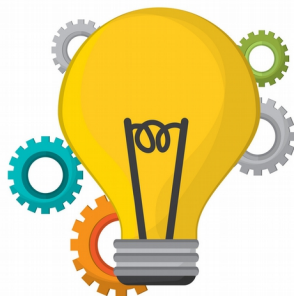
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