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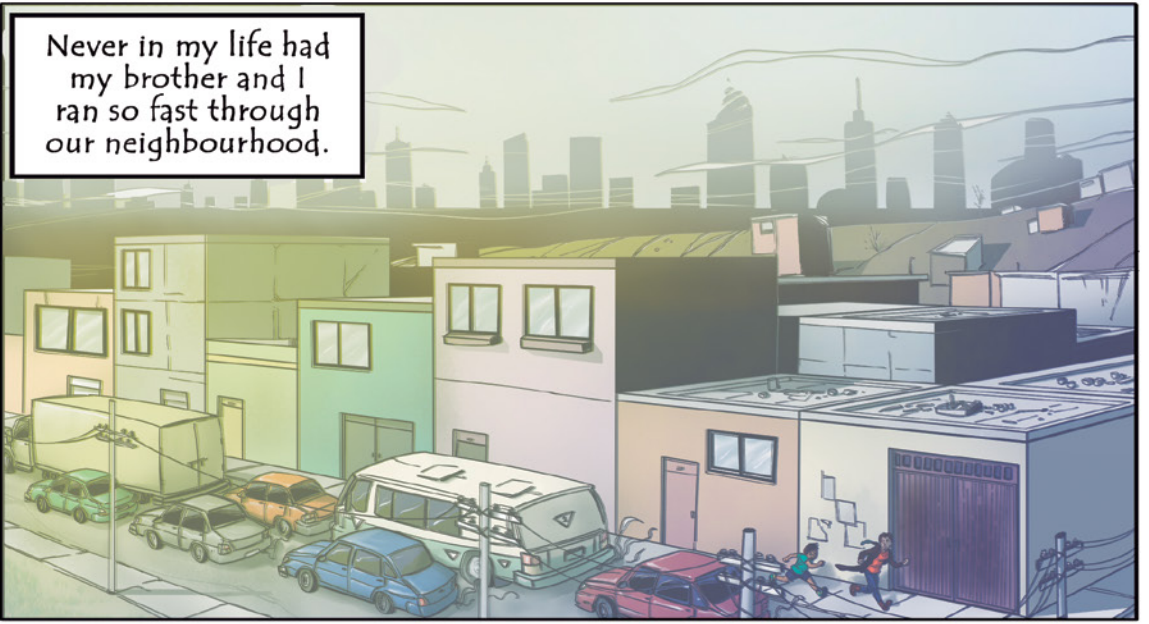
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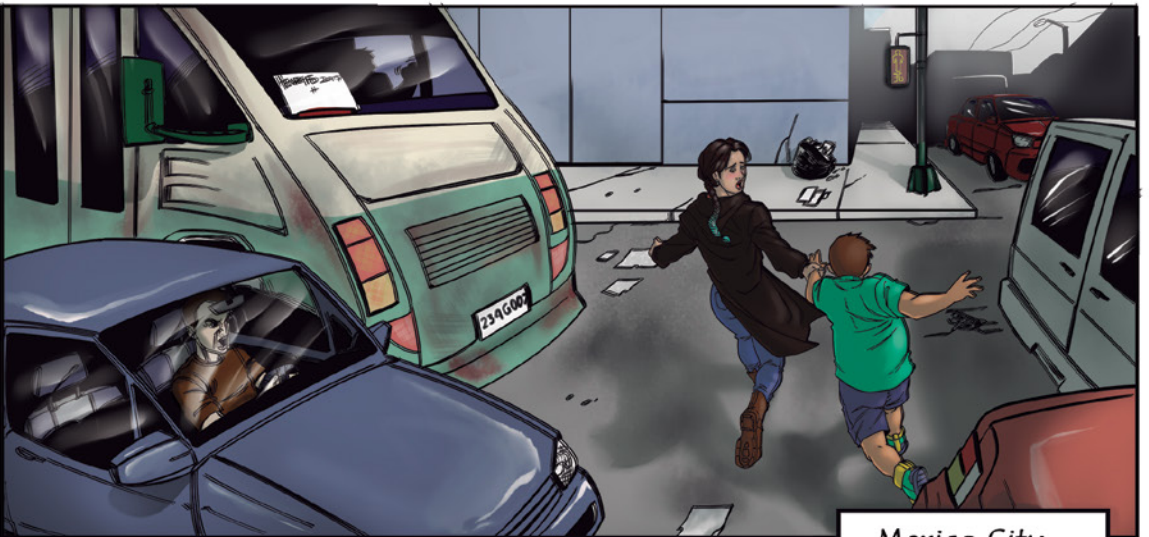
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tell a story. change the world.

Never in my life had my brother and I ran so fast through our neighbourhood.

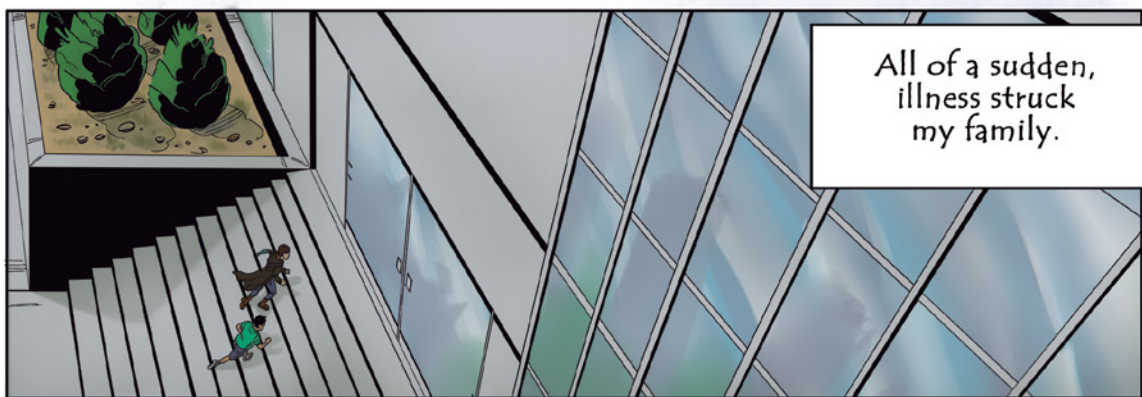


Hurry Simon!
Hurry!

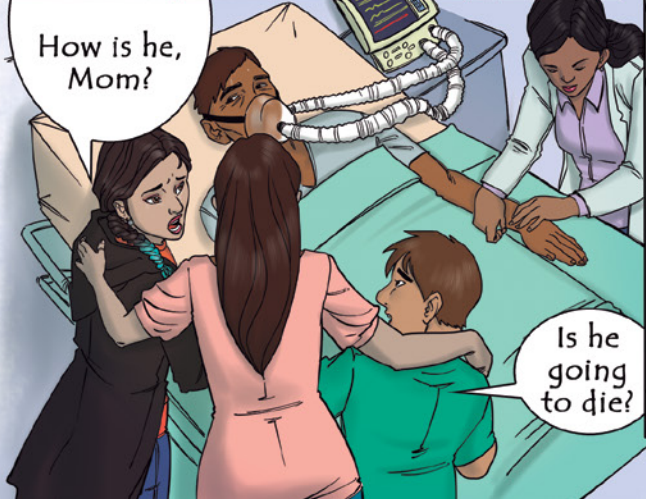
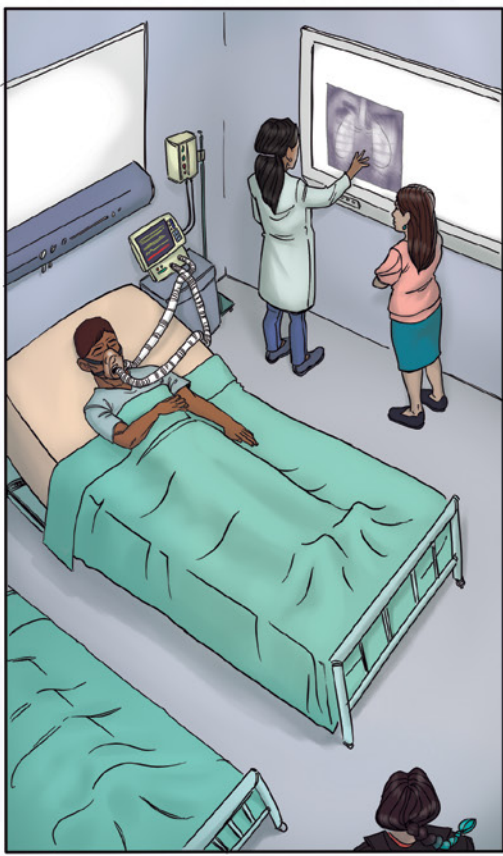
I am,
I am!



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All of a sudden,
illness struck
my family.



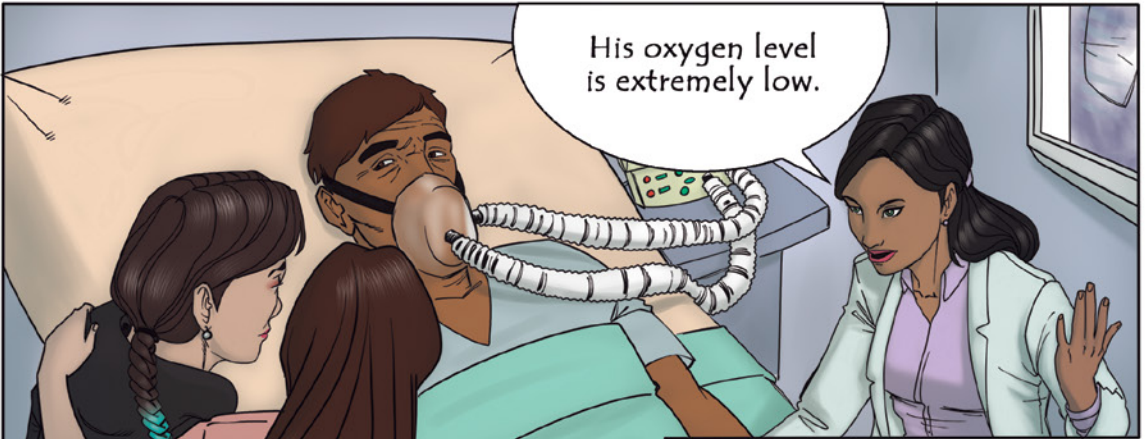
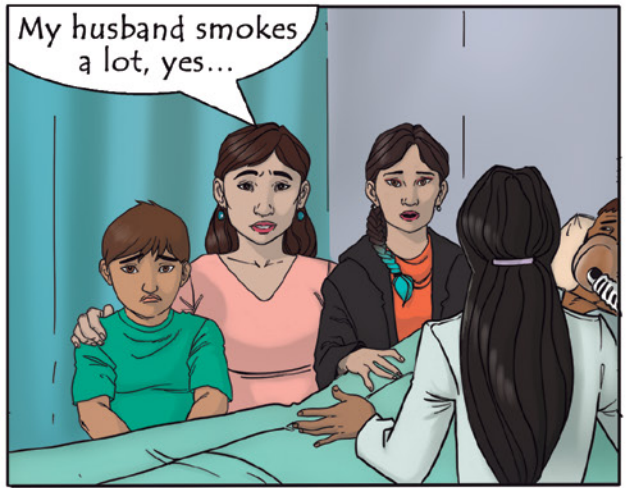
How is he,
Mom?

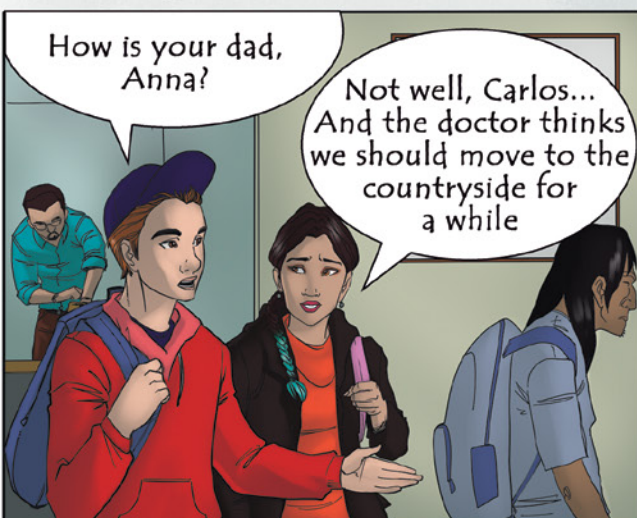
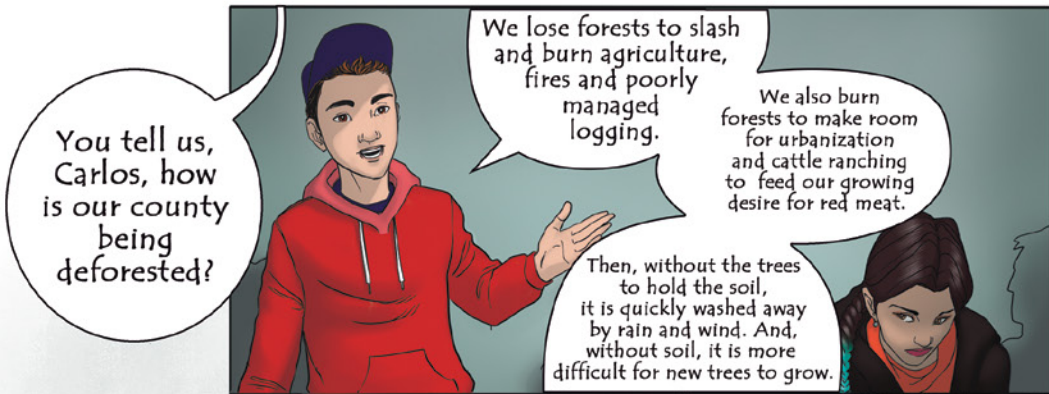
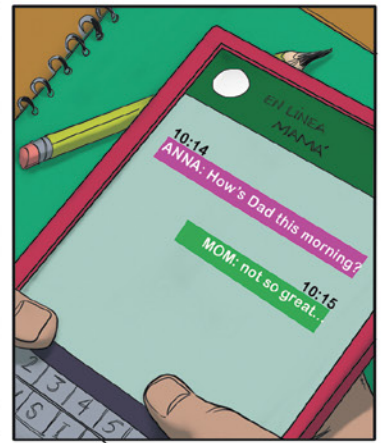
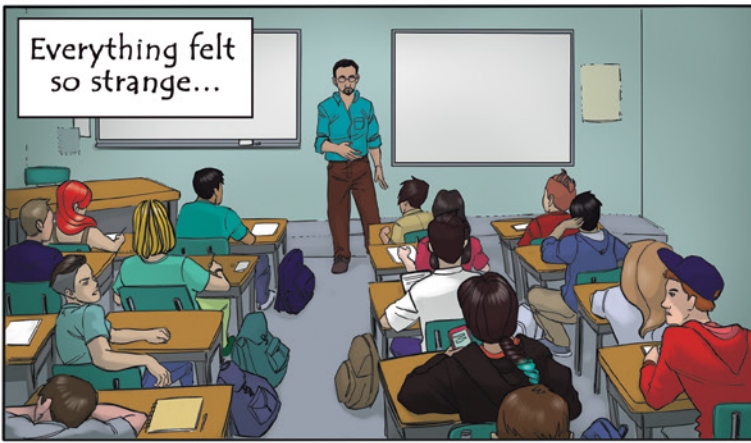
Is he
going
to die?

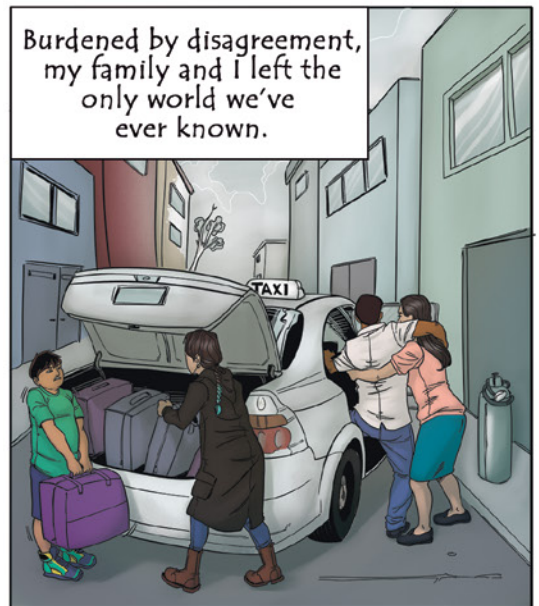
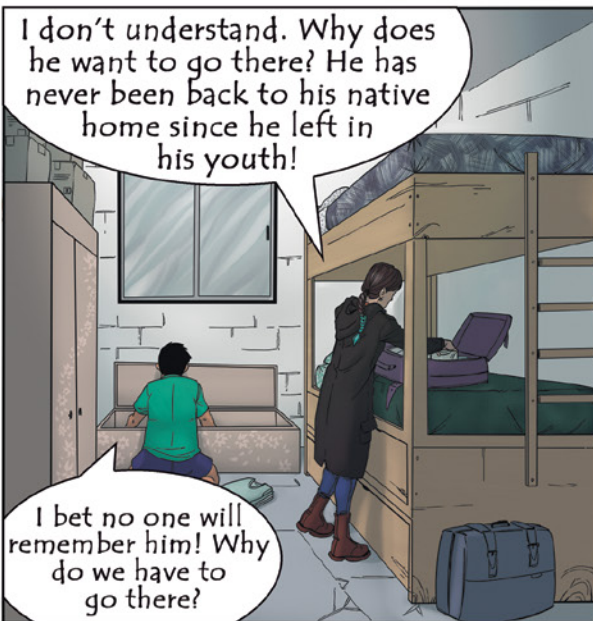
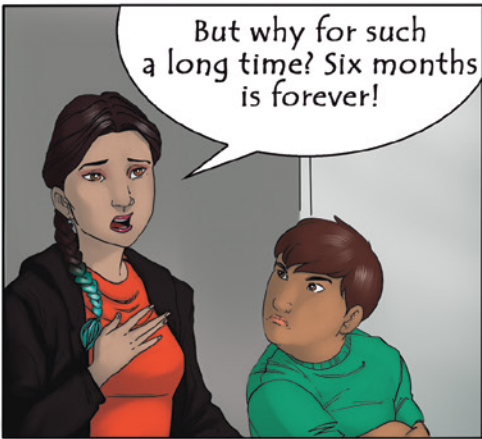
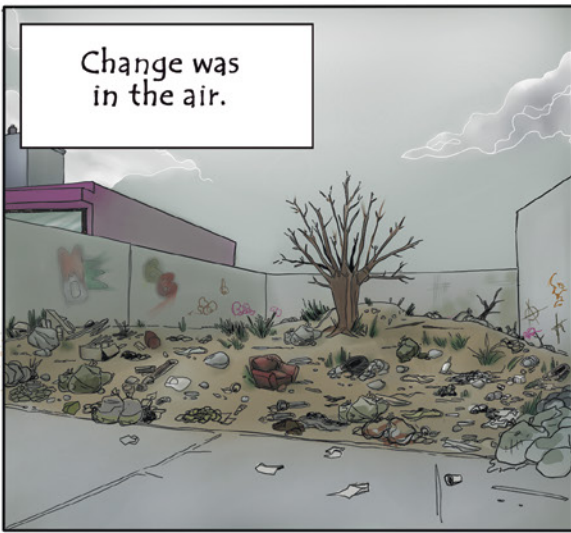


I hope not,
my dear...
We must
remain
positive.

Simon,
Don't say
that!











Finally, we reached our destination.



Juan, at last you've come home! I have prayed so much that you would come back!



I knew you would come soon... and very ill.



Dad, with your dreams you are always one step ahead of the rest of us.



You also dreamt powerfully as a boy. Do you still dream like that?



I am certain you will heal here. I dreamt it like that: you will heal.

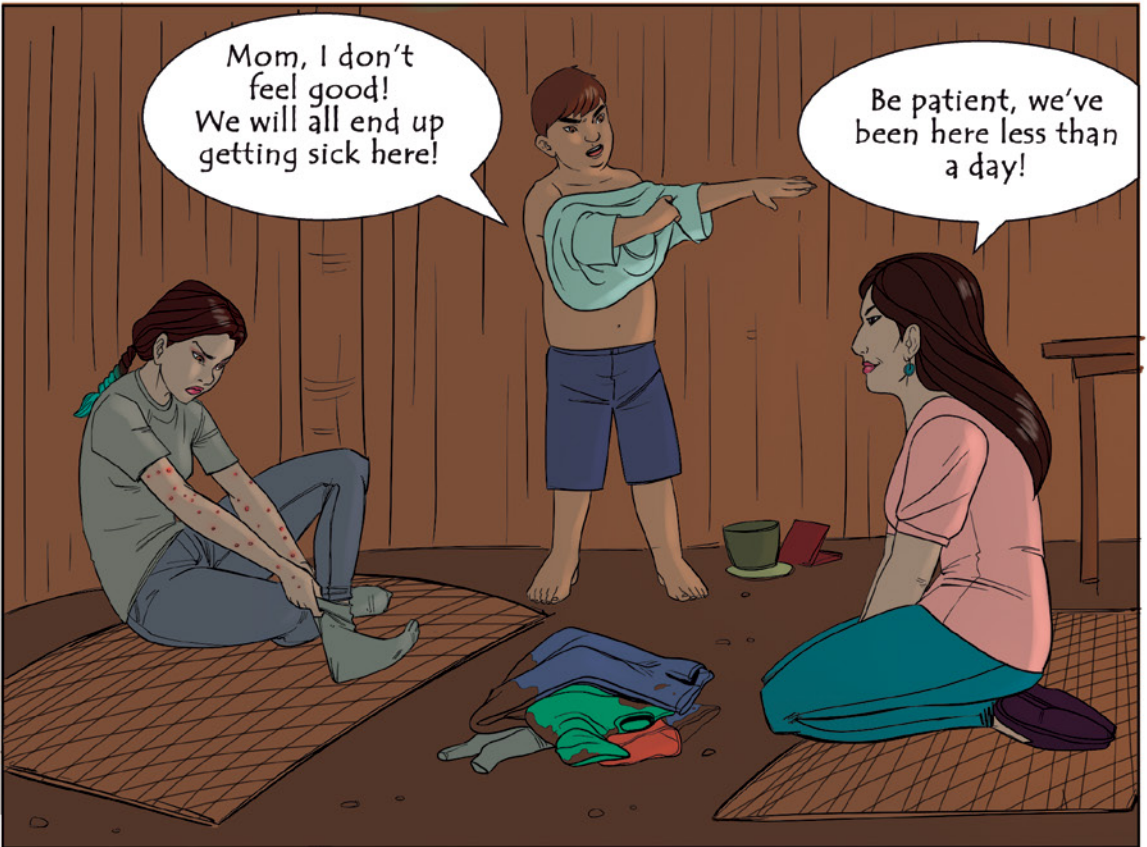




Anna, what is this!?



Grab on!



Mom, I don't feel good! We will all end up getting sick here!

Be patient, we've been here less than a day!



Mom, look at these bites. They itch! Lets get out of here, please mom!



Please be patient. Your Dad is very happy to be back here!

Days later, in the early dawn...



Grandfather!



Please tell me, will Juan live?
We've been here three days
and his condition is only
getting worse!



I trust he will get well.
Coming back home is
the best thing he could
have done...

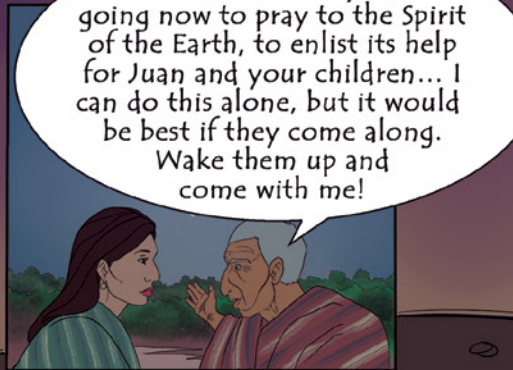


He is begining to come to
terms with his ancestors.
And so are your children.



They've been quite
upset, those two.

I know, that is why I am
going now to pray to the Spirit
of the Earth, to enlist its help
for Juan and your children... I
can do this alone, but it would
be best if they come along.
Wake them up and
come with me!



Wake up! We must
go with Grandfather
to the hill.



Grrr... Aauugh...

We could not see the point of walking up the hill in the dark.



But, with a young man's agility, Grandfather guided us to a summit.

He then performed a humble, ancient ritual.



Ts'aaj utojoodal in waal yeetel in laak-tsil
Spirit of the Mountain, we bring you your food.

Grant us the health of my son and his family.



Ts'ak uk'oja-anil yeetel kin oksaj
oottik ba'ax tso'ok in te-rech, kuxtal ta ki'oolal.
Allow them to heal, to enter your agreements, to live in your harmony.

Whatever my Grandfather did, it started to change things.



Simon felt the change immediately...

Would you like to come with us to find a healing resin for your father?

Sure!



The road is long but really beautiful.

Watch out, there's a tarantula!



Wait, don't kill it!



She's a forest custodian, we must respect her!

Look over there, what a beautiful bird!



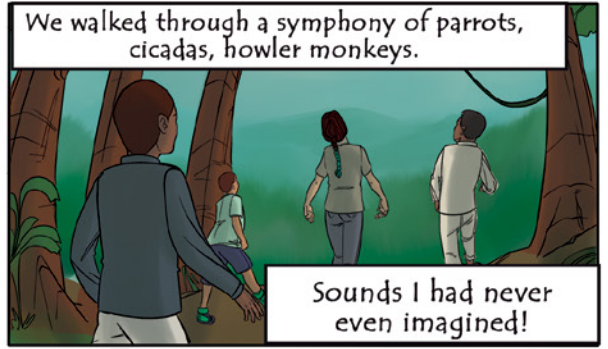
Its a male toucan!





Anna, look how they swing and chase each other!

They almost fly!



We walked through a symphony of parrots, cicaças, howler monkeys.

Sounds I had never even imagined!



WOW!!!

Look, huge Tapir footprints!



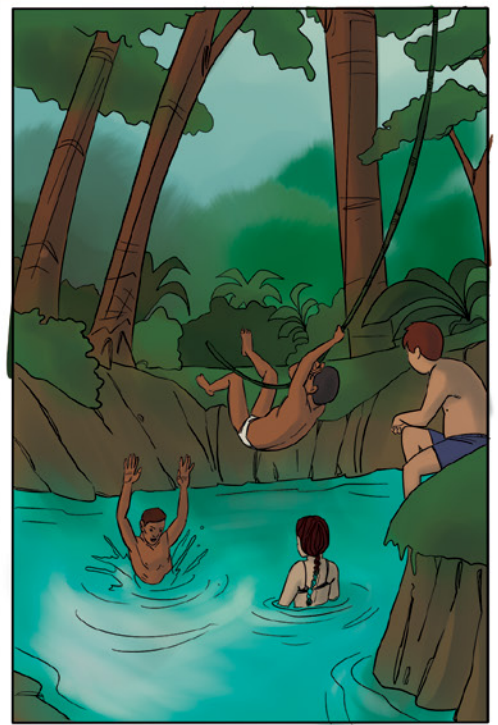
It must have been swimming just before we arrived!

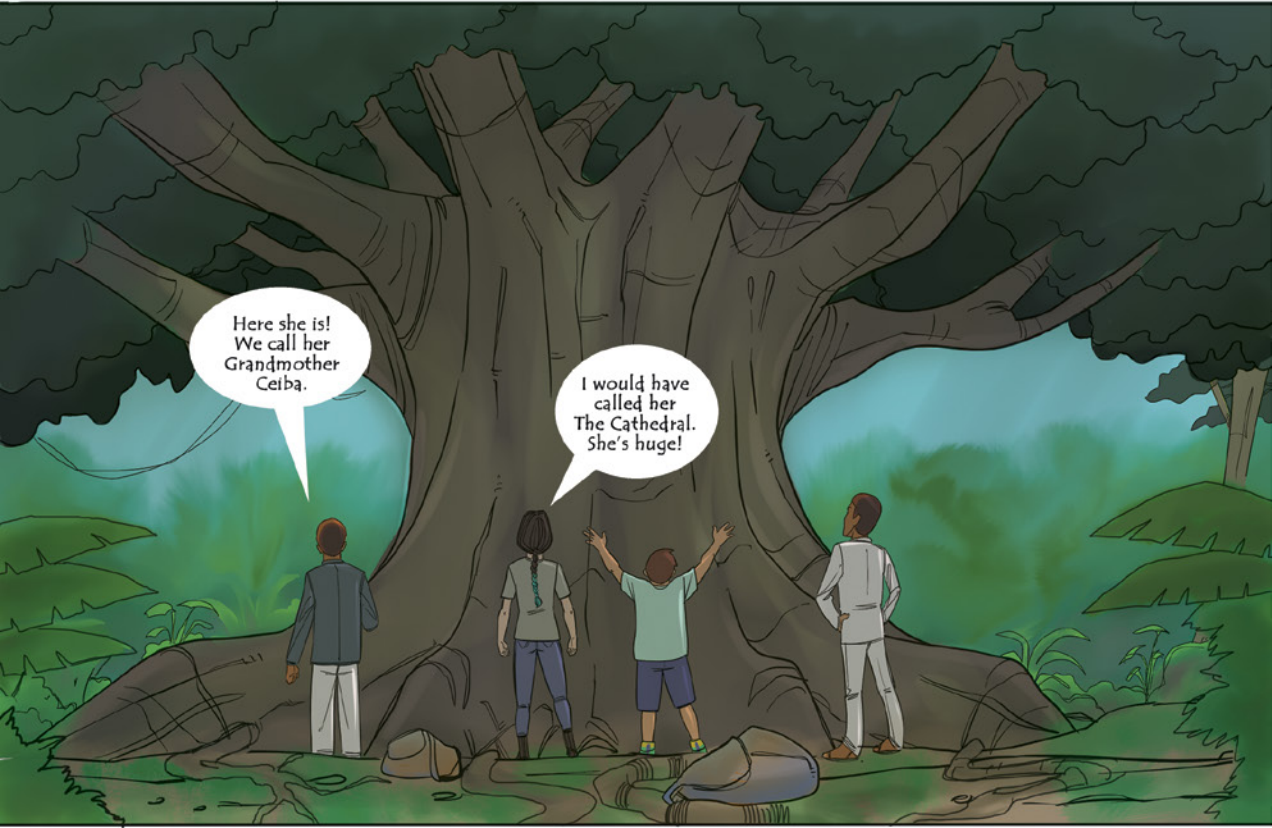
Must have heard us and ran away!



It is still nearby, maybe it's watching us...

They are shy. We rarely see a Tapir.





Following their
Grandfather's ancient
teachings, Pedro and
Beto connected to this
magical place.



Pedro spoke to the tree
as he would to an elder,
requesting permission to
take its resin to heal my
father and offering
gifts of gratitude.



Here
Grandmother
Ceiba freely
oozes her resin.

I hope this
really heals
my father...



Mission accomplished,
we returned with joy
in our hearts and hope in
our hands.

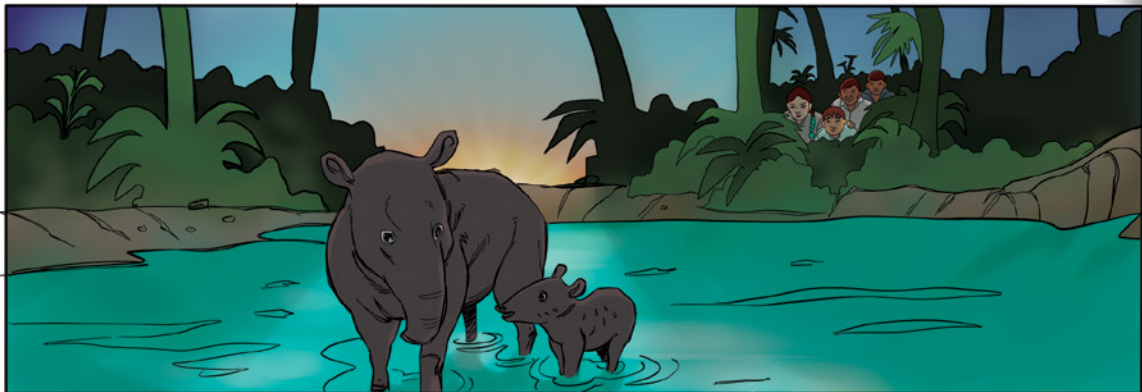




A few months later...



... we felt really good living in the forest.

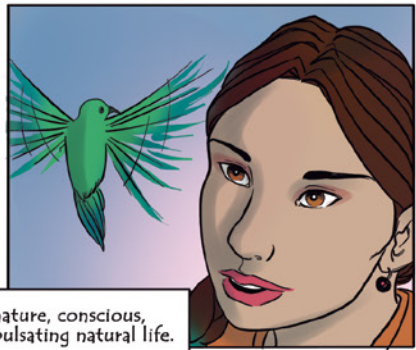


Father had healed!





I had begun to understand that I am not separate from nature...



...I am nature, conscious, breathing, pulsating natural life.



I realized that nature and I, we are one and the same.

Then, unexpectedly...



WROOOM WROOOOOM



Each day, the whole family celebrated life's opportunity, gratefully.



I would like to create a little hut for my family here...



Yes but, we should also think of going back to the city soon. The kids must go back to school and...

But Mom, why go back to the city?! We are doing really well here!



I had a dream last night...

I dreamt I was an eagle flying above this territory... From high above, I saw an overwhelming force devouring this forest.

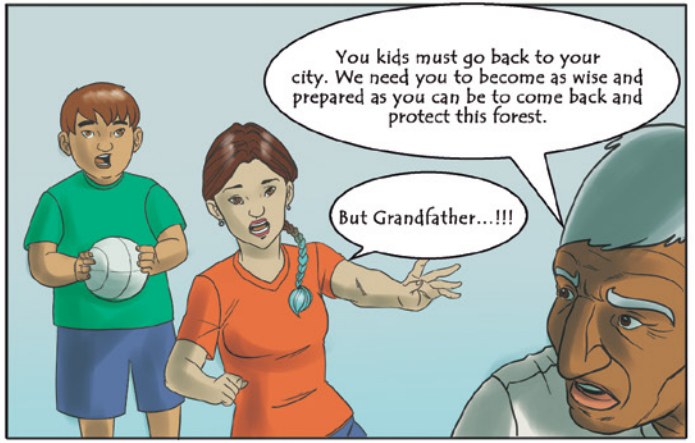


And I knew we were doomed to losing most of this jungle before we can manage to stop its devastation.



You kids must go back to your city. We need you to become as wise and prepared as you can be to come back and protect this forest.

But Grandfather...!!!



You have allowed this forest to grow roots in you... So you will bring the forest with you wherever you go.

You are right, Grandfather... This forest is under great threat.

Yes... We will do something to protect it!



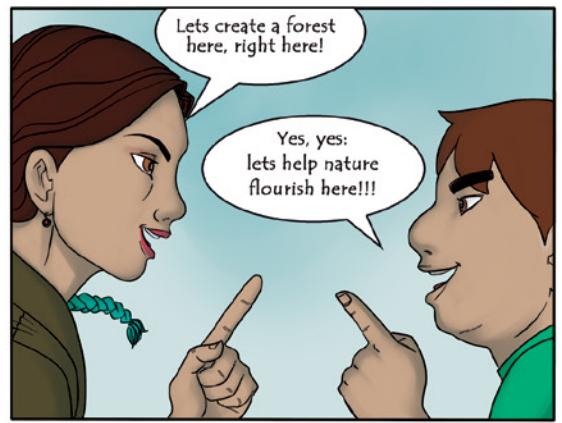
We listened to grandfather and said farewell to Paradise.

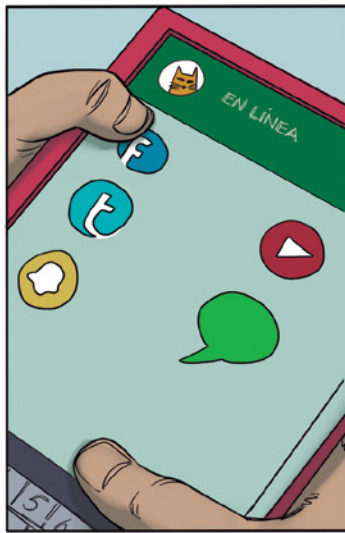


We returned to a different kind of jungle.









Our hearts powered us: love for nature got things going.



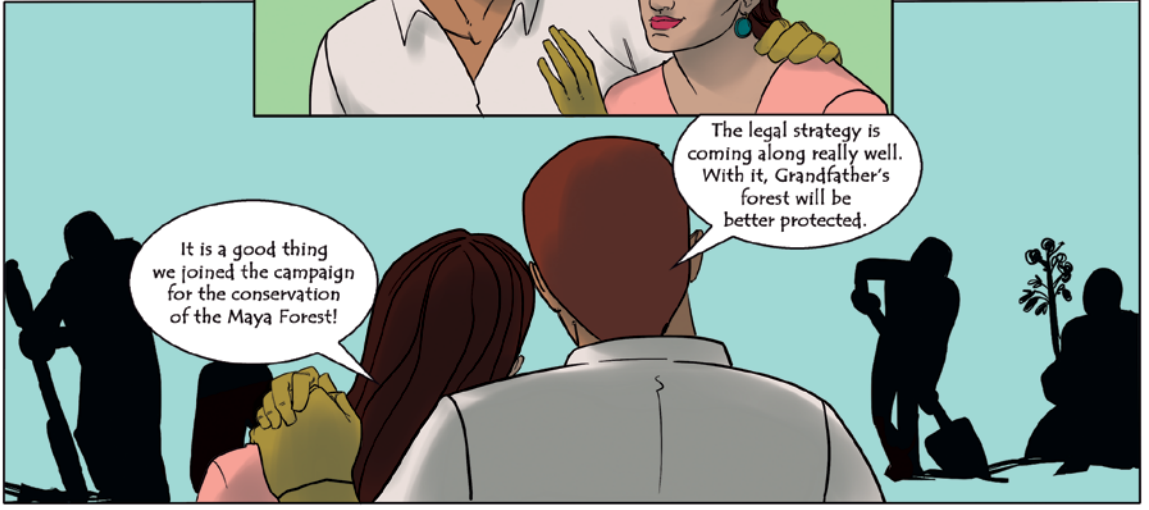
And when deeds spoke louder than words, the community was quick to join.





I suspect my father's dreams showed him the power in our children...

He did say they would bring the forest with them wherever they'd go.



It is a good thing we joined the campaign for the conservation of the Maya Forest!

The legal strategy is coming along really well. With it, Grandfather's forest will be better protected.



Remember to spread the word that, tomorrow, the biology teacher will give a talk on the importance of the Maya Forest!

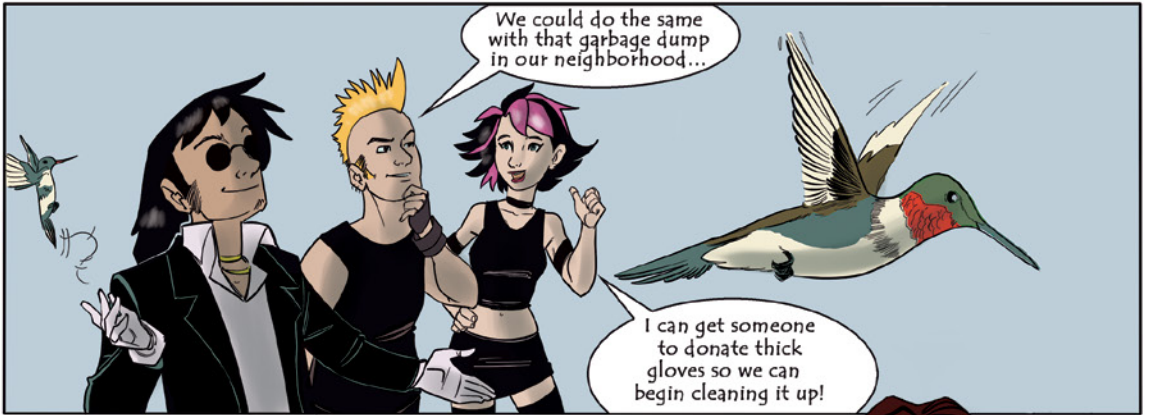


Just like we are doing here, one day, I will go back to restore the parts of Grandfather's forest that have been destroyed.



People from other parts of the city came to witness the return of the forest.

AN ELDER FROM THE PAST



We could do the same with that garbage dump in our neighborhood...

I can get someone to donate thick gloves so we can begin cleaning it up!



I guess that... we just... fell in love with nature, and then... we simply used our personal power to help nature come back Home!



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FOR ALL

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At its core is a very simple idea: the more people experience, connect with, and share their love of nature, the more support there will be for its conservation.

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