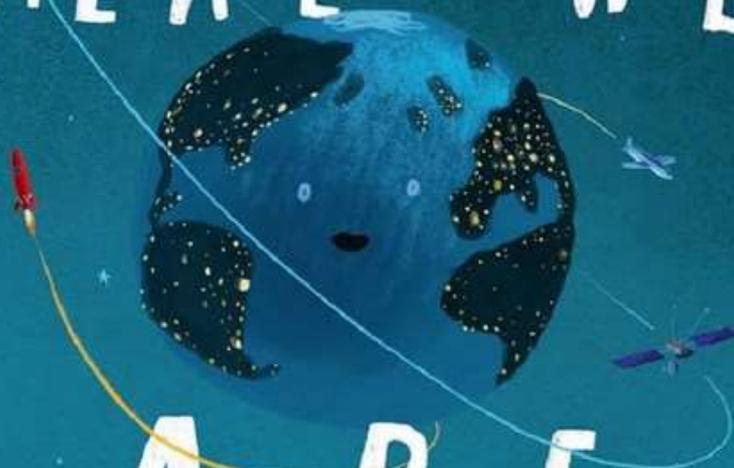


Here we are

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NOTES FOR LIVING
ON PLANET EARTH

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★ HOW TO FIND
YOUR WAY
Whenever you
GET LOST

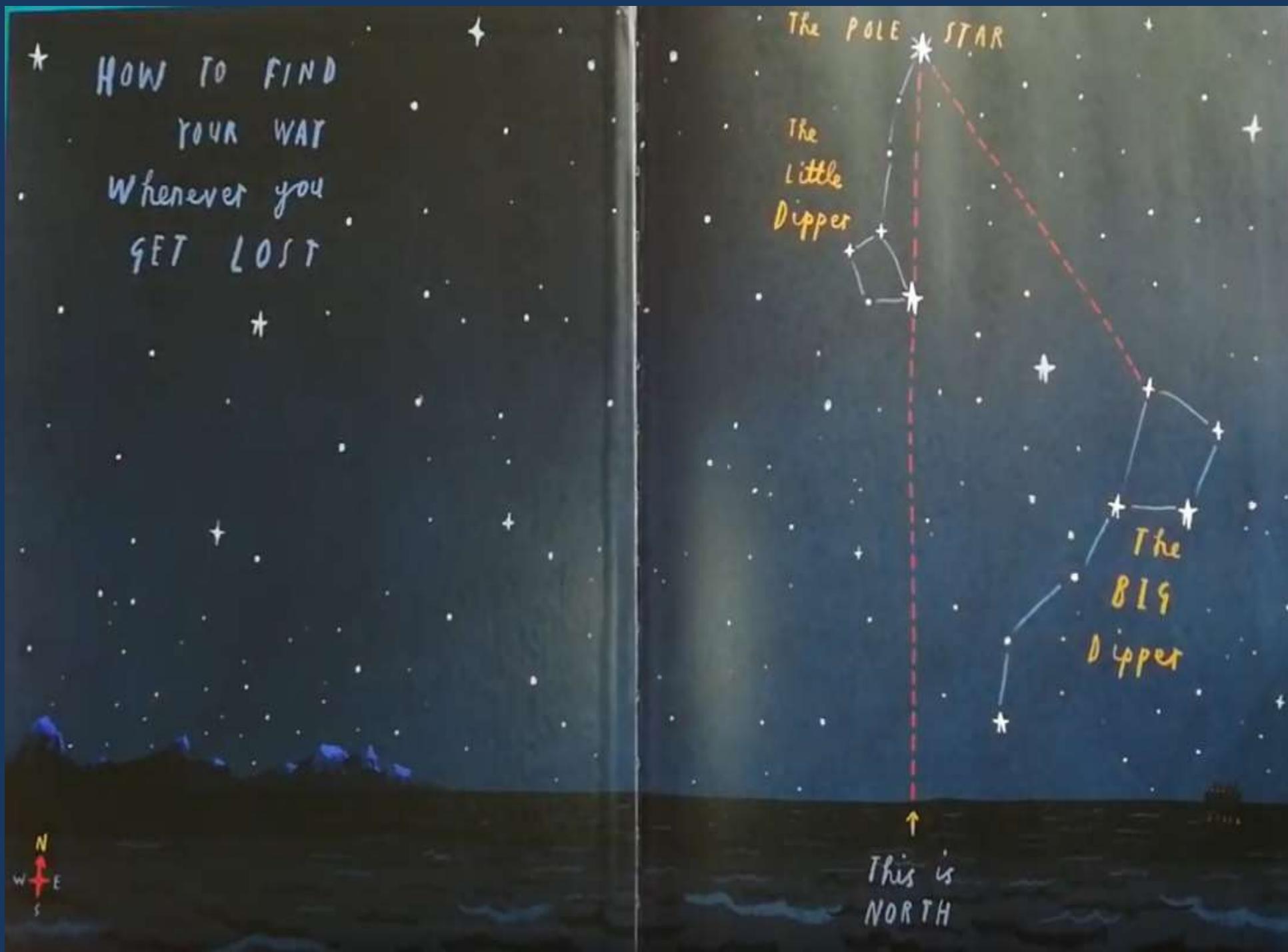


The POLE STAR

The
Little
Dipper

The
BIG
Dipper

↑
This is
NORTH



To my son, Harland

This book was written in
the first two months of
your life as I tried to make
sense of it all for you.

These are the things
I think you need to know.

*"Should we make a new rule of life from scratch,
always to try to be a little kinder than is necessary?"*

J. M. Barrie

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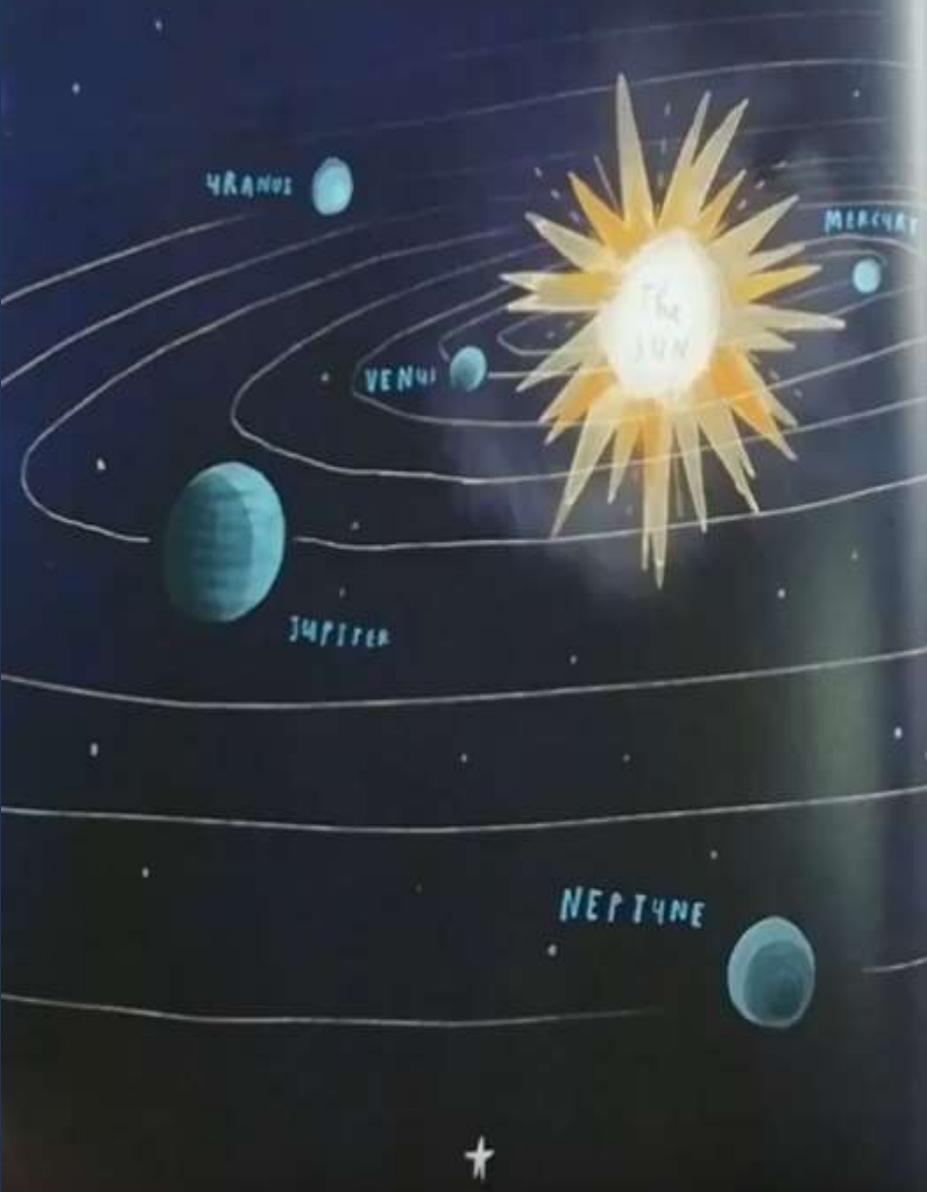
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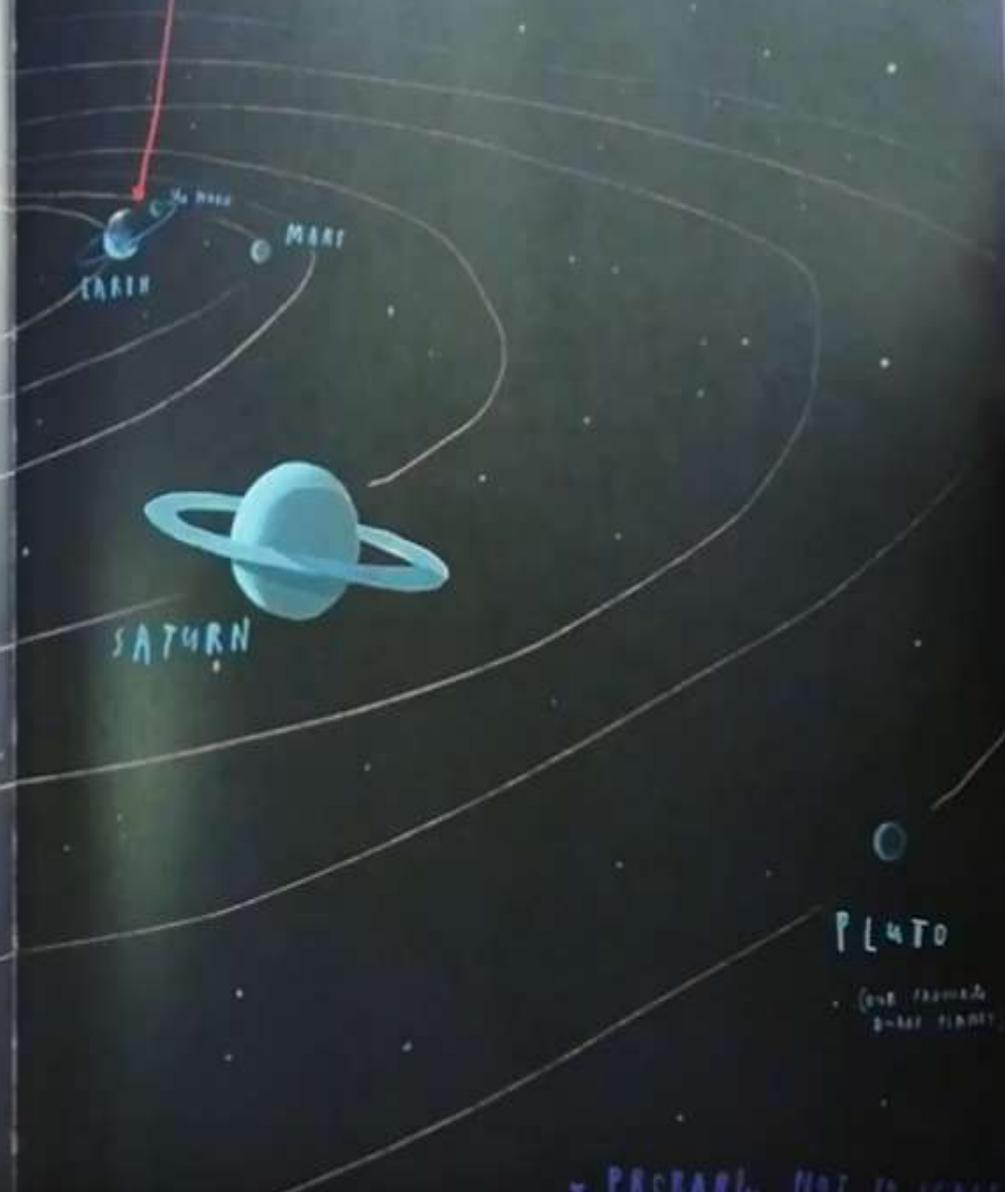
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OUR SOLAR SYSTEM*

(ONE OF MILLIONS OF TRILLIONS)



HERE WE ARE



PLUTO

(NOT RECORDED
DWARF PLANET)

* PROBABLY NOT TO SCALE

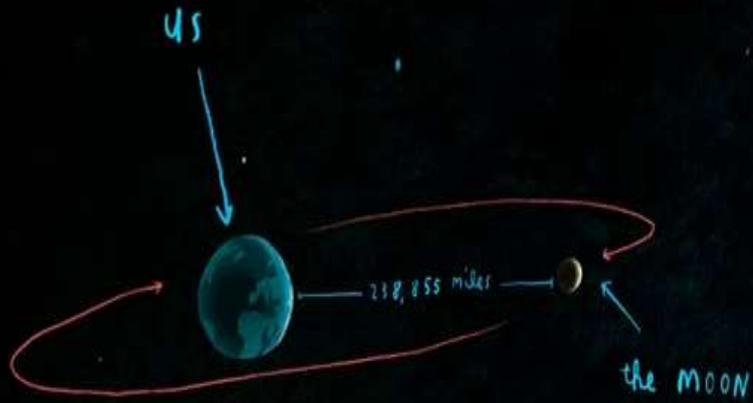
Well, hello.

Welcome to this planet.
We call it Earth.

It is the big globe,
floating in space,
on which we live.



We're glad you found us,
as space is very big!



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There is much to see and do here on Earth, so let's get started with a quick tour.

The planet is basically made up of two parts.

LAND

(ROCK and DIRT)

SEA

(WATER)





Firstly, let's talk about the land.
It's what we are standing on right now.
We know lots about the land.

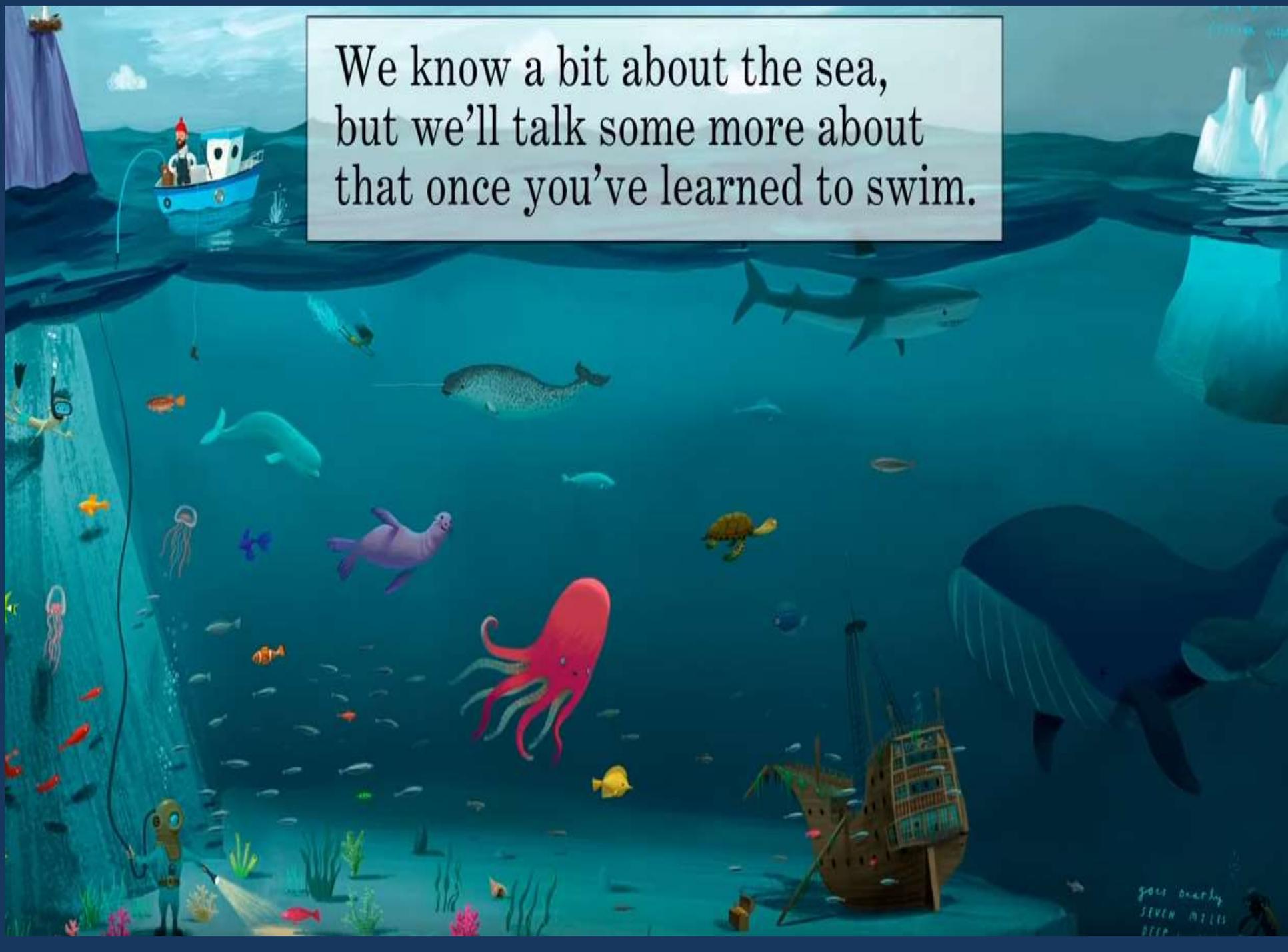
Then, there is the sea,
which is full of wonderful things.



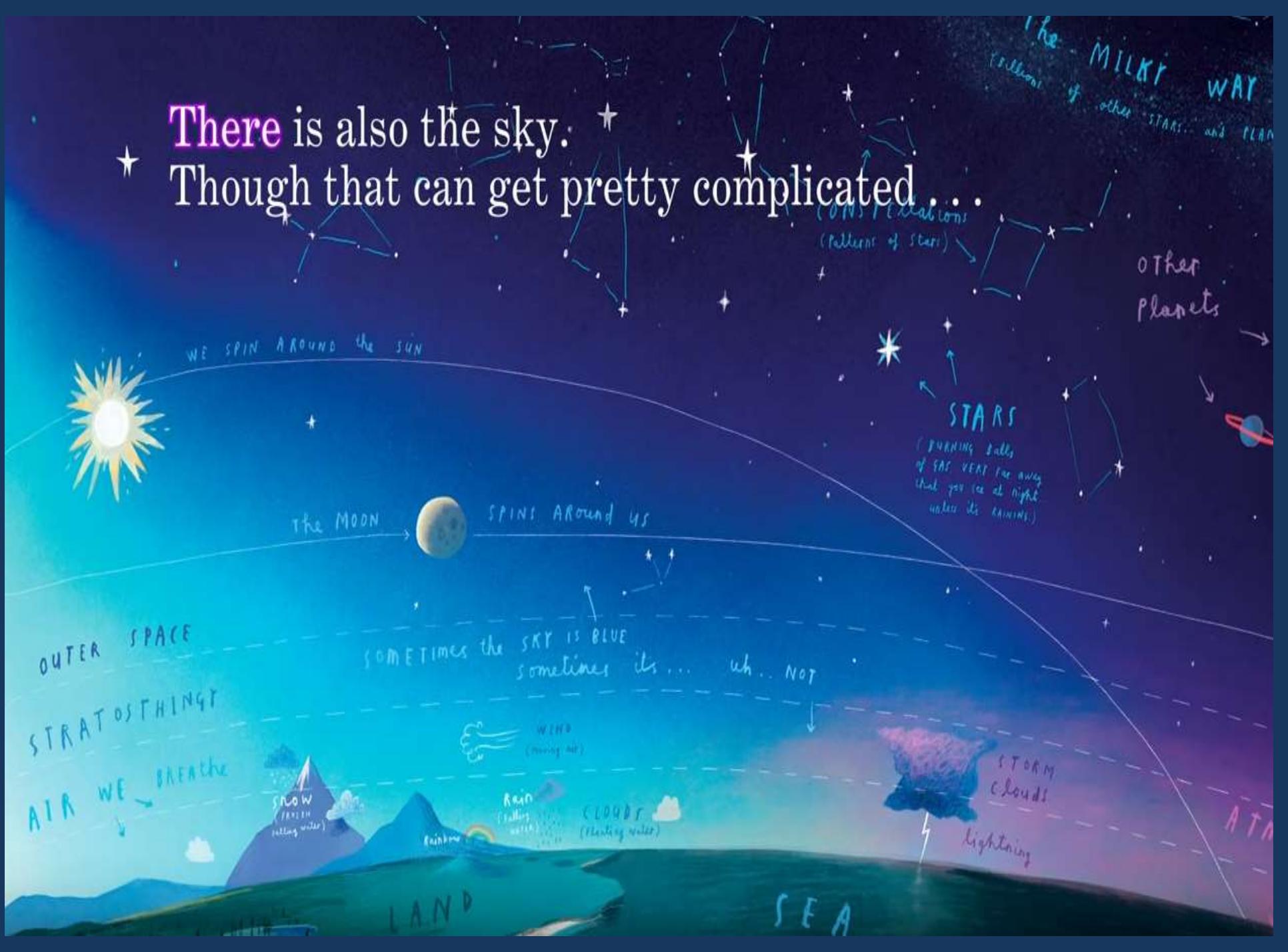
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you nearly
saw this
deep (in the)

We know a bit about the sea,
but we'll talk some more about
that once you've learned to swim.



There is also the sky.
Though that can get pretty complicated...





OK, moving on.

The MILKY WAY
(billions of other STARS and PLANETS)

CONSTELLATIONS
(Patterns of Stars)

Other Planets

STARS

(SHINING balls of GAS, VERY far away that you see at night unless it's RAINING.)

WE SPIN AROUND the SUN



The MOON



SPINS AROUND us

ER SPACE

AT OSTHINGT

SOMETIMES the SKY IS BLUE
Sometimes it's ... uh... NOT

WE BREAche

WIND
(moving air)

SNOW
(FRESH falling water)

Rain
(falling water)

CLOUDS
(floating water)



STORM clouds

lightning

OUR ATMOSPHERE

LAND

SEA

HEAD



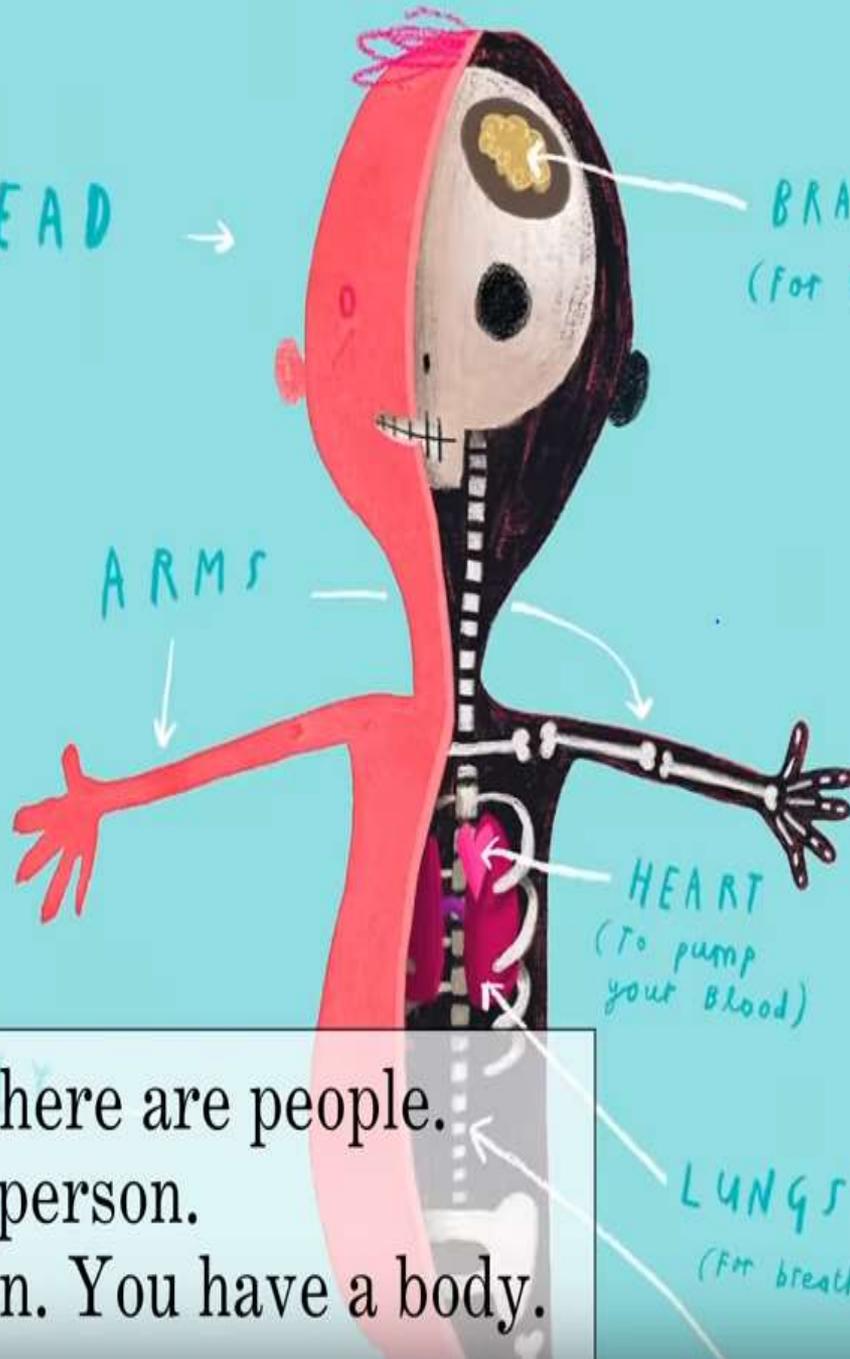
BRAIN
(For thinking)

ARMS



HEART
(To pump
your blood)

LUNGS
(For breathing air)



On our planet, there are people.
One people is a person.
You are a person. You have a body.

BELLY →

your blood)

LUNGS
(For breathing air)

LEGS

BONES
(To hold it
all together)

Look after it, as most bits don't grow back.

Bits that GROW BACK





The most important things for people to remember are to eat, drink and stay warm.

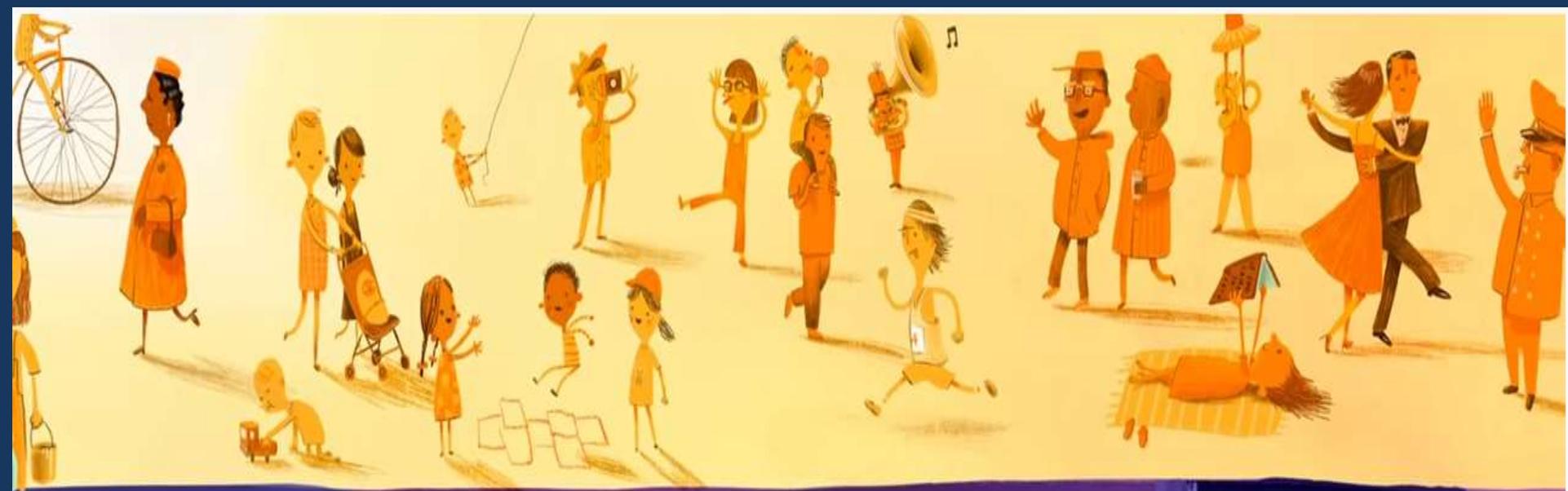


There are animals, too.
They come in even more
shapes, sizes and colors.

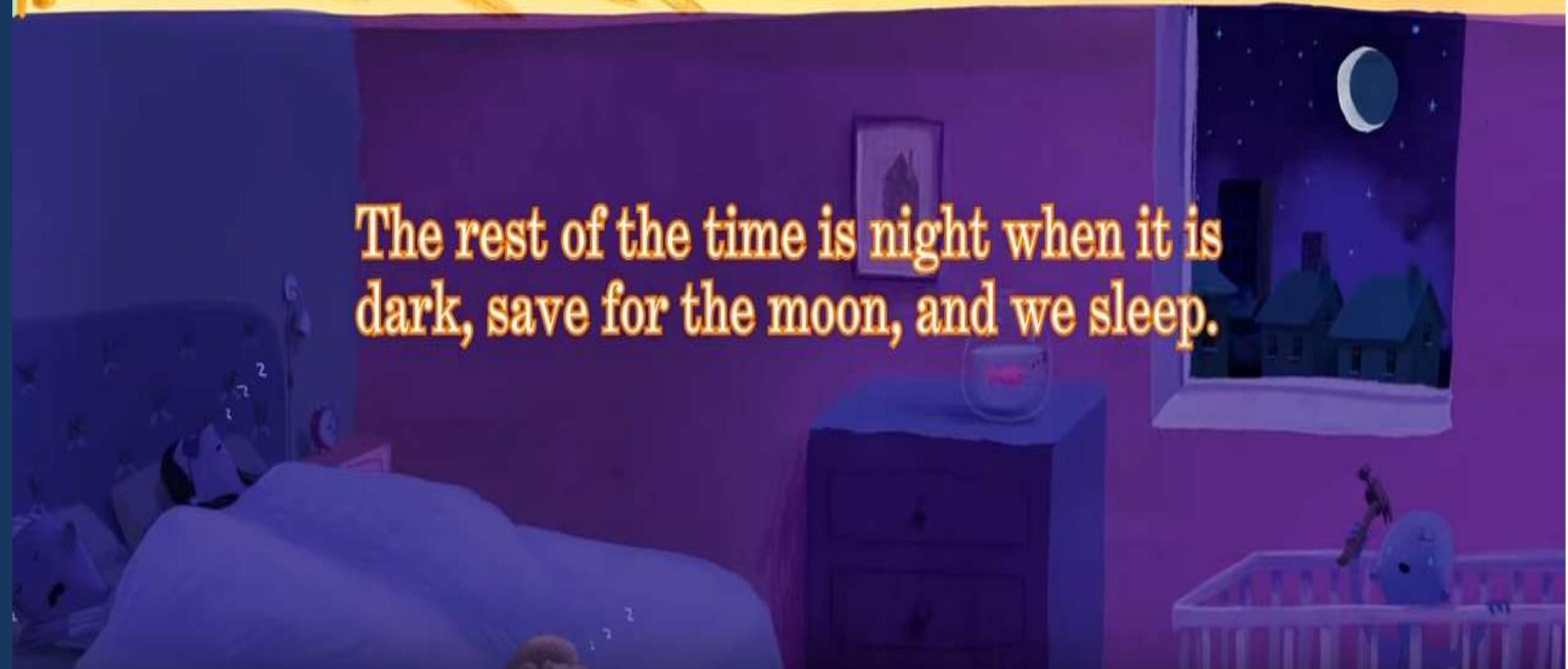
I'm not supposed
to be here



They can't speak, though
that's no reason not to be
nice to them.

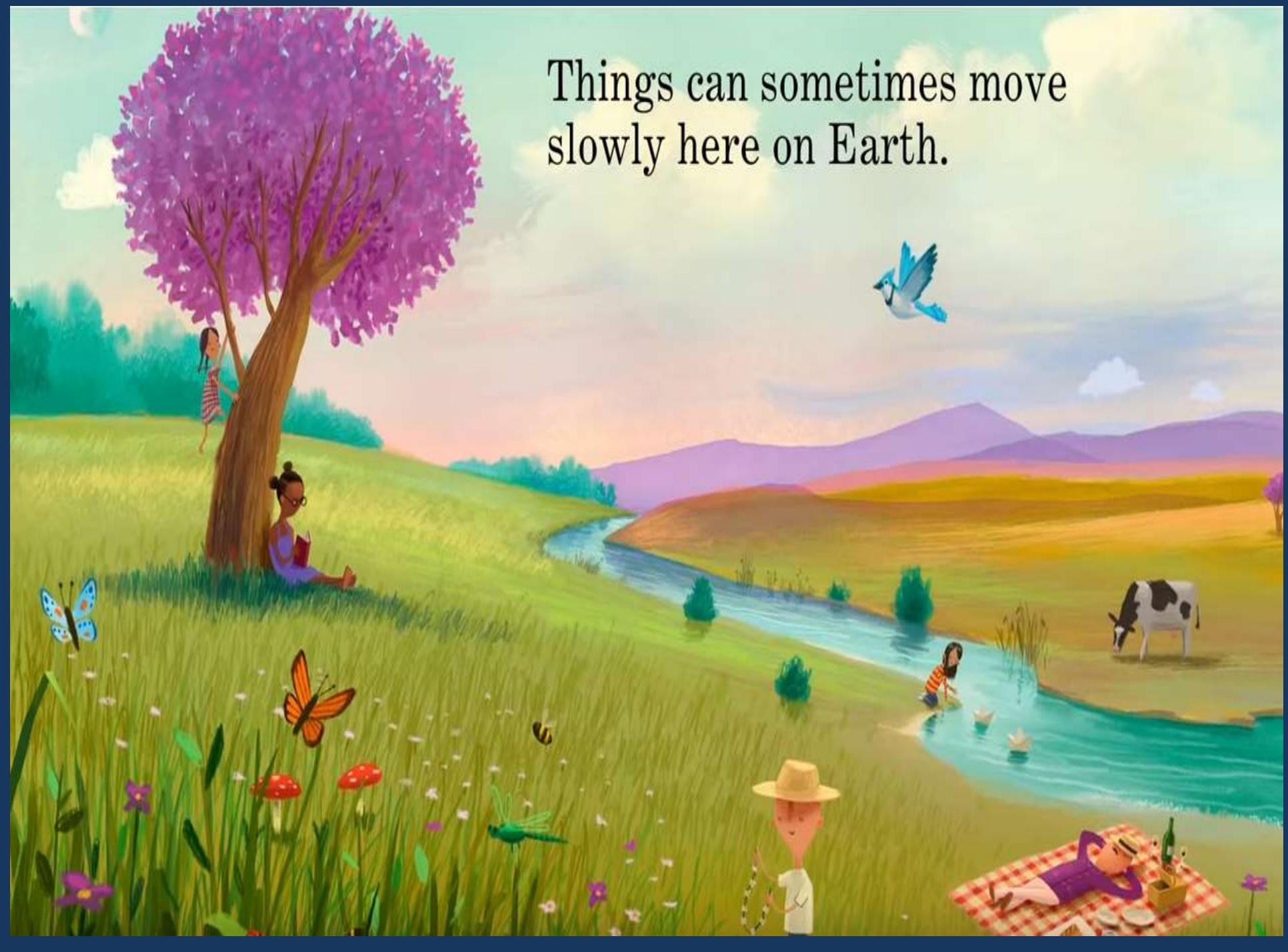


The rest of the time is night when it is dark, save for the moon, and we sleep.

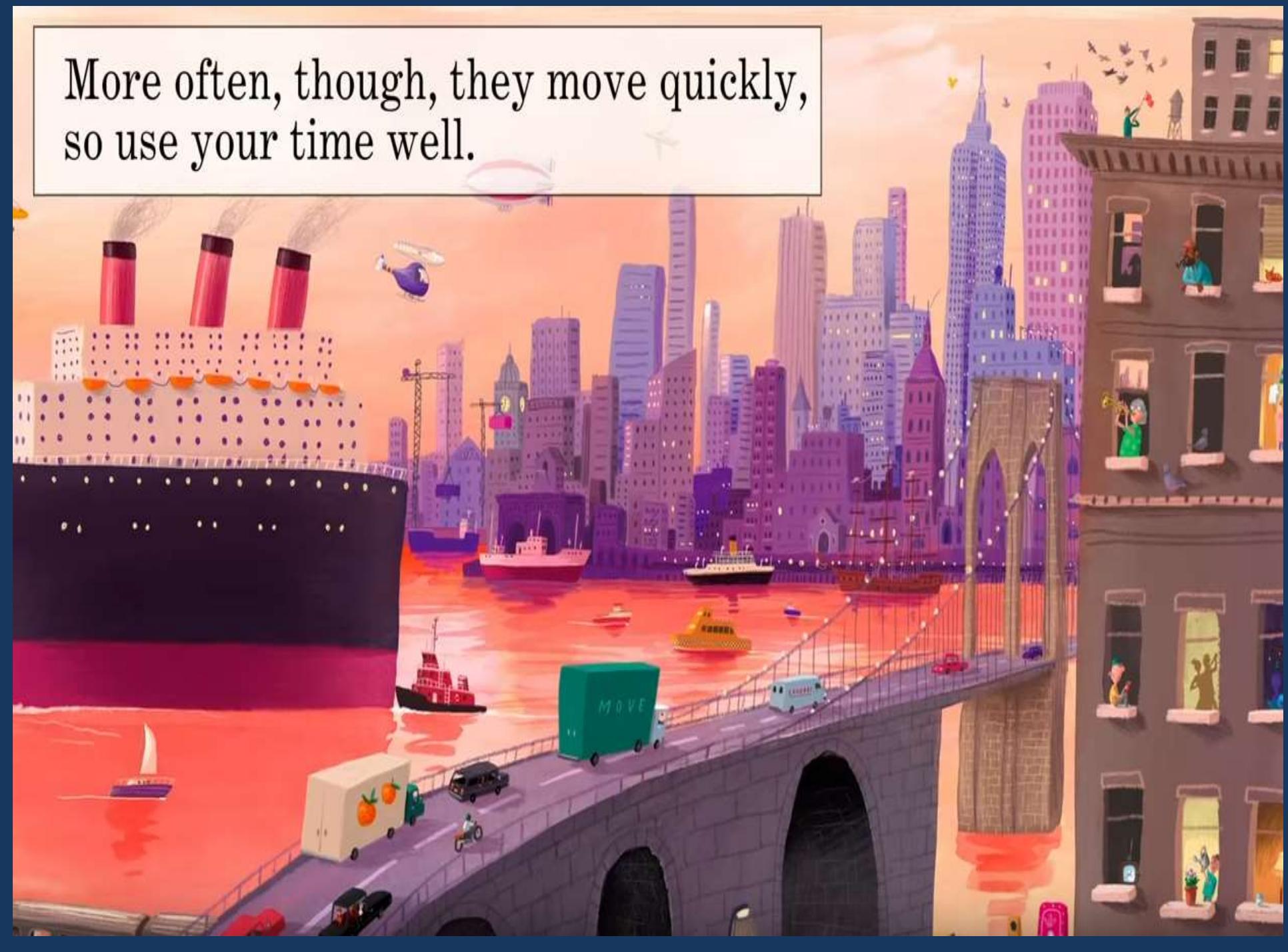




Things can sometimes move
slowly here on Earth.



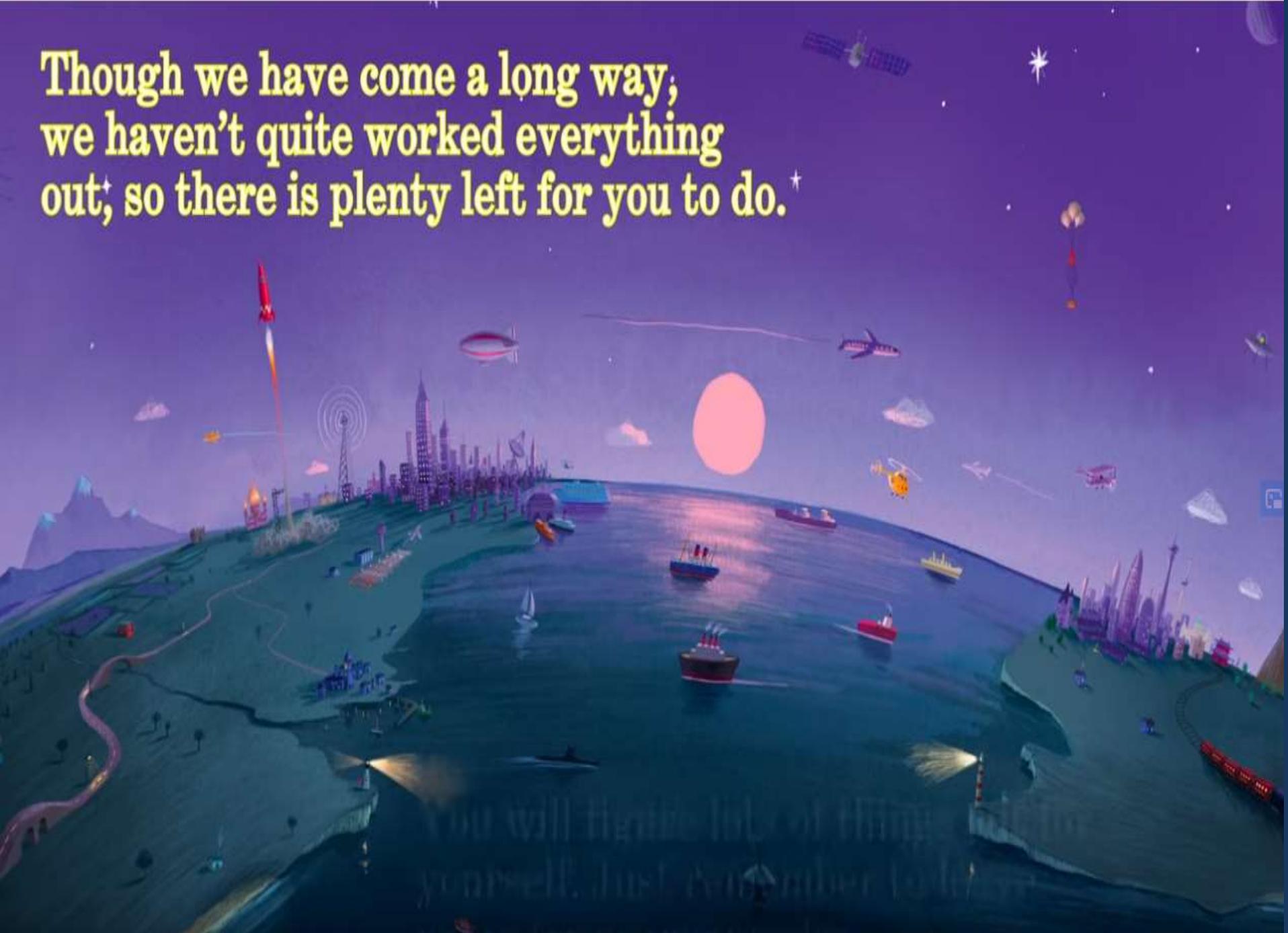
More often, though, they move quickly,
so use your time well.



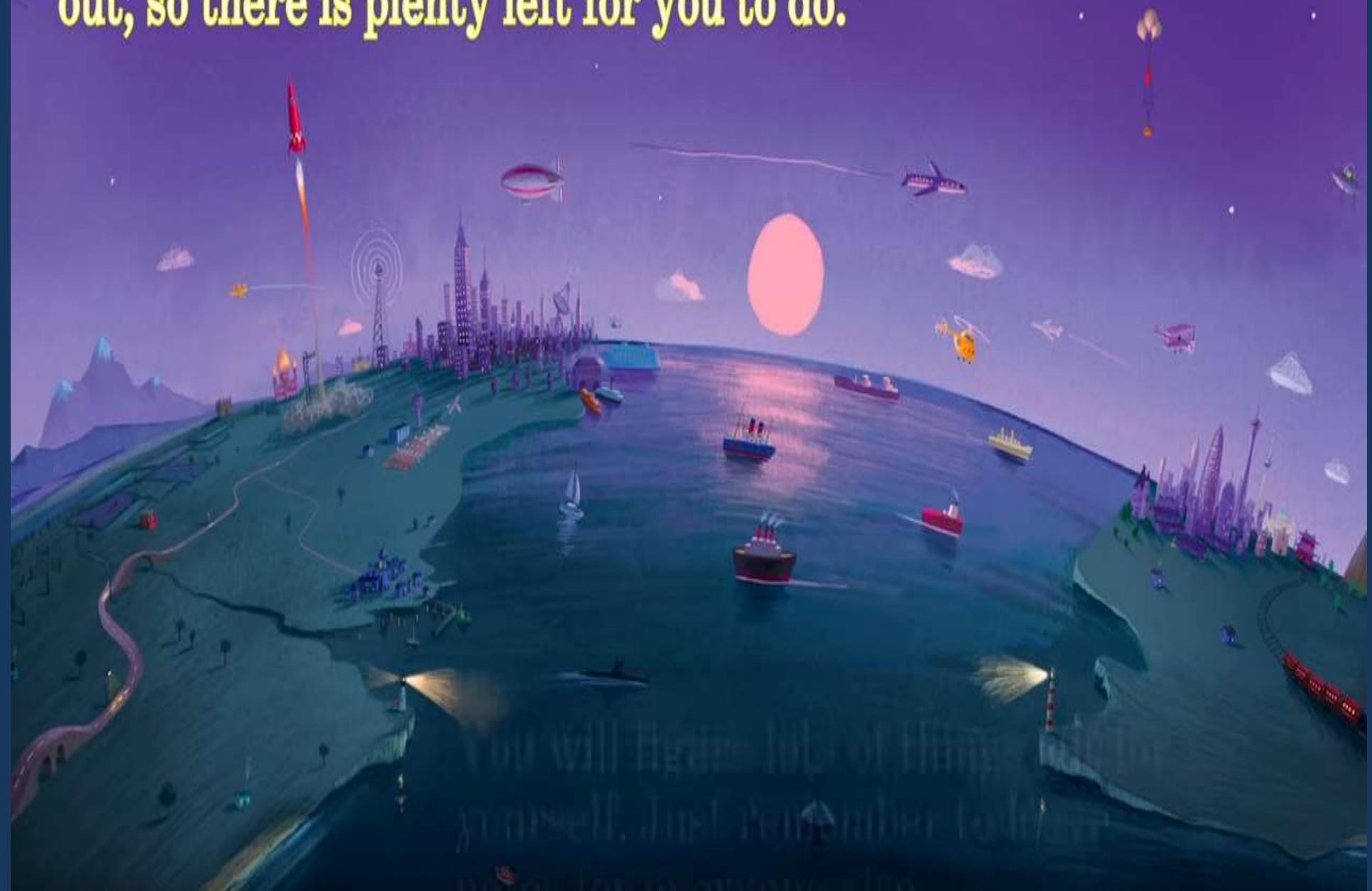


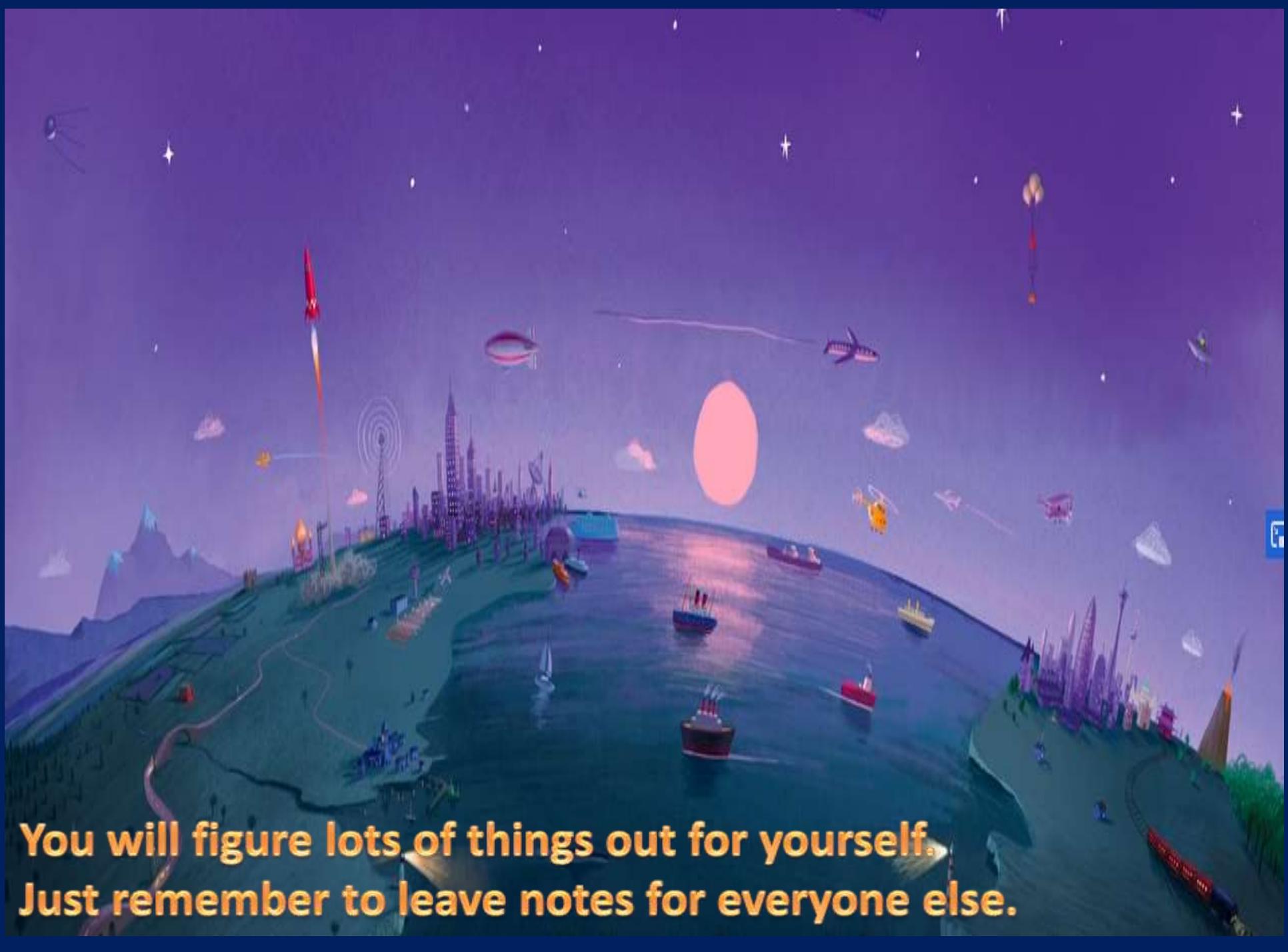
It will be gone before you know it.

Though we have come a long way,
we haven't quite worked everything
out; so there is plenty left for you to do.



we haven't quite worked everything out, so there is plenty left for you to do.





**You will figure lots of things out for yourself.
Just remember to leave notes for everyone else.**



It looks big, Earth.
But there are lots of us on here

(7,327,450,667 and counting)

so be kind.

There is enough for everyone.



Well, that is Planet Earth.

Make sure you look after it,
as it's all we've got.



Now, if you need to know
anything else . . .

**... just ask.
I won't be far away.**





And when I'm not around . . .

... you can always
ask someone else.





You're never alone on Earth.

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- Lost and Found
- The Incredible Book Eating Boy
- The Way Back Home
- The Great Paper Cup
- The Boat and the Bottle
- Up and Down
- Stuck
- This Mouse Belongs to Me
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- The Hairy in It Won't Me
- The Hairy in Name the Winner

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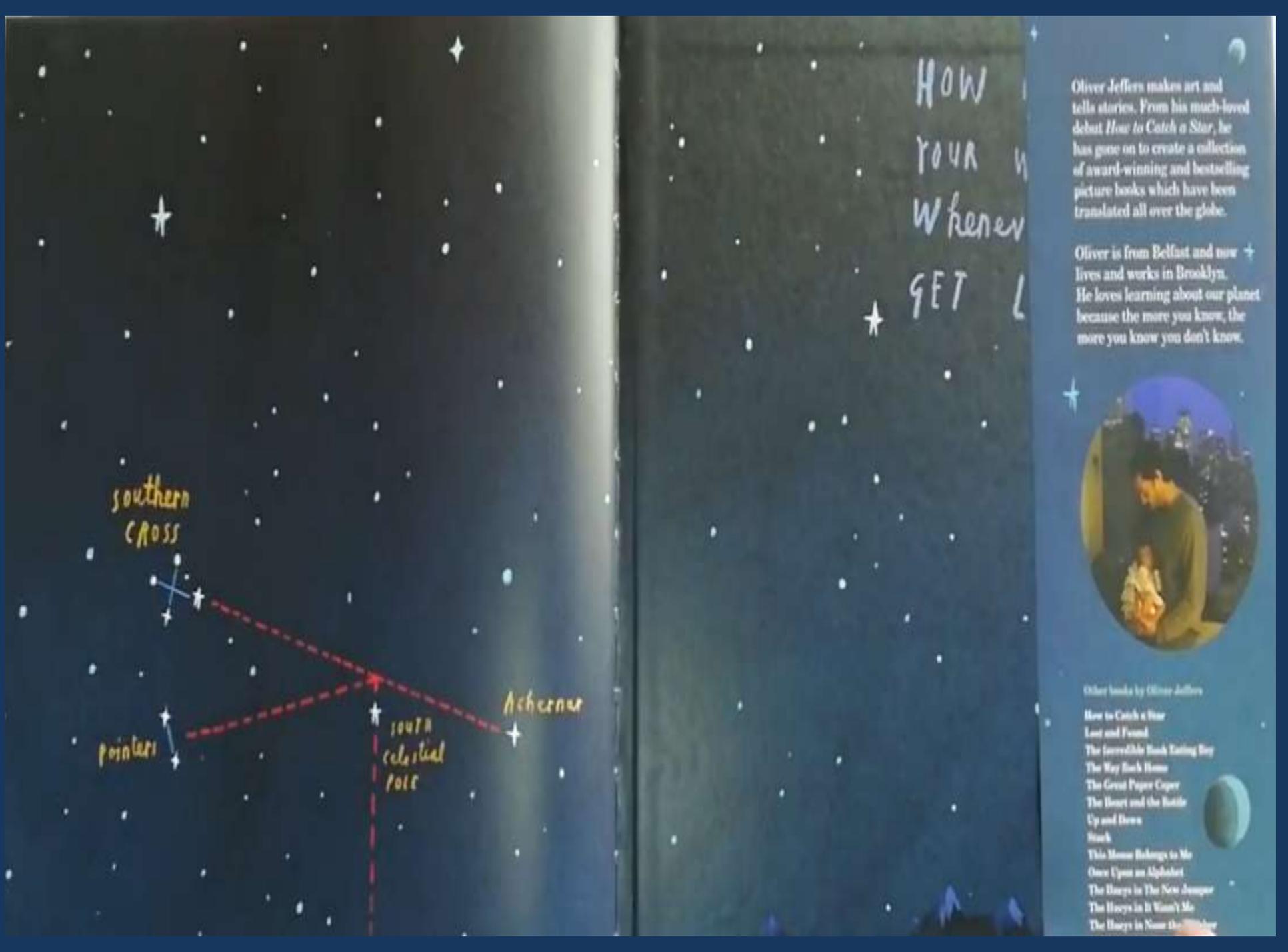
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