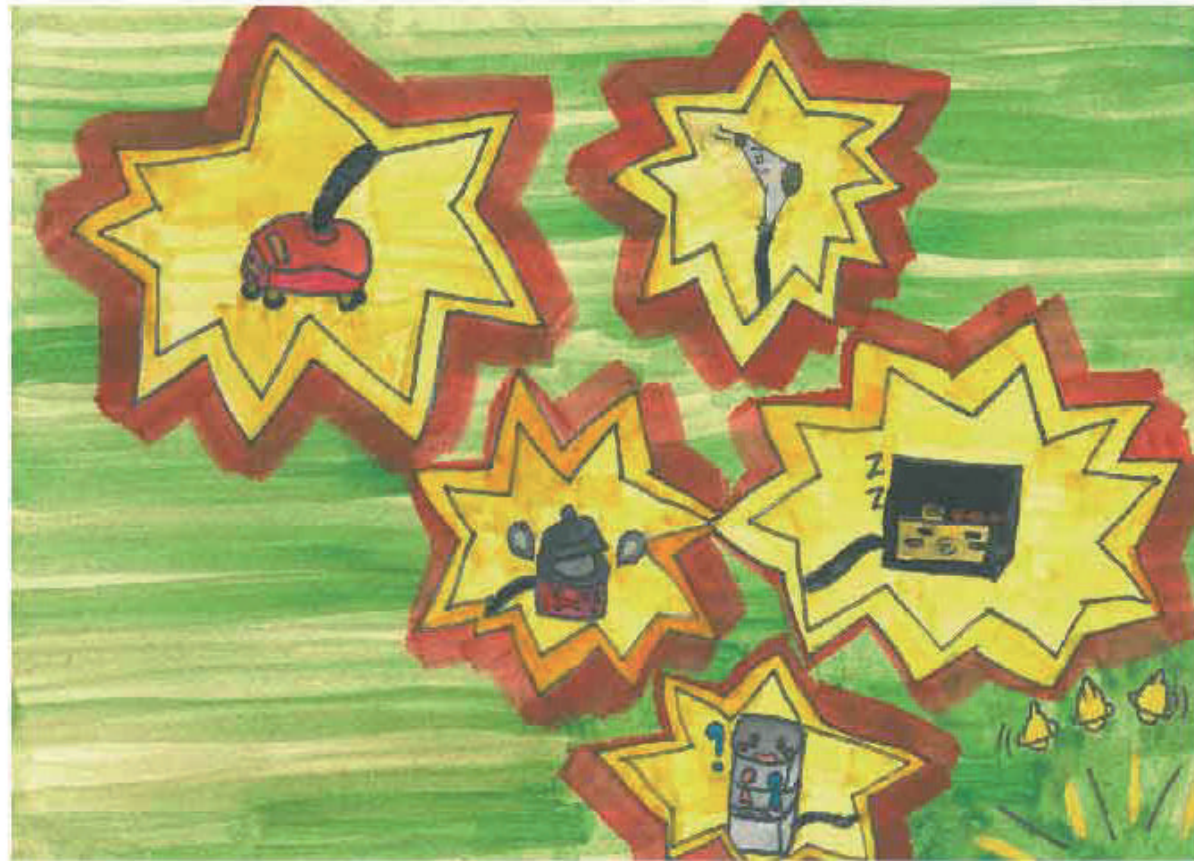


Xi's Fantastical Adventure

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Due to its geographic features, Taiwan is susceptible to natural disasters like earthquakes and typhoons. The disaster response plan is crucial to people living in Taiwan. In addition to natural disasters, fires caused by overloaded electrical wires are also an accident that every family needs to prevent. Through this fantastic, adventurous story, the author hopes to emphasize the importance of timely disaster response, and remind young readers about the unpredictability of disasters. We should not underestimate the impact of disasters or assume disasters won't happen. Awareness of disaster prevention and response from an early age will help us as well as others.

One morning, Xi opened her eyes and found that she was in a mysterious land.





As she walked, three doors appeared in front of her.
"Where is this place?"
Behind the doors, Xi's family was hit by a disaster.



Xi was frustrated as she was unable to open the door.
Instead, she could only watch her family suffer from outside.





A white rabbit dressed strangely appeared from nowhere, asking Xi perplexedly, "Why are you here crying?"
"I don't know where this place is... I want to save my family..." cried Xi.
"I'm a time traveler and the master of the world of time. Let's find a way to get through this together!" the rabbit replied.



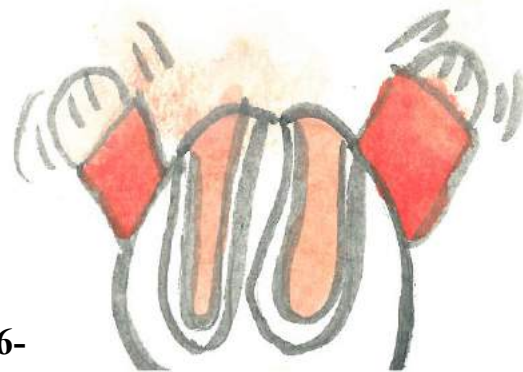
"For each of the three doors, you've got one chance to get in there and save your family," said the rabbit.

"Great! I will do my best to rescue them!" replied Xi.





"You ready?" asked the rabbit.
"Remember, you've only got one chance!".
Taking a deep breath, Xi opened the first door,
"Alright, here we go!"



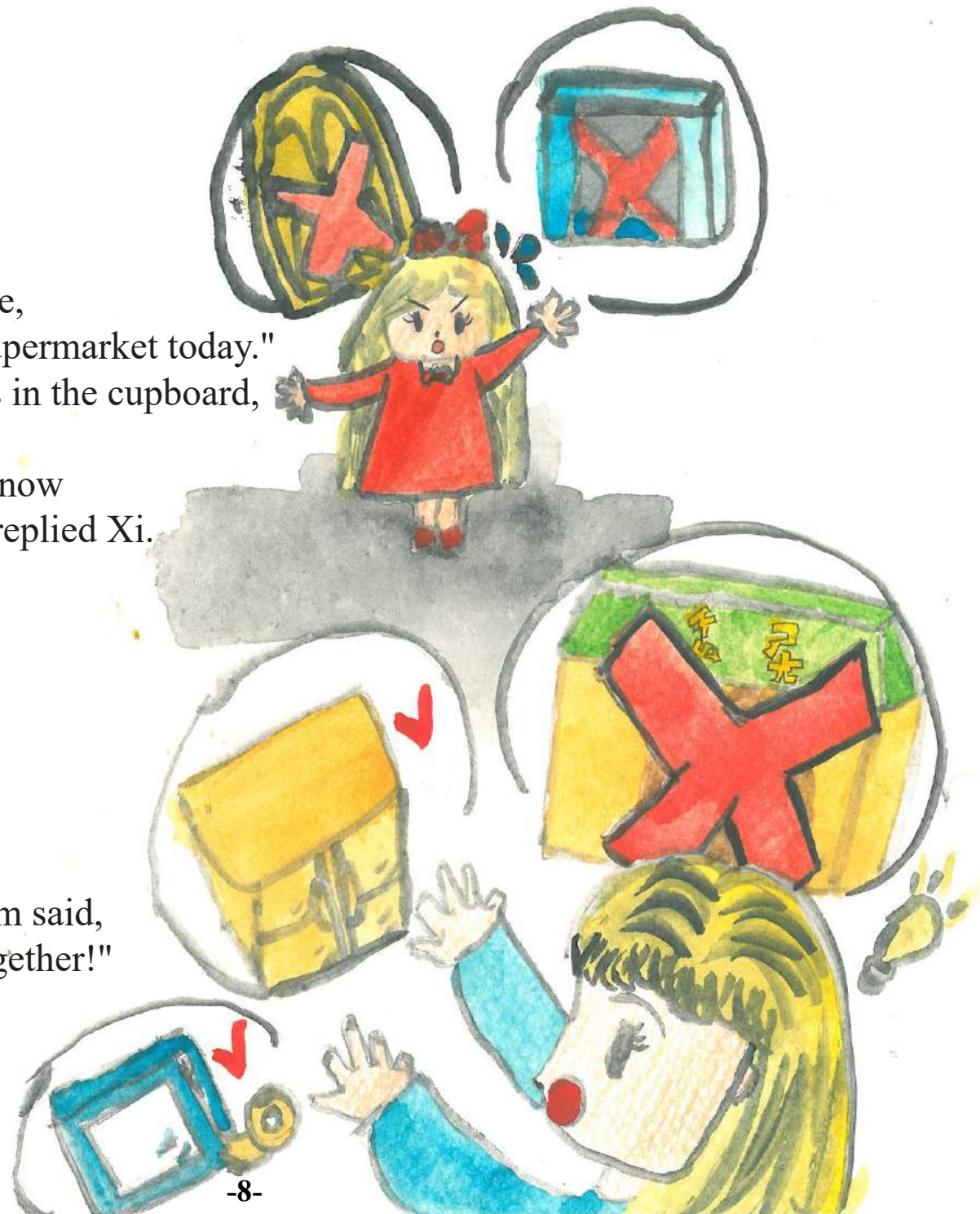


"Xi, mommy is going to buy some groceries.
Please watch the house."

Xi looked out the window.
Seeing the heavy rain and gusty winds,
she worried about her mom,
"Mom, it's dangerous going out on a typhoon day.
It's safer to stay home."

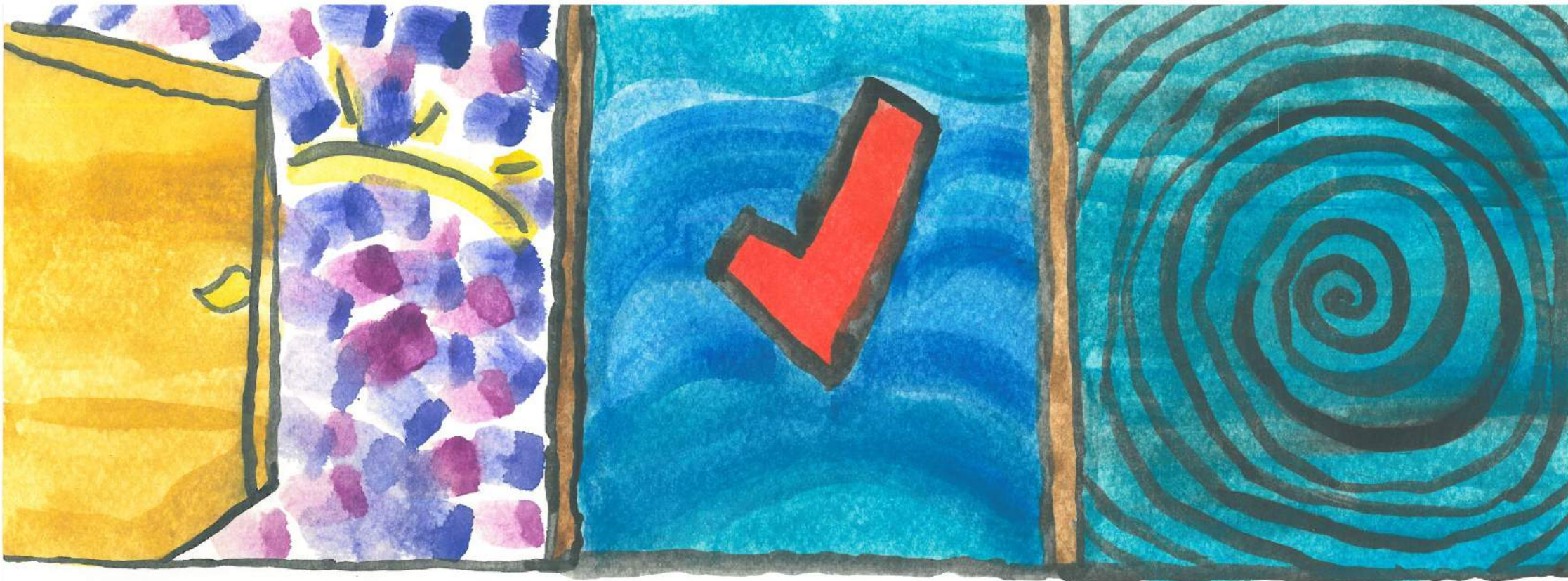
Mom looked through the fridge and said,
"but we're running out of food in the fridge,
and there's a promotional activity at the supermarket today."
"There's still a lot of ready-to-eat products in the cupboard,
so don't risk going out on a typhoon day!
We need to secure the windows with tape now
so that they don't break in strong winds," replied Xi.

Mom said,
"Okay, let's tape the windows together!"



After taping the windows,
mom went into the kitchen to prepare dinner.
Xi watched the typhoon report on TV.





A sudden bell ringing took Xi back to the three doors.

The rabbit said excitedly,
"Congratulations on completing the first task.
The second door is already open. Please enter."



Low rumbling sounds roared
from a distance in waves.

Xi nervously said,
"Daddy, there's an earthquake!"
"It's fine. Shaking will stop after a little while,"
Dad was not too concerned.

Xi yelled anxiously,
"Dad, get under the table!
It's dangerous to have a bookshelf behind you!"





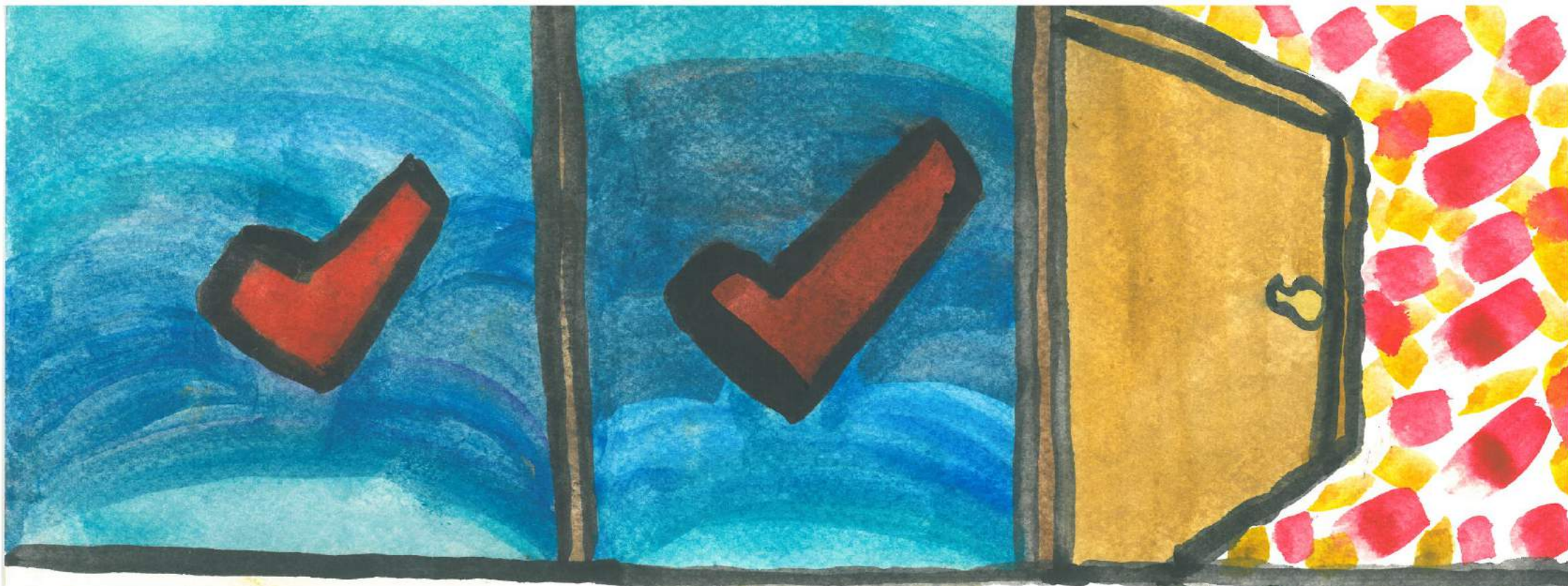
After the two of them took shelter under the table,

Xi told Dad the disaster guidelines the school had taught her, "Disasters are often unpredictable, and we should be careful not to be hurt."



During an earthquake,
remember to "**lie down, cover up, and stabilize**".
Take shelter under a table or a corner in a prone position,
shield yourself with solid furniture,
and stabilize your body until the earthquake ends.



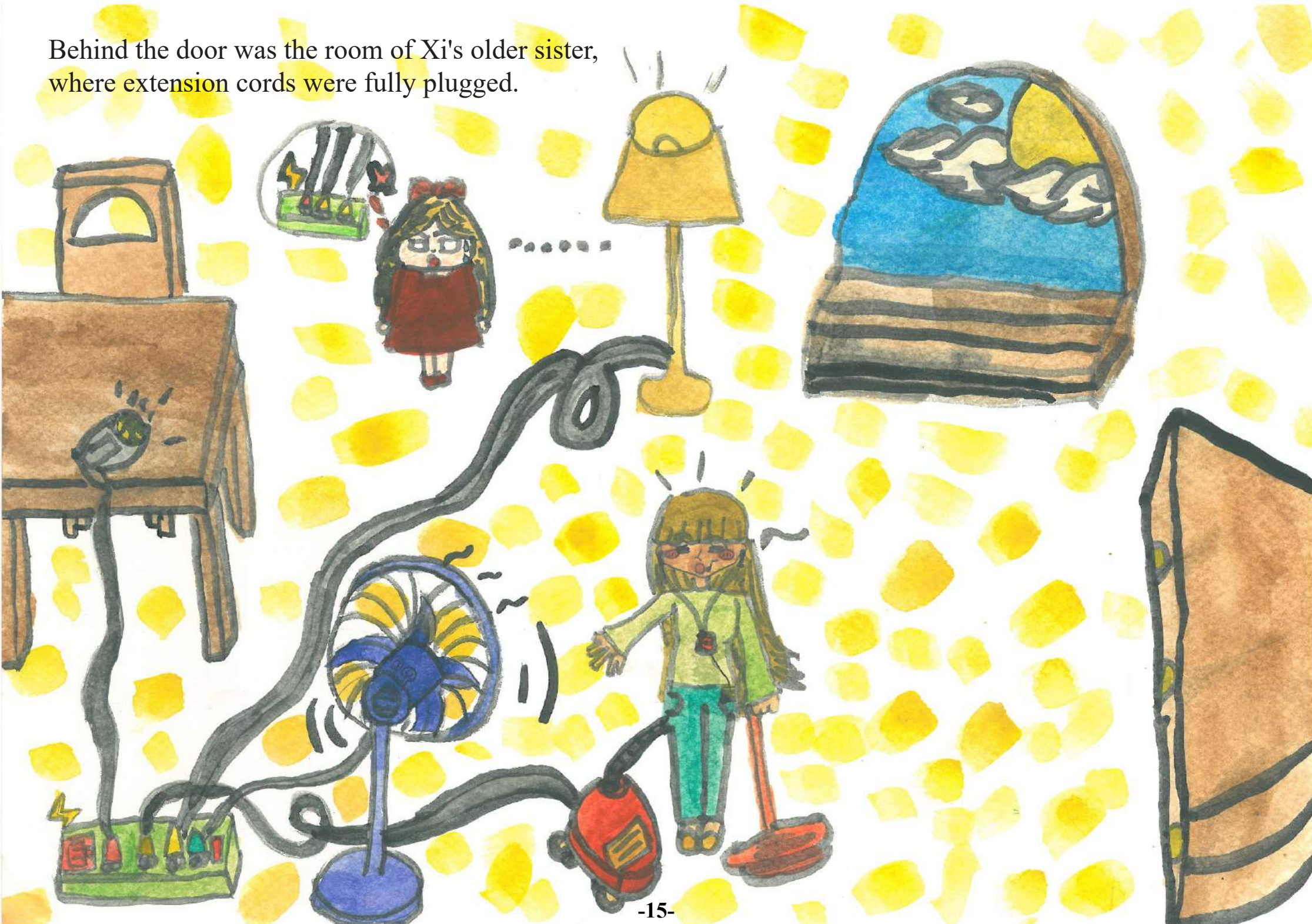


The bell of the world of time rang again.
Xi returned to the three doors.

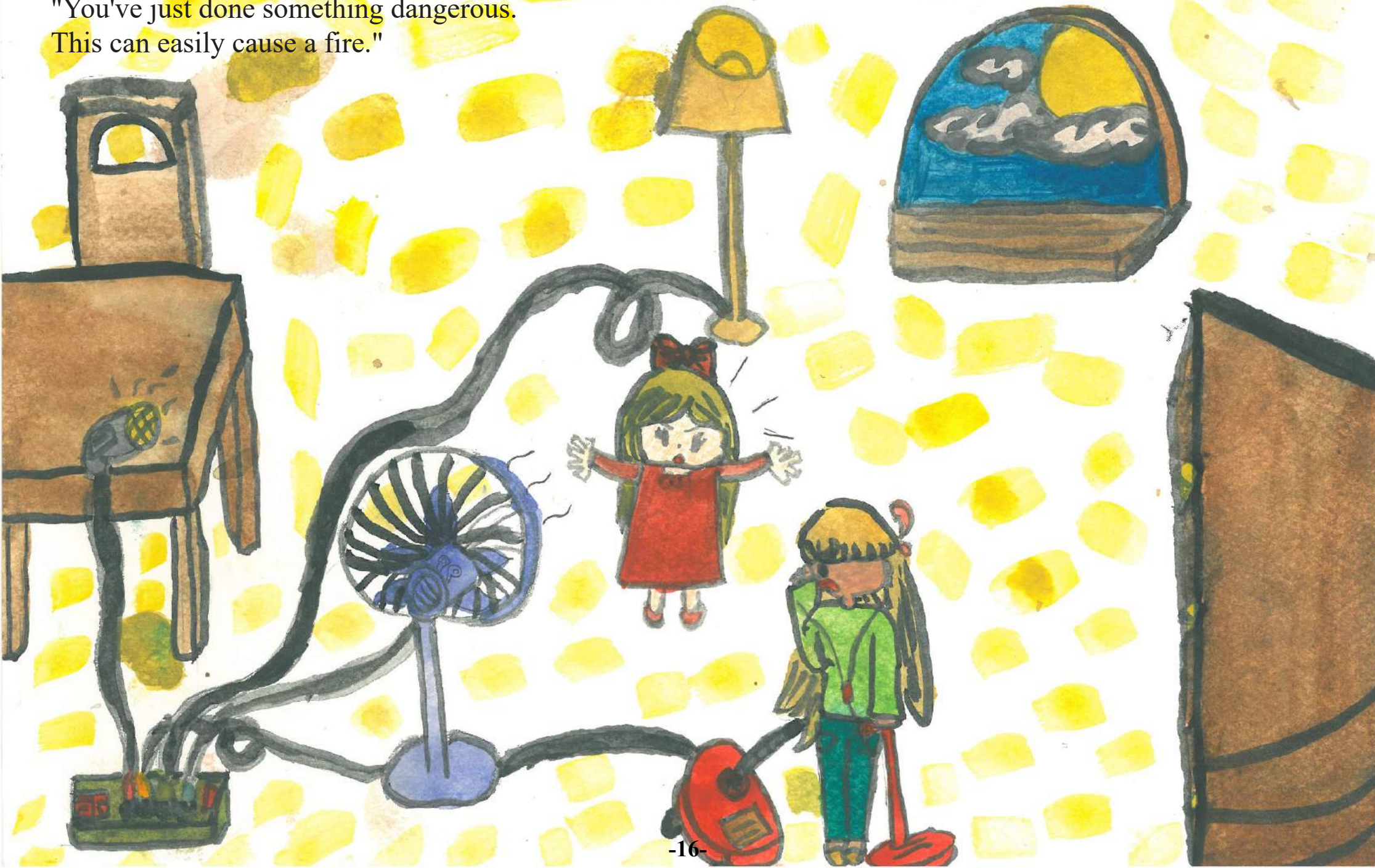


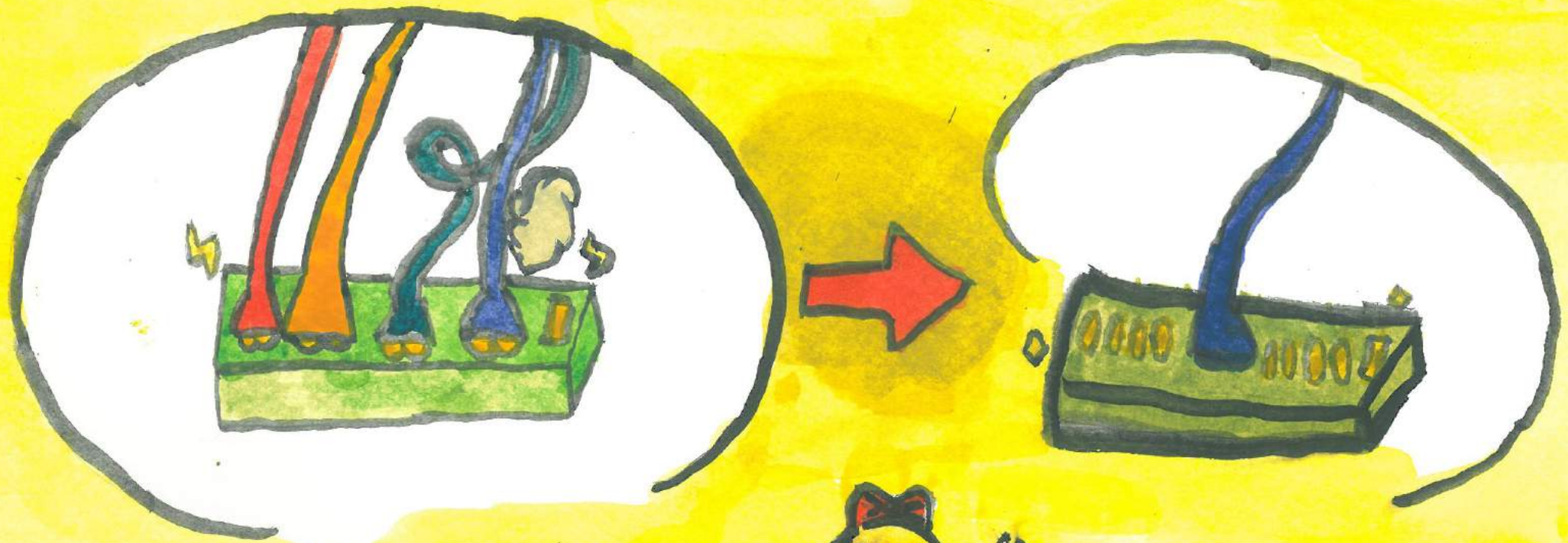
The rabbit said happily,
"Congratulations on completing your second task.
The third door is open. Please enter."
Xi walked into the door, wondering what the final task would be.

Behind the door was the room of Xi's older sister, where extension cords were fully plugged.



Xi said to her sister loudly, "Turn off the vacuum cleaner now!"
Her sister looked at her, puzzled.
"You've just done something dangerous.
This can easily cause a fire."





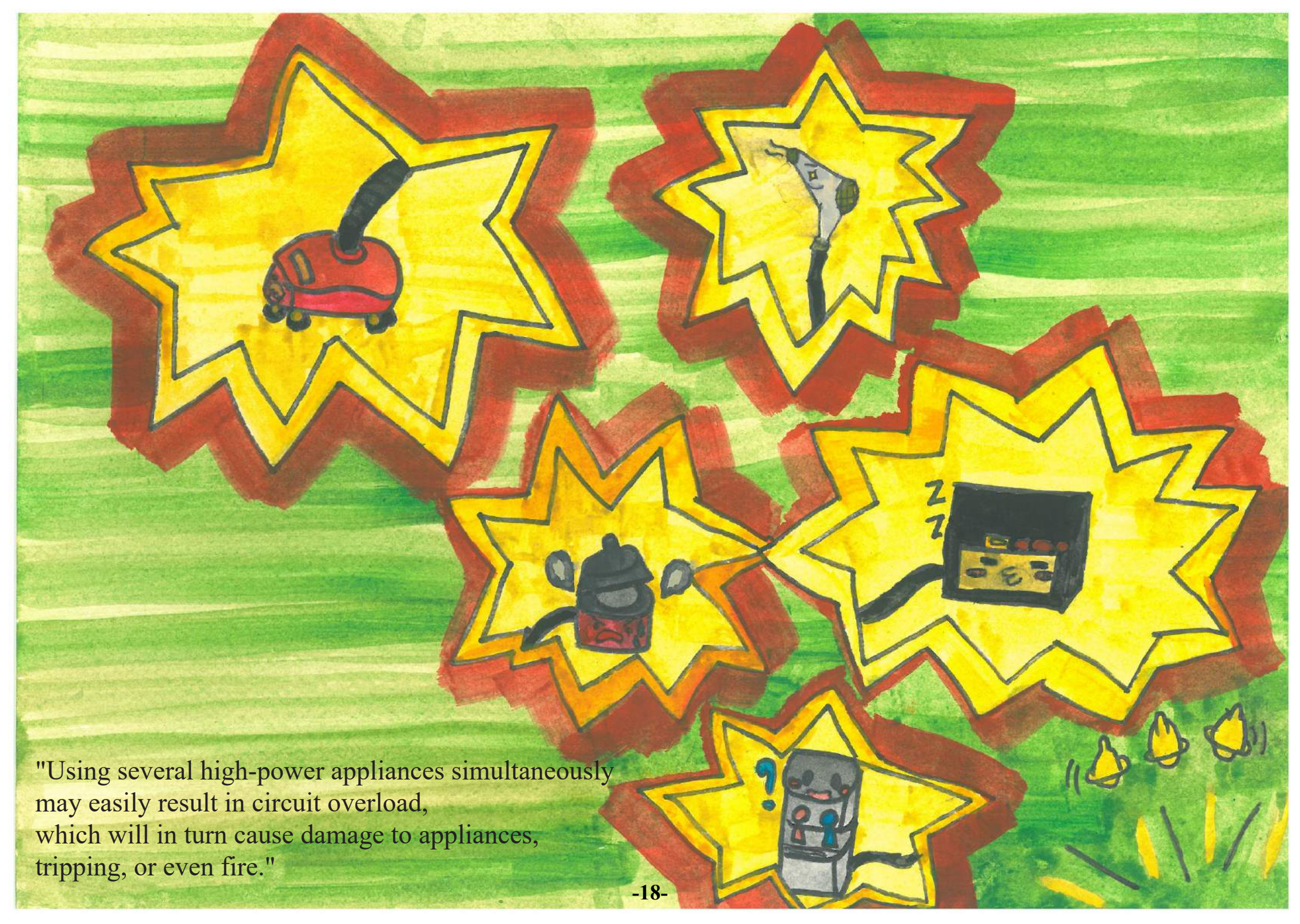
"Extension cords should never be fully plugged; otherwise, it will easily cause a fire from an electric overload."



"What is an electric overload?" asked the sister in bafflement.



"An overload occurs when too much current passes through the extension cord. Once this situation exists for a long period of time without being noticed, it may easily cause a short circuit and subsequently a fire. So we must pay attention to safety when using outlets."



"Using several high-power appliances simultaneously may easily result in circuit overload, which will in turn cause damage to appliances, tripping, or even fire."



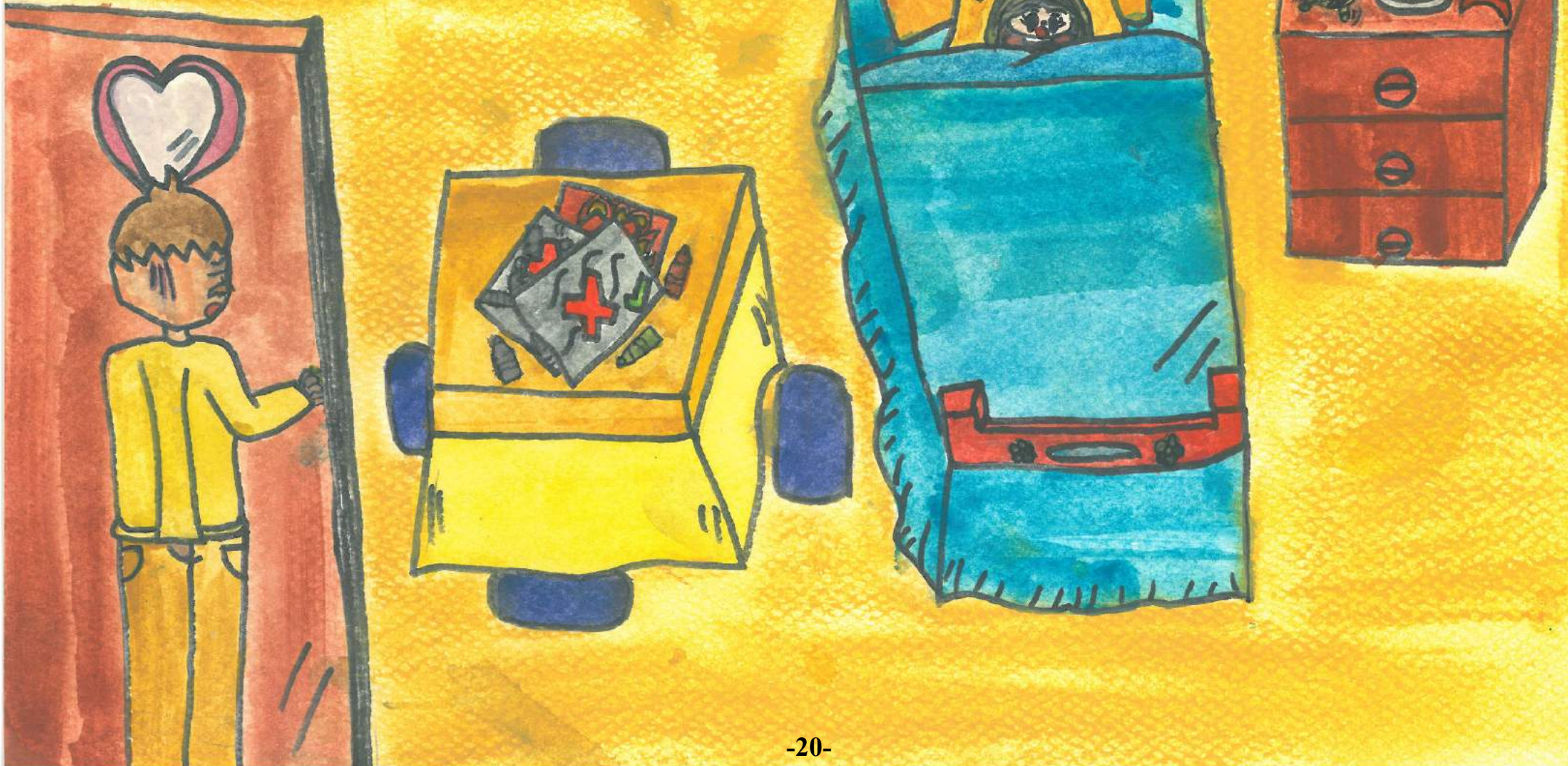
The rabbit clapped excitedly,
"Congratulations on completing all your tasks.
I'll send you back to where you're from!"
"Can I go back now?"
"I hope you remember the conversations you had
with your family today and apply this knowledge
to get you and your family through any disaster safely."
The three doors opened at the same time
and Xi was finally able to return to her own world!



The bell of the world of time rang again.
Xi returned to the three doors.



"Get up and have your breakfast, Xi!
You're going to be late for school!" shouted Dad.
"Late for school? I'm in the world of time, aren't I?"
"Stop talking nonsense. It's already seven o'clock!"
Xi rubbed her eyes. It turned out to be but a dream!





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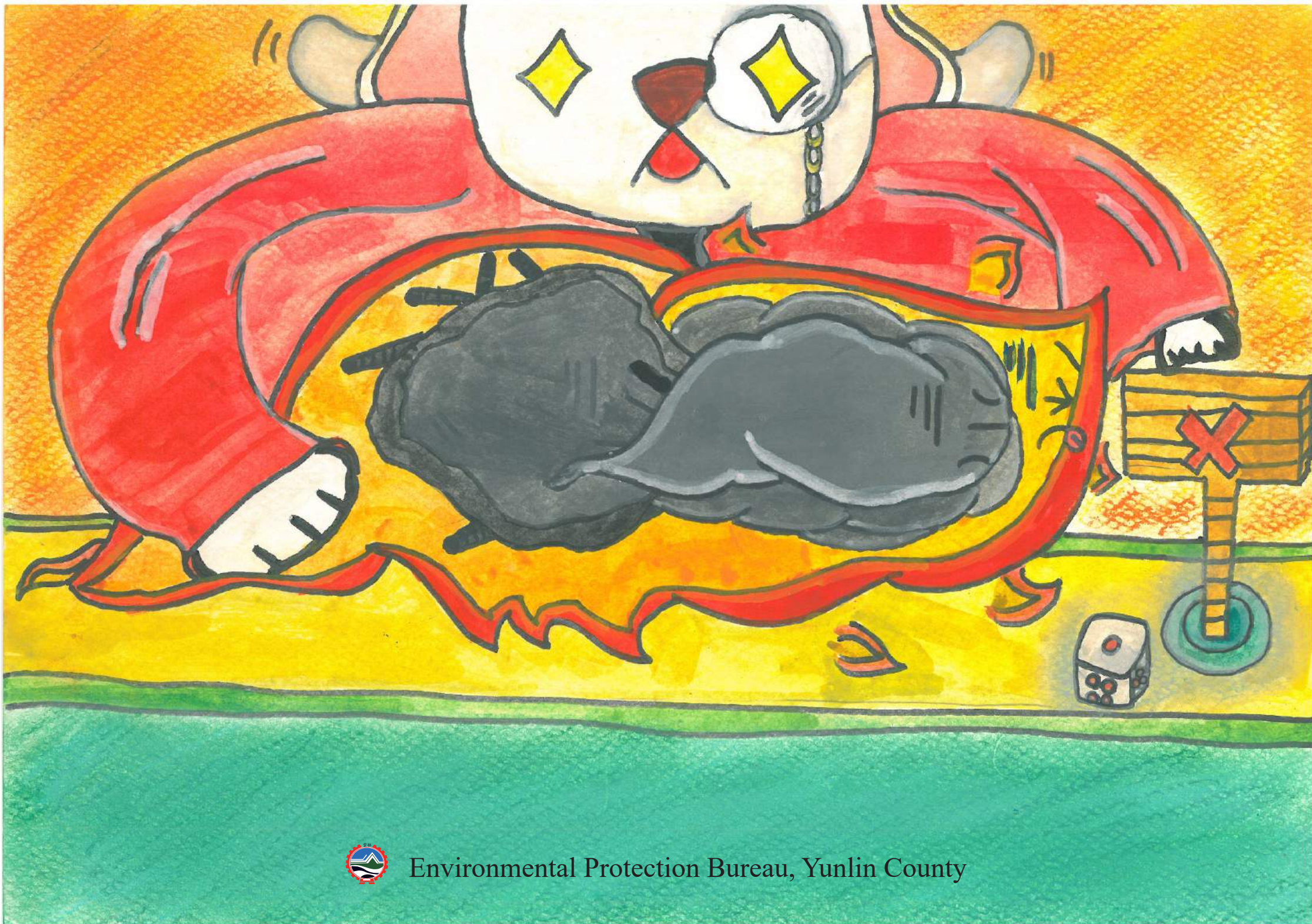
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