

THE BOOK THAT SAVED THE EARTH

Introduction:

In the distant future, specifically the 25th century, the Museum of Ancient History stands as a testament to the rich tapestry of human existence. Within its hallowed halls, the 20th century is a focal point, remembered as the "Era of the Book." It is here that a historian captivates her audience with a tale that transcends time and space, recounting an extraordinary event when a book became the unexpected savior of Earth.

Overview:

The story unfolds in a world where Martians, denizens of Mars, set their sights on Earth in the year 2040, driven by the dubious desire to invade. The Martian ruler, the Mighty Think-Tank, orders this audacious mission. However, a twist of fate places their space probe in a Centerville Public Library—a place filled with the mysterious artifacts known as books. Unfamiliar with these tomes, the Martians embark on a comical journey of misunderstanding.

Sergeant Oop mistakes books for hats, while Think-Tank whimsically deems them sandwiches. The insightful Noodle, however, recognizes the potential significance of these objects, suggesting that they might be a form of communication. Through a series of amusing attempts, the Martians stumble upon the realization that these books contain a coded language.

As the Martians decode the books with the help of vitamins, Think-Tank becomes increasingly alarmed by what he perceives as Earth's advanced culture. The misinterpretation of nursery rhymes, such as Mistress Mary's garden and the tragedy of Humpty-Dumpty, leads Think-Tank to conclude that Earth is ready to send cultured animals, possibly cows, for an invasion of the moon. Fearing the unexpected prowess of Earthlings, Think-Tank calls off the invasion, choosing to retreat to the distant star Alpha Centauri to escape the perceived threat.

Conclusion:

In a delightful twist, the historian unveils the true hero of the story—'Mother Goose,' a book of rhymes. This seemingly innocuous collection of verses becomes the bridge between Mars and Earth, fostering an unexpected friendship. Noodle, the wise Martian who succeeded Think-Tank, ascends to lead Mars. The once antagonistic planets find harmony, with Earth even establishing a library in the Martian capital, Marsopolis. Ironically, despite this newfound camaraderie, Martians shy away from

reading the very book that played a pivotal role in saving their planets—'Mother Goose,' a whimsical testament to the power of literature and the unexpected turns of history.

About the Characters

Historian: He is a member of the Museum of Ancient History and the Department of the 20th century.

Think-Tank: He is the commander in chief of the Martian forces and prepare to invade Earth.

Noodle: He is a trainee under Think-Tank. He is a sensible and level headed figure.

Captain Omega, Lieutenant Lota, Sergeant Oop: They are the crew of probe one. They are sent to Earth to know about Earth before invading it.