There lived a village. Secluded in the valley of Mt. Colormejaro. These villagers were responsible for bringing color to the world, and they did so,by mining the rocks at the bottom of colormejaro. Huge opaque rocks filled with vibrant colors lined the mountain floor. It looked as the giant crayons had been melted down to boulder size. The villagers eventually had grown pointed fingers to help with mining. A few of the villagers learned how to command and ride clouds. They used this method to fly to other villages. Once the boulders were grinded up into a fine powder. They simply needed to fly over and sprinkle it over. Lush colors would soon spread, deserts turned yellow, oceans blue, forest exploded into greens and reds, misplaced power simply turned into flowers and bloomed. Humans. Got in on the mix as well, requesting to turn all sorts of different colors and patterns. However, unknown to the Colormejaros, this sparked wars as certain colors gathered as tribes. Horrific wars scattered across the lands, poetically the ground would turn brown from all the colors mixing together with blood. In a panic. The village elder said there is one thing we can do and called forth all the cloud users. Together they mastered up this huge storm cloud and sent it across the lands. It rained for 40 days and 40 nights, flooding everything. The water was dark brown, some people managed to find boats but most didn't. The colorful boulders at Mt colormejaro melted from the heavy waters, at least the visible ones did. It's speculated that if you were to mine deeper into the mountain you would find new colors, but the village all decided it wasn't worth it. Together they left. Spreading out all over the world. Leaving there legacy behind.

the [Andes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andes) mountains in Chile is were lapis can be found

<https://youtu.be/Tz969KbuBRk>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nfGT0UTUXFM&ab_channel=FireMountainGemsandBeads>

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Old wise man of the village

* Crazy old man that the rest of the village warns the player about
* Perhaps the old man doesn't fully remember the history of the village so he sends out the player to collect the history bits
  + Other villagers tell the player to stop it because bringing up stuff from the past could mean trouble
  + Village is currently under jurisdiction of imperialist Queen
* Player collects audio snippets of history from recordings made in lapis lazuli stones
  + Player's model (and old man's model) gradually become more blue overtime? As the player collects history and gives it to the old man
  + Meanwhile the rest of the villagers remain gray

*History of the village and why its seemingly destroyed with not a lot of people around*

* *Village used to be abundant with villagers and lapis lazuli that they used in cultural practices*
* *The queen wanted the lapis lazuli for jewelry and her own purposes*
* *Villagers did not want to give up their lapis lazuli because they don't like the queen*
  + *The Queen is taking over their land and enforcing her rule on people*
* *The Queen uses her soldiers to take the lapis lazuli from the land by force*
  + *The original villagers are killed by the soldiers so that their lapis lazuli can be taken for the Queen*

After the player collects all the history tidbits and gives them to the old man they have the option to leave their own recording of the history they've learned

* If they leave a recording of the Queen's crimes then they could become a target because the Queen doesn't want anyone speaking against her
  + The few other NPCs around the village advise against acknowledging the past
  + They're afraid of the Queen coming back to silence them
* If they do not choose to leave a recording then the player remains complicit in being silent about the Queen's crimes against the village

Themes:

* preserving history vs. being willingly ignorant of it
* Rebelling against the erasure of history vs. holding people accountable for their past crimes
* Making sure younger generations are educated about important history