





A Quest to Find the Sun

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Srey Pov lives near a huge rubber factory. Near the factory, the sun has stopped shining.



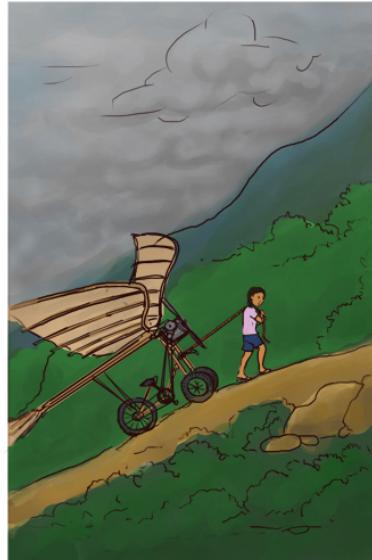
Srey Pov goes to see the chief of her village. "I want to build a flying machine so I can visit the sun and find out why it does not shine anymore. "But the chief does not listen to Srey Pov. "You cannot fly to the sun, you are just a little girl. Go home!"



Srey Pov goes to the top of the mountain near her village and looks out over the darkened landscape.
"Sun!" she shouts loudly, "We will meet each other soon!"



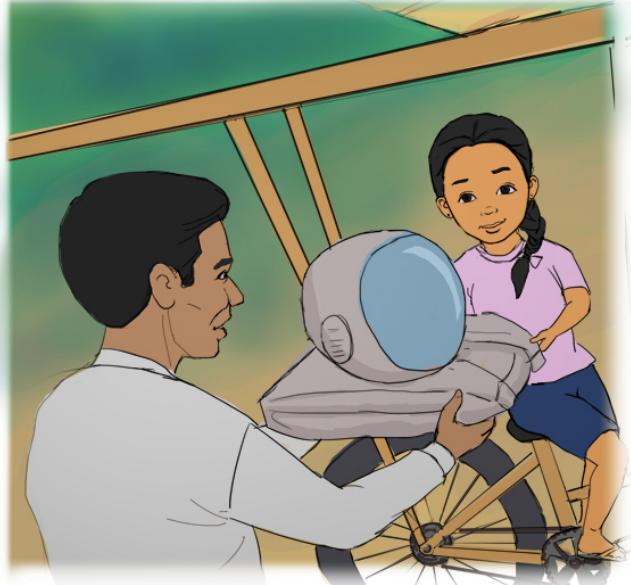
Then, Srey Pov sneaks into the factory's storage area to find materials she can use for her flying machine. She finds a turbine, a chain, wood, and plenty of fabric.



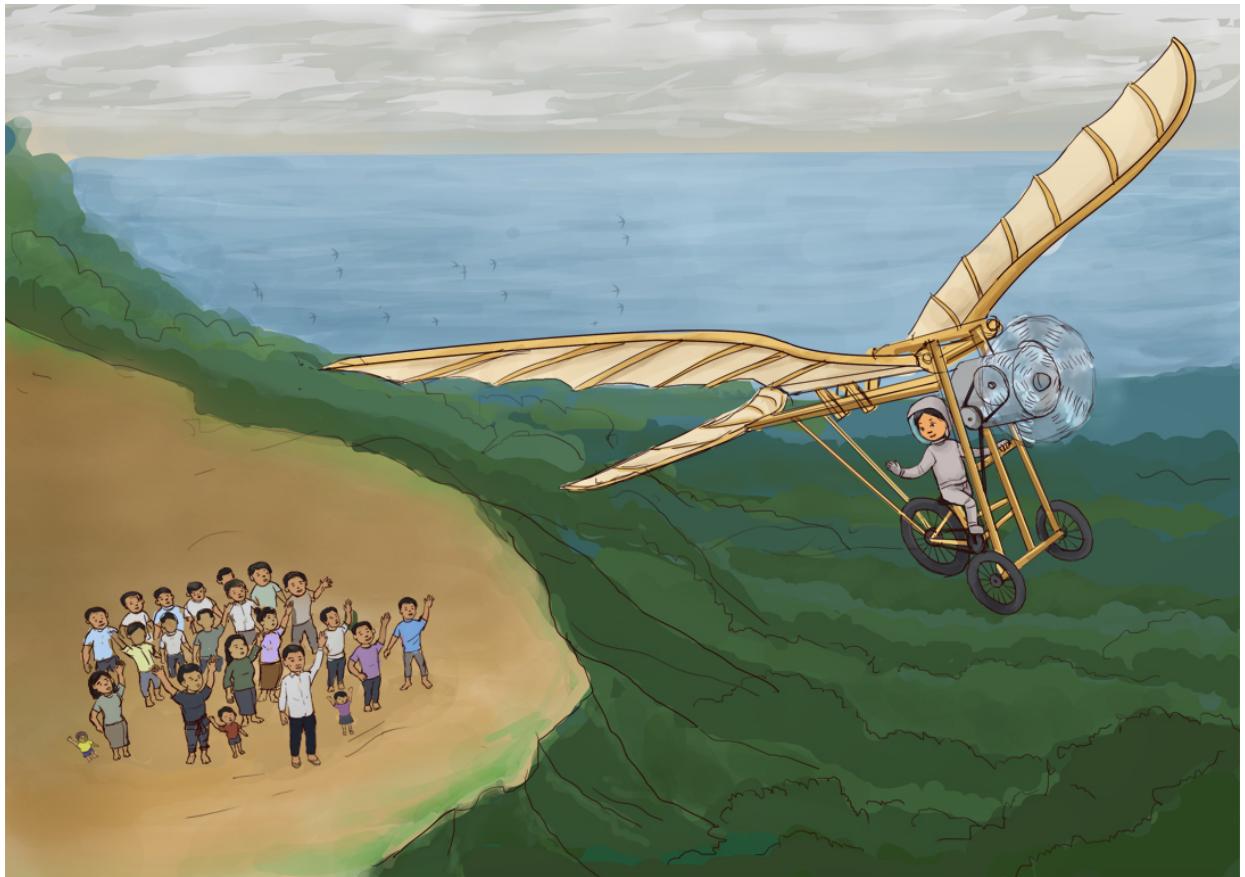
Srey Pov works hard to build her machine. When it is ready, she pulls it to the top of the mountain and takes off! But it flies out of control and crashes into a tree.



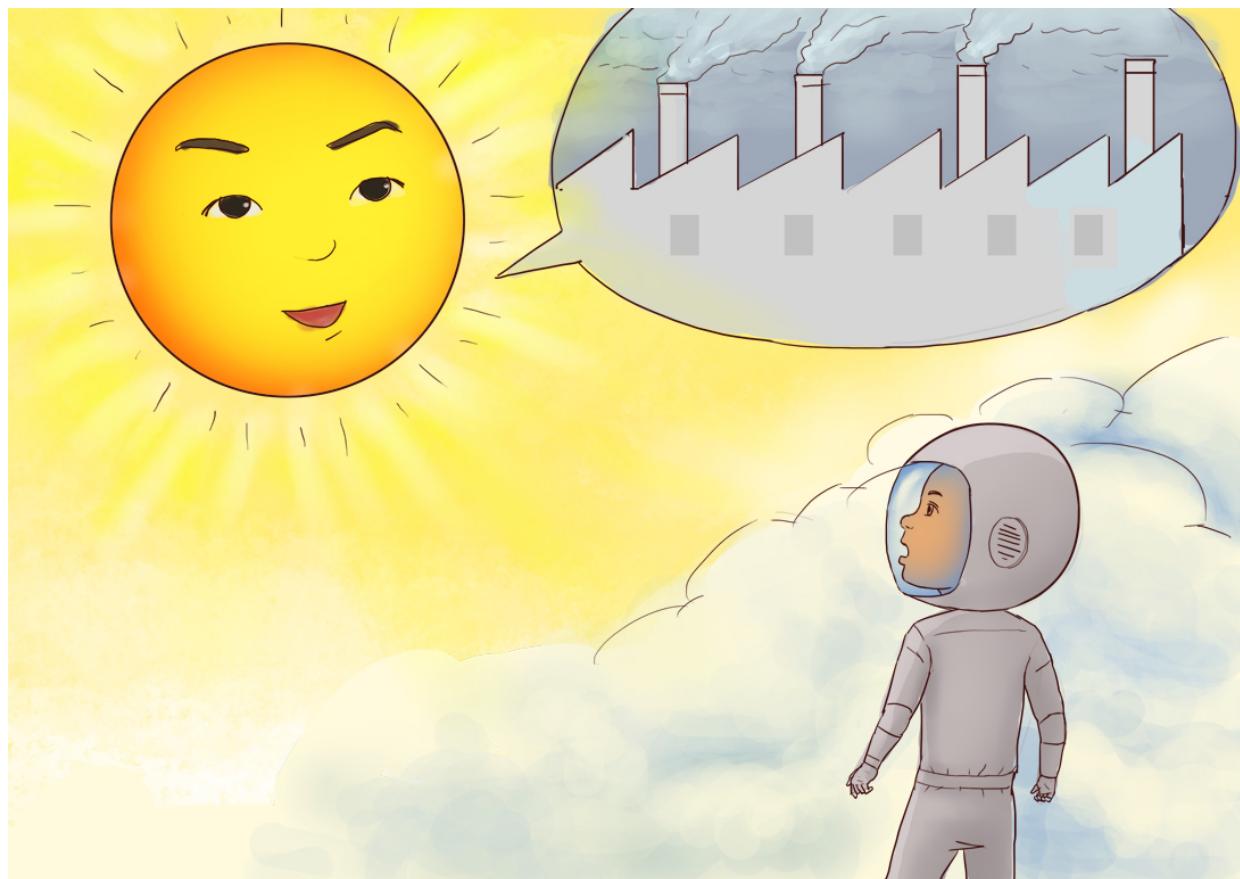
Srey Pov will not give up on her dream. So she builds the machine again.



The villagers have heard about her plans and come to help for her second launch. Even the chief is impressed. "Here is a suit and helmet to protect you from the heat. The sun is very hot!"



Srey Pov pedals her machine like a bicycle to power the engine. She smiles as she goes up and over the mountain. "I can fly!" she exclaims.



Srey Pov flies all the way to the sun. "Hello, Sun!" she asks. "Why did you stop shining in my village?" "It is the polluted air that blocks my light," the sun replies. "Oh, thank you Sun. I will tell everyone and we will work together to solve this problem."

"Good luck. I hope to see you again soon!" The sun calls, as Srey Pov flies back to the earth.



Srey Pov returns to her village and tells everyone about what she learned. "We must stop polluting the air with smoke from the factory. If we plant more trees, they will help to clean the air."



Soon, the sun shines again on Srey Pov's village. Everyone is grateful and proud of Srey Pov.



Now, Srey Pov is working on a
another plane. She is ready for
another adventure!

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