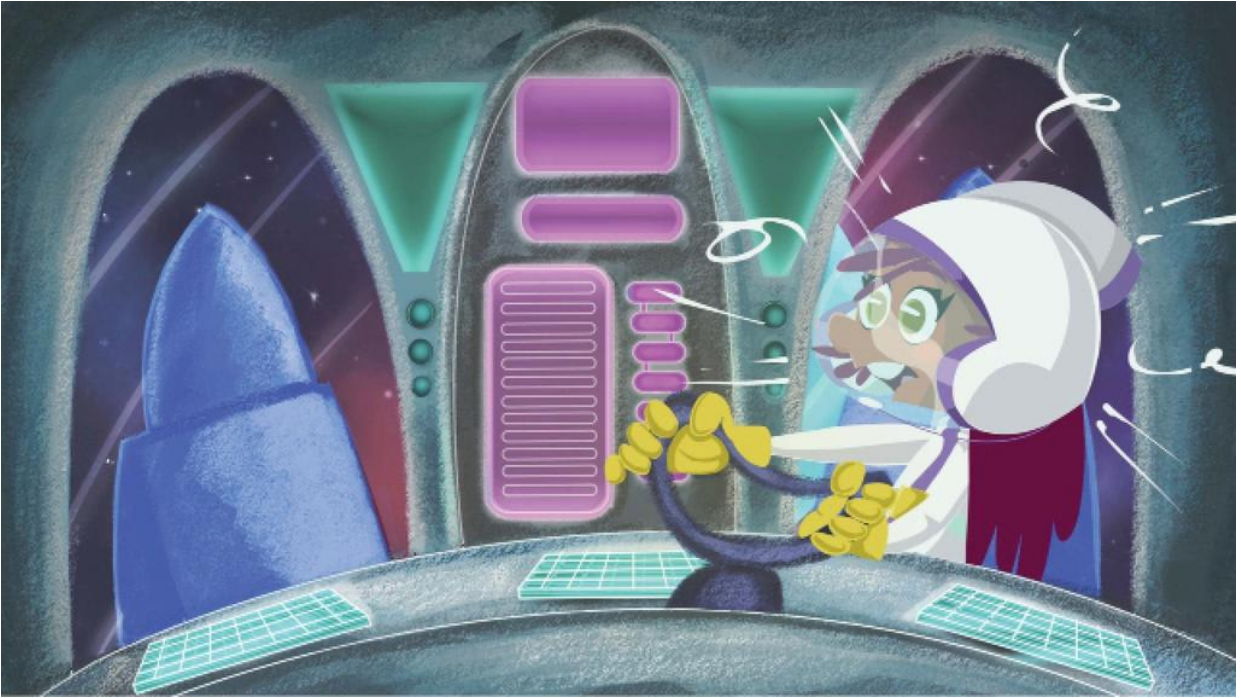


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Sara was on her way back from the giant spiral galaxy Andromeda.



Her spacecraft was about to collide with another spacecraft in space, but suddenly Sara took an extreme right and was tossed off her orbit.

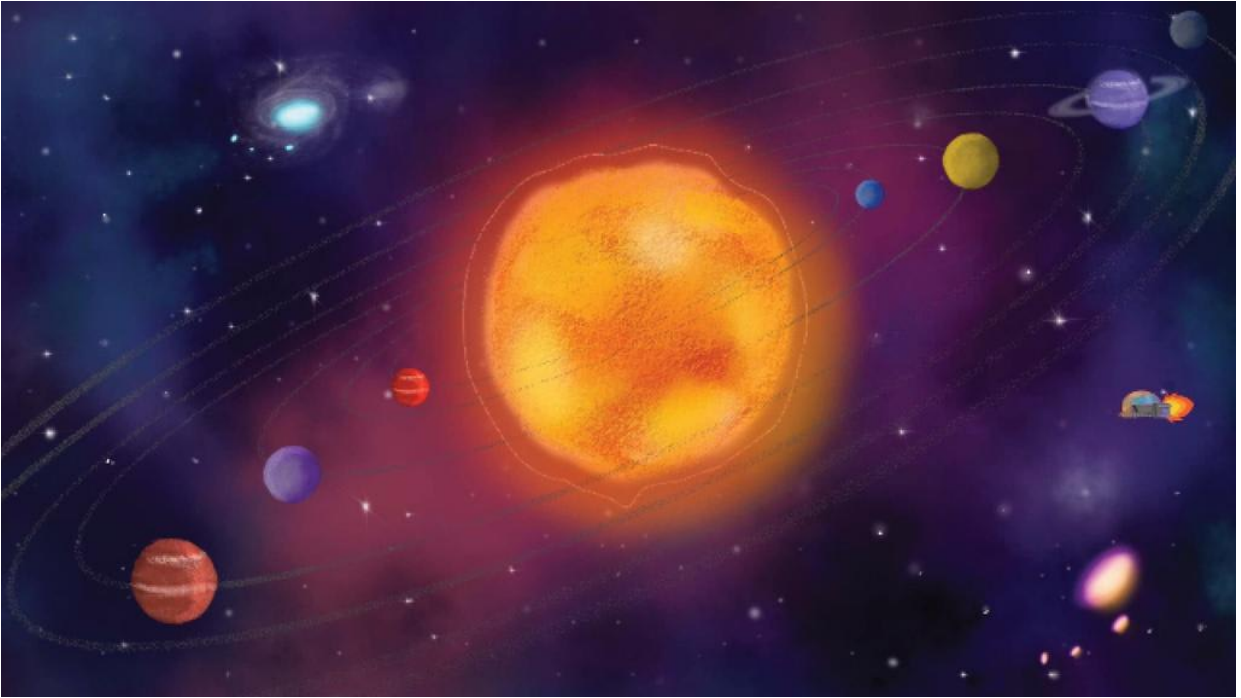


“It wasn’t my fault Dad, he suddenly entered in my orbit... Dad... Dad! Can you hear me? Helloooooo Oh no! The connection failed.”





Sara searched on the screen and on her Andromeda GPS, but unfortunately all the lights went off and the signal was lost.



After a while, she took a deep breath and said, “Oh great. Here’s the sun. The planets are orbiting it, and this is Earth. Great, now I can go back and tell Dad all about the accident.”



Sara held the steering wheel and said, “I wonder if my spacecraft will go through the atmosphere without burning? I have to be very careful. I’ll have to calculate my point of entry to avoid burning. If I don’t, the space craft will get burned due to its friction with air particles.”



And finally,





Sara opened her eyes widely and  
looked around and said,



“Oh no! What’s all this pollution?  
And what’s all that chaos and disorder  
in the place? What happened? I’ve  
only been away for a few hours.  
Suddenly...



“Who are you?” The girl whispered,  
“S-S-Sara and who are you?”



She replied to her pointing to herself and furrowing her eyebrows saying, “I’m Sara too. What is going on here?”





The girls spoke for a while until Sara the Andromedan understood that she was on another planet Earth in the Milky Way. She was surprised to know that she was now on another galaxy two million light years away from home.



Sara the Andromedan pointed to her spacecraft and said with a desperate voice, “I lost connection and I lost my GPS. I have to try and fix all this. I want to go back home”.



Sara from planet Earth said as she pointed to the two space crafts, “This space craft seems much more developed than our space crafts. Look, this is the space craft I travel in when I go out with Dad to space with his fellow scientists.” Sara the Andromedan stared at Sara and said, “Your father is an astronaut, is this

what you're telling me? My father is an astronaut too. And do you have a brother called Sam and a sister called Sal?"





Sara raised an eyebrow in astonishment and said, “I can’t believe it. Yes. So you’re the alien version of me hahahaha.. I can’t believe this!” Sara the Andromedan stuttered as she felt both happiness and fear. “Even though I’m happy and this is a great discovery, I still want to

go back home. Dad is waiting for me.  
He wanted important information.”

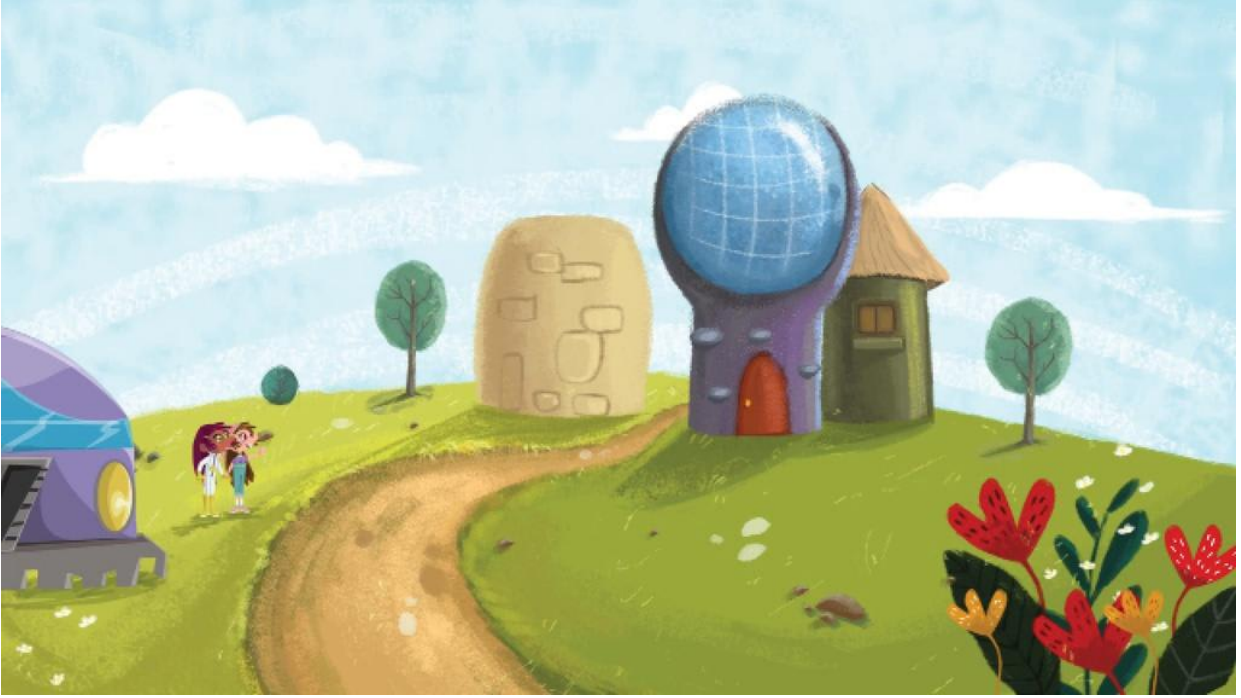


Sara shook her head and Sara the Andromedan said, “We need to find an alternative planet. Our sun has become too old and will soon become a red giant. It will expand in size and devour our planet and the other planets too.”



She burst into tears and said, “I don’t have a map!” How will I ever go back home? Life on our planet depends on the information I have on this memory card.”





Sara held her alien friend's hand and told her, "I want to help you, but I don't know how? What if I tell dad? Do you think he can help you? Maybe he could!"



Dr. Fred the scientist listened carefully to the incredible story and said after moving his fist. “Yes!!! It is one discovery of its kind. It will give science a new dimension. Tell me more about your galaxy. I might be able to help you.”



Sara the Andromedan said, “My galaxy is a spiral giant galaxy. Our solar system lies on one of its sides.” Dr. Fred the scientist leaped and said, “Really, Is it really Andromeda. It’s the closest to our galaxy and it’s a giant galaxy compared to us. This is where you come from? Is that true?”



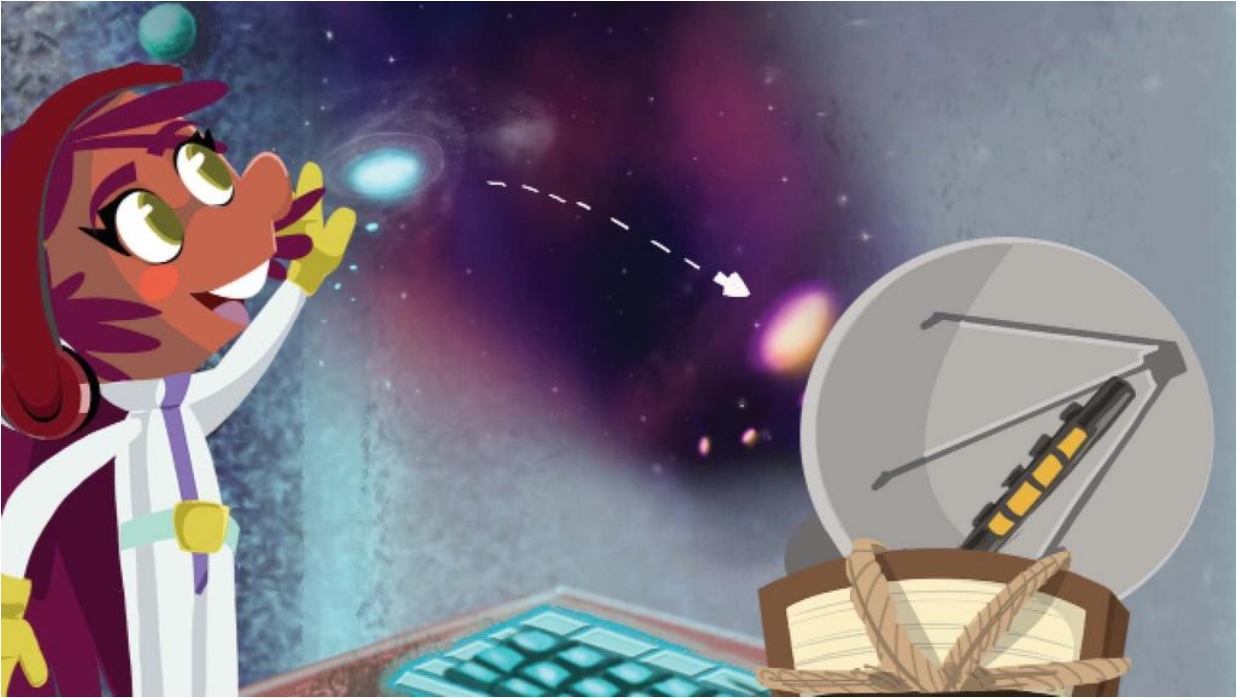
Sara the Andromedan said, “How do you manage to communicate with other galaxies?” Dr. Fred the scientist, shook his head and pursed his lips and said, “Unfortunately, we haven’t been able to yet.”





A smile showed on Sara the Andromedan's face when she looked at Dr. Fred the scientist's lab and said, "Would you kindly allow me to use your lab. I'll try to intercept signals using the travelling gravitational wave receiver. And send some with the wave amplification transmitter I'll build". Dr. Fred the scientist spread

both of his arms and said, “Of course, you may do as you wish! I’ll help you and learn from you too.” Sara the Andromedan smiled and said, “Deal, thank you so much.”



Sara the Andromedan leaped with joy, “Dad, I can hear you, can you hear me.. Hello” Oh no! We lost the connection again, please try again. Sara leapt with joy, “Daaaad.. hahaha I can hear you now. You won’t believe where I’m talking to you from.”



Dr. Fred the scientist smiled and said,  
“Hello Dr. Fred the Andromedan.  
Happy to communicate with you.”  
Sara the Andromedan said, “Come on  
dad, send me the Space map so I can  
come back quickly. Oh! We’re losing  
connection.”





Sara the Andromedan hugged Sara while twirling around. “Yes, I did it before I lost the connection. I finally have the map. Thank you very much for your assistance.” Will I ever go back home? Sara the Andromedan shook hands with Sara her friend and said, “We can keep in touch using the

transmitter and receiver I've built in your lab.”



Sara the Andromedan waved goodbye to her friends from her spacecraft and said, “I hope we can soon communicate with your planet. Maybe via wireless connections.” Sara waved back and said, “I’ll tell my friend Ruby at school about you tomorrow.” Sara the Andromedan

laughed and said, “My friend Ruby will also like you so much.”





The End