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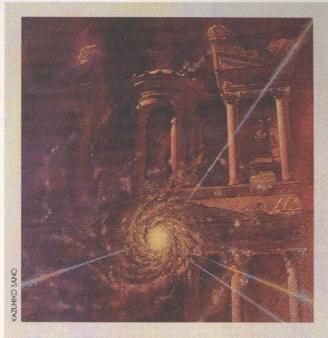
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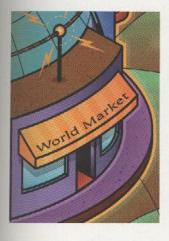
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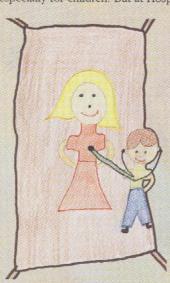
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Cisco Systems, of San Jose, California, is the leading provider of internetworking solutions for enterprisewide computer systems. And it's one of the fastest-growing companies in the world. In 1994, as sales approached \$2 billion and the company's operations spanned the globe, Cisco's information systems couldn't keep up. The company's subsequent installation of Oracle Applications is the largest in the world, reaching from Cisco headquarters across the U.S., Canada, Europe, and Japan. And it took less than a year.

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