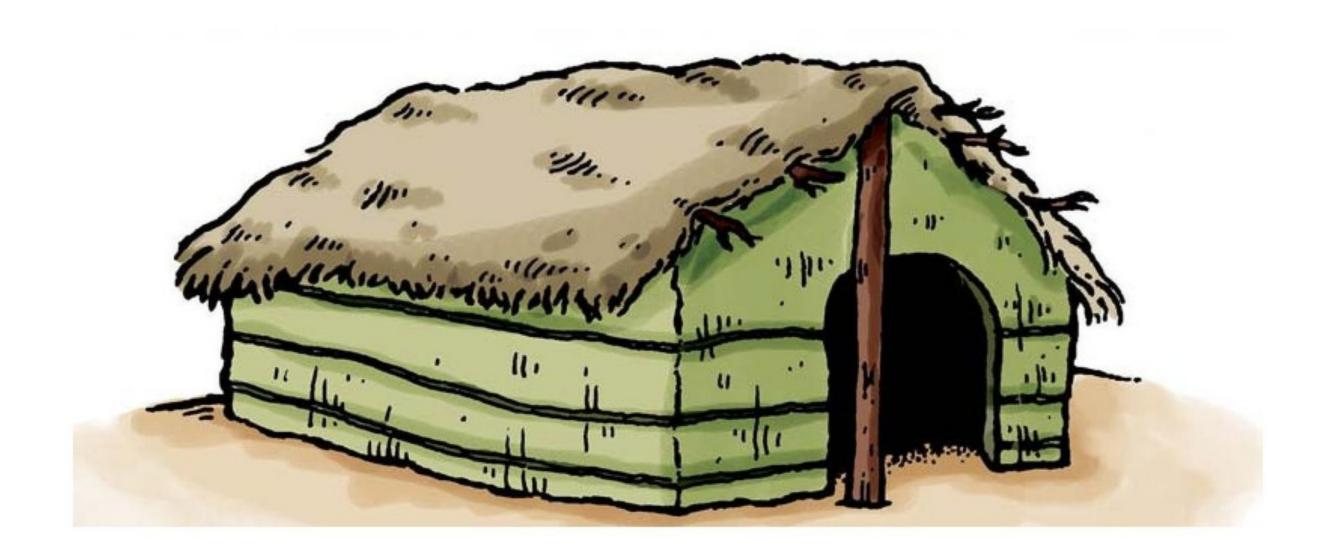
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INTRODUCTION

Follow the Sun around the world, and find new friends in new places. Some are like you, and some are different. But they all love to play and sing.

A FRIEND IN KOREA

I am Chang-Yong, and I am ten. My family lives in a city apartment in South Korea.





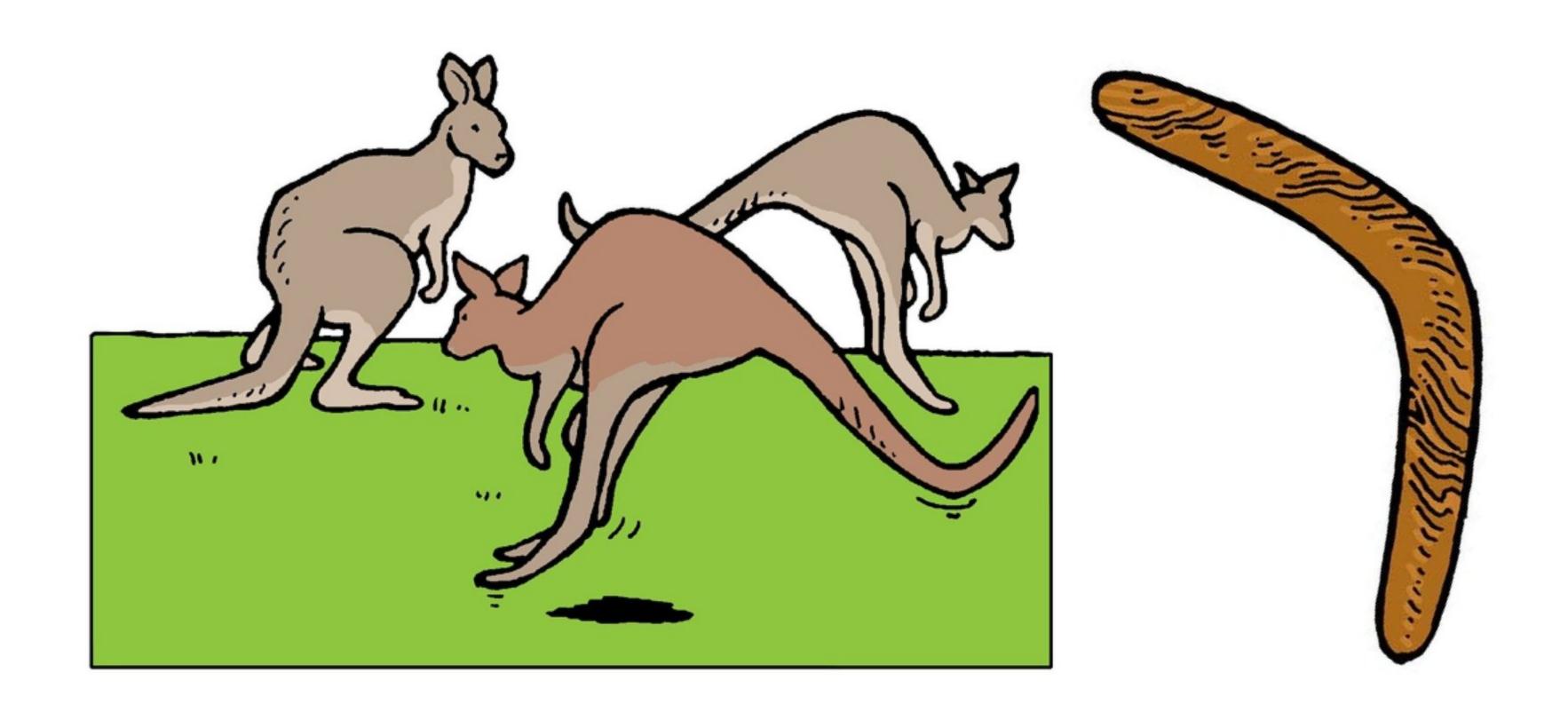


I like to study science in school. I play ball with my friends after school. My best jacket is made of silk. My favorite food is **barbecued** beef.

A FRIEND IN AUSTRALIA

Jessica is my name. I am an **Aboriginal** Australian, and I am six. I live with my mother and grandmother.



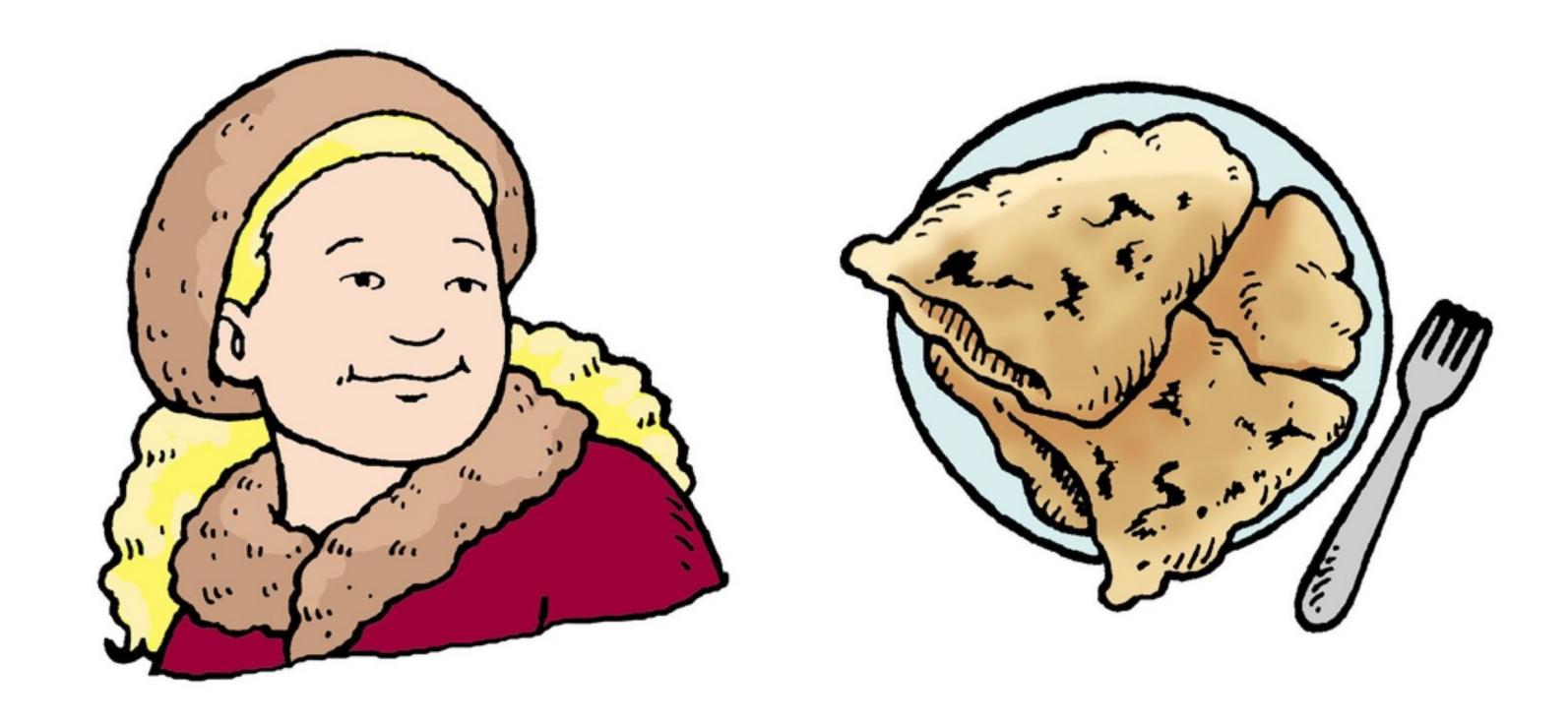


My mother is a cook. I love to throw a **boomerang** and watch kangaroos hop around.

A FRIEND IN RUSSIA

I am Natasha, and I am seven. My home is an apartment in Moscow, Russia. I like dancing.

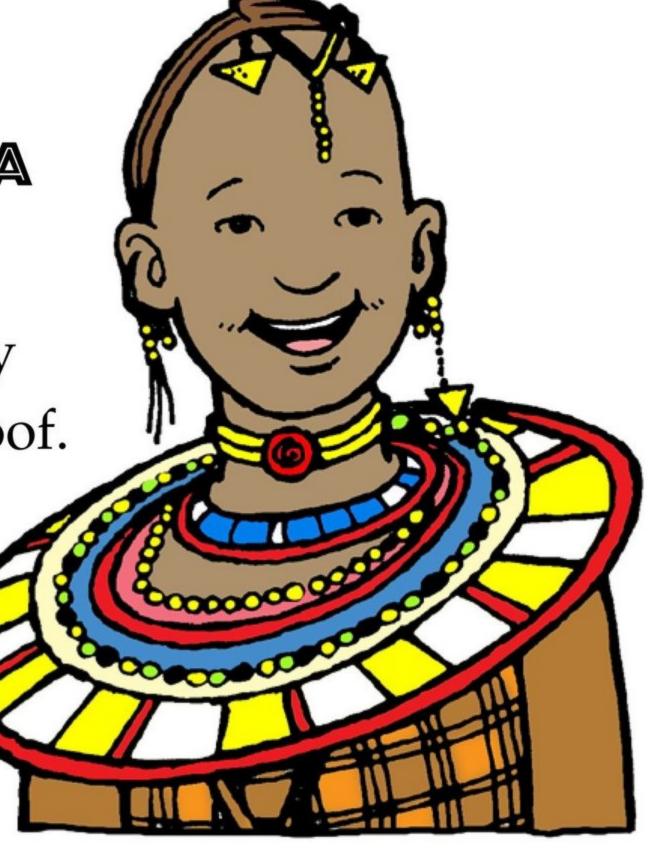


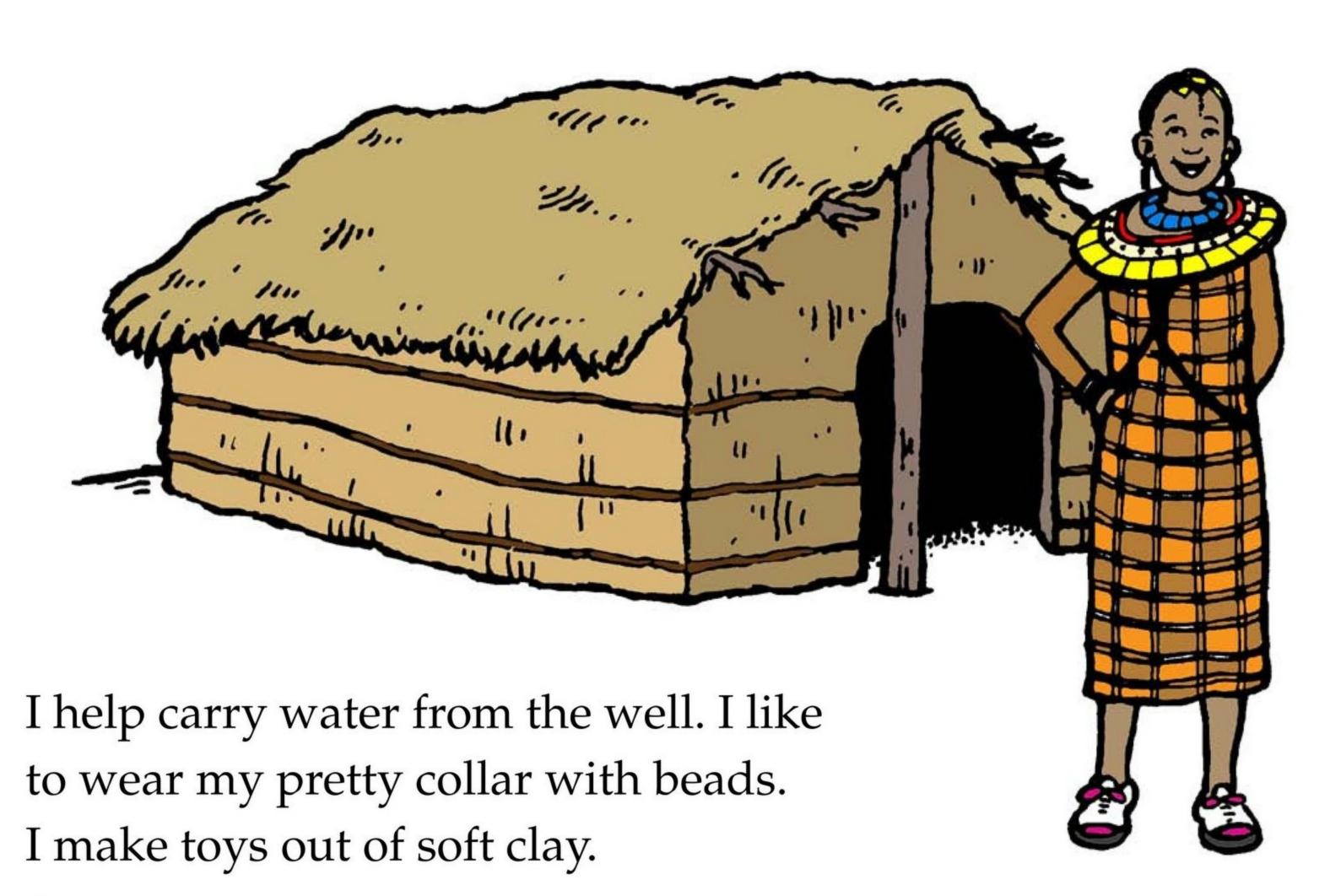


In winter, I wear a fur hat and coat. I make snow houses and snow angels. I love to eat pancakes called bliny (BLEE-nee).

A FRIEND IN TANZANIA

I live in Tanzania, and Manka (MAHN-kah) is my name. My family lives in a wooden hut with a grass roof. My father takes care of our cows.





A FRIEND IN CANADA

I am called Kipanik (KEE-pa-nik), and my people are **Inuit**. We live in northern Canada, where it is cold and snowy. My dogs pull me on my sled.





I like to play hockey. My dad and his friends hunt for **caribou**. I like caribou meat with **ketchup**.



CONCLUSION

How are you like these children? How are you different? Do you want to join this circle of friends around the world?

GLOSSARY

Aboriginal (*adj.*) of or relating to the native people of Australia who lived there before the Europeans came (p. 7)

barbecued (*adj.*) cooked over an open flame in a highly seasoned sauce (p. 6)

boomerang (*n*.) a curved stick that returns when it is thrown (p. 8)

caribou (n.) a large deer of northern and Arctic North America (p. 14)

Inuit (n.) a group of people who live in the Arctic north of Canada, Alaska, and Greenland (p. 13)

ketchup (*n*.) a thick red sauce that is made with tomatoes, onions, salt, sugar, and spices (p. 14)

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