Dirty Work

5 Small Objects of Desire by MICHAEL SEH

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I picked up five different piles of dirt from people. After that, I dropped off each of the five different piles of dirt to other people.

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Sometimes two other people would take care of a pile of dirt, sometimes one.

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003	2021	Craig’s Vintage Dirt, Mt. Washington CA
004	2021	Nas’ Driveway Dirt, Burbank CA
005	2021	God’s Dirt, Miracle Mile CA

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006	2021	Kim's Cucumber and Pumpkin Dirt, La Cañada CA
007	2021	Alex's Backyard Dirt, Newbury Park CA

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I store a pile of dirt in a vacuum cleaner, when a pile of dirt is not taken care of by other people.

It was dirty work.

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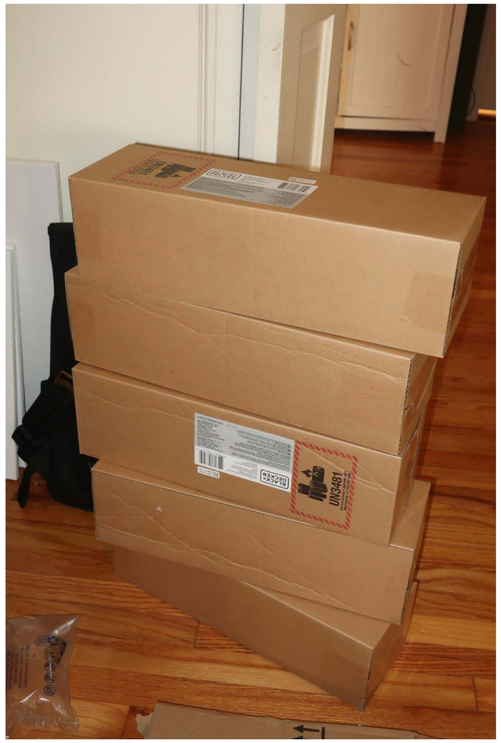

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During a slow week, the five vacuum cleaners sat on the floor together.

011 2021 exhibition view

012 2021 exhibition view

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PEOPLE

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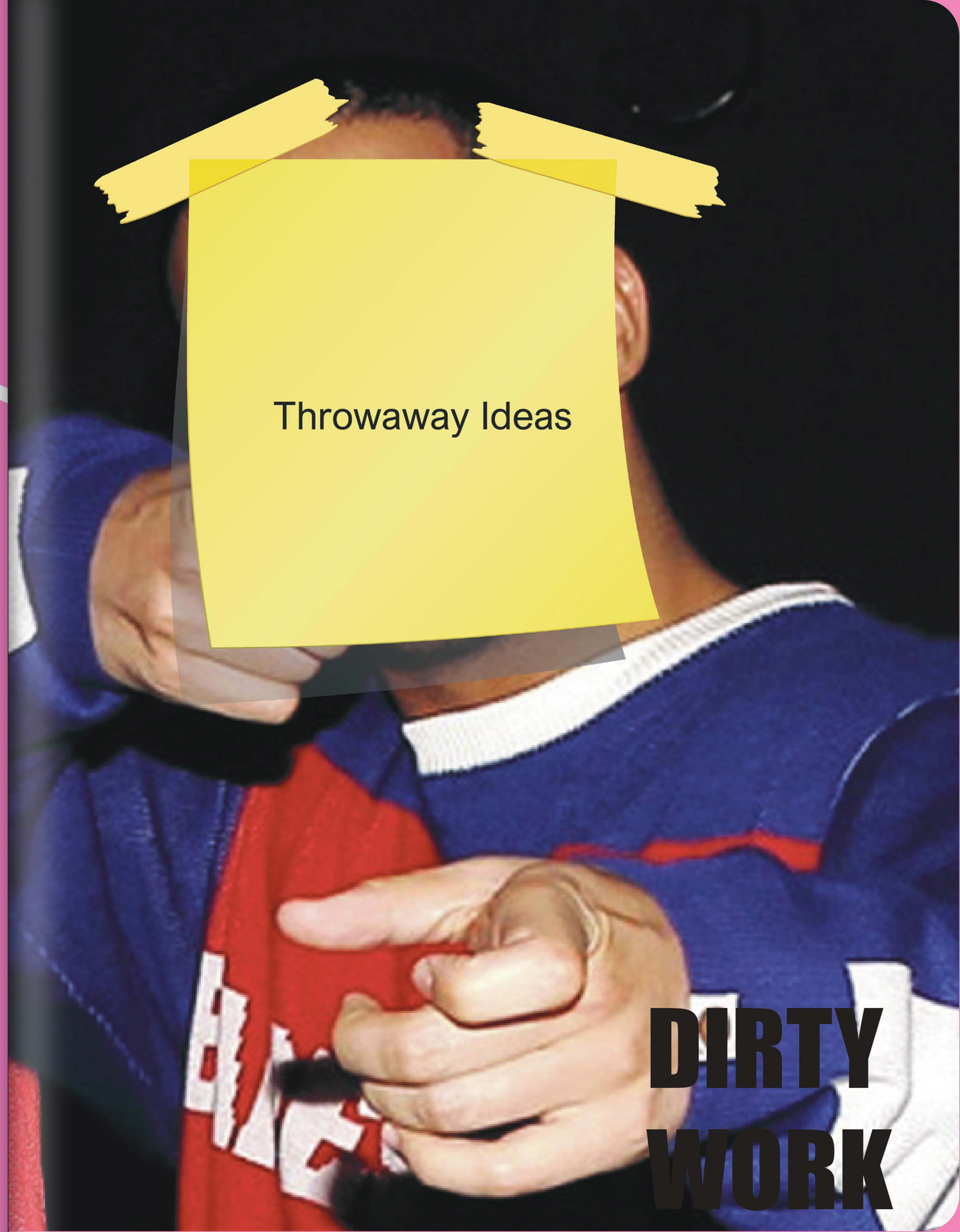
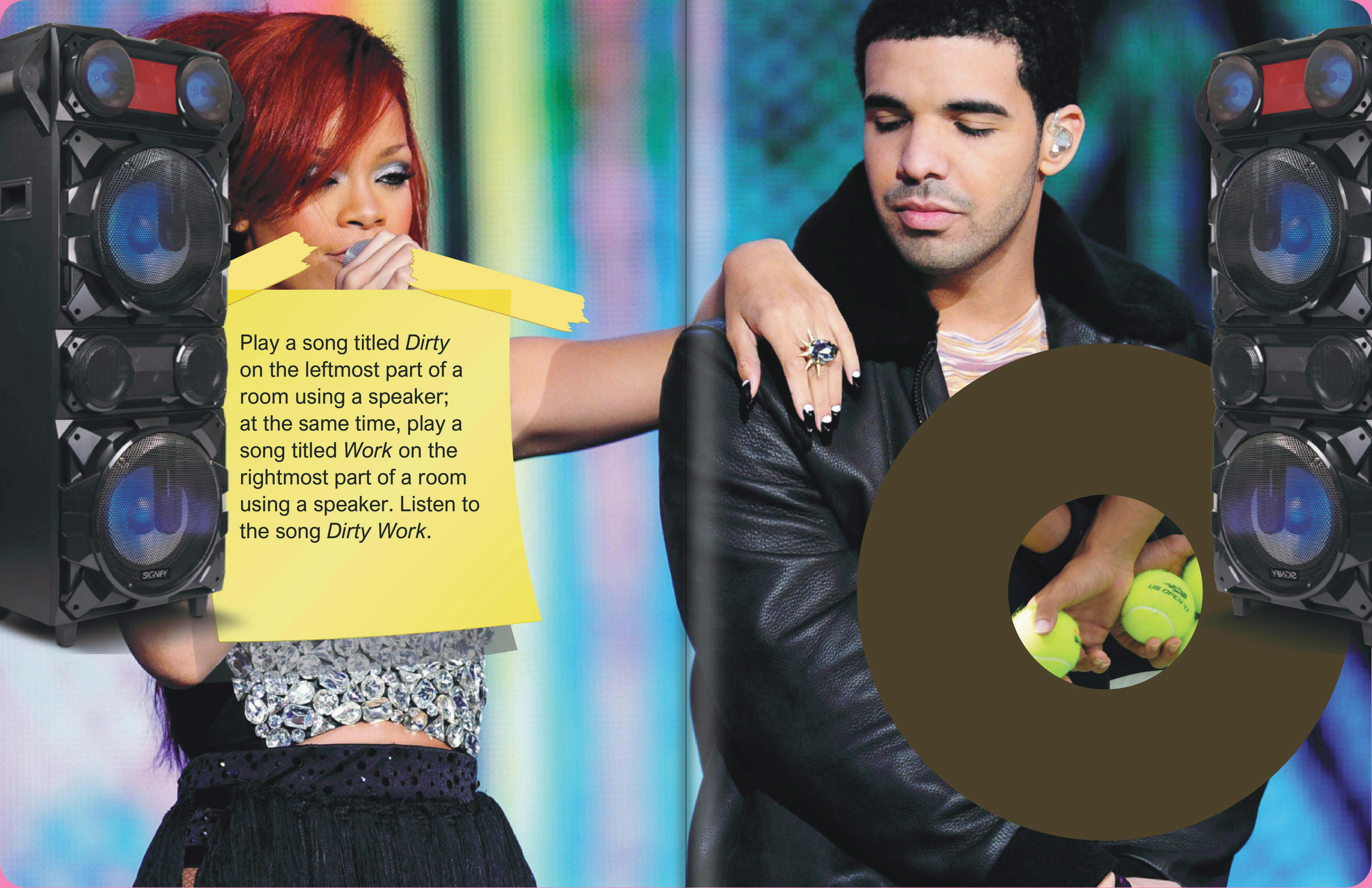
Not pictured: Nas, God


Throwaway Ideas
DIRTY
WORK



Play a song titled *Dirty* on the leftmost part of a room using a speaker; at the same time, play a song titled *Work* on the rightmost part of a room using a speaker. Listen to the song *Dirty Work*.

Cut open five tennis balls. Hide a different pile of dirt in each of the five tennis balls.

ASK A LIBRARIAN
WHERE CAN I FIND
BOOKS ABOUT DIRT
814.54
KIN
HUMOR
814.54
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ESSAYS
HUMOR
814.54
EA

Use found dirt to make a dirt sandwich

Rent an apartment.

Turn dirt into mud and leave the apartment dirty.

RENTAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT M

BETWEEN:

(Name)

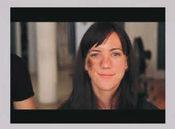
after called the LESSOR

Office Box where applicable)

Write down all my ideas about dirt. Throw away all my ideas about dirt into a garbage can. Watch the garbage truck pick up the garbage can and carry all my ideas about dirt away.

File a patent for each unique pile of dirt I own. Exclude other people from selling or exchanging each unique pile of dirt I own.

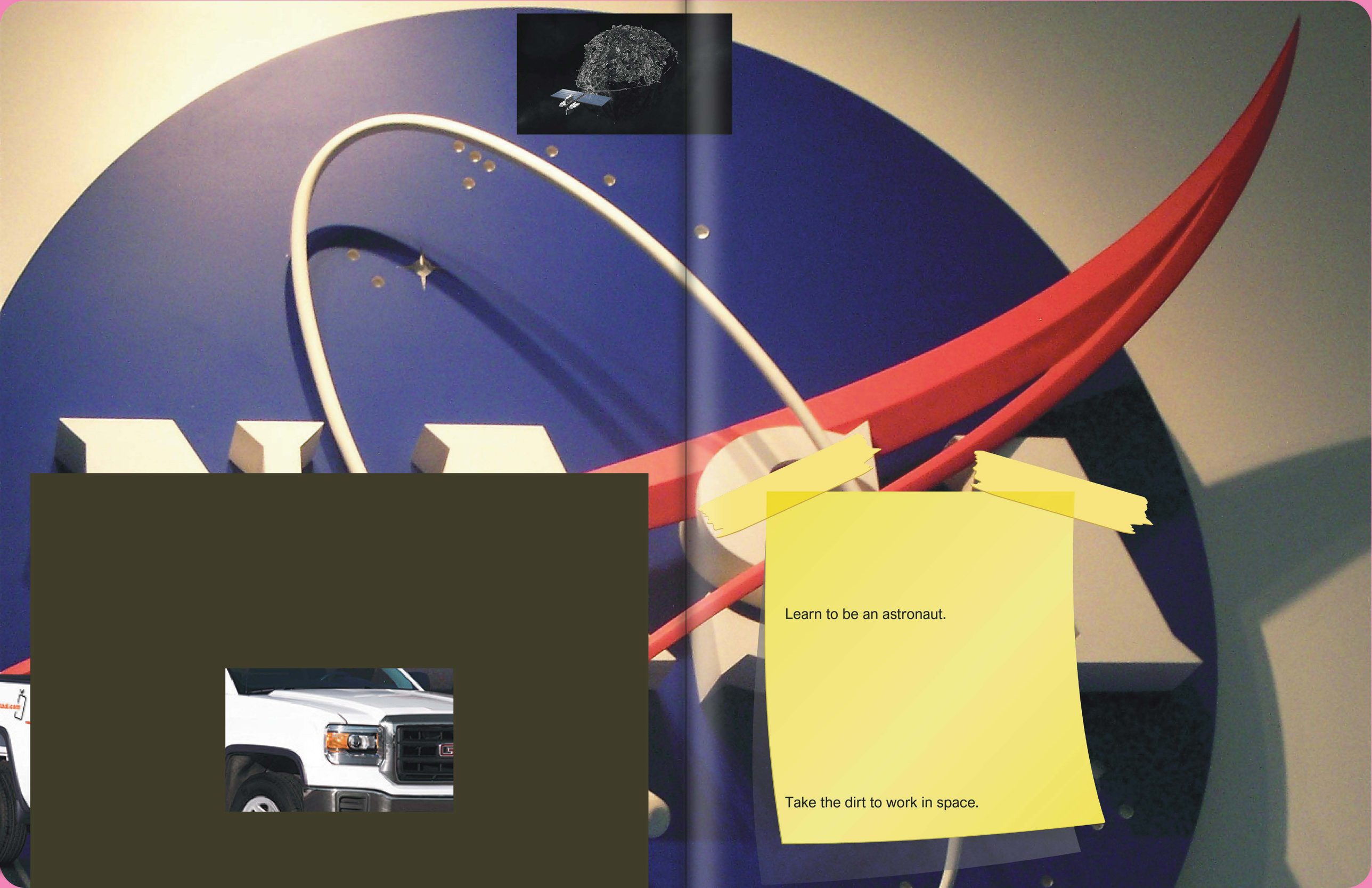
Dig a pit. Dump the dirt I have into the pit. Invite people to play with the dirt in the pit.



Make makeup
with dirt.

In specific, a bronzer
that gives the skin
that dirty tan look.
Aim to market the
bronzer @ working
professionals.

Fill an ice cube tray with dirt. After the dirt is frozen as cubes, serve the dirt as on the rocks.


Learn to be an astronaut.
Take the dirt to work in space.

Dump the dirt myself.

Rent a U-Haul pickup truck.

Allows me to work at my own pace.

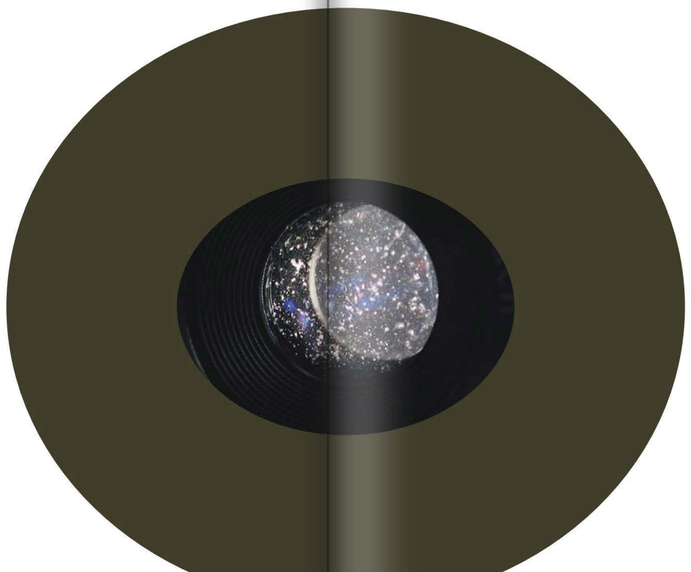
May require multiple trips.

Make Soft Clay from Dirt. Sculpt a horse using the Soft Clay from Dirt.

Soft Clay from Dirt

ow Dirt Could Help Save th Planet

Use dirt to save the planet.



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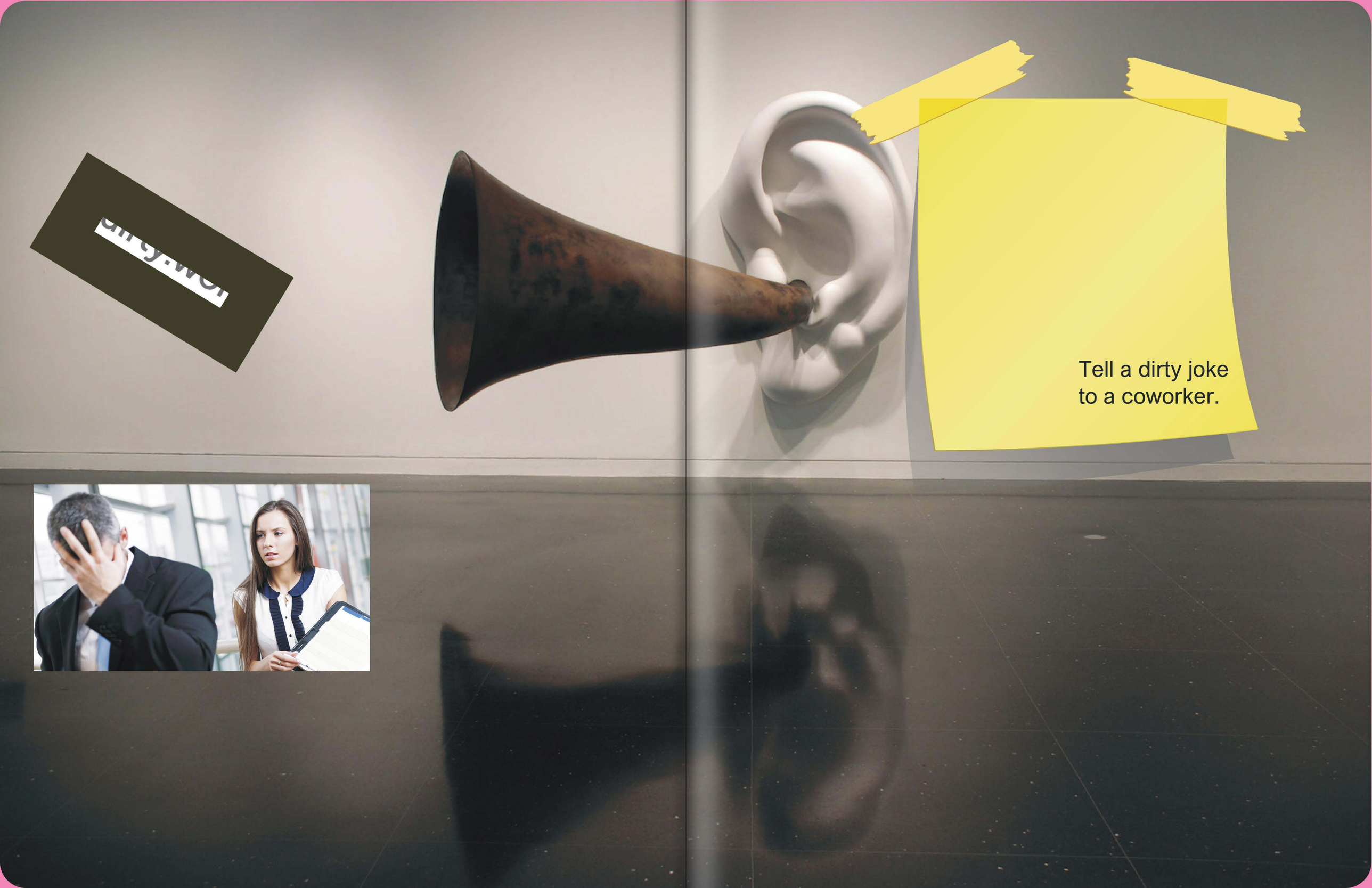
Tell a dirty joke
to a coworker.

HOW DO DOMAINS WORK?

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BUY THE DOMAIN

DIRTY.WORK

Beast Mode

Make offer

How to sterilize dirt?

Use dirt to
level out
uneven
ground.

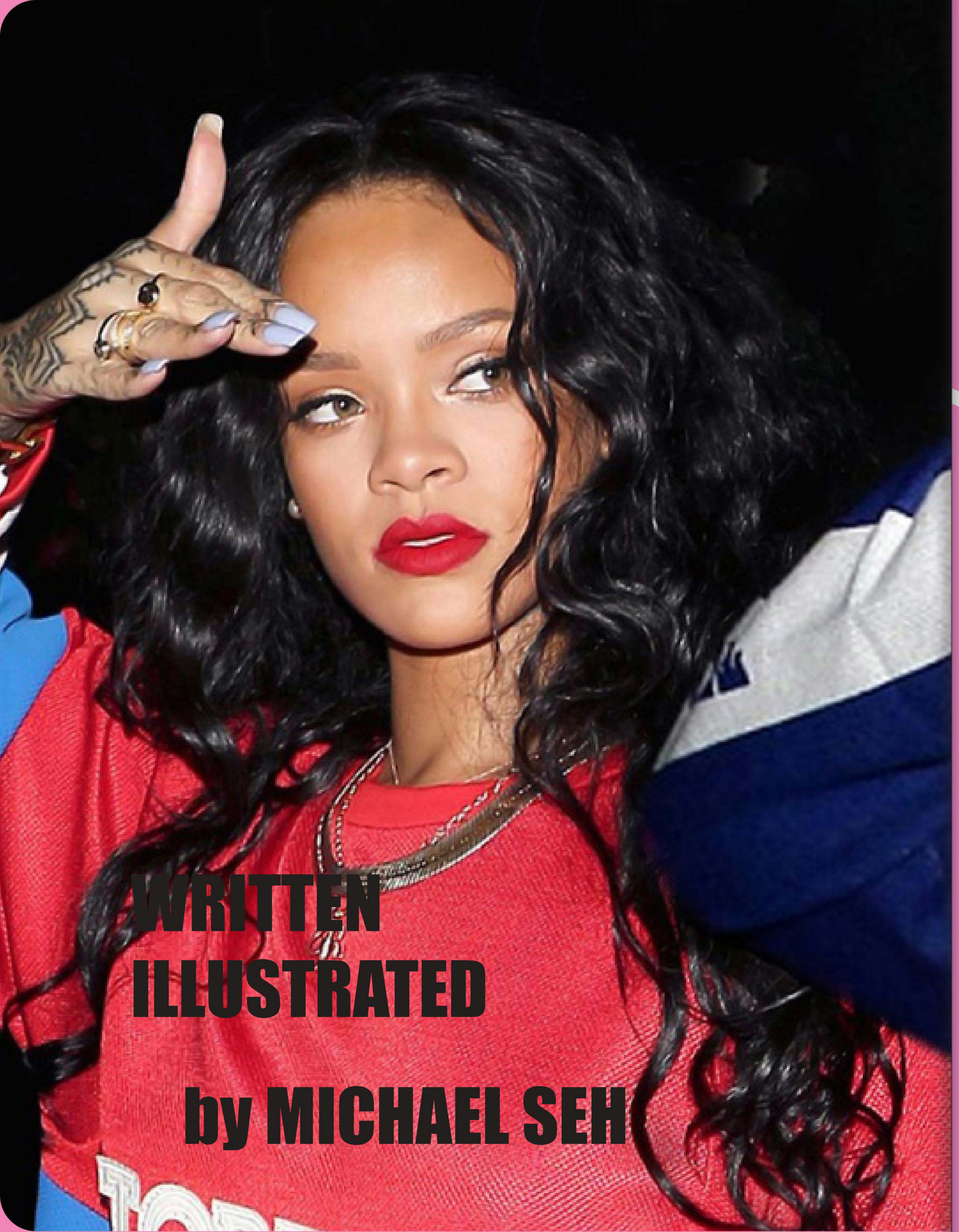
GROW MONEY PLANT IN THE DIRT I FOUND

Put a pile of dirt next to a dirt bike

Put a pile of dirt next to a red car.

Get employed at a coffee shop. During a work shift, replace grinded coffee beans with FOUND DIRT.

I ♥ DIRT



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I did research.

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The Secret Life of the Vacuum Cleaner
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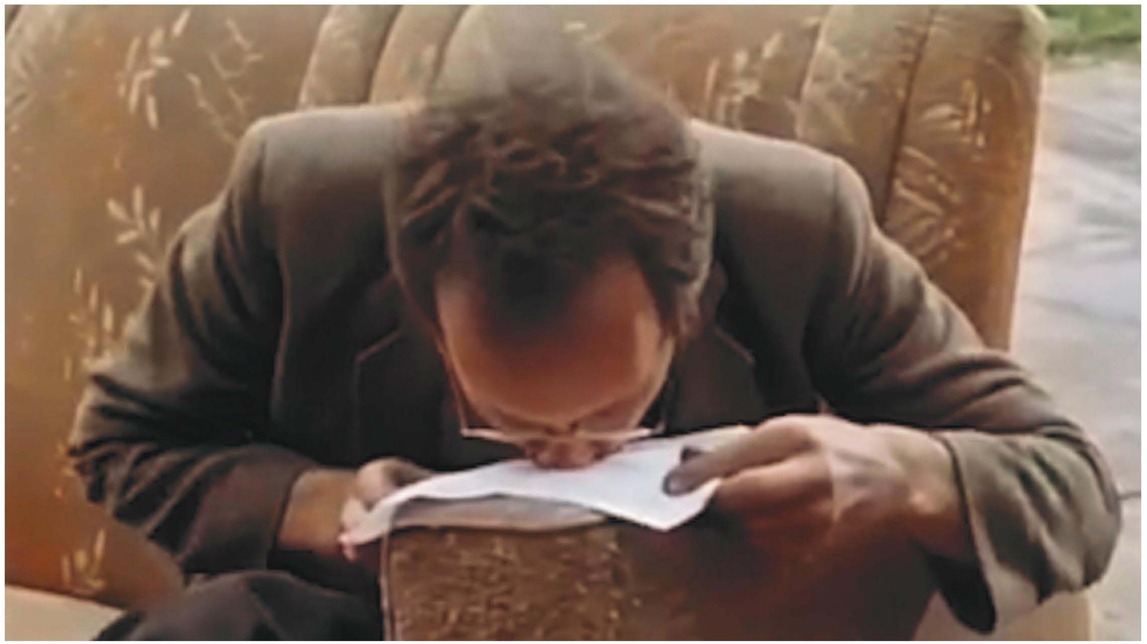

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