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## Vocabulary

seeds (n) မျိုးစေ့များ  
tools (n) ကိရိယာများ  
plant (v) စိုက်ပျိုးသည်  
nature (n) သဘာဝ  
huge (adj) ကြီးမားသော  
machines (n) စက်ပစ္စည်းများ  
protect (v) ကာကွယ်သည်  
remember (v)  
သတိရသည်၊ မှတ်မိသည်

Meet our friends

Teacher

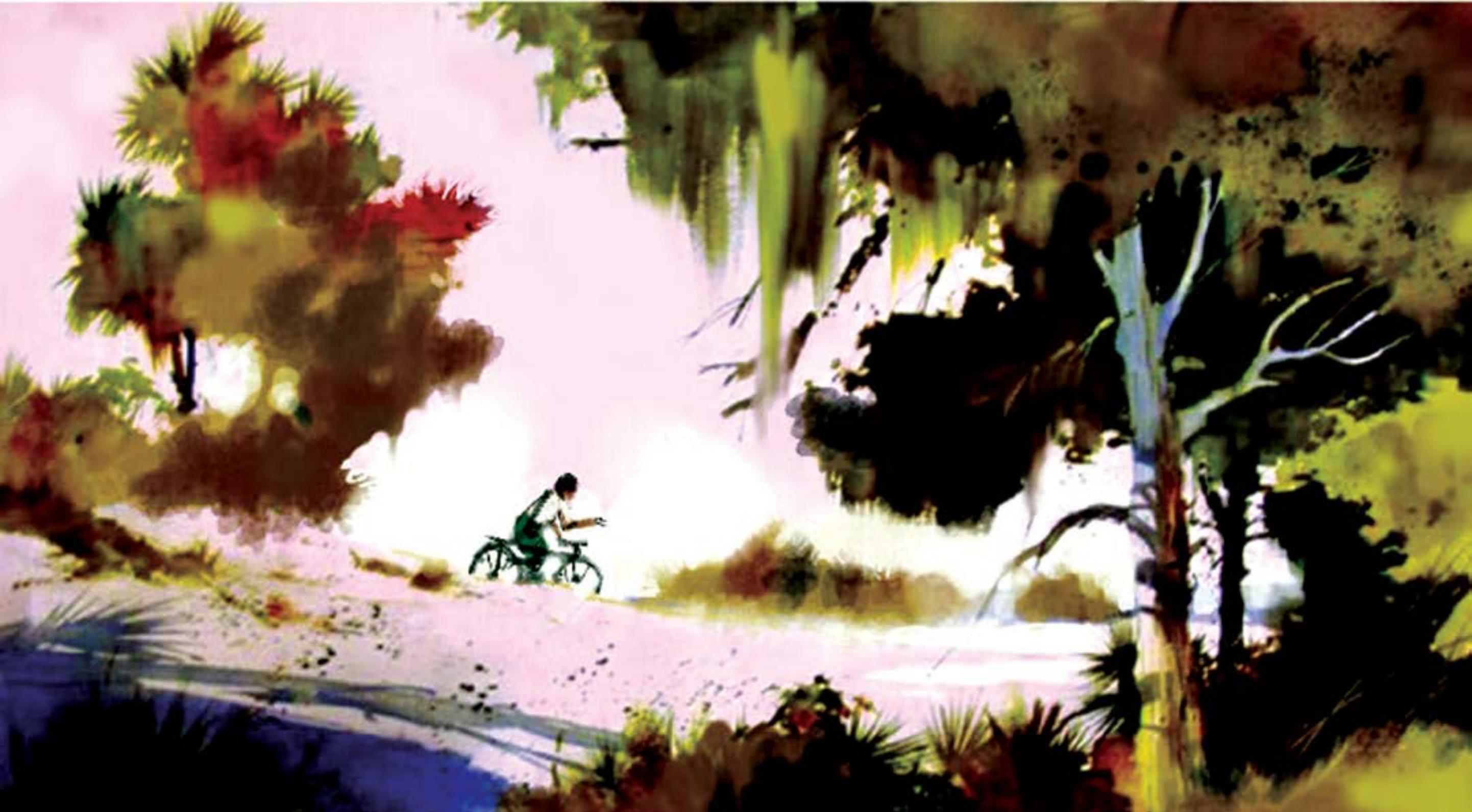


Students



There once was a school teacher who loved trees.

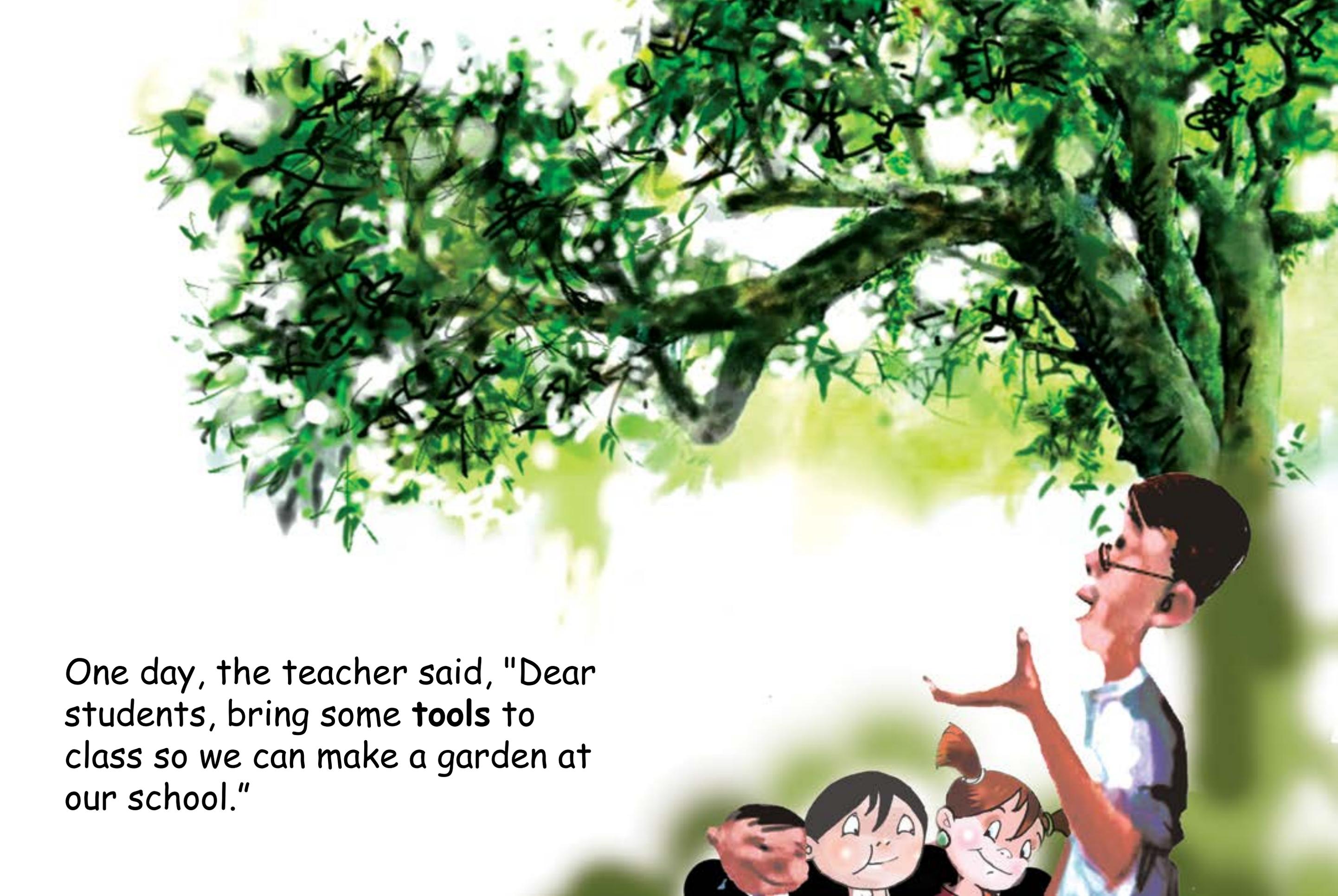
When he rode his bike to school he would throw **seeds** along the road.





After it rained, the seeds became small trees.

Years later, the school road was beautiful with big, green trees.



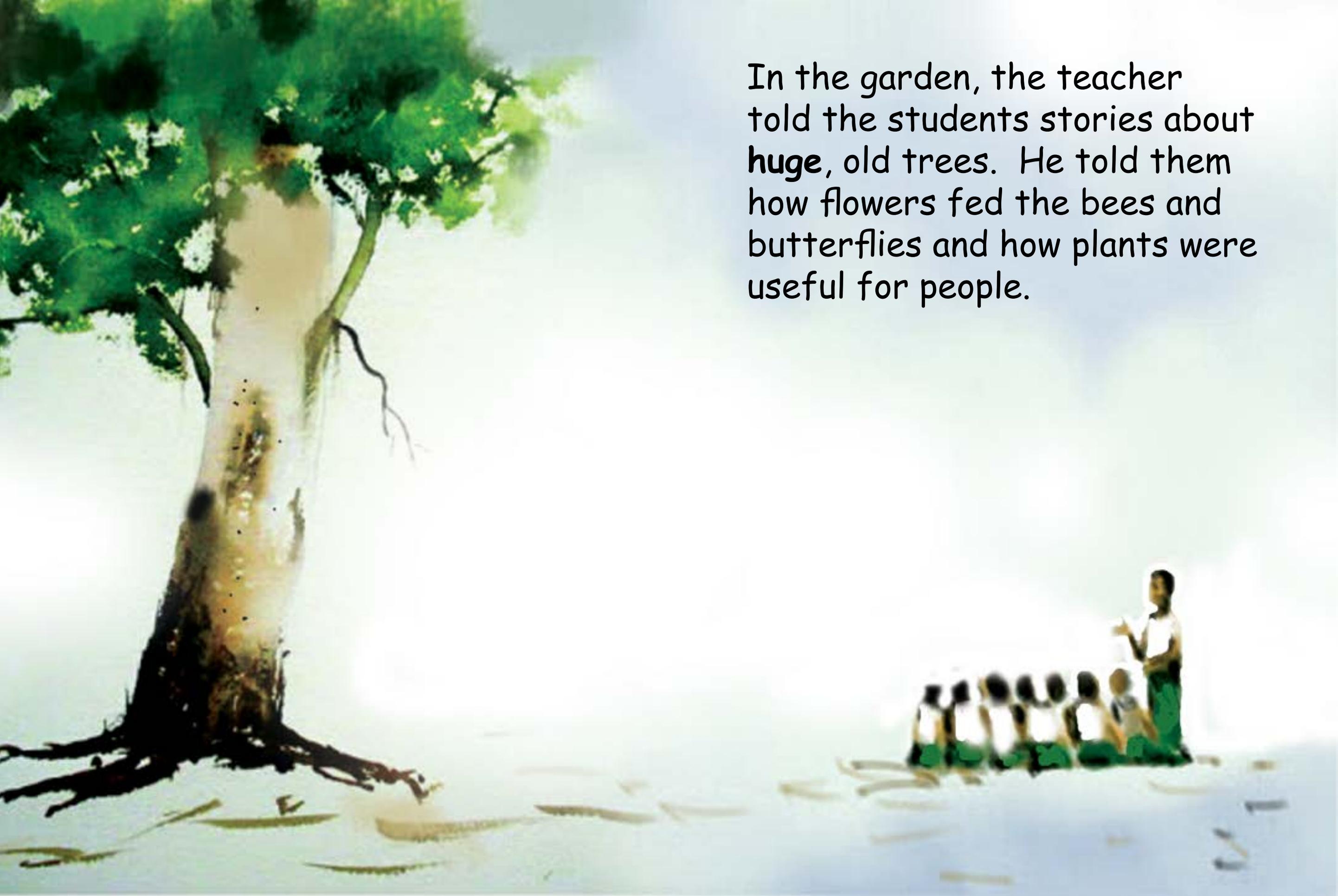
One day, the teacher said, "Dear students, bring some tools to class so we can make a garden at our school."



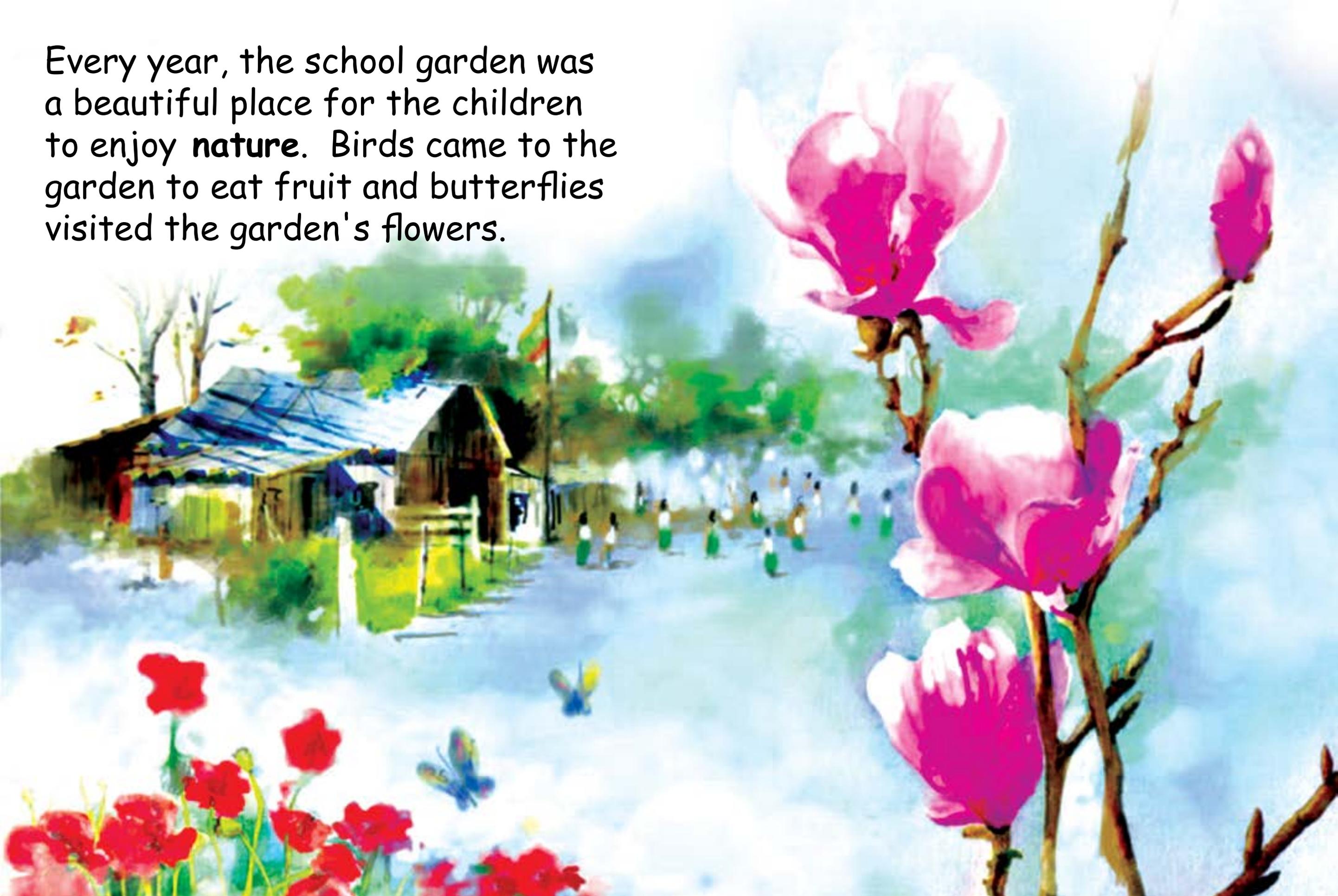
They worked together to plant a beautiful garden at the school.

When the garden grew, the children could smell the flowers and play under the trees.

In the garden, the teacher told the students stories about huge, old trees. He told them how flowers fed the bees and butterflies and how plants were useful for people.



Every year, the school garden was a beautiful place for the children to enjoy nature. Birds came to the garden to eat fruit and butterflies visited the garden's flowers.



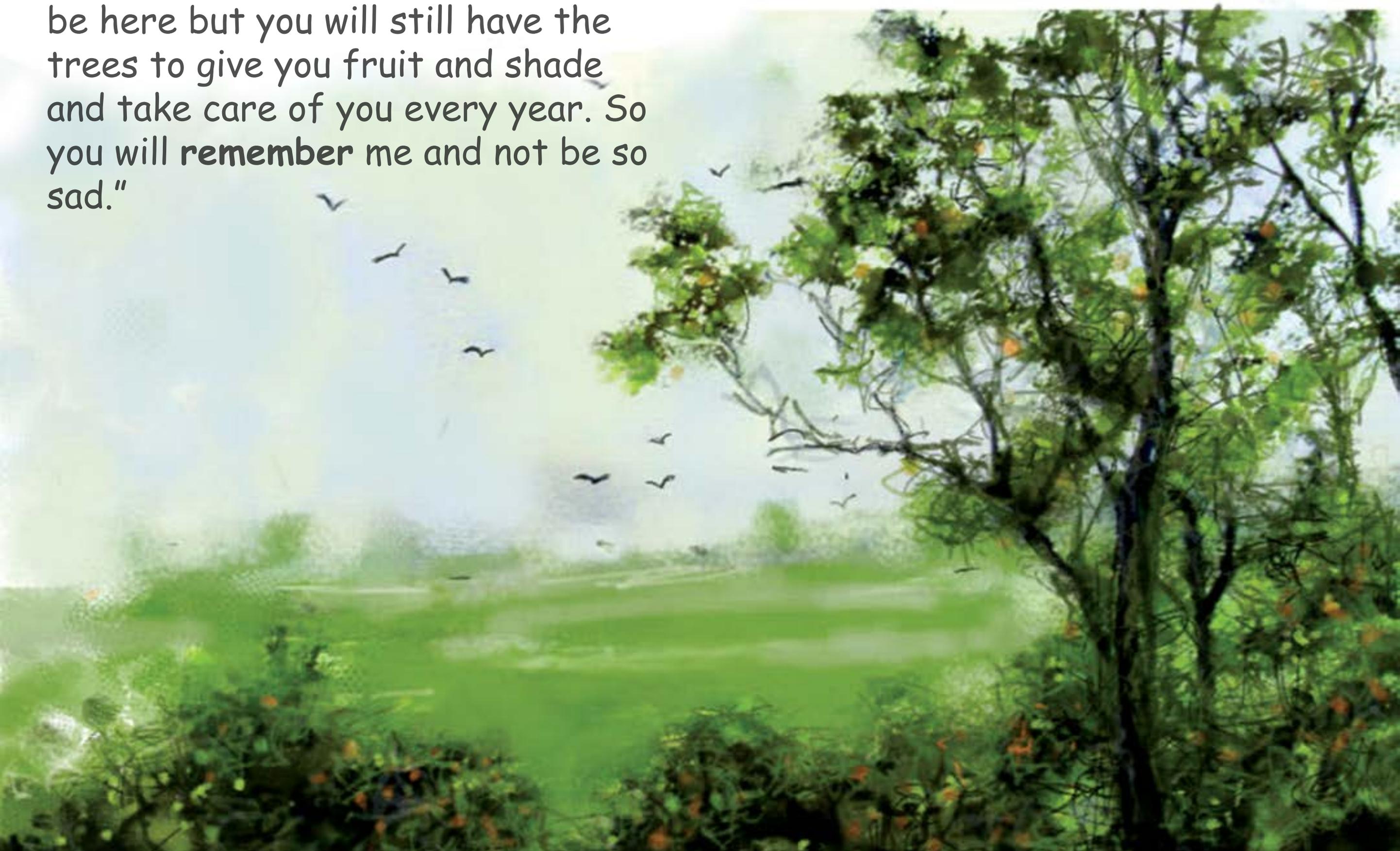
One day the teacher told his students he needed to move to another village that did not have trees. People cut down all the trees with big machines and now the people had no fruit to eat. There were no shady trees to protect them from the hot sun. There was no water for the people or animals to drink.



The teacher wanted to go and help the other village, but the students were very sad.



"Oh, students," he said. "I won't be here but you will still have the trees to give you fruit and shade and take care of you every year. So you will remember me and not be so sad."



The teacher said goodbye to his students and rode his old bicycle down the road toward the other village.



# Questions for Kids:

Do you have a garden at your school?



What did the teacher teach his students?



What would happen if there were no trees?

What would you do when the teacher leaves?



