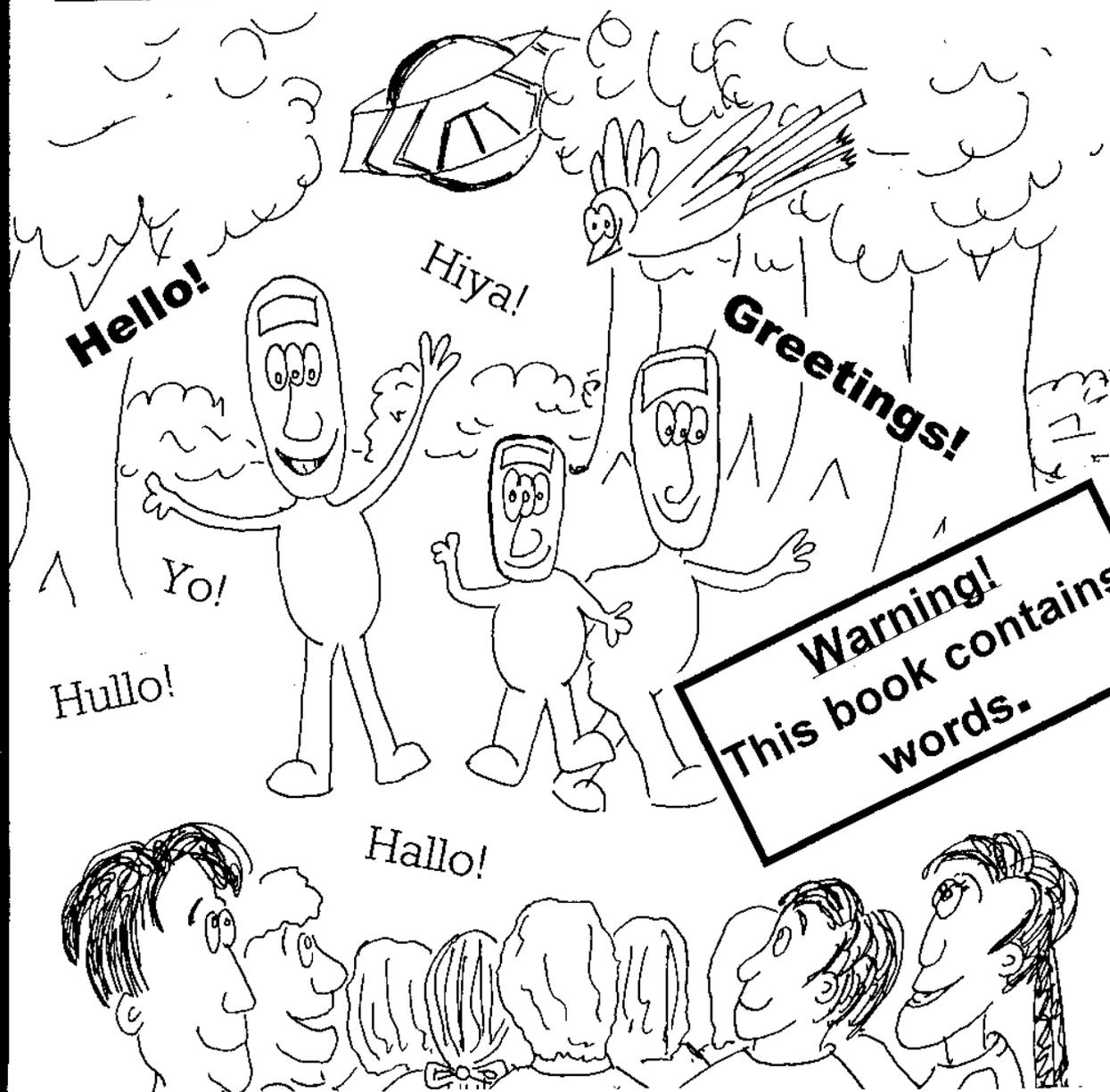


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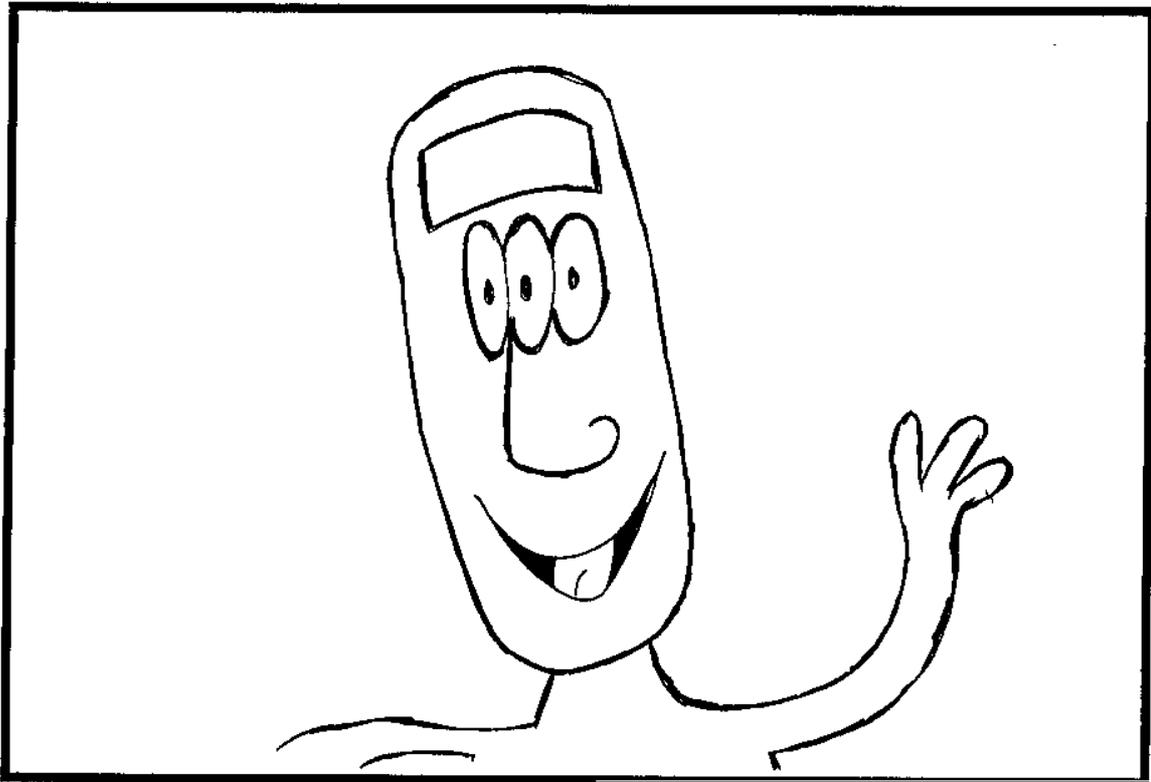
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In the town of Prosaic everything was dull.



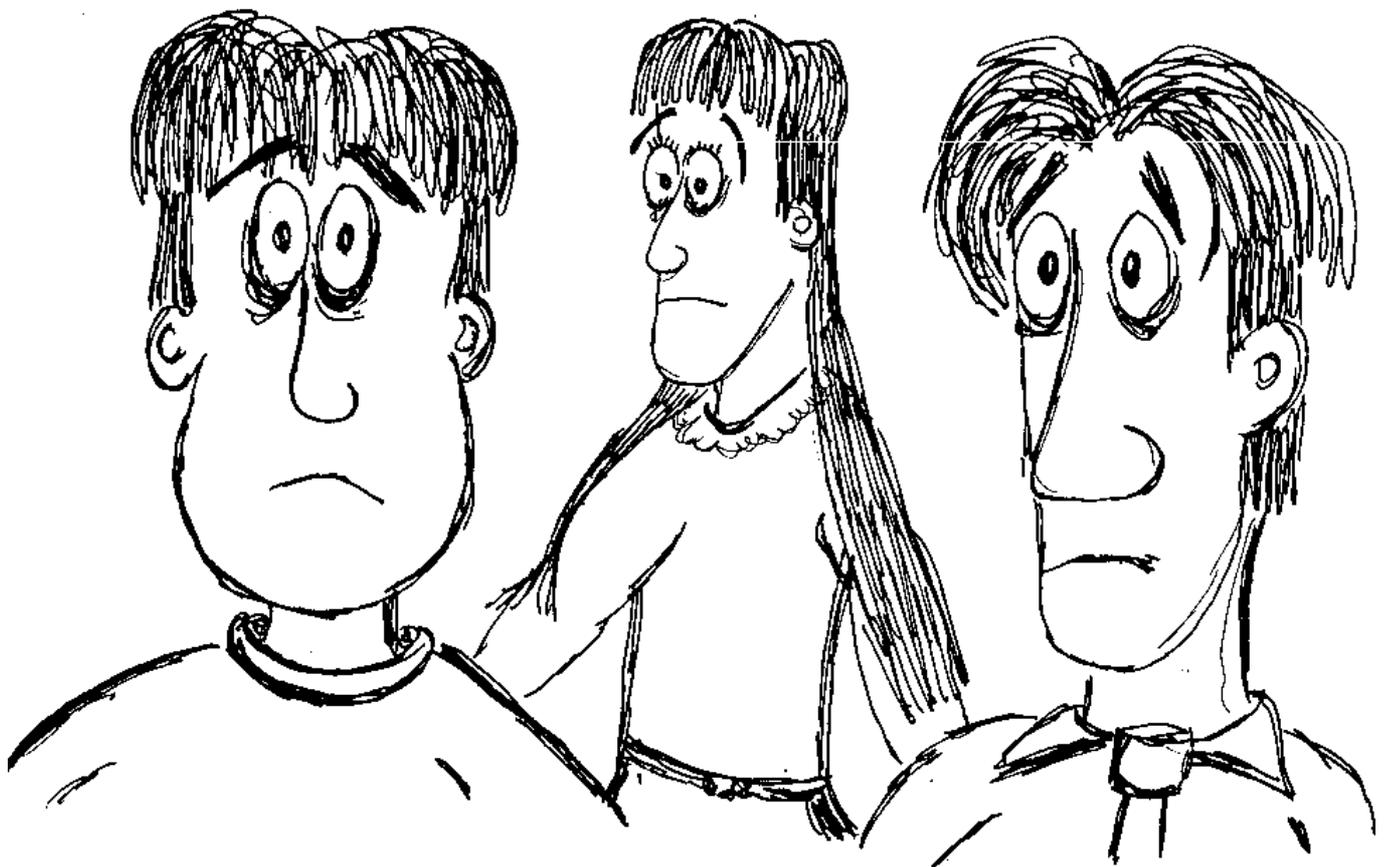
People just walked around the place.



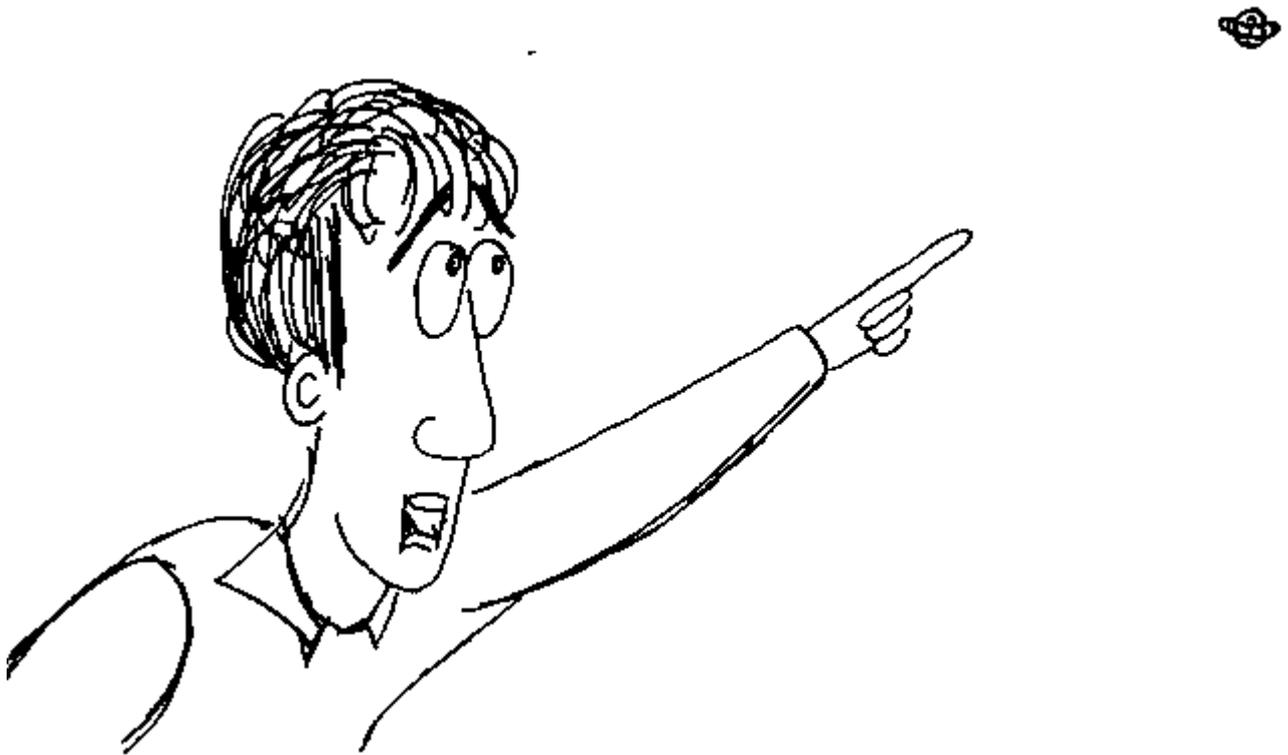
Dogs just went woof. Cats simply meowed and birds just tweeted.



Everyone was bored and unhappy.



Then one day someone noticed a small spot appear in the sky.



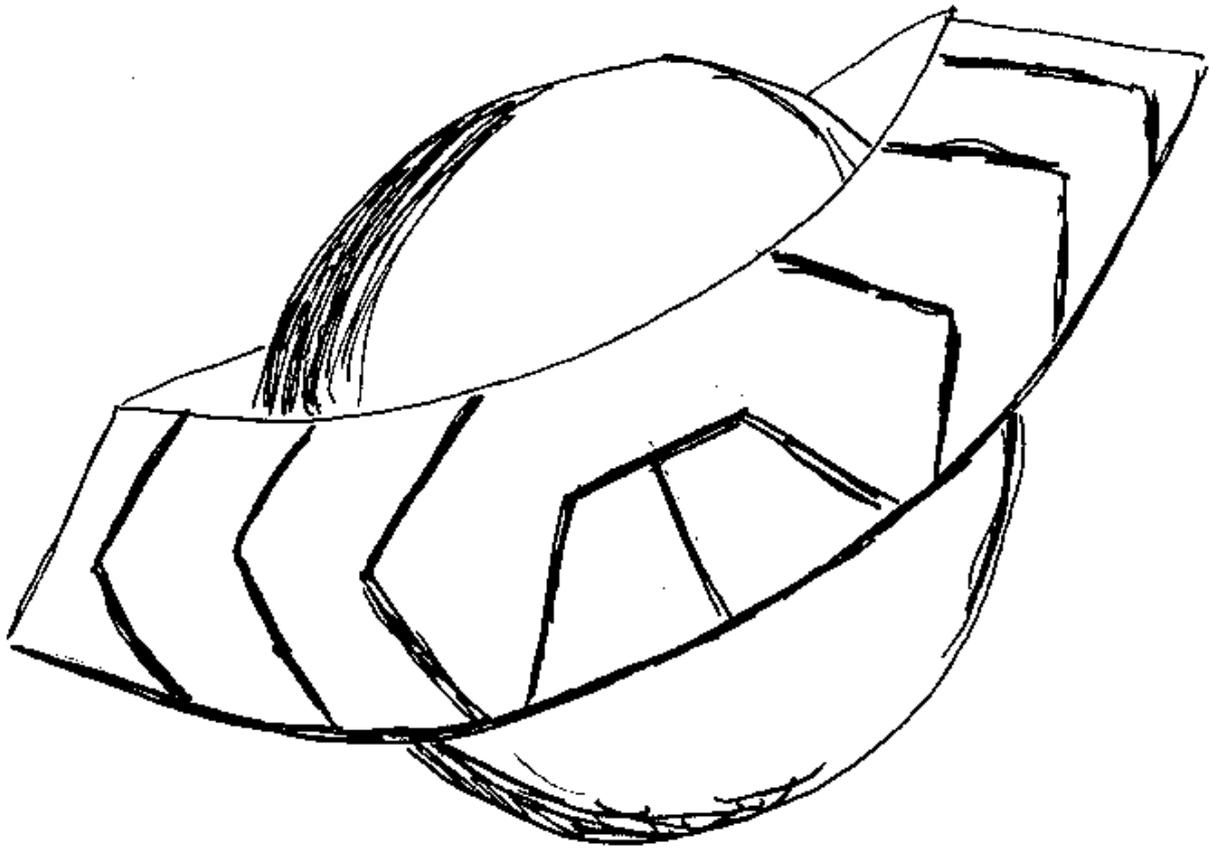
The spot grew larger...



...and larger...

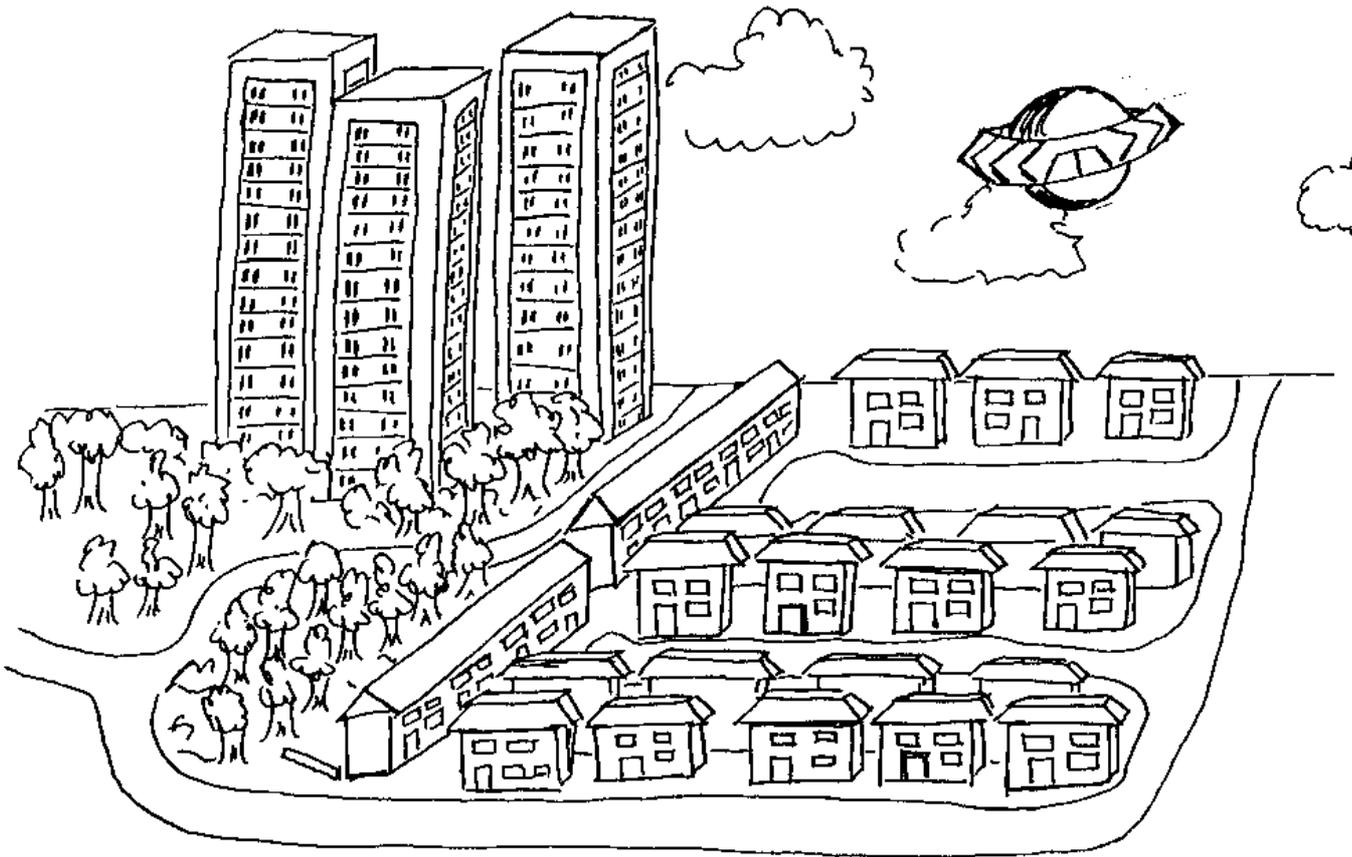


...and larger until eventually the people could see that it was a spaceship.



The spaceship was completely unlike anything the people of Prosaic had ever seen before.

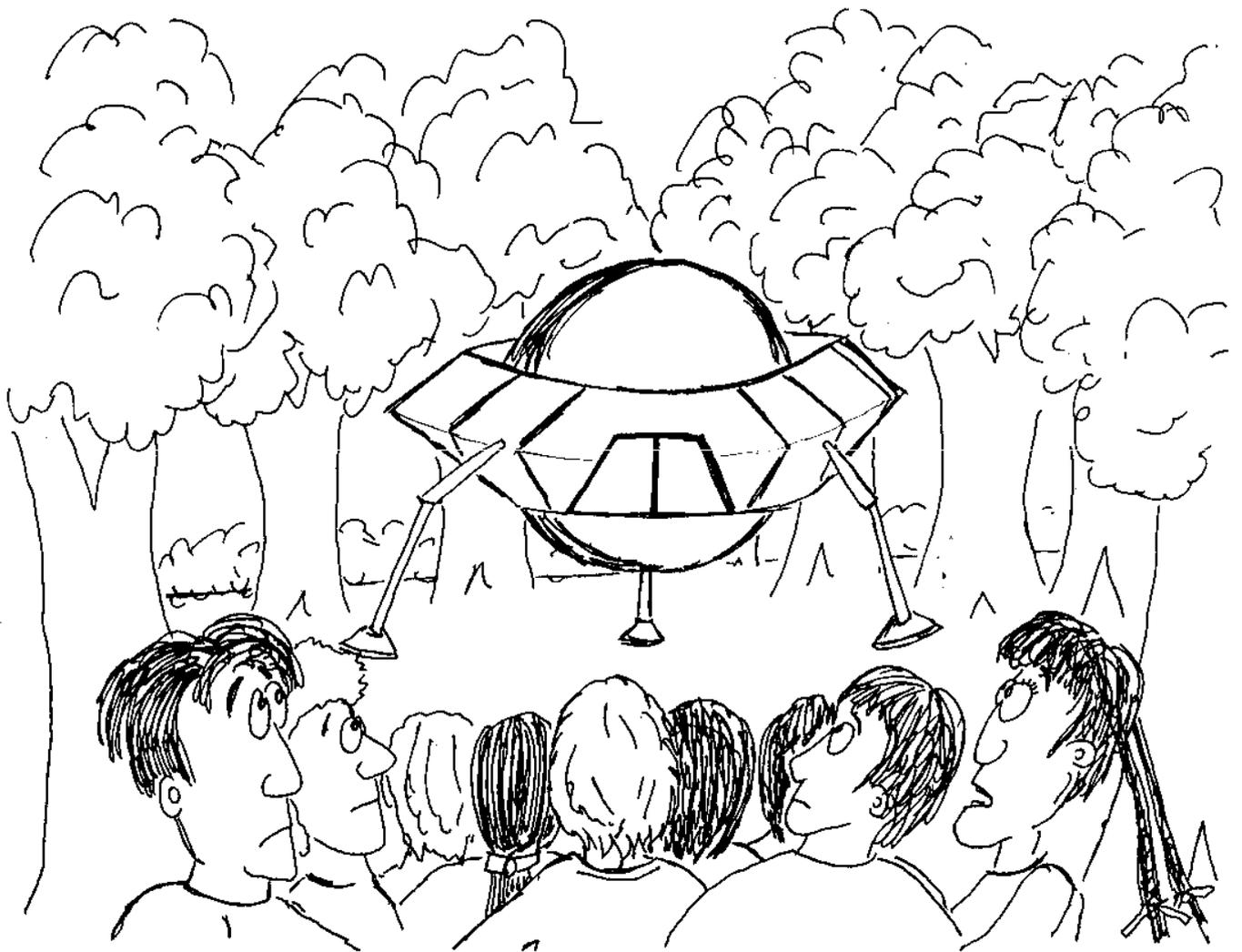
It hovered over the town, glowing slightly and emitting a soft reassuring humming sound.



Nevertheless the people of Prosaic were afraid. They stood around, peering up at the sky.

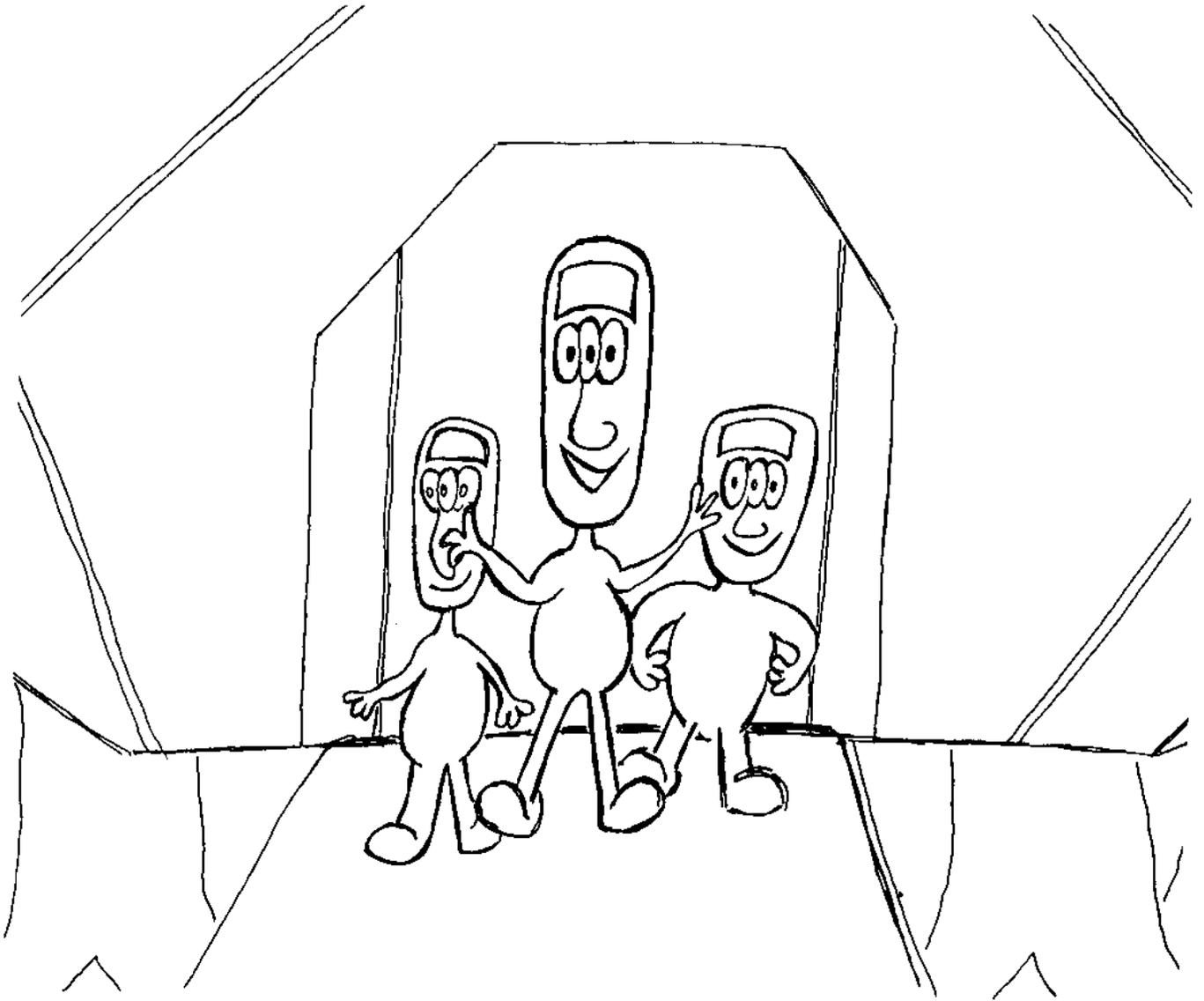
Where had the ship come from?
What would the ship contain?

Then the ship slowly started to move closer and closer to the ground. It got nearer and nearer until it eventually came to rest in the centre of the park.



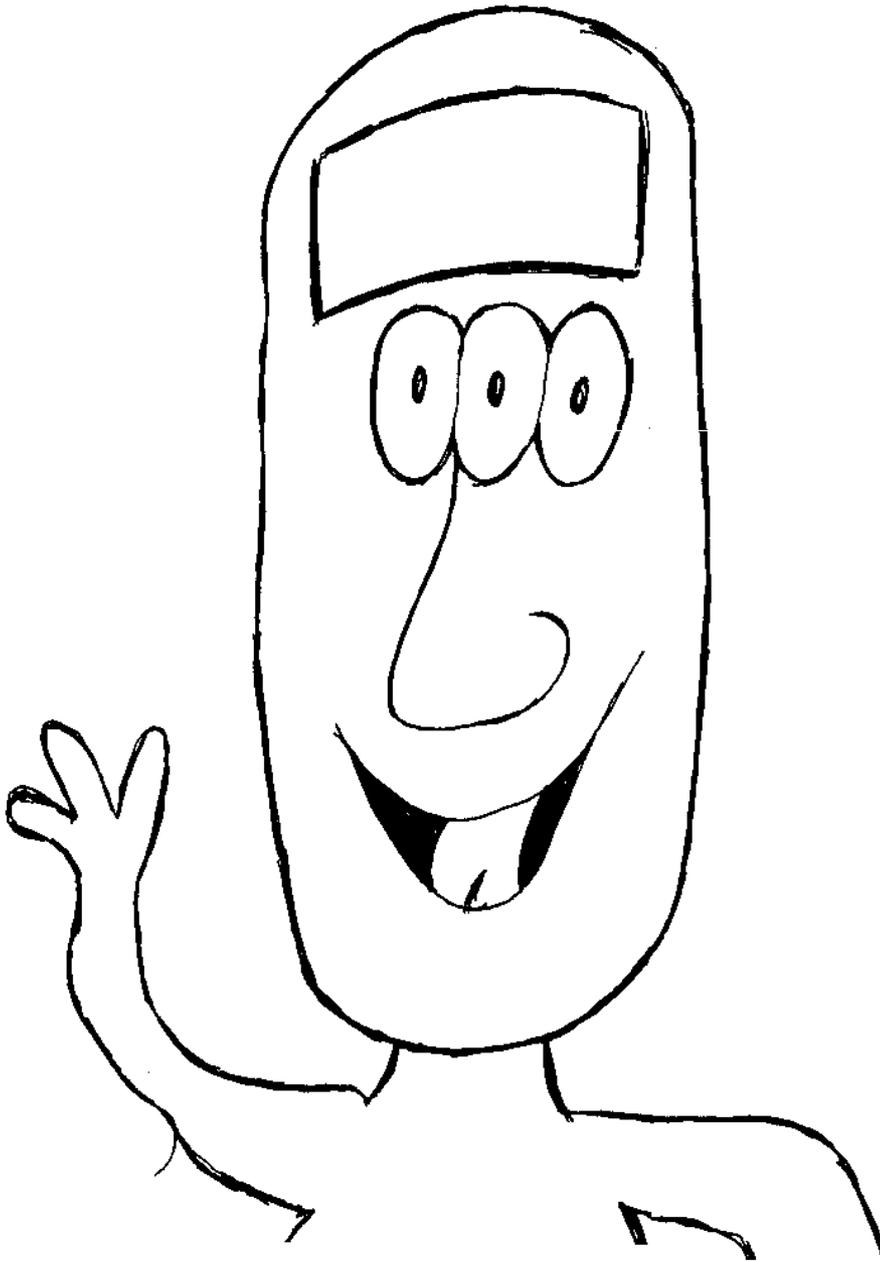
The people of Prosaic gathered around the ship. They peered cautiously at it, unsure of what would happen next.

There came a loud whooshing sound and a hatch opened in the side of the ship.



Out of the ship came a group of strange looking creatures. They had three eyes and curiously shaped heads. On the head of each creature was a small, glowing screen.

The leader of the aliens gave a broad grin and



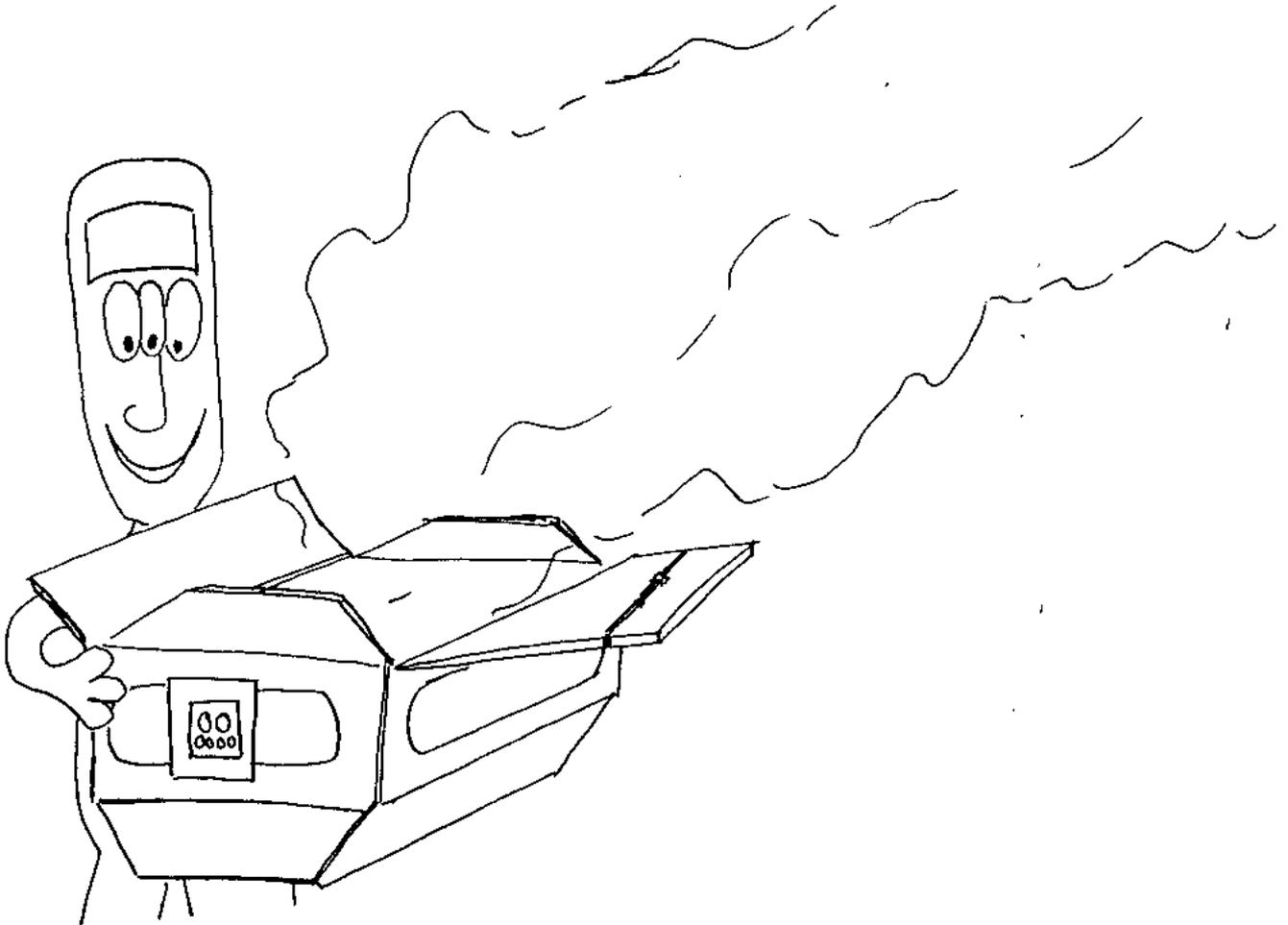
started speaking.

"Greetings!" he said. "I am Greg Arious and these are my fellow Lexicons."

"We come in peace and mean you no harm," he continued, "We seek only to bring you a special gift."

And with this the aliens produced a large box from inside their spaceship.

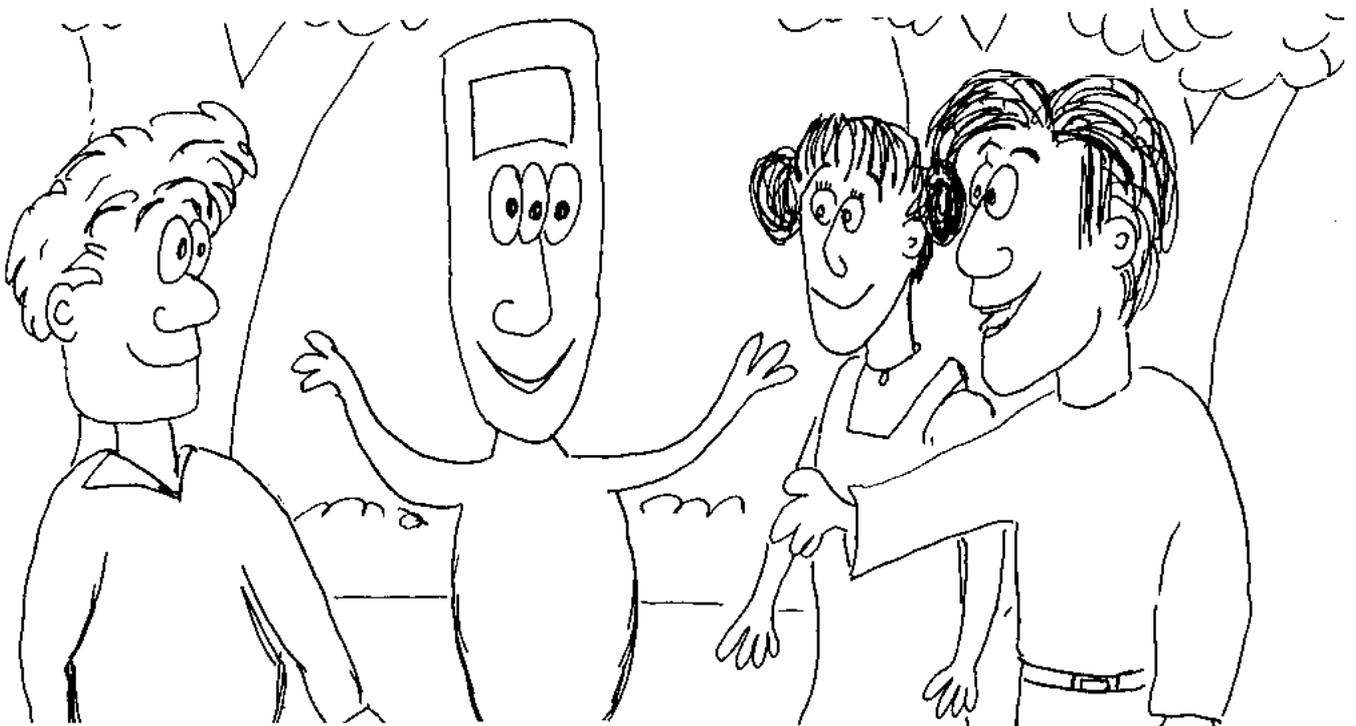
Greg gently touched the top of the box and its lid swung open.



There was a flash of light and when the people opened their eyes the town of Prosaic had undergone a huge transformation.

Everywhere the people looked the town had changed. It had become more colourful, more varied and more interesting.

"How did you do that?" asked the flabbergasted people of Prosaic.



"Easy," said Greg Arious. "It's all done using the power of words."

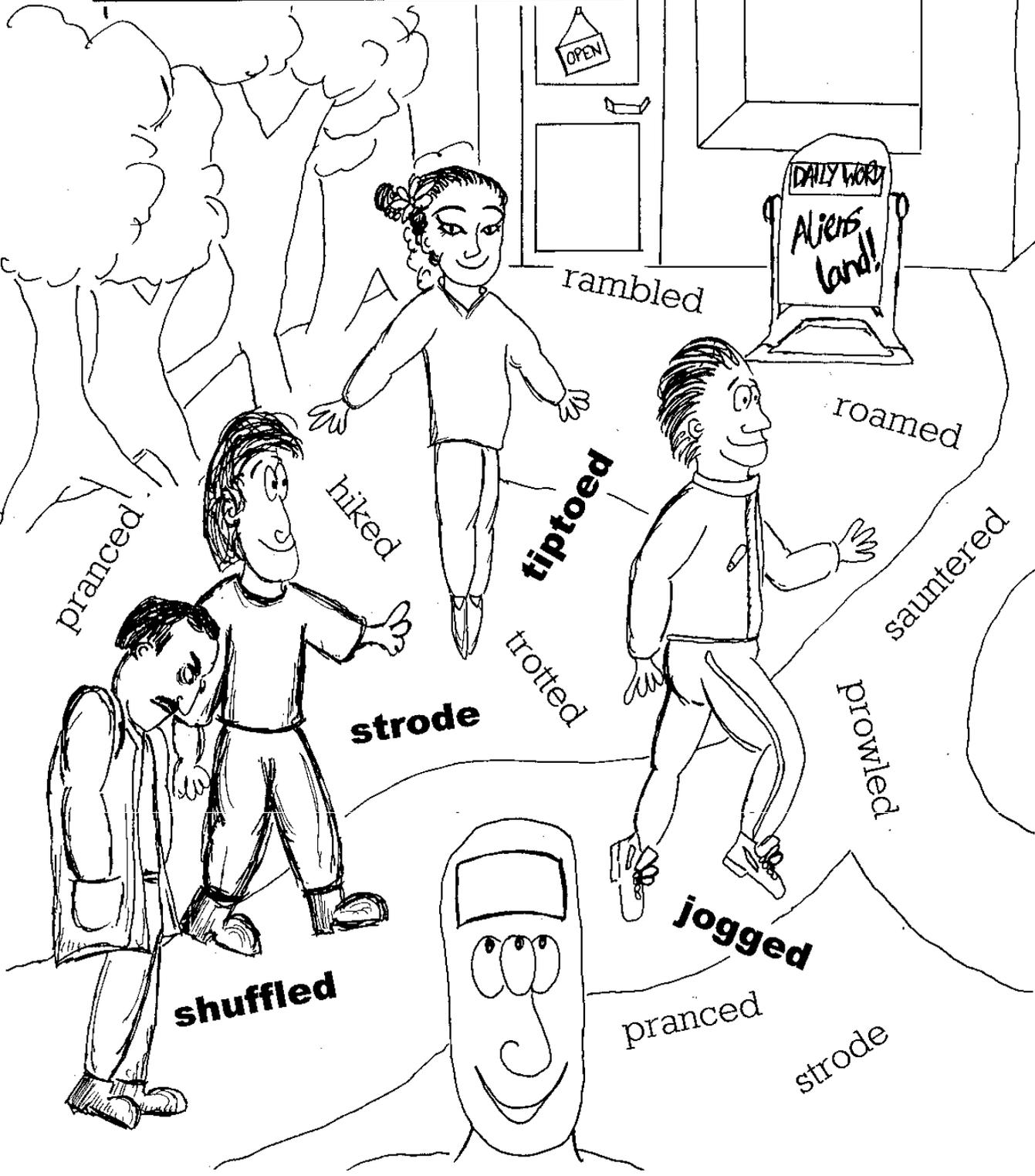
And looking round the people of Prosaic saw that this was indeed true. Everything had completely changed in Prosaic.

People no longer just *walked* around the town. Now they....

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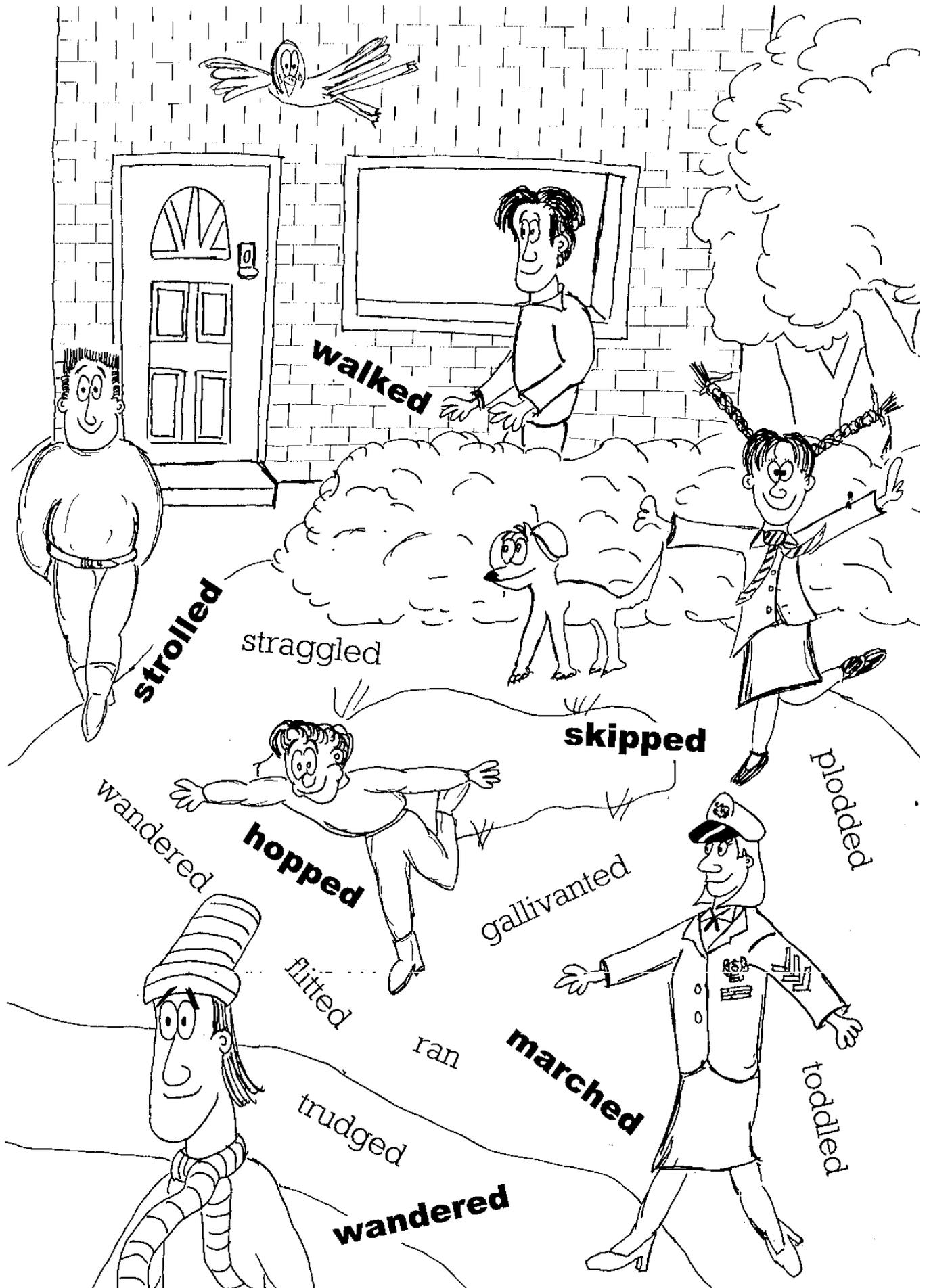
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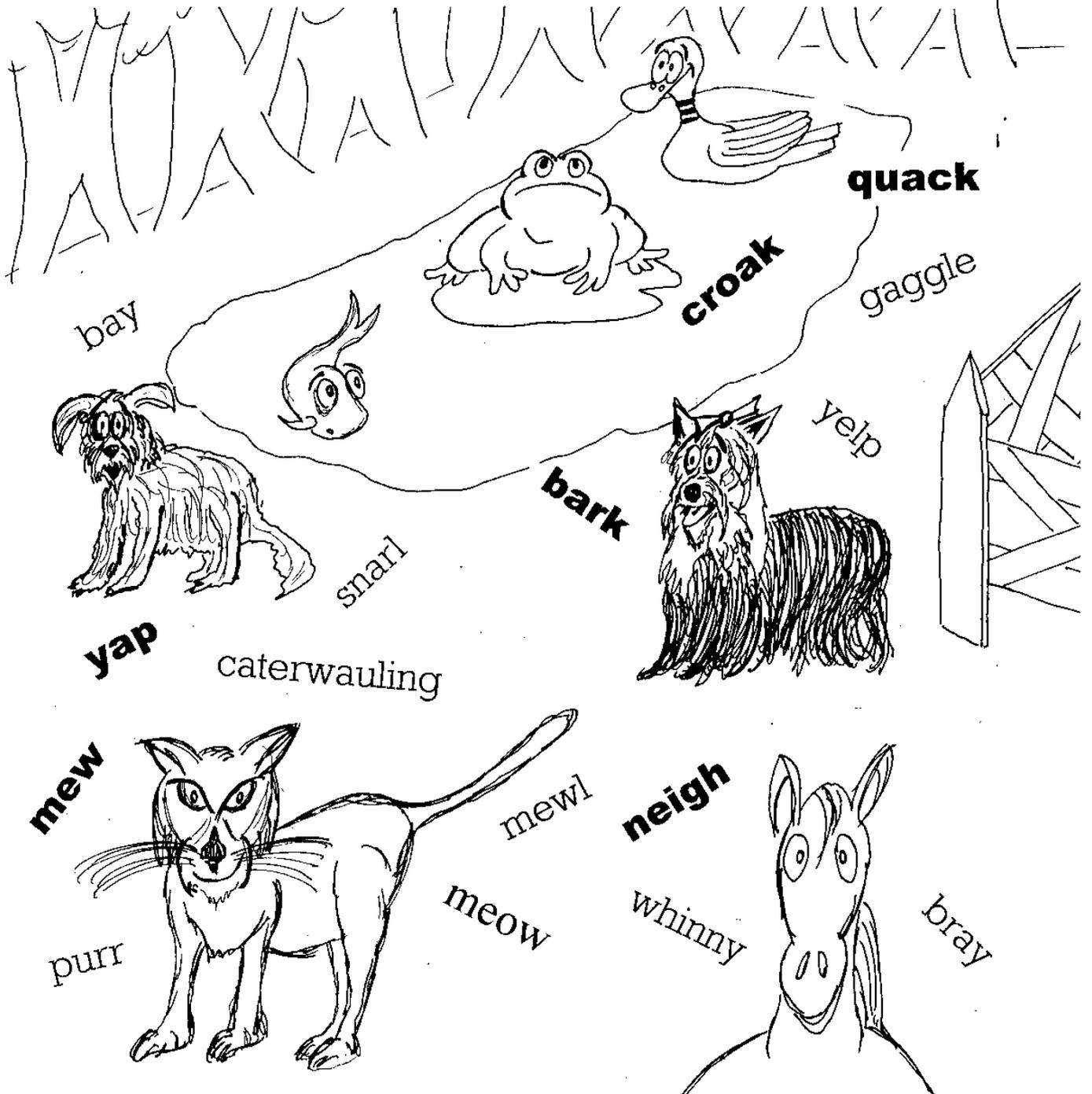
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Now the dogs of Prosaic didn't just bark. The cats didn't just meow and the birds didn't just tweet. All the animals made a whole host of different noises.



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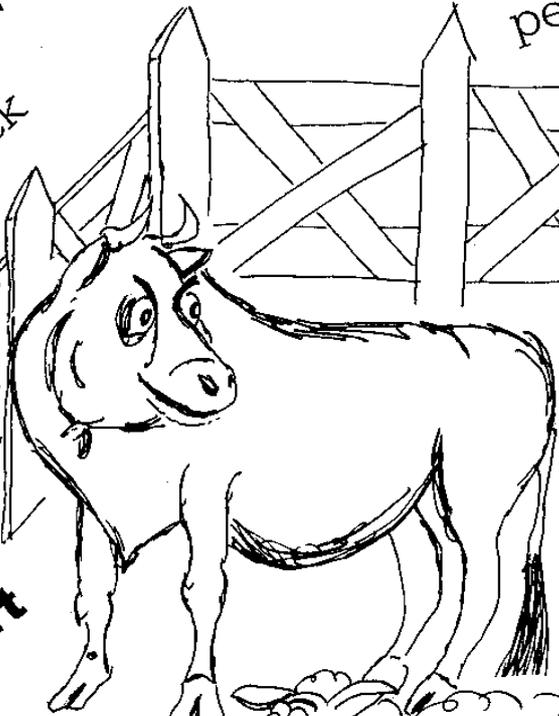
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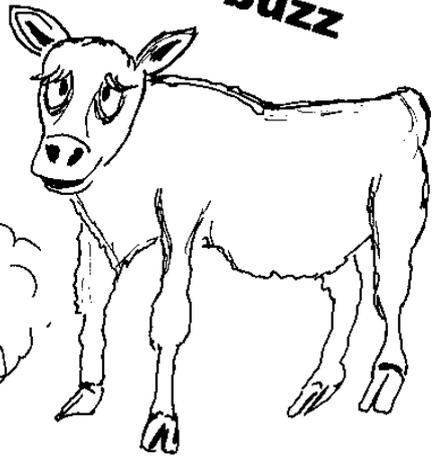
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howl



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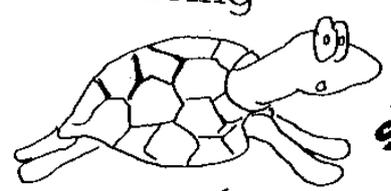
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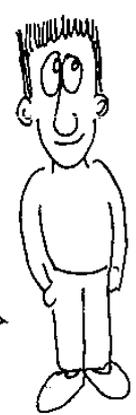
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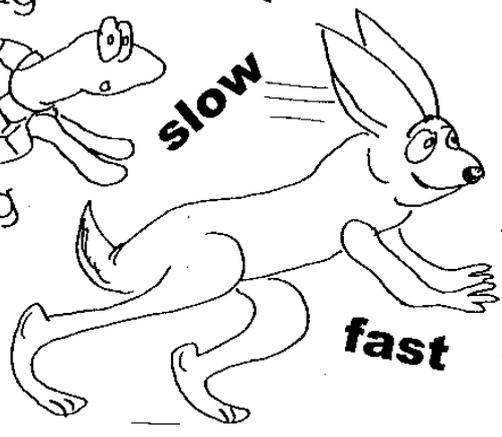
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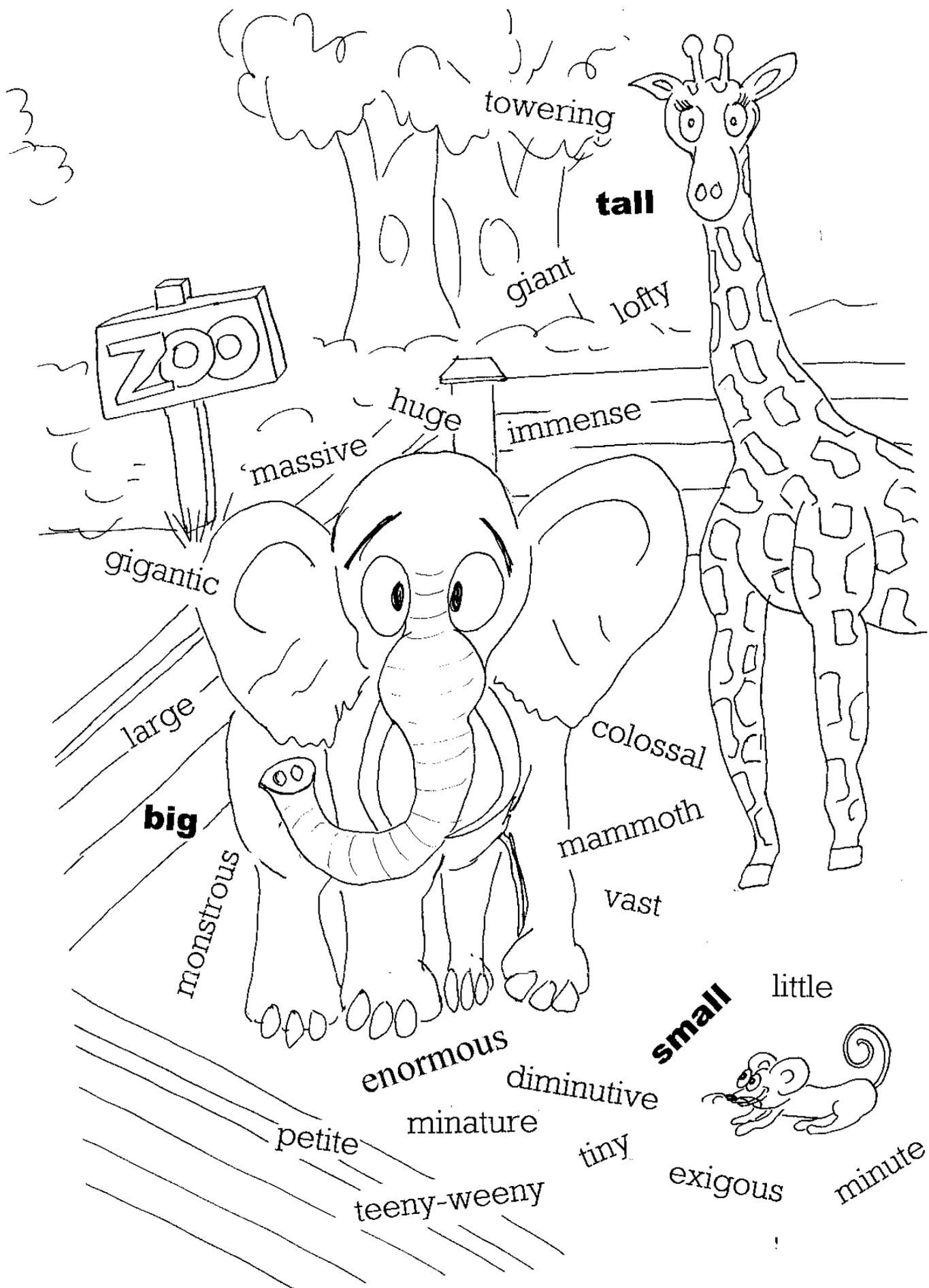
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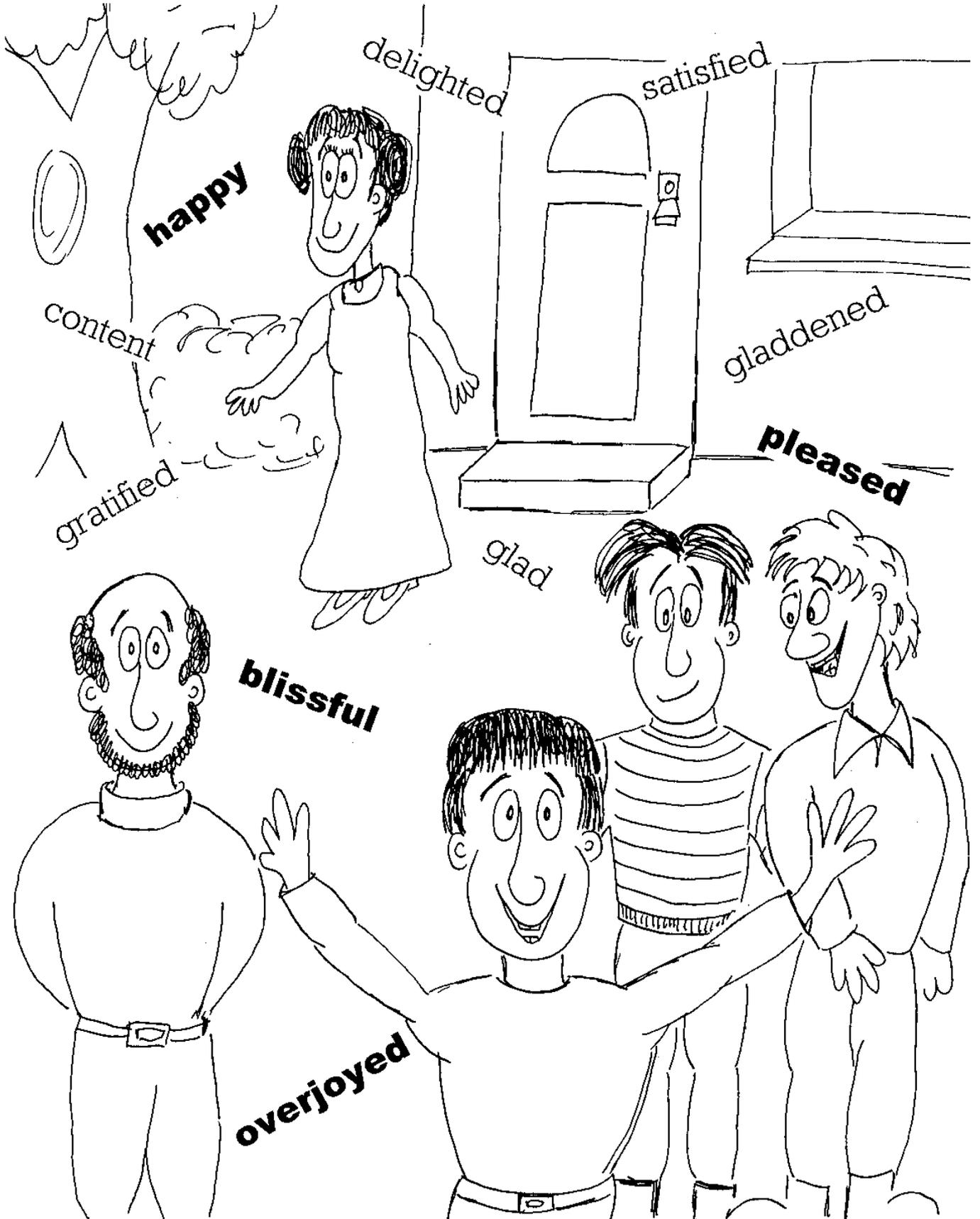
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Everyone was happy and content.



Greg Arious and the other Lexicons smiled.

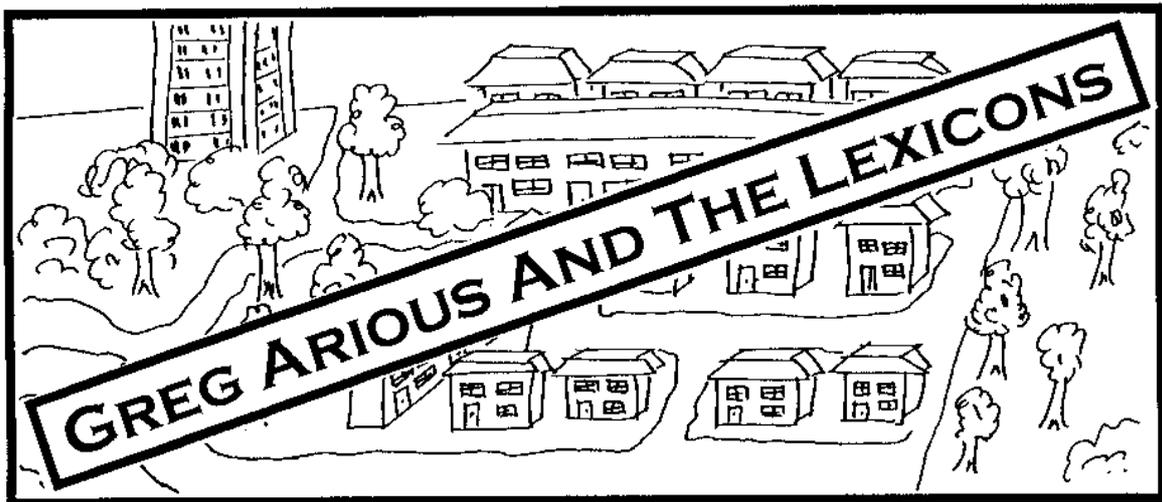
“Our job here is done,” he said.



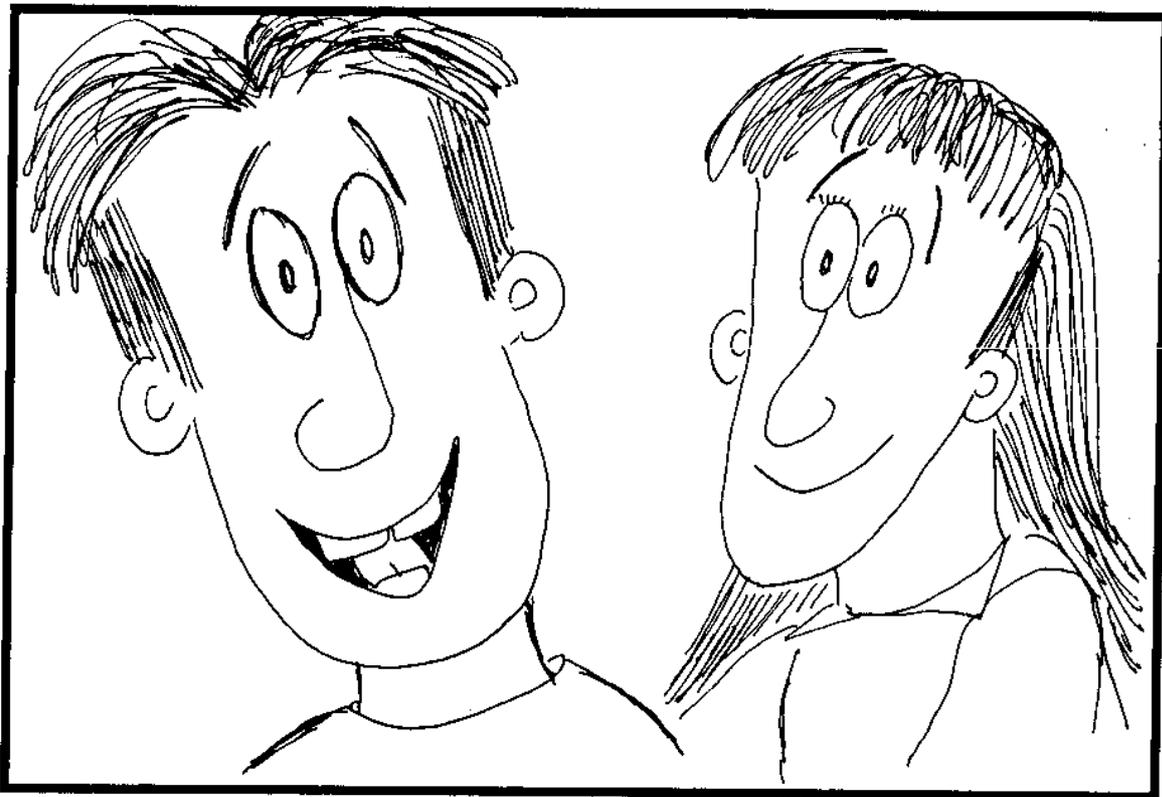
The aliens all climbed back aboard their spaceship. With a whoosh the ship cleared the ground and blasted off high into the atmosphere.

Back in Prosaic the people were happy as the Lexicons' gift of words had given their town new life.





The town of Prosaic was a dull, boring place. That was until a group of aliens, led by Greg Arious, arrived with a special gift.



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