

The Baby Fish



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**This book is offered to my beloved class teacher
Mrs. Manjula Wijekoon.**

Preface

The primary goal of the current educational system is to mould productive citizen and a caring family member who is equipped with knowledge and skills. The main responsibility of the school is to identify and recognize children's talents, as well as to sharpen their skills to meet the needs of the nation the world.

Our Alma Mater is constantly guiding and assisting children who are creative. This project has been an ongoing process at our school for many years, particularly in terms of writing books. Many skilled enthusiastic young writers participated in this exercise for years, producing novice writers to field of literature. We regard this as a great victory and a national need at this hour.

To continue this effort, we have adopted digital technologies and an e-book project this year. I am confident that this unique event provided youngsters with valuable experience and challenges that will benefit them in the future.

The Ministry of Education has hailed the project as an important step toward motivating young authors in schools. As principal of Mahamaya Girls' College, I am grateful to all of the students throughout the country who contributed to this endeavor. I commend and applaud all of the young authors of these-books for their perseverance and devotion in this difficult task.

I would like to thank our school management committee, employees, parents, for my students, administrators, and teachers from other schools who encouraged students to takepart in this worthwhile effort.

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Once upon a time there lived a fish family in the blue sea.



They were mummy fish, daddy fish and the baby fish.

Days passed and baby fish started to go to school.



She had many friends in the school.

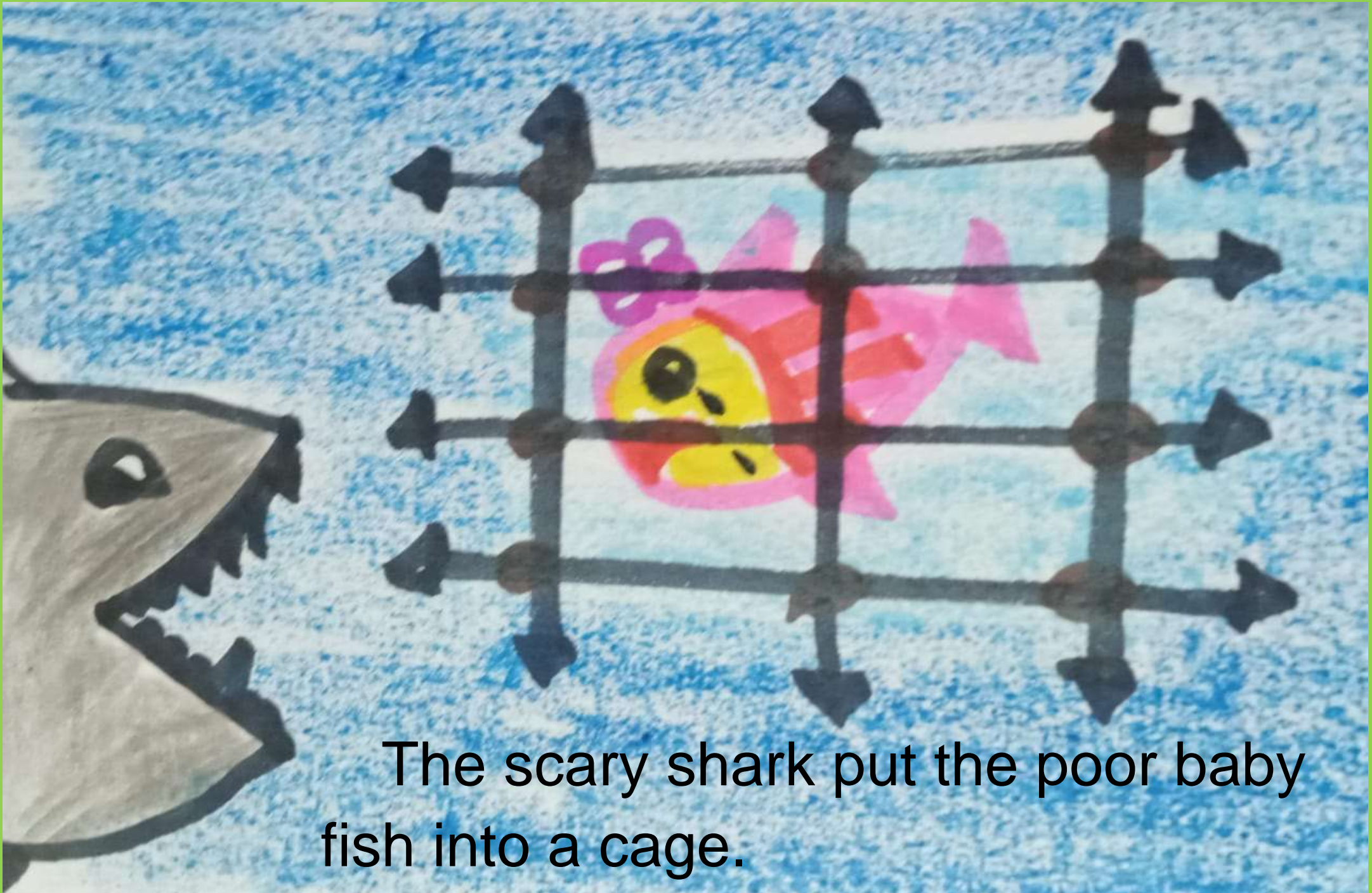
But one day baby fish thought that she was too pretty to be with her old friends.



So, this foolish baby fish went searching for new friends.

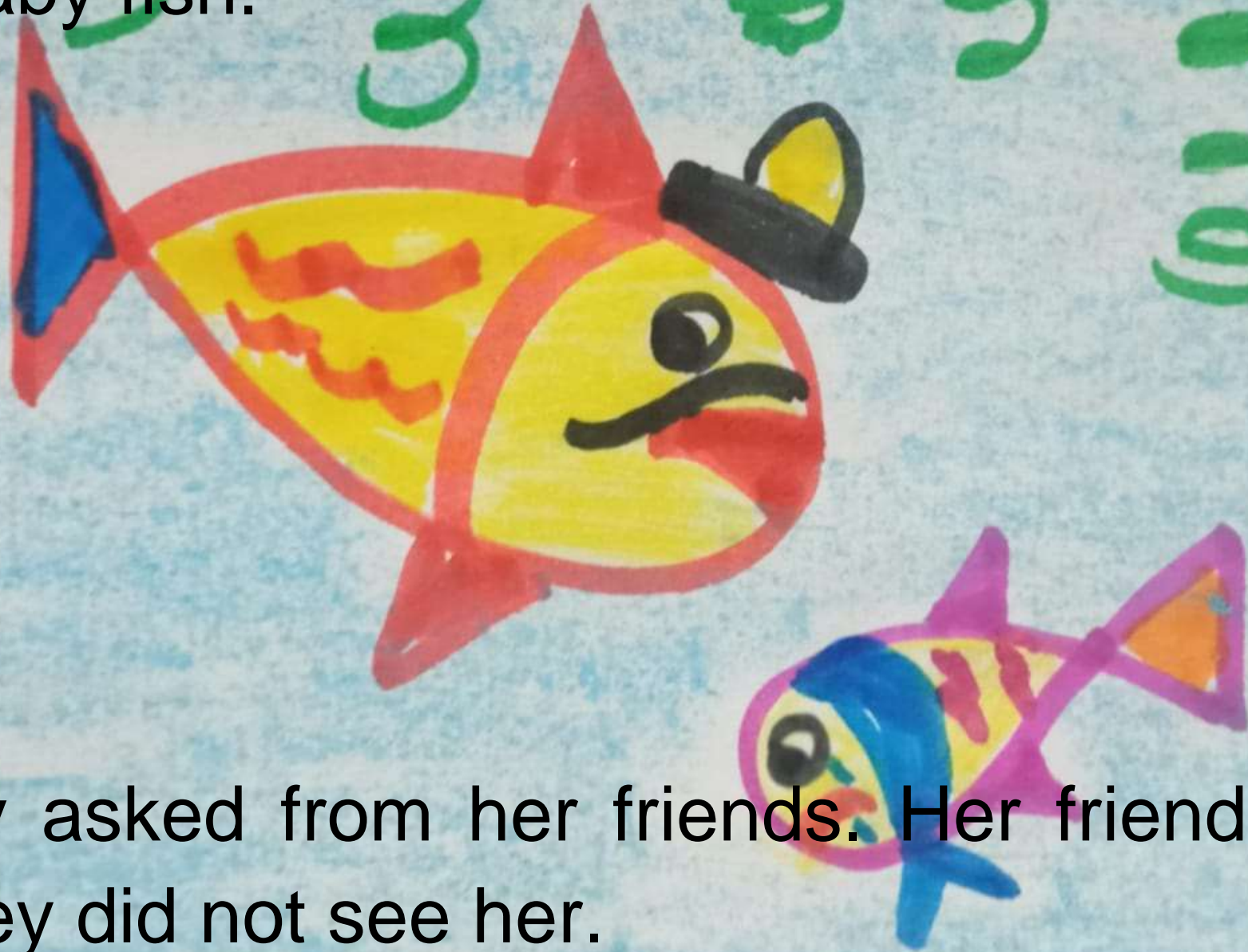
She swam into the dark deep sea. There she met a scary shark. She asked him to be her new friend as it was too big.





The scary shark put the poor baby fish into a cage.

Mummy fish and daddy fish were scared of their baby fish.

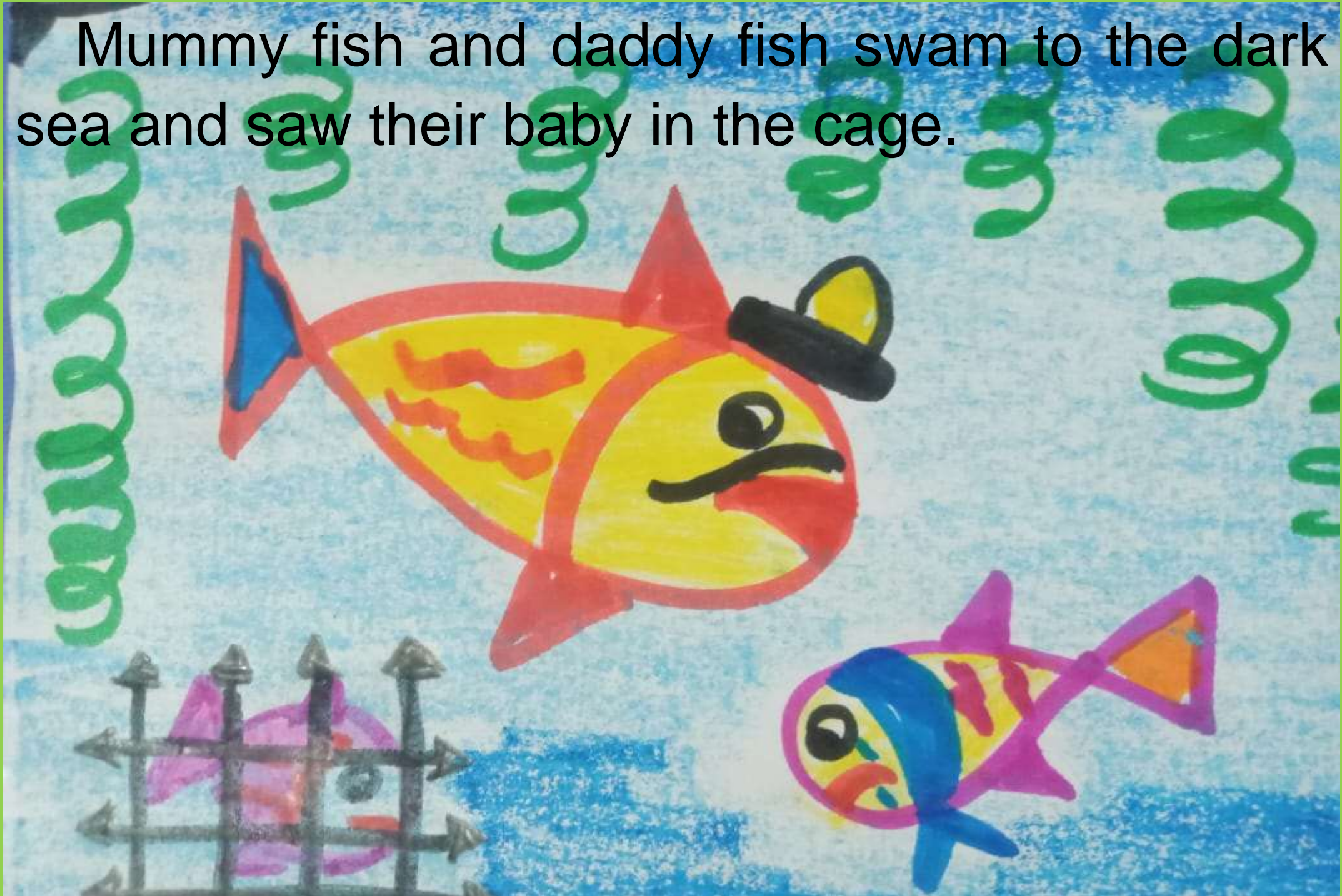


They asked from her friends. Her friends told that they did not see her.

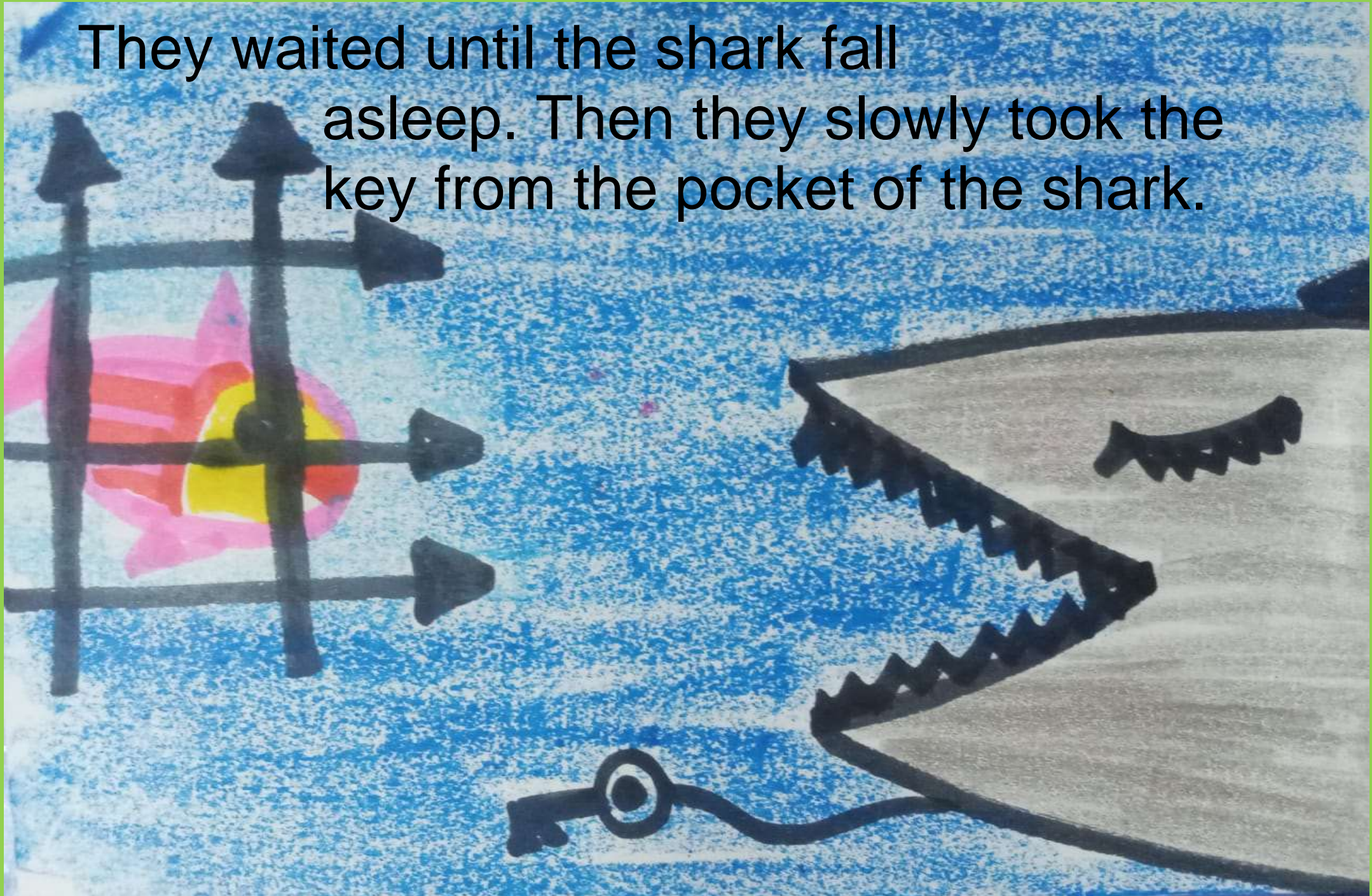
But one old fish said that he saw the baby fish going to the dark deep blue sea.



Mummy fish and daddy fish swam to the dark sea and saw their baby in the cage.



They waited until the shark fall asleep. Then they slowly took the key from the pocket of the shark.



Mummy fish and the daddy fish took the baby fish to their home.

She was ashamed of her. She said sorry to her tiny friends and lived happily with them.

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Afterword

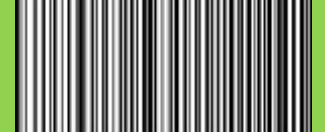
As modern technology permeates the social and economic arenas, students tend to distance themselves from the creative process, relying more and more on technological tools. To reduce this risk and help aspiring young writers produce their own books, I sought and presented a research proposal to the Ministry of Education in 2014. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to showcase their enthusiasm and knowledge. The students of Mahamaya Girls' College achieved a record for the most books written, paving the way for a new level of innovation.

The e-book project will enable the students to reach international readers, and I am confident that they have gained new experiences and challenges that will enable them to face the future with resolve.

I wish all of the young writers the best of luck in their future endeavors

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