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A Childrens introduction to the UN Global Goals

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For Zara

Once upon a time
in New York City
the leaders of the world
made a list of 17 ways
to improve our world
for you, me and everyone.



1: END EXTREME POVERTY

Every person in the world needs food, water, clothes and shelter to survive.

But many people all over the world are very poor and cannot buy these things.

Let's all work together to make sure they can.



2: GOOD FOOD

Let's make sure everyone around the world has enough good food to eat.

We should learn more about growing food in our gardens because it is better for the planet.



3: STAY HEALTHY

Let's help everyone stay healthy and strong.

Let's make sure sick people can get medicine and rest in bed until they are better again.



4: LEARNING

Let's make sure that every child around the world goes to school to learn lots of things like reading, writing, counting and colouring.



5: BOYS AND GIRLS ARE EQUAL

Let's make sure that girls and boys are treated
with the same respect and kindness.

Boys and girls are equal

Both can be funny

Both can play basketball

Both can fly to the moon

Both can climb trees

Both can bake cakes

Boys and girls are equal.



6: CLEAN WATER

Let's make sure every person in the world has enough clean water.

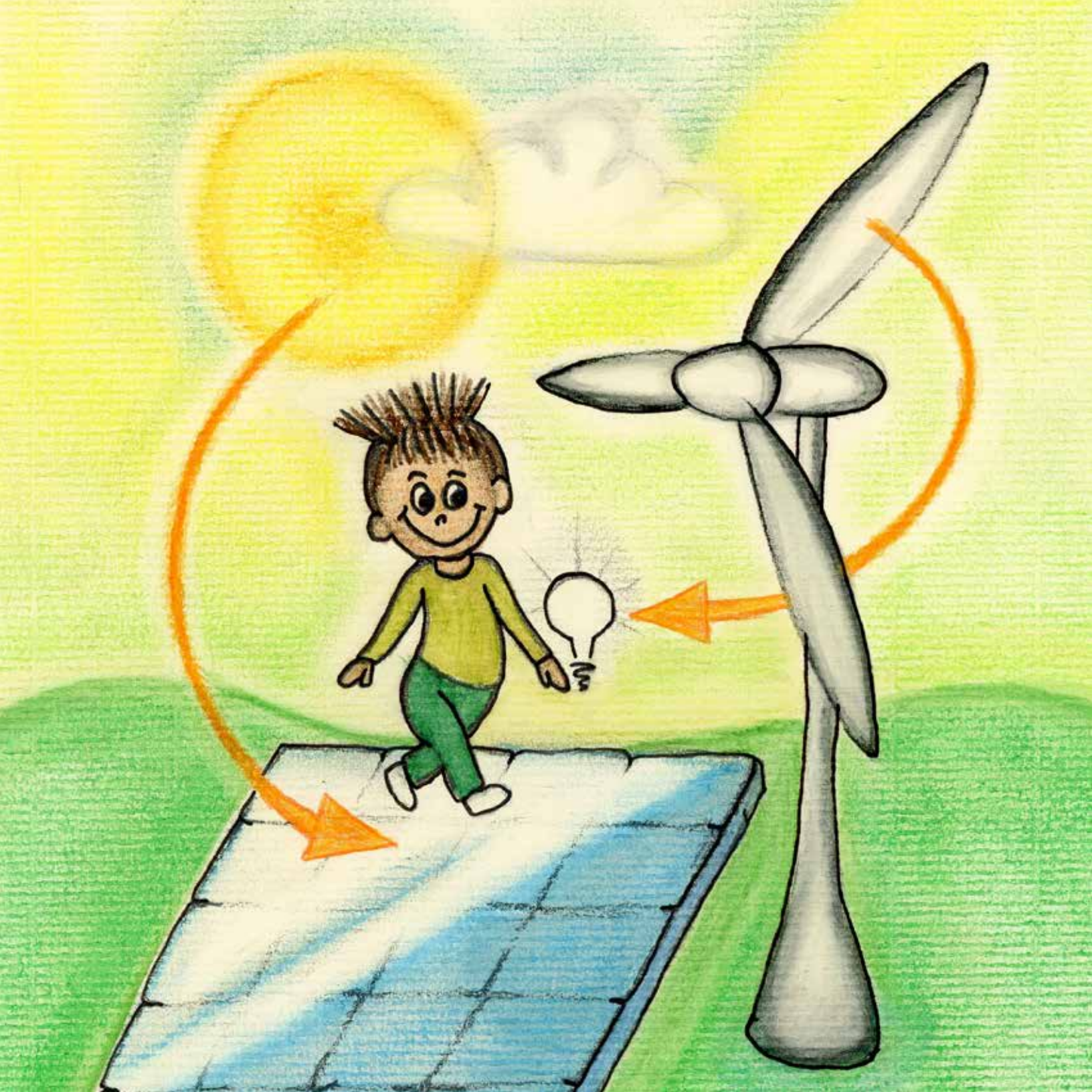
This is important because we need clean water to drink, to brush our teeth and to take a bath.



7: ENERGY

Let's choose electricity that comes from the sun, wind or water because it is better for the planet.

Always turn off power and lights because it is important to use less electricity.



8: GOOD JOBS

Let's make sure that everybody can
get a good job.

Everyone must get paid money for the
work they do.

Children should never have to work hard
like adults because this is against the law.



9: LET'S BUILD

Let's make new buildings strong, safe
and not harmful to the planet.

Internet and power services should be reliable
and easy to afford.

This is important because we need roads,
power, buildings and internet to run hospitals,
businesses and schools .

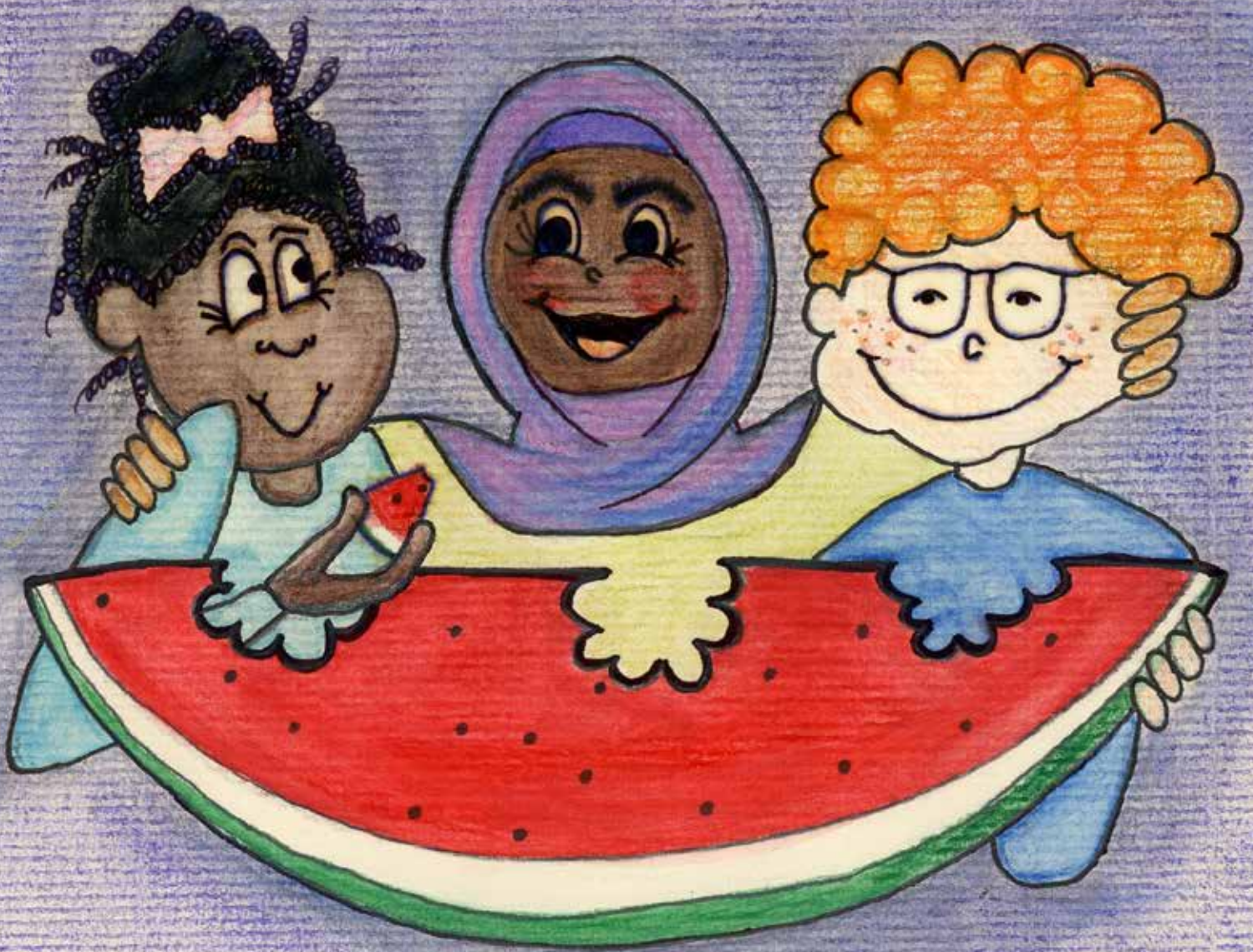


10: WE ARE EQUAL

Let's always try to share so that everybody has enough.

This is important because many people have very little and this is not equal.

Let's try and make people and our countries more equal.



11: OUR HOMES

Let's make sure that everybody has a
safe place to live.

Some people live in villages and some people
live in big cities.

Our homes should protect us from wind and rain.
The air should be fresh to keep us healthy.

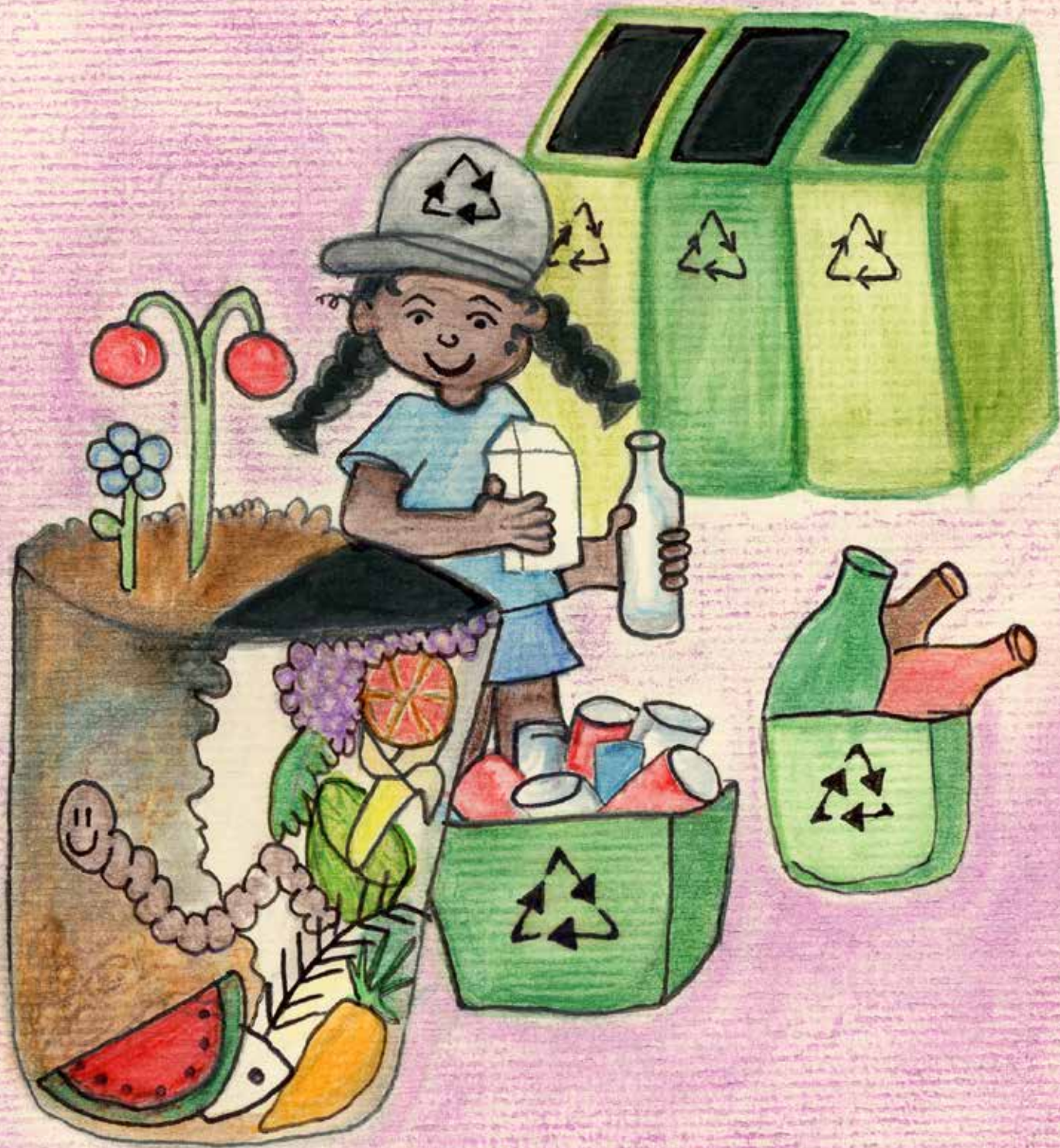


12: SAVE FOOD WATER AND POWER

Let's be careful not to waste water,
food or electricity.

This is important because we need to leave
some for people in the future.

We should always recycle and make compost
from old food because it is better for the planet.



13: GETTING HOTTER

Let's protect our planet from getting hotter.

If the planet continues to get hotter, ice will melt
and the oceans will rise.

This will cause big problems for everyone around
the world.



14: UNDER THE SEA

Let's treat everything that lives under
the sea with kindness.

We must protect lakes and rivers and all the
creatures that live there.

We must only catch fish that we really need. This
is important because we must leave enough for
people in the future.



15: TREE'S AND ANIMALS

Let's stop cutting down so many trees.

We must plant new trees so that forests and woods can be enjoyed in the future.

This is important because forests give us air to breathe and many animals, plants and insects live there.



16: PEACE

Let's make sure everyone is protected by the law and the police.

This is important because everyone in the world has the right to live in safety and peace.



17: PEOPLE AND OUR PLANET

Let's help each other to make our world a better place.

It is important that we work together to protect our planet and all the people who live here.

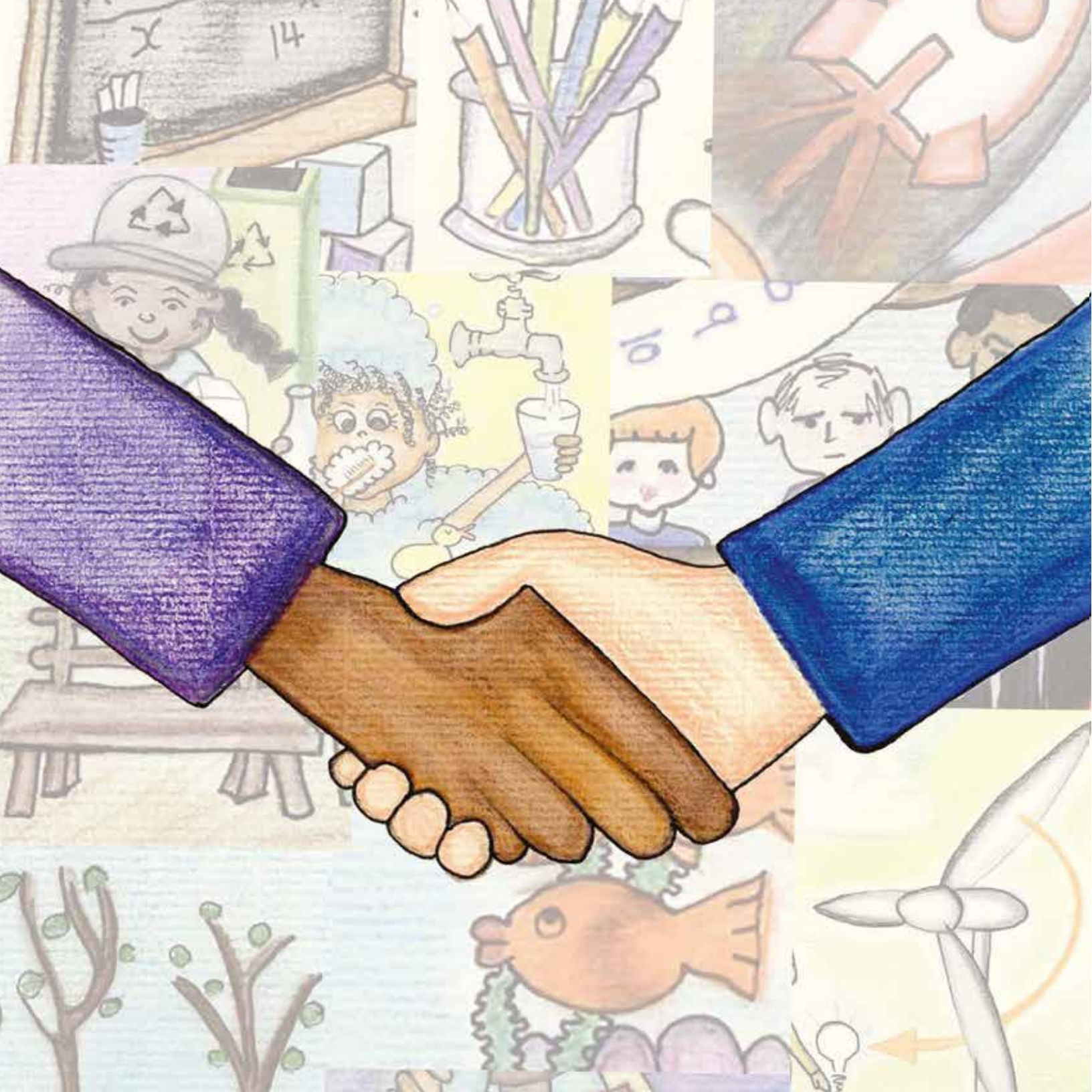


The leaders shook hands
and so became the 17 Global Goals.

Let's promise to make our world a better place
for everyone.

And by 2030 we can all live,

Happily Ever After.



Notes from the author:

I was inspired to create this book while working in Cambodia as a sustainable development consultant for an organization serving children living in extreme poverty; providing them with education and access to social services.

In September 2015 world leaders gathered at the United Nations in New York to adopt the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Economists, politicians, religious leaders, development professionals and celebrities hailed the seventeen Global Goals as a real opportunity to tackle the most urgent issues facing people and planet.

The outcomes of the Global Goals is the first step to using the post-2015 agenda as a platform to advocate for real change in our world.

This picture book serves as an introduction to the global goals for young children. After all, it is they who will inherit the world that the goals seek to create.

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