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Long, long ago, Sun, Moon, Rain and
Wind were fighting.



The trouble was that Sun wanted to shine the whole day. Moon wanted to shine her light every day. Rain wanted to rain every day, and Wind wanted to blow every day. They didn't want to give each other a chance.



They decided to sit together and talk about it.

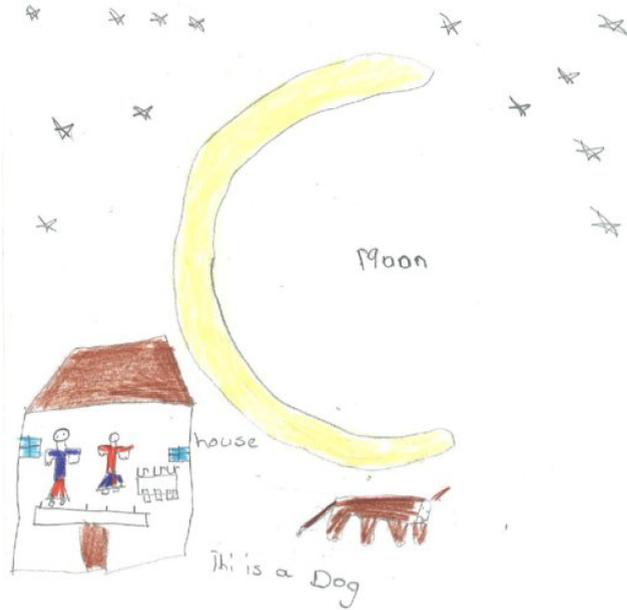
Sun asked Moon, "What do you do that helps the earth?"

Moon answered, "I shine at night so that the animals can hunt."



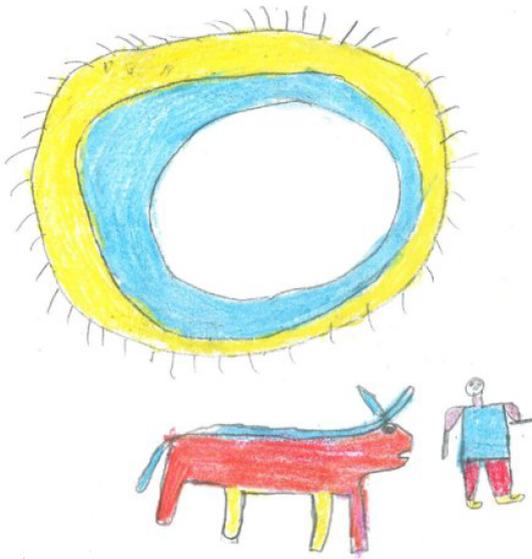
Moon asked Rain, "What do you do that helps the earth?"

Rain answered, "I give the earth water so that the trees and plants can grow well. I give water for animals to drink."



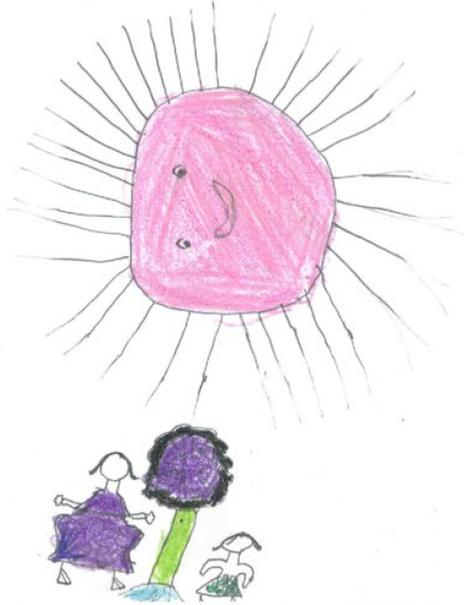
Rain asked Wind, "What do you do that helps the earth?"

Wind answered, "I sweep the earth clean. I scatter the rain over the whole earth."

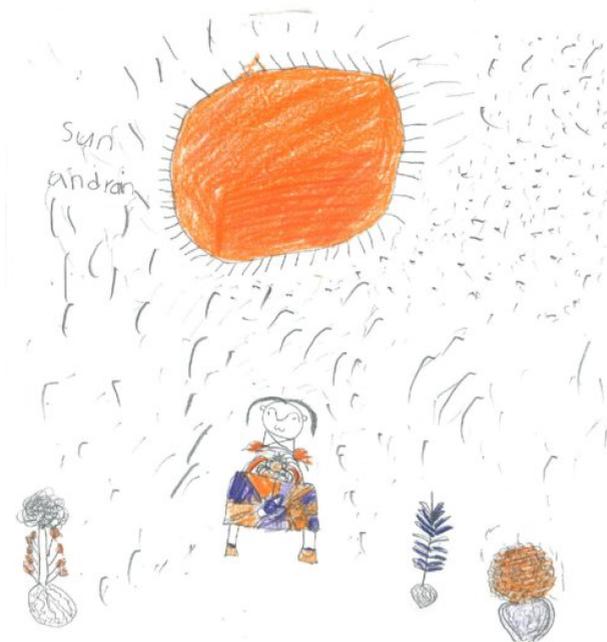


Wind asked Sun, "What do you do that helps the earth?"

Sun answered, "I give the earth light and warmth, so that animals and plants can live."



Sun, Moon, Rain and Wind listened carefully to each other.



Then Sun said, "It is true that each of us helps the earth in our own special way."

"Yes," said Moon, "Not one of us is better than the others."

"We can work together," said Rain.

Wind said, "Then let us share the days."

They all agreed.



And that is why you sometimes see
the moon when the sun is shining.
And sometimes you feel the wind
when it is raining.
Sun, Moon, Rain and Wind work
very well together.
They understand each other.



Do you like the sun, moon, the rain
or the wind?

Draw the one you like best.

We need the earth so that can live.
She gives us food and shelter,
animals and plants. All of them help
us in some way. In return, we can
all do something to help our earth.

What will you do to help the earth?
Write it down.

