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Once upon a time there was
a beautiful and peaceful
paradise called the
Adjacency Zone



**It was full of trees, lush
grass, colorful flowers
and clear blue rivers.**





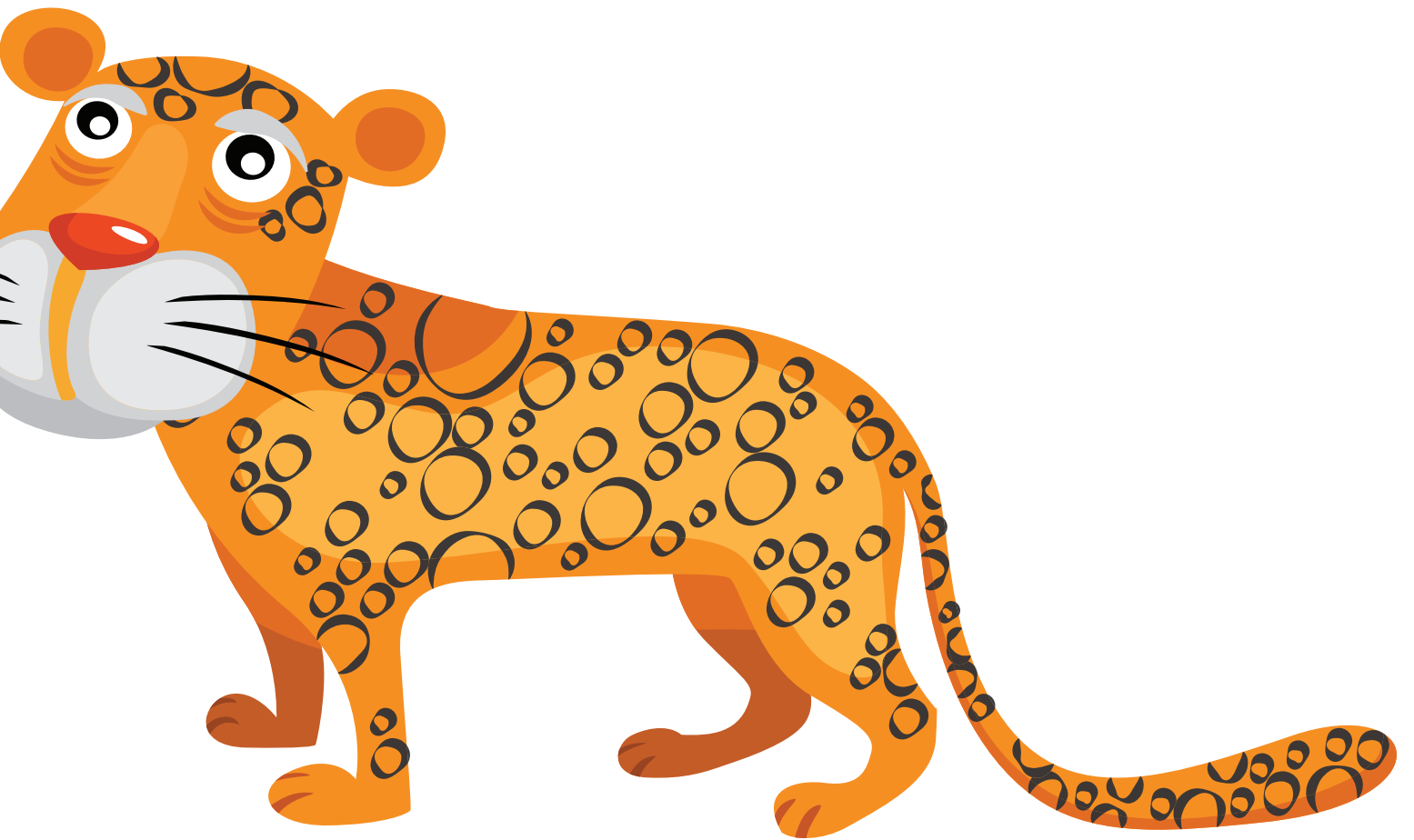


**The Tapir and Quetzal families and all
the other creatures there lived a happy
and healthy life.**



**But as years passed things
began to change and the paradise
was slowly destroyed.**










**Trees were cut down, fires
burnt the grass and the
blue rivers became dry and
polluted.**

The Tapir and Quetzal families and all the other creatures suffered a lot.

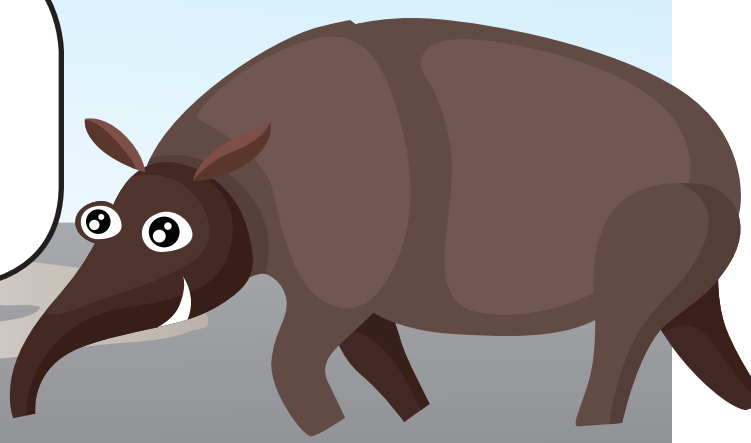




**One day a young Quetzal looked across
the river and saw a young Tapir.
They began to talk.**

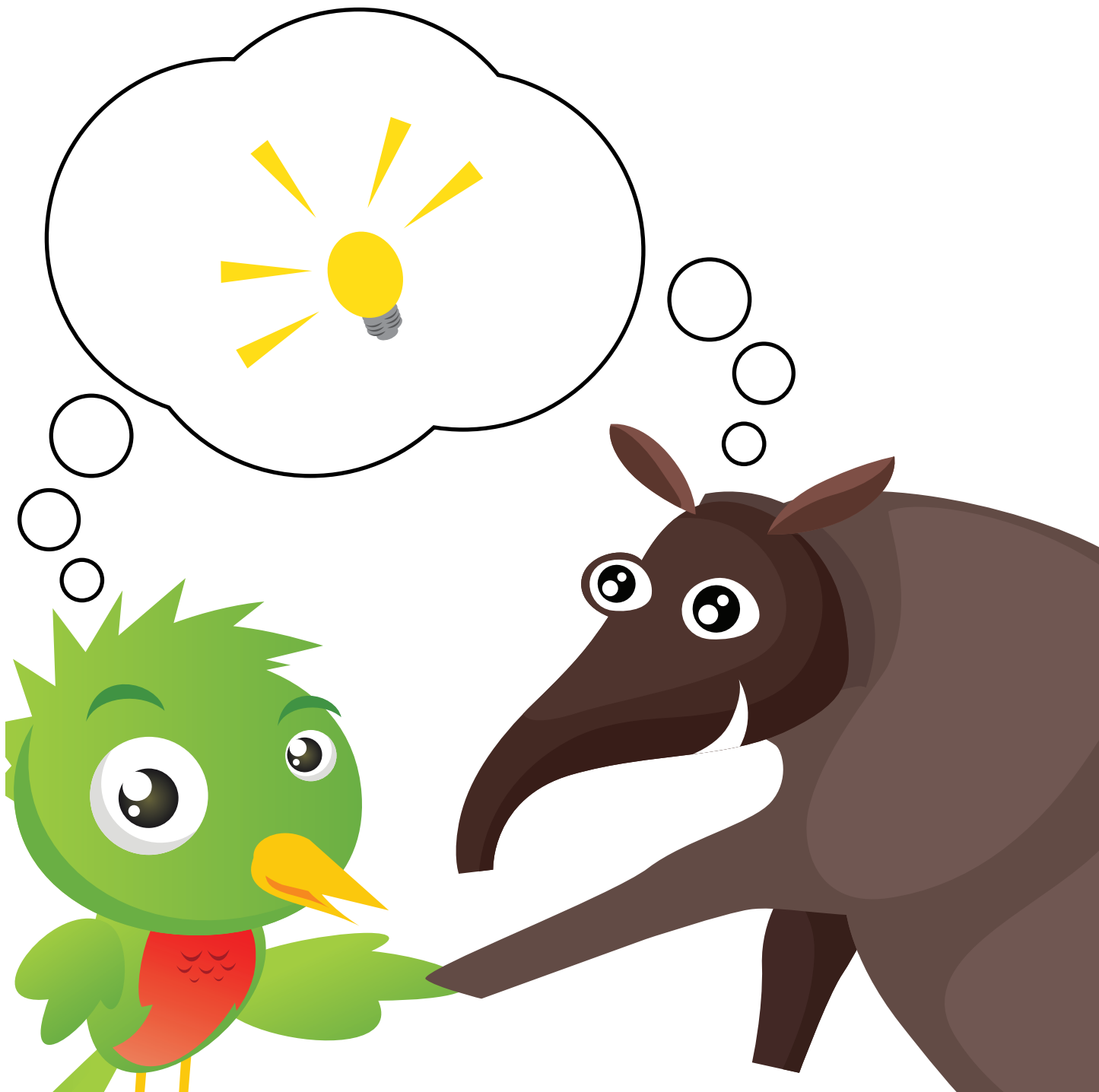


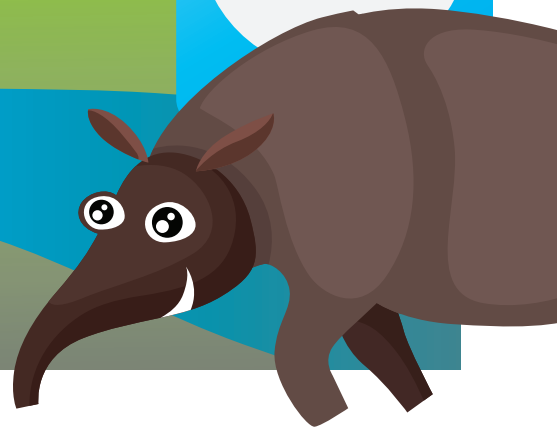
**“Everything is ugly.
We have no flowers
or trees!”**



**“The water is
polluted and makes
everyone sick!”**

**The young Quetzal and the young
Tapir had a great idea. They
decided to work together and make
paradise beautiful again.**





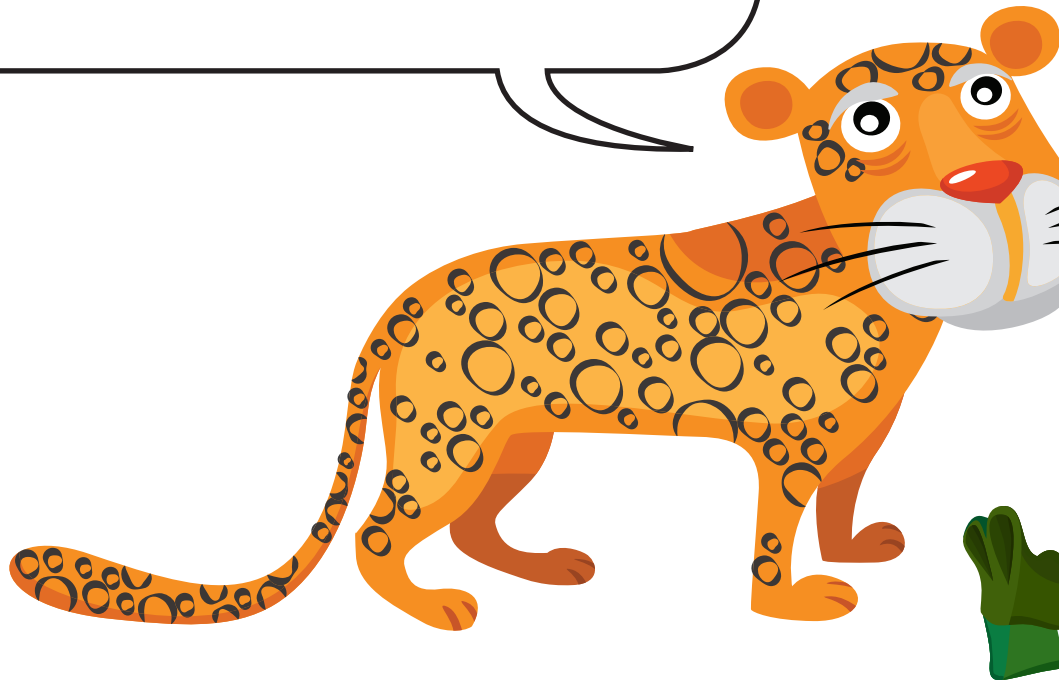
The young Quetzal used his wings to spread seeds to grow new trees while the young Tapir took advantage of his long trunk to gather trash from the river.

It wasn't long before their actions were noticed by other Quetzals and Tapirs who joined in this great effort.

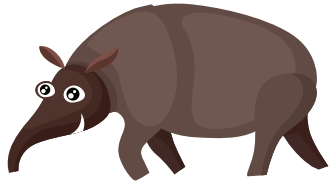


Weeks, months and years passed until one day the paradise had clean rivers and many trees again. There were no fires or floods anymore.

The Adjacency Zone was once more a beautiful, colorful paradise. Everyone lived happily ever after!







Tapir: The Tapir is a large browsing mammal. Its size and shape are comparable to pigs and its favorite foods tend to be fruits, berries and leaves, especially from young growth. The Tapir is the national animal of Belize and is often referred to as the “mountain cow”; it can also be found roaming throughout jungles and forests of South America and other Central American countries as well as South East Asia.



Quetzal: The Quetzal is a beautifully colored bird that makes its home in humid highlands, woodlands and forests. It is the national bird of Guatemala as well as the name of the Nation’s currency. Its brilliant greens and reds shimmer on its rather large body, and its favorite foods are fruits, berries, insects and small vertebrates.



Jaguar: The Jaguar is one of the largest felines (cats) in the world; in fact, the only felines that are bigger are tigers and lions. It is a carnivorous predator and it is the biggest feline found in the Western Hemisphere; some of its favorite areas to roam are the jungles and forests that cross through Belize and Guatemala.

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