



The Giving Sea

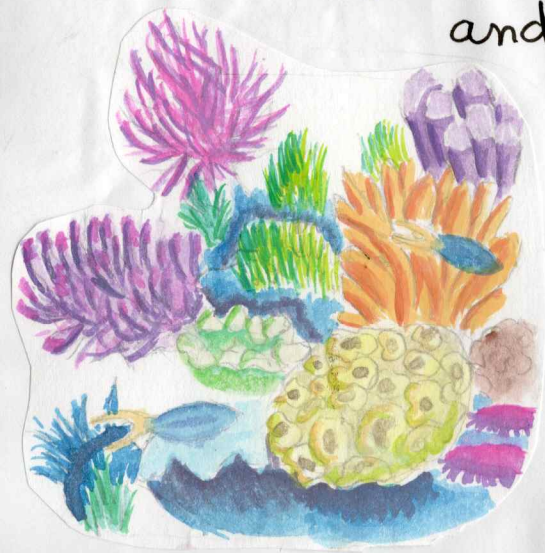
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One day, a little boy who lived alone on a big island discovered the sea and found her beautiful and colorful with her fishes and her corals: they became friends because the sea felt very sad and alone.



During several days, they played together, the boy swam in the sea and she made waves to make him happy.

When they were playing, the boy saw corals in the sea, they were so colorful, beautiful and strange at the



same time. The sea noticed it and said to the boy: "I have a lot of corals, you can take a little bit of them if you like them."

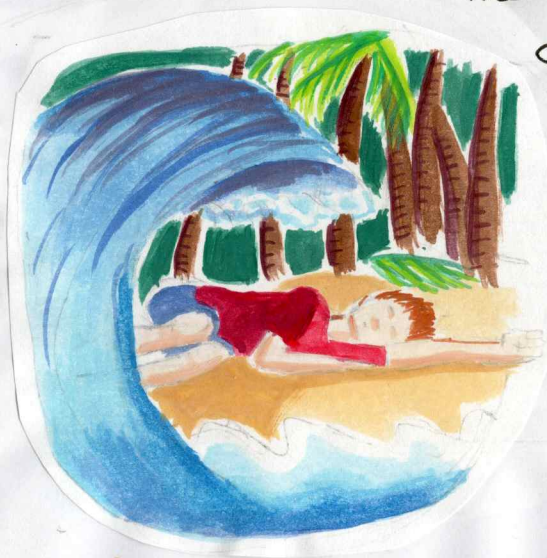
But the boy, too happy to listen to the sea, took all of them.

They continued to play together day after day. But one day, the boy didn't come to the sea, so she was very worried because she loved him like her son. She came to his beach and found him on the beach. He opened his eyes, looked very ill. The sea asked him: "What's the matter? Are you okay?" The boy shook his head and said that his stomach hurt. To make him feel better, the sea offered him three fishes,



the boy ate all of them and asked for more again and again because he liked them a lot.

The sea gave him other fishes and even all of her animals: oysters, turtles, lobsters...



Then, the boy wasn't happy because the leftovers of what he ate took a lot of place on his beach. To make him happy



again, the sea said to him:

"You can ^{throw} ~~strike~~ all your trash in me if you want." and the boy did it.

A few days later, the boy came again to the sea but found her very ugly. The sea, very sad, said "I'm ugly because you take all my corals, all my fishes, all my colours."

The angry boy didn't want to recognize that she was right, so he went far away and the sea, with her trash, didn't see him anymore.

