

BEFORE THERE WAS THUNDER

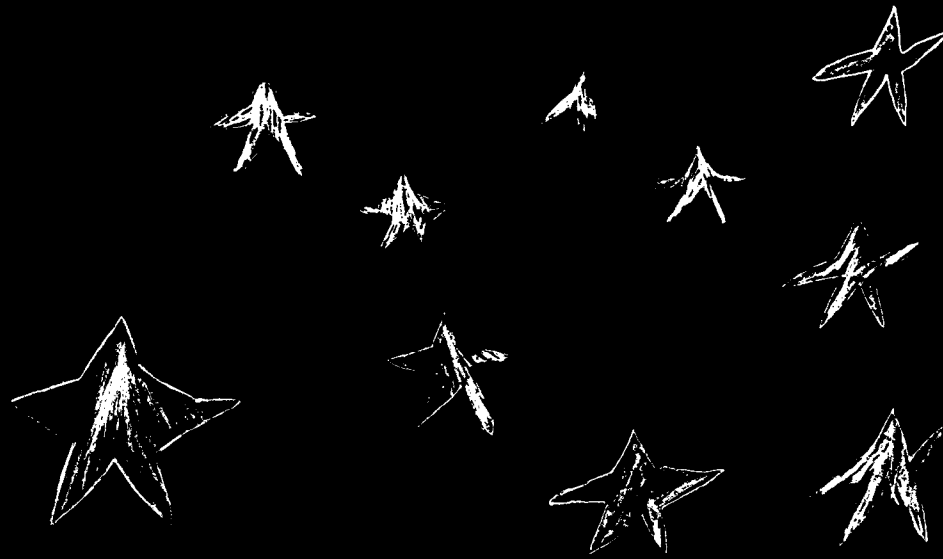
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Before there was thunder and lightning there was just darkness, and it was nothing to see and nothing you could ever see, and it would make you feel all alone. The darkness is a mystery that can't be solved.

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Space is a galaxy of stars and planets, thousands and thousands of miles of no air, no stars, as big as the sun.

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It was nothing but air. But suddenly a piece of dust came into the air, then another and another and they kept coming. Then they started coming together like a football player's huddle. Then they looked like a tiny ball and as more pieces of dust came it grew bigger and bigger and bigger.

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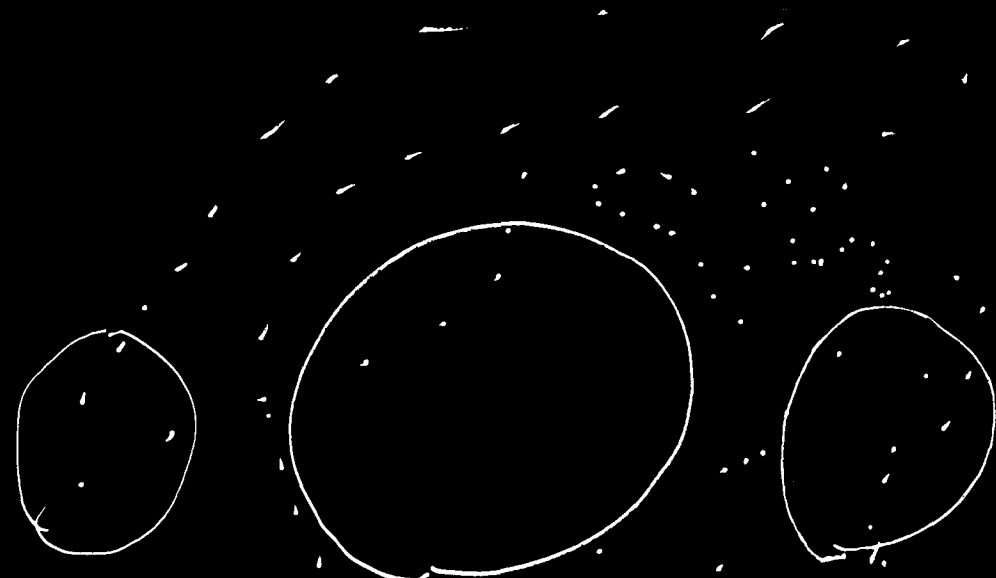
Suddenly a small light came and shone on the dust ball. Soon the light ball and the dust ball grew some more and kept on growing. Then a year for us now is a million years then. A million years passed and the dust and light ball were tremendous. Then all of a sudden water came pouring on the ball.



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One day in space there was a little dot in space. Then there were lots of little meteorites hitting it and making it bigger. This will be called the Earth. Then more meteorites were hitting it, more and more. Then the Earth was the size of ten people.



The Earth started having little bits of water dripping out of the meteorites and now the Earth was the size of twenty-five people, and more drips were hitting it.

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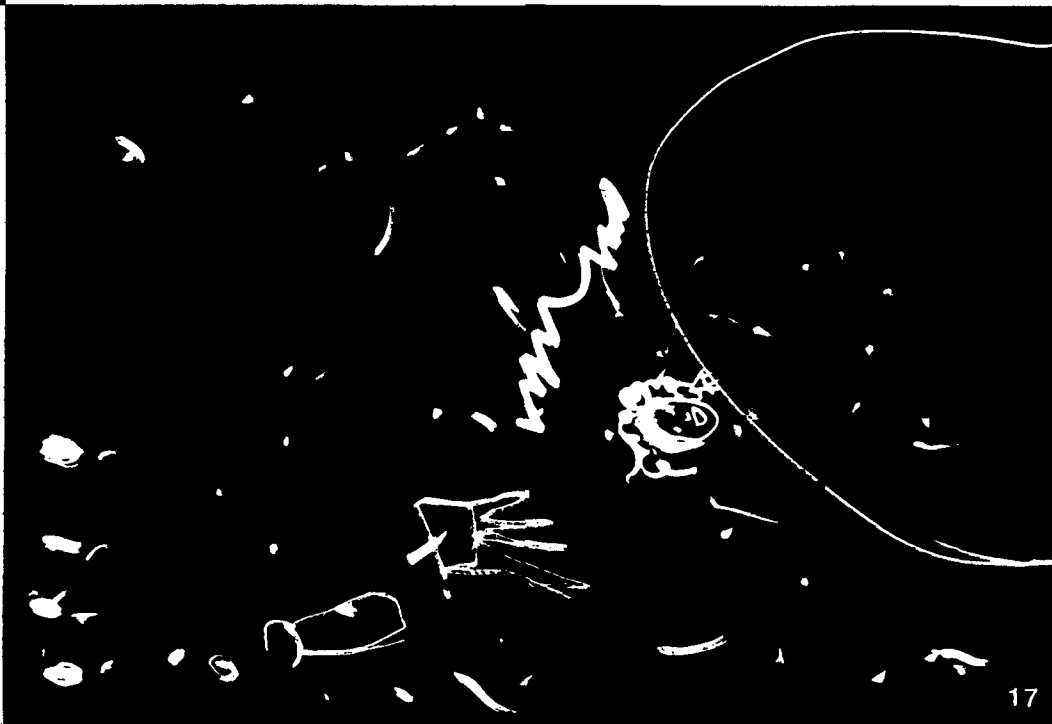
And the Earth got hot and hot and hot and the water got hot and turned into lava. Then the Earth got to be as big as fifty people and there were lots of meteorites hitting the Earth, making the Earth bigger and bigger. And now the Earth was the size of a hundred people.



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There was a sound of "Wheeeeeeee!!!" and the Earth got hotter and hotter. The Earth was about to explode, but the Earth had a mind and it thought, "What should I do?" Then I tried to get bigger and bigger. I moved to the part where less rocks were coming. And I still got bigger and I didn't explode.

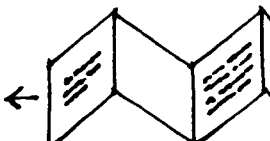
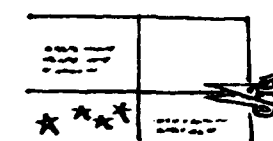


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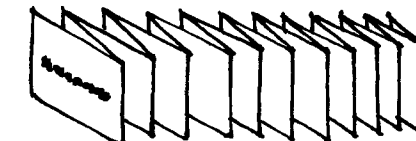
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