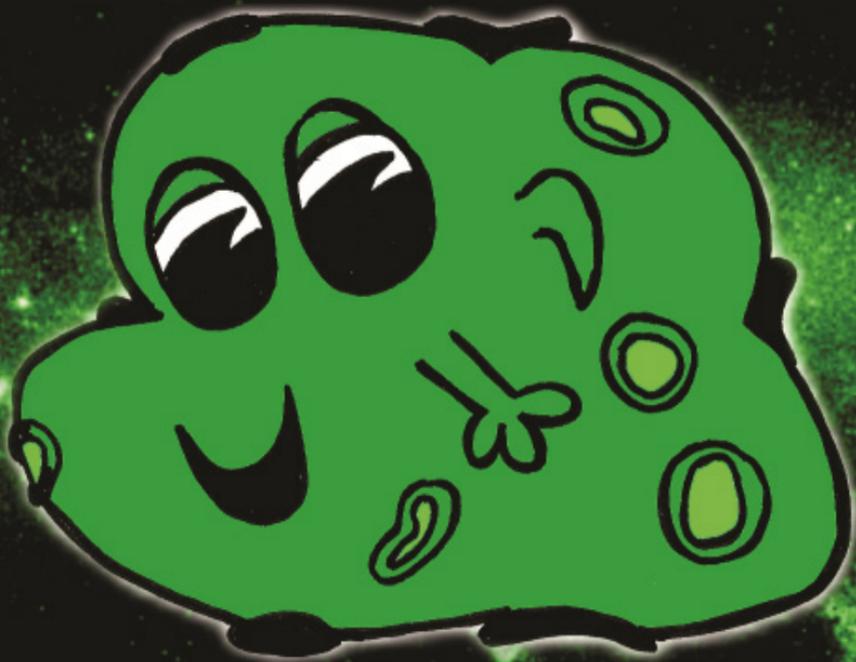


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*Dedicated to my son Nathaniel who not only gives me the incentive to write,
he's also my best critic!*

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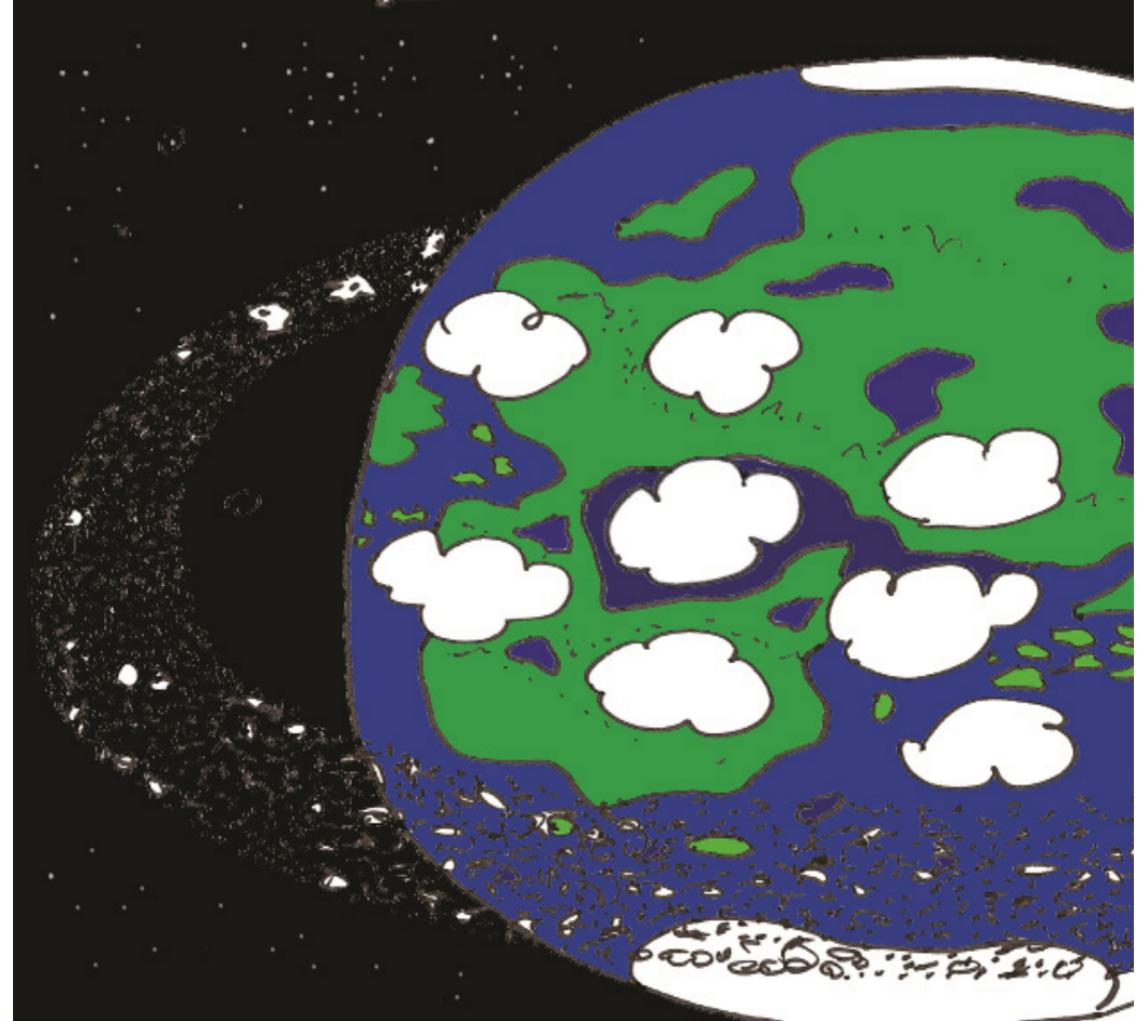
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Bob is... well of course he is... an alien. An alien blob to be more precise.

Bob lives in Blobsville in a country called Blobland on the planet Blobos in the galaxy called...

...the Large Magellanic Cloud.

Well... that's what the alien translator said, anyway!



One day, Bob started waking up as usual.

For Bob, it is a bit harder to wake up in the morning than you and I.

You know how hard it is sometimes to open your eyes in the morning?

Well, for Bob the Blob, it is a lot harder.

Bob doesn't just have to open his eyes.

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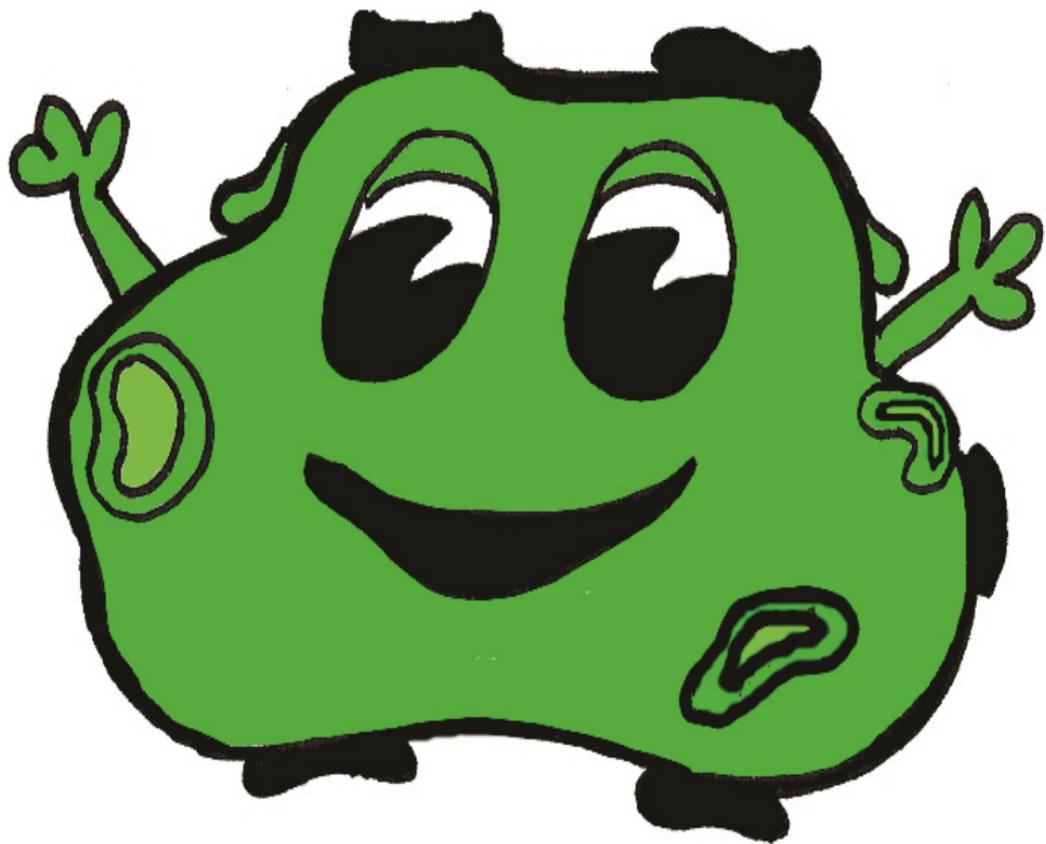


He has to make them!

Every morning Blobs all over Blobos have to make their eyes, arms and mouths before heading off to work!

Can you imagine that?

Every morning!



On this particular morning Bob didn't take long to pull himself together as he was looking forward to going to work.

Bob had a very exciting job. You see, Bob's job was to grow things.

You might be thinking, what's so exciting about that? Anyone can grow something!

But Bob wasn't just any old gardener.

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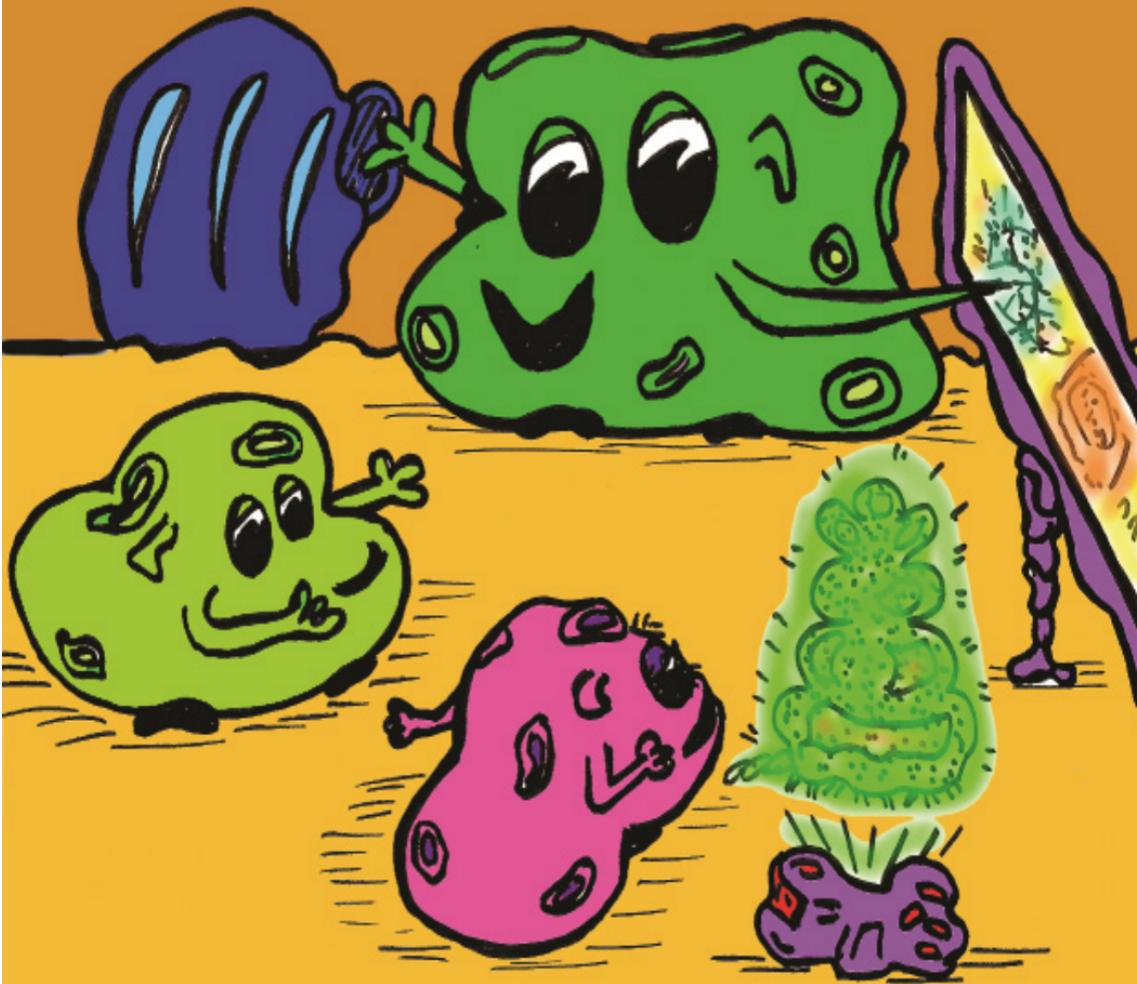


Bob grew houses!

During the day he would go to his office and help other Blobs choose the right house that suited them.

Then he would go home and get the right combination of seeds to grow the houses.

The next day he would plant the seeds, and within two weeks he would have the perfect house.



He'd made quite a name for himself in Blobsville and just about every house raised had been planted by him.

Bob the Grower, they called him.

Not only that, thanks to both of the sons of Blobos getting hotter and more active, business was booming.

Well, 'blooming' would be more accurate!



So, today, Bob was in a very good mood.

Before going to work he decided to go for a stroll.

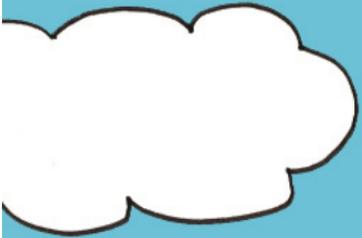
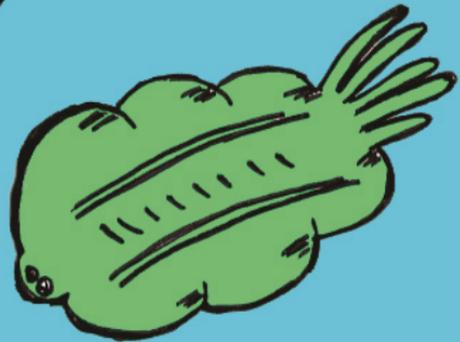
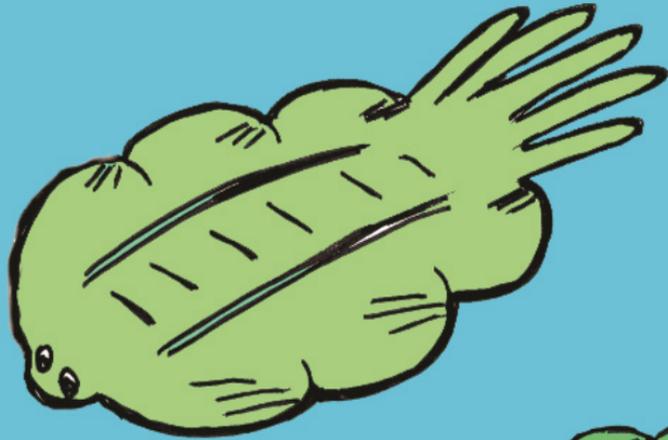
Well, actually, Blobs don't really have legs unless they make them so Bob went for a roll.

In any case, Bob went into town.



It was a fantastic Day.

The flying Blobs were burbling, the suns were shining hotter than ever and Bob felt very happy.

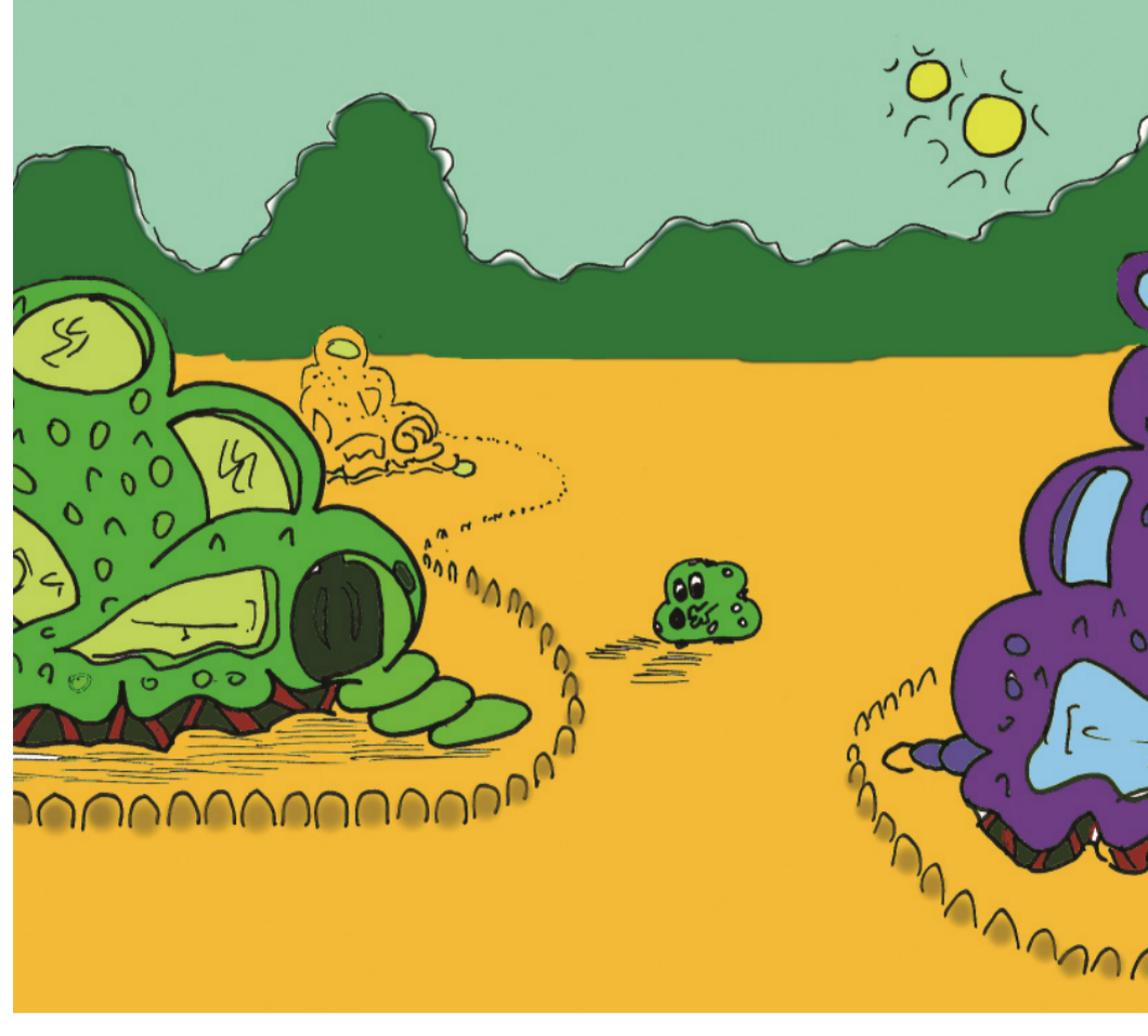


As he rolled around the corner, Bob suddenly heard something that shocked him.

And Bob was rarely shocked.

He heard it again.

Something he'd never heard before in Blobsville, ever.



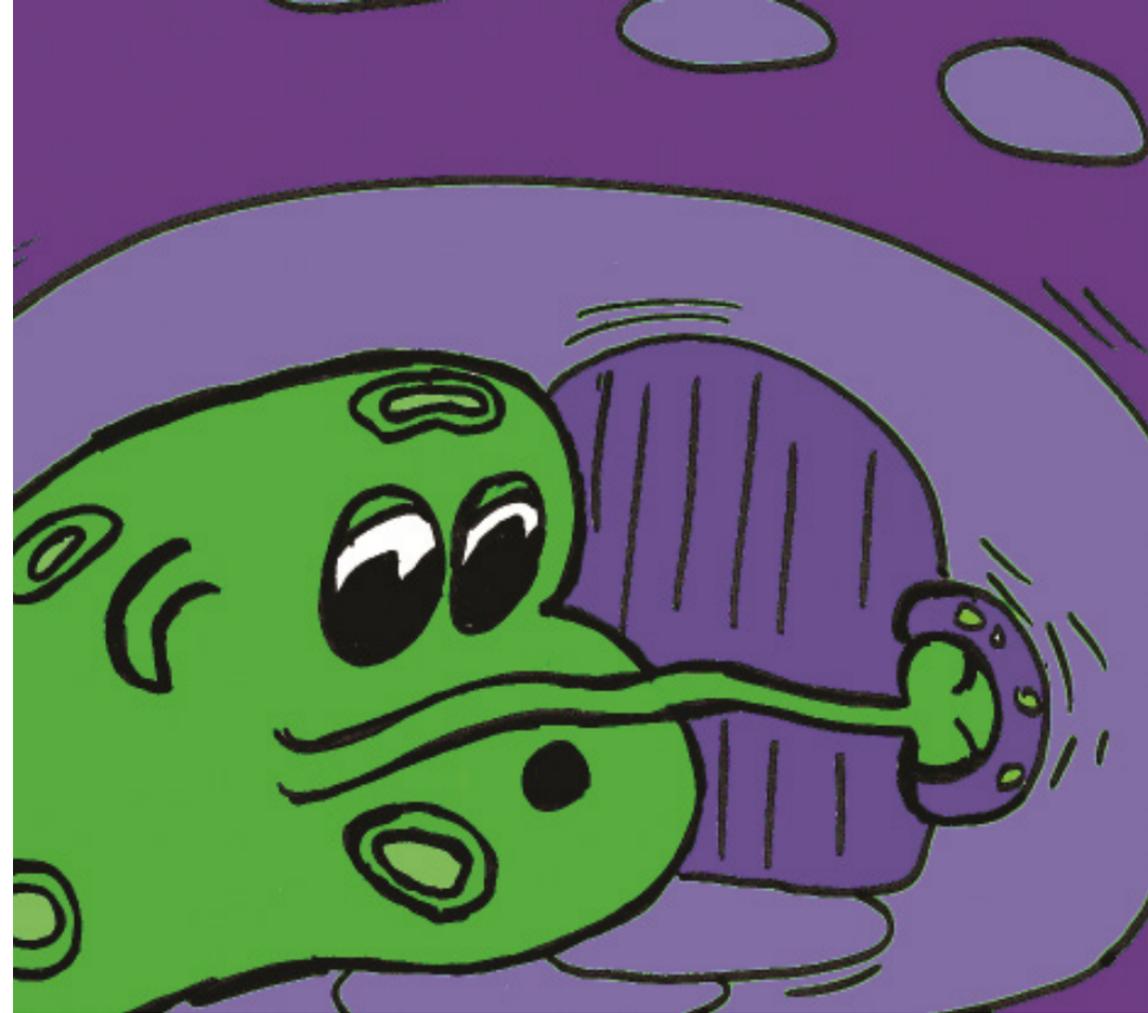
An argument!

There was an argument happening in Blobsville!

Bob couldn't believe his ears.

He followed the sound, rolled over to the house and pushed the shaker.

The house shook and the door opened.



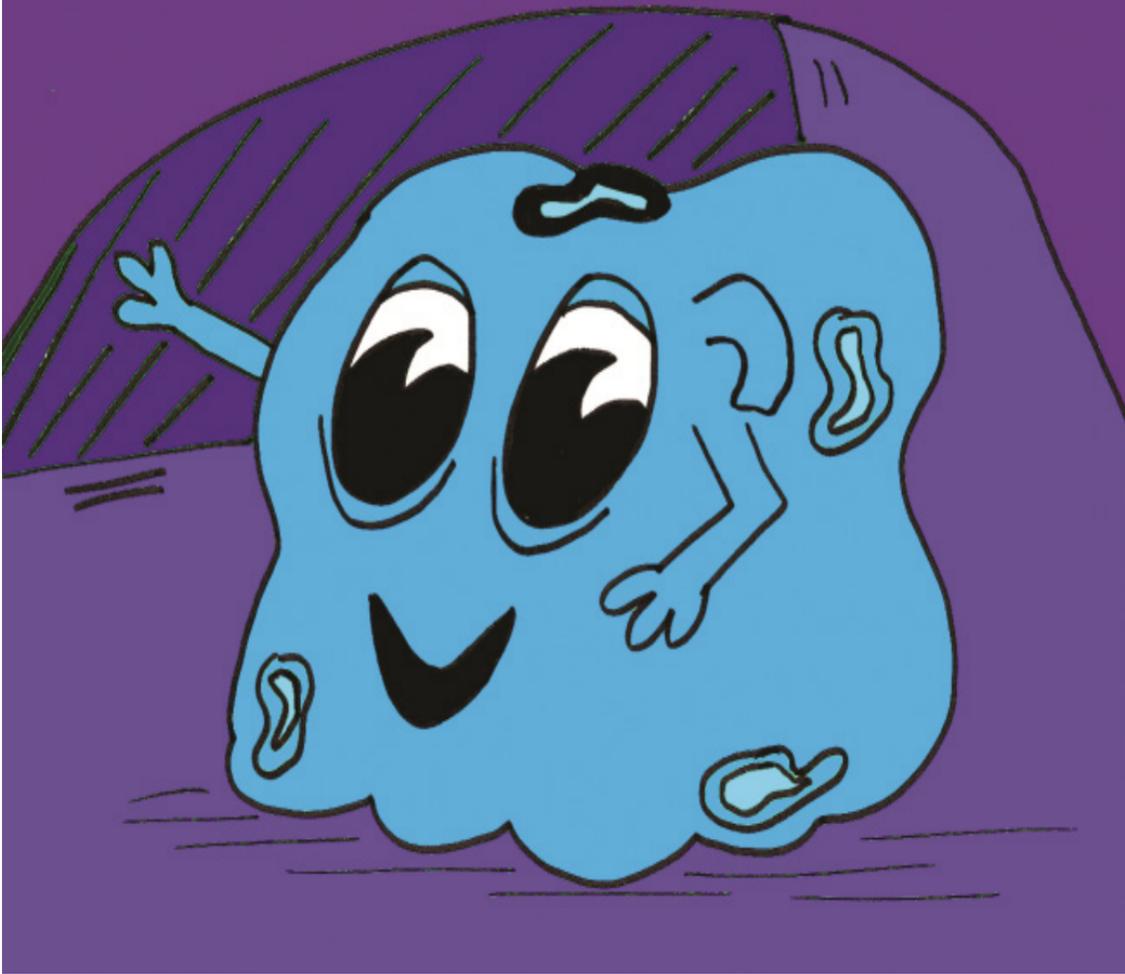
It was the Leader of Blobsville.

“Hello Grower. What’s up?” said the Leader.

“I’m sorry to interrupt you but I heard an argument and I was wondering if there was something I could do to help?” said Bob.

The Leader smiled and ushered Bob inside.

Inside he found that the leaders of the nearby villages had gathered for their monthly meeting at the Leader of Blobsville’s house.



Bob quickly saw that everyone was unhappy. And he also quickly saw the reason why they had been arguing.

They were all too big to fit in the room!

“We have a ‘big’ problem”, said the Leader with a smile.

The meeting was still continuing. “We could have two meetings per month and split the group into two halves.” Bob heard one Blob suggest. Another said, “I think we just need to lose weight!”

“Why don’t you go somewhere with a bigger room?” asked Bob.



There aren't any," said the Leader.

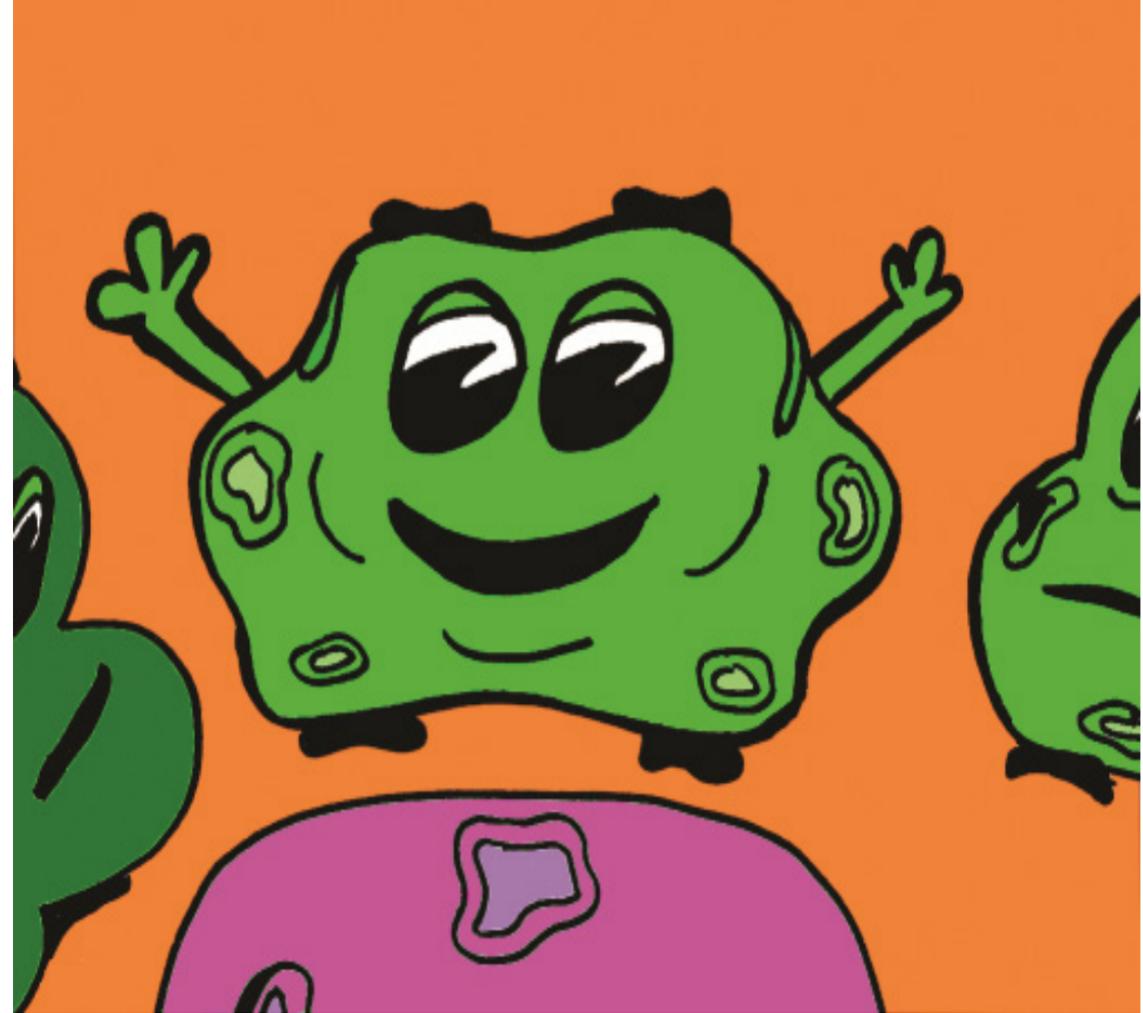
Bob thought for a moment. Then he had an idea.

"I'll grow you a bigger room!" said Bob.

"But we've never had a house grown that no one lives in. Who will take care of it?" asked one of the other leaders, incredulously.

"You could all take care of it!" said Bob

There was silence as everyone suddenly realised that this was the perfect solution.



“Grower Bob, that’s brilliant,” exclaimed the Leader. “Let’s do it!”

Bob left the Leader’s house, and then spent the rest of the day carefully creating a mixture of seeds for the best meeting house, ever.

The next day Bob put his seeds in the ground in the centre of town, added some fertiliser and waited.

Within minutes the front steps started growing.

Then the front door.

Then the windows. It was looking good!

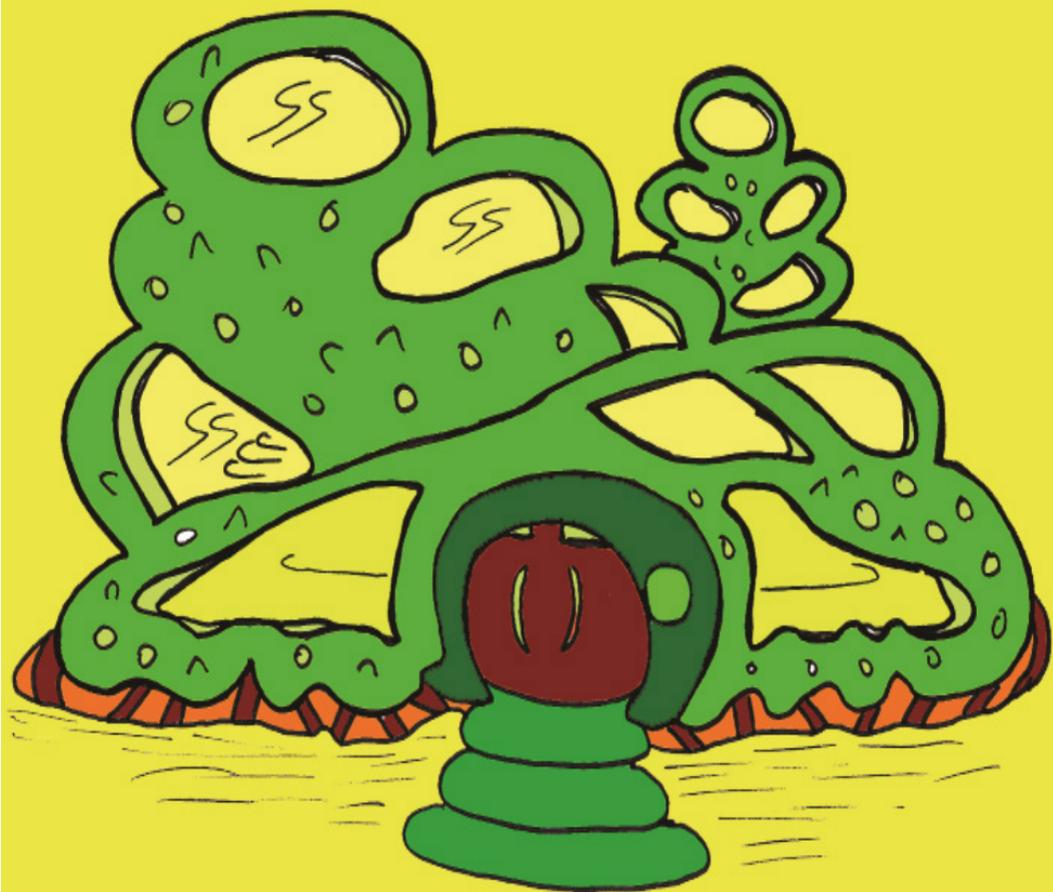


Over the next two weeks the meeting house took shape, and by the third week it was ready.

The leaders were very happy. It was exactly what they wanted. There was so much room inside it didn't matter how big they were.

In fact, the leaders of the neighbouring areas decided to get Bob to create meeting houses for their own villages.

Word spread far and wide, and before long, villages all over Blobos were contacting Bob.



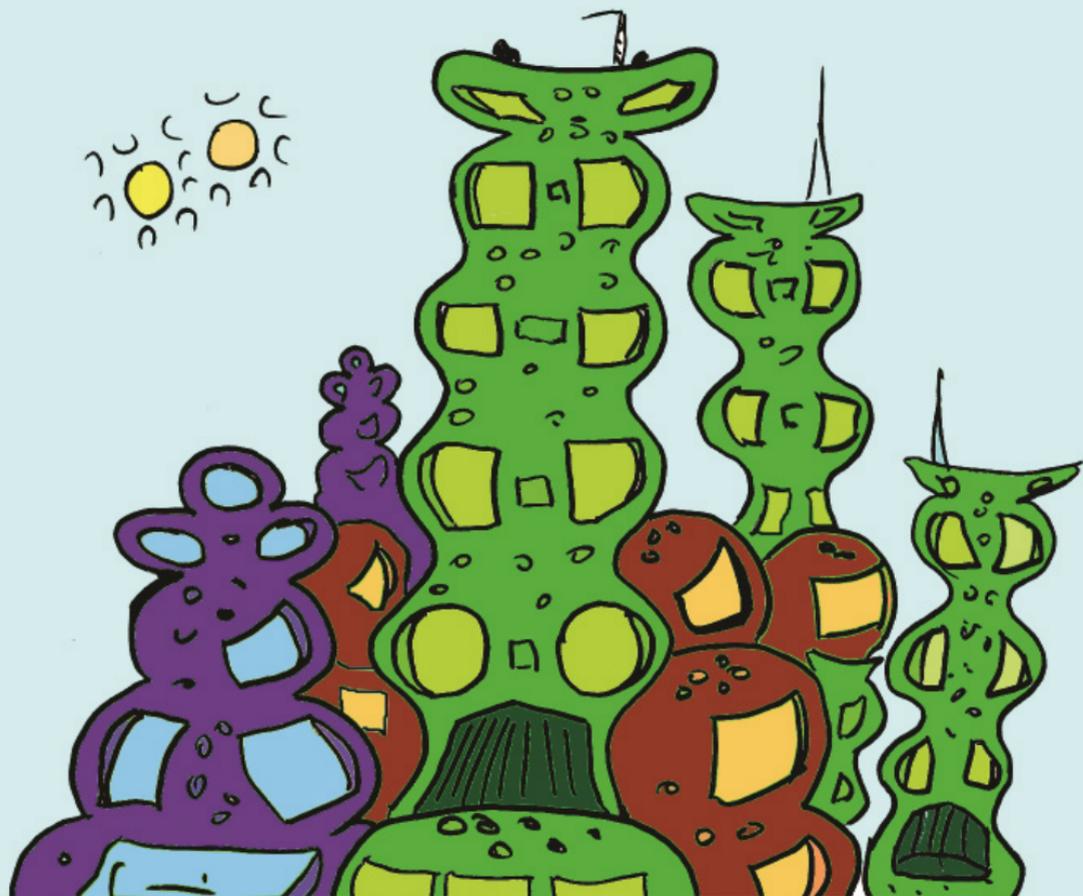
As a result, Bob quickly became famous.

He was soon growing office blocks, factories, pavilions, theatres, stadiums and even a rocket.

Soon he was even growing entire cities.

But that isn't the end of Bob's story.

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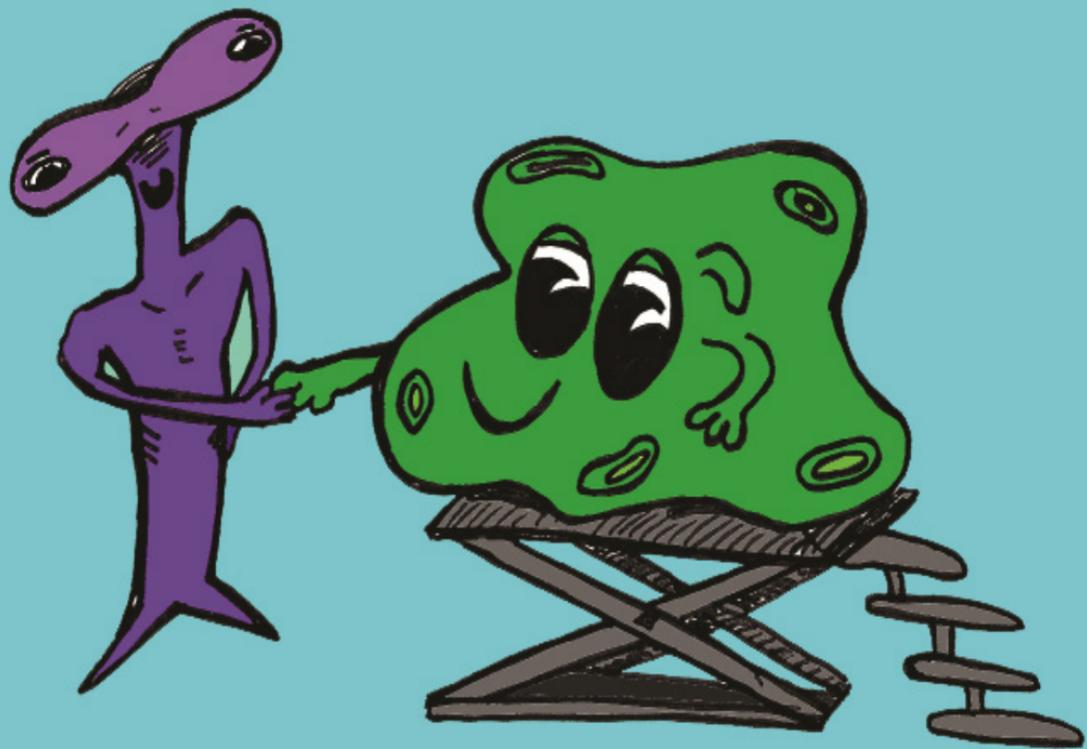
Bob the Grower became so popular that he was even asked to grow houses on other planets!

He even got an invitation to an interstellar conference at the end of the year.

So, now he is planning a holiday.

This year he's going to go on a cruise.

It's going to take a while to plan, though.



He has to grow the boat first!

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