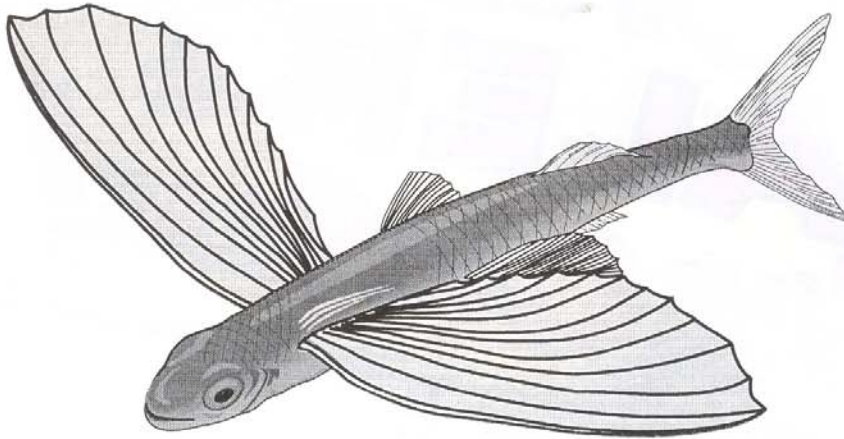


**COASTAL
ALERT
SAVE OUR SEAS!**





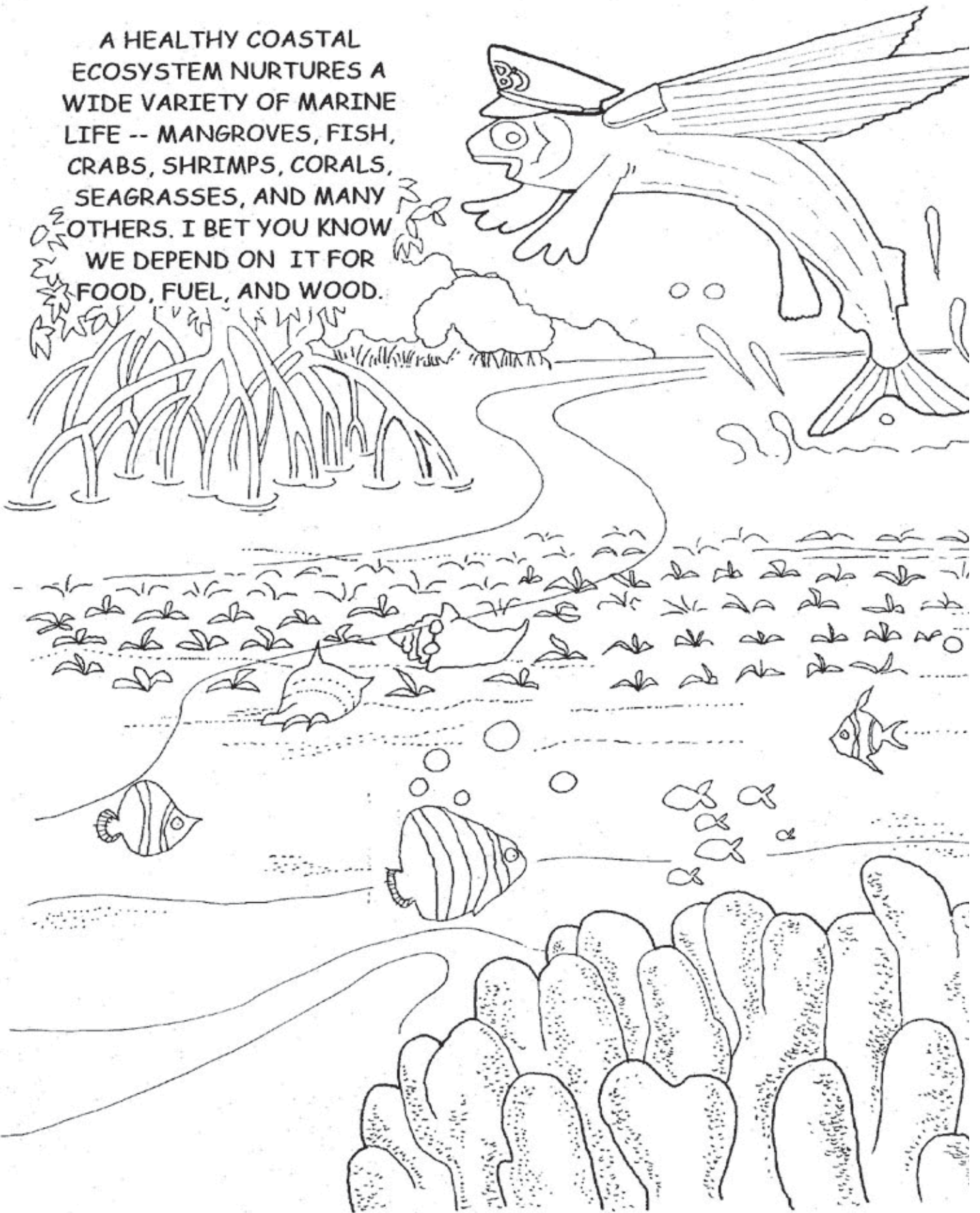
Who is Kapitan Barongoy?

Kapitan Barongoy is a flying fish. His 'wings' are really huge fins that give him the ability to 'fly' over the sea surface. Traveling long distances under the sea, he is an eyewitness to the distressing and often calamitous effects of garbage and pollution on the marine environment. Leaping off and skimming the surface of the sea, he is able to see the cause of the problem: Garbage, garbage everywhere, and people throwing trash anywhere they please, unaware of (or simply indifferent to) the damage they cause. In this book, Kapitan Barongoy tells us that the fishes' garbage problem is also our problem, and that we must all work together to solve it, before it's too late.

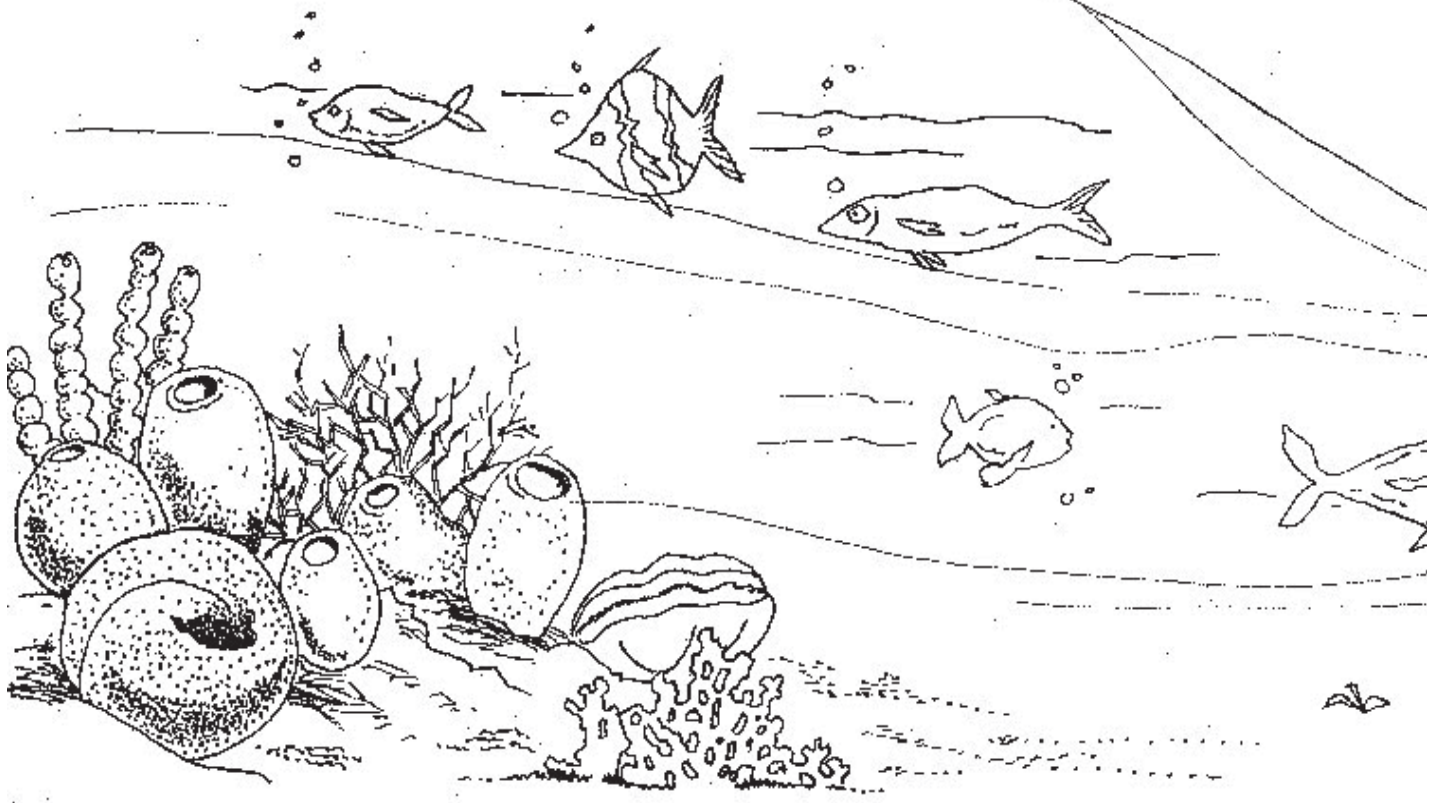
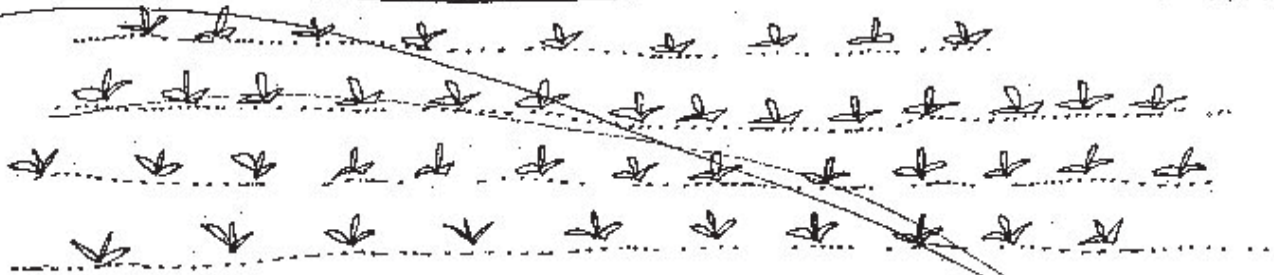
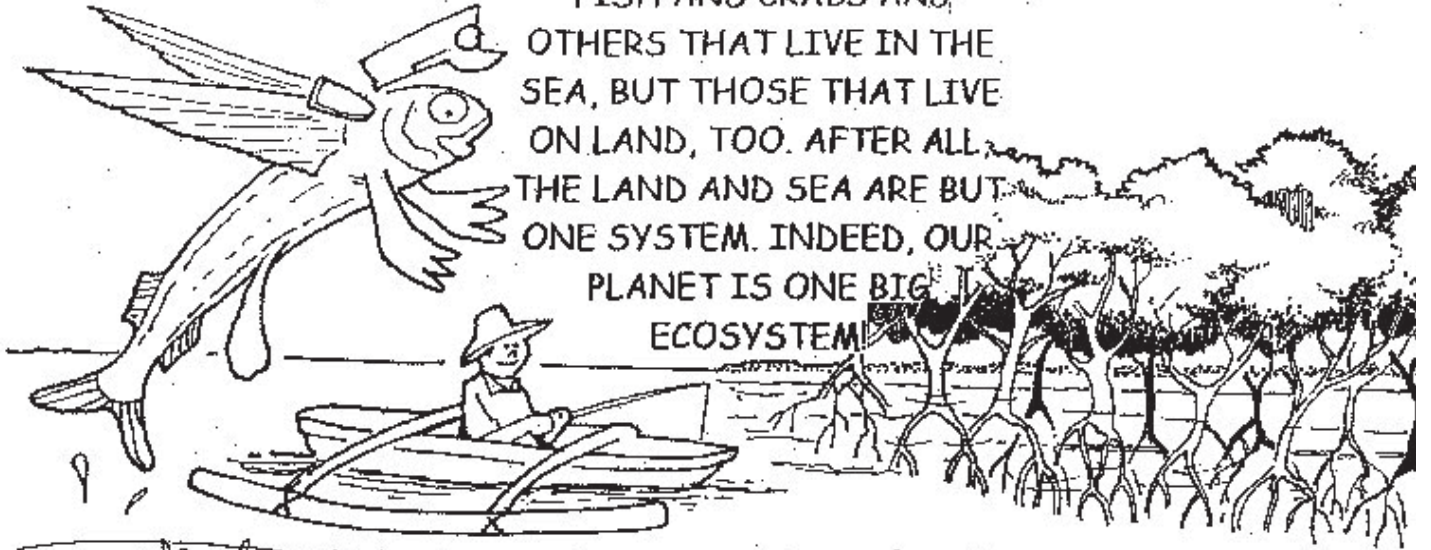
The Visayan term 'barongoy' is commonly used to refer to *Cypselurus oligolepsis*, a species of flying fish which is also known by various names (balang, bolador, iliw, iliu, isdang lawin, lawin (Tag.); iliu, siliu (Tag., Bikol); bingki, (Marinao, Samal, Tausug); borador, tirong (Ilokano); antulihan, eliw, bangsi (Vis.). But because *C. oligolepsis* has become quite scarce, this book uses the name 'barongoy' for *C. opisthopus*, another flying fish species that is sold fresh or dried as a food fish in wet markets. (Ref. Guide to Philippine Flora and Fauna: Fishes, vol. IX, by Patricia V. Conlu, Natural Resources Management Center and University of the Philippines, 1986)

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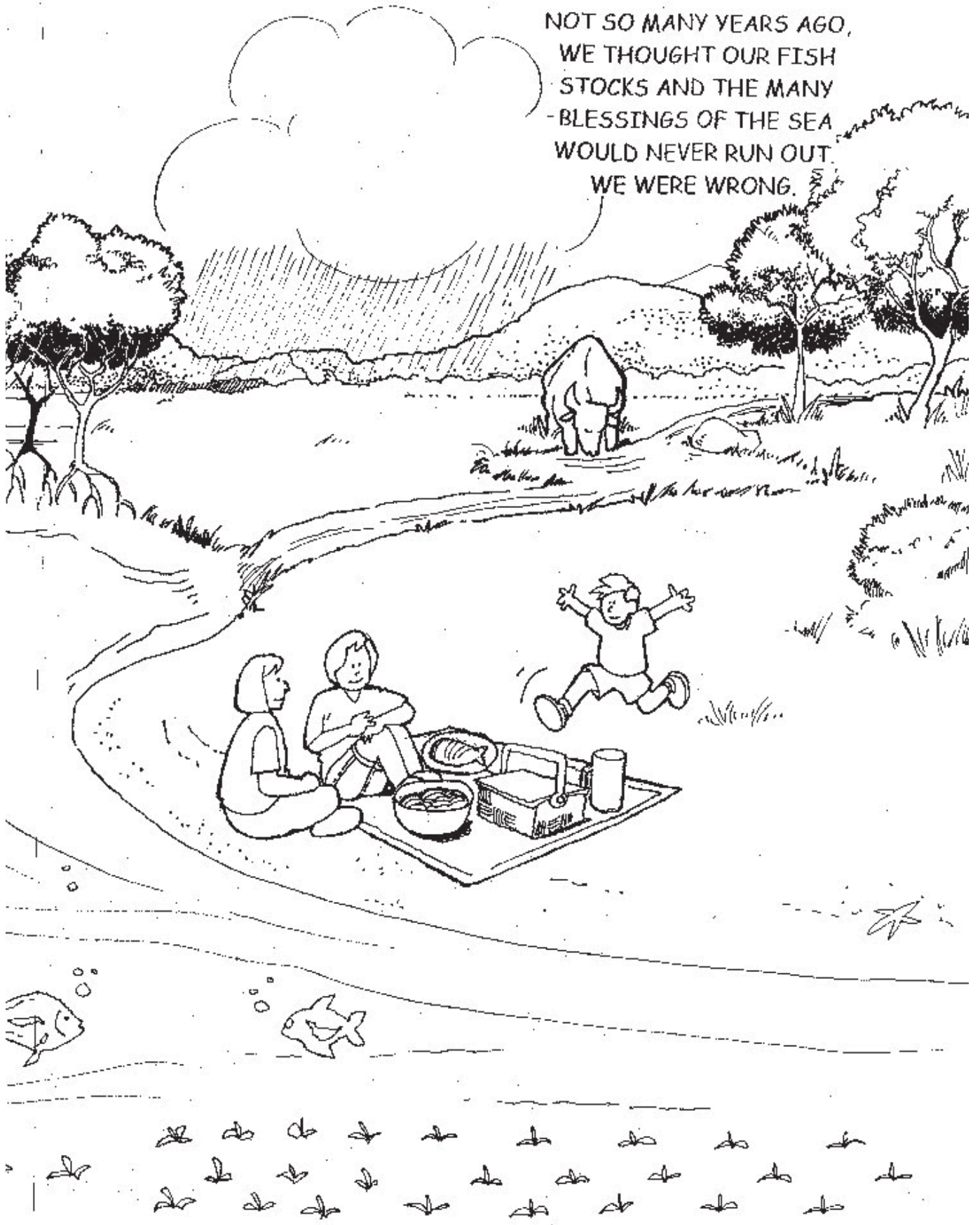
A HEALTHY COASTAL
ECOSYSTEM NURTURES A
WIDE VARIETY OF MARINE
LIFE -- MANGROVES, FISH,
CRABS, SHRIMPS, CORALS,
SEAGRASSES, AND MANY
OTHERS. I BET YOU KNOW
WE DEPEND ON IT FOR
FOOD, FUEL, AND WOOD.



BUT DO YOU KNOW THAT
MANY OTHER CREATURES
DEPEND ON THE COASTAL
ECOSYSTEM? NOT ONLY
FISH AND CRABS AND
OTHERS THAT LIVE IN THE
SEA, BUT THOSE THAT LIVE
ON LAND, TOO. AFTER ALL,
THE LAND AND SEA ARE BUT
ONE SYSTEM. INDEED, OUR
PLANET IS ONE BIG
ECOSYSTEM!

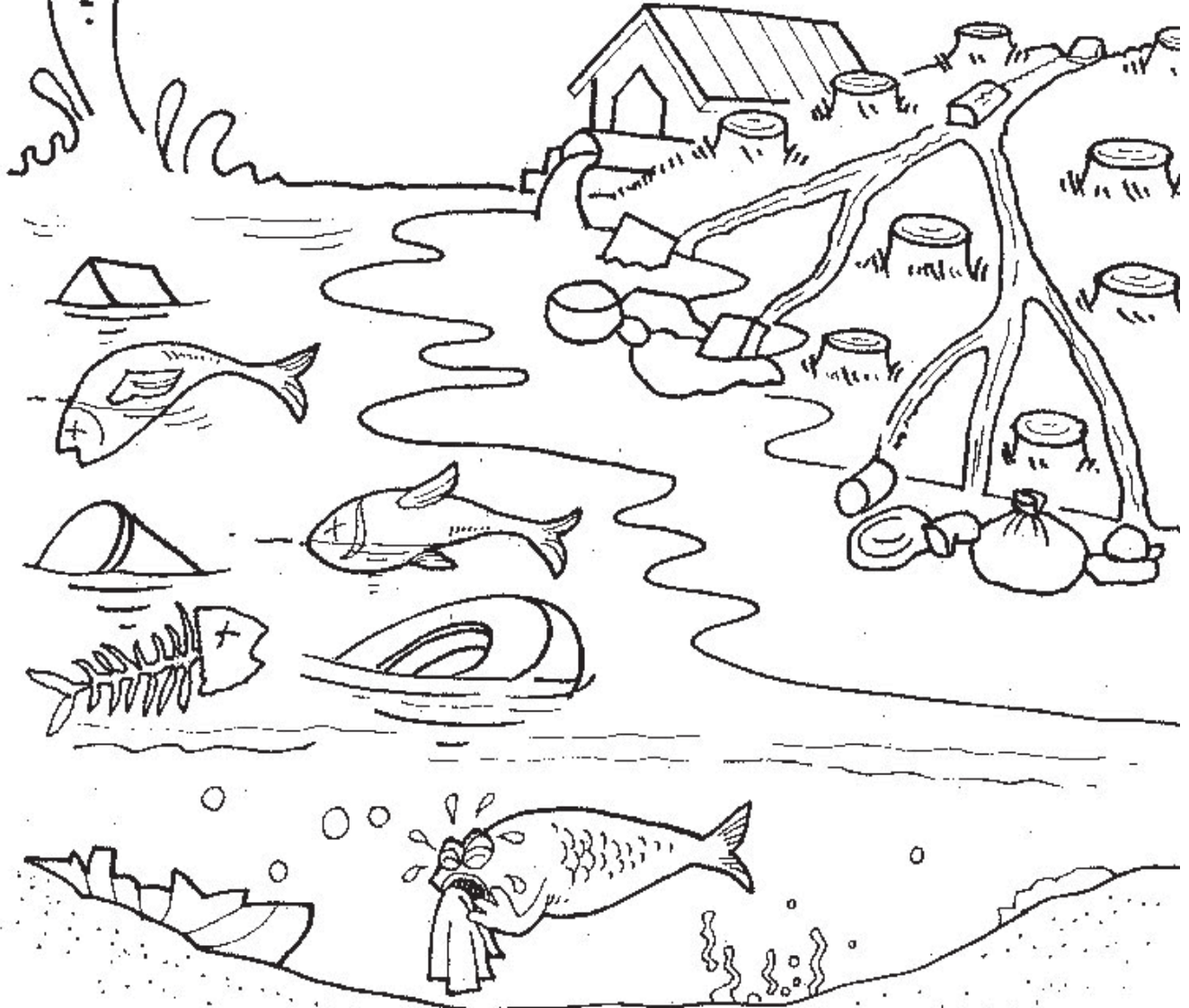


NOT SO MANY YEARS AGO,
WE THOUGHT OUR FISH
STOCKS AND THE MANY
-BLESSINGS OF THE SEA
WOULD NEVER RUN OUT.
WE WERE WRONG.

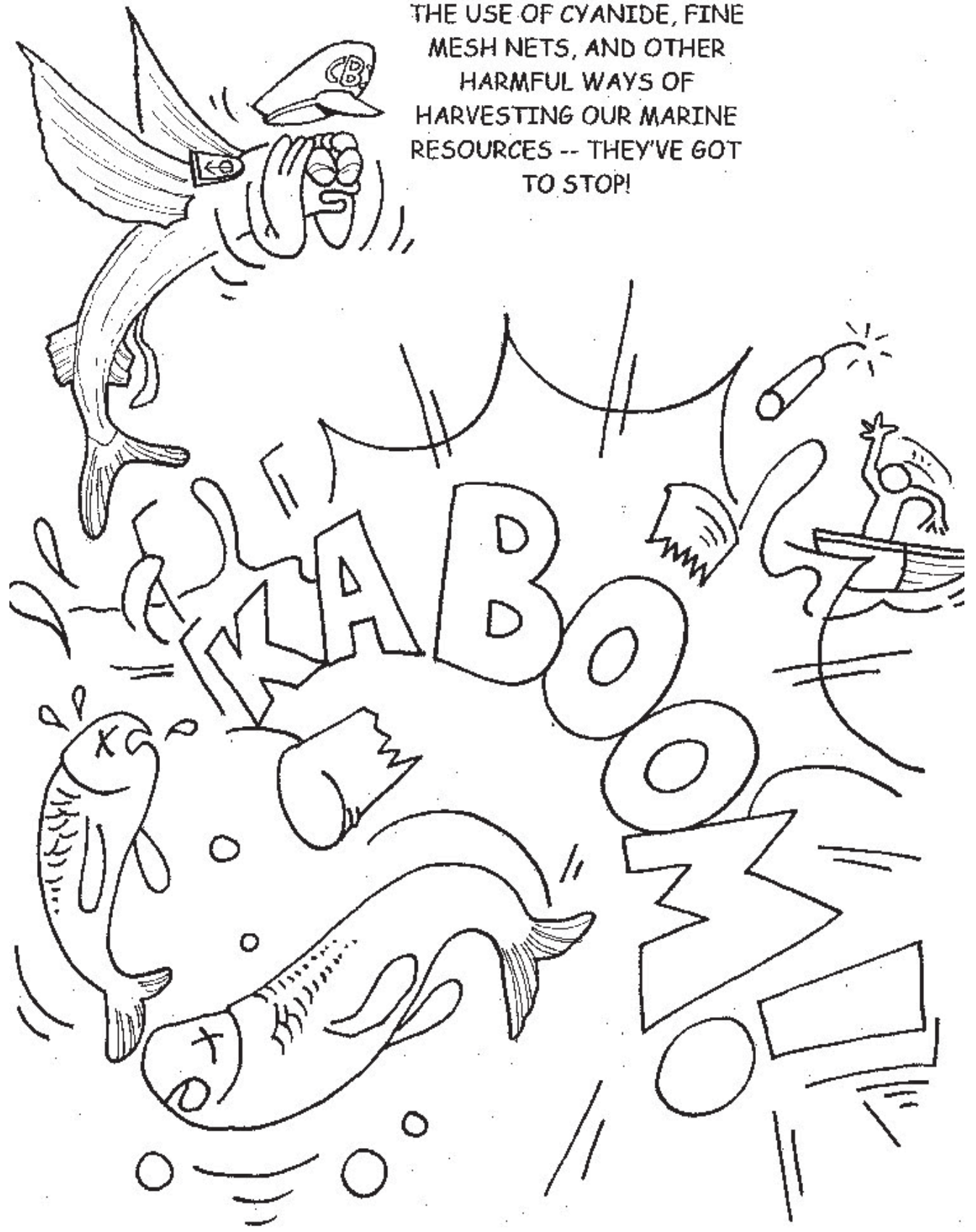




POLLUTION FROM LAND, THE
CUTTING OF TREES WHICH
CAUSES LAND TO ERODE,
SEWAGE, LITTER AND TRASH
-- ALL THESE CAUSE UNTOLD
DAMAGE TO OUR COASTAL
RESOURCES.

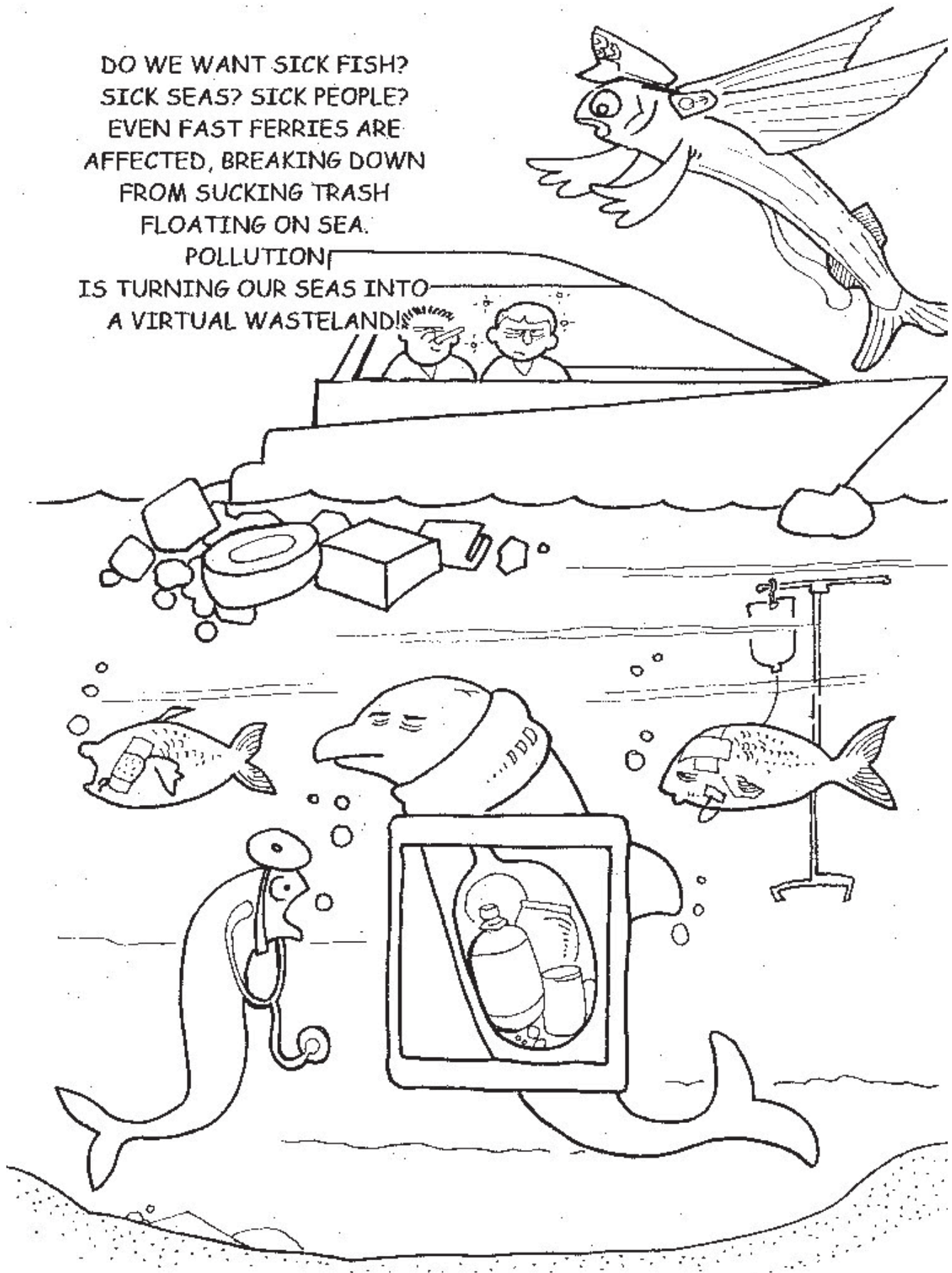


DYNAMITE FISHING,
THE USE OF CYANIDE, FINE
MESH NETS, AND OTHER
HARMFUL WAYS OF
HARVESTING OUR MARINE
RESOURCES -- THEY'VE GOT
TO STOP!



DO WE WANT SICK FISH?
SICK SEAS? SICK PEOPLE?
EVEN FAST FERRIES ARE
AFFECTED, BREAKING DOWN
FROM SUCKING TRASH
FLOATING ON SEA.

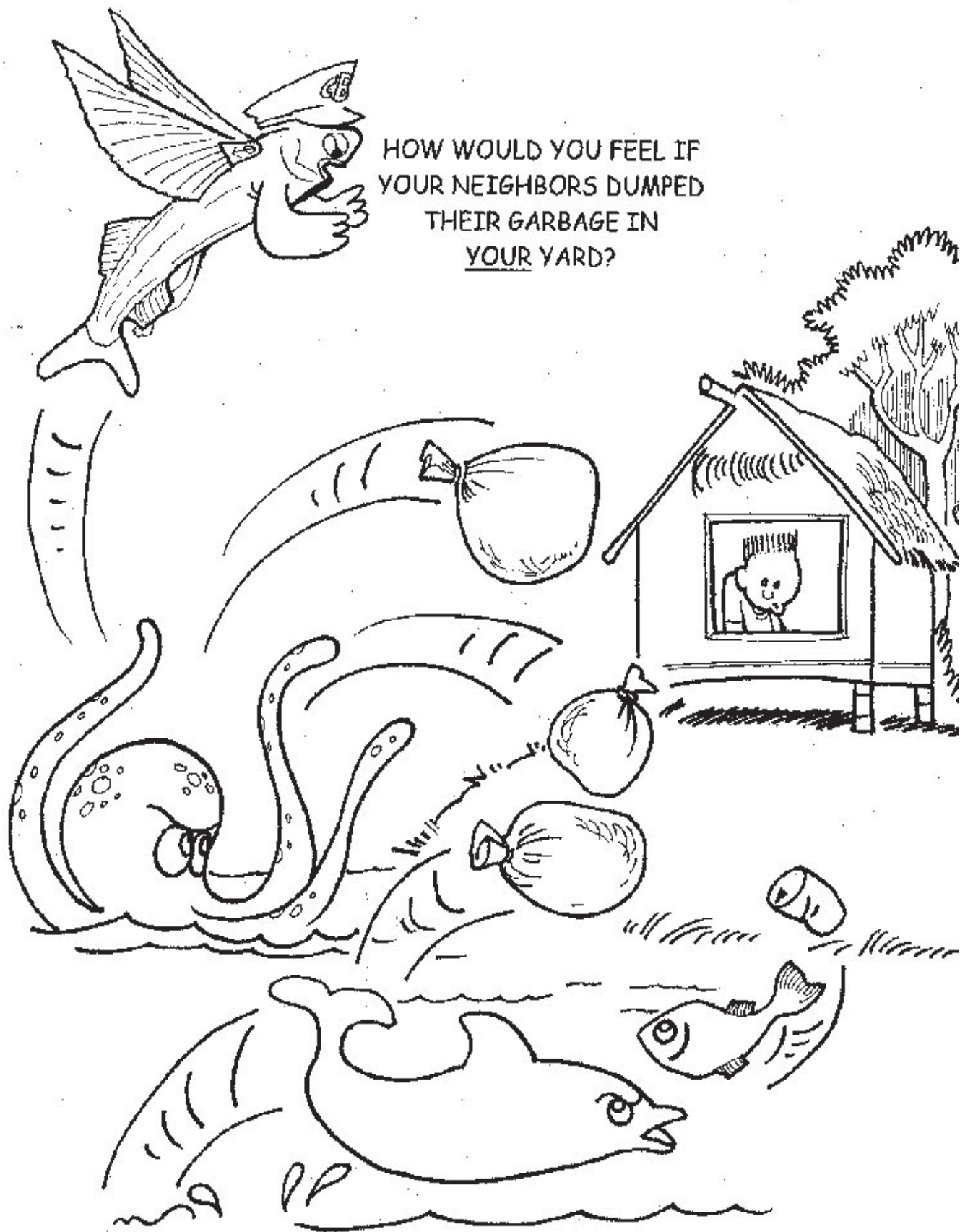
POLLUTION
IS TURNING OUR SEAS INTO
A VIRTUAL WASTELAND!



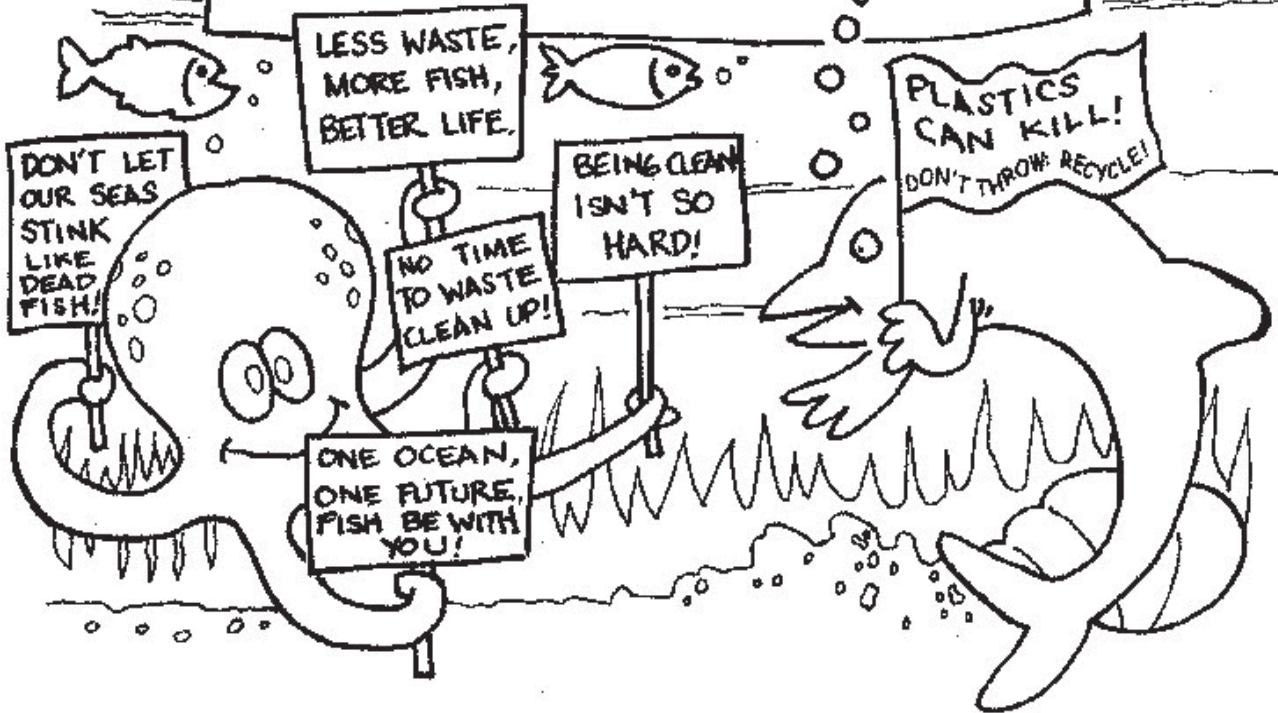
STOP! ONE THOUGHTLESS
ACTION IS ALL IT TAKES TO
CAUSE HARM TO OUR
COASTAL ECOSYSTEM
AND EVERYTHING AND
EVERYONE THAT
DEPEND ON IT
(INCLUDING US!)

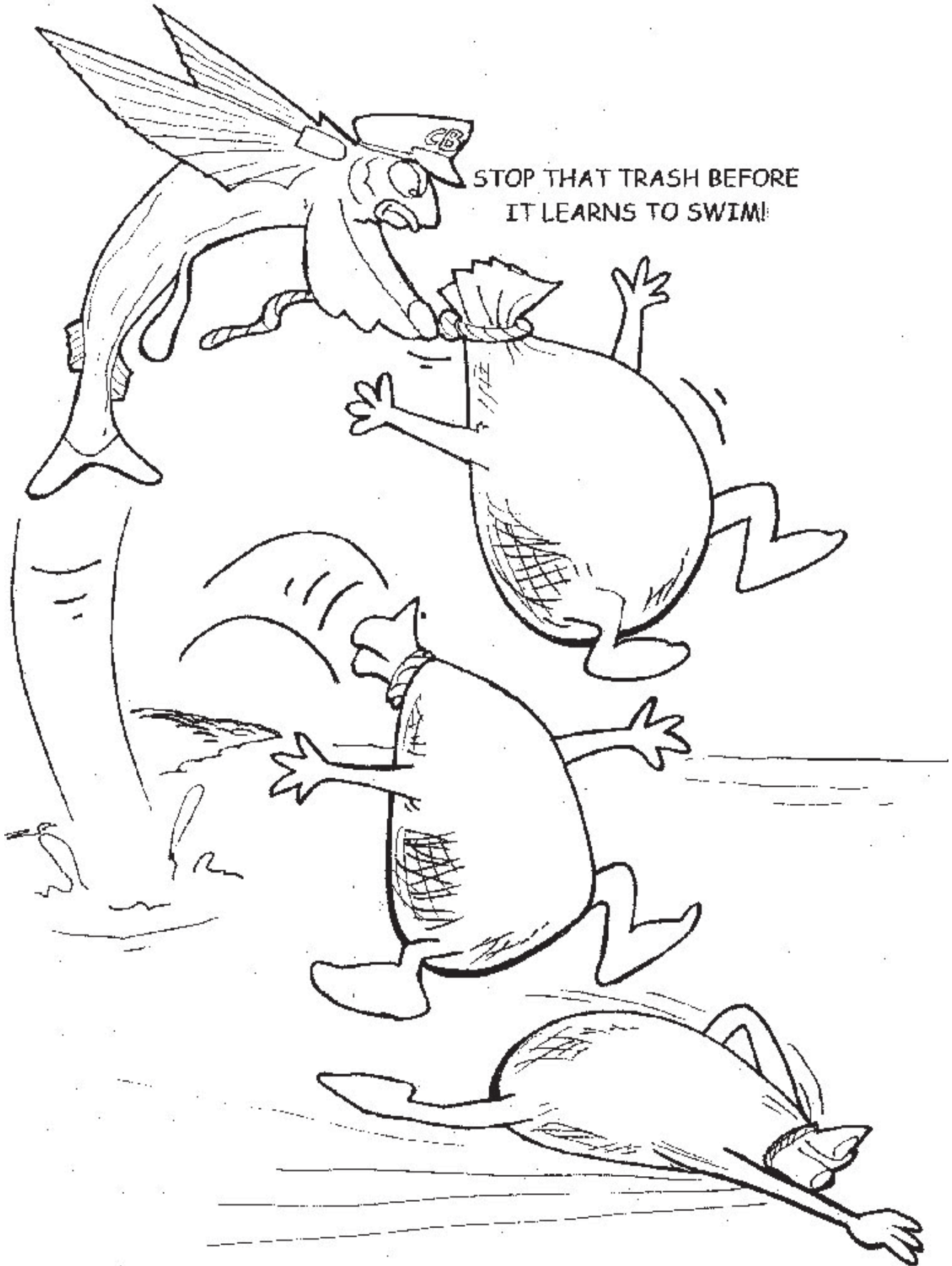


HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF
YOUR NEIGHBORS DUMPED
THEIR GARBAGE IN
YOUR YARD?



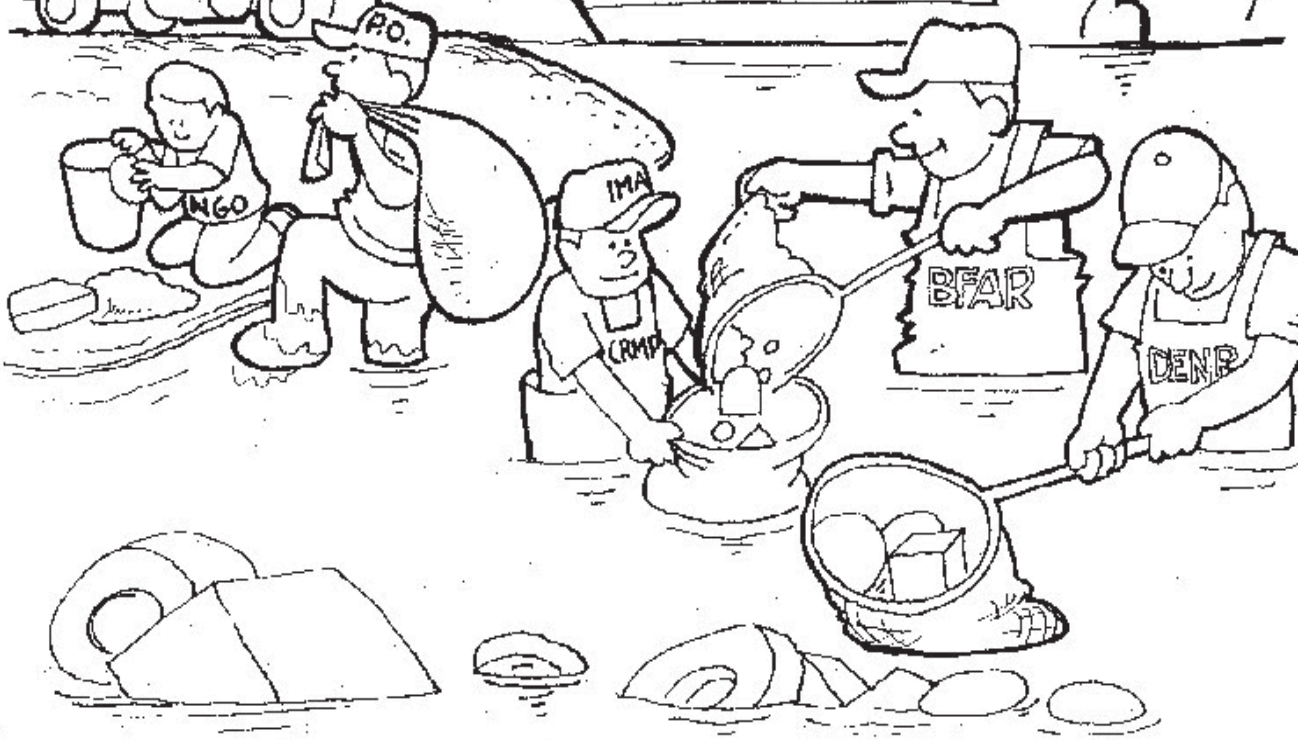
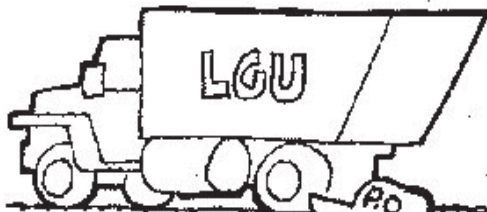
LISTEN: DO YOU HEAR WHAT
OUR FISHES SAY? "OUR
SEAS DESERVE BETTER! WE
DESERVE BETTER!"







HELP KEEP OUR COASTAL
WATERS CLEAN. NOW.



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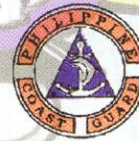
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