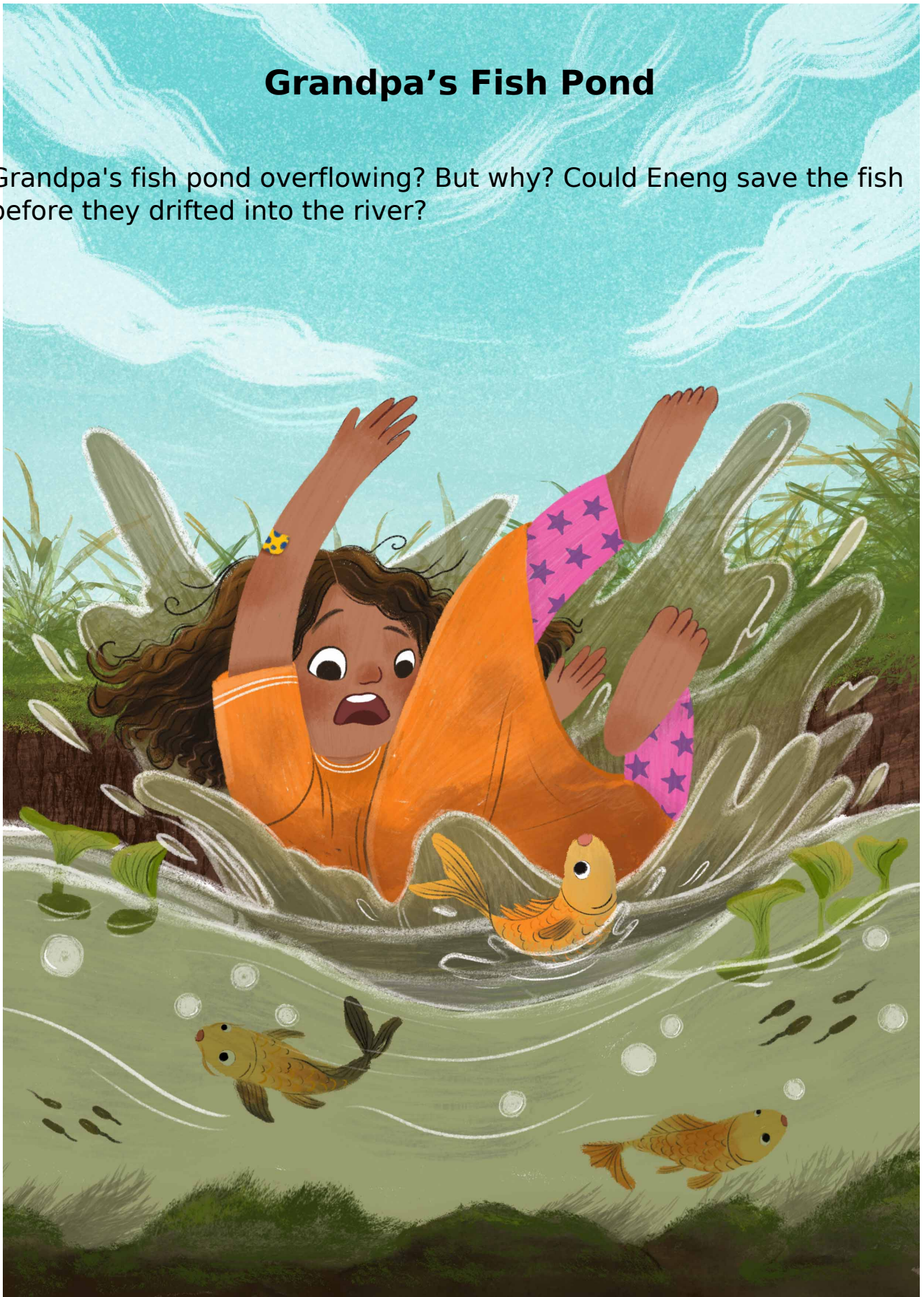


Grandpa's Fish Pond

Grandpa's fish pond overflowing? But why? Could Eneng save the fish before they drifted into the river?





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Eating grilled fish was the best part of the weekend. But, where was

Grandpa? The fish pond was overflowing!



Some fish were still stuck in the pond. Eneng must catch them. "Ujang,

please get the net!" Eneng exclaimed.



"Grab it yourself or wait for Grandpa," said Ujang. "I'm trying to find my

sarong. I hung it out here yesterday.”



Eneng jumped into the river. Maybe she could catch the fish with her

hands.



There they were! The nimble fish easily avoided Engeng's fingers.



Aha! At last she caught a fish. However, the fish's body was slippery

and Eneng lost her grip.



Eneng couldn't let the fish be carried away by the river water. "Ujang,

help me," Eneng exclaimed. "You said you were looking for your sarong, why are you eating cherries?" Ujang just laughed.



Aha, Eneng had an idea! Swish! She managed to catch three fish at

once.



Uh, oh! The fish thrashed around. One fish jumped very high.



Oh, no! The fish got away again.



Hey, what was that? A piece of cloth was drifting in the river.



It looked like the cloth was caught on something. Eneng couldn't pull it

free.



"Hahaha, are you trying to catch fish or play in the water?" said

Ujang.Eneng grimaced.



"Ujang, we helped Grandpa harvest fish before, didn't we?" Eneng

suddenly remembered. "The water inlet was closed and the outlet was opened. So there was very little water in the pond."



"Well, now it's the other way around. The pond water's overflowing. It

means that the drains are clogged," said Eneng. "Maybe that cloth's blocking it."



“Let me pull it,” said Ujang. But he didn’t succeed either.



Maybe they could pull it out together. Splash! They were both

drenched



Hmmm... what could be holding the cloth in place? Eneng reached her

fingers underwater. Oh, the cloth was caught in the drainage wires.



Eneng successfully removed the cloth. Water immediately gushed out

from through the drain. The water in the pool began to recede.



"Grandpa!" Eneng called. She immediately recalled the entire incident

to him. "All because of this cloth," said Eneng as she spread out the cloth.



Hey, that's my sarong!" Ujang exclaimed. "Oh my gosh!" Eneng looked

at Ujang in annoyance.



“Enough you two.” Eneng, your persistence and problem-solving saved

me from losing all my fish. Thank you,” Grandpa smiled. “Eneng, I’m sorry I mocked you instead of helping you. This whole problem was caused by my mistake. I will be more thoughtful and responsible,” Ujang apologized. Grandpa nodded and said, “Now it’s time for us to catch some fish.”



Ah, this was what Eneng had been looking forward to. Grandpa's grilled

fish was always special.



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