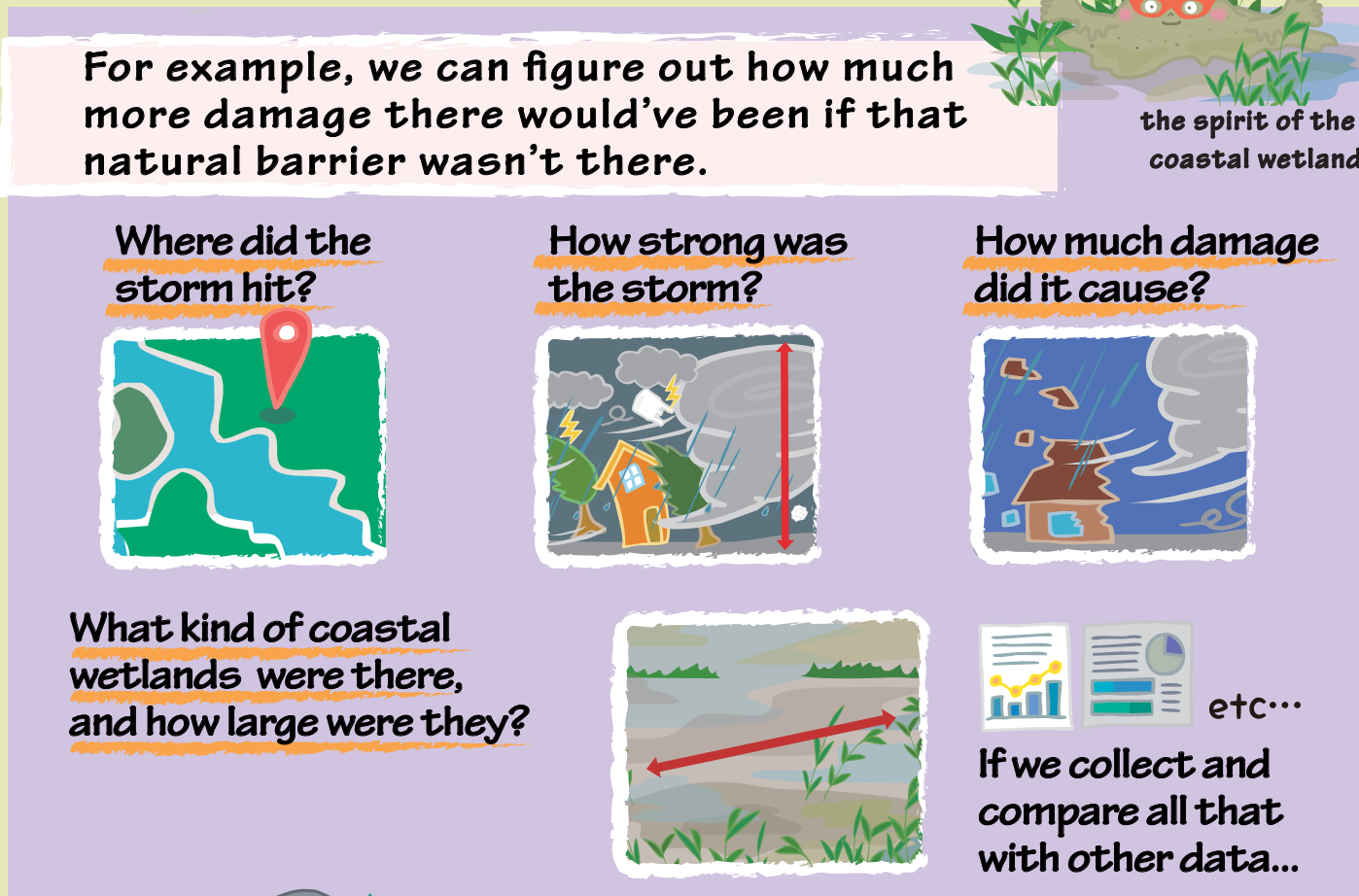
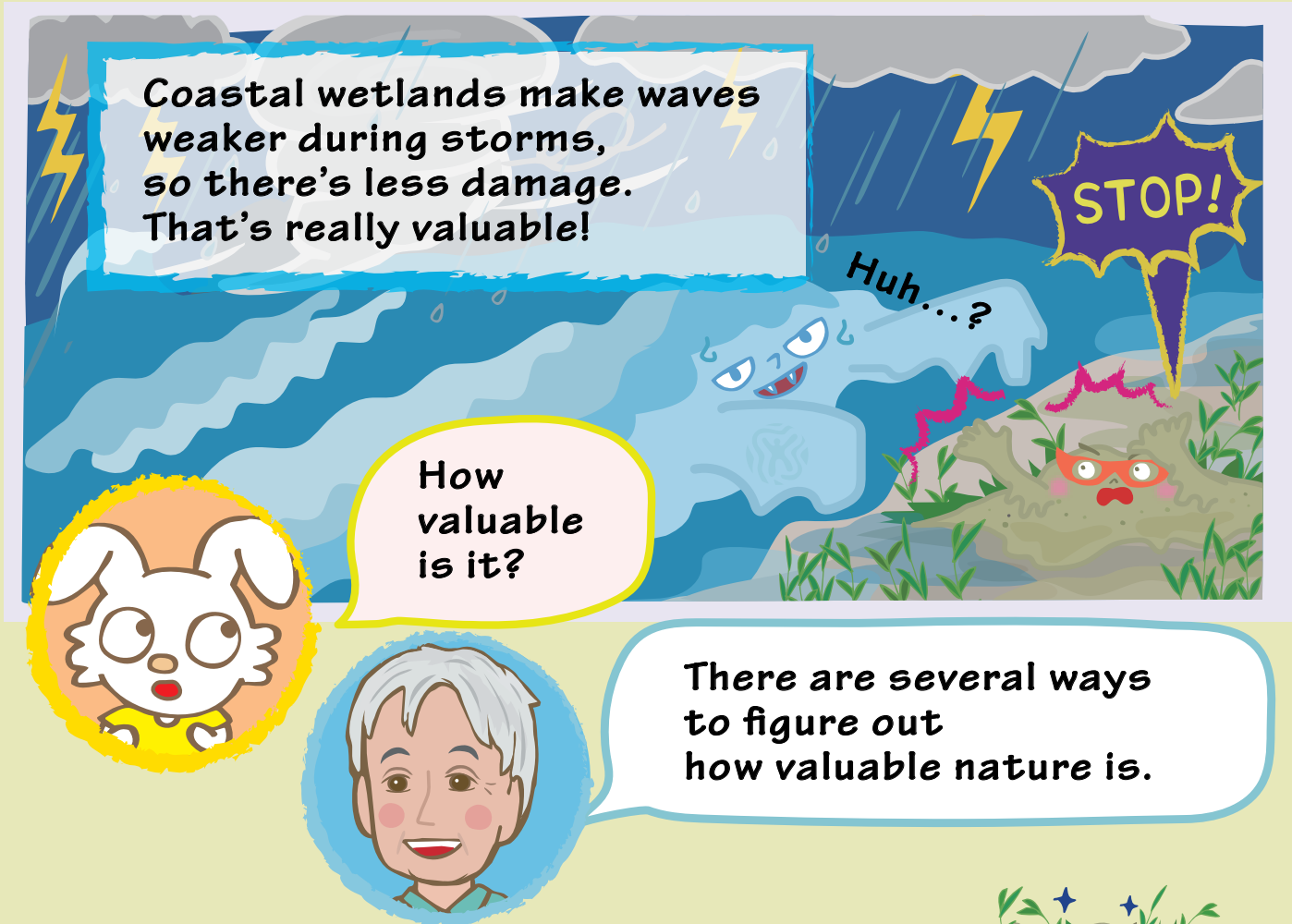


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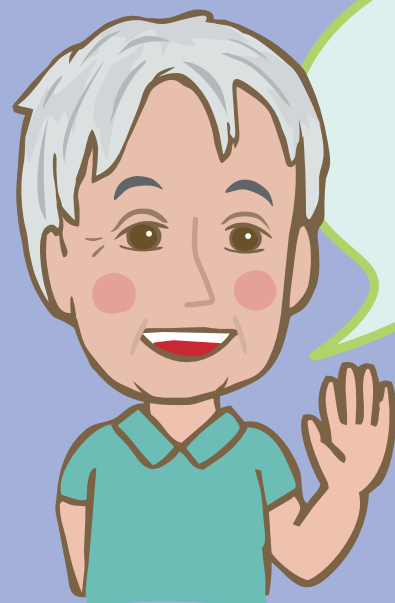
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Hidden on pages 1-7 (one on each page) are Blue Planet Prize symbols in various colors! Can you find them all? Check out the answers in the comic on the Asahi Glass Foundation's website! This →





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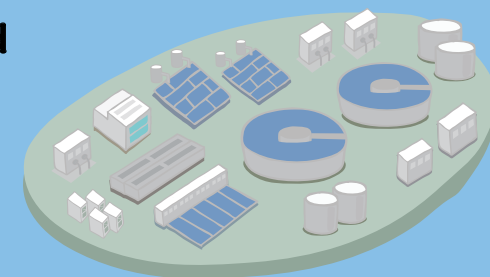
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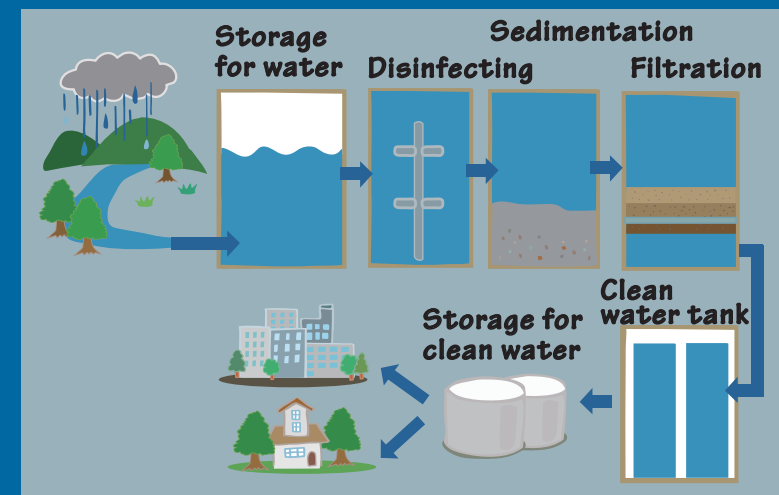
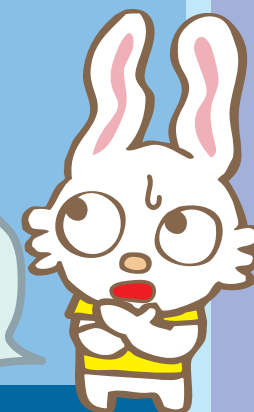


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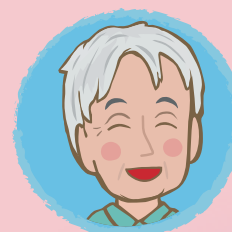
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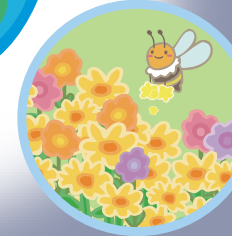
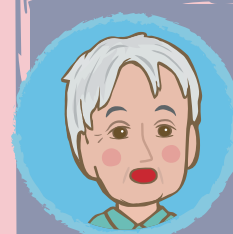
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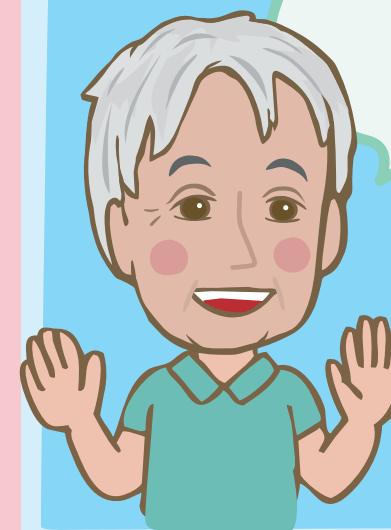
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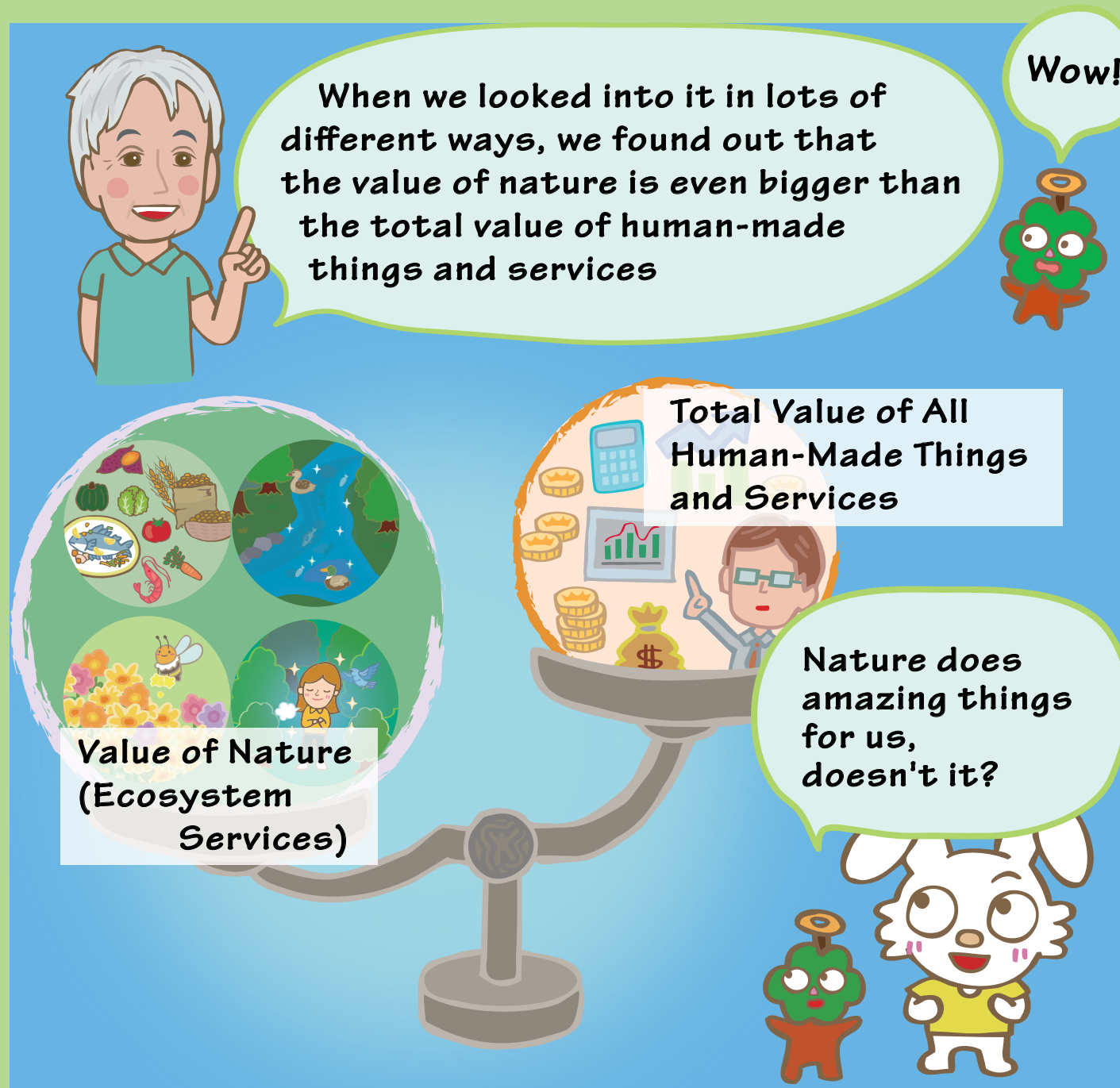
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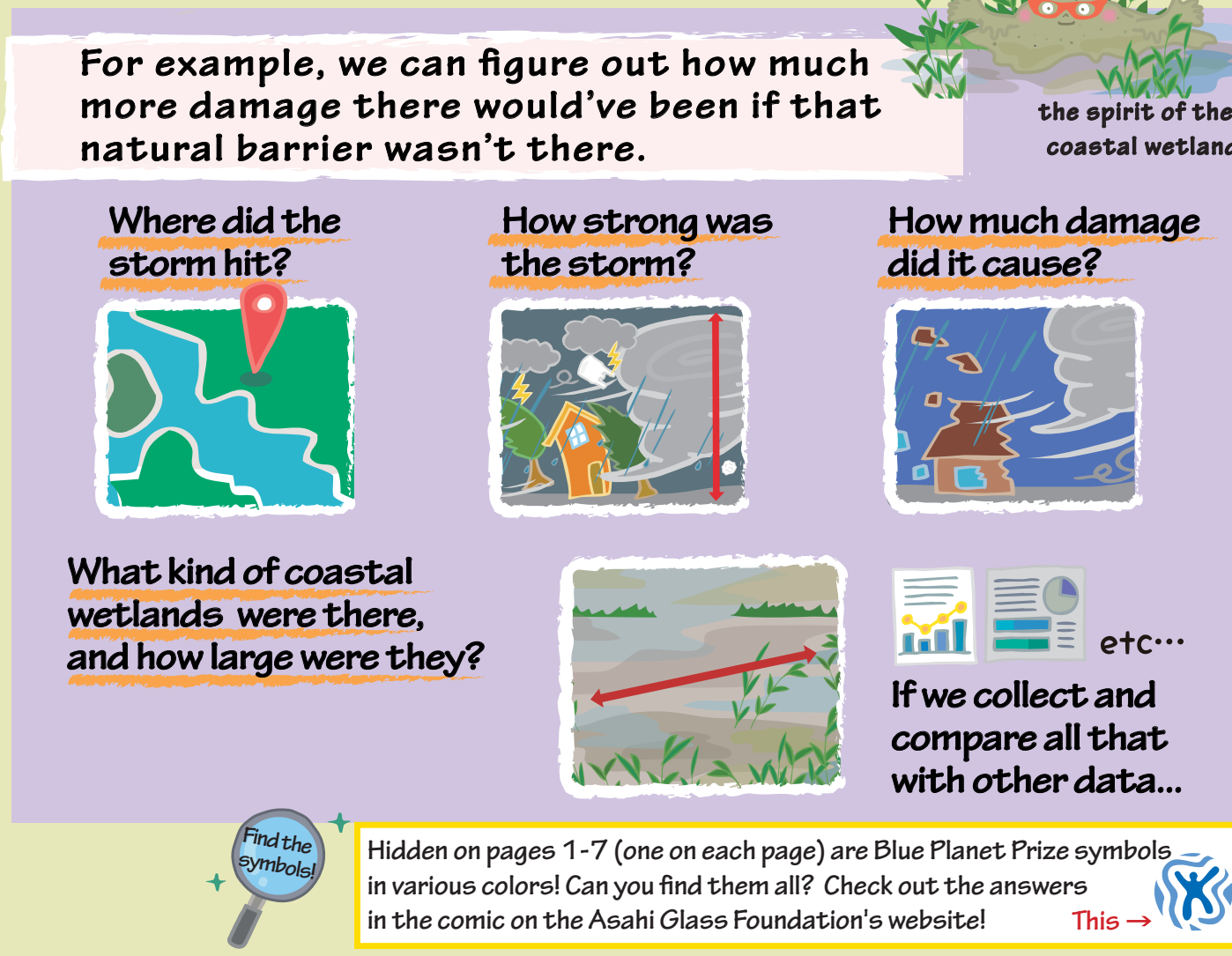
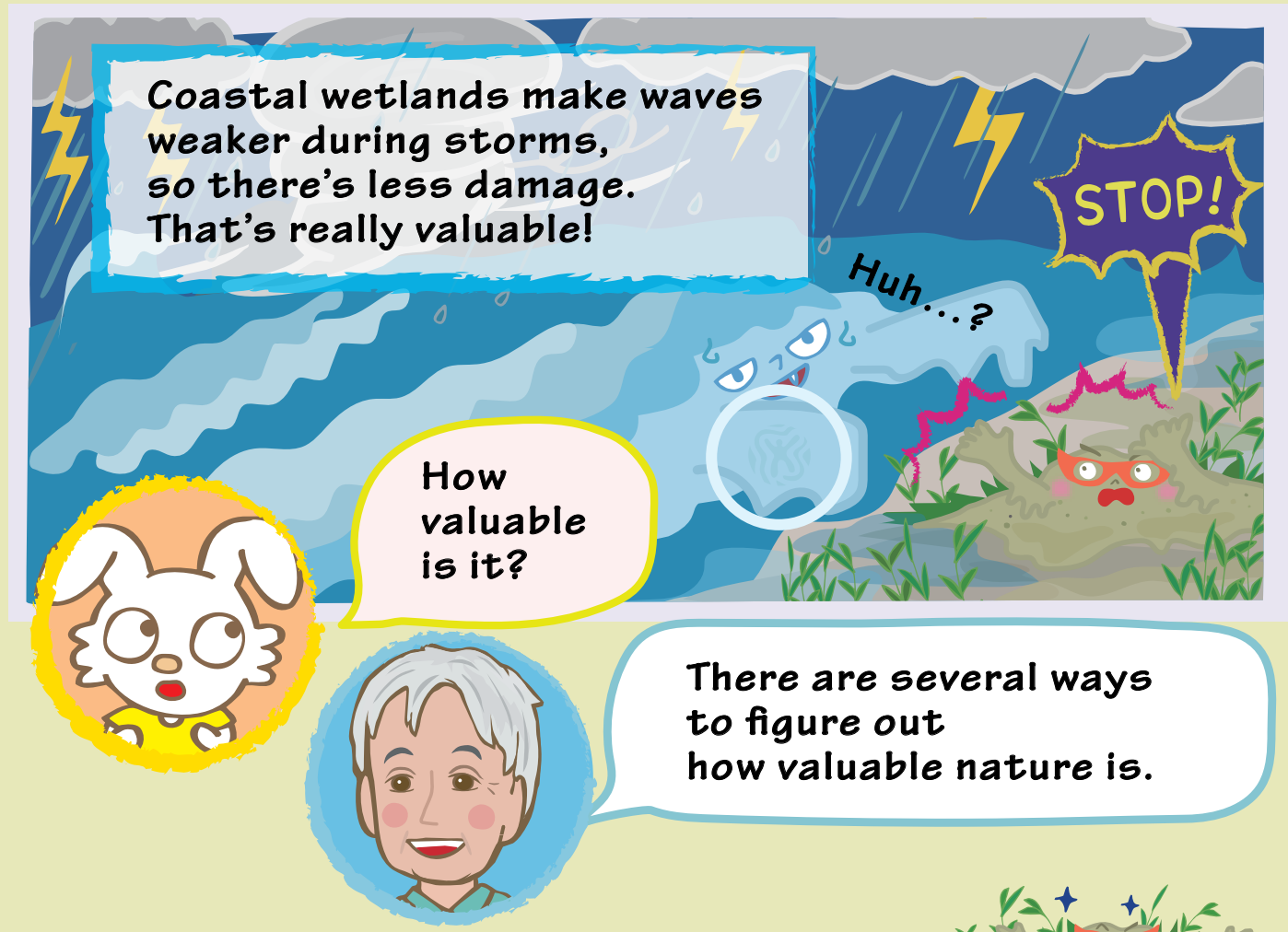
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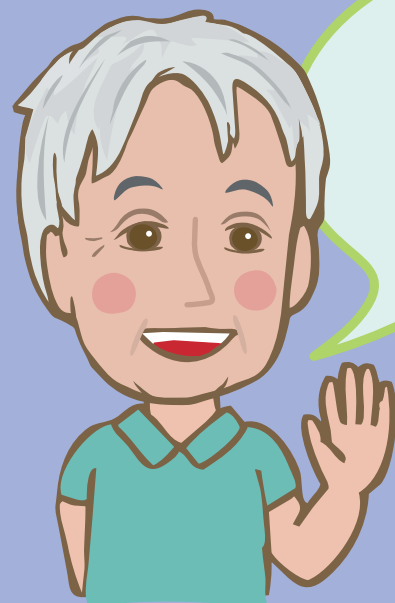
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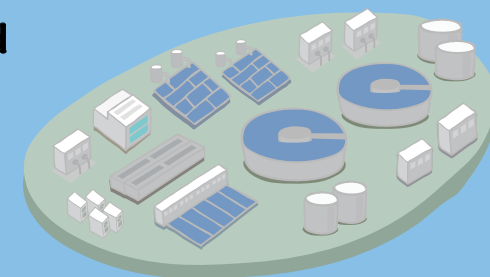
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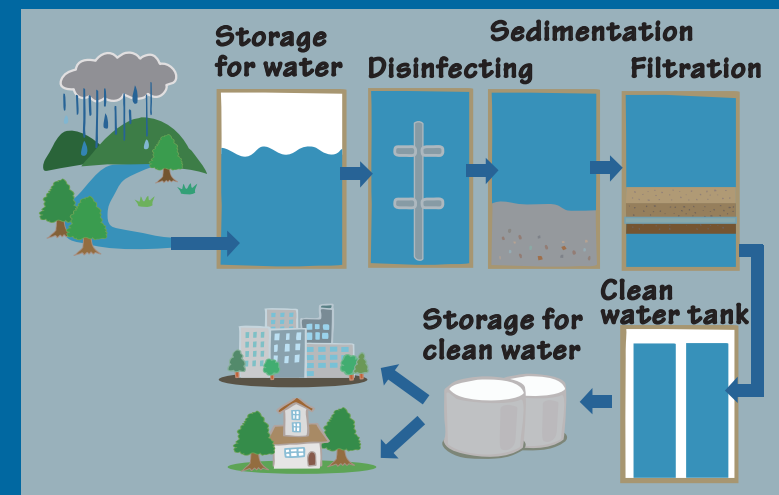
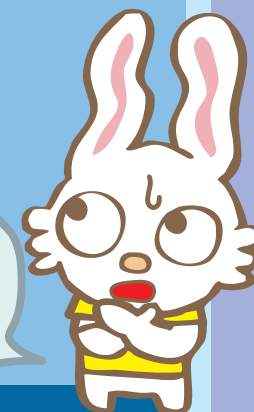


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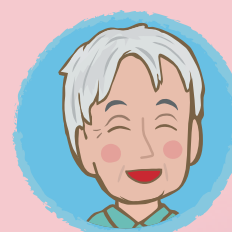


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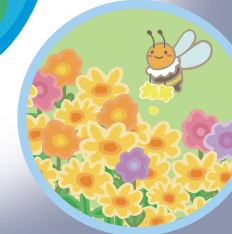
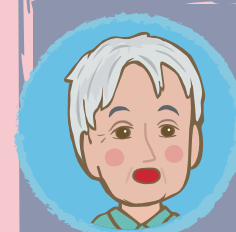
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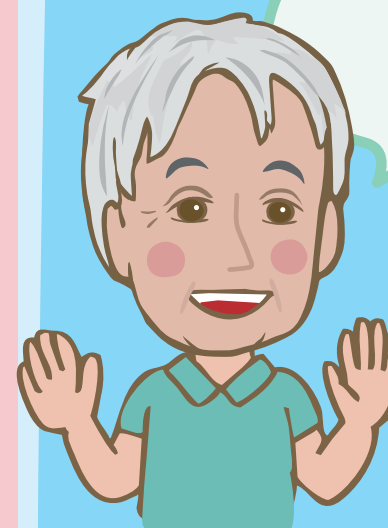
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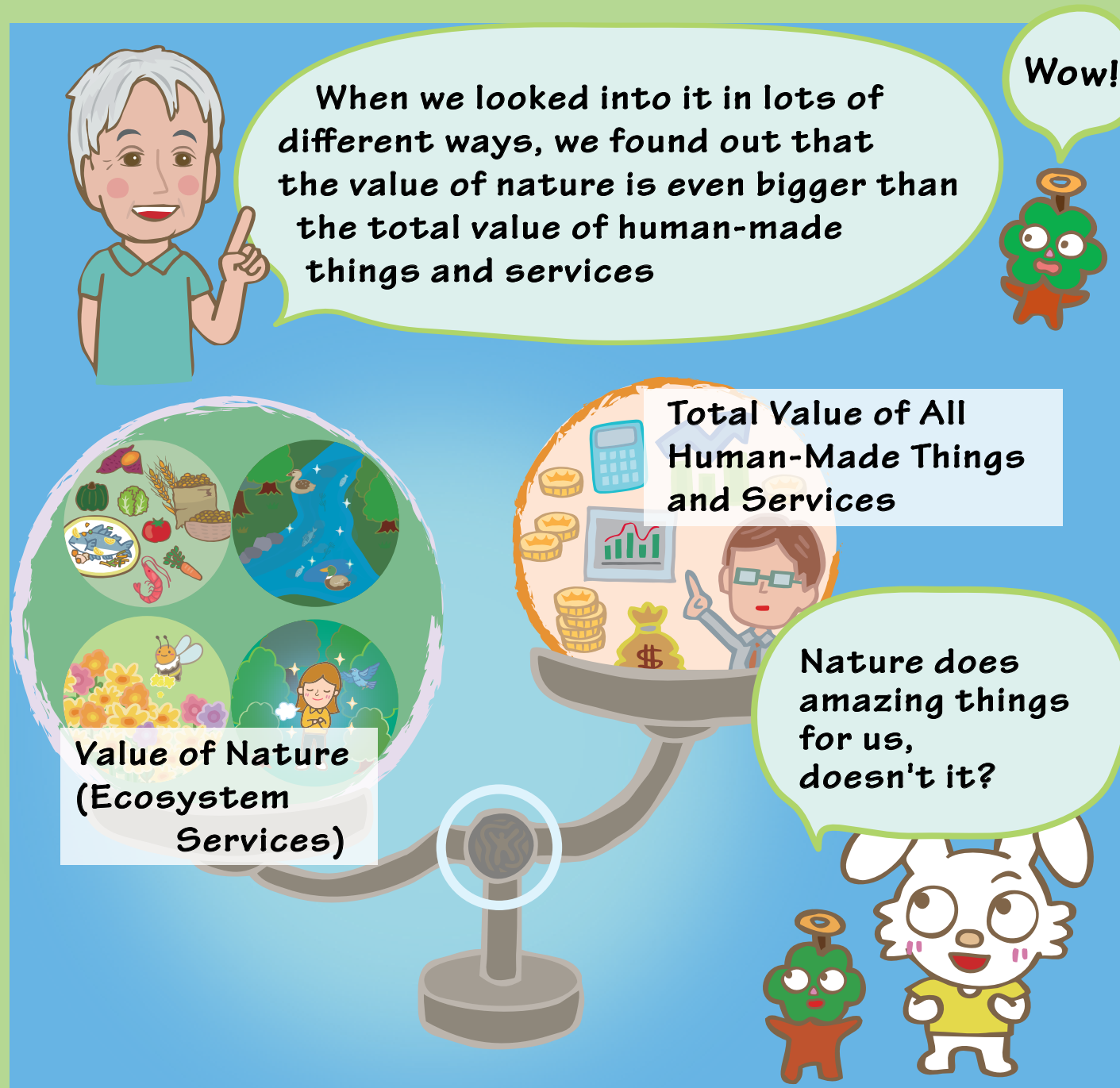


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