

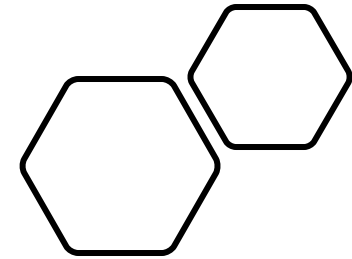


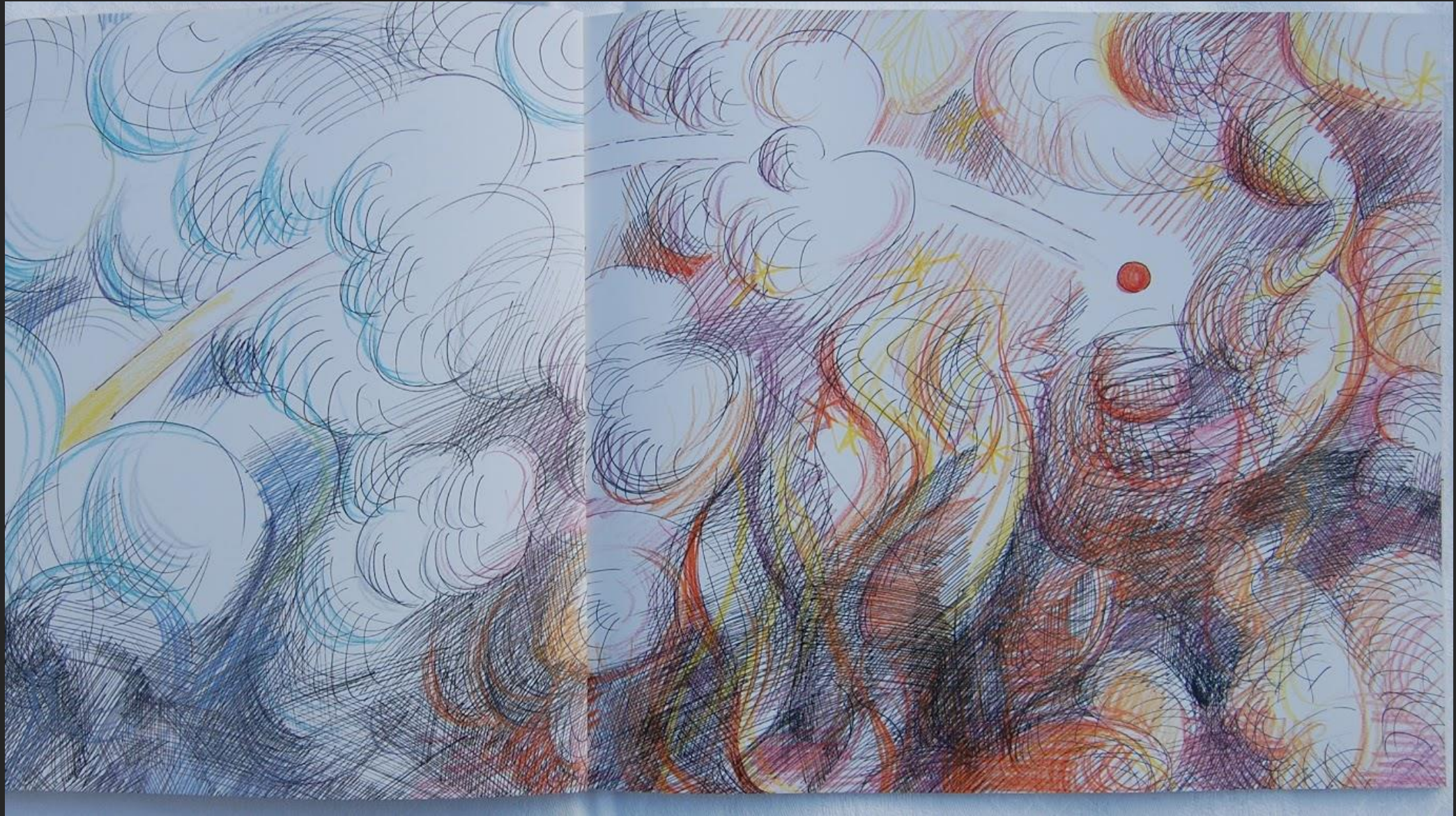
Our assembly today explores the surprising way one small country ensured that there was no fighting.

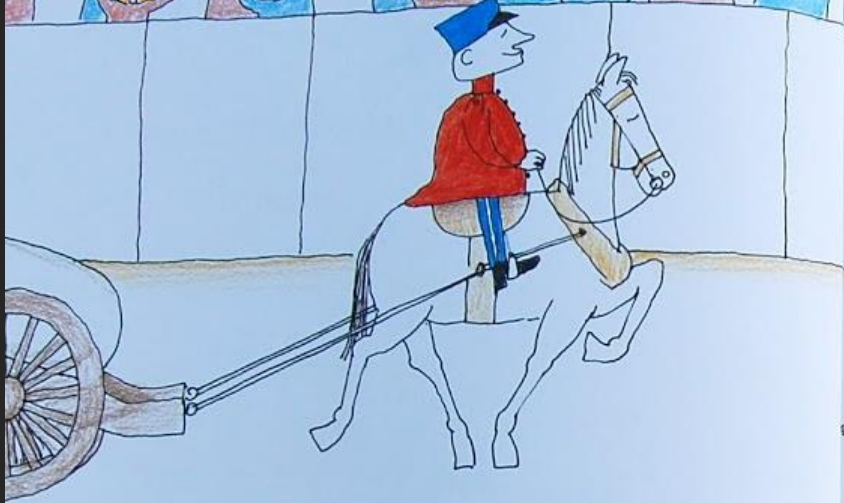


THE CONQUERORS

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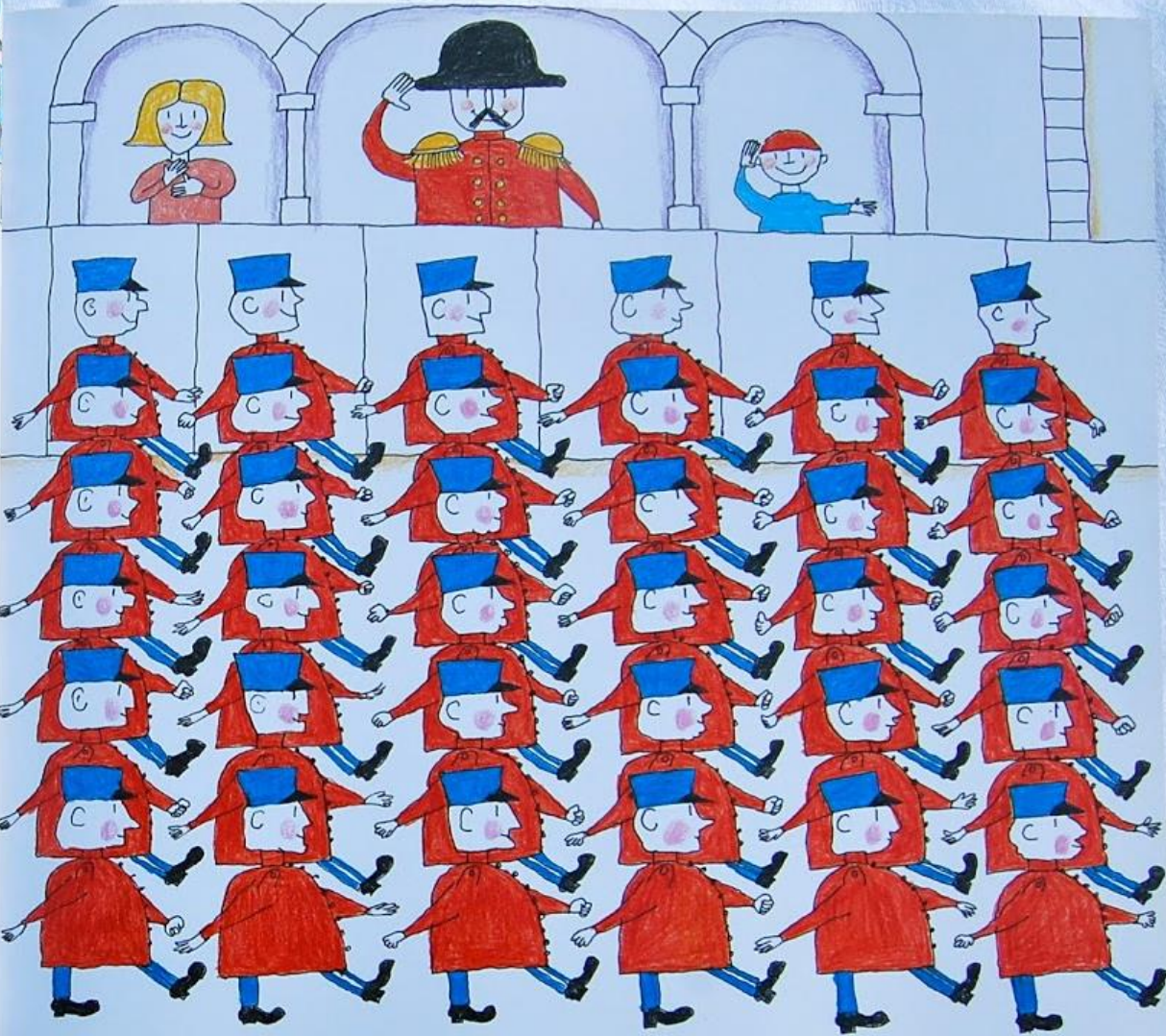


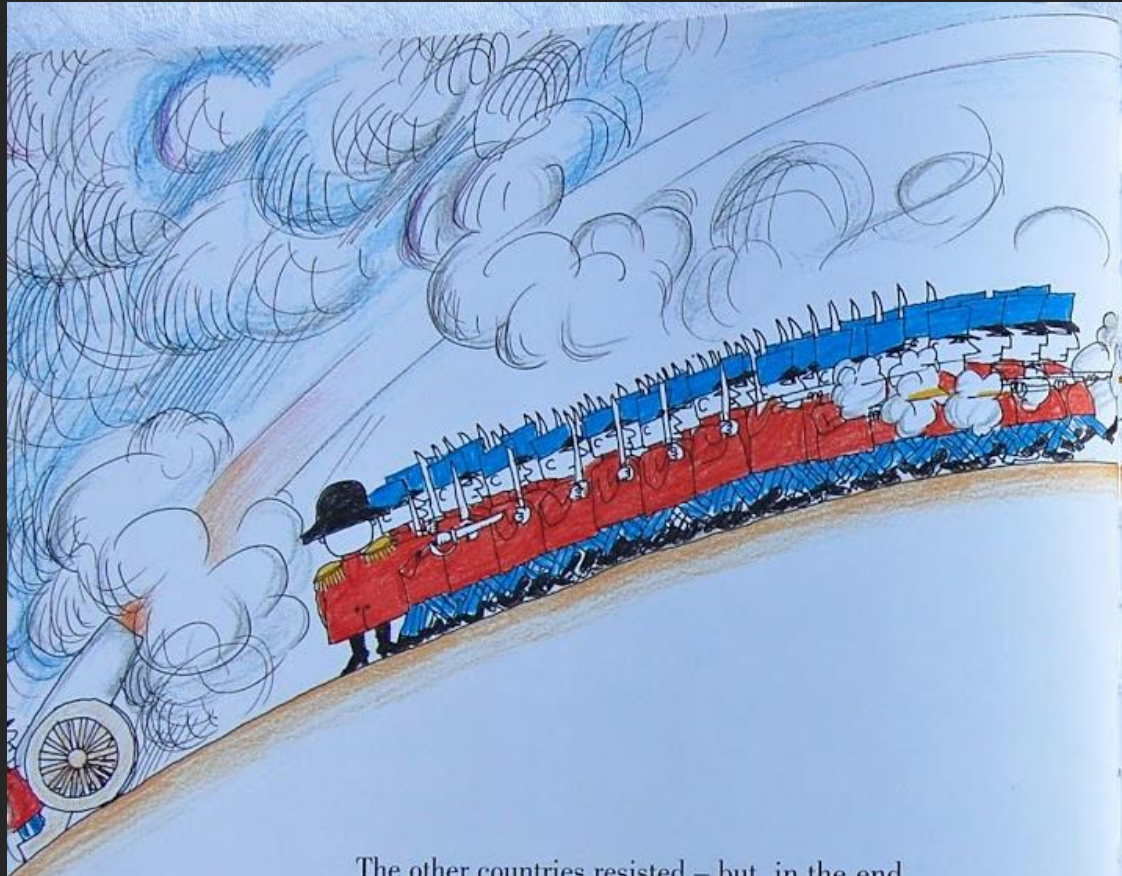




large country that was ruled by a General.
ed that their way of life was the best.
rong army, and they had the cannon.

the General would take his army and attack a nearby country.
good," he said. "So they can be like us."

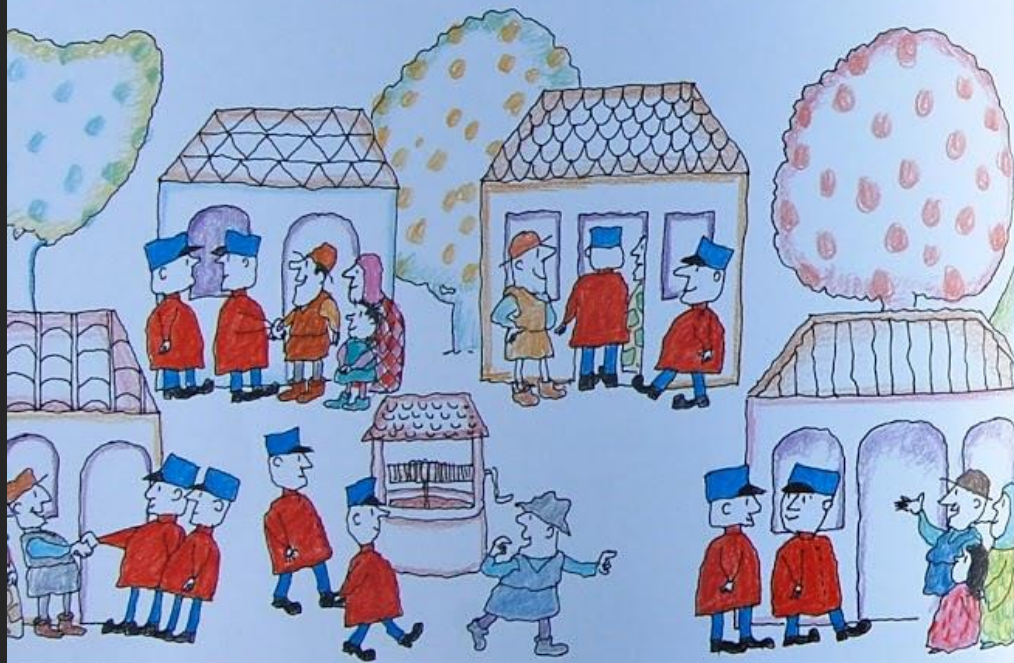


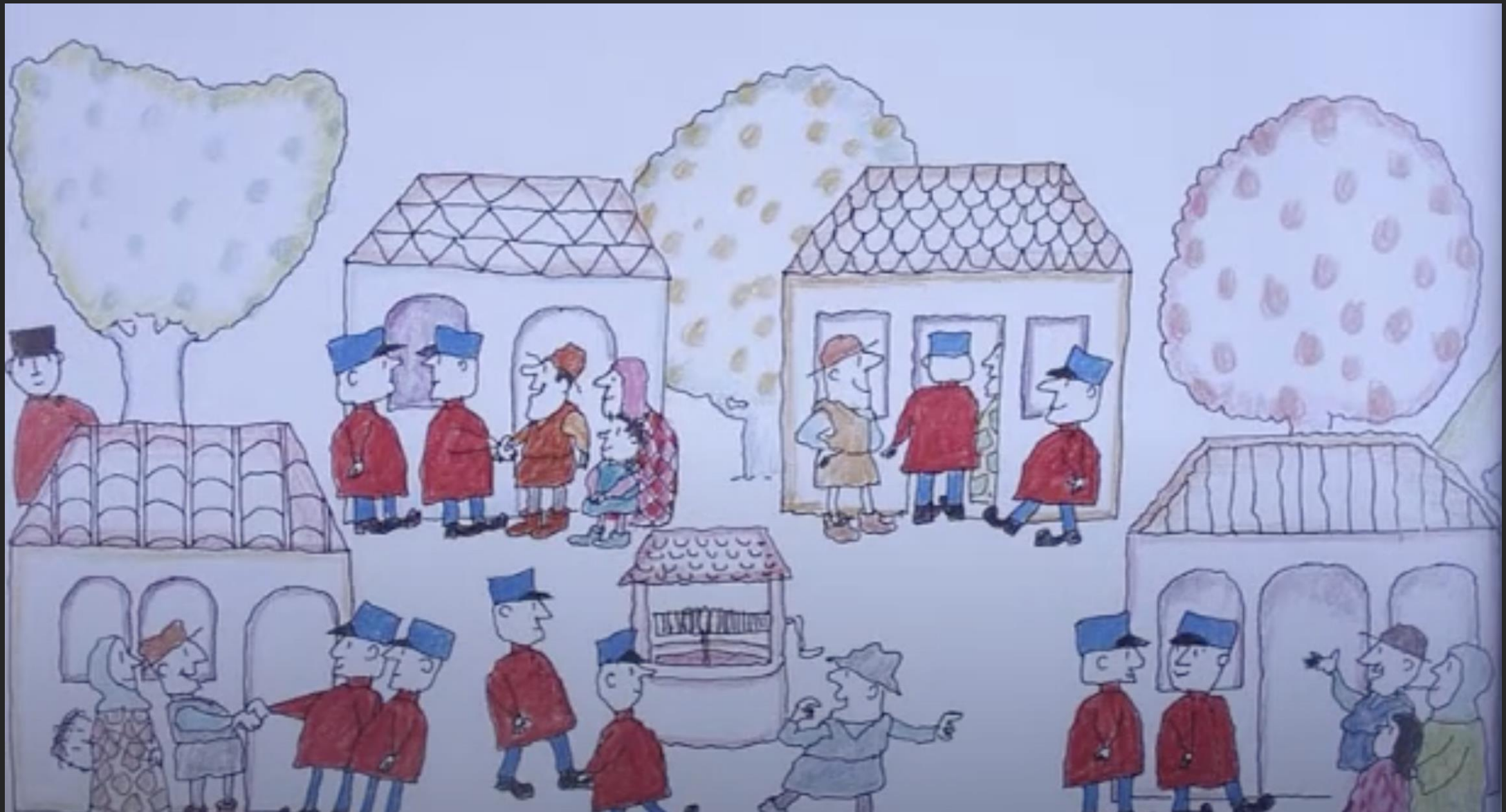


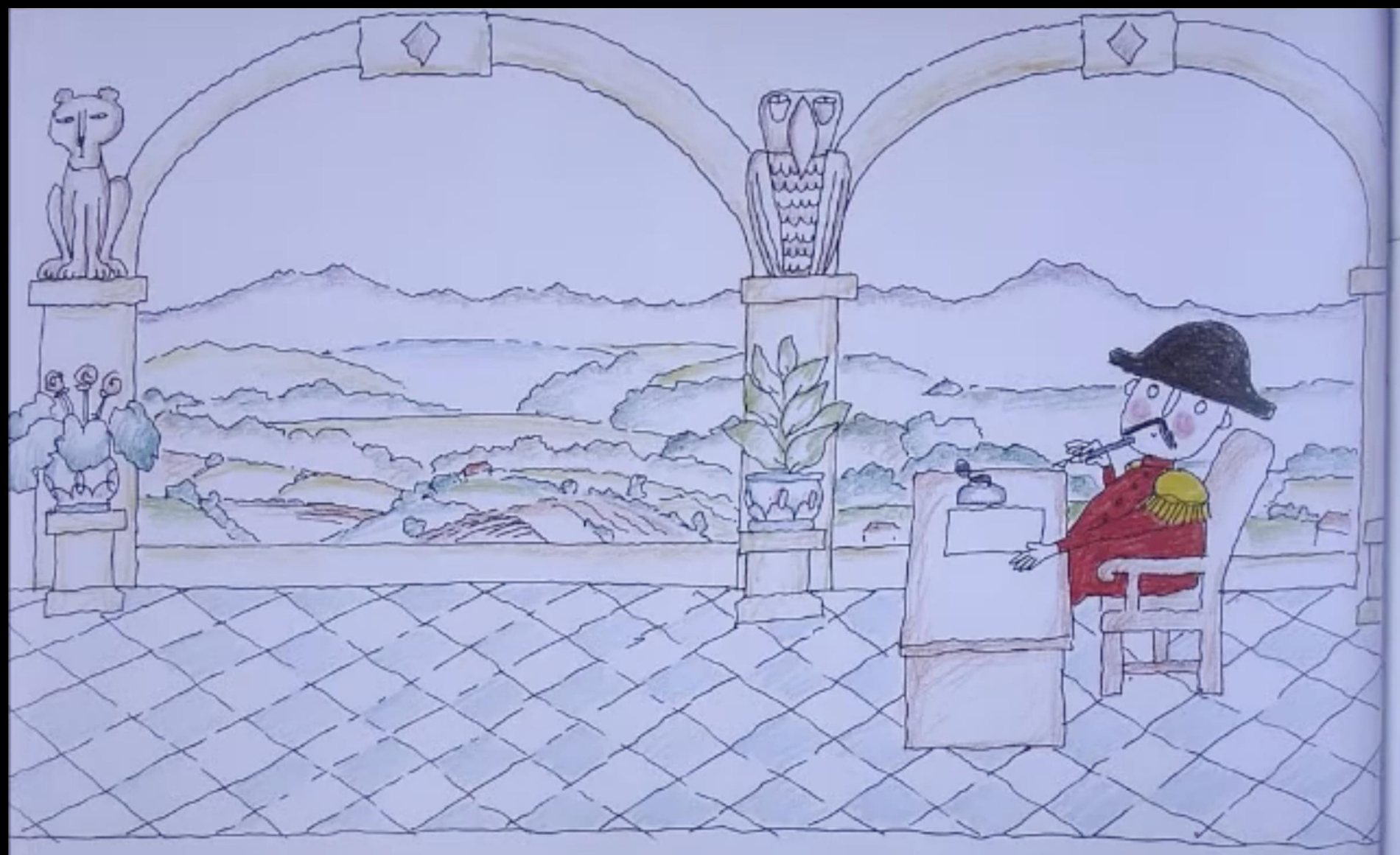
The other countries resisted – but, in the end,
they were always conquered.



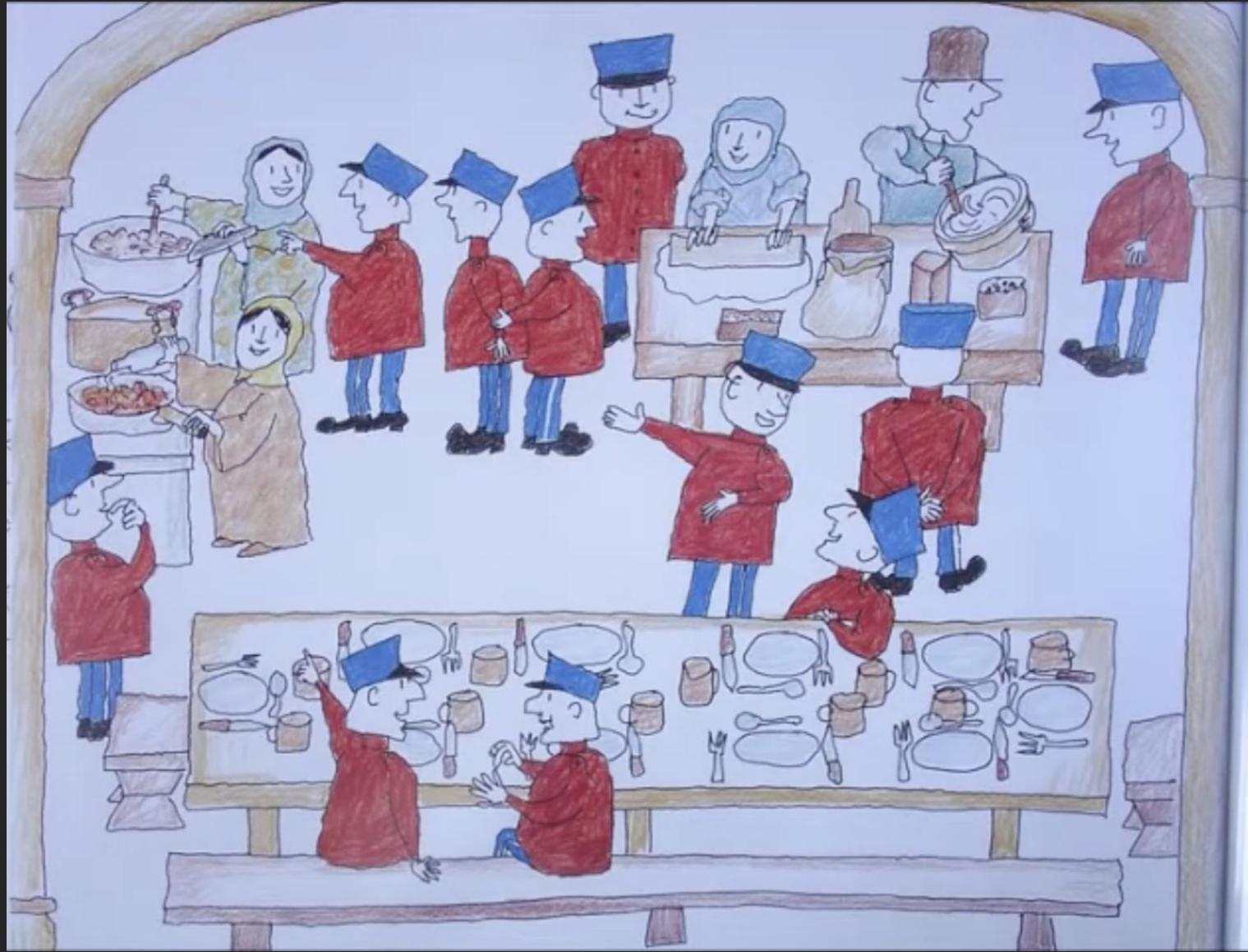
The small country surprised the General.
It had no army and offered no resistance.
Instead, the people greeted the soldiers as if they were welcome guests.
The General installed himself in the most comfortable house
while the soldiers lodged with families.

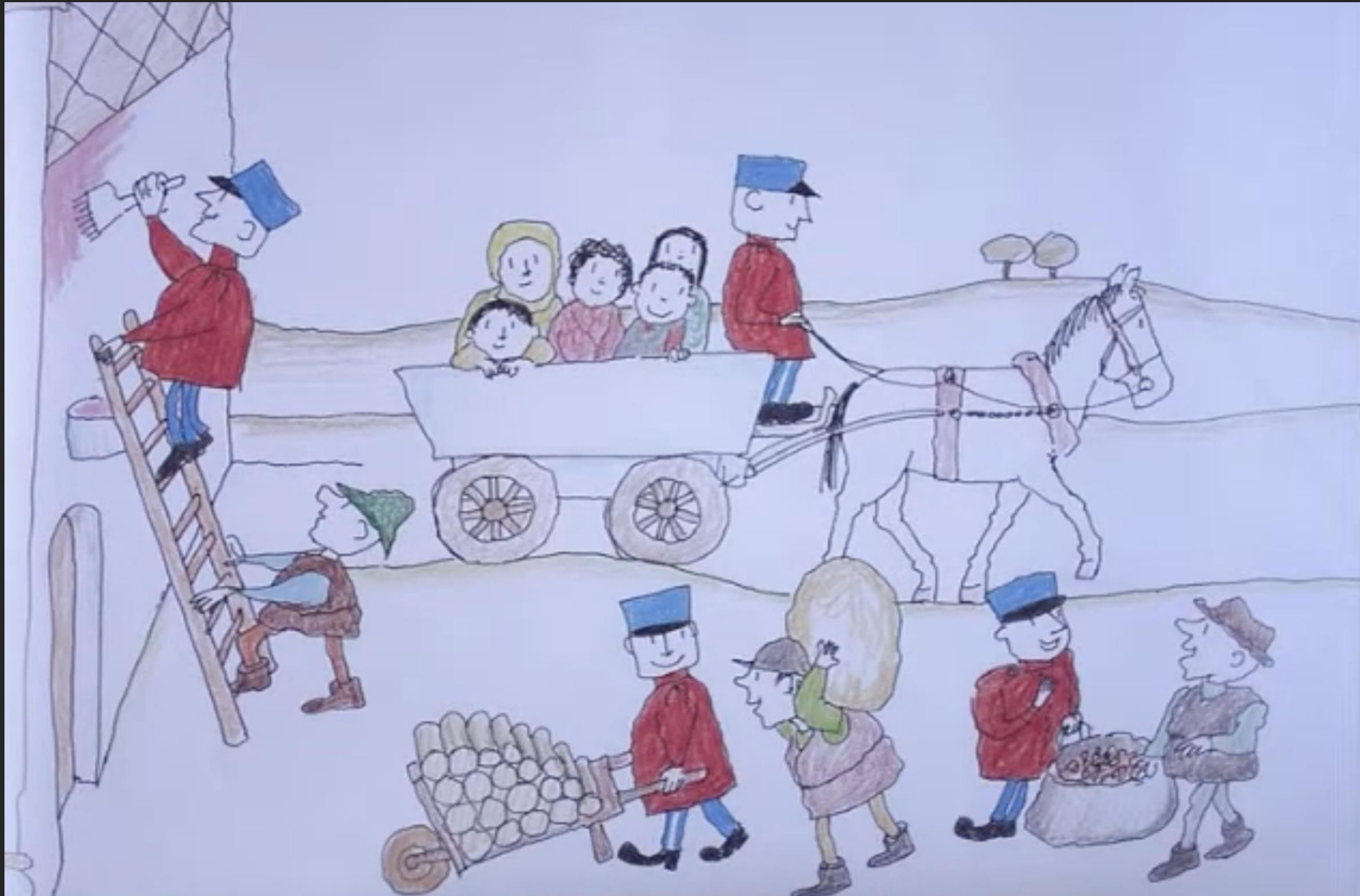


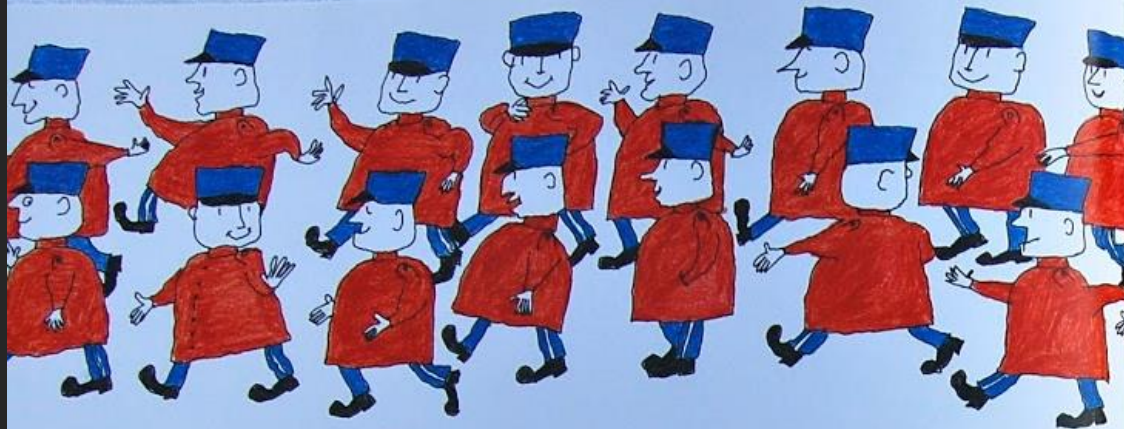




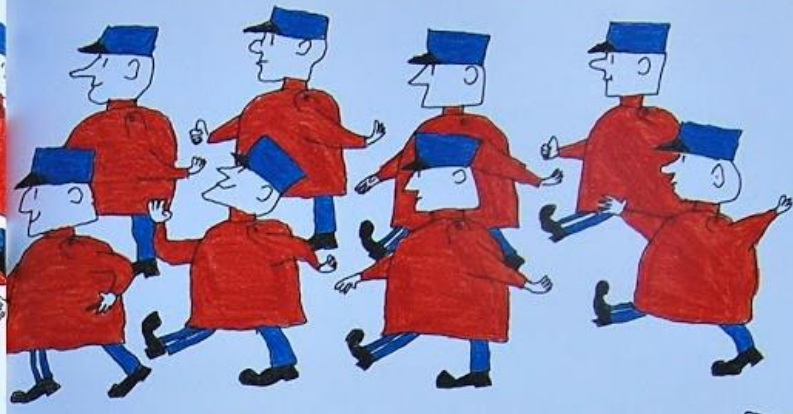




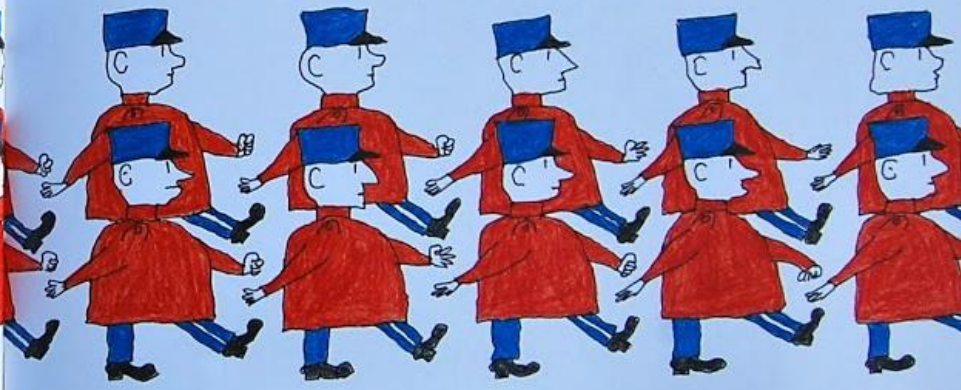
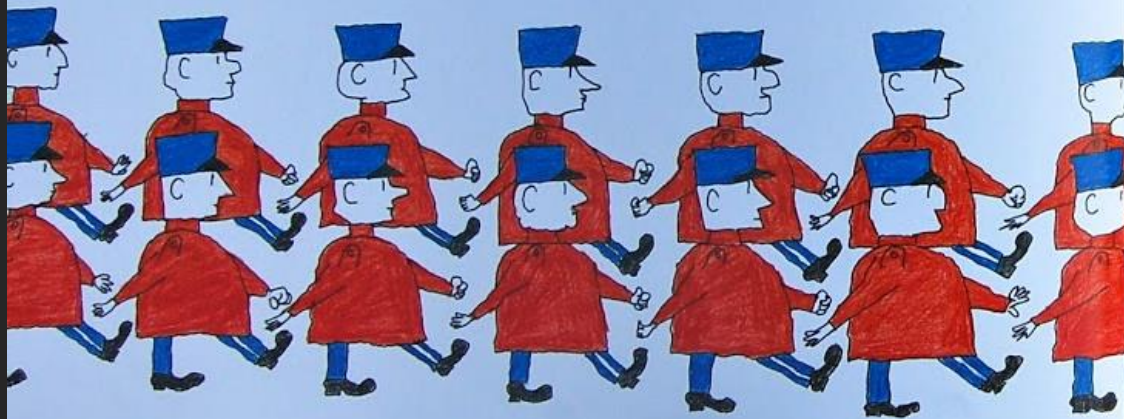


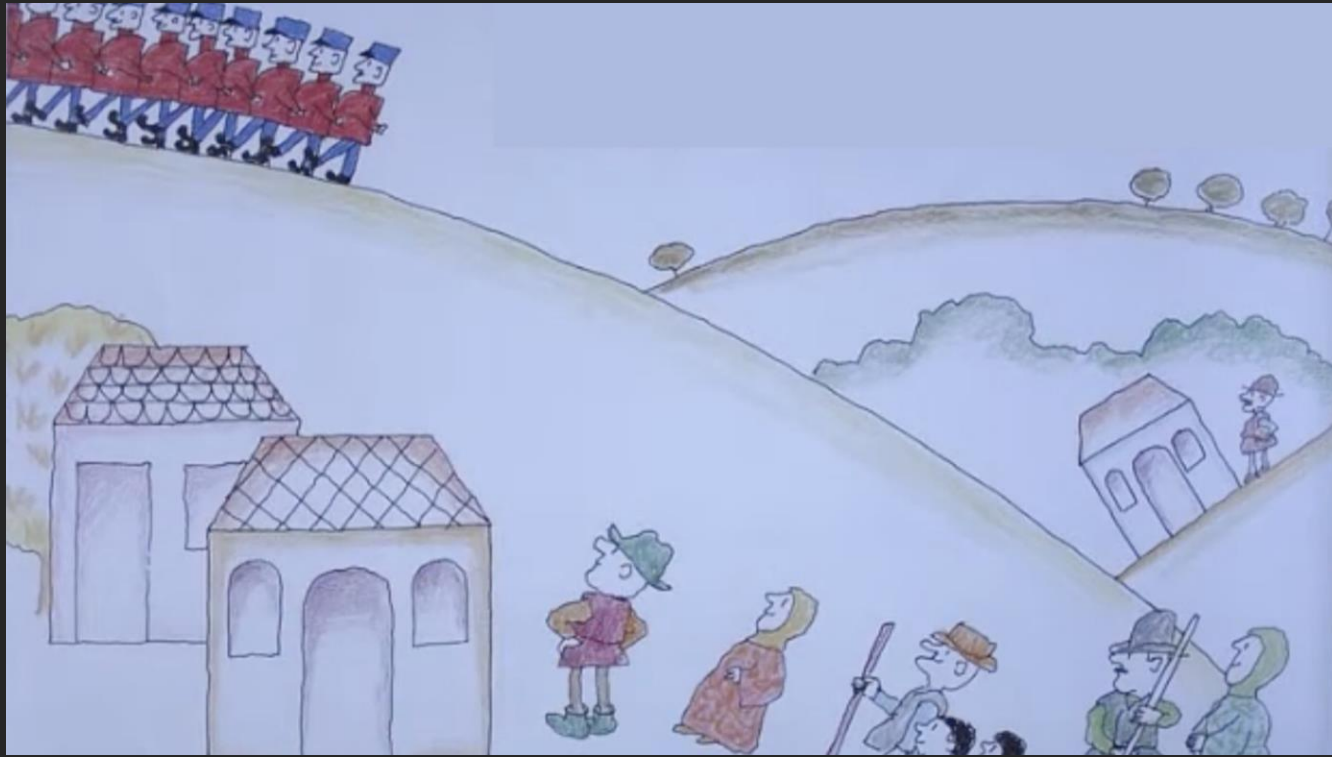


When the General realised what was happening, he was furious.
He sent the soldiers home . . .

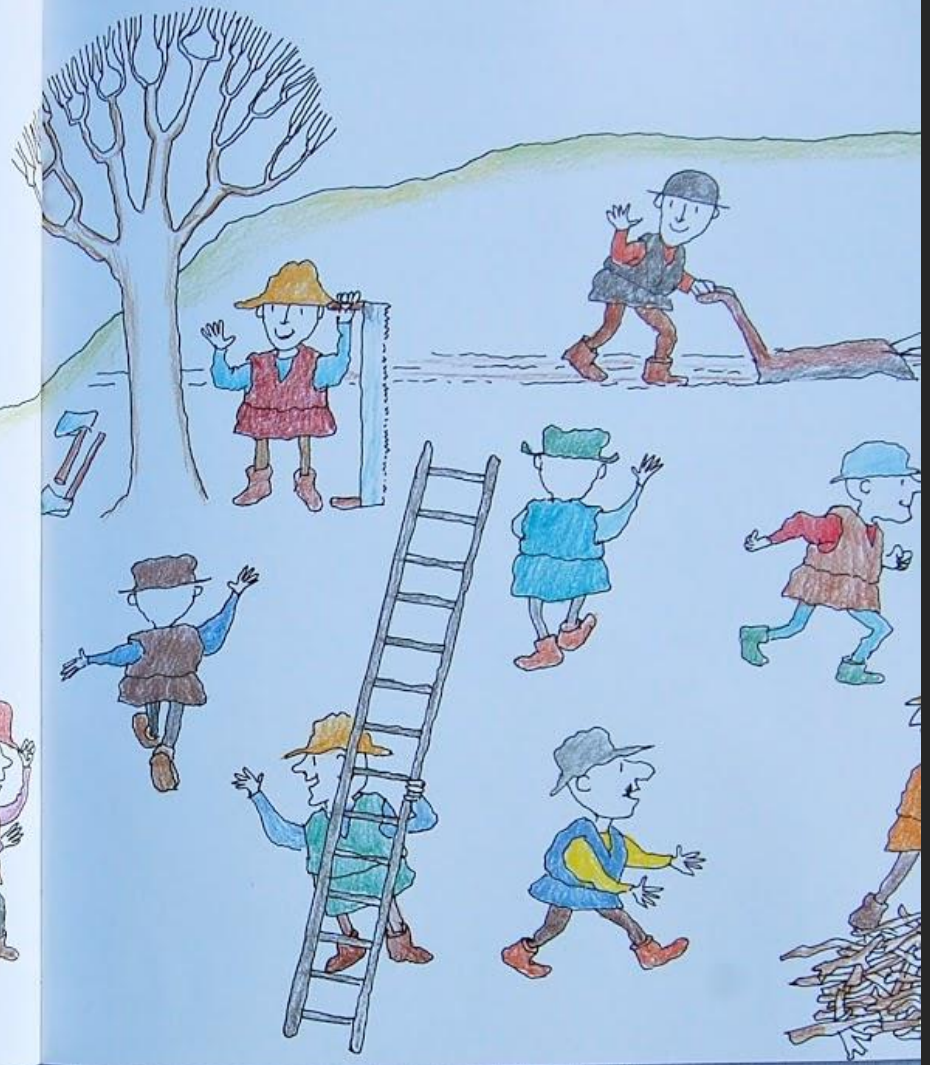
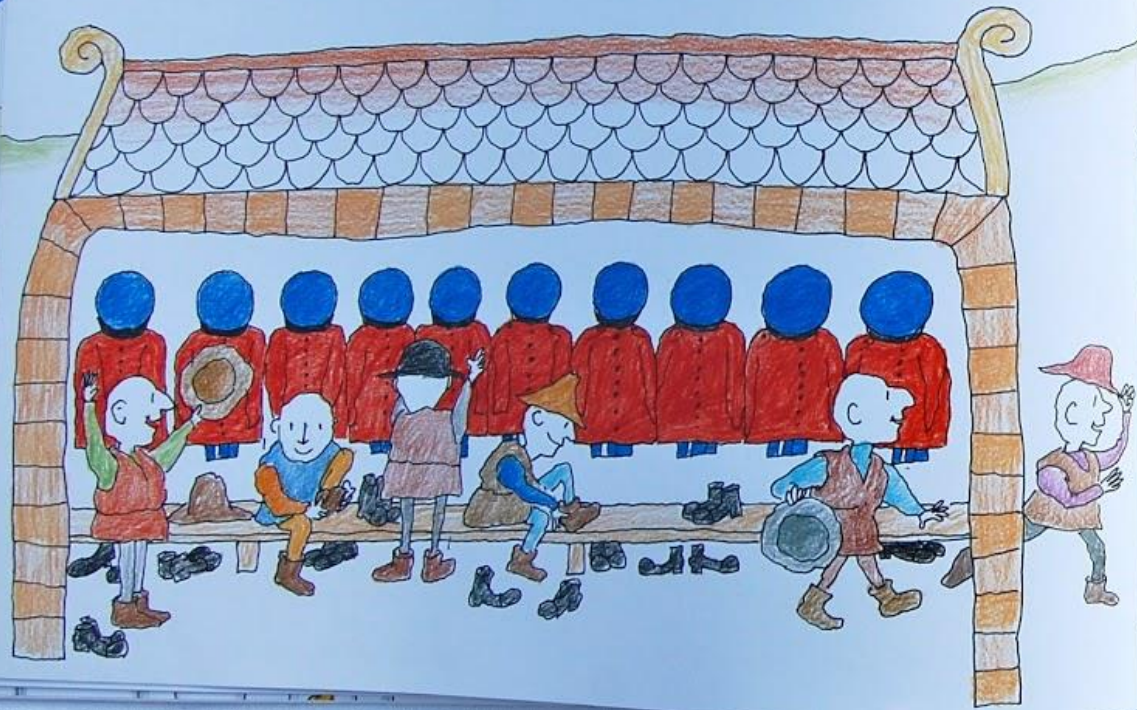


. . . and replaced them with fresh ones.

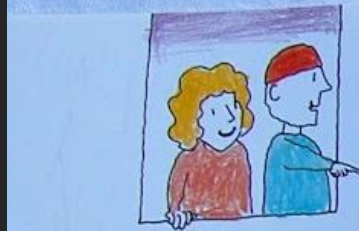




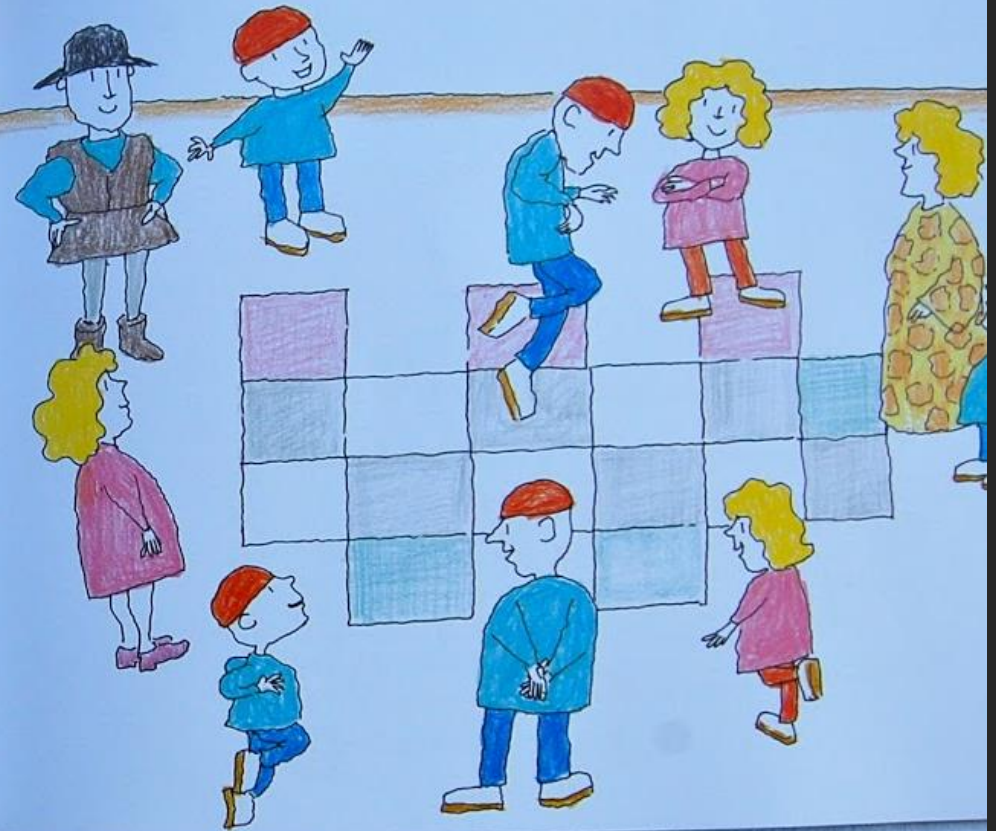
Once the General was gone, those soldiers hung up their uniforms and joined in the daily life.





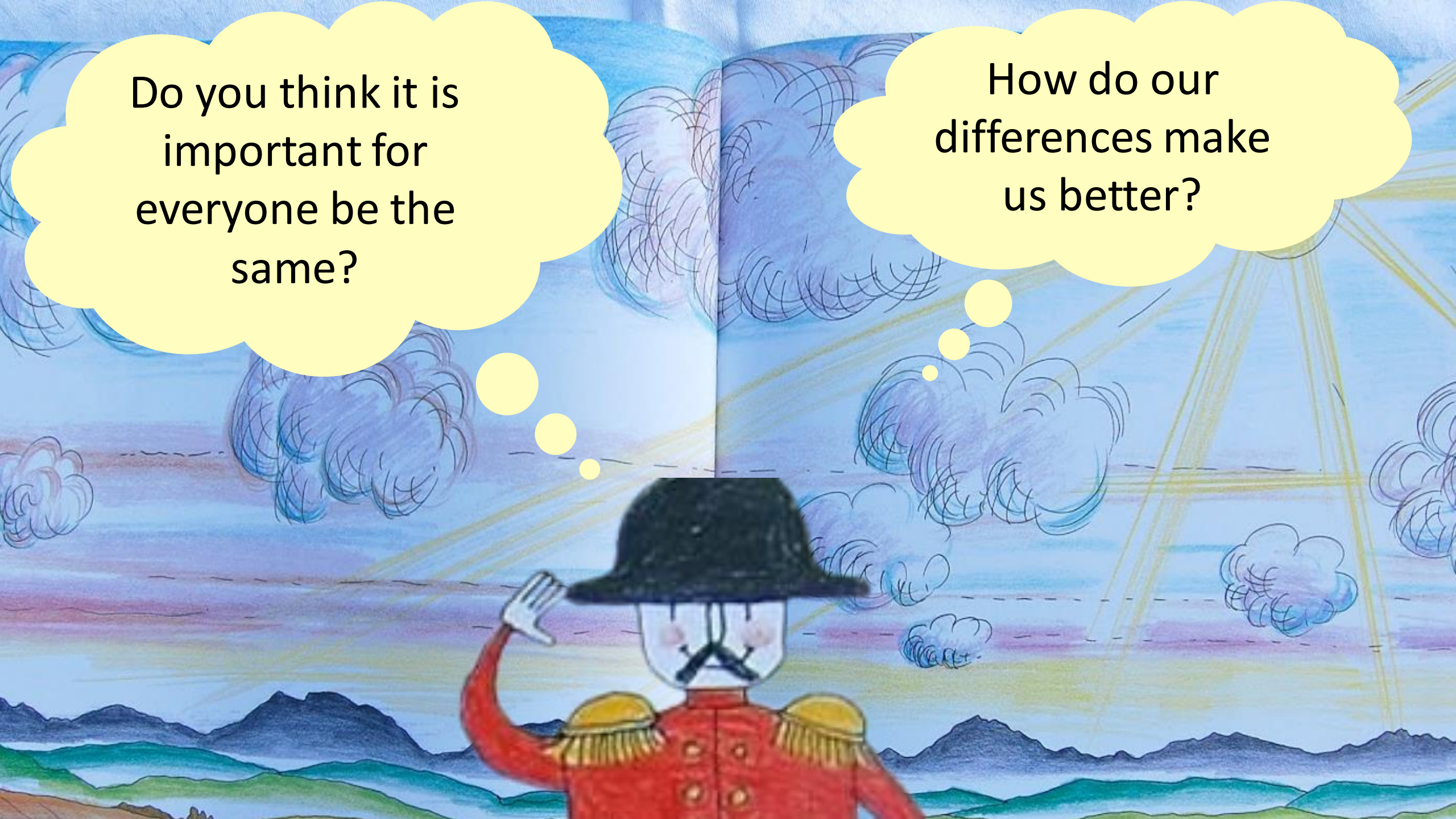


He was glad to be back, although somehow it was different. The cooking of the little country. People were playing games from the little country. Even some clothes were those of the little country. He smiled and thought: "Ah! The spoils of war."





That night, when he put his son to bed,
his son asked him to sing to him.
So he sang the only songs he could remember.
The songs of the little country –
the little country he had conquered.



Do you think it is important for everyone be the same?

How do our differences make us better?



School Reflection

This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
Let the rooms be full of contentment.

Let love abide here,
Love of one another,
Love of mankind,
Love of life itself.

Let us remember
That as many hands build a house,
So many hearts make a school
Help us to learn, play and share together.

We hope our school will be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love,

A place where everyone is respected, and all are deeply valued.