



Cappy's Second Chance: The Journey of a Blue Cap

Jezamine Chua



Cappy is a bright blue plastic cap sitting proudly atop a clear water bottle. A pair of hands holds the bottle, ready for a refreshing drink on a sunny day in the city.



The water is all gone, and with a sudden flick of a finger, Cappy is sent flying through the air. He tumbles away from the bottle, landing on the hard pavement far from any trash bin.



Cappy lies lonely on the gray ground as dark clouds gather in the sky. Heavy raindrops begin to fall, splashing against his smooth blue surface and pushing him toward the edge of the curb.



The rushing rainwater sweeps Cappy into a dark, swirling storm drain. He bounces against the cold metal bars before disappearing into the rushing water of the underground pipes.



Cappy floats down a wide canal, passing a busy school and a bustling hawker centre where people are busy drinking coffee. No one notices the little blue cap drifting silently past the green trees and singing birds.



The canal finally opens up into the vast, sparkling blue ocean where giant waves toss Cappy up and down. He feels very small and lost in the endless water that stretches all the way to the horizon.



A large, curious sea turtle swims toward Cappy, mistaking the bright blue object for a tasty snack. Cappy bobs nervously in the water, knowing he is not food and should not be in the turtle's beautiful home.



Cappy imagines a different path where a kind child picks him up from the ground before the rain starts. In this dream, he is washed clean under a warm tap and dried until he shines like new.



In a colorful recycling workshop, Cappy is chopped into tiny blue bits and melted in a special warm oven. He becomes soft and squishy, ready to be pressed flat and smooth into a brand-new shape.



Cappy is now a beautiful, round blue coaster sitting on a wooden table. A kind lady smiles as she places her warm cup of tea on him, giving Cappy a happy new story and a wonderful new purpose.