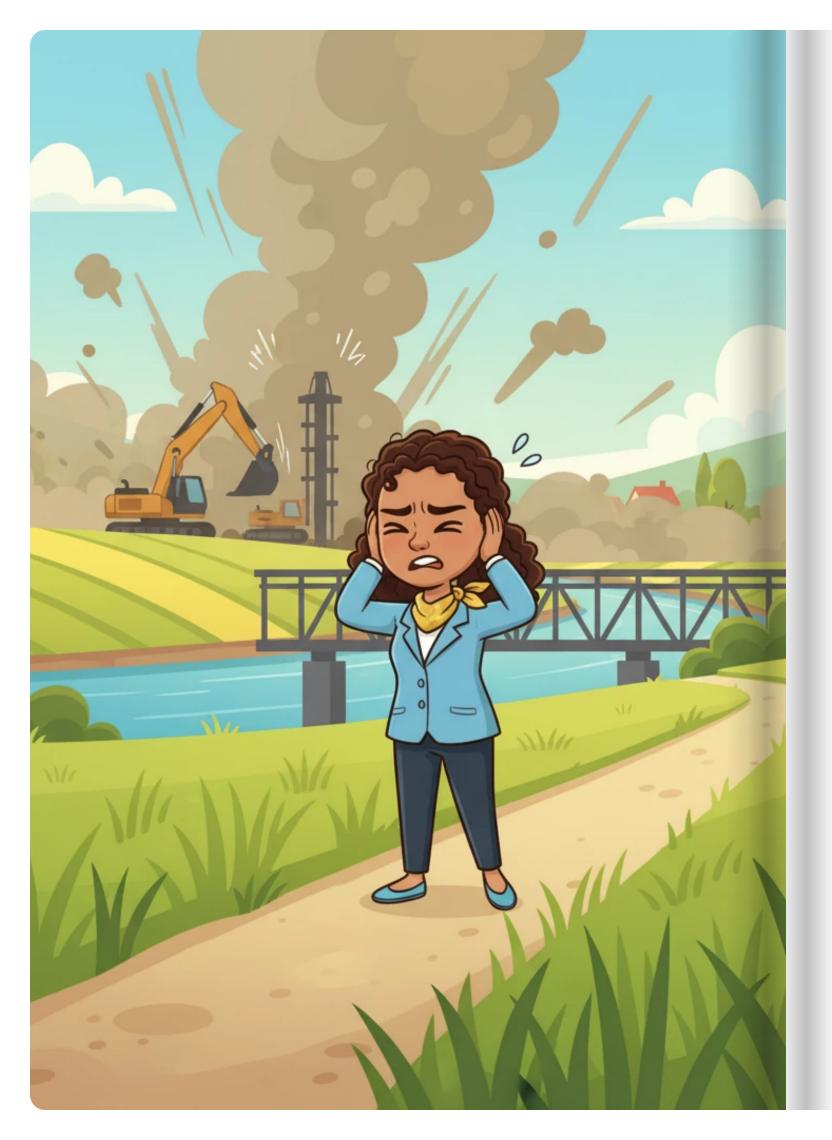
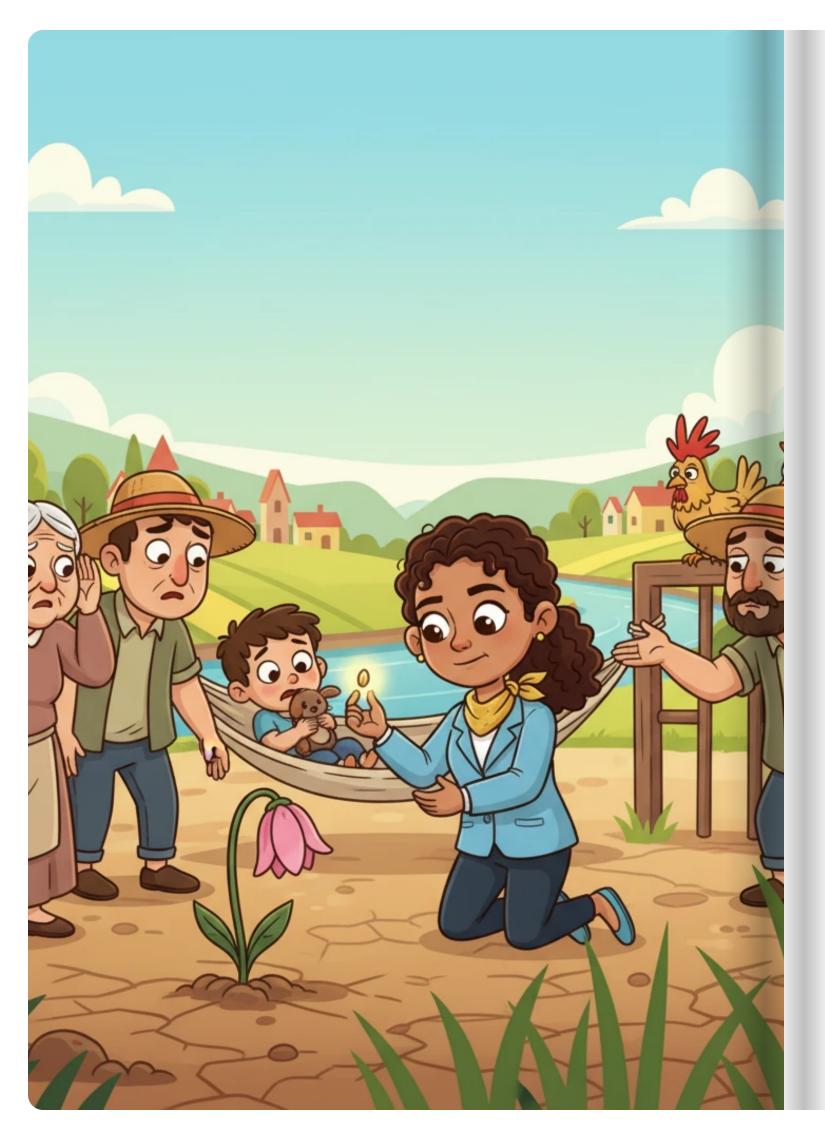


Nestled beside a gentle river, the village of Green Valley was a place of quiet joy. Children laughed playing hopscotch, farmers tended their fields, and birds sang sweet melodies from the tall trees. Life was simple and peaceful, filled with the soft sounds of nature.



One morning, a new sound rumbled through the valley, growing louder each day. It was the World Bank's big construction project, building a new bridge nearby. Giant machines roared, hammers banged, and dust clouds rose, shaking the peaceful air.



The villagers found it hard to live with the constant noise. Grandma Elara couldn't hear her stories, little Leo couldn't nap, and Farmer Ben's chickens were too startled to lay eggs. Everyone felt tired and grumpy, longing for the quiet days.



Gathered under the big oak tree, the villagers held a meeting. "We can't live like this!" cried Mrs. Pringle, holding her ears. "The noise is too much!" Mr. Henderson agreed, and everyone nodded, their faces filled with worry and frustration.



Young Maya, who loved to draw, had an idea. She helped the village elders write a heartfelt letter, describing their noisy problem. She drew a picture of a sad village, hoping to show how much they needed help, and carefully sealed the envelope.



Miles away, in a busy city office, Ms. Anya Sharma, a kind World Bank staff member, opened the letter. Her eyes softened as she read about Green Valley's plight and saw Maya's drawing. She knew she had to do something.



Soon, Ms. Anya arrived in Green Valley, her bright yellow jeep kicking up a little dust. She listened carefully to the villagers, heard the loud construction herself, and saw the worried faces. She promised to find a way to help.



Back at the project site, Ms. Anya gathered the engineers and workers. They looked at blueprints and discussed new ideas. "We must find a solution that helps everyone," she said, pointing to a map of the village.



A few days later, big trucks arrived, not with more noisy machines, but with tall, green sound barriers. Workers carefully installed them around the construction area. Slowly, the loud rumbling softened into a gentle hum.



Peace returned to Green Valley. Children played happily again, birds chirped their songs, and Grandma Elara read her stories in the quiet afternoon. Ms. Anya smiled, watching the happy villagers, knowing that listening and finding solutions made the world a better place.