



# THE DARK STAR

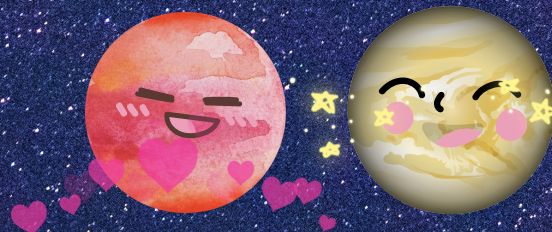
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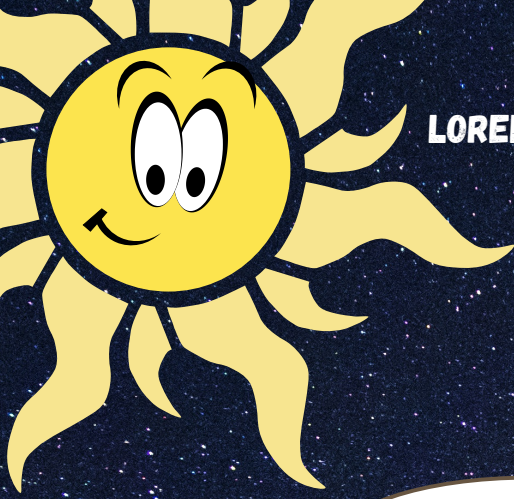
**SOMEWHERE IN THE GALAXY FAR, FAR AWAY, LIVED LORELEI, A COMET FLOATING AROUND  
LOOKING AT EVERYONE ELSE, FEELING HAPPY AND JOYFUL.**



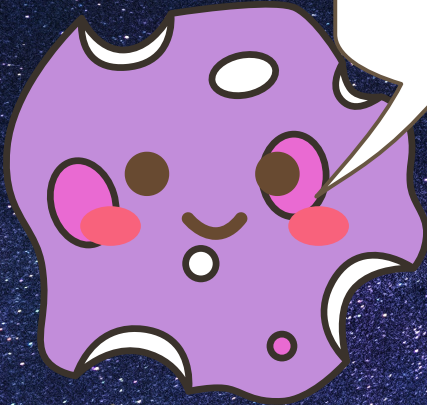
"Ahhh, it is  
such a lovely  
day today !"







LORELEI SUDDENLY SEES THEIR FRIENDS AND FLOATS THEIR WAY TO SAY HI TO THEM.



"Hi Neppy, Mary, Earthlin, Venny and Saturn !"



"Hey Lorelei !"





**THESE ARE ALL OF LORELEI'S FRIENDS, BUT WE DON'T KNOW  
THEM AS WELL DO WE ? WELL, LET'S START LEARNING  
ABOUT THEM SO WE CAN BE FRIENDS WITH THEM TOO !**



**THIS IS NEPPY**





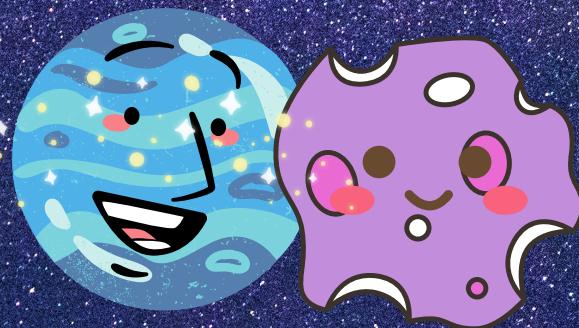
**NEPPY AND LORELEI ARE LIKE  
SISTERS, THEY ALWAYS DID  
EVERYTHING TOGETHER.**



**THEY WOULD EAT TOGETHER.**



**THEY WOULD LAUGH  
TOGETHER.**



**THEY ARE THE CLOSEST AND THE BESTEST FRIENDS  
THEY COULD EVER BE !**

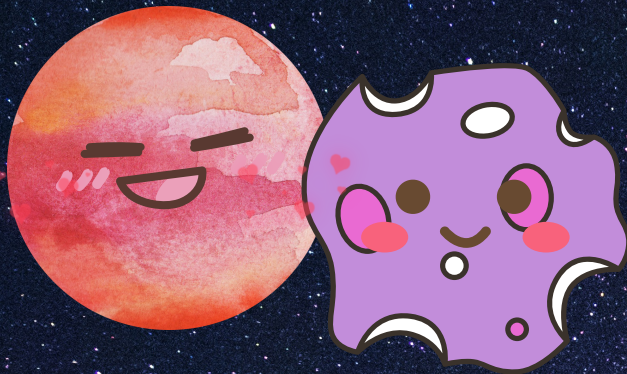


**NEXT ! LET'S MEET LORELEI'S MOST CARING FRIEND !**



**THIS IS MARY**

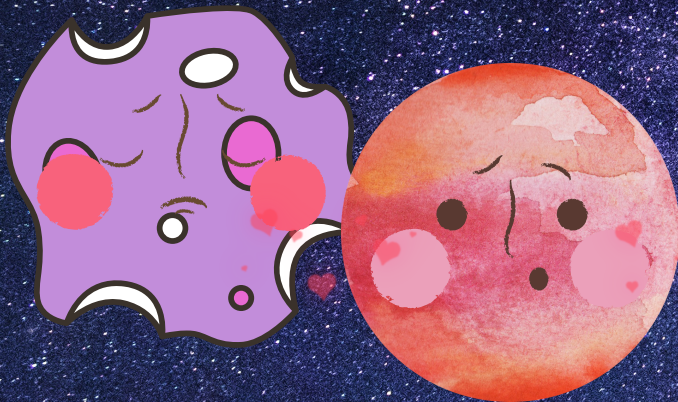




**MARY IS LORELEI'S MOST PROTECTIVE  
FRIEND. SHE WAS LIKE LORELEI'S SECOND  
MOTHER.**



**HOWEVER, MARY GETS ANGRY EASILY. NO  
WONDER MARY IS ALWAYS RED !**



**EVEN IF MARY GOT ANGRY EASILY, SHE  
ALWAYS MADE SURE LORELEI WAS HAPPY  
WHEN THEY WERE SAD.**



**NEXT ! LET'S MEET LORELEI'S QUIET AND NERVOUS FRIEND**



**THIS IS EARTHLIN**





**EARTHLIN IS A QUIET AND MYSTERIOUS FRIEND  
OF LORELEI'S.**



**EARTHLIN HATED HOW SHE LOOKED, SHE HATED SHARING  
THE COLOUR OF STICKY GREEN SLIME. HOWEVER, LORELEI  
ALWAYS HELPED HER ACCEPT HERSELF.**



**FROM THEN, EARTHLIN ALWAYS QUIETLY SUPPORTED LORELEI  
AND TRIES TO BECOME CLOSER WITH LORELEI.**

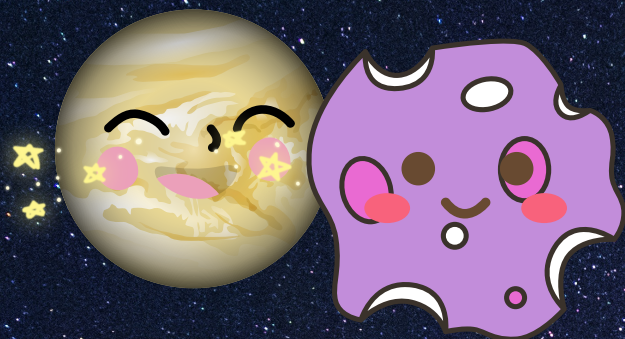


**NEXT ! LET'S MEET LORELEI'S MOST TALENTED AND SHINIEST  
FRIEND !**



**THIS IS VENNY**





**VENNY IS ONE OF LORELEI'S DISTANT FRIEND  
BECAUSE SHE IS A VERY POPULAR PLANET  
AROUND ALL GALAXIES.**



**VENNY WAS GOOD AT EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE  
KNEW AND LIKED HER, SHE WAS THE PERFECT  
PLANET.**



**SHE WAS NICKNAMED VENNY THE VICTORY AS SHE  
NEVER LOST TO ANYTHING, LET ALONE SHE WAS A  
LITTLE SASSY.**



**AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, MEET LORELEI'S BEST FRIEND !**

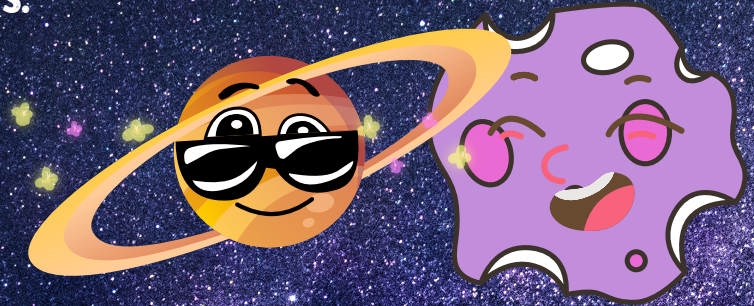


**THIS IS SATURN, NO NOT THE PLANET ! THIS SATURN IS  
LORELEI'S BEST FRIEND.**

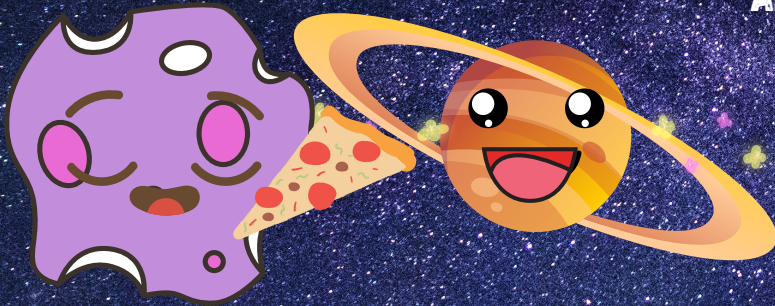




**SATURN ACTS AS LORELEI'S BROTHER, THEY GREW UP  
TOGETHER FROM BABY PLANETS.**



**SATURN ALWAYS MADE SURE LORELEI LAUGHED  
AND SMILED, HE NEVER LET HER BE SAD.**



**SATURN ALWAYS MADE SURE LORELEI SLEPT, ATE AND  
SHINES EVERYDAY SINCE THEY WERE BABY PLANETS WHICH  
IS WHY LORELEI CALLS SATURN HER BROTHER.**



**OH WAIT ! WE CAN NOT FORGET, MEET LORELEI'S PARENTS !**

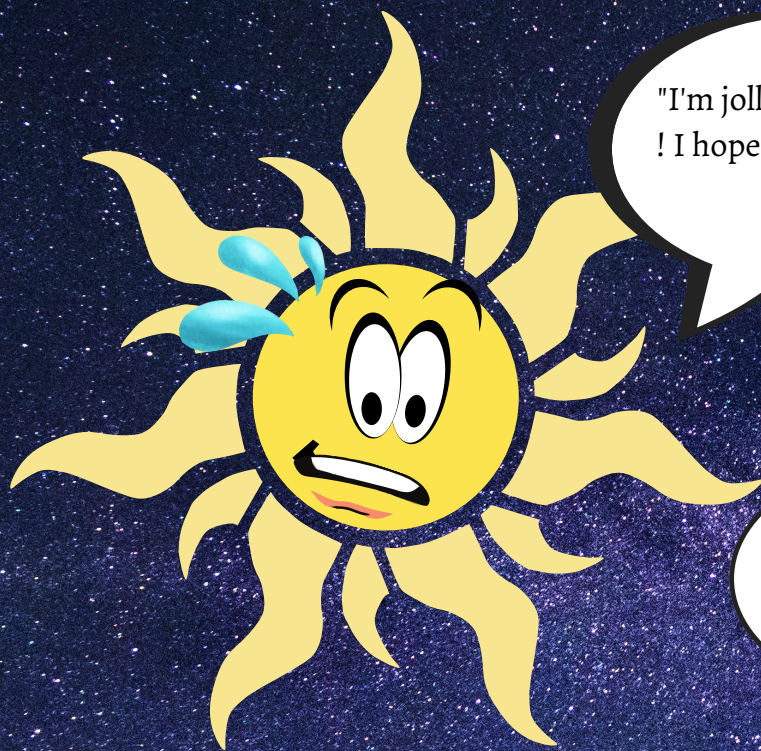


**THIS IS MOONELLA AND COMLET, THE MOST IMPORTANT PLANETS TO LORELEI !**

**ALRIGHT LET'S HEAD ON WITH LORELEI'S STORY !**



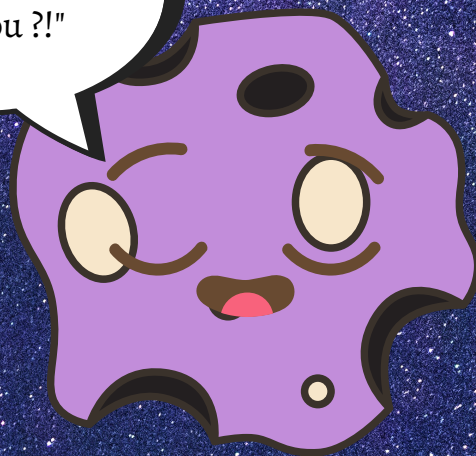
**ONE DAY, IN SPACE, LORELEI WAS FLOATING AROUND SUNNY AND CHATTING WITH HER.**



"I'm jolly good Lorelei  
! I hope you are well !"

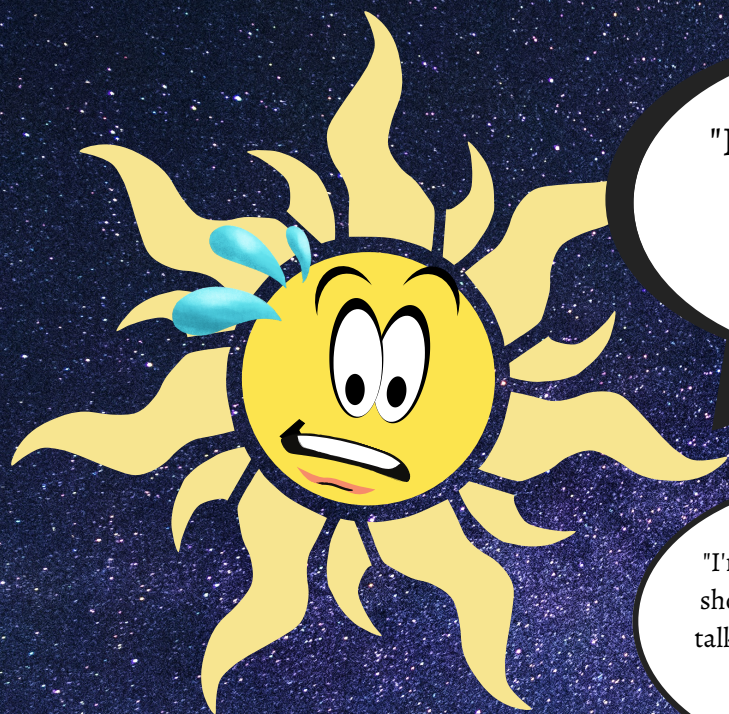
**SUNNY SAYS NERVOUSLY**

"Hi Sunny ! How  
are you ?!"





**LORELEI DOESN'T NOTICE SUNNY BEING NERVOUS AND CONTINUED TO MAKE WAY TO HER FRIENDS AND CHAT WITH THEM.**



"Ill keep shining ! I  
just hope you do  
too soon..."

"I'm well Sunny ! but maybe I  
should float to my group so ill  
talk to to you some other time,  
keep shining !"





LORELEI SEES NEPPY AS WELL AS VENNY AND THEY FLOAT THEIR WAY TO  
THEM TO SAY HI.



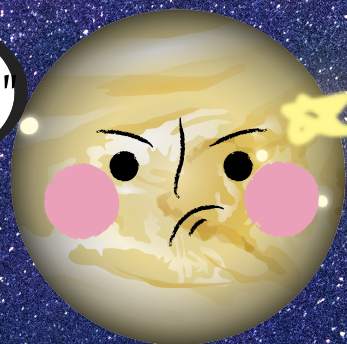
"Goodmorning  
everyone!"



"I told you not to  
make it  
obvious..."

NEPPY SAYS SNAPPILY

"Mhmm!"





**LORELEI IS CONFUSED FROM HOW VENNY AND NEPPY ARE ACTING. THEN THEY  
CONTINUE TO ASK**



"Is everything okay? Is there  
any way I can help?"



"No Lorelei everything is  
oka-"

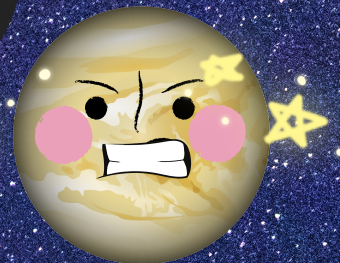


**NEPPY GETS CUT OFF BY VENNY**

"YOU'RE NOT SHINING  
ANYMORE!"




**VENNY BUTTS IN AND SHOUTS ANGRILY**






**LORELEI STAYS STILL AND CONFUSED. WHAT DID VENNY MEAN AND WHY IS SHE SO ANGRY ?**




"I'm not shining?"

"Neppy...why didn't  
you tell me ?"




"Lorelei, maybe go home and  
work on your shine ! i'm sure you  
will shine brightly soon !"

**MARY SAYS CHEERFULLY AS SATURN AGREED**



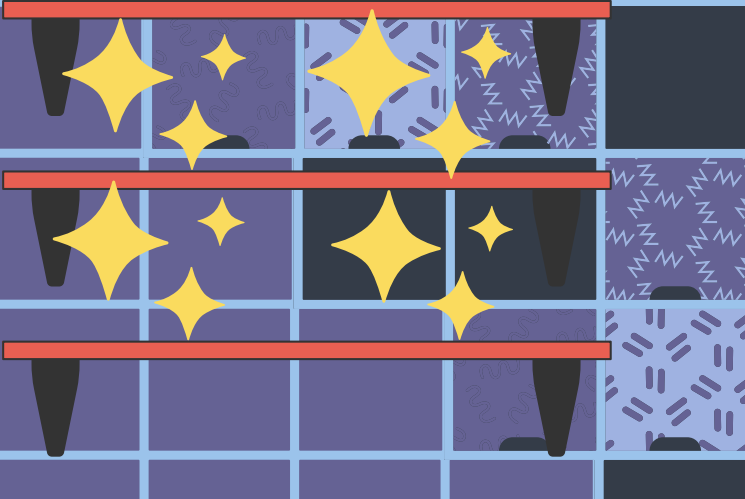
"Lorelei, you are a dull  
and dusty comet. I don't  
want to float around with  
you anymore."



"Maybe you  
should leave  
Lorelei."



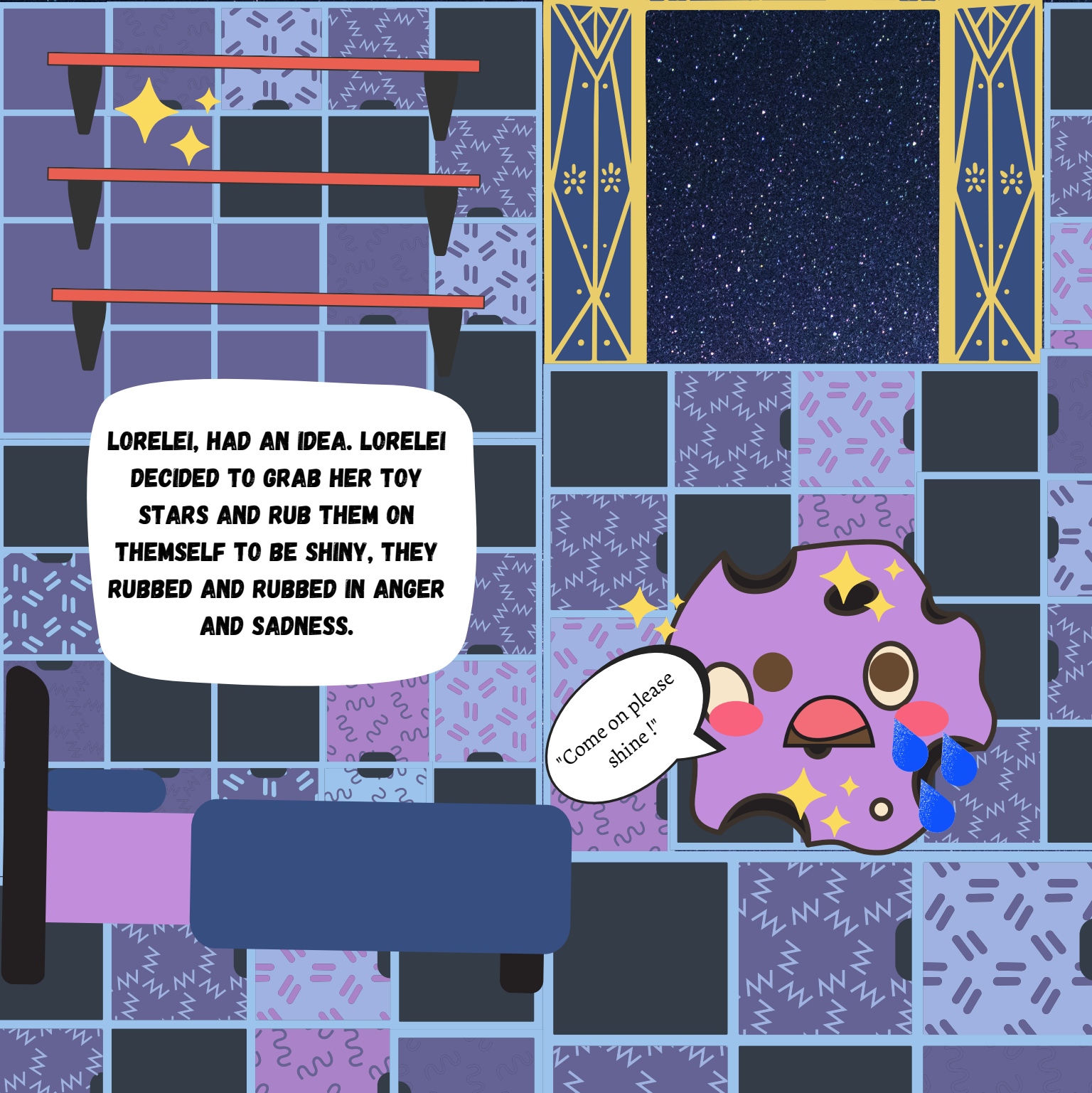




**LORELEI WAS SHOCKED,  
SHE WASN'T SHINING,  
NO ONE TOLD THEM,  
NOT EVEN NEPPY.**







**LORELEI, HAD AN IDEA. LORELEI  
DECIDED TO GRAB HER TOY  
STARS AND RUB THEM ON  
THEMSELF TO BE SHINY, THEY  
RUBBED AND RUBBED IN ANGER  
AND SADNESS.**

"Come on please  
shine!"



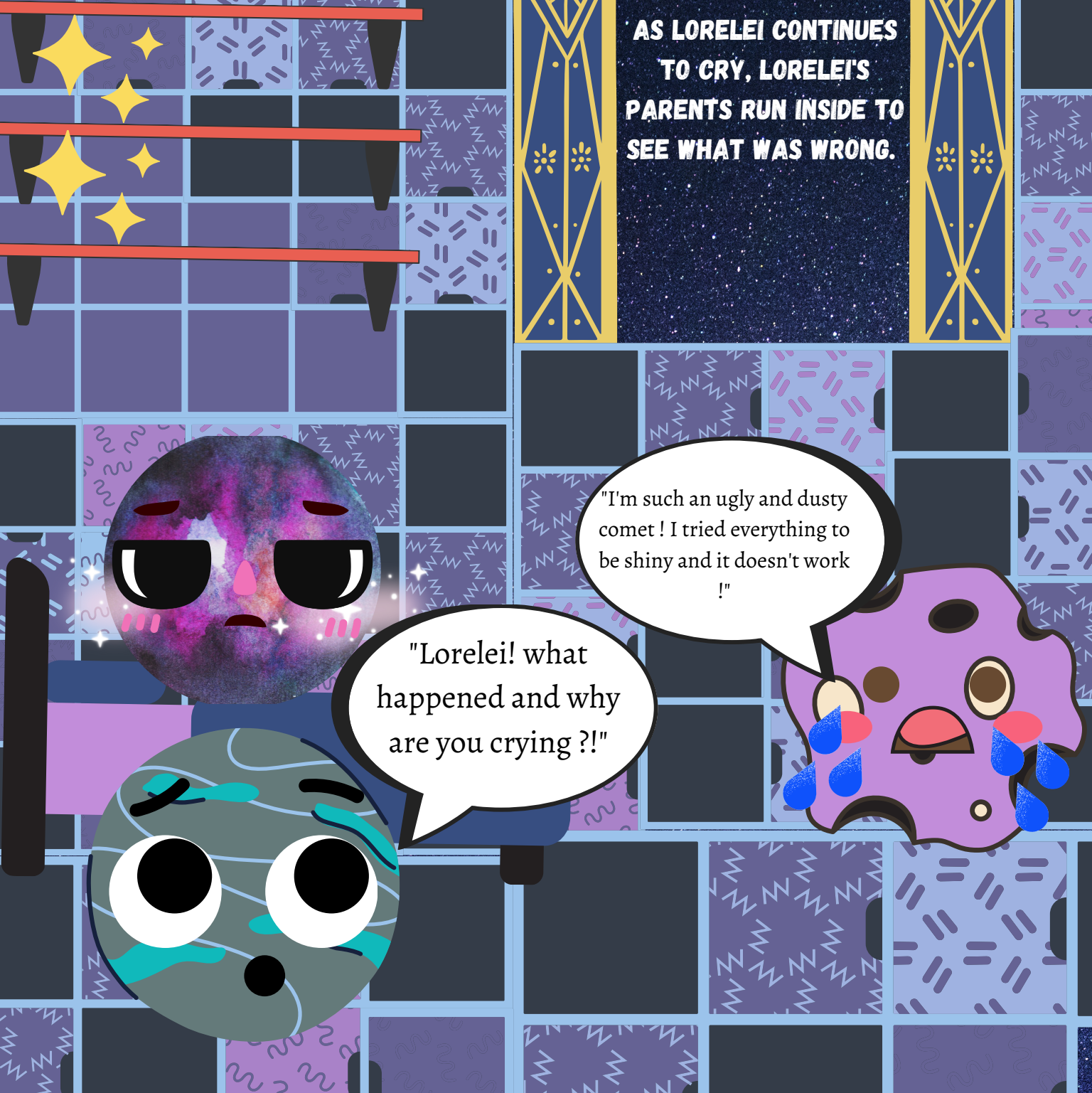


**LORELEI GAVE UP, THEY  
DIDN'T SEE ANY SHIMMER,  
ANY SHINE, ANY HAPPINESS.  
LORELEI WAS TIRED, LORELEI  
CRIED.**





AS LORELEI CONTINUES  
TO CRY, LORELEI'S  
PARENTS RUN INSIDE TO  
SEE WHAT WAS WRONG.



"Lorelei! what  
happened and why  
are you crying ?!"

"I'm such an ugly and dusty  
comet ! I tried everything to  
be shiny and it doesn't work  
!"





"Take all the time you need Lorelei. we will always be here for you, we love you very much."

"Thank you mum and dad but it will take me time."



Lorelei, never be afraid to be yourself, you are different from everyone and so are they, all you need to be is a bit more confident and accepting of yourself, you are such a beautiful, bright and shiny comet and no one can say different."









**AS DAYS WENT BY, LORELEI DECIDED TO SPEND TIME WITH HER PARENTS AND HERSELF.**



**LORELEI WOULD PLAY WITH THE STARS**



**LORELEI WOULD SING**



**LORELEI WOULD DANCE**



**LORELEI WOULD SAY GOOD THINGS TO THEMSELVES  
ON THE MIRROR, IT MADE THEM SO HAPPY.**



**AFTER 9 DAYS OF LORELEI BEING WITH THEMSELF AND THEIR PARENTS, LORELEI NOTICED SOMETHING AS THEY WERE TALKING TO THEMSELF IN THE MIRROR, A SHINE IN THE EYES AND TINGLES ON THEMSELF. WHAT COULD THIS BE ?**



**LORELEI DECIDED TO IGNORE IT AND GO MEET THEIR FRIENDS AFTER A LONG TIME.**





"Hello everyone !  
It's good to be  
back!"

"I- I'm WHAT?!"

"Lorelei !  
You're back  
AND YOU'RE  
SHINING !"



"YOU'RE  
SHINING ?!"



**EVERYONE SHOCKINGLY SCREAMS**







"Have you noticed  
a tingle feeling on  
you?"

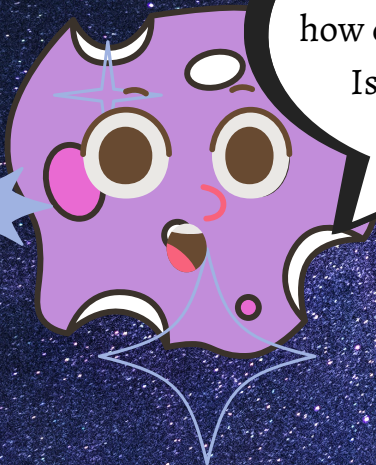


"Wait ! Yes I have BUT  
how do YOU all know ?  
Is this normal ?"

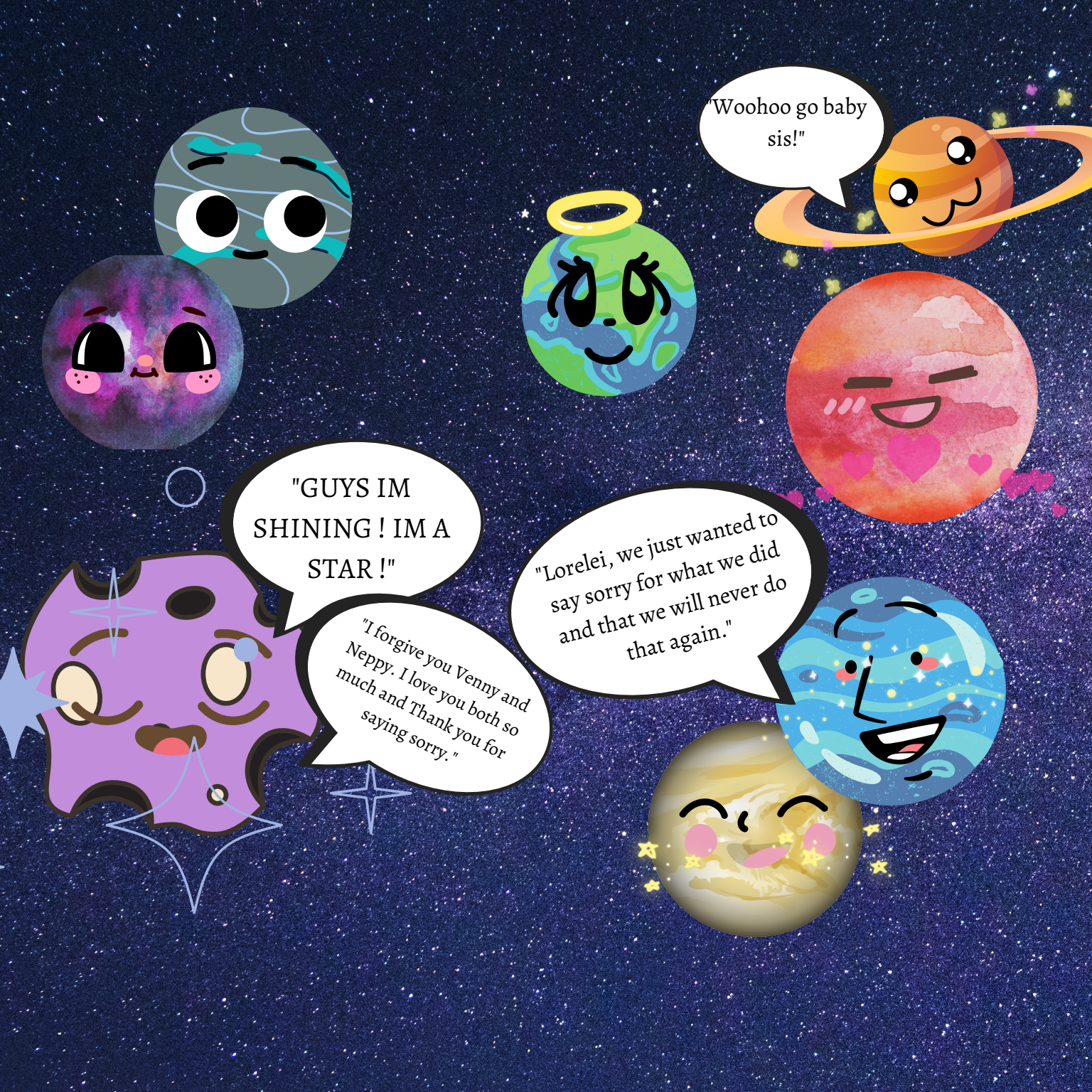
"A sting in your  
eyes?"



"Lorelei ! You found your  
shine ! LOOK AT  
YOURSELF, you're shining  
so brightly!"







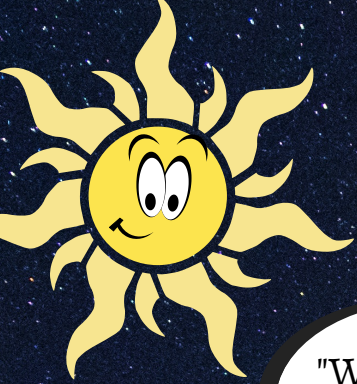
"Woohoo go baby sis!"

"GUYS IM SHINING ! IM A STAR !"

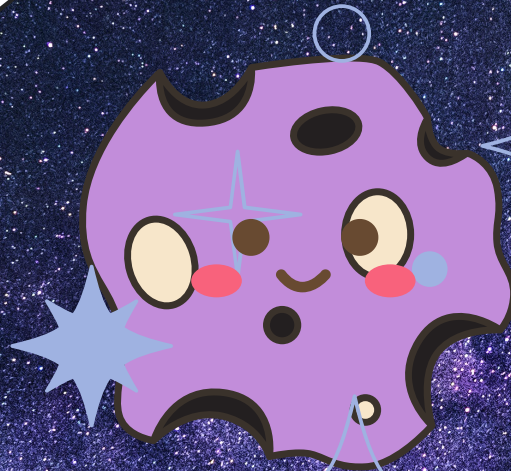
"Lorelei, we just wanted to say sorry for what we did and that we will never do that again."

"I forgive you Venny and Neppy. I love you both so much and Thank you for saying sorry."





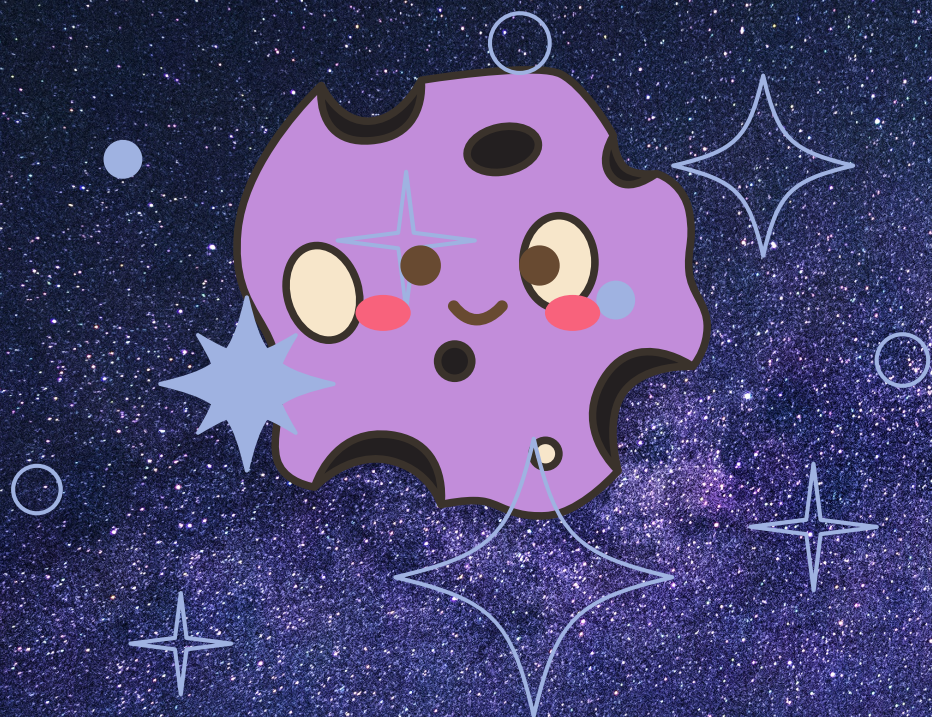
"Woohoo go  
Lorelei!"



**LORELEI SHINED, LORELEI FLOATED, LORELEI WAS HAPPY AND SO WAS EVERYONE ELSE.  
LORELEI FOUND THEMSELVES.  
LORELEI LEARNT HOW TO SHINE.**







**THE END !**



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**A BOOK ABOUT LORELEI'S ADVENTURE IN A SCARY SOCIETY, LORELEI A COMET WITH LOTS AND LOTS OF FRIENDS, GOES OUT TO PLAY ONE DAY BUT NO ONE SEEMS FOND OF BEING WITH THEM. WHAT MADE THEM THIS WAY ? WILL LORELEI FIND THEMSELF ? WILL LORELEI BE HAPPY AGAIN?**

**FIND OUT BY READING "THE DARK STAR" WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ARIVAH HAQUE**

**TAKE A JOURNEY WITH ME TO SELF LOVE AND CONFIDENCE !  
ILL SEE YOU THERE !**