

## Tulips Festival

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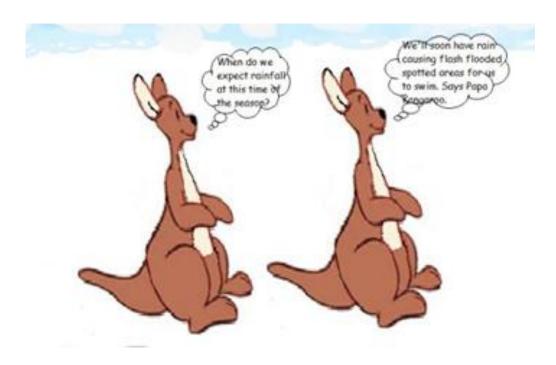
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## Chapter 1



Looking at this cartoon image as illustrated above, Mama Kangaroo is asking Papa Kangaroo "when is rainfall expected at this time

of the season?" Papa Kangaroo response "We'll soon have rain causing flash flooded spotting areas for us to swim in." While they both continue their conversation, Mama Kangaroo mentioned "if we are blessed, during this time of the year, we should expect carrots, cabbages, rice, fish, shrimps and tomatoes growing in the wet spotted areas, by the ponds and along the banks of Rush Creek." Alek and Pek will make sure that Goose Bay is kept in order.

Once upon a time, there lived a family of Kangaroo off of Kgoo Avenue, in Njeesburg close to Goose Bay, Oregon in the United States.

Their family enjoyed both out and indoor activities and the four season's weather they

experience in that part of the country. They were also hardworking couple and had their offspring to raise.

They enjoyed playing by
the beach where they talked
about the creek, bays, cliffs
and landforms made from tides
producing varying crests
causing formations of circle
created by sea waves and

ridges of swift water flow called currents.

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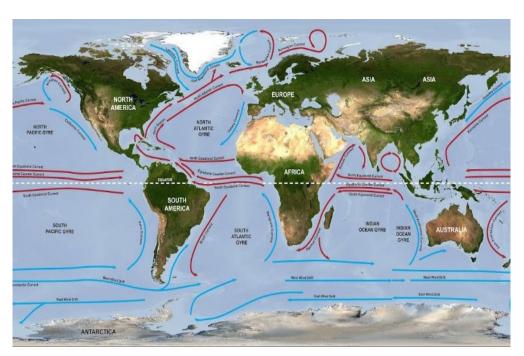


Figure 1: Oceans and Seas Currents

#### of sea currents and their

locations, domes and craters can be formed within the ocean creating islands or raised spared landforms close to the sea borders which do appear as short interlock streams and/or creeks.

During different tides and seasons, the Kangaroo family observes different coral reef species, fish and large sea mammals swimming close to

the bays and capes entering creek inlets.

Marine mammals are sea creatures that are mammals, meaning they share the characteristics of warmbloodedness, breathing air, and giving birth to live young. Examples include whales, dolphins, porpoises, seals, sea lions, walruses, polar bears, sea

## otters, manatees, and dugongs.

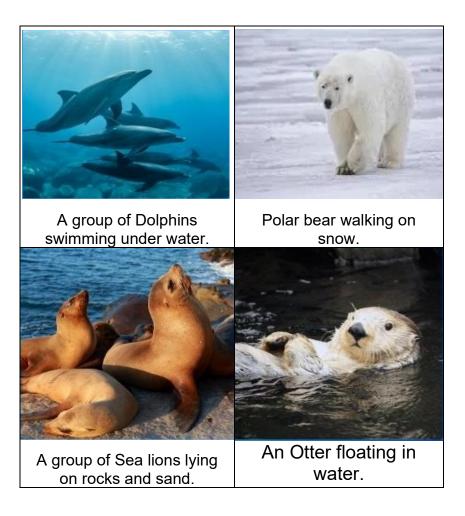






Figure 3: A Whale swimming in the Ocean current.



Figure 2: A Walrus lying on the snow.

## Chapter 2

"The larger sea creatures are referred to as sea mammals" explain Mama Kangaroo to Roo and Kango and four other students from their school whom we happen to meet at the beach, near Rush Creek towards Goose Bay." Mama Kangaroo continued "because they

deliver their young offspring compare to laying eggs which is common with most of the other sea life creatures, they turn to be much friendly and would easily save humans when stranded in the middle of the ocean compared to other sea life."

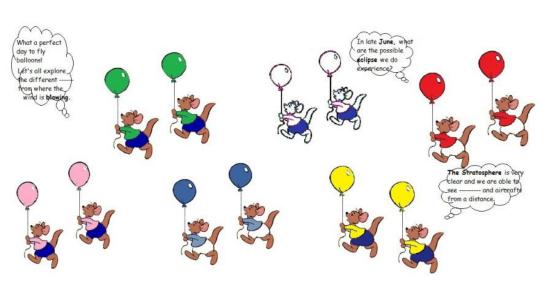


The Whales

All of Roo and Kango's friends love to fly balloons under clear sky and windy

days. They had lots of fun tales and joked amongst themselves. On windy days, they had to make sure to cling tight on their strings not to let go of their balloons. You could see them hippety hippety hop, hippety hippety hop, hippety hippety hop as they float from one spot to another.

### Chapter 3



"Today is pairing day, all the students are supposed to wear matching outfits with their chosen partner, and it tends out to be a perfect day to fly

balloons during recess." Good enough, "we all happen to receive matching balloons to our tops as we headed out into the playground," added Roo. Roo and Kango are wearing red tops. Kango could not help asking Roo. "What are the possible eclipses which are experience in late June?" Being that June is the last month of the second quarter of the year!

One could easily assume that both lunar and solar eclipses might occur but not every year. And when they do occur, they might occur in the same year. It is good to know the difference between these eclipses and what to observe.

A solar eclipse occurs
when the Moon passes
between the Earth and the
Sun, blocking all or a portion of
the Sun.

Immediately Kango continued that "solar eclipse is arguably one of the most thrilling sights on Earth. It occurs when the moon moves in front of the Sun. A solar eclipse happens slowly as the Moon starts its trip across the Sun.

It begins like it is taking a small bite out of the Sun. As the Moon gets closer to the

center of the Sun the darkness occurs more quickly.

While a small crescent of the sun stays in the sky you can observe as an unusual phenomenon with a solar eclipse – thin wavy lines appear that are light and dark that can be seen on light colored surfaces."

These are called shadow bands and are caused by the

distortion of Earth's atmosphere.

A lunar eclipse can take three different forms:

A penumbral eclipse occurs when the moon passes through the Earth's penumbral shadow, but this is very difficult to see.

A partial lunar eclipse occurs when a portion of the moon

passes through the Earth's umbral shadow.

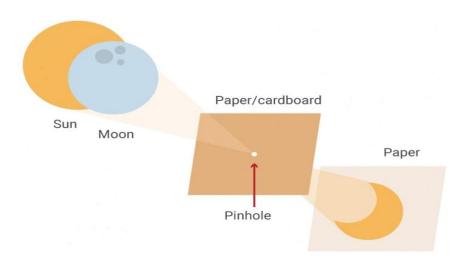
This is easy to see and can be viewed by the naked eye without any danger of damage to the eyes.

A total lunar eclipse occurs when the whole moon disappears as it passes through the Earth's umbral shadow. This is when the moon emits very different



vibrant colors which are breathtaking and beautiful. The shape of the moon varies from full (when the earth is between the SUN and the MOON) to New (when the

# MOON is between the SUN and the EARTH) moon.



## Chapter 4

"When the moon is closer to the Earth; the Earth is experiencing perigee lunar. The observation of the Moon from the Earth is clear and visible in the Southern Hemisphere.

A partial lunar eclipse occurs when a portion of the moon transverse the Earth's Umbral shadow. The climate is

moist with interval of rainfall, which may last for 30 minutes to an hour. During perigee lunar, the tides are high and may last for more than 14 hours in both the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

Asking and answering trivia questions from one pair to another, Mama Kangaroo took note of their answers and encouraged the others to have conversations and discussions

with their parents about Goose Bay landforms when they get home. Many of the more recent craters and landforms by the beach were related to the upsurge in the environment.

## Chapter 5

Mama Kangaroo also made sure to explain the creation of caves and formation.

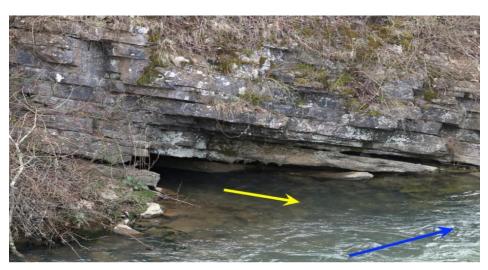


Figure 4: Cave formation with water flowing out from the cliffs.

The inception of cave development in carbonate rocks begins when water can move through the bedrock and commence dissolution. The earliest water movement may be due to mechanisms (including underground water pumping and ionic diffusion effects) unrelated to those dominating later development. Similarly, inception may include physical and chemical

dissolution (involving removal of carbonates and mineral impurities by water and by strong acids), as well as by the carbonic acid dissolution that dominates later cave growth.

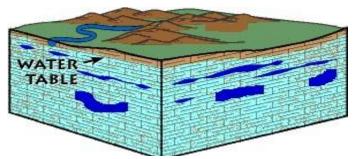


Figure 5: A cross section of rocks landforms with water beds

## Chapter 6

Initial water movement can be noticed on primary pores of rocks (in coarse raffle limestones, oolites or chalk), amongst relatively thin noncarbonate beds within the succession, along incipient or open fissures (joints, faults and bedding planes). These potential water routes are

initially very narrow, and water movement is severely restricted and laminar, allowing only very slow dissolvable growth, until enlargement beyond the turbulent threshold permits faster flow and accelerated cave growth. After establishment of turbulent flow conditions, the effects of dissolution are augmented by mechanical abrasion and it collapse, which exposes new

rock. During the early development stages a network of narrow openings is formed. Subsequently, geological factors guide the preferential expansion of favorable routes, which capture more of the local flow and enlargement, at the expense of less favorable openings, forming caves.

The less favorable fissures are relegated to a subordinate role in transmitting percolation

water or, more rarely, in carrying elements of overflow water during floods. Also, during the early stages, all voids are water filled but as permeability increases and true hydraulic flow conditions are established, the upper voids drain freely, forming a water table.

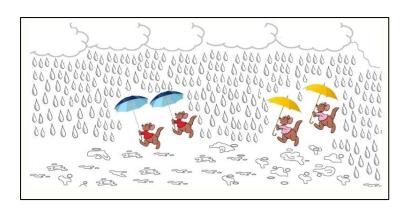


Almost all caves therefore originate under phreatic conditions, but the overall passage morphology is modified during later growth into vadose or phreatic caves, enlarged from the original phreatic imprint, above or

below the water table (the level below which the ground is saturated with water). The water table is the surface where the water pressure head is equal to the atmospheric pressure (where gauge pressure = 0). It may be conveniently visualized as the "surface" of the subsurface materials that are saturated

# with underground water in each vicinity.





#### Chapter 7

However, saturated conditions may extend above the water table as surface tension holds water in some pores below atmospheric pressure. Individual points on the water table are typically measured as the elevation of the water rises too; into a well screened in the shallow underground water.

The underground water may be from infiltrating precipitation or from underground water flowing into the aquifer. In areas with sufficient precipitation, water infiltrates through pore spaces in the soil, passing through the unsaturated zone.

At increasing depths water fills in more of the pore spaces in the soils, until the zone of saturation is reached. In

permeable or porous materials, such as sands and well fractured bedrock, the water table forms a relatively horizontal plane.

Below the water table, in the phreatic zone, permeable units that yield underground water are called aquifers. The ability of the aquifer to store underground water is dependent on the primary and secondary porosity and

permeability of the rock or soil.

In less permeable soils, such
as tight bedrock formations
and historic lakebed deposits,
the water table may be more
difficult to define.

#### Chapter 8

Ultimately, cave development evolves towards efficient drainage close to the water table. Passage enlargement then becomes regressive as the collapse increases.

The stage of cavernous collapsing extensively is relatively rarely achieved, being overtaken at high

latitudes and high altitudes by surface lowering, but such collapse can contribute to the chaotic landforms of tropical erotic areas.

In parts of the country
where winters are mild, Tulips
may not receive enough
natural cold and snow, which
is necessary for producing
moisture to stimulate proper
growth and flowering. In
situations like this, regular

sprinklers systems are put in place.

Blooming occurs about six to eight weeks after planting. Tulip bulbs require a welldrained soil. Sandy soil enriched with organic matter is ideal with a pH of 6.0 to 6.5. Keep Tulip bulbs cool (below 65°F) until ready to plant. Plant in fall at least a month before the ground freezes. Follow directions for planting depth for each individual variety. Many Tulips (the mid-season and late-flowering varieties in particular) tend to bloom magnificently during the first spring or two after planting.

Before I knew it, we were all conversing and chatting about our experience at the local nursery.

All and all tulips festival brought in the warmth and

welcoming of bulbs spring flowers. These are the best days to couples who are in crafts and sewing to choose from all the beautiful colors popping up in our gardens. Different designs and templates (stencils) went a long way. We plan ahead, considering the release timeline of each product series. "Their costumes designs were definitely

attractive and engaging, with multiple costumes shapes of kangaroos, it will surely hit a note" said Mama Kangaroo.

All the parents who participated look forward to this festival as the beginning of Spring each year. Their prints and engravings can be found on lots of house wares, China wares, umbrellas, clothing and luggage's etc. I quickly whispered to Papa kangaroo

that we'll have to go through Yorkshire, Main Street, and Cheshire for me to pickup few items before we get back home.

Our baked goods and confections supplies were not to run short although we had also to make sure to keep up with arrangement of books supplies and having bakery, crafts display and paintings for the egoistic, gorgeous,

egregious, sumptuous, opulent, luxurious and lavish food and arts lovers.

#### Chapter 9

As they played outside in warm weather while flying their matching balloons, Yaya and Zeta concentrated on identifying different objects which could get right up to the stratosphere layer of the atmosphere.

At the moment, considering clear skies, they could spot airplanes and aircraft from a distance with

their distinct fine colored coated reflecting sunshine and glittering light beams.

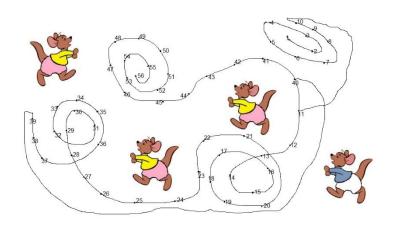
Their pair of yellow outfits gave them cheerful looks as they continued. Asking if anyone could identify which carriers were passing overhead. Most popular carriers are Boeing series and Airbus series, traveling several distances around the world from one continent to another.

In a comprehensive extension of the different

shuttles travelling in defined atmospheric layers, you will commonly find air vehicles of supersonic and hypersonic travelling out of space with much increase speeds of calibrated airplanes such as concords and Boeing 777 series. To this extent, broaden the different atmospheric layers, specific to general weather and meteorology, common airborne, debris and carbonite types, and many of the descriptive spectrum

wavelength seen, which are related to specific locations.

No attempt was made to exclude the formation of gemstones, although many are in no doubt identifiable. The younger kangaroos played with numbers, others build worm houses and played on the monkey bars swinging, sliding and jumping from one landing to another.

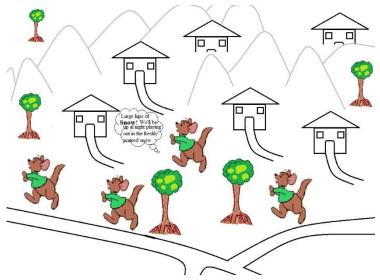




On the playground, connecting the dots could be

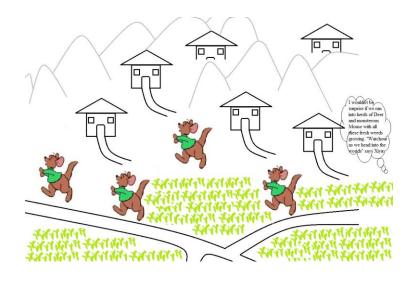
challenging. They had to decide where to start counting and what to use for identifying the different locations with sets of numbers. Starting out at the top right corner, counting their way through the 20's as they move South spotting signal cones. Then proceeding westward as they continue counting into the 30's. At times it was hard to tell which number was which because they were close to each other. The last set of numbers were

located on the Northwest portion of the playground and ended with number 56.



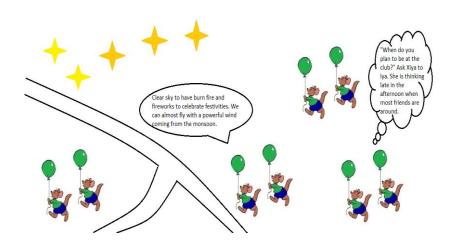
The next day, Goose Bay Elementary school had a field trip to visit a nearby Apple Orchard, where all of a sudden, it started snowing. There was lots of snowfall, and they easily slid from the top of snow hips as they indulged themselves playing pick-a-boo with each in hay patches.

Green tops were the selected outfits for the day. All the staff and chaperones had white tops which made it easier for the students of Goose Bay to spot their leads from a distance.



At times we ask them to stay quiet and only whisper to their pairs as they proceed in different directions, making sure louder voices were coming from their leaders and follow directions while enjoying

## all the fun activities and display in the farm.



### Chapter 10



Fresh Tulips sold down in Goose Bay's Piccadilly Market

Mama kangaroo had plenty to do towards the last week of March. Sewing and preparing costumes for the upcoming Tulips festival was about all she could think of at the moment. This festival kept her busy during this period of the year, while she indulges herself going to thrift stores and hunting, collecting crafts and arts, jewelry, souvenirs, fashion and furnishings. Some of these items brought in good customers who could spend a fortune if their goods carried historical value and wit with them. Bearing certain qualities, resourcefulness, shrewdness and appearance to be valued from one generation to another. Antiques sellers from different parts of the world usually converge every so often that it's hard to tell where the tides will land them. She

gang up with friends who you could assume at the times were peculiar and had many similarities to those of Cirquedu-soleil and gypsy participants. "Much to handle, ha, ha, ha" quickly remarked by Xiya.

Xiya continued "Tulip festival, to our surprise is next on schedule and is officially

observed on the last Saturday of the month in March.



But for school goers, it's the last Friday of March, so that all the students could participate

and perform skits while the flowers & herbs sales are going on outside of the building."



On this day, students and staff get to share treats and tales about their neighborhood, surroundings, especially life by the beach. And the fun continues throughout the building handling out all types of gifts, fun stuff one could imagine.

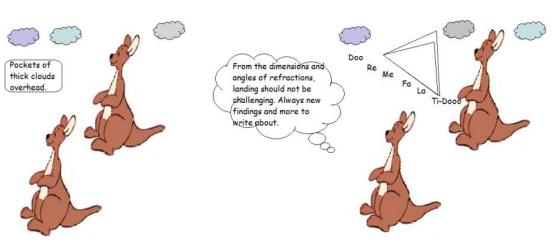
There are usually other stands publicizing events and activities which will be coming

up in the following weeks.

Spring is always the best time to be out and about as summer months approach.

With suggestions from Roo and Kango's friends, they all agreed to pair up with similar short sleeves tops of the same colors. They were divided into two groups, one group will fly balloons of the same color as their tops and the other group will perform ballet using colorful umbrellas

with synchronizing movements following direction given by their choreographers before and during the parade.



#### Chapter 11



Here comes the first group with colorful balloons said Mr.

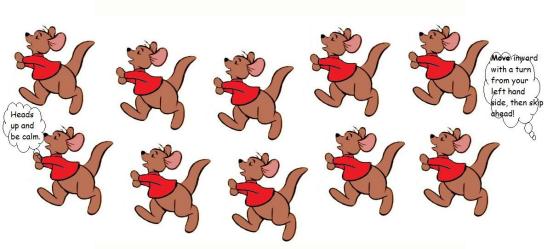
Alphasky to Bravo who was preparing to take pictures for their memoir mule. I heard Mrs. Kangaroo and her family met with a team of students from their children's classrooms to come up with a theme and attire for the tulips parade. Their ideas were brilliant and agreeable by all.

Their attires are magnificent and gorgeous, very colorful to keep the day going with all the treats to pass around. "We'll have a great spring sale of flowers and herbs today," said the principal.

This activity always



attracts parents and neighbors to shop for flowers as the students perform their skits. "While we were speaking to one another, here comes the other group with their umbrellas" said Mrs. Echo. including all the team members who contributed in designing and selecting their performance attires, performing ballet dancing, synchronizing step movements while spinning their umbrellas with instructions given by their leaders. Watch their patterns and movements as it's coordinated.



"I have set my camera to auto video," said Mr. Charlie to Mrs. Delta who is their flight instructor who is standing on the other side to capture the whole parade to play it to the students' boarding next week during their lunch breaks so they can have an opportunity to watch themselves.

By the end of the day, all the students and staff were

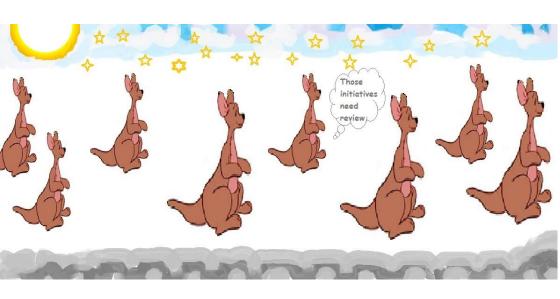
appreciative and thankful that they had a wholesome day to reflect on the lives of kangaroos in Goose Bay.



Each year the students look forward to see the different outfits warned by different parent's participating groups. The festival is colorful and attractive to all in the neighborhood.

## Chapter 12

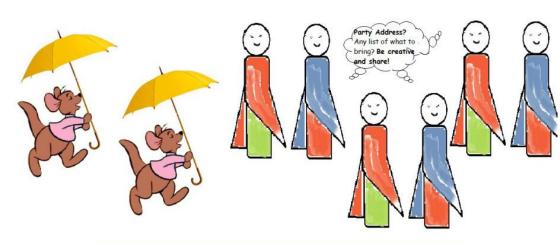
I was quick to spot my parents as we matched along performing our skits. "Here comes my parent's group wearing pink" said Xiya, who leave in the Eastern part of Njeesburg in Goose Bay.



Mama Kangaroo remarked "this year turnout was more than expected." "Her friends talked about their gardens and vegetables they're going to plant during this spring season." They prayed to have

perfect weather during planting, with that, their harvesting was bound to bring in lots of home grown produce to their local markets. With plenty of snowfall for those living in the Midwest, and plenty of rainfall it'll definitely facilitate having the favorable fishing season. Sales and market of products here usually head inland to some of the chain grocery stores which

depend on sea products from the Atlantic Ocean compared to that from the Northern seas.



Spring is always a fun time to have friends visiting with bunches of flowers, especially

flowers and baked scones or croissants filled with raisins or chocolate paste/chips. Fruity bakery goods are excellent with a cup of tea or coffee while keeping busy making stationaries, crafts and books writing. Entertaining buyers who may stop by for craft sales, wine, coffee or soup sales

The days went fast during school days and made schooling periods appear short and enjoyable during the weekends, while friends stopped by with their families and didn't have to rush back home.

But during school days, parents had to wait by the bus stop to pick up their children from the bus, especially

preschoolers ages. There were instances that we had two to four families going through the latest stationaries, crafts, books and could stay for soup or baked goods depending on the time of the day.

Papa and Mama Kangaroo could listen to endless stories from some of their neighbors as they shop through the things which were available.

They were very use to their clients who requested special flavored tea or coffee. Scones or croissants with raisins were the most favorites of which they kept a promise never to miss during the weekends. The confections such as butter and fruit jams went well with these pastries produced and ice cream of different flavors.

Winla's family enjoyed having toast with spreads of butter and jam while going through short story books and magazines. There were times when we had oratory, and everyone listened quietly while the reader mesmerizes through his or her selected passage. The presentations at times were eclectic, breath taken with a feeling of relief. Some of them drop by with

their novels or sections to present to the guests if they happen to meet any. The kangaroo family at Goose Bay kept a comfortable area for all these activities.

The End.

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