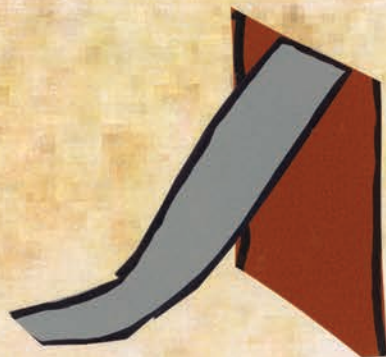
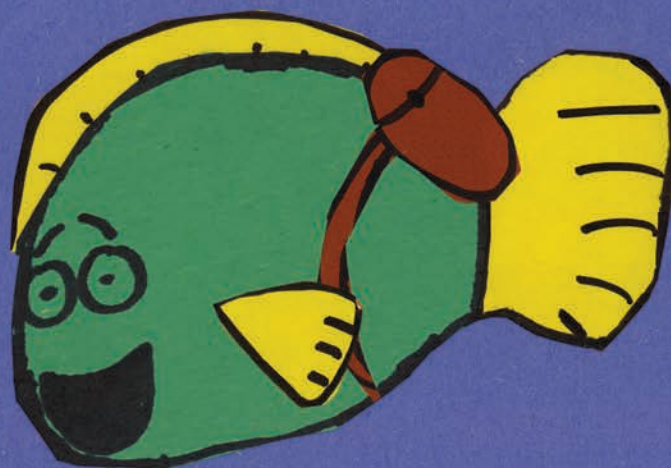
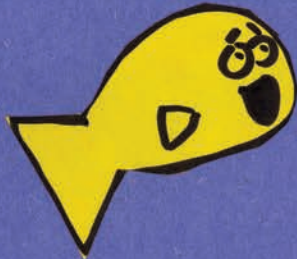
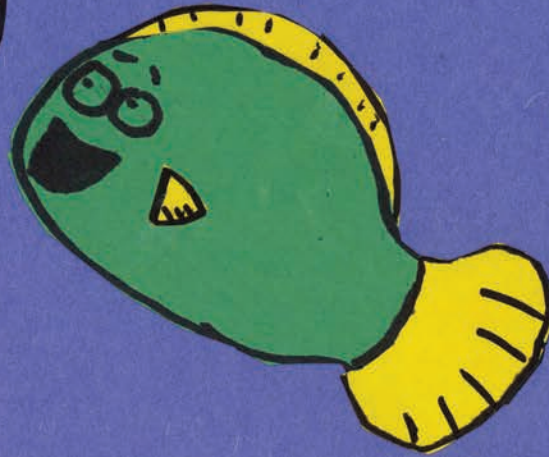
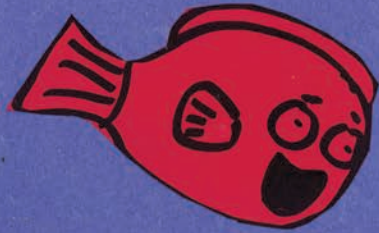


Freddy the Fish and the First Day of School!!!

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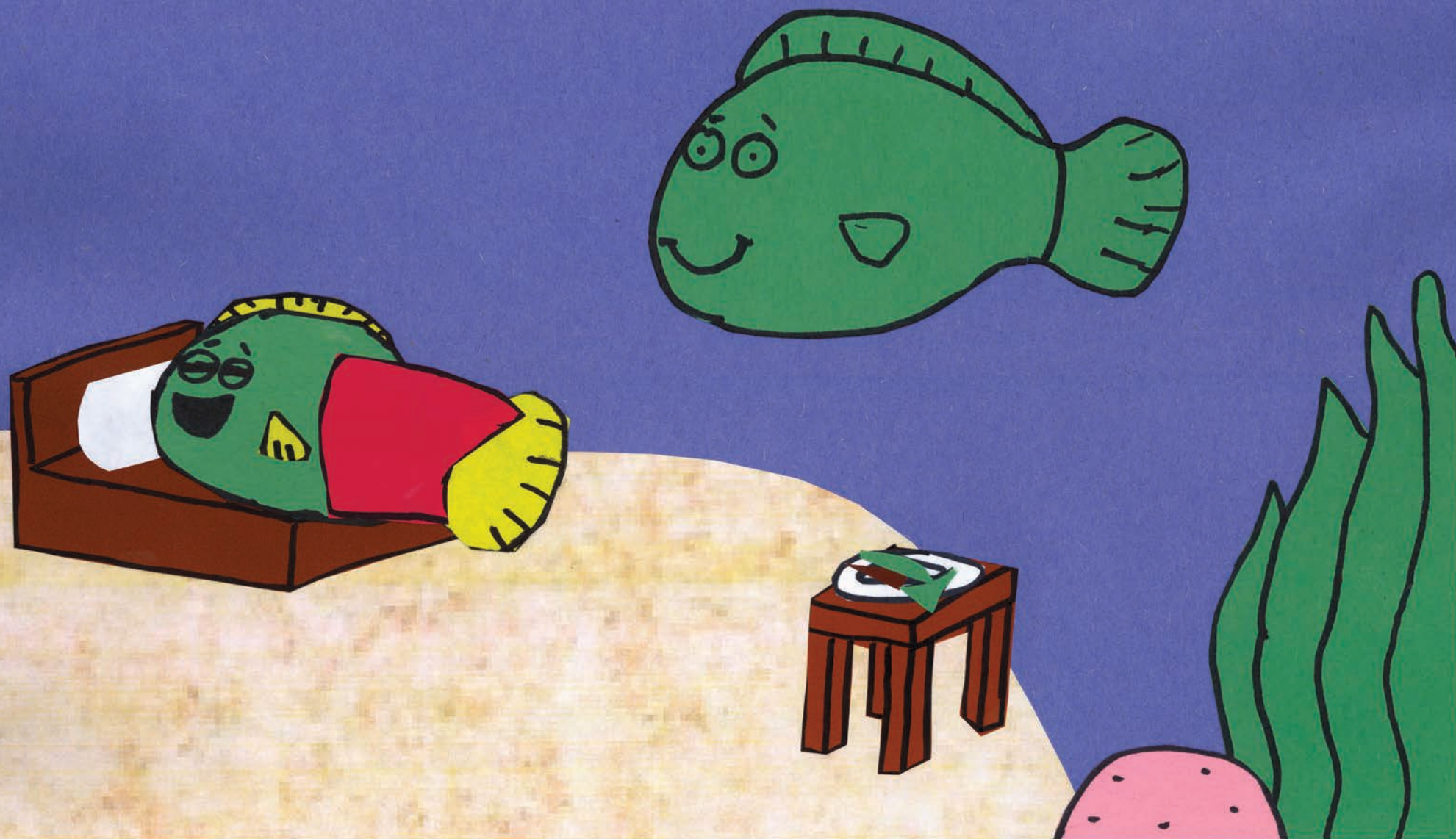


There once was a fish named Freddy, who lived in the town of Coral Reef Jetty.

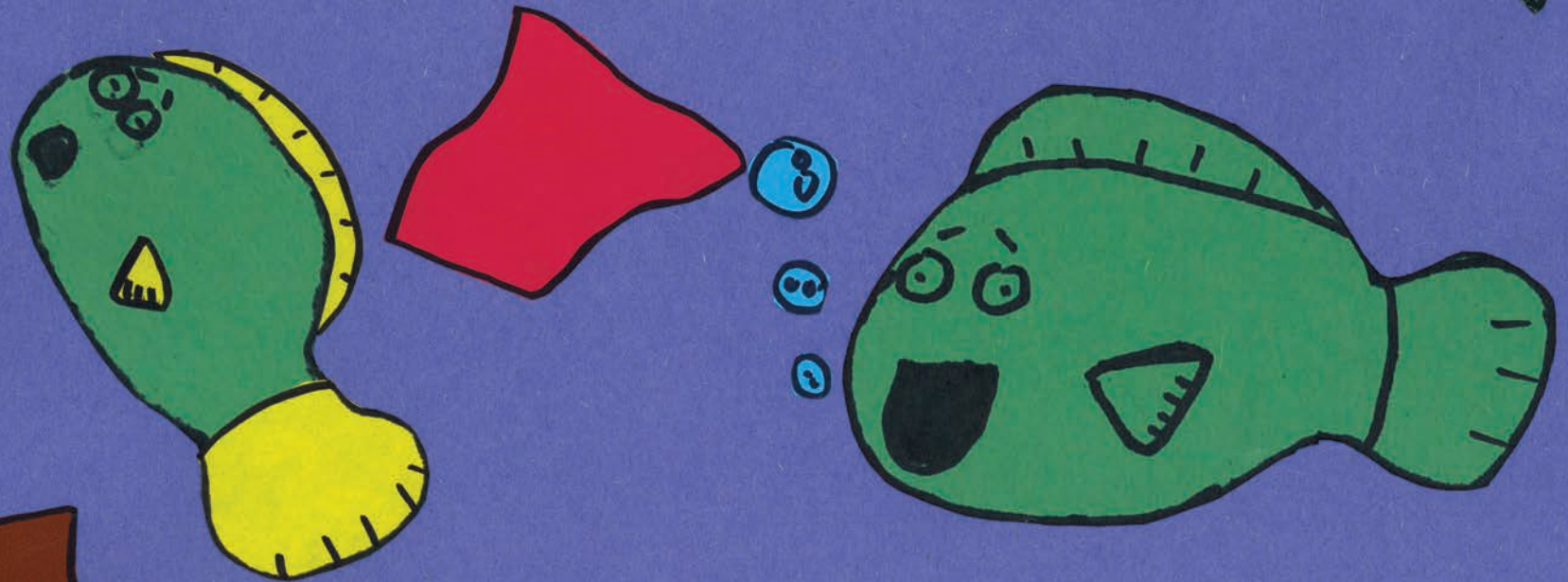


Freddy's friends would come out and play. He and his friends played every day!

After, he played all day; he went home where he would stay. He'd eat his dinner and go to bed. Until one day his mother said...



"Freddy, Freddy it's not time to play. You must go to school today!"



Poor Freddy knew what school was. He knew all about it because...

His friends told him EVERYTHING about school! The fish there were crazy and the teacher was a ghoul!



"Freddy! Freddy! There's no time for delay! Pack your bag with some pencils, paper, and clay!" his mother said.



So Freddy got out of bed and packed his bag with candy, instead.

As Freddy walked out, he noticed everyone was up and about.

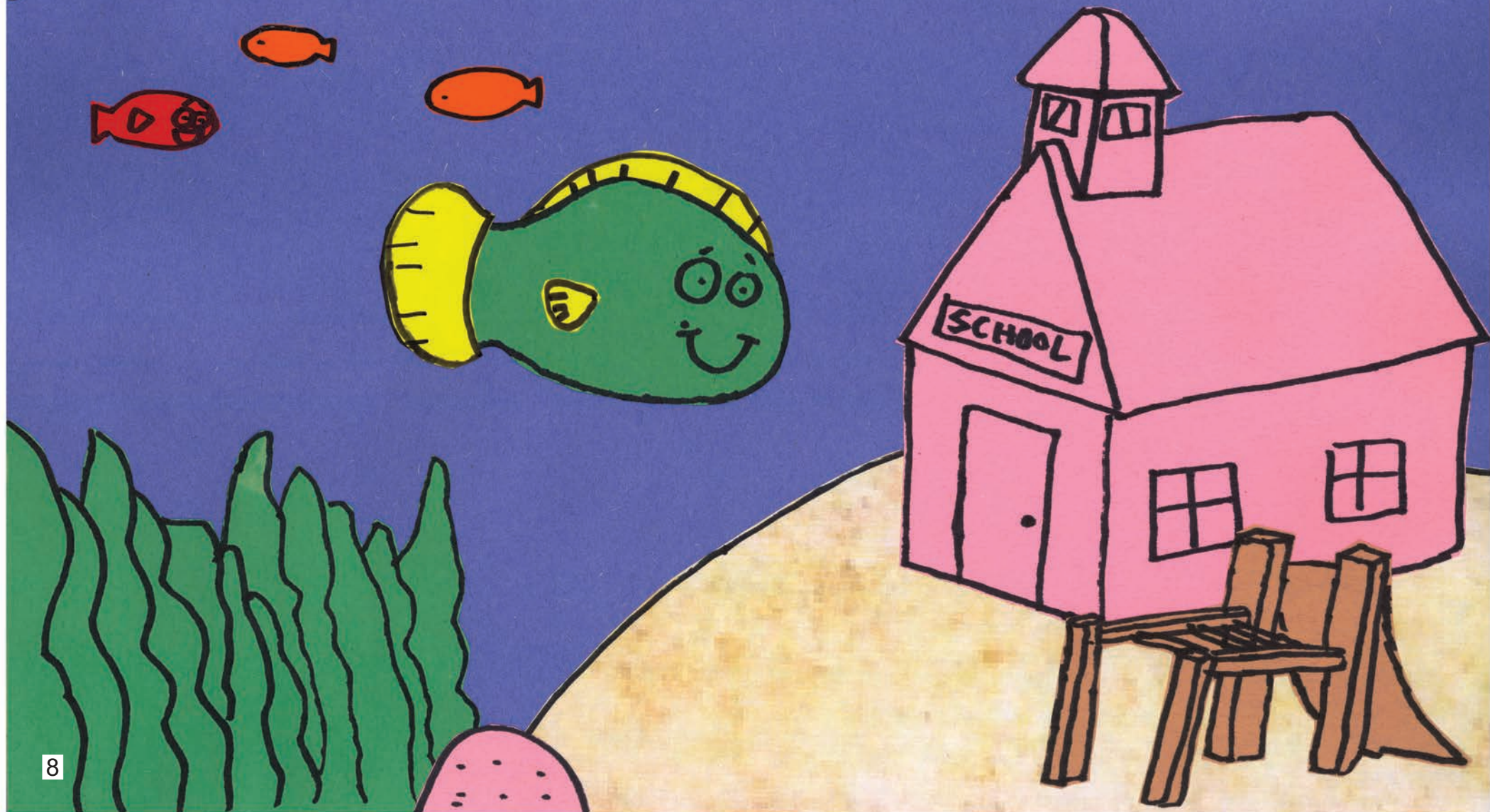


He passed Sammy the Seahorse's Grocery store. He saw many customers and much more!

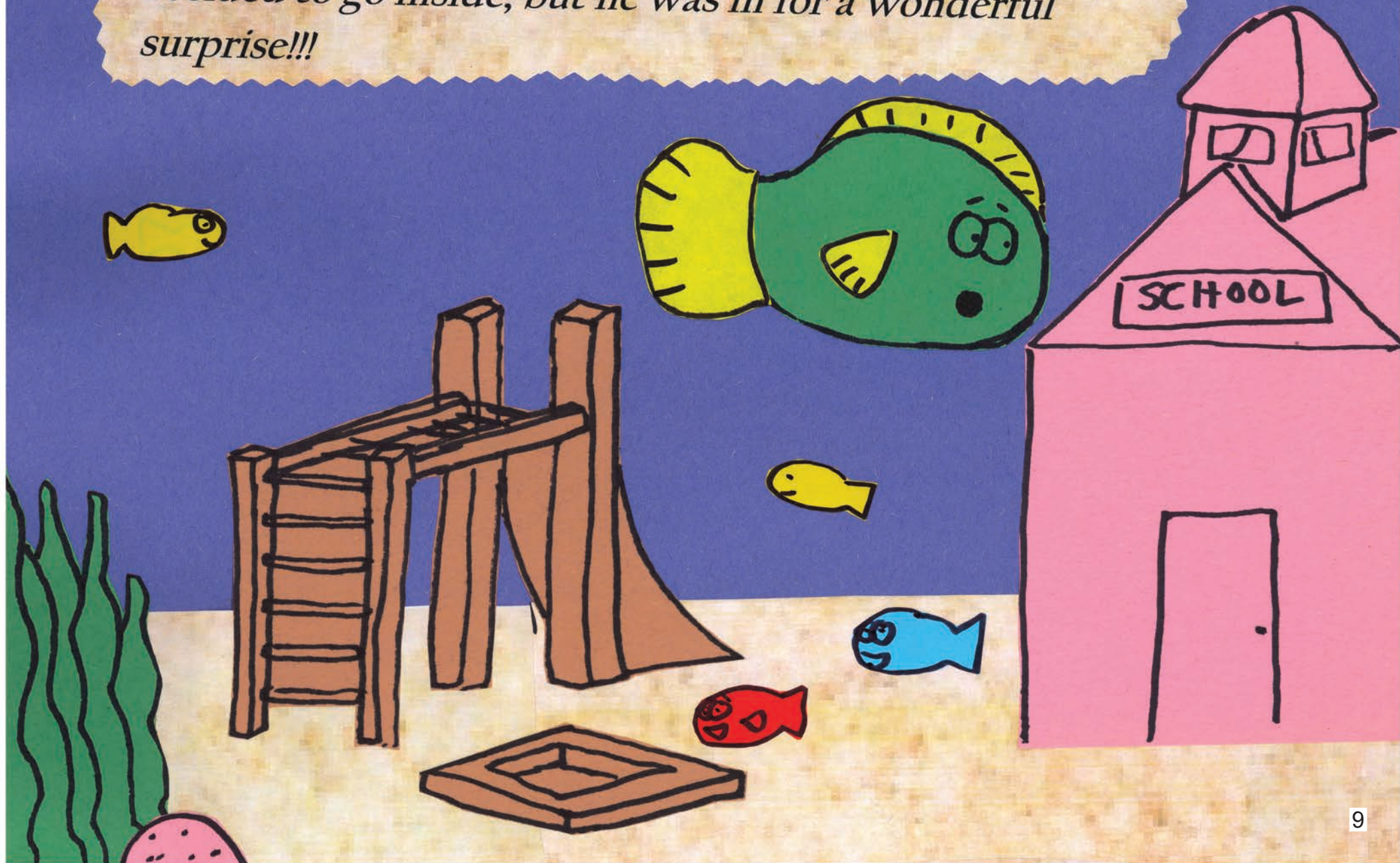
He passed Puffer fish Post Office, Fingerfish Firehouse, and Pollack Police station. Everything looked like it was in his imagination!



*Then he arrived at school, he waited for the gruel ghoul,
but he discovered the school was very COOL!*



The Playground was big with a sandbox to dig! Freddy decided to go inside, but he was in for a wonderful surprise!!!

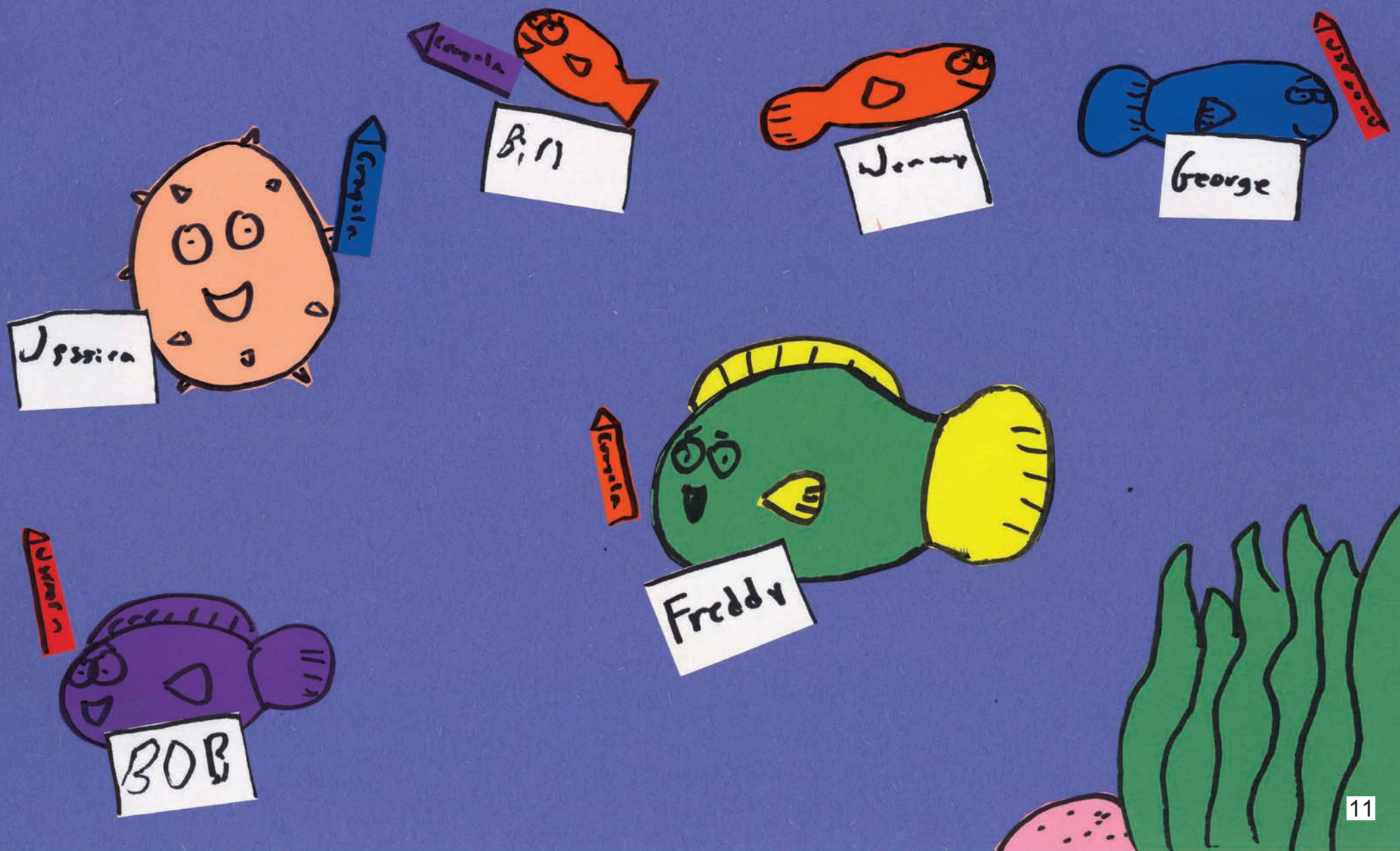


*All his friends and his teacher too, were reading a book,
The Little Canoe.*

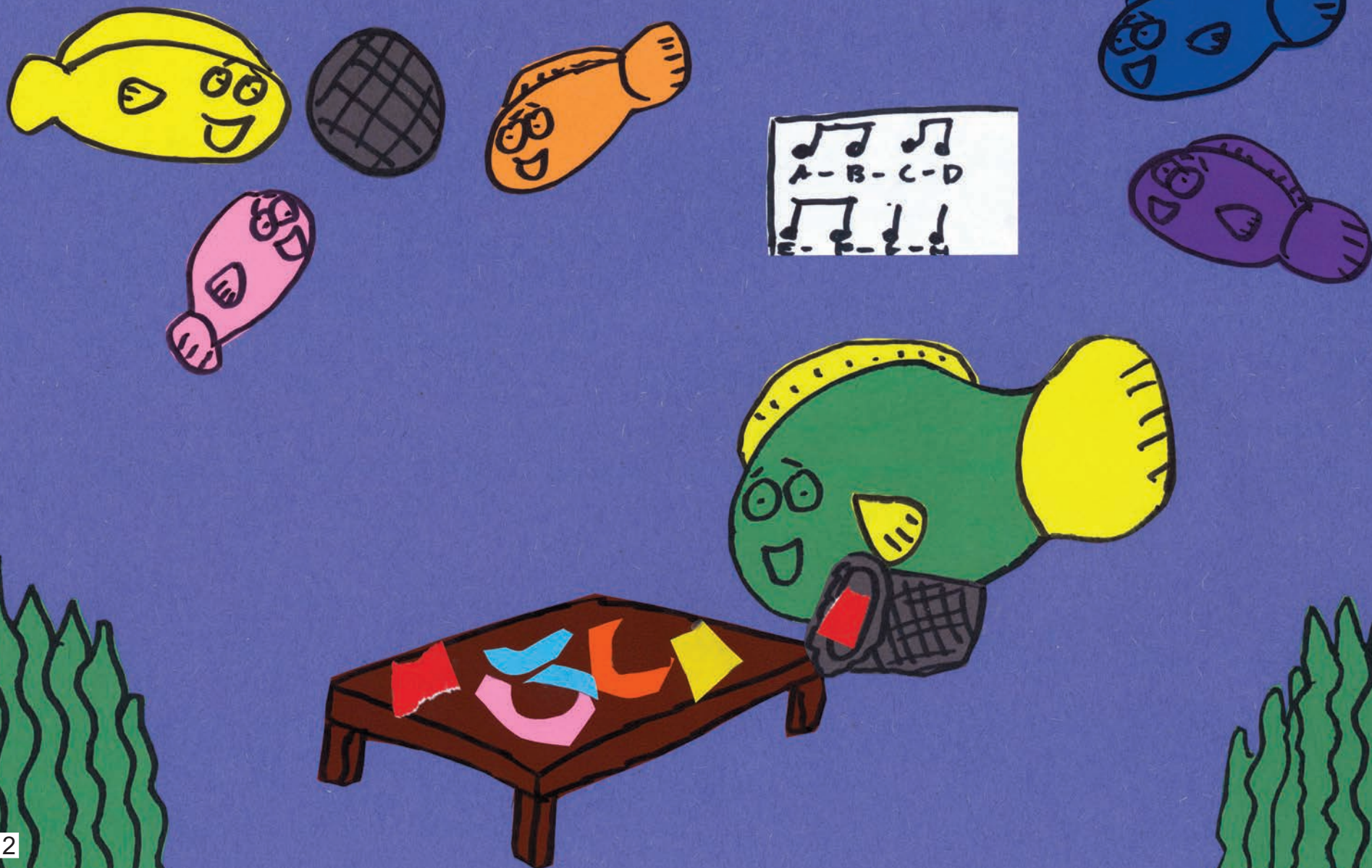


*He took a seat, now he was well and sweet, now happy
and calm. He thought, "Wow! School's not so bad after
all!"*

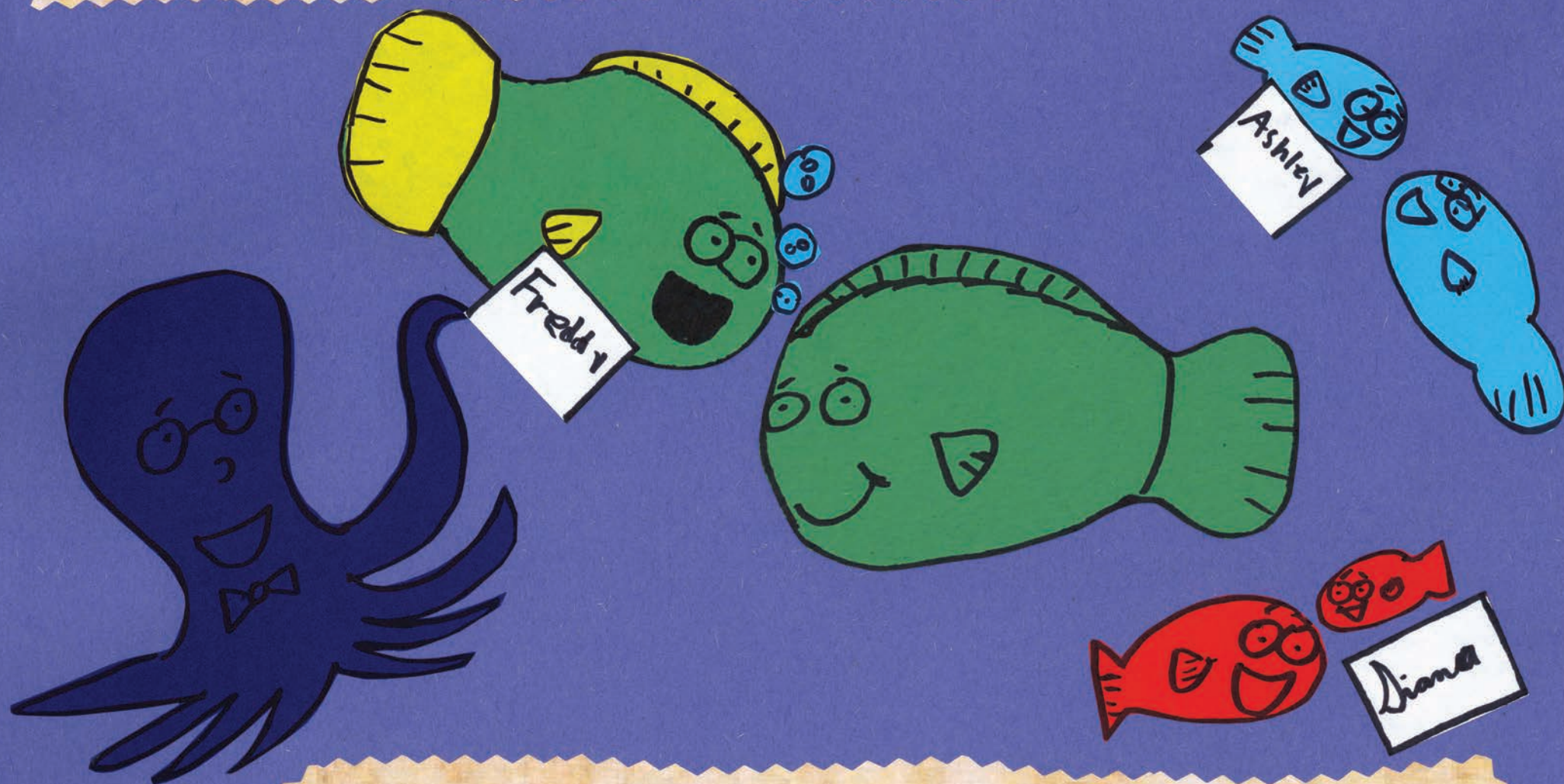
He colored a lot and he wrote his name. He went out for recess and thought school was a fun game!



He learned how to sing. He played with friends. He learned how to lend a helping hand!



Finally, when school was done, Freddy's mom had already come.



"Mom, Mom!" Freddy laughed, "School was so fun! I just can't believe that it is already done!"

"Don't worry Freddy! You'll come tomorrow too!" his mom said, "Your class will have so much more fun, I promise you!"



Freddy smiled and beamed as he went. He wanted to come back to that school with the greatest intent!



So every day he went again and again. That's the story and this is THE END!



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