Let’s make a comic
We love story books
We love listening to stories
And in the storybooks we read, pictures and illustrations are very important. Earlier we used to have black & white pictures.
But soon colourful pictures started appearing in books.
Then, some people started putting blurbs in the pictures ...
And that’s how Comics came to existence
Soon, we had a number of our comics and they featured our favorite super heroes.
In India the art of storytelling through pictures has existed for years. The Kavad art found in Rajasthan’s Mewar region is one of them.
In West Bengal and Odhishha artists depict a story uses Patta-Chitra to depict a story
Things we need to make a comic-

1. A story
2. Pen
3. Pencil
4. Paper
5. Eraser,
6. Scale and most importantly,
7. A lot of PATIENCE

Once we have all these things, it’s time to start working on the comics
Let’s go through the story first

On her last vacation, Piu was visiting a tourist destination. While on a sightseeing trip, she threw her beverage can on the road, as she does all the time. But suddenly, she heard a cry.

“Who’s this? Stop! Stop!

It seems that the tourists are here again.”

Piu saw there was a colony of beautiful ladybirds. She had never seen a ladybird before.

The ladybird angrily asked Piu, “What do you think you are doing over here?” Piu never saw such a beautiful insect before. She said, “Wow! How cute!”, and then introduced herself.

“Hello, I am Piu and I have come to visit this beautiful place”.

The insect replied, “The can that you just dumped here blocked the entrance of our home and the water inside the can has flooded our home!”

“These humans are crazy,” another ladybird said.

Piu said, “I am sorry friends. I will clean the place. Meanwhile, why don’t you eat some cake I have?”

Ladybirds and other insects were very happy with the cake. One of them said, “She is not like other humans.” Other insect replied, “You are right and the cake is very tasty.”

Soon they become friends.

One insect told Piu, “Welcome to our place Piu. You know, once this place was clean, calm and full of greenery. But then, humans started coming here to develop it as a tourist destination.”

“But this is how the development happens,” said Piu.

“How’s this development anyway?” asked the insect.

“Now there are bridges, wide roads, electricity, etc...,” replied Piu.

“All to be utilised by you humans only, isn’t it? And for this, countless trees have been cut. And once our green and clean place is now full of waste, empty bottles, plastic bags and cans...,” replied the ladybird.

“I am sorry friend,” replied Piu, “I really did not think about it that way.”

One day her friend in her class asked Piu, “How was your holiday?”

“It’s good and I made many new friends,” replied Piu, “and moreover, I learned that we should be a good guest.”
Who's this? Stop it!

It seems that the tourist are here again

What do you think you are doing over here?

Your cold drink bottle blocked the entrance of our home!

Help! Help!

I am sorry friends... I will clean the place

and the water, flooded it

This humans are crazy!

meanwhile take shelter over this leaf, and eat my cake

She is not like others

Yummy! It's very tasty

Welcome to our place
Once this place was full of green clean and calm

But it's how development happens!

Then humans started coming here and developed it as a tourist destination

Now there are roads, bridges, the electricity...

Who's development is it anyway?

All to be exclusively used by the humans and for which a countless trees had been cut

And I have learned something

After some days

It's good I made many friends

How was your holidays

Sorry friends, I really did not think in that way
Boing!  Up!

Who's this? Stop it!

It seems that the tourist are here again

What do you think you are doing over here?

Wow! How cute! Hello I am Piu and I come to visit this beautiful place

Your cold drink bottle blocked the entrance of our home!

Help! Help!

I am sorry friends, I will clean the place meanwhile take shelter over this leaf, and eat my cake

This humans are crazy!

She is not like others

Yummy! It's very tasty

Come to our place this place was full clean and calm

But it's how development happens!

Who's development is it anyway?

Now there are roads, bridges, the electricity...

All to be exclusively used by the humans and for which a countless trees had been cut

Humans started living here and loped it as a tourist destination

Sorry friends, I really did not think in that way

How was your holiday?

It's good I made many friends

And I have learned something

After some days

Be a good guest
Who's this? Stop it!

It seems that the tourist are here again.

What do you think you are doing over here?

Wow! How cute! Hello I am Piu and I come to visit this beautiful place.

Your cold drink bottle blocked the entrance of our home!

I am sorry friends... I will clean the place.

Meanwhile take shelter over this leaf, and eat my cake.

This humans are crazy!

She is not like others.

Yummy! It's very tasty.

And the water flooded it.

Welcome to our place. Once this place was full of green clean and cattle.

But it's how development happens!

They humans started coming here and developed it as a tourist destination.

Who's development is it anyway?

Now there are roads, bridges, the electricity...

All to be exclusively used by the humans and for which a countless trees had been cut.

Once our green and clean place is now full of waste... empty bottles, plastic bags and cars.

Sorry friends, I really did not think in that way.

How was your holidays?

It's good I made many friends.

And I have learned something.

After some days

Be a good guest
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What’s the one rule we follow?

For the children
Of the children
By the children