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CLIMATE HERO PART-4

Jintana KaewKao

SAVE THE FORESTS

Hi!
I am Tara

Climate Heroes Part 4: Jintana KaewKao

Tara had just finished her cleaning crusade and was tidying up the magazines and story books in her room when she stumbled upon an article about Jintana KaewKao, a full-time environmental activist in Thailand. The article chronicled Jintana's efforts to save the environment, particularly her crusade against the power company, UPDC.



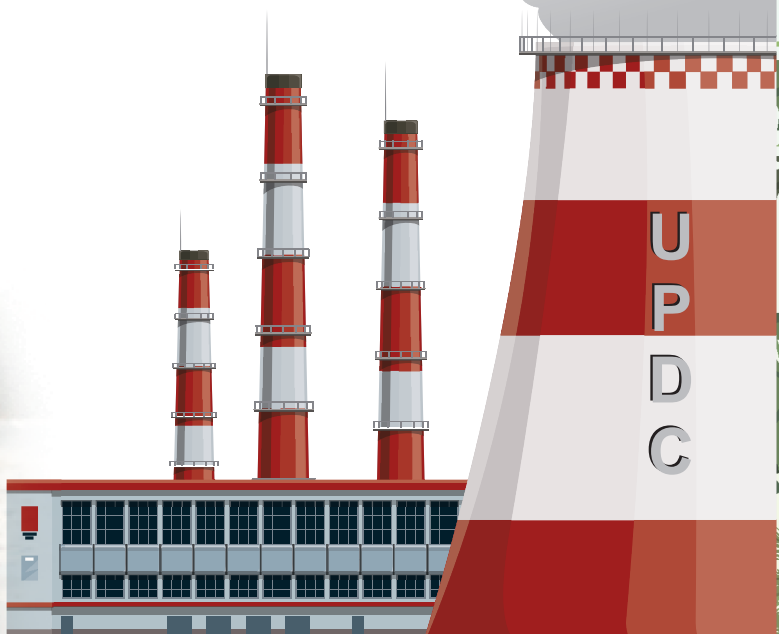
man. She and her husband had set up a small grocery shop and led a simple life. However, Jintana's life took a different turn when the power company UPDC bought coastal land to build a tourist resort, but instead constructed a power plant, felling 10,000 trees in the process. Jintana realized that burning fossil fuels was a leading cause of global warming and decided to mobilize the local community to fight against the power company.



Jintana had moved to a quiet coastal village in Thailand at the age of 20 after marrying a local



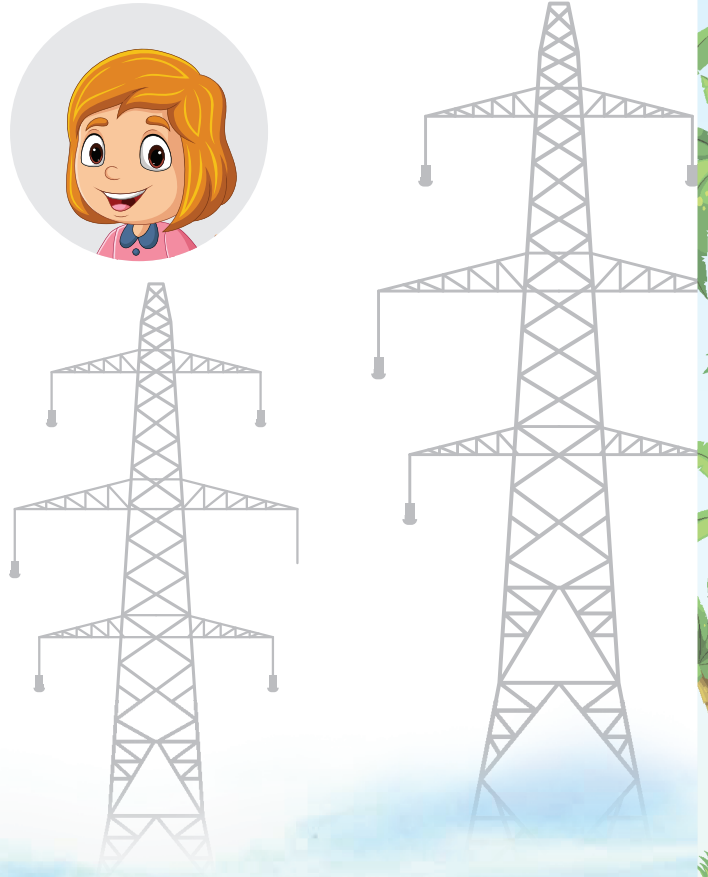
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Despite facing numerous threats to her life and being imprisoned several times for opposing the government, Jintana formed a conservation group called Ban Krut and successfully kept out the power company, saving the coastal palm trees. Jintana's efforts were recognized by The Greenpeace and Asian Human Rights Commission.

As Tara finished reading the article, she felt inspired by Jintana's courage and determination to fight for the environment. She marveled at how an ordinary woman had achieved so

much with the power of knowledge and virtue. Tara put away the magazine and drifted off to sleep, dreaming of a world where more people were like Jintana, climate change heroes fighting for the planet.



New Words

1. **Crusade**- fight for something you believe in

2. **Acquire**- buy or obtain

Find other new and interesting words for each other, and write their meanings in your notebooks.

Comprehension

1. What was Tara doing to tidy up her room?
2. At what age did Jintana get married?
3. Where did Jintana go to live after marriage?
4. Why did the power company acquire land in Jintana's village?
5. How did Jintana educate herself about global warming?
6. How did she mobilize support of the local villagers?

Take turns to make more questions like these above for each other and answer them.

Prompts Pair up

1. Environmental Discussion:

Discuss the ways in which you can help protect the environment in your community. Brainstorm ideas such as picking up litter, using less plastic, and planting trees. Come up with a plan and share it with the class.

2. Climate Change Collage:

Create a collage using pictures and words cut from magazines that depict the effects of climate change. Discuss how climate change impacts our planet and ways to prevent it.

3. Conservation Skit:

Create a skit that showcases the importance of conservation efforts in your community. Use props and costumes to make it more fun. Perform the skit for the class.



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