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# THE RAPPING ASTRONAUT



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**The Rapping Astronaut** was an astronaut that was always rapping.

For example, writing hip-hop songs or entering rapping contests. However, that part comes up later. But do you want to know what he **HATED** most of all? In the very beginning?

Well, I'll tell you. **Rapping**. Do you know why? Because he lived in **Quitequietville**.

And it was a natural thing for him and everyone else.



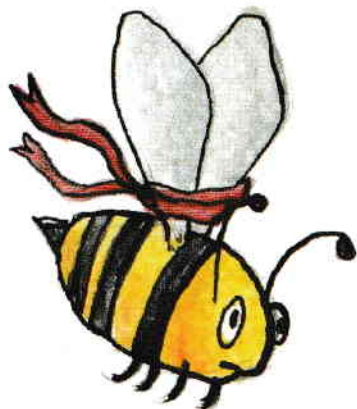
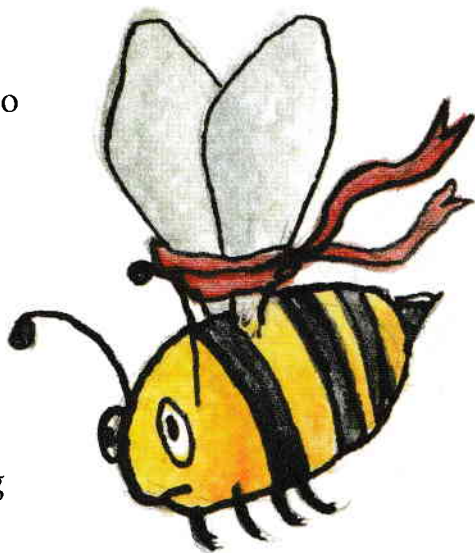
All of them simply hated any noise,  
because they lived in a city where no  
one could talk, and I mean

## ***NO-BO-DY!***

You wouldn't even hear the buzzing  
of bees or the barking of dogs.

**Nobody would make a sound. Not even a  
little one. Without exceptions.**

Well, you might think that living in a city  
means that there would be plenty of noise  
that would disturb the people living there,  
and you're right. However, not here. Here,  
cars don't have loud honks, just loads of  
flickering lights.



And yes, they hear everything else, and believe me, that is annoying, especially when they have visitors. But that didn't stop the people from enjoying their peaceful lives: they had gotten used to it. It was a weird city. I know.

And just before you thought that was enough, just hear this next thing.

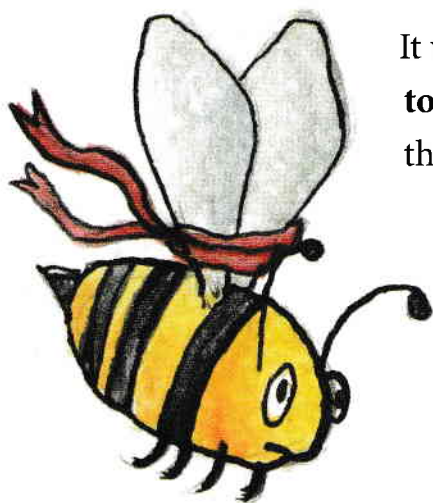
***They didn't have mouths to talk.***

That's right.

You heard me well.

They had **NO** mouths.

People would just have their lips stuck together.



It would be like superglue. Stuck **to-gether**. When they wanted to talk, they had to use sign language.

SHHH...



And as you and I know, from time to time, rare things do happen. So, for example, some people would start having their lips unstuck.

And that is a problem. A big one indeed. I'll tell you why.

The consequences in **Quitequietville** were supremely huge!

For example, once, somebody happened to drop and break a flower pot.

And as we know, that would be quite loud. Especially when it was dropped from the thirty-seventh floor. (Luckily, no one was injured.) Even if they would have gotten used to it, when it



**SMASH!!!**

came to their actions, consequences would take place instantly.

And so... the mayor banished them from their city.

**FOREVER.**

Could you  
imagine that?