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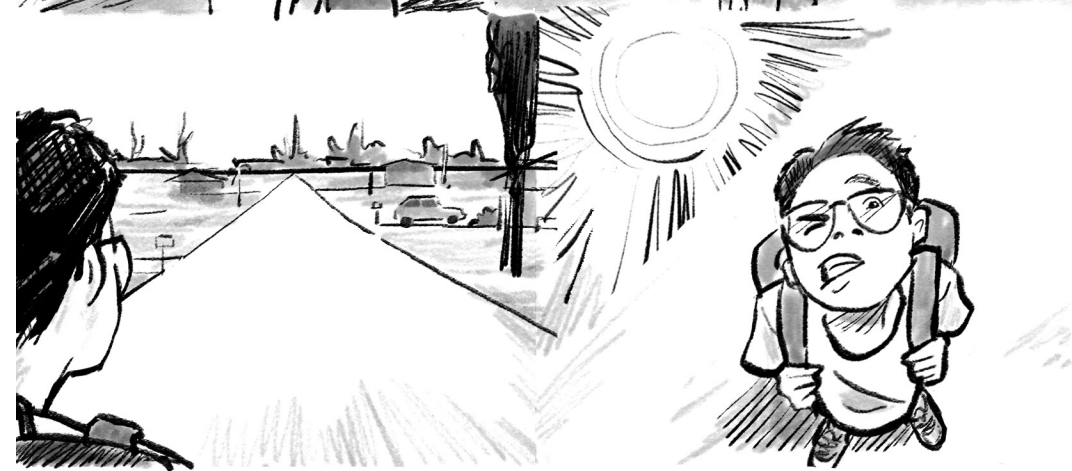
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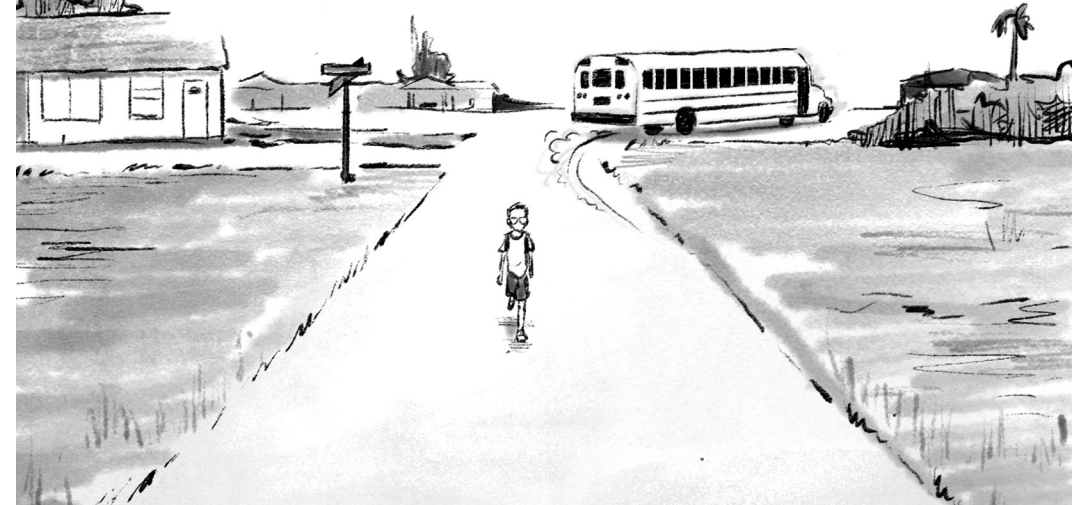


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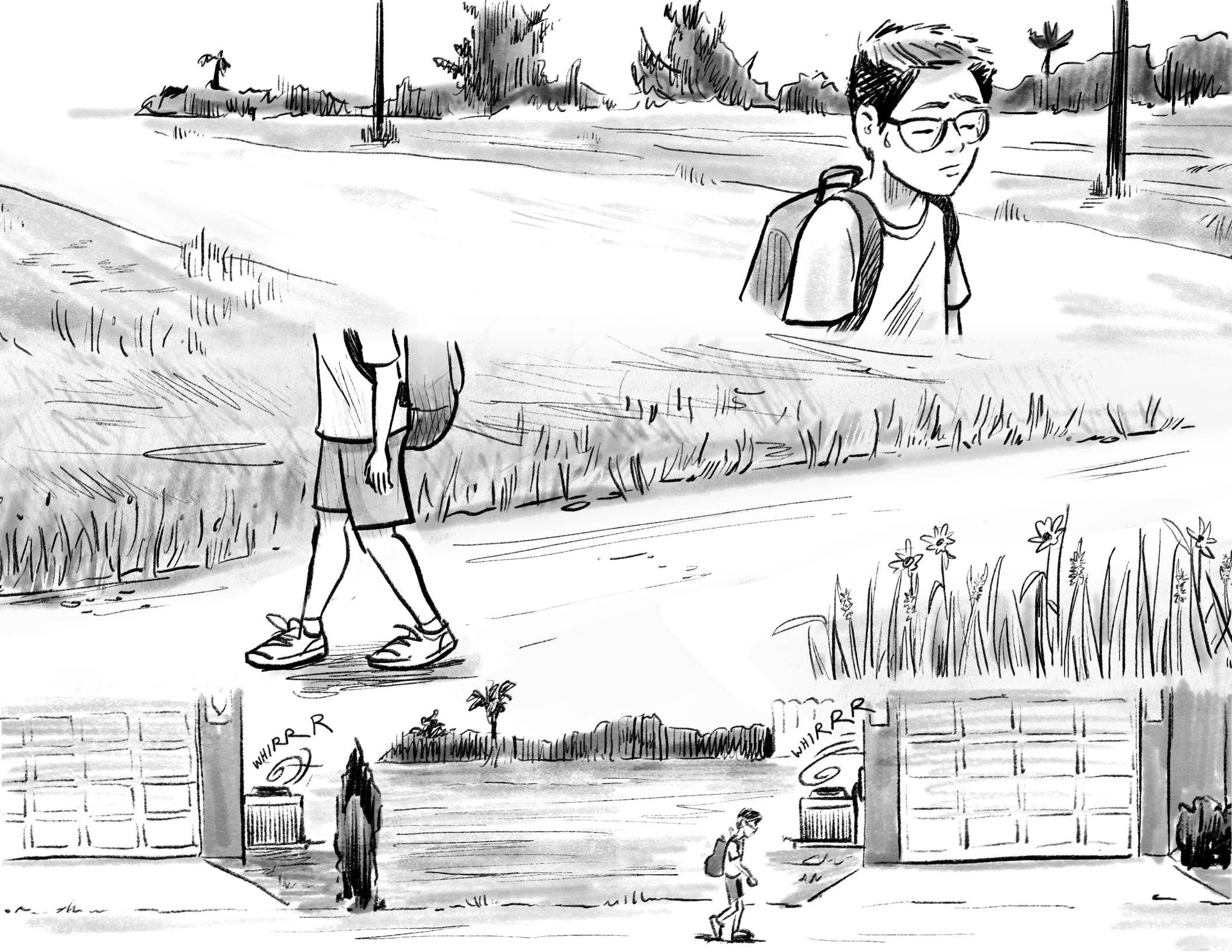


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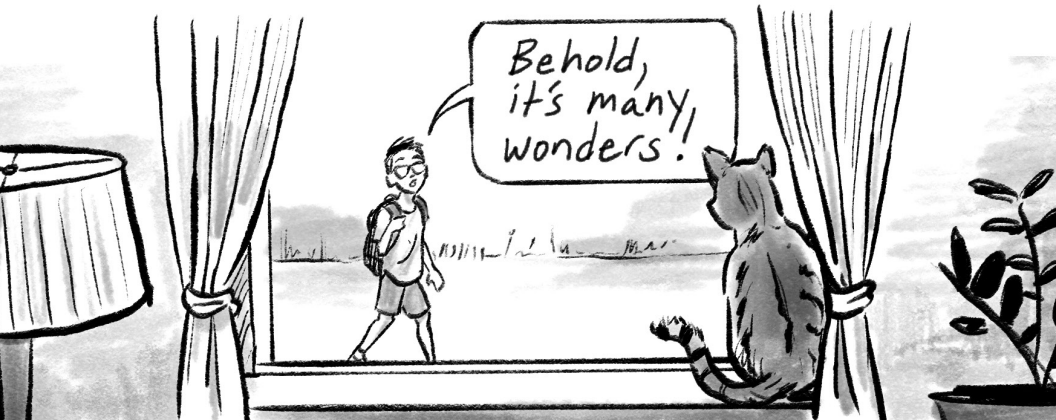


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WELCOME TO CAPE CORAL.



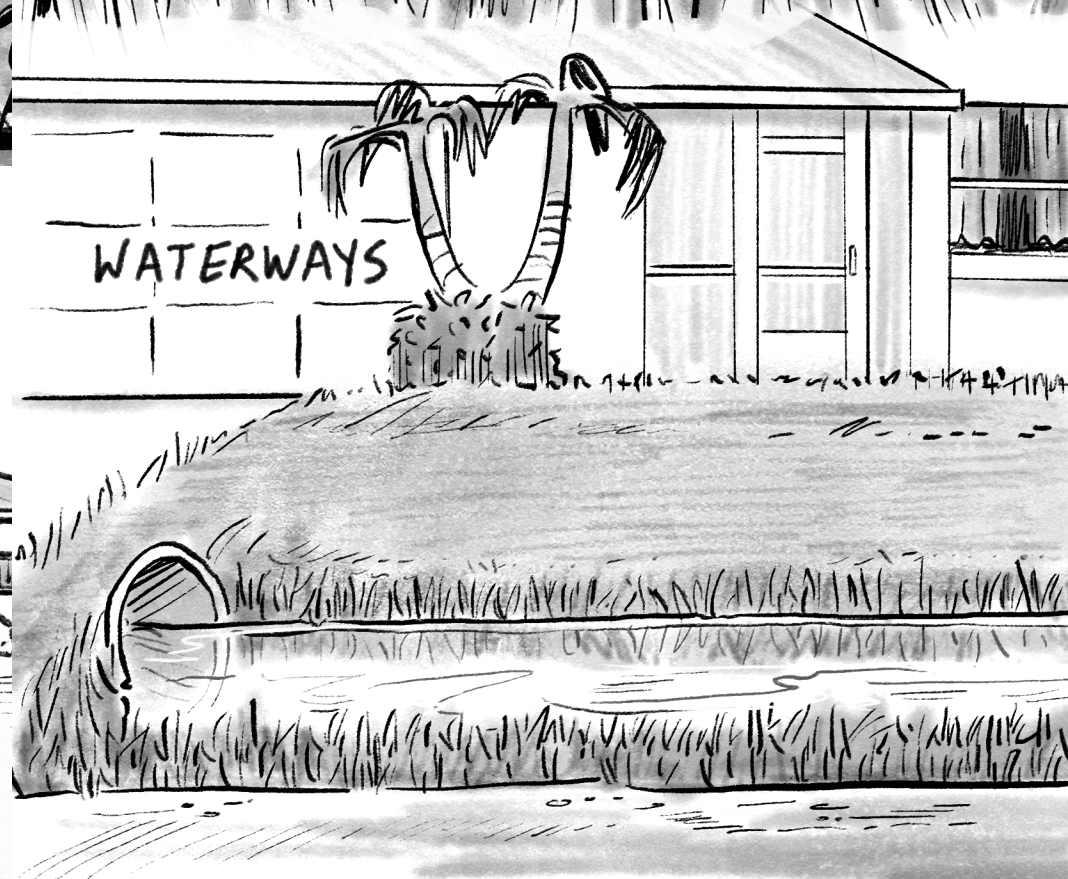
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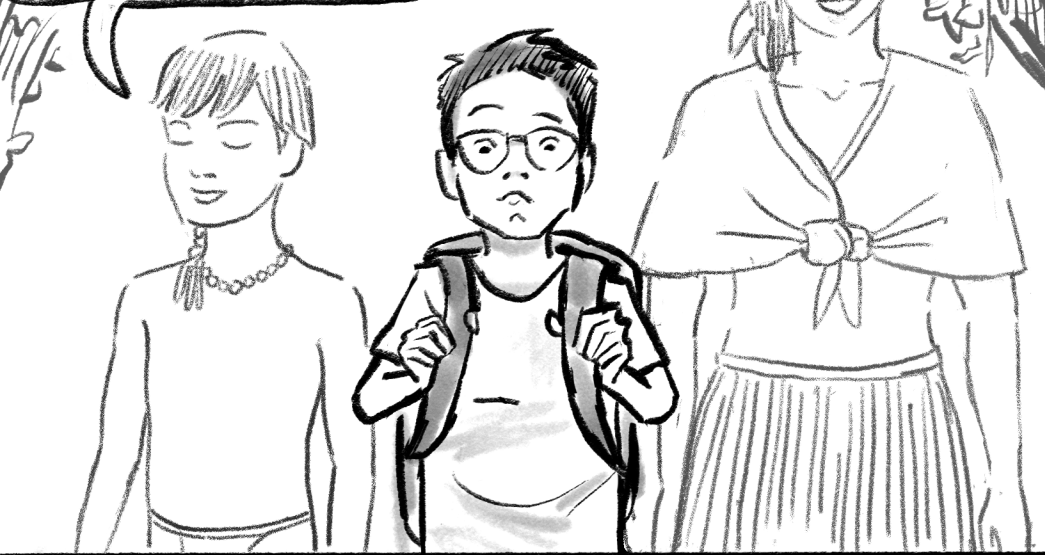


Not so long ago, this was all marsh,



Dab your skin with ground-up penny royal leaves.

Works like a charm.



where the Calusa lived for thousands of years.



How did you survive the mosquitos + the humidity!?

Ooh, I'll ask Bà Ngoại* if she has that in the garden.

Gotta run, we're late for Star Trek The Next Generation!



*grandma on mom's side

European diseases wiped out the Calusa before the 1800's.



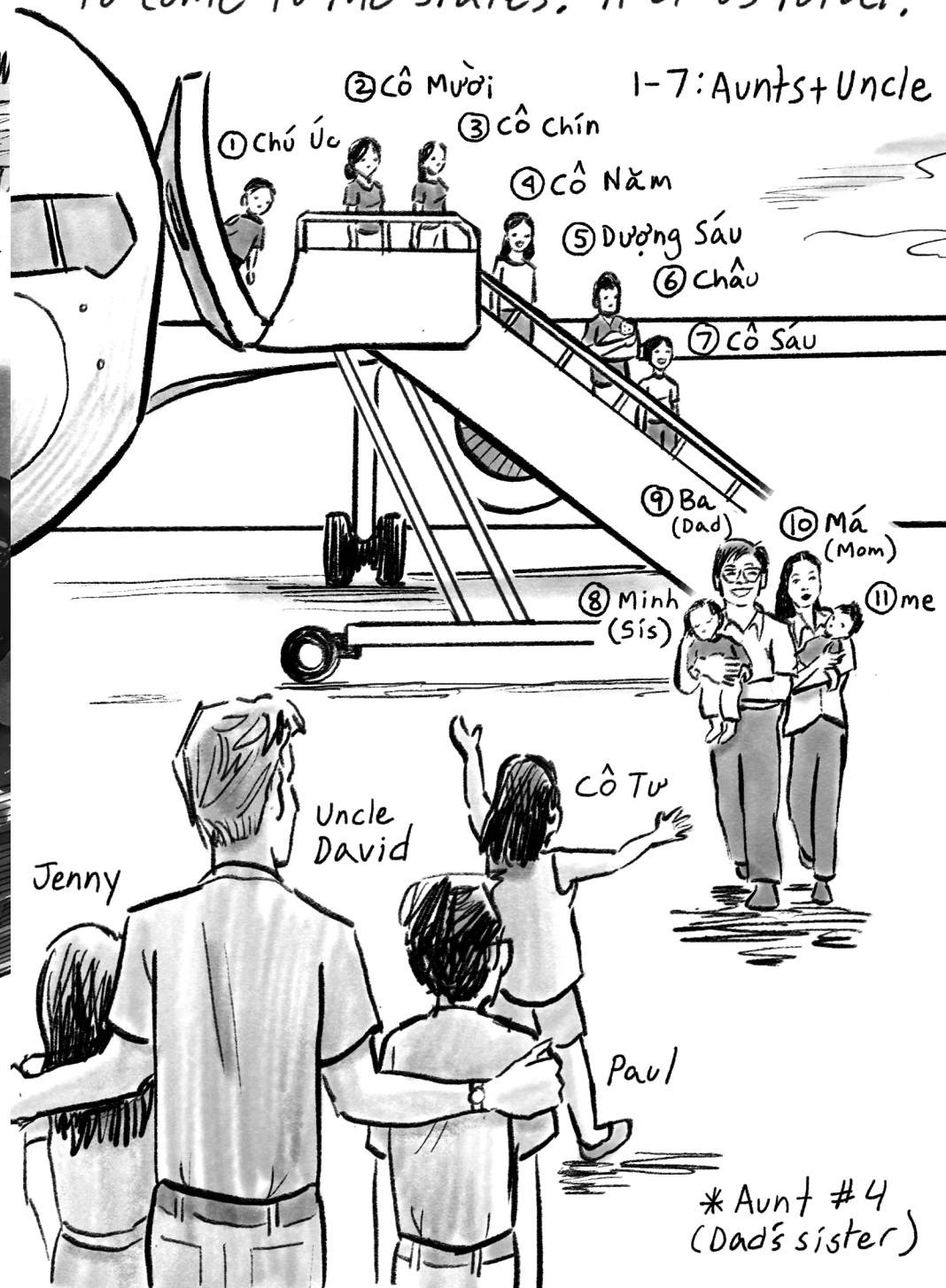
The land was pretty much untouched until the 1950's, when two crafty brothers from Baltimore saw an opportunity...

How do we convince people to live in this hot, buggy, swamp?

We'll drain it, dig loads of canals, and rebrand it as:



Cô Tư* brought us to Cape Coral when she sponsored Dad's side of the family to come to the states. 11 of us total.



* Aunt #4 (Dad's sister)