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DEFENDER OF OUR PLANET



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GOES
FARMING**

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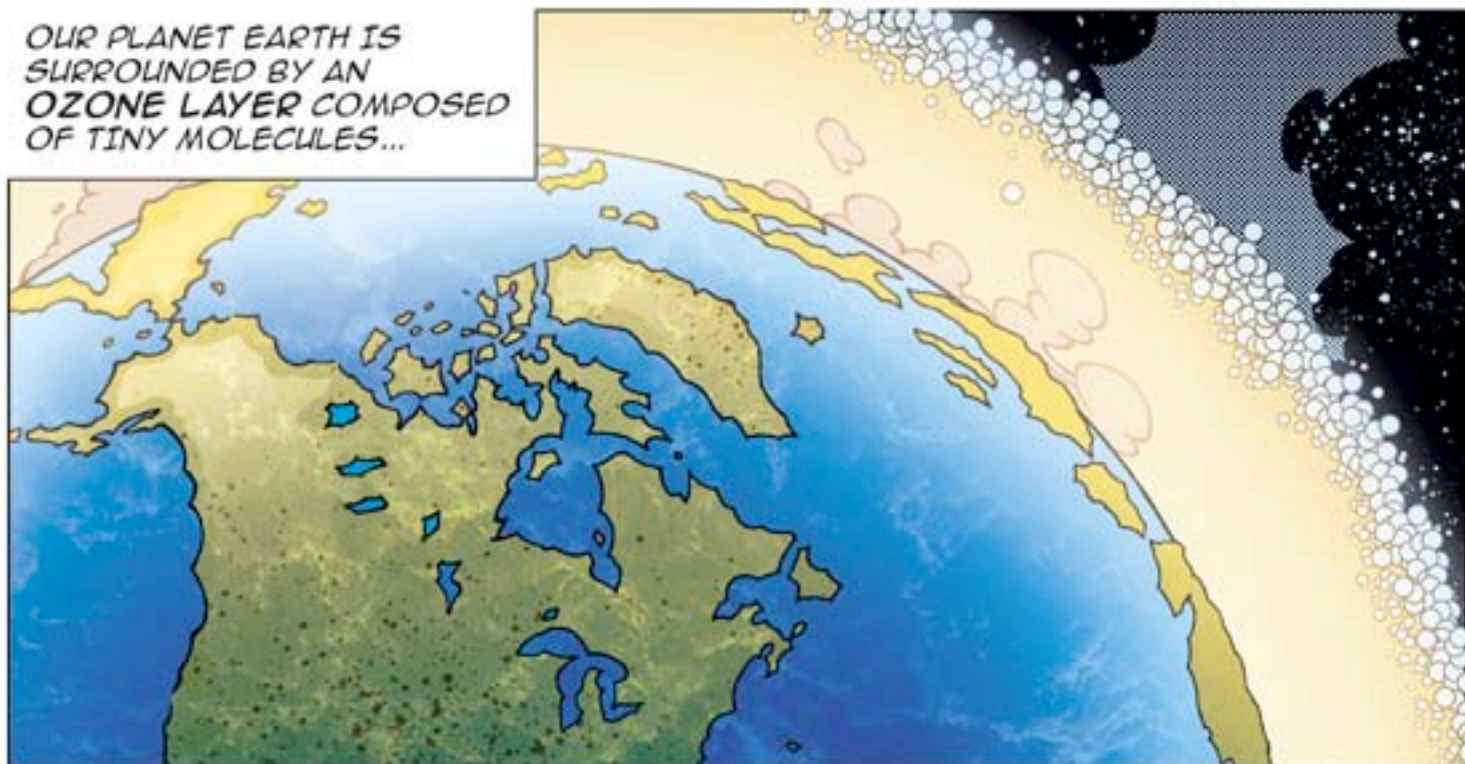
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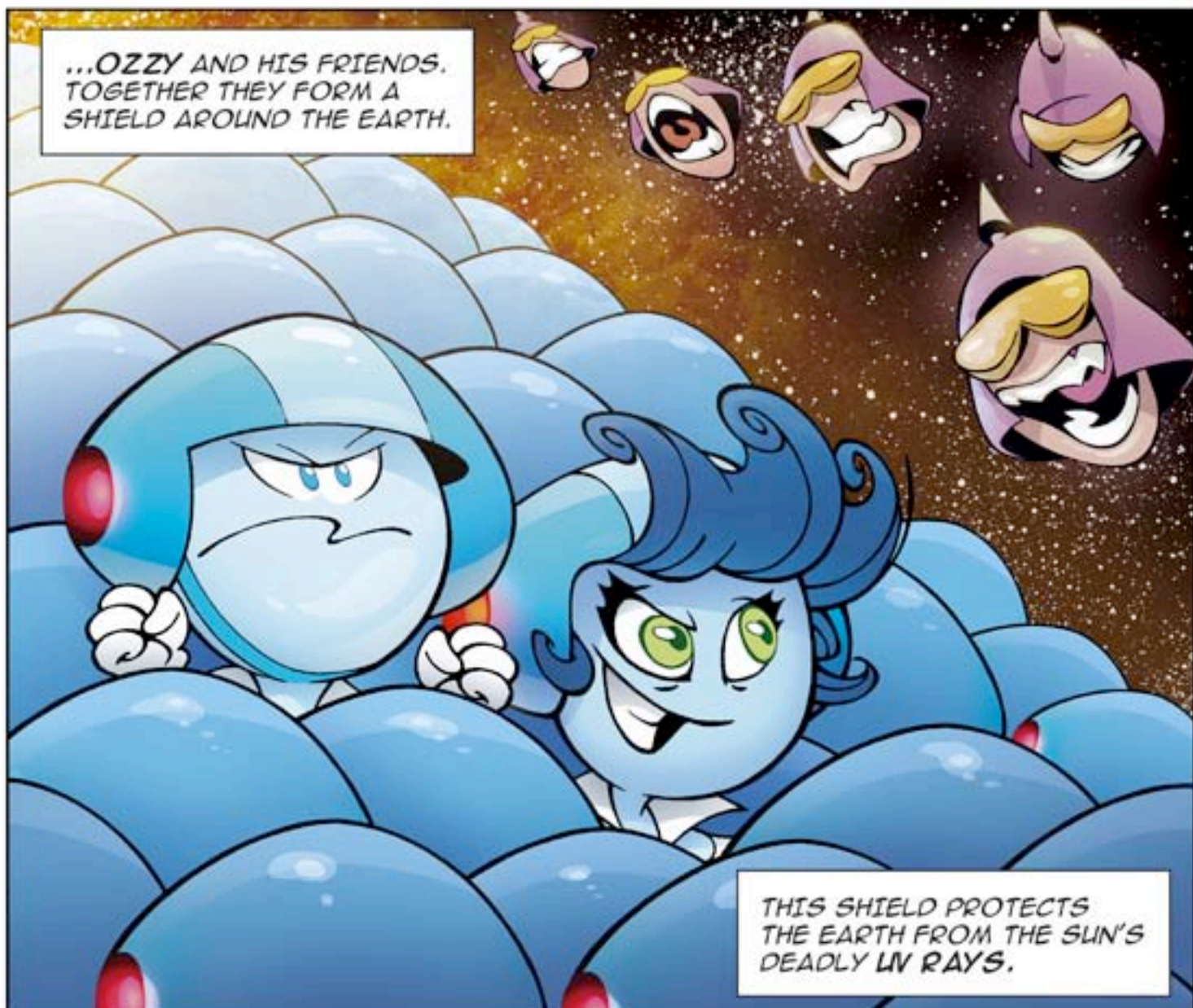
THIS PUBLICATION IS LINKED TO LINEP'S **TUOZA** STRATEGY FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH.



OUR PLANET EARTH IS SURROUNDED BY AN OZONE LAYER COMPOSED OF TINY MOLECULES...

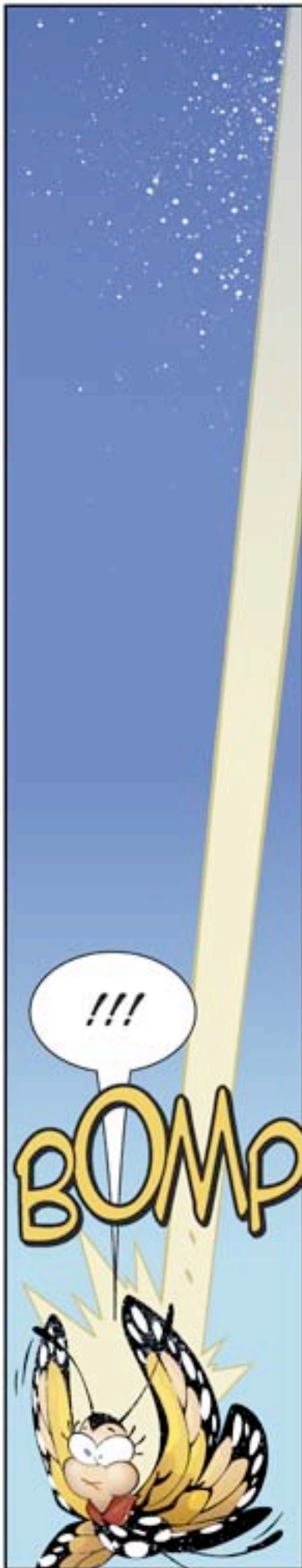


...OZZY AND HIS FRIENDS, TOGETHER THEY FORM A SHIELD AROUND THE EARTH.



THIS SHIELD PROTECTS THE EARTH FROM THE SUN'S DEADLY UV RAYS.

BUT SEVERAL CHEMICALS USED BY HUMANS ARE HARMING OUR OZONE SHIELD.



HELLO OZZY!
I AM MONA
THE MONARCH
BUTTERFLY.

HELLO MONA.
ONE MOMENT OUR
FEET WERE TINGLING,
AND THEN WE FELL
AND I LOST MY
FRIEND ZOE!

DO YOU
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENED?

!!!

BOMP

YOU WERE
ATTACKED BY A
DANGEROUS CHEMICAL,
**METHYL
BROMIDE--**

--WHICH HARMS
THE OZONE LAYER
AND IS USED AS
A PESTICIDE ON
SOME FARMS.



SOME FARMERS USE METHYL BROMIDE TO GET RID OF BAD SOIL BUGS THAT MAY HARM THE PLANTS THEY GROW.

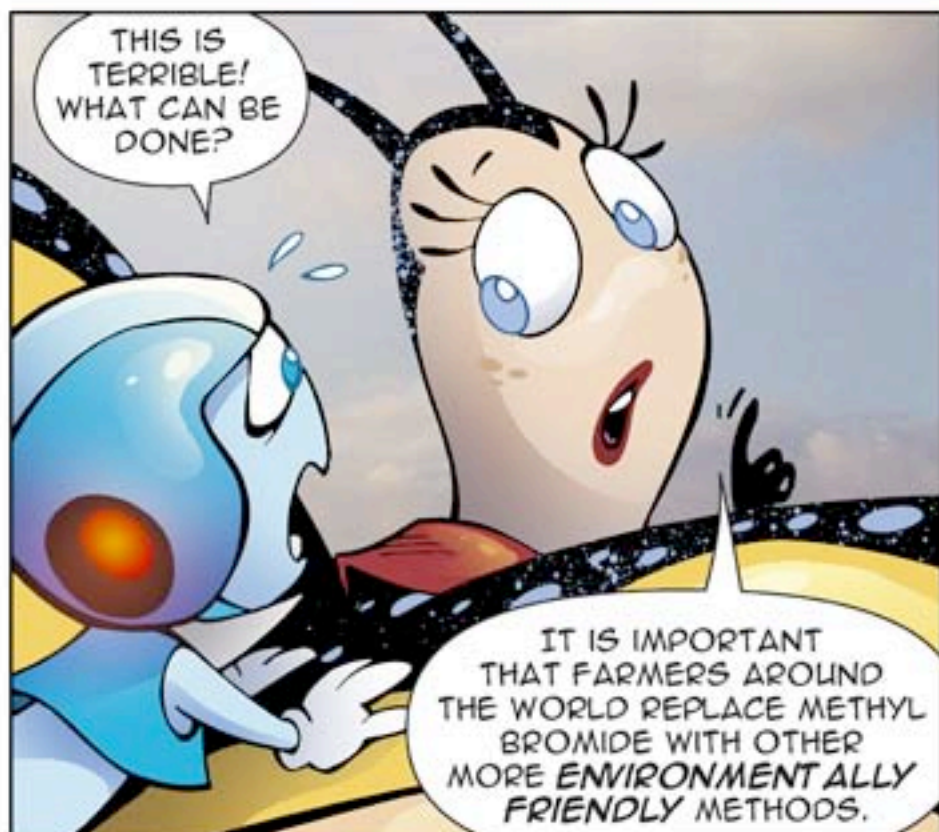
IT WORKS WELL, IS SIMPLE TO USE AND IT'S NOT VERY EXPENSIVE.

UNFORTUNATELY, IT ALSO HURTS THE OZONE LAYER, AND IF FARMERS DON'T USE METHYL BROMIDE PROPERLY, IT CAN HURT THEM OR PEOPLE OR ANIMALS NEARBY.

IT ALSO KILLS GOOD CREATURES IN THE SOIL, SUCH AS *EARTHWORMS*, THAT HELP CROPS GROW BETTER.

DANGER
POISON
KEEP CLEAR

METHYL BROMIDE
DANGER POISON



THIS IS TERRIBLE!
WHAT CAN BE DONE?

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT FARMERS AROUND THE WORLD REPLACE METHYL BROMIDE WITH OTHER MORE *ENVIRONMENT ALLY FRIENDLY* METHODS.



COULD WE GO AND SEE WHAT ALTERNATIVES TO METHYL BROMIDES ARE USED?

WE MUST TRY TO FIND ZOE TOO!

SURE! LET'S GO AND MAKE A TOUR ON THE FARMS AROUND THE WORLD. AND WE MIGHT FIND YOUR FRIEND THERE!

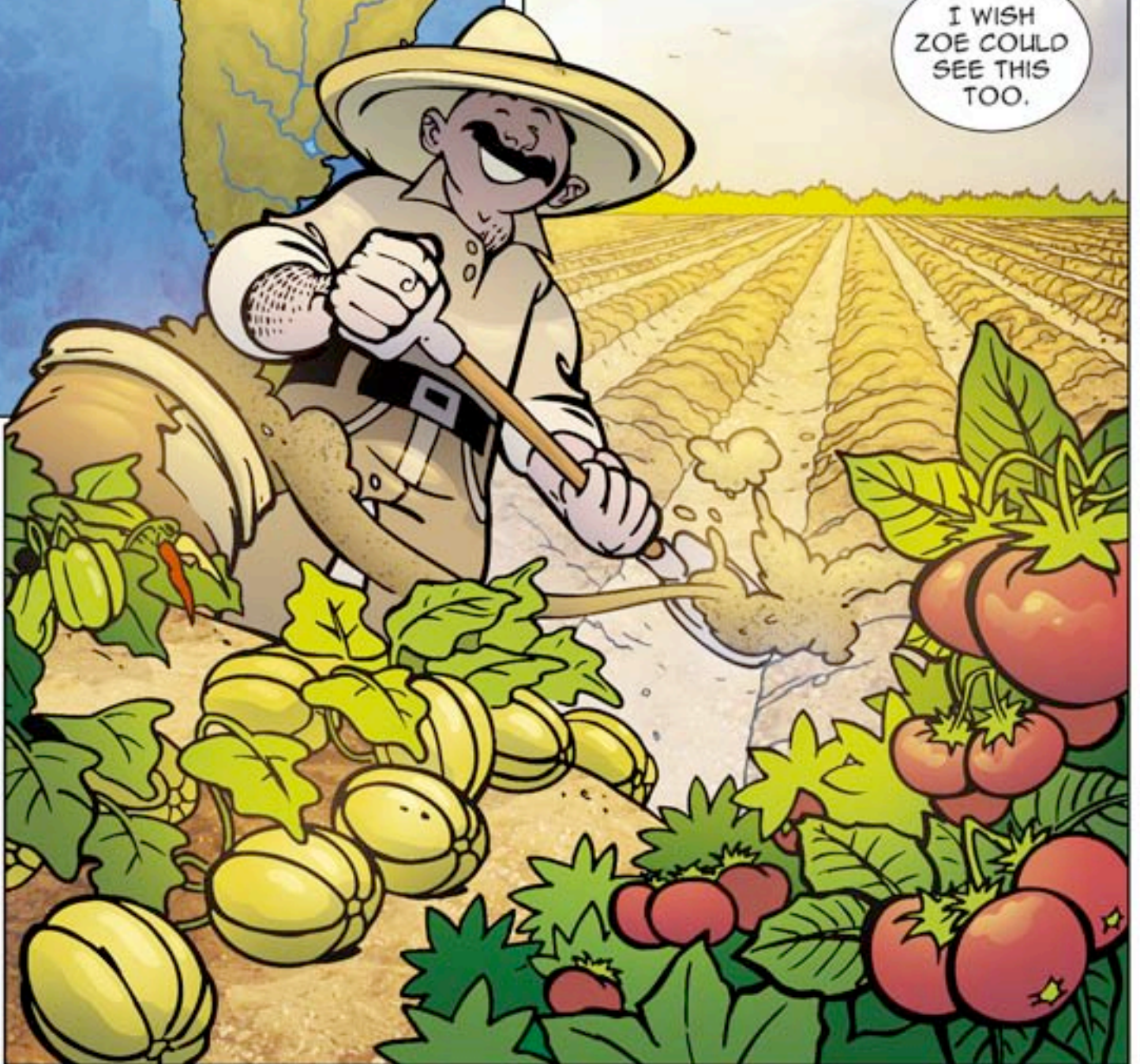


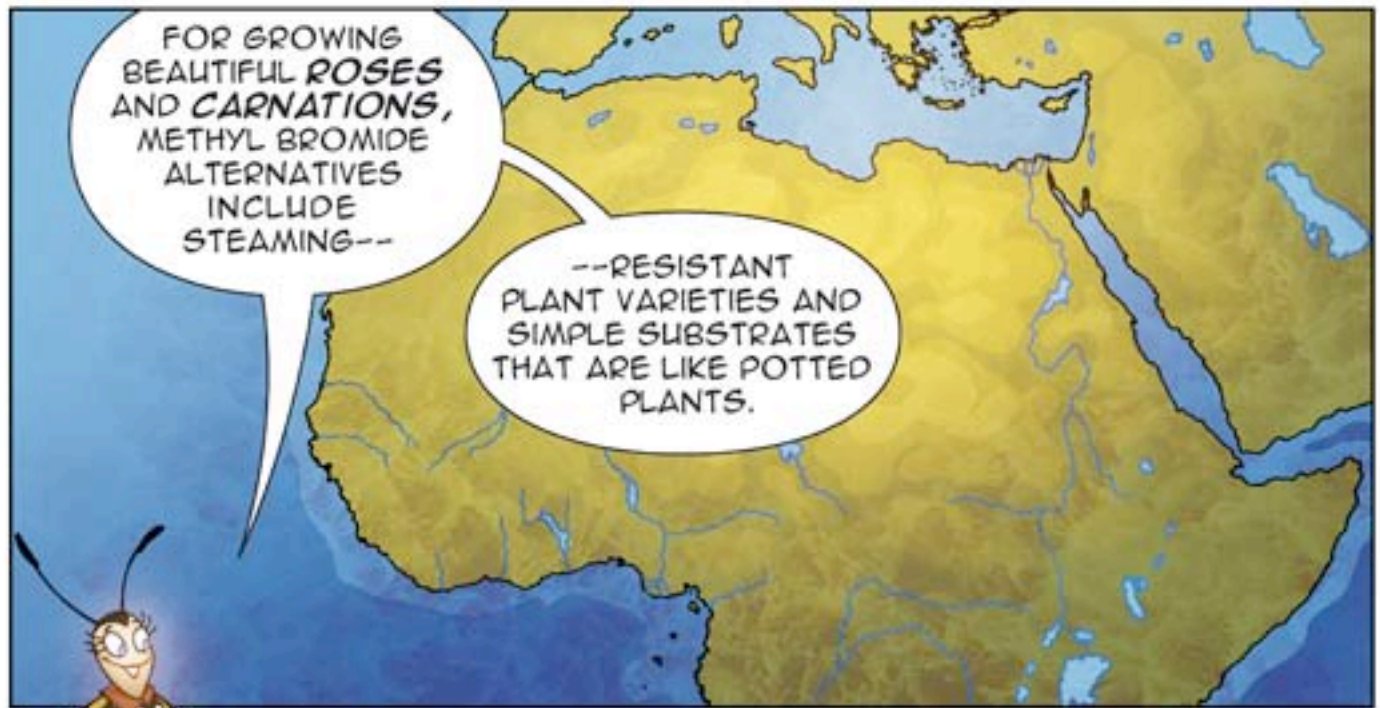
HERE YOU CAN FIND
**TOMATOES, PEPPERS AND
MELONS** GROWN WITHOUT
METHYL BROMIDE.

FARMERS CAN
USE MANURE, COMPOST,
GRAFTED PLANTS, CROP
ROTATION AND
PESTICIDES.




I WISH
ZOE COULD
SEE THIS
TOO.








DID YOU HEAR THAT?
WE ARE ON HER TRAIL!
HEY, WHAT HAPPENS
HERE?



METHYL
BROMIDE IS USED
FOR KILLING INSECTS FOUND
IN GRAINS, STORED NUTS
AND DRIED FRUITS.



THE ALTERNATIVE
METHODS INCLUDE
FUMIGANT PESTICIDES,
COMBINATIONS
OF HEAT--

--COLD AND LOW
OXYGEN TREATMENTS
AND VACUUM TREATMENTS
IN FLEXIBLE CONTAINERS
LIKE COCOONS.



DON'T
WORRY.
WE'LL FIND
ZOE!





LOOK AT THESE STRAWBERRIES, THEY ARE GROWN WITHOUT METHYL BROMIDE.

TO REPLACE METHYL BROMIDE FARMERS CAN USE VARIOUS TREATMENTS SUCH AS PESTICIDES--




--MANURE FOR BIOFUMIGATION OR SOIL SOLARISATION.

ZOE!
THERE YOU ARE!
WE'VE FOUND YOU!

I HAVE LEARNT SO MANY NEW THINGS WITH MY FRIEND MONA THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY.



HI OZZY AND MONA, I AM HAPPY TO SEE YOU BOTH!



ELIMINATE METHYL BROMIDE BY ADOPTING OZONE-SAFE TREATMENTS.

IT IS VITAL TO USE NON-CHEMICAL OR ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY TREATMENTS WHERE YOU CAN.

MOST PESTICIDES ARE TOXIC AND PRESENT A RISK FOR HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND THE FOOD CHAIN.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO PRESERVE THE OZONE LAYER, BECAUSE IT PROTECTS US!

GOVERNMENTS WORLD-WIDE HAVE AGREED TO REDUCE AND GRADUALLY ELIMINATE THE USE OF METHYL BROMIDE. MANY FARMERS HAVE ALREADY STOPPED USING METHYL BROMIDE.

THERE ARE MANY ALTERNATIVES TO METHYL BROMIDE. FARMERS CAN LOOK FOR ALTERNATIVES THAT ARE OFTEN READILY AVAILABLE AROUND THEM.

ELIMINATING METHYL BROMIDE AND PROTECTING THE OZONE LAYER CAN BENEFIT FARMERS AS WELL AS US.

TOO MUCH UV RADIATION CAN HARM CROP DEVELOPMENT WHICH MEANS LESS FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

FARMERS, IF YOU HAVE TO APPLY CHEMICAL PESTICIDES, ALWAYS FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS AND USE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT SUCH AS MASKS--



--AND GLOVES.



AND DO NOT APPLY IT ON CROPS OTHER THAN THE ONES ON WHICH THEY ARE MEANT TO BE USED. IT CAN BE DANGEROUS FOR YOUR HEALTH.



WE ALL NEED TO **PROTECT** OURSELVES FROM THE SUN'S UV RAYS WHILE WORKING OR PLAYING **OUTDOORS**.

ASK YOUR PARENTS TO BUY PRODUCTS THAT WERE GROWN *WITHOUT USING METHYL BROMIDE*. AND IF POSSIBLE, ASK THEM TO BUY *BIO AND ORGANIC* FOOD, WHICH IS PRODUCED IN A MOST *ECOLOGICAL* WAY WITHOUT ANY CHEMICALS.



IT IS BETTER FOR YOUR HEALTH AND FOR THE ENVIRONMENT!

YOU CAN ALSO CREATE YOUR OWN GARDEN IN YOUR BACKYARD OR---



---ON THE BALCONY TO GROW FRUITS OR VEGETABLES.



PHASING OUT THE USE OF METHYL BROMIDE WILL BRING RAPID BENEFITS FOR THE OZONE LAYER. NEVERTHELESS, IT WILL TAKE AT LEAST FIFTY YEARS BEFORE WE CAN FULLY REPAIR THE OZONE LAYER AND YOU CHILDREN WILL BE GROWN UPS BY THAT TIME. WILL YOU HELP US?



MY DEAR FRIENDS,
ZOE AND I HAVE TO
RETURN TO WORK
TO PROTECT
OUR PLANET.

TELL YOUR
FRIENDS, FAMILY,
NEIGHBORS AND LOCAL
FARMERS HOW
IMPORTANT OUR
WORK IS.

THANK
YOU OZZY
AND ZOE!

WE WILL
DO OUR *BEST*
TO HELP YOU! AND
WE WILL TELL
EVERYONE!



AND DON'T
FORGET: EVERYONE
AROUND THE WORLD
CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE

--BECAUSE,
WHEN IT COMES TO
PROTECTING OUR
PLANET EARTH...

EVERY ACTION COUNTS!

DEFINITION OF TERMINOLOGY

COMPOST = DECOMPOSED MANURE OR WASTE PLANT MATERIAL

CROP ROTATION = GROWING DIFFERENT CROPS EACH YEAR IN A SEQUENCE TO INTERRUPT THE LIFE CYCLE OF PESTS

GRAFTED PLANTS = USING PLANT ROOTS THAT CAN TOLERATE HARMFUL SOIL PESTS

FUMIGANT PESTICIDES = PESTICIDES THAT ARE GASES, E.G. METHYL BROMIDE. OTHER FUMIGANT PESTICIDES DO NOT HARM THE OZONE LAYER.

HEAT AND COLD TREATMENTS = USING CHANGES IN TEMPERATURE TO ELIMINATE PESTS OR DELAY THEIR GROWTH

MANURE FOR BIOFUMIGATION = MIXING AND DECOMPOSING MANURE IN SOIL TO DISCOURAGE HARMFUL PESTS

PESTS = INSECTS THAT DAMAGE STORED FOODS, AND SOME SOIL-DWELLING ORGANISMS THAT DAMAGE CROP ROOTS

PESTICIDES = CHEMICAL PRODUCTS THAT ELIMINATE OR REDUCE NUMBERS OF HARMFUL PESTS

PEST MONITORING = TECHNIQUES TO DETECT WHERE PESTS OCCUR, WHAT TYPES, AND HOW MANY


RESISTANT PLANT VARIETIES = USING PLANTS THAT NATURALLY TOLERATE SPECIFIC PESTS

SOIL SOLARISATION = LAYING THIN PLASTIC FILM ON SOIL TO TRAP THE SUN'S HEAT AND SO ELIMINATE SOME PESTS

STEAMING = USING HEAT FROM WATER VAPOUR TO ELIMINATE PESTS

SUBSTRATES = SOIL-LIKE MATERIALS THAT ARE 'CLEAN' - NOT CONTAMINATED WITH PESTS

VACUUM (COCOON) AND LOW-OXYGEN TREATMENTS = REMOVING OXYGEN SO THAT INSECTS CANNOT SURVIVE



WHERE ARE OZZY,
ZOE AND MONA?

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