



The Age of Innocence

Islamic Verses

for

Children

and the young at heart

BOOK FOUR

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A GOOD WORD

The sun didn't come out today
he's such a sleepy-head
he snuggled down amongst the clouds
and spent the day in bed,
and as the angels drove the clouds
drops of rain began to fall
gently caressing the fresh green leaves
of trees so elegant and tall.
Then I remembered what our Prophet* said
about a good word spoken,
its roots are like an established tree -
its branches reach the heaven!

*Praise and peace be upon him



THE FLY

Have you ever watched a fly
climbing up a wall,
then watched it cross the ceiling
and wondered why it didn't fall?
And isn't it amazing how
under each of its two wings
lie a tiny sack of fluid
amongst some other things.
In one sack is a poison
that can make us ill,
yet in the other an antidote
that cures, by Allah's will.
This is yet another truth
that Prophet Muhammad* brought
so that people everywhere
may pause and give a thought!

Praise and peace be upon him.

Did you know that it was only in this century that scientists discovered the two sacks of fluid under the wing of a fly? You can imagine their surprise when they found one contained poison and the other its cure, and even more surprised with they found that Prophet Muhammad, praise and peace be upon him, told his companions about these two sacks of fluid over fourteen centuries ago!



FOOD

**Don't forget to say "Bismillah"
when you eat your food
because that shaytan of yours
is very, very rude!
From each and every mouthful
you pop inside your mouth
he yums some up like crazy
of that there is no doubt!
But when you say "Bismillah"
he hates it, and runs away
because he knows you love Allah
and His Prophet* you obey.
However, if you do forget, say
"Bismillah in its beginning and end"
and that shaytan of yours will vomit
and you'll have made amends!**

***Praise and peace be upon him.**

One day, a very hungry man sat down to eat in front of the Prophet, praise and peace be upon him, and forgot to say Bismillah. It wasn't until he was just about to pop the last handful of food into his mouth, that he remembered so he quickly said: "Bismillah in its beginning and end". The Prophet had been watching him and when he heard him say this he told him that until that moment he had seen shaytan eating his food with him, but as soon as shaytan heard him say "Bismillah in its beginning and end" he vomited and ran away!

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AROUND EVERY CORNER

**Around every corner
at each and every bend,
lurks that wicked shaytan who pretends
to be your friend.
Sometimes he whispers in your ear
"Do it, it can't hurt!"
You listen and you do it then realize
he's nothing but a jerk!
For what you did seemed nearly OK
at that moment in time
but it was shaytan's wickedness
that tricked your little mind!**

Yes, shaytan does try to trick us but we can't lay the blame on him when we do something by saying "Shaytan made me do it". We must be responsible for what we do and think before we do it, after all we must remember that shaytan is very happy when we do something wrong because he does not want us to go to Paradise.



PLEASE AND THANK YOU

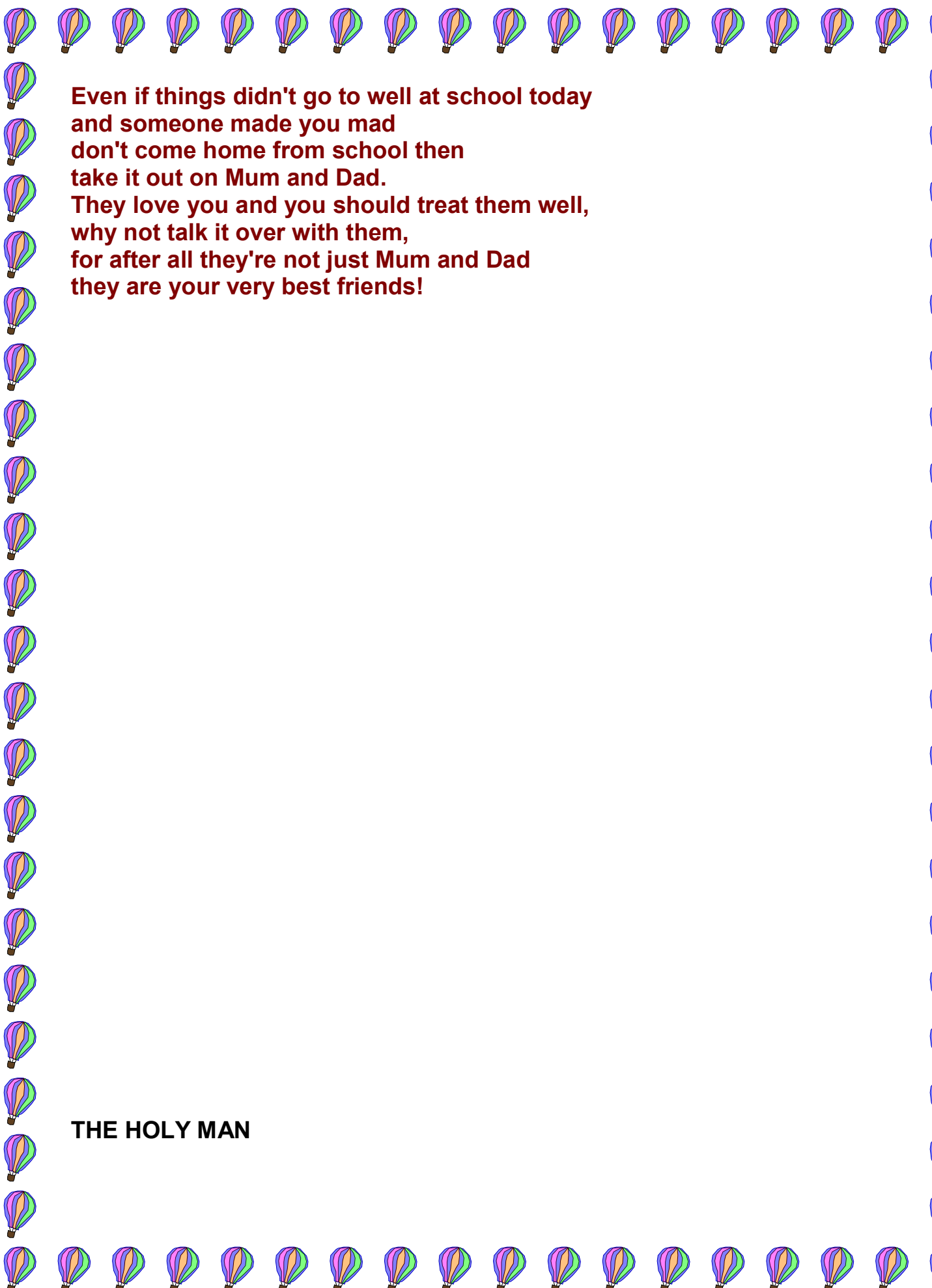
There are three little words
and although they're only small
they help you and others
to feel at least ten feet tall.
Those words are "please" and "thank you"
they always bring a smile
and make you think nice thoughts
and chase of shaytan's guile.

A smile is also charity
it softens a hardened heart
and makes for happy memories
when you're far apart.
These little things are simple
they help the world go round
and one good thing leads to another
and banishes a frown.

Unkind words are destructive
they let shaytan in
and lead you down a path
that more often leads to sin!
Be kind to others around you,
spare a thought for their needs
and never, ever, forget to say "thank you"
and always ask with "please".

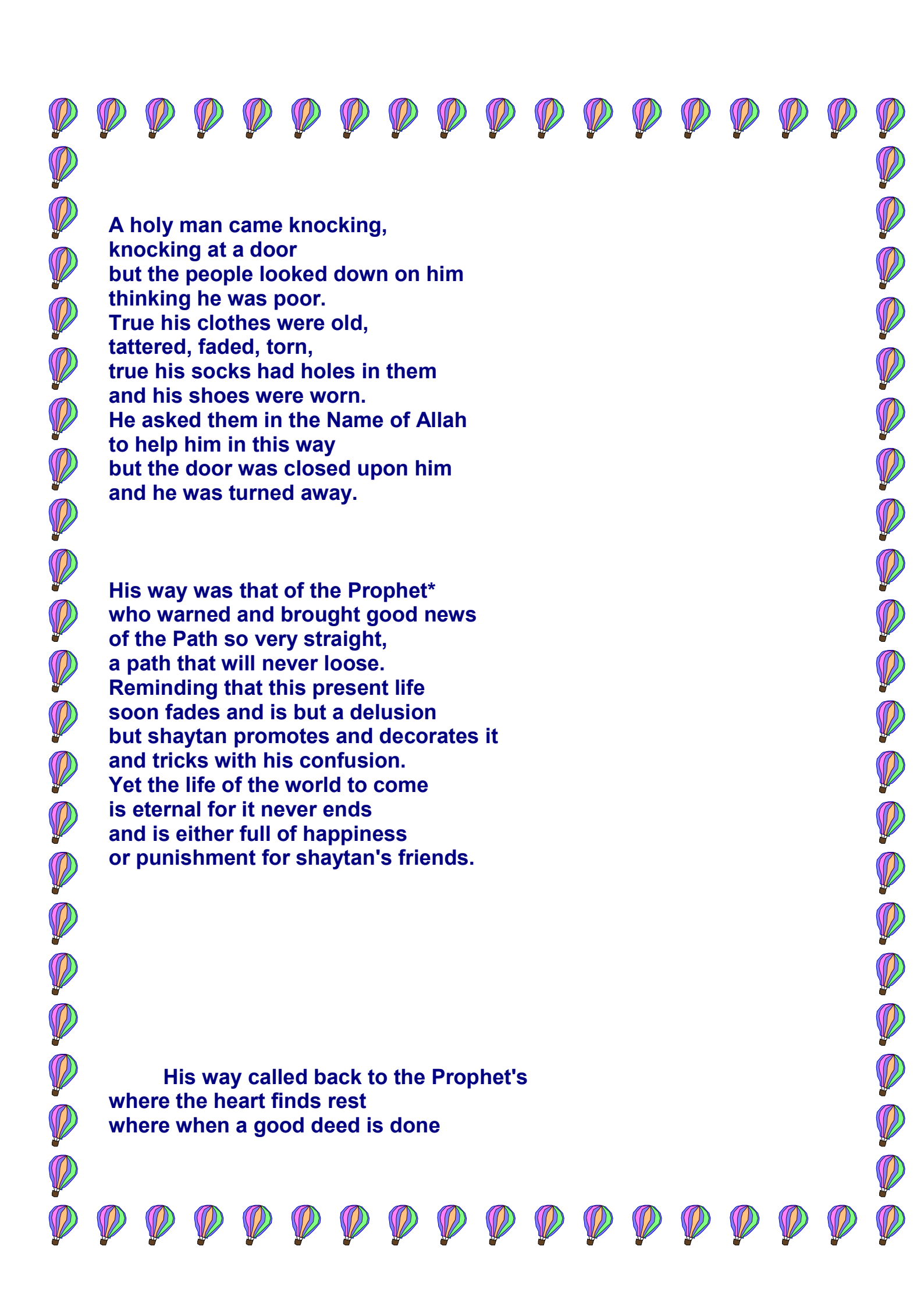
Prophet Muhammad, praise and peace be upon him, taught us to say "Bismillah" before we start to do something, he also taught us to have good manners and not to be angry. Saying "please" and "thank you" are part of being good mannered.

MUM AND DAD



**Even if things didn't go to well at school today
and someone made you mad
don't come home from school then
take it out on Mum and Dad.
They love you and you should treat them well,
why not talk it over with them,
for after all they're not just Mum and Dad
they are your very best friends!**

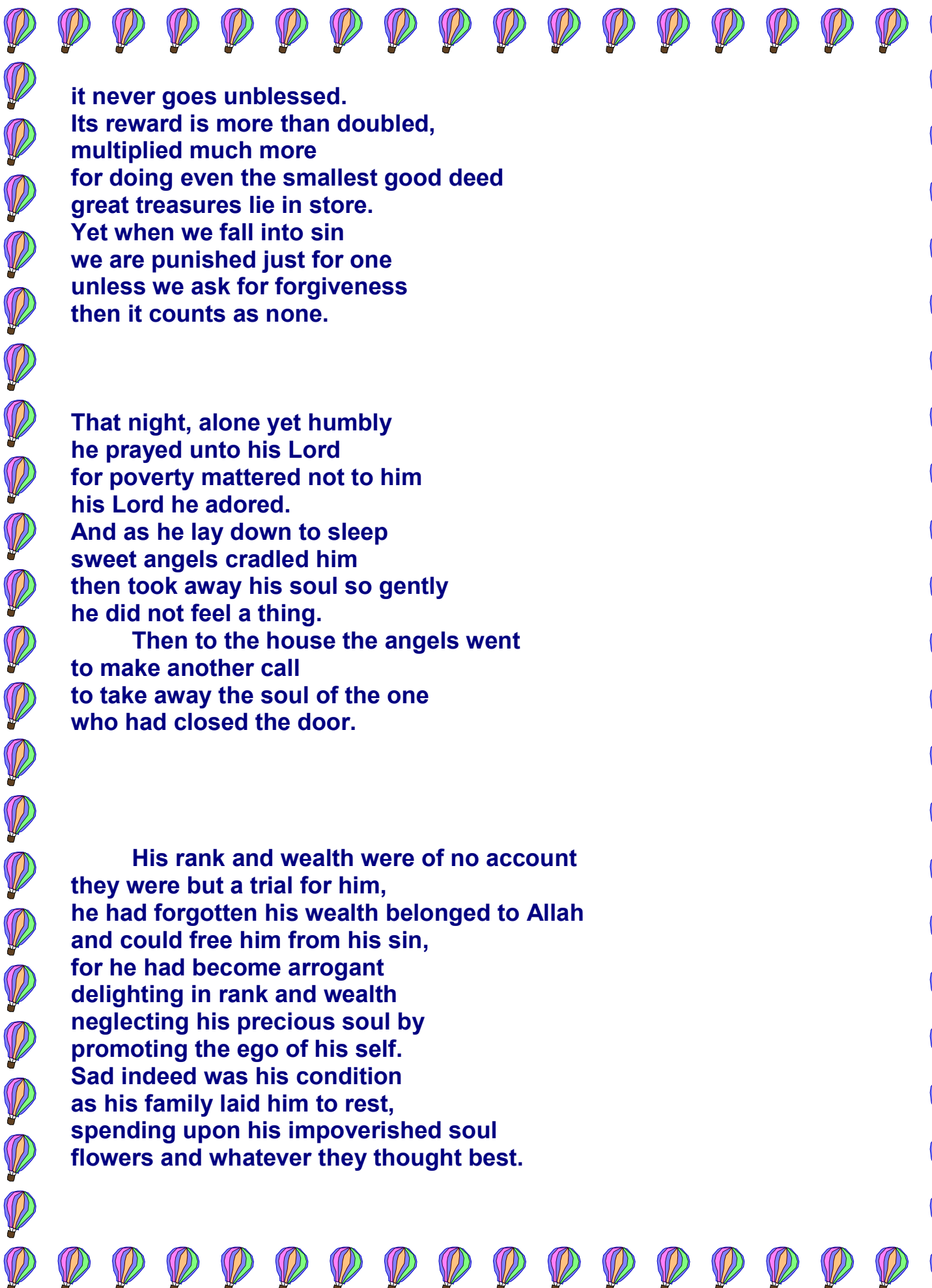
THE HOLY MAN



**A holy man came knocking,
knocking at a door
but the people looked down on him
thinking he was poor.
True his clothes were old,
tattered, faded, torn,
true his socks had holes in them
and his shoes were worn.
He asked them in the Name of Allah
to help him in this way
but the door was closed upon him
and he was turned away.**

**His way was that of the Prophet*
who warned and brought good news
of the Path so very straight,
a path that will never loose.
Reminding that this present life
soon fades and is but a delusion
but shaytan promotes and decorates it
and tricks with his confusion.
Yet the life of the world to come
is eternal for it never ends
and is either full of happiness
or punishment for shaytan's friends.**

**His way called back to the Prophet's
where the heart finds rest
where when a good deed is done**

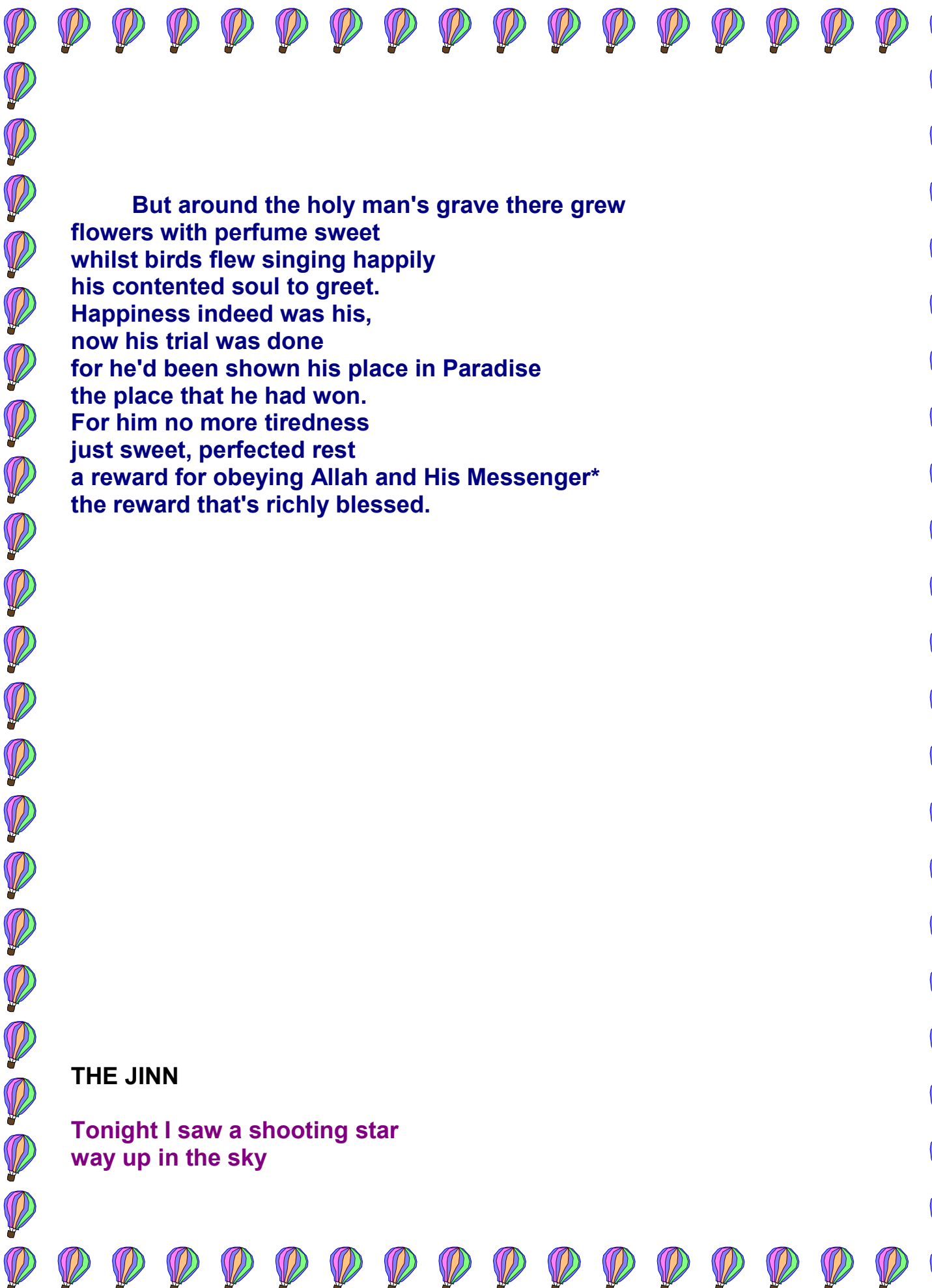


it never goes unblest.
Its reward is more than doubled,
multiplied much more
for doing even the smallest good deed
great treasures lie in store.
Yet when we fall into sin
we are punished just for one
unless we ask for forgiveness
then it counts as none.

That night, alone yet humbly
he prayed unto his Lord
for poverty mattered not to him
his Lord he adored.
And as he lay down to sleep
sweet angels cradled him
then took away his soul so gently
he did not feel a thing.

Then to the house the angels went
to make another call
to take away the soul of the one
who had closed the door.

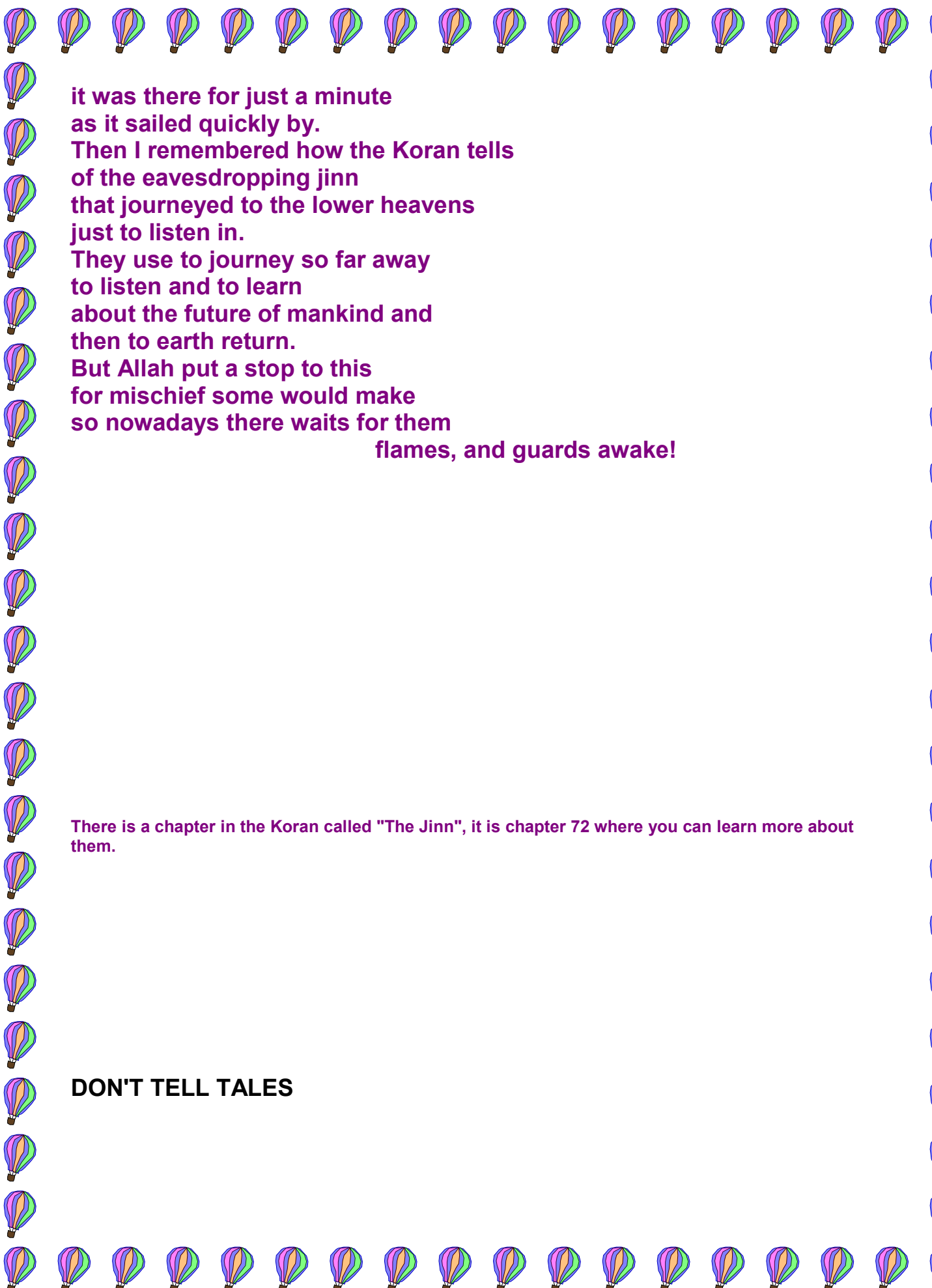
His rank and wealth were of no account
they were but a trial for him,
he had forgotten his wealth belonged to Allah
and could free him from his sin,
for he had become arrogant
delighting in rank and wealth
neglecting his precious soul by
promoting the ego of his self.
Sad indeed was his condition
as his family laid him to rest,
spending upon his impoverished soul
flowers and whatever they thought best.



**But around the holy man's grave there grew
flowers with perfume sweet
whilst birds flew singing happily
his contented soul to greet.
Happiness indeed was his,
now his trial was done
for he'd been shown his place in Paradise
the place that he had won.
For him no more tiredness
just sweet, perfected rest
a reward for obeying Allah and His Messenger*
the reward that's richly blessed.**

THE JINN


**Tonight I saw a shooting star
way up in the sky**



it was there for just a minute
as it sailed quickly by.
Then I remembered how the Koran tells
of the eavesdropping jinn
that journeyed to the lower heavens
just to listen in.
They use to journey so far away
to listen and to learn
about the future of mankind and
then to earth return.
But Allah put a stop to this
for mischief some would make
so nowadays there waits for them
flames, and guards awake!

There is a chapter in the Koran called "The Jinn", it is chapter 72 where you can learn more about them.

DON'T TELL TALES

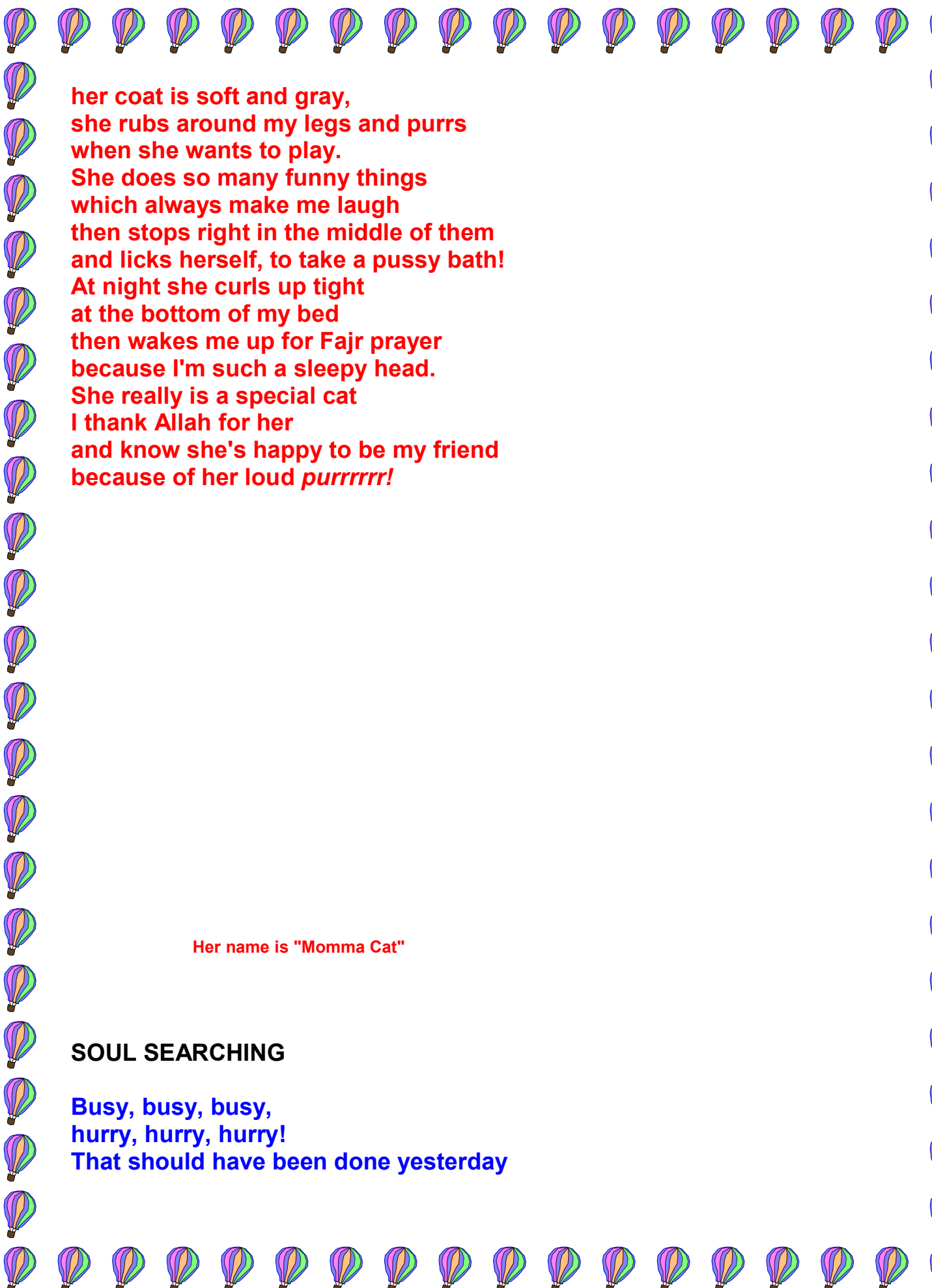


**Don't tell tales about others
even when they're true
because that sort of thing
just isn't nice to do!
Look for good in everyone
and you will surely find
that angels are pleased with you
because you're very kind.
But, be wise about others
and learn from their mistakes
and turn the situation into
one that shaytan hates,
for he is waiting for you
each moment of the day,
but you know much better now
that's why you turn away.
Our Prophet* and his family
never said a word unkind
so follow his example
for he's the *best* of all mankind!**

***Peace and blessings be upon him and his family**
The companions were always kind to their servants, they ate the same food and were never treated badly. One day an ungrateful servant broke the leg of his master's sheep. When the companion saw the poor sheep he asked what happened, so the ungrateful servant told him he had broken its leg just to make him angry. When the companion heard this, instead of getting angry, he thought to himself, "I will turn this situation into one that shaytan will hate!" So instead of punishing him he said to his servant: "Go, you are a freeman."

MY SPECIAL FRIEND

I have a tabby pussy cat

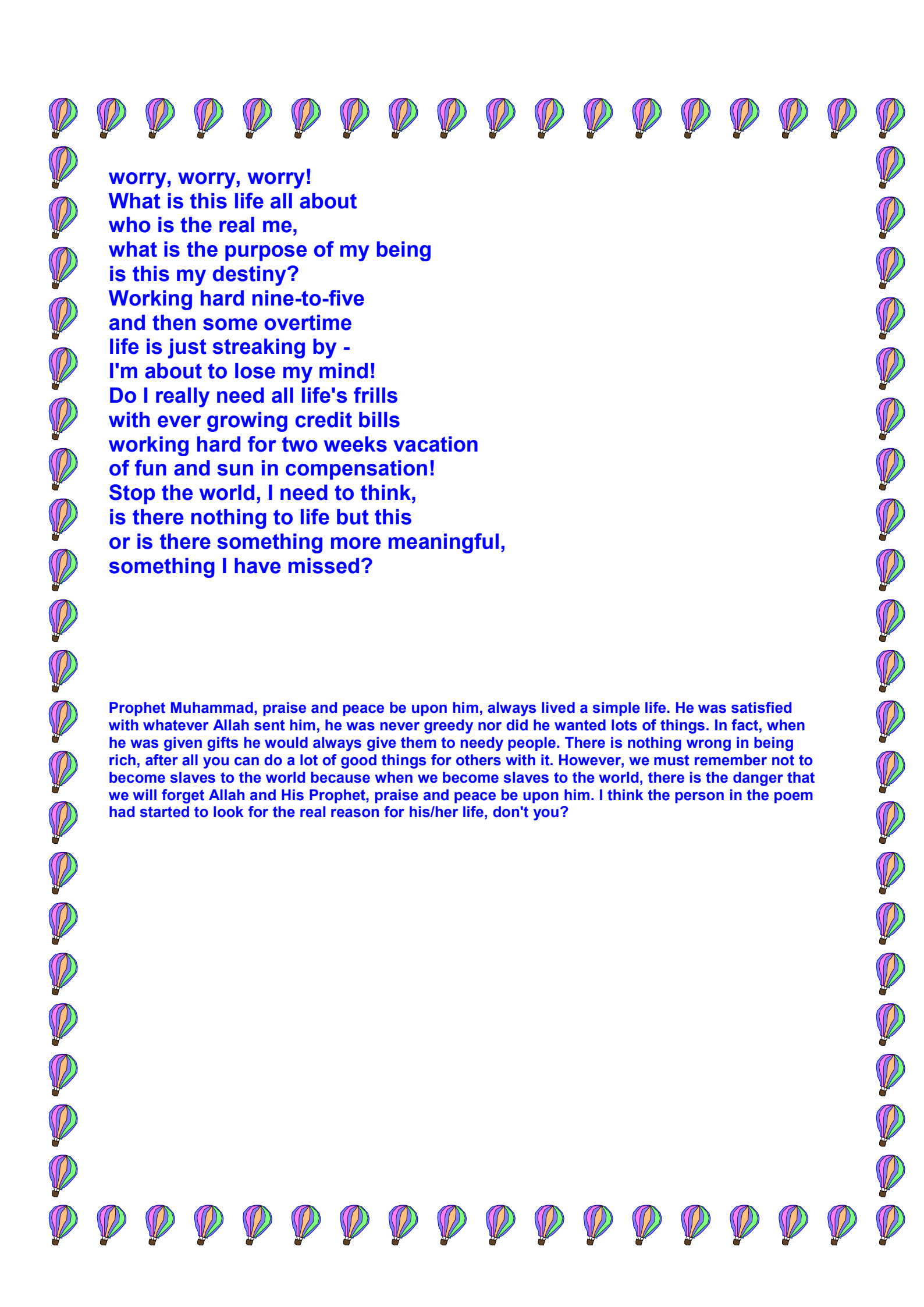


her coat is soft and gray,
she rubs around my legs and purrs
when she wants to play.
She does so many funny things
which always make me laugh
then stops right in the middle of them
and licks herself, to take a pussy bath!
At night she curls up tight
at the bottom of my bed
then wakes me up for Fajr prayer
because I'm such a sleepy head.
She really is a special cat
I thank Allah for her
and know she's happy to be my friend
because of her loud *purrrrrr!*

Her name is "Momma Cat"

SOUL SEARCHING

Busy, busy, busy,
hurry, hurry, hurry!
That should have been done yesterday



worry, worry, worry!
What is this life all about
who is the real me,
what is the purpose of my being
is this my destiny?
Working hard nine-to-five
and then some overtime
life is just streaking by -
I'm about to lose my mind!
Do I really need all life's frills
with ever growing credit bills
working hard for two weeks vacation
of fun and sun in compensation!
Stop the world, I need to think,
is there nothing to life but this
or is there something more meaningful,
something I have missed?

Prophet Muhammad, praise and peace be upon him, always lived a simple life. He was satisfied with whatever Allah sent him, he was never greedy nor did he wanted lots of things. In fact, when he was given gifts he would always give them to needy people. There is nothing wrong in being rich, after all you can do a lot of good things for others with it. However, we must remember not to become slaves to the world because when we become slaves to the world, there is the danger that we will forget Allah and His Prophet, praise and peace be upon him. I think the person in the poem had started to look for the real reason for his/her life, don't you?



THE END

I hope you have enjoyed these poems, Insh'Allah I will write some more Islamic poems for you soon.

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