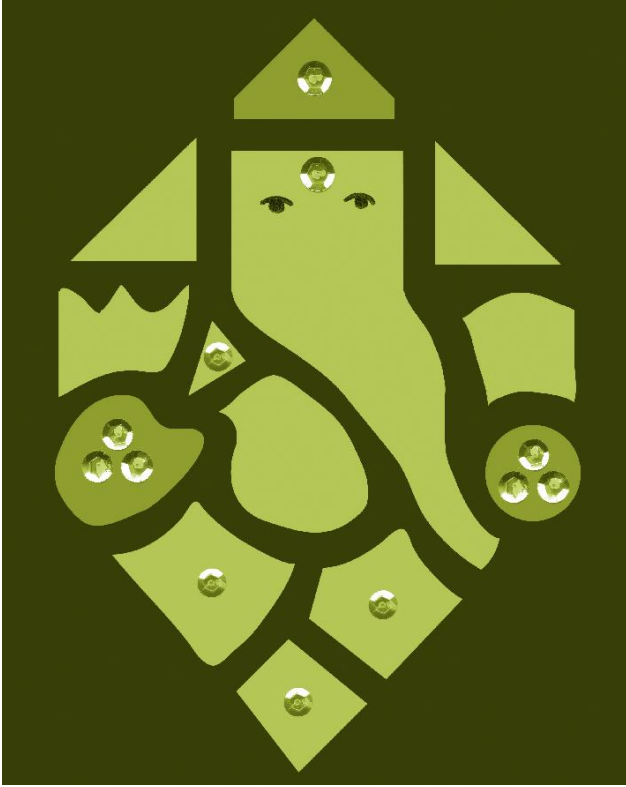


## Hari Om

### Art Project over long break



#### Riddhi and Siddhi

Lord Brahmā had two daughters, Riddhi (intellect) and Siddhi (wealth). He approached Lord Shiva and asked for the hands of two of his sons, Kārtikeya and Gaṇeṣha, for the two daughters. But both girls selected Lord Gaṇeṣha! Siddhi gave birth to a son, Shubha (auspiciousness), and Riddhi gave birth to a son, Lābha (gain, merit). For this reason, we see the customary writings of “Shubha Lābha” (“May we gain auspiciousness”) on books and other materials. Shri Ganesha is synonymous with an auspicious beginning.

#### Sample of completed Shri Ganesha Art Project

#### Materials

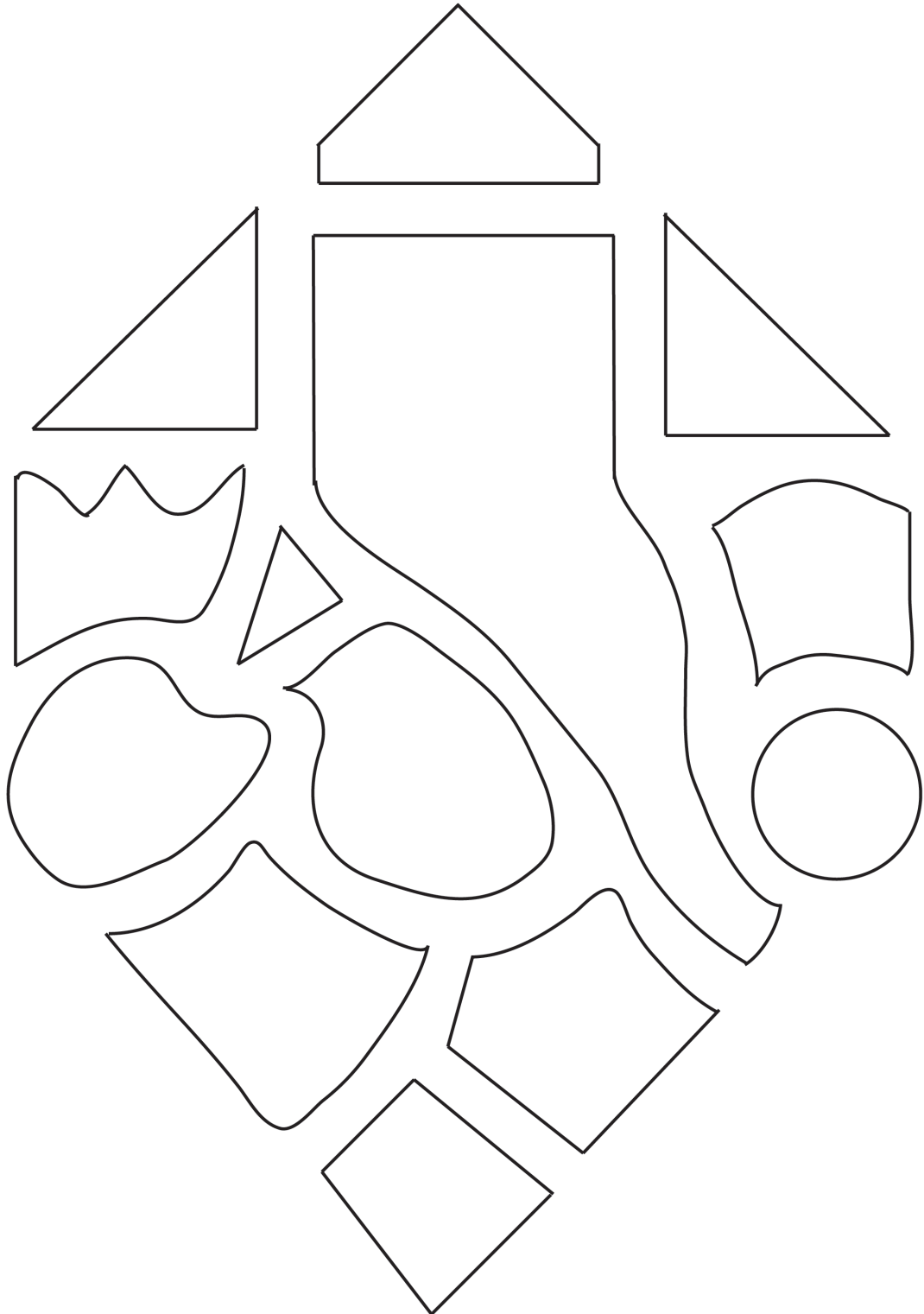
- Lord Ganesha image stencils (see “Lesson 8” page)
- Color cardstock or other paper to use as background
- Any colorful greeting cards OR 9”x12” color foam sheets (either sticky back or regular; colors: orange, red, light brown)
- Sequins for decoration
- Black thin permanent marker to draw the eyes

#### Directions

Print and cut out the 13 stencil pieces on “Lesson 8” page. Place one stencil at a time on the foam sheet or greeting card, and cut around the stencils. Stick with glue the 13 colorful cut pieces of foam sheets or greeting cards on the color cardstock/other paper. Be creative and decorate the form of Lord Ganesha with sequins (example: for crown, jewelry). Draw eyes with black marker.

# Lesson 8

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# Lesson 23

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## Our Goddesses

Can you find these words?  
Be sure to look forward,  
backward, and diagonally!

Durga Paramesvari Lakshmi Parvati Gauri  
Girija Sarasvati Jagadamba Kali Uma

P	T	I	O	P	K	N	A	G	A	J
A	A	J	A	G	A	D	A	M	B	A
R	G	R	J	K	L	B	V	C	R	T
A	U	I	V	V	I	R	U	A	G	H
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S	C	C	J	H	B	I	Y	T	F	K
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I	K	R	K	A	L	I	A	S	Q	W
V	I	N	J	K	O	P	L	U	H	Y
G	R	F	C	E	X	S	R	J	U	F

# Lesson 26

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## Forbearance, I Know

Can you find these words? Be sure to look forward, backward, and diagonally!

Patience      Self Control      Restraint      Tolerance  
 Moderation      Forgiveness      Humanity      Mercy  
 Kindness

E	S	D	E	R	T	Y	U	B	G	H
A	K	O	L	P	M	E	R	C	Y	T
S	E	L	F	C	O	N	T	R	O	L
Y	I	J	N	B	D	G	T	Y	F	C
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I	M	N	K	B	A	O	D	E	S	A
N	Q	D	F	C	T	L	C	G	H	K
G	N	P	A	T	I	E	N	C	E	G
N	T	F	R	D	O	R	V	X	F	G
E	D	Y	T	I	N	A	M	U	H	U
S	G	Y	T	R	F	N	X	D	E	S
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D	S	E	A	E	Q	D	F	G	T	Y
F	O	R	G	I	V	E	N	E	S	S

# Lesson 32

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## Find My Names

Can you find these words?  
 Be sure to look forward,  
 backward, and diagonally!

Giridhari    Devakinandana    Ghanasyama    Krsna  
 Nandalala    Nandakumara    Yasodabala    Gopala  
 Gopivallabha

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V	A	L	A	P	O	G	I	J	U	Y	S	X
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# Lesson 36

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## Values Rāma Stands For

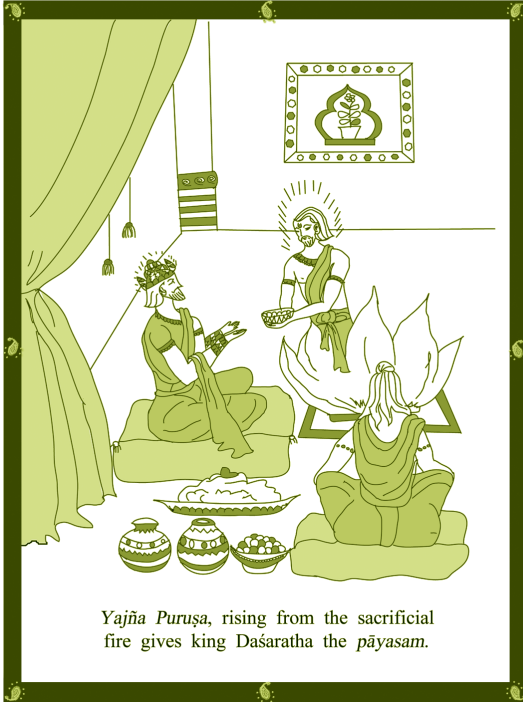
Can you find these words? Be sure to look forward, backward, and diagonally!

Cheerful    Helpful    Kind    Humble    Loving  
 Peaceful    Truthful    Gentle    Brave    Wise  
 Friend    Noble    Courageous

A	T	G	Y	H	E	L	P	F	U	L
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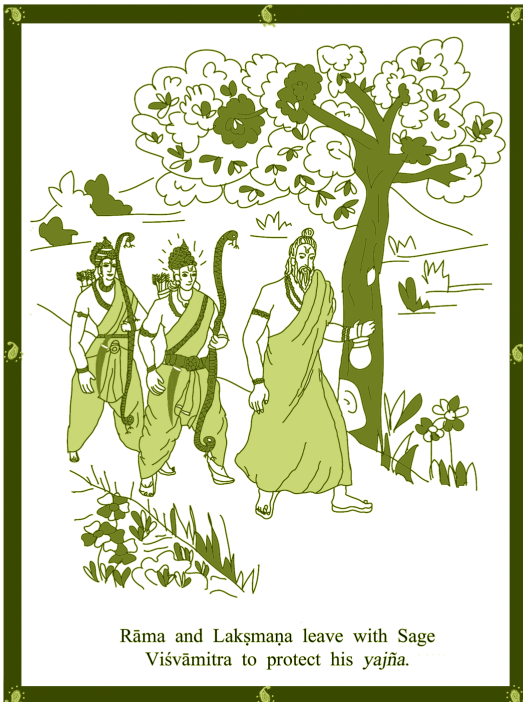
Yajña Puruṣa, rising from the sacrificial fire gives king Daśaratha the pāyasam.

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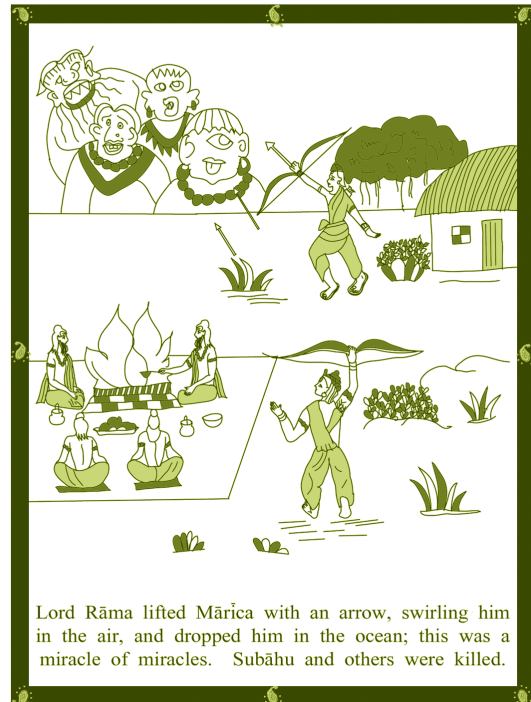
Three queens: Kausalyā with Rāma; Kaikeyī with Bharata; Sumitrā with Lakṣmaṇa and Śatrughna.

3



Rāma and Lakṣmaṇa leave with Sage Viśvāmitra to protect his yajña.

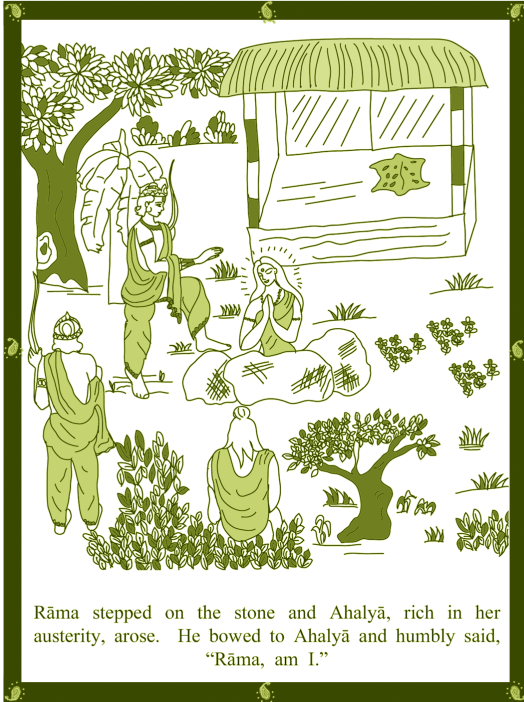
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Lord Rāma lifted Mārica with an arrow, swirling him in the air, and dropped him in the ocean; this was a miracle of miracles. Subāhu and others were killed.

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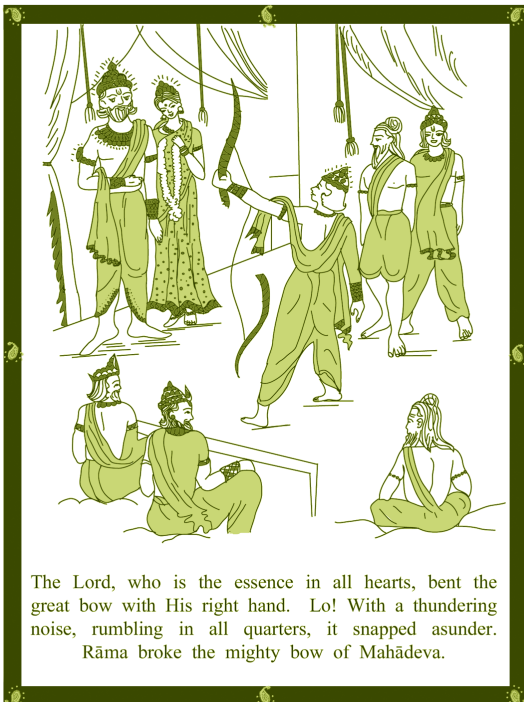
Rāma stepped on the stone and Ahalyā, rich in her austerity, arose. He bowed to Ahalyā and humbly said, "Rāma, am I."

6



Young princess Sītā, playing with a bow.

7



The Lord, who is the essence in all hearts, bent the great bow with His right hand. Lo! With a thundering noise, rumbling in all quarters, it snapped asunder. Rāma broke the mighty bow of Mahādeva.

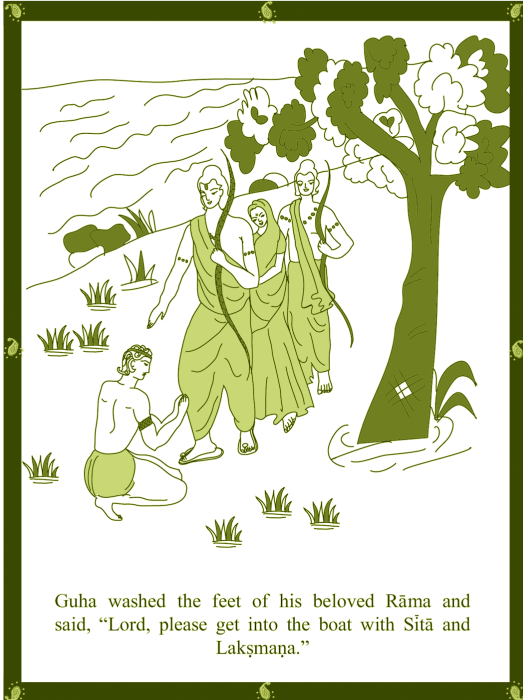
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Mantharā said, "Now, hurry and plan to place Bharata on the throne and send Rāma to exile in the forest for fourteen years." Thus, the poisonous seed was sown.

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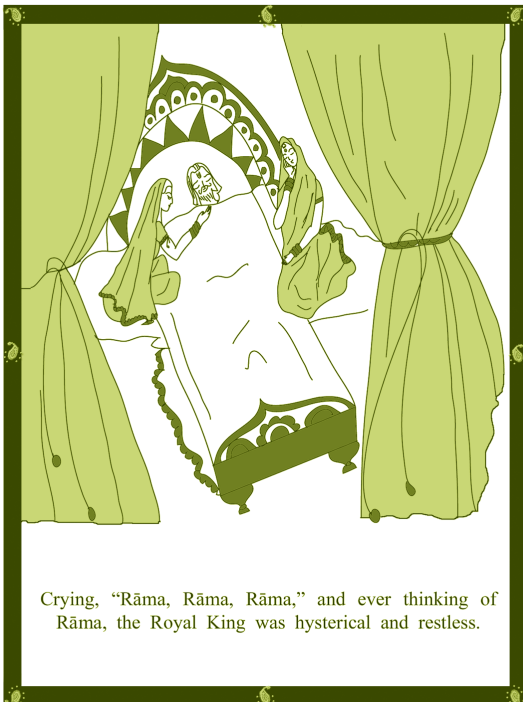
Guha washed the feet of his beloved Rāma and said, "Lord, please get into the boat with Sītā and Lakṣmaṇa."

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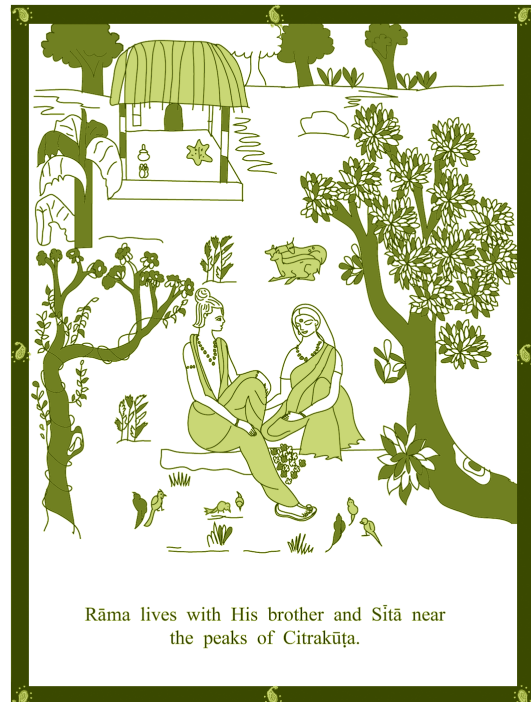
Śravaṇa carries his parents to a pilgrimage.

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Crying, "Rāma, Rāma, Rāma," and ever thinking of Rāma, the Royal King was hysterical and restless.

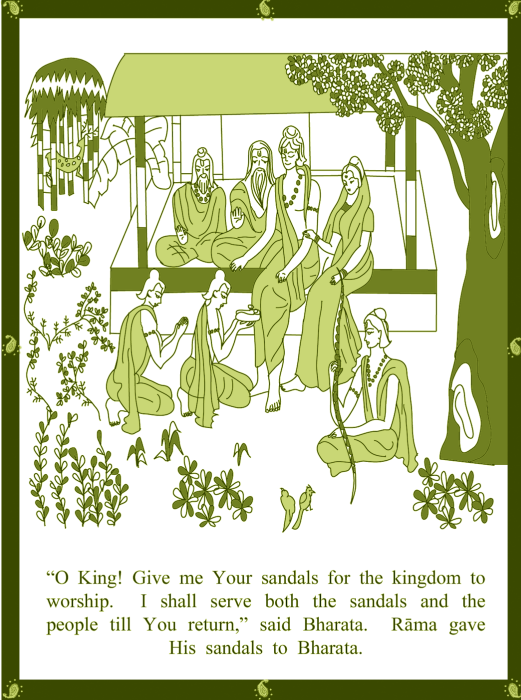
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Rāma lives with His brother and Sītā near the peaks of Citrakūṭa.

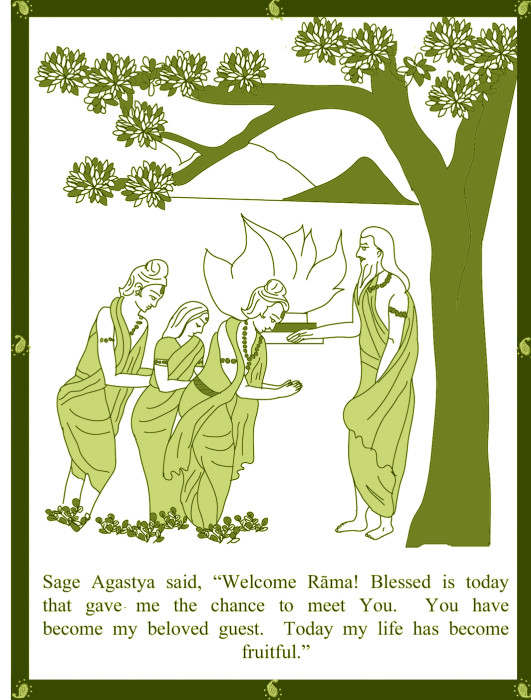
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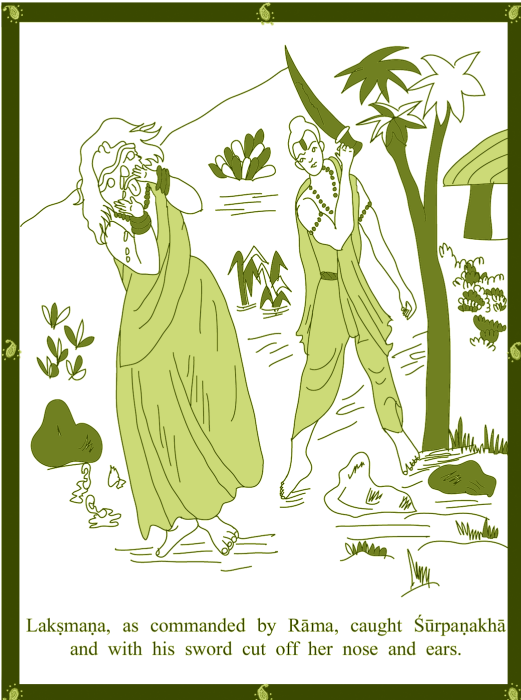
"O King! Give me Your sandals for the kingdom to worship. I shall serve both the sandals and the people till You return," said Bharata. Rāma gave His sandals to Bharata.

14



Sage Agastya said, "Welcome Rāma! Blessed is today that gave me the chance to meet You. You have become my beloved guest. Today my life has become fruitful."

15



Lakṣmaṇa, as commanded by Rāma, caught Śūrpaṅkhā and with his sword cut off her nose and ears.

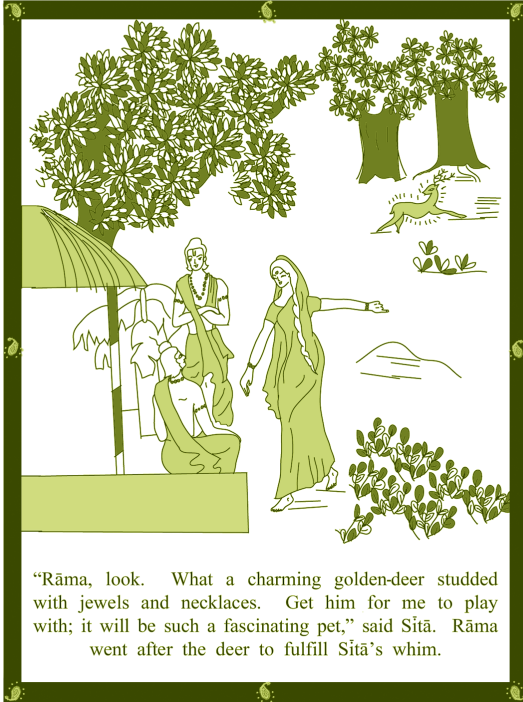
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Rāma, the best of the Raghu dynasty, destroyed the titans Khara, Dūṣaṇa, Triśirā and others.

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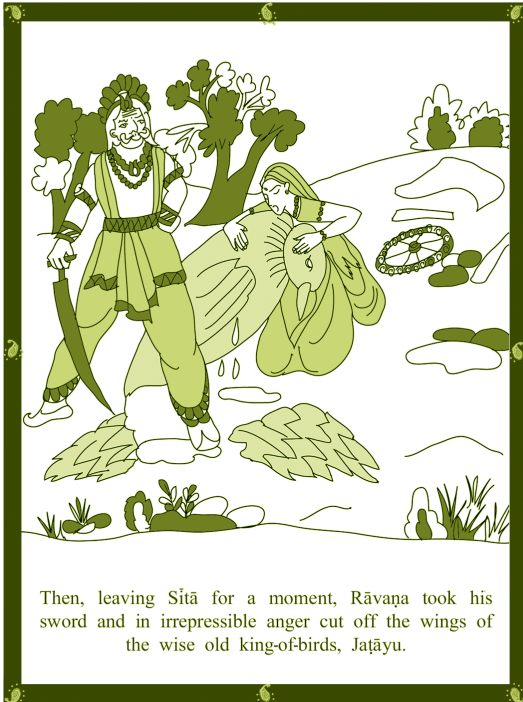
“Rāma, look. What a charming golden-deer studded with jewels and necklaces. Get him for me to play with; it will be such a fascinating pet,” said Sītā. Rāma went after the deer to fulfill Sītā’s whim.

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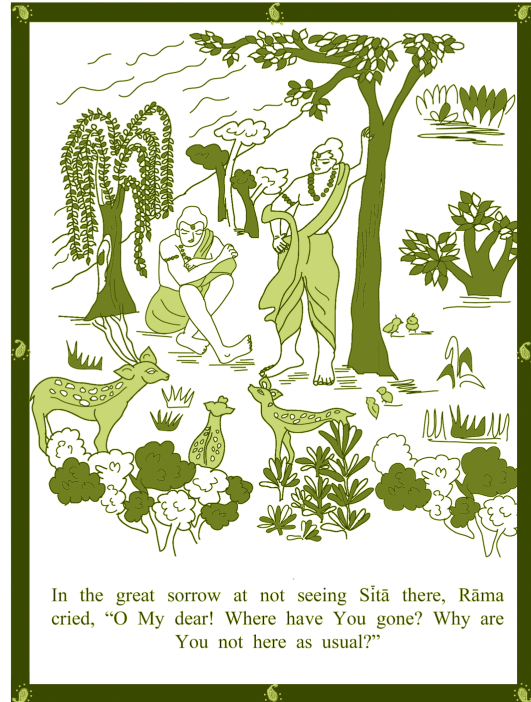
Fearing that Rāma may return at any moment, hurriedly carrying the crying Sītā, Rāvaṇa escaped, with the speed of wind.

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Then, leaving Sītā for a moment, Rāvaṇa took his sword and in irreplaceable anger cut off the wings of the wise old king-of-birds, Jātāyu.

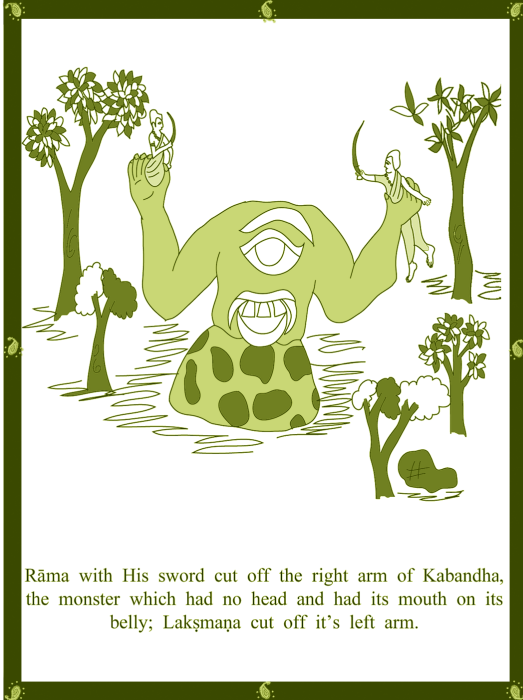
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In the great sorrow at not seeing Sītā there, Rāma cried, “O My dear! Where have You gone? Why are You not here as usual?”

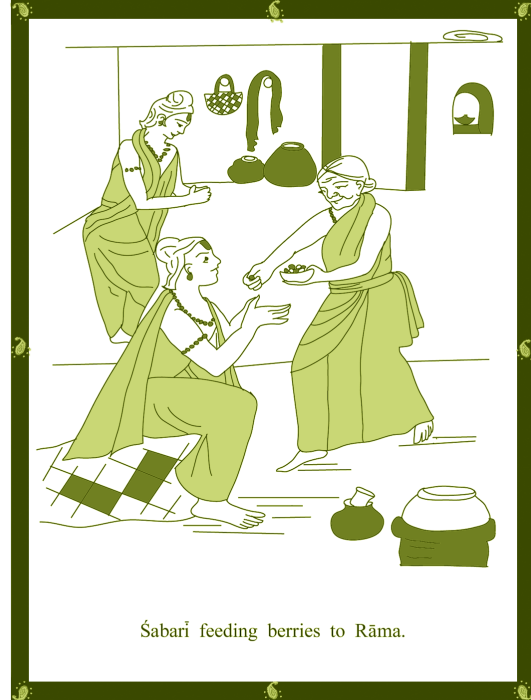
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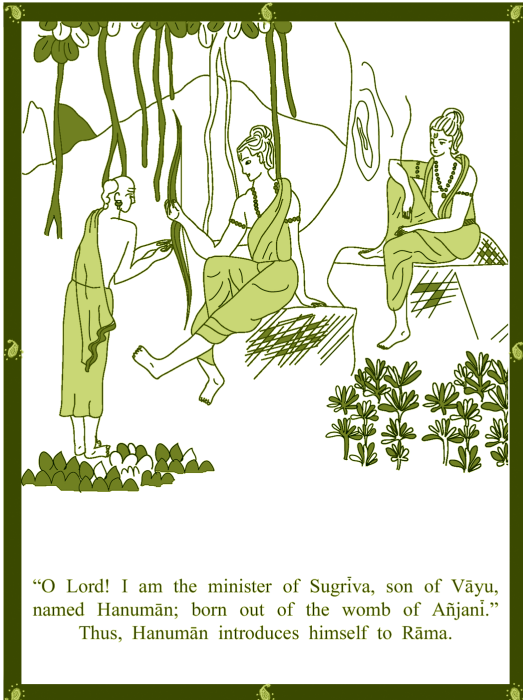
Rāma with His sword cut off the right arm of Kabandha, the monster which had no head and had its mouth on its belly; Lakṣmaṇa cut off its left arm.

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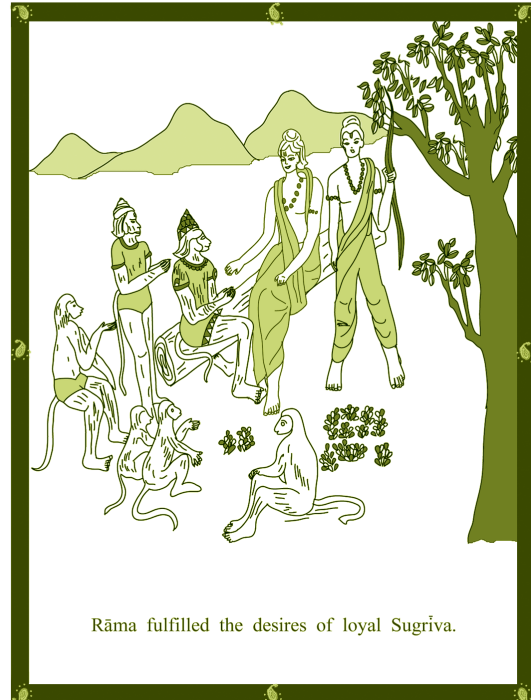
Śabarī feeding berries to Rāma.

23



“O Lord! I am the minister of Sugrīva, son of Vāyu, named Hanumān; born out of the womb of Añjani.”  
Thus, Hanumān introduces himself to Rāma.

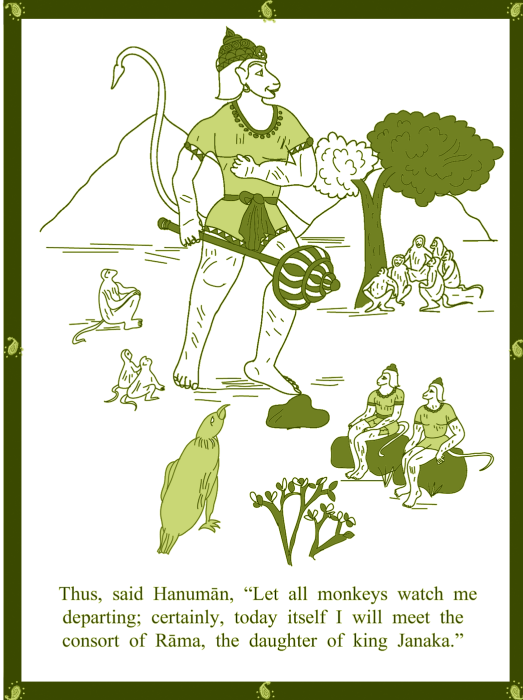
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Rāma fulfilled the desires of loyal Sugrīva.

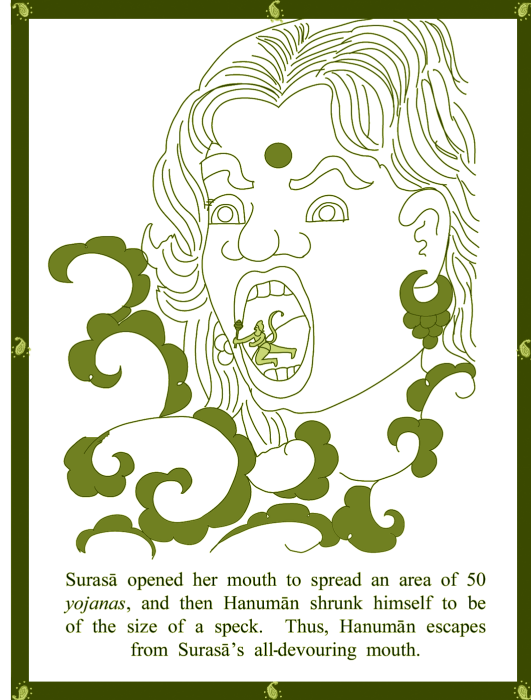
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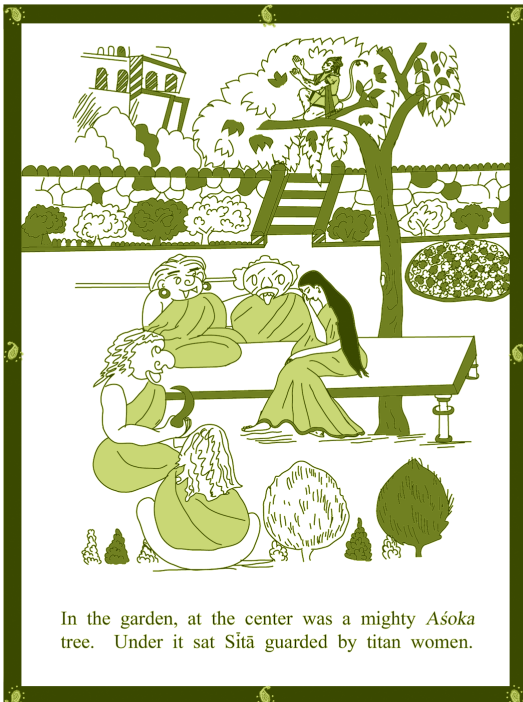
Thus, said Hanumān, "Let all monkeys watch me departing; certainly, today itself I will meet the consort of Rāma, the daughter of king Janaka."

26



Surasā opened her mouth to spread an area of 50 *yojanas*, and then Hanumān shrunk himself to be of the size of a speck. Thus, Hanumān escapes from Surasā's all-devouring mouth.

27



In the garden, at the center was a mighty *Aśoka* tree. Under it sat *Sītā* guarded by titan women.

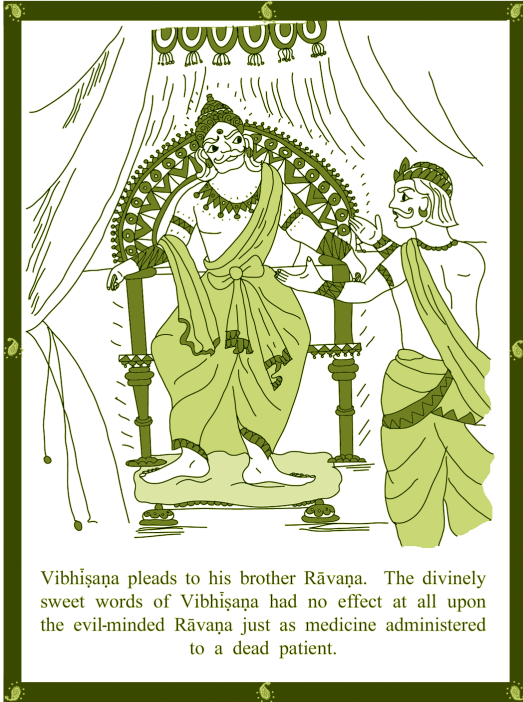
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Fire! Fire! Fire! Jumping from wall to wall, swinging from roof to roof, the mighty Hanumān set fire to the entire *Lañkā* in which bungalows, mansions from the basement to the attic burned down into ruin.

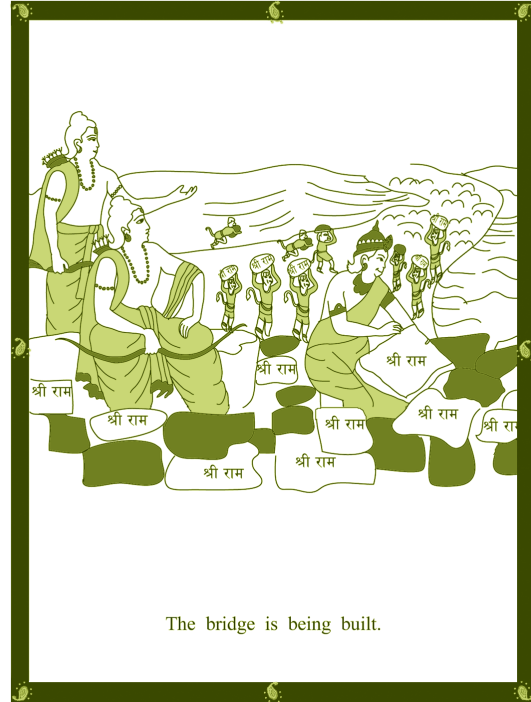
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Vibhiṣaṇa pleads to his brother Rāvaṇa. The divinely sweet words of Vibhiṣaṇa had no effect at all upon the evil-minded Rāvaṇa just as medicine administered to a dead patient.

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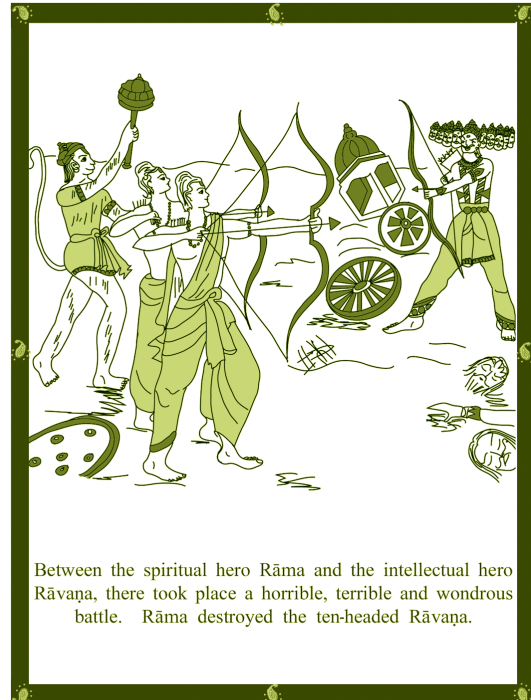
The bridge is being built.

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Failing to recognize the required herb on the hill, Hanumān uprooted the hill-of-herbs itself, lifted it, and fast as wind reached Rāma.

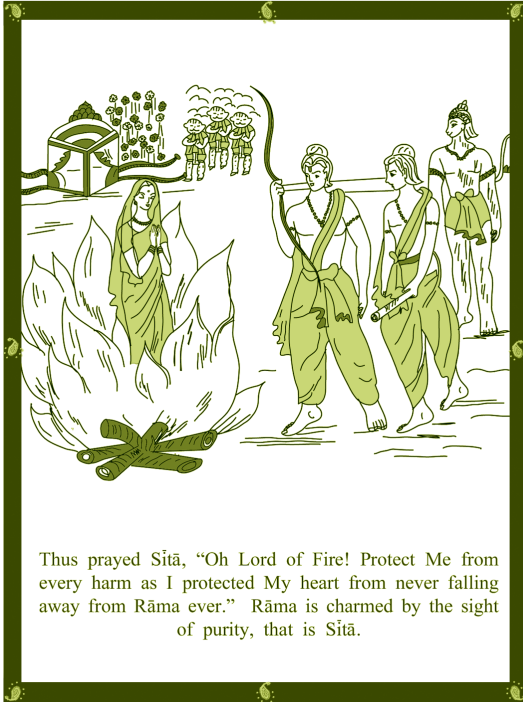
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Between the spiritual hero Rāma and the intellectual hero Rāvaṇa, there took place a horrible, terrible and wondrous battle. Rāma destroyed the ten-headed Rāvaṇa.

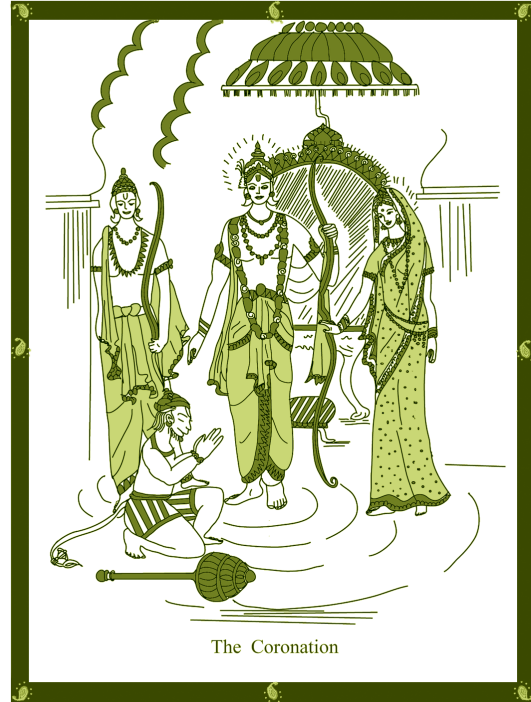
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Thus prayed Sītā, “Oh Lord of Fire! Protect Me from every harm as I protected My heart from never falling away from Rāma ever.” Rāma is charmed by the sight of purity, that is Sītā.

34



The Coronation