

IMPROVING LIVES BY SEEKING FIRST TO UNDERSTAND

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INTRO OF SELF AND EXPERIENCES...



WHOSE REALITY COUNTS? (ROBERT CHAMBERS)

Whose knowledge counts?

Whose values?

Whose criteria and preferences?

Whose appraisal, analysis and planning?

Whose action?

Whose monitoring and evaluation?

Whose learning?

Whose empowerment?

Whose reality counts?

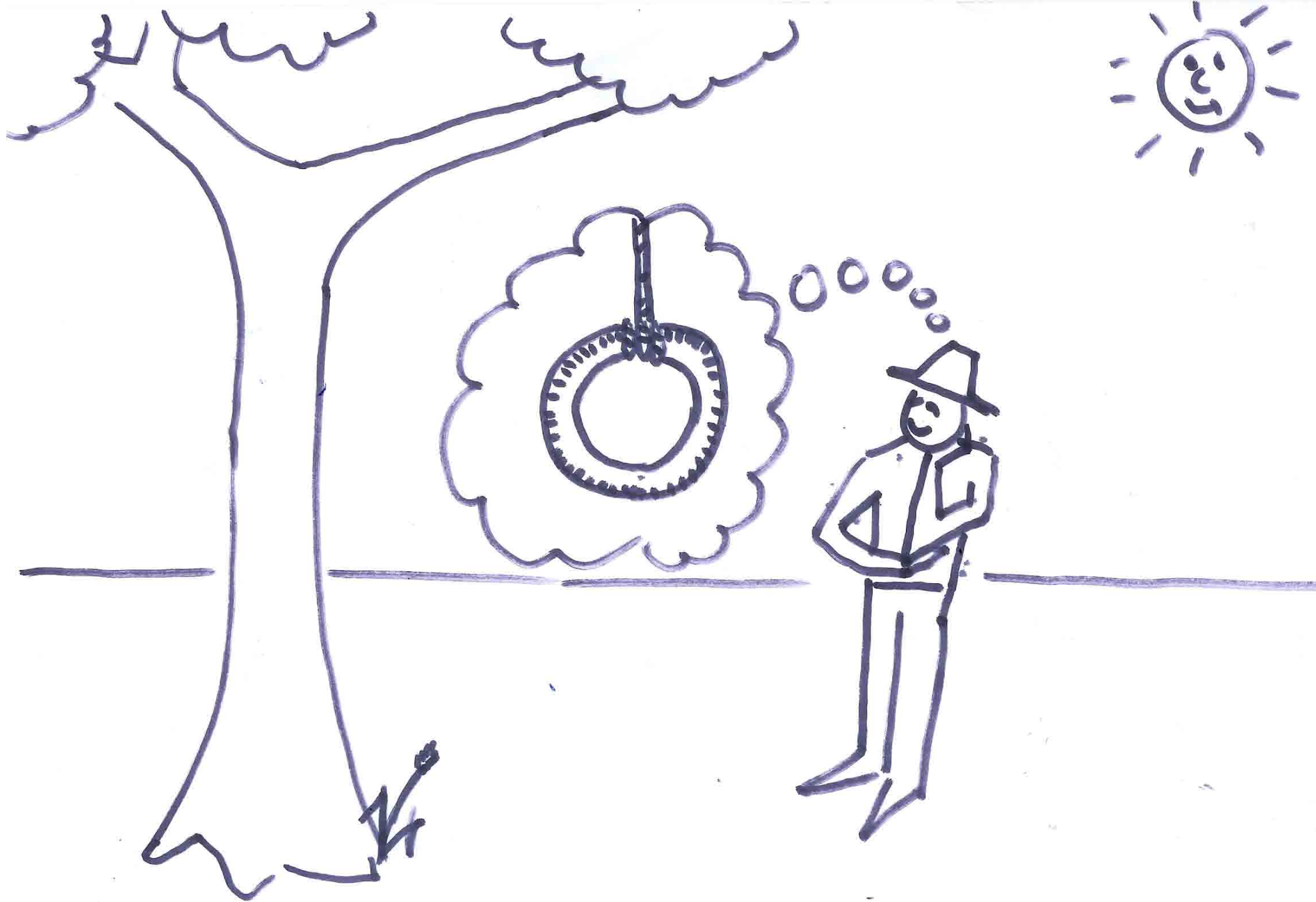
Ours or theirs?

This is Fluffy.

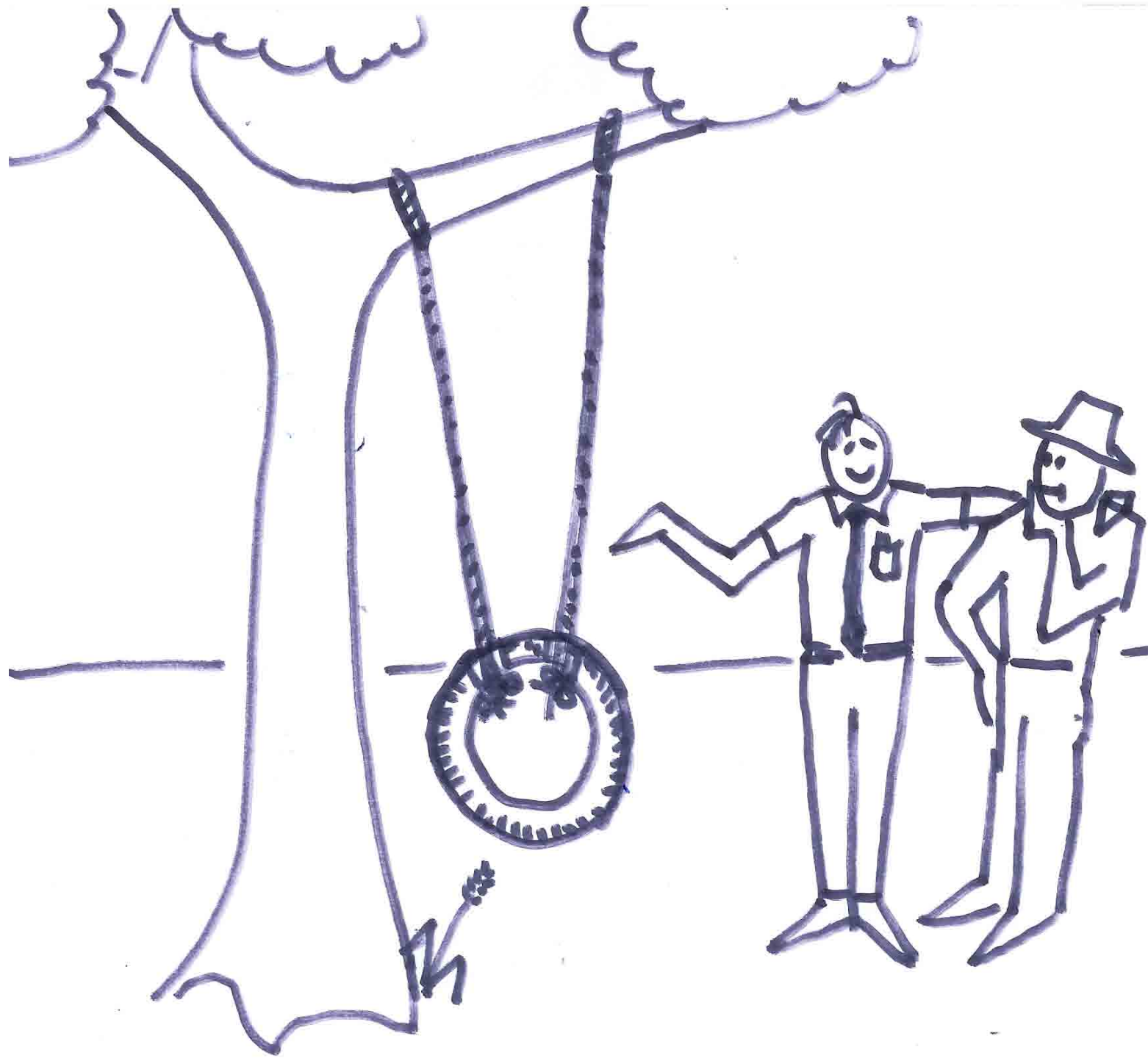


He is the destroyer of worlds.

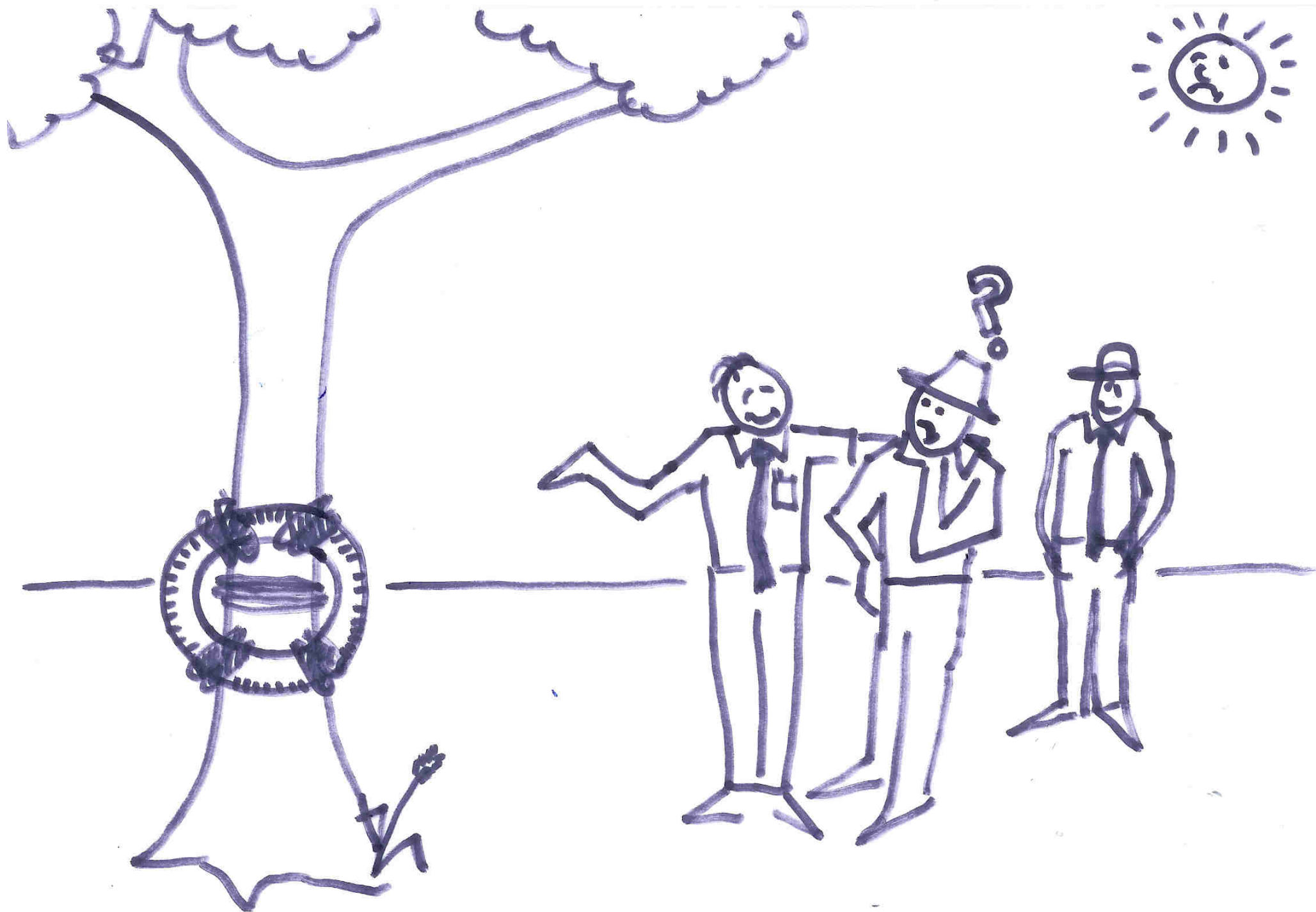
**WHOSE REALITY
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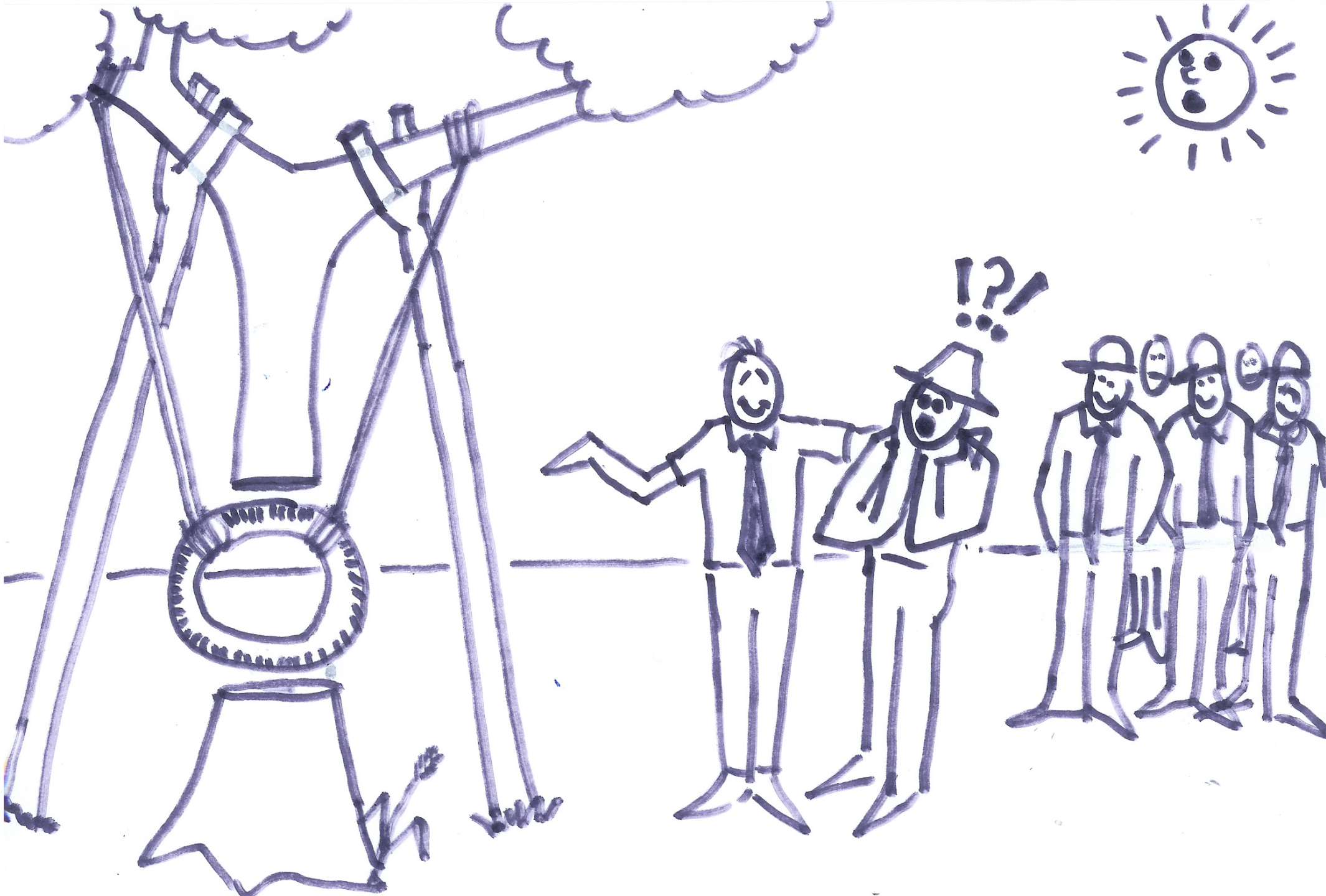
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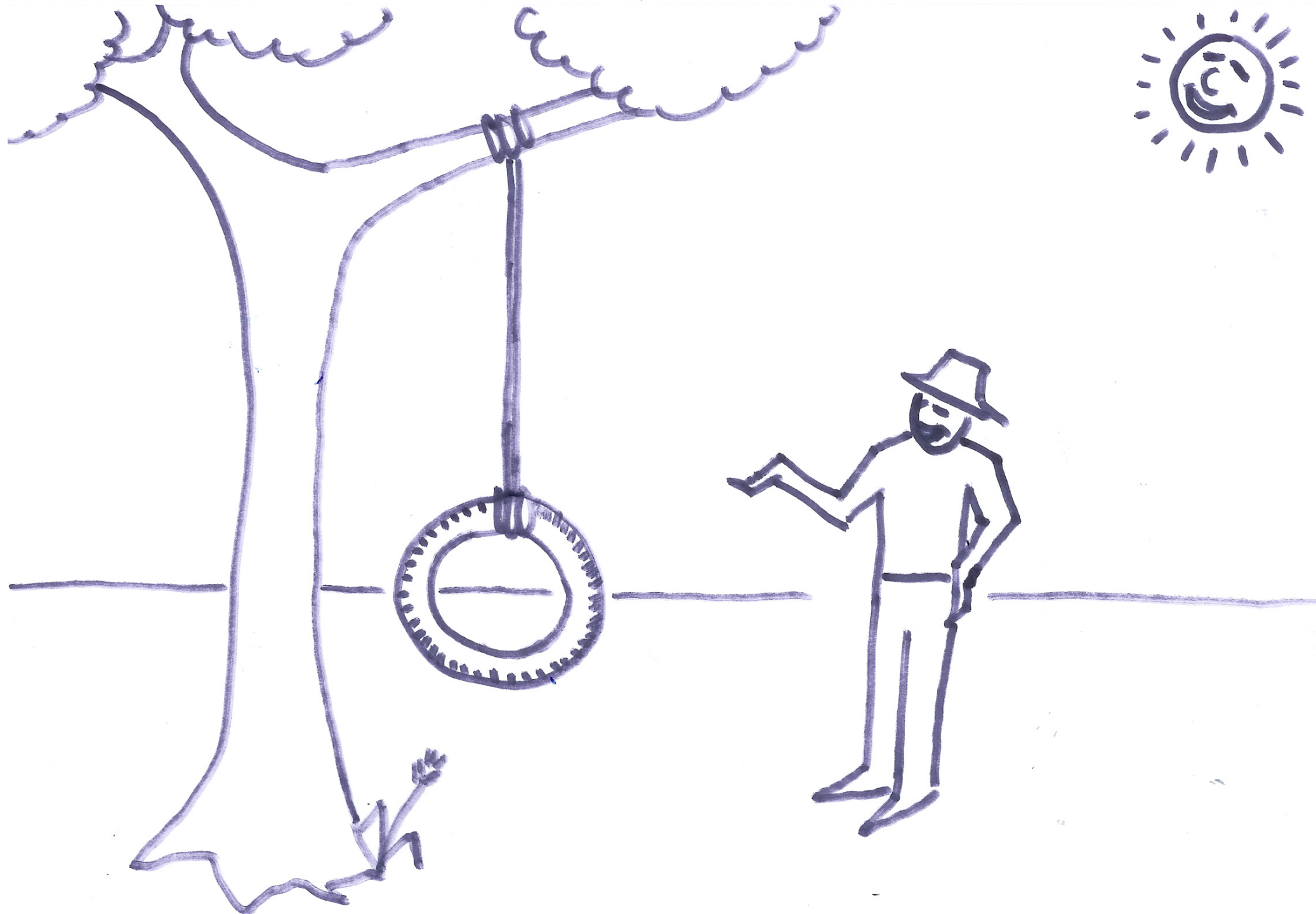
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LESSONS LEARNED FROM WORKING WITH PEOPLE...

1. PEOPLE HAVE AN AMAZING CAPACITY FOR SOLVING THEIR OWN PROBLEMS...

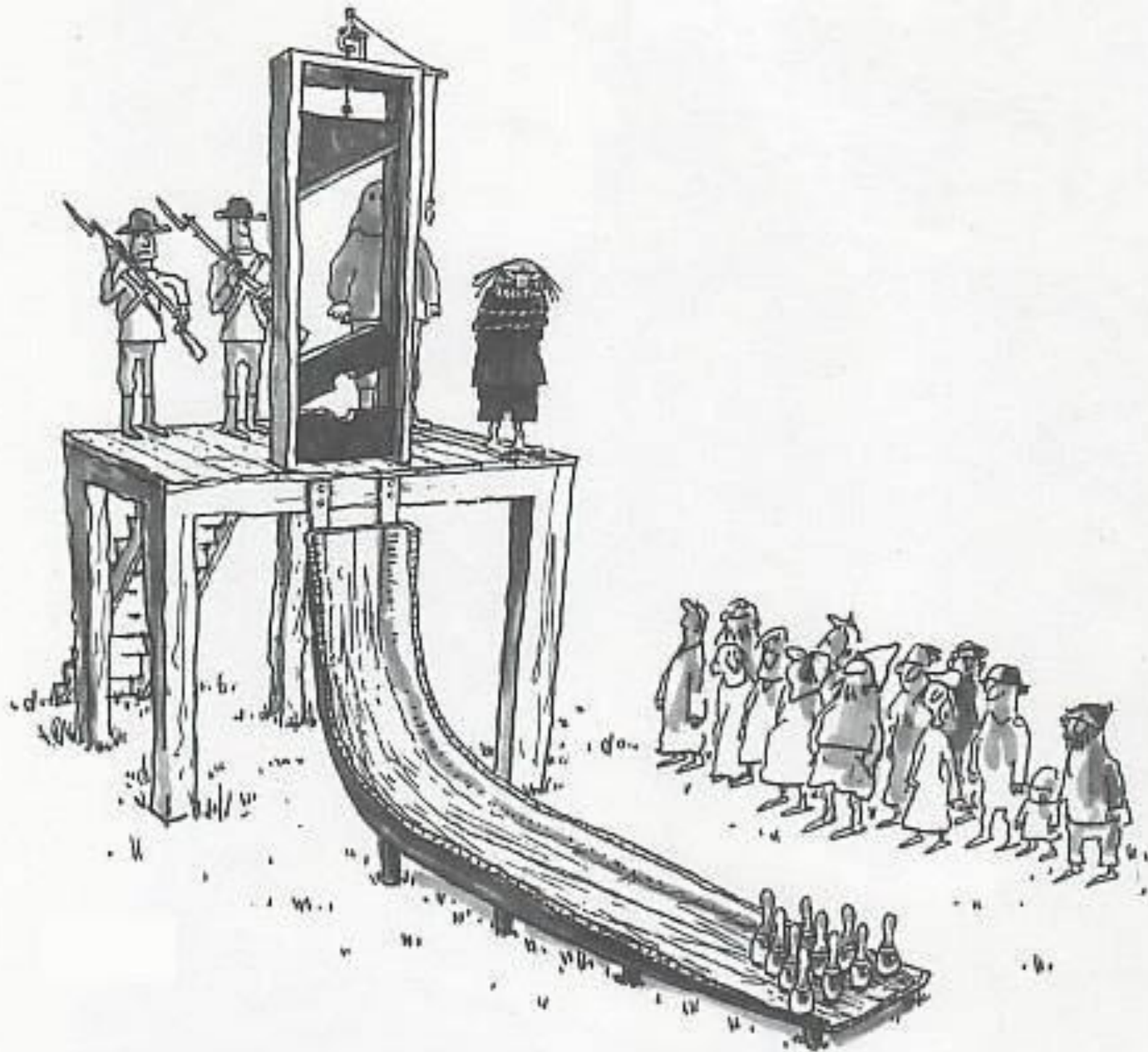




LESSONS LEARNED FROM WORKING WITH PEOPLE...

2. TECHNOLOGY CAN HELP BUT IT ISN'T THE UNIVERSAL SOLUTION...





LESSONS LEARNED FROM WORKING WITH PEOPLE...

3. MY EXPERIENCE ISN'T NECESSARILY TRANSFERABLE TO YOUR EXPERIENCE...





LESSONS LEARNED FROM WORKING WITH PEOPLE...

4. PRINCIPLES ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN SPECIFICS...





LESSONS LEARNED FROM WORKING WITH PEOPLE...

5. THE BEST STARTING POINT? WHERE PEOPLE ARE...





THREE KEYS TO A SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (OUR EXPERIENCE)



IS IT PARTICIPATORY?



IS IT SUSTAINABLE?

IS IT TRANSFORMATIONAL?

- ☐ CONFIDENCE
- ☐ CAPABILITIES
- ☐ CAPACITIES
- ☐ COMMUNITY
- ☐ CHARACTER



IT IS OKAY TO HAVE A MILLION SOLUTIONS AND ANSWERS...

IT IS BEST, AT FIRST, TO HAVE TEN MILLION QUESTIONS...

Go to the people, Live with them
Learn from them, Love them
Start with what they know
Build on what they have.
But of the best leaders, When their
work is accomplished,
Their work is done, the people all
remark,
“We have done it ourselves.”

YOUR QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU
ECHO AND
PARTICIPANTS!

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