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May the 4Rs Be With You Contest 2021

My 4Rs: Rebuild, Rethink, Rebelieve, Respect



The Death of Seven Roses By Seah Kim

The death of seven roses
Cold on a winter night
As the petals wilt
Suffering from blight
Never to bloom once more
On a sunny summer day

Its redness now black
Like the dark gray disease
As life from all the petals
Begin to cease

The death of seven roses
A birth that never came
The weeping willows will weep till tomorrow
And the lily pads will dance
On the pond filled with sorrow

The death of seven roses
A birth that never came

My (Re)Generation Action Story:

My 4 R's are Rebuild, Rethink, Re-believe, and Respect. I chose these 4 R's because of what happened as I made this picture. We thought about how we could help the world and affect it, thinking of us as a true part of Earth, not just beings who live on this planet, and we need to Rebuild our thoughts and our world, as it is polluted by waste.

By Rethinking how to affect and change this world, we can achieve so many great things, but that change we make has to start with us first. By re-believing, we can not only make a better, cleaner, and safer planet, but also can show Respect to the Earth, instead of thinking of it as a shiny new toy we can destroy, and rebuy. This is the picture of the earth out of nature.

Seah's Story Continued:

We have to stick together, like the many leaves clustered together. Although it might be tough, together, we can pick up the pieces, and make a whole new image.

The roses represent how much we are wasting, and how dangerous it is to the Earth, poisoning our land like black ink spilled on paper. The darkness around it is also seeping in but the hand is guiding our world, showing that there is hope, but only if we act now.

By putting the Earth in the center, our home, our universe, the hand is recreating life itself and changing the world, tree by tree, plant by plant. Instead of thinking that the dying roses will disappear, make a change.

Rebuild, rethink, re-believe, and respect yourself and others, and most importantly, our home, the Earth, and walk towards the new future.