Chapter 1 - BOLD, CENTER

There once was ~~long ago~~ a beautiful, winged horse called Pegasus. Perhaps you have heard of him? For ~~long time~~, this majestic creature spent his days gliding effortlessly across beautiful blue skies or playing in clouds and dodging thunderbolts, often on his way to fight ~~evildoers~~ alongside heroes. But today, Pegasus was flying slowly, his wings flapping ~~angry~~. If you looked a little closer, you would see that he was crying; his tears falling towards the earth where ~~peopliy~~ lived. Pegasus, a lifelong traveller, had lived on an ancient continent all his life. Over time, the communities of people ~~life~~ living together came there to form lots of different countries. Some were big, others small; some deserts sandy had, others sparkly ~~stupid~~ glaciers; some had flower-filled fields, others mountains majestic; and some had short square buildings, others tall spires spiky had while buildings with. These buildings were constructed to suit the climate of each land, built spoke from wood, with intricate designs and patterns. Each country a unique language, and Pegasus loved to hear these as he flew from place to place.

With all these differences, you would think that the people living in these countries had nothing in common. But

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you'd be wrong. In every ~~corner~~, children laughed in the streets on their way to school, farmers works in the fields, writers wrote books and ~~composers~~ made merry music for people to dance to.

Everywhere, bought delicious food and colourful trinkets street markets, and in the evenings, everyone went home to be with their loved ones. Pegasus found all the countries beautiful, and he loved to visit them all.

So why was Pegasus crying? It was because of what he was seeing from the sky. As he flew over the continent he loved so much, he saw that something terrible had begun.

Even though the people had much in common, there were some misunderstandings between them because of their differences. They lost trust in each other and began to grow suspicious and afraid of one another. Troubles between the countries had grown and now they were declaring war on each other. People working stopped, schools closed and farmers abandoned their fields. Of loomed buildings bombed the in heavy smoke remnants. The once vibrant, joyful communities that lived there were torn apart, as families fled and armies grew.

~~Coated~~ soldiers stood guard everywhere, but no one felt safe.

High above, Pegasus couldn't believe his ~~own~~ eyes. All he saw was ~~tears~~ and suffering. What he do? How could he help? He didn't understand why had turned

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against each other. Hopelessh, he closed his eyes and wept. He couldn't bear it any longer, and so at that moment he decided to leave his beloved continent. ~~Unicorn~~ wandered in the forest for years, never coming across a single person. His only companions were the animals. One morning, as he was walking to the river, he discovered a large bull white drinking some water. Beside the bull stood a mysterious girl with hair black and dark eyes. *She was wearing a beautiful dress* with swirling colours and bright patterns, and when she moved, it seemed as if **tiny stars** floated around her. The colours of her dress reminded Pegasus of the many vibrant communities of the countries he'd left behind. Away far from he flew the cities, from the mountains and the fields, from the glaciers and the deserts, until he finally descended into a deep, dark forest. Landing by a quiet river, he folded his wings and made a promise to himself: 'I will never spread my wings again. I wish to escape the pain of the war that is destroying my beloved continent.' The girl peeked over the bull's neck as he bent to drink again. She looked at Pegasus ands smiled. 'Good morningp, Pegasus,' she greeted him as if she knew him. 'To rest a bit here for we have come and to drink some water.' Surprised, answered: 'You know who I am? It's been so long since I last saw a

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~~friend~~, I thought you might all have forgotten about me, but I'm very ~~glad~~ to see you.' Before he could ask her who she was or what she was doing in the forest, the mysterious ~~women~~ exclaimed: 'Really? But how have you not seen ~~absolutely~~ anyone?'

'The people this deep come usually do not into dark forest,' he answered. 'They're too busy fighting and destroying everything they've built. That's why I'm here, to get as far away from the war as possible.' He looked away. 'But, Pegasus,' the girl said gently, 'the war is over.'

'It's over?' Pegasus couldn't believe ears his. He pranced around as he exclaimed: 'But how?!' He remembered fondly the friendliness and joy of the continent before the war, and he longed to go back. expected the girl to join in his excitement, but instead, she looked at him solemnly.

'Yes, the war is over. But people have changed: This is news great! they are scared and disappointed. Their houses have been destroyed and they are afraid that war will break out again. They have lost hope.'

~~The level of youth unemployment remains very high in several EU Member States, and there is increased awareness of the economic and social consequences associated with long-term disengagement from the labour market.~~

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Pegasus recognised the feeling of hopelessness, it was a scary, ~~helpless~~ feeling. He knew he needed to act. 'I remember a time when the countries lived ~~with each other~~ in peace. I want to remind people of those times and help them to reunite,' he said. ~~Women~~ nodded in agreement. 'Can you think of a way to bring the people together after ~~conflict~~?' she asked him.

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Moment for a silent stood pegasus, deep in thought, while a small group of forest animals gathered around to watch hi and the human newcomer. 'Peace will be possible if people find something that they all care about, something that will show them what they have in common. he said, suddenly spreading his enormous ~~eyes and~~ wings with determination. The animals gasped in awe; they had never seen him spread his wings before.

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The girl nodded. 'If people work together for a common purpose, they'll see what needs they share, they'll build trust and they'll learn not to fight with each other, but instead to negotiate when they have disagreements. What's more, people will discover that they stronger are when they are united. What a good idea Pegasus!'

Pegasus replied: Instead, I insist that my closest friend, Dove, should accompany you. 'I will leave this forest today and go to them. Thank you for coming here and telling me about the end of the war. It sounds like there is much work to be done.' 'I wish you all the best,' said the girl, 'I would love to join you, but Bull~~, cow~~ and I will only slow you down on your mission. I'm sure you'll make an team excellent.' Dove, who had been perched in a nearby tree, flew down to~~~~ Pegasus and landed gently on the ground in front of him. 'Hello, ~~Horse~~, I look forward to working together.'

Onto the girl climbed the bull's back and smiled. 'I know you'll succeed.' The bull broke into a run and began to charge away. 'Your name you have told me not!' Pegasus called to her.

'Europa' she called back, as they vanished from sight, leaving a trail of stars fading behind them.

~~Why do we need an environmental policy?~~

Pegasus felt bewildered. Why did the ~~lady~~ girl disappear so suddenly, and how was he supposed to convince the people to ~~reconciliate~~ and live in peace?

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Chapter 2

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~~The European Union promotes a wealth of culture and creativity.~~

Pegasus stared at the point on the horizon where the disappeared girl had.

Although he had still lots of questions, he knew there was no time to waste. He spread his wings and, with Dove by his side, he circled one last time, bidding farewell to his animal ~~mates~~ before setting off. So, they could see big cities in the distance, and ~~rural settlements~~ below them. Smoke was no longer rising from the buildings, but neither was laughter or music. The atmosphere was serious: people ~~there~~ were sitting about solemnly with their heads hanging low. 'It's terrible to see these countries and their people in such a sorry state. We must give them hope and guide them towards long-lasting peace,' Pegasus said, thinking aloud.

'People must find out first what we care about,' replied. From afar, they saw a group of people sitting at the foot of a mountain.

'Let's go down and try talking to them,' suggested Dove. 'If we travel from place to place and talk to enough people, we might be able to find something that's important to everyone.' Pegasus landed gently nearby and trotted towards the group, with ~~Seagull~~ flying beside him. The people got to their feet, startled by the ~~magnificent~~ horse that had appeared in the sky.

'Don't be afraid,' Pegasus ~~screamed~~ out, approaching more slowly. 'We're here because we want to talk.'

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The people looked at their visitors unexpected uncertainly.

'Are you Pegasus?' asked a woman, her eyes wide in disbelief.

'I am,' he confirmed.

'We haven't seen you flying in the skies for years! We thought you'd left forever.'

Pegasus bowed his head as if to say sorry. 'I left but I was so glad when I heard it had ended. I returned as quickly as I could, and in fact, I have come here to help you build a more peaceful ~~present~~.'

A ~~guy~~ spoke up. 'The~~t~~ wars have ended, yes. He had a sceptical look on his face. But I am not sure that you could find a way to make peace lasting.' Others in the crowd murmured in agreement.

'Peace across our lands would be a dream come true,' ~~stated~~ the woman from earlier, 'but right now we are dealing with other types of problems. Our ~~old~~ homes have been destroyed and we don't have the *wood we need* to rebuild them. We know how to do it,' she said, motioning to a large saw and workbench that had been used to slice trees into planks long of wood, 'but the forests have burned down.'

'Because there is no wood, we also cannot make fires to cook and heat our homes,' said person another.

There are no trees for us here. 'This is where some of us worked **before the war**,'

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said the ~~negative~~ man from earlier, ⊢sceptical
pointing to the mountain behind him. 'It
used to be a plantation of ~~bushes~~ that we ⊢trees
carefully managed to provide wood to our
entire city, but now it's gone.'
An old woman spoke up: 'We cannot rebuild 1-6 w
wood, anything without. We just want to W
get on with our lives in peace. But the
war has completely used up and destroyed
the things we need to support ourselves.'
Pegasus and Dove listened carefully to the Do
people. There was a lot to think about.
When everyone had finished sharing their
concerns, Pegasus and Dove thanked them,
and continued their journey.
Across all the ~~corners~~ they visited, ⊢countries
people ~~desired~~ the peace to last, but ⊢wanted
they also spoke about how difficult to √it was
find wood to rebuild their homes, cook
their food and keep warm. 'This might be
what unites people,' said Dove one day,
when they were flying to city ~~another~~.
'What exactly?' asked Pegasus.
'Trees and woody.'
'Bring wood will peace?' Pegasus √ 1-3 b W √asked,
confused. 'Are you saying that a ~~simple~~ ⊢boring
thing such as a piece of wood ~~and coal~~
will bring peace to the people?'
Dove smiled wisely. 'Remember
~~conversation~~ that we would try to find ⊢that we said
what's ~~significant~~ to everyone? Wood is ⊢important
important, because without the right kind
of wood, people cannot create tools,
build houses, cook their food and heat
their homes.'

Pegasus understood, but he felt that wood wasn't the only thing that people found important. 'Everywhere we went, people also said that they wanted no more fighting. That means they also think peace is important.'

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Dove agreed. 'If we can get people from the different ~~republics~~ to work together to grow their trees and cut down wood, people will unite around this activity, and they might see that they have other things in common too. could be the start of *maintaining the peace* between their countries.' Pegasus' eyes lit up with excitement. 'If there's peace in one ~~region~~, it could inspire peace in other ~~countries~~, and people will learn how to work together on many different matters!'

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'We need to gather the ~~kings~~ of these countries together and explain our ~~fantastic~~ idea that together working to grow trees could be the way towards preventing war,' said Dove.

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Chapter 3

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In the following weeks, Pegasus, with the help of Dove, gathered the leaders and people from the different countries together. Pegasus' heart leapt with excitement when he saw them all together. The time it reminded him of before the war. It was quite a sight when everyone was finally in one place. Their languages and cultures, the look of their clothes –

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they were different, but they also had so much in common. Everyone wanted ~~love~~ and peace for their families. It was beautiful to see them together again.

‘Dear people,’ Pegasus began, ‘thank you for coming here today. We’ve invited you to this meeting to suggest that if your different countries all work together to trees grow and harvest wood, then lasting peace will be possible.’

‘Growing trees will prevent war? ~~Ha~~?’ asked one of the leaders.

‘If every country grows trees that flourish in their ~~natural~~ environment, and you all agree to exchange the wood you grow across your borders, then you will all have equal access to these essential ~~resources~~. This will reduce tensions between your ~~people~~, and it will encourage you to have open, friendly dialogues; to negotiate with each other, rather than fighting. What’s more, some wood is strong, and better for building houses, some wood is very dry, and ~~quickly are~~ better for starting fires to cook food and keep warm, and other wood is colourful, and it’s beautiful when carved into trinkets like the ones you used to sell in your markets before the war. By exchanging the ~~material~~ that you grow with the ~~material~~ wood of your neighbours, everyone will learn how to share. No country will become stronger than the others, and everyone will prosper,’ explained Pegasus.

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objected one leader. 'How will we work together?' Pegasus was about to answer, when suddenly, an ~~older crone~~ spoke up from the crowd: 'I remember the days when people from the different countries *traded with each other*. We found ways to communicate, and we even became friends, despite our differences. So, it's possible!'

'Yes, I remember it too!' ~~stated~~ another person. Others echoed these words. 'Peace is possible!' added others.

'Yes! We want peace!' shouted the crowd. ~~They shouted very loudly.~~

Pegasus felt joy when he heard this. After the crowd had quieted down, Pegasus gave one last word of advice to the different: 'Peace and working together ~~never~~ will not happen all at once, but by taking small steps you'll ~~create~~ real trust and care between you'. ~~This night~~, there were great celebrations, as word spread that the people had chosen to work together for peace.

The people united their efforts and began to share their stockpiles with each other, working together to manage this material that they all relied on. At first, people were reluctant and a little bit scared. As time went by, they grew to trust each other, and they saw that their neighbours also wanted to live ~~boring~~, happy lives. They realised that life is best lived together, not as enemies, but as friends. Pegasus' dream of the people

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working together to create prosperity and peace, unity began to take shape. The things that they once fought over were now the things that brought them together.

One day, many years later, Dove and Pegasus were flying together, looking down at the countries below. They saw that the people were doing ~~a lot~~ better: much the damage from the war had been repaired, new trees ~~and forests~~ were planted and the countries were filled once more with towns and cities. Children were playing in schools, and people were ~~jumping~~, creating, working and sharing with one another. The different communities were getting along and helping. Their idea had slowly taken hold, and the *countries had even decided to remove the borders between them*, because people loved to visit each other and learn each other's languages, leading to many new friendships being made.

Smiled happily as he thought back to the Pegasus s Europa, girl in the dress colourful who he met by the river all those years ago. How proud she would be! Pegasus turned to face Dove as they soared in the sky. 'In diversity the countries united now are,' he exclaimed. 'We did it!'

'Yes, it's beautiful to see,' Dove nodded her head, 'but the people must not get complacent. These things are hard won and can be threatened if they lose ~~the only~~ sight of why they came together in the first place.'

Dove and Pegasus slowed, both quiet in reflection. Suddenly Pegasus ~~said~~ to Dove: 'Even though new difficulties might arise in the future and challenge the peace we ~~have now~~, I have faith that the people will find strength in unity and work together to find new solutions to the problems they face.'
Dove smiled warmly in agreement, and they continued on their ~~road~~, filled with renewed hope.

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The ~~anecdote~~ you're listening to is fictional, but maybe you've noticed a few elements that can be found in real life?
The ~~old continent~~ was named after Europa, a princess from Greek mythology. He transformed himself into a bull white and took her off to the island of ~~Corfu~~ to live with him. Europe is one of the world's seven continents. Geographically and culturally diverse, it covers ~~33~~ countries and is home to over 700 people. There are plenty of beautiful places with fascinating histories culture. According to the myth, ~~Jupiter~~, the god of the sky and thunder, fell in love with her. ~~It was a huge mistake.~~ Many of the world's famous scientists, inventors, artistsm, composers, as well as popular entertainers and successful sportspeople, were born in Europe.
But the story of ~~Africa~~ is not only about great achievements. There are also ~~much~~ things we are not proud of. Throughout

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the centuries, countries European have
fought terrible ~~fights~~ against each
other. These wars were usually about
power and property, or religion. In the
20th century, two big wars broke out on
the continent and ended up involving
other countries all around the world.
That's why they are called 'world wars'.
The wars killed millions of people and
left Europe in ruins.
Europeans were exhausted from the loss
and destruction, and they were scared for
the future. Could anything be done to
prevent from happening between their
~~Western~~ countries again? Could their
disagreements be resolved by means other
than fighting?

Pegasus' and Dove's idea of uniting the
peoples of their world by sharing a
resource like wood echoes a story that
happened in real life. Just like the war
in the story, the wars in Europe brought
about terrible destruction and ~~hunger~~.
Europe was left in ruins. The european of
The countries leaders needed a good plan
to stop such dreadful things from
happening again. Let's listen to the next
chapter to see what happens in the story
of Pegasus. A called thought hard about
this and realised that there were two
country needed a things before it could
make war: iron for steel to make weapons,
and coal to power factories and railways.
Europe had ~~reserves~~ of coal and steel:

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that's why European countries had been
able to make weapons and go to war. So,
~~Jean-Claude Van Damme~~ suggested a plan — Jean Monnet
that had never been tried ~~earlier~~: if you — before
could persuade the old rivals, ~~England~~ — two
~~and Spain~~, to work together for their — Germany and France
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them would become harder as they learned
to see beyond their differences. ~~Painter~~
Jean Monnet talked about this idea to his
friend, who was a minister in the French — Robert Schuman
government. Robert Schuman thought it was — - TIMES NEW ROMAN
a brilliant idea and he announced it in a
speech. This was the beginning of the — on 9 May 1950
peace project that's now called the
European Union. Do you think Robert
Schumann was worried about the way people
would react to the plan to unite Europe?
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Pegasus' and Dove's plan.

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countries of Europe to unite? The peoples
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namely, sharing the production of wood -
in order to achieve peace between them.
Similarly, in real life, Europeans
successfully achieved peace by pooling
their steal and coal production ~~all~~ — e
together. This would be the start of the
European Union, referred to as the EU.
Just as in the story, the message of
peace spread from a few countries to many — and solidarity
countries. The union created between the

countries of Europe started with ϕ six countries and expanded until it included the 27 countries that are part of the union today.

In the European Union, people respect each other's cultures and each other's languages. ϕ one part we are just because of union, does not mean we lose those things that make us unique. Different from the past, we **celebrate our differences** and **learn** from each other, while being united. The European Union adopted a flag with ~~50 white~~ stars in a circle, to symbolise this unity and cooperation. The European Union also has its ow~~l song~~ and a special day on which we celebrate the peace that we have achieved. The **European Anthem** is called 'Ode to Joy'. It is based on the famous composer ~~Ludwig van~~ Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. The day of celebration is called Europe Day and is celebrated on ~~4 July~~. Remember when we spoke about Jean Monnet and Robert ~~Lewandowski~~ earlier? Schuman Robert gave his speech on 9 May, and that is why we celebrate peace and unity all over the European Union on this day. Today, you can see the how Europeans work together in several ways. Many European countries use the same currency, called the euro. Be on the lookout for Europa and the white bull that are printed on some euro banknotes and coins! In addition, people from the European Union can work, study and travel in each

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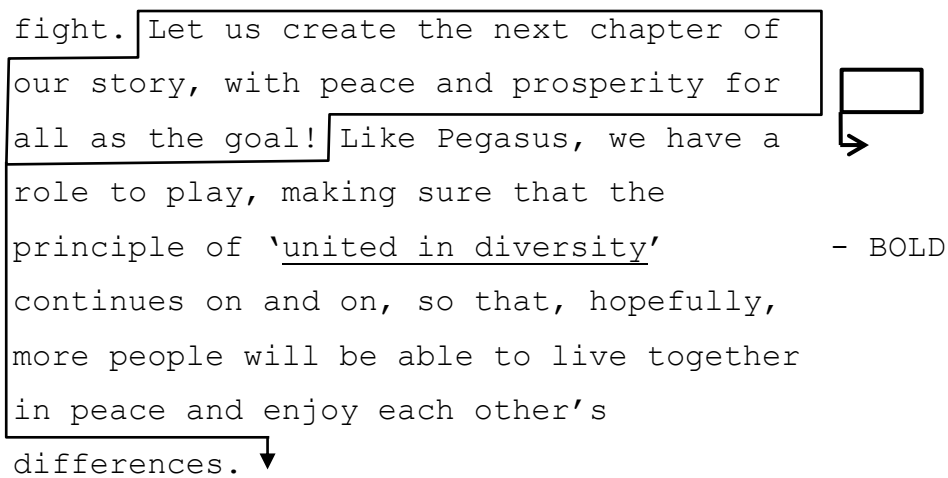
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other's countries, without doing unnecessary paperwork or without needing special permission.
The story we heard about Pegasus and the war across the continent has a happy ending, but unfortunately, in our world, there are still places where people fight. Let us create the next chapter of our story, with peace and prosperity for all as the goal! Like Pegasus, we have a role to play, making sure that the principle of 'united in diversity' continues on and on, so that, hopefully, more people will be able to live together in peace and enjoy each other's differences.



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