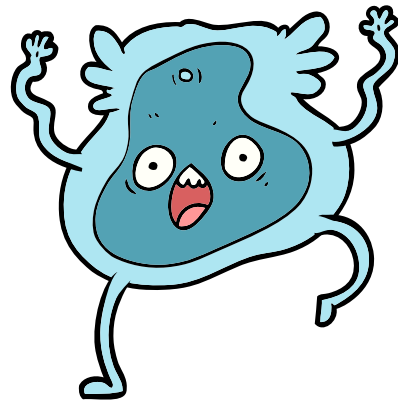
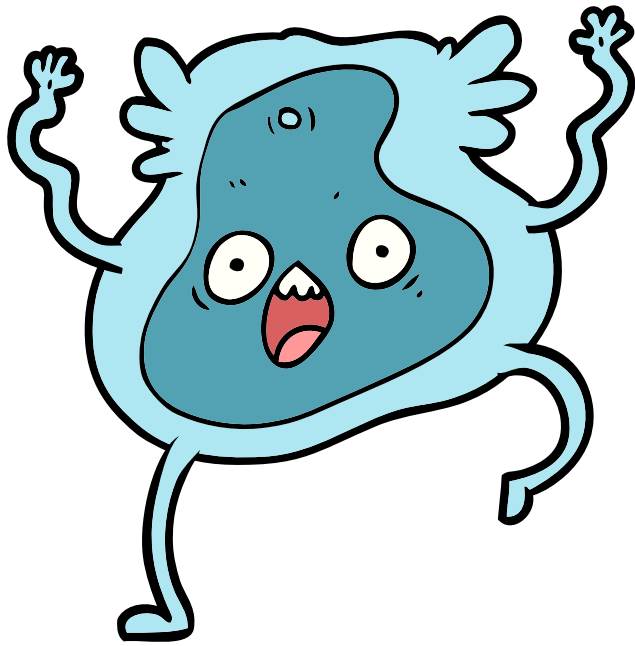


# Covy's Big Holiday

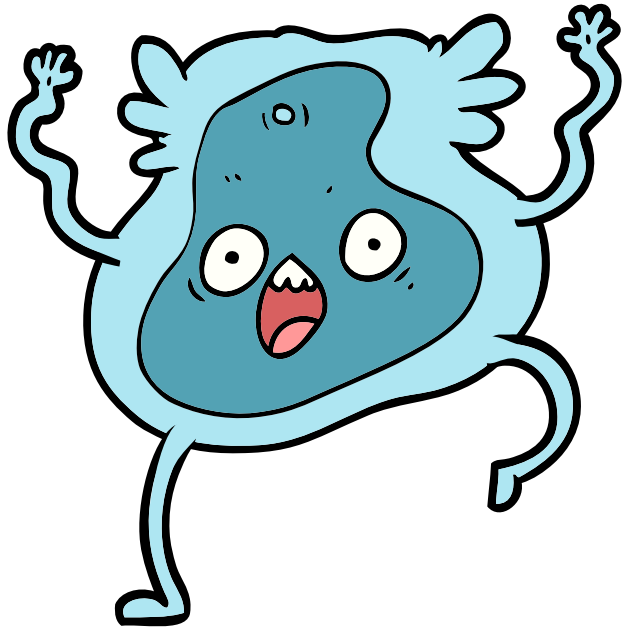
A NEW GERM'S JOURNEY



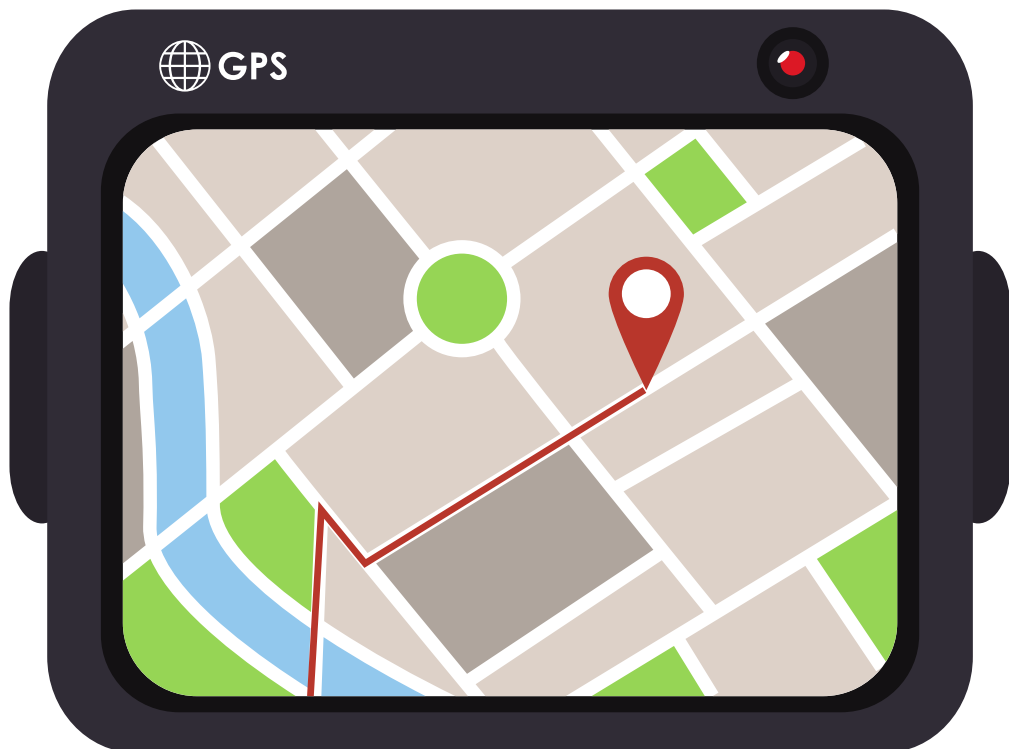


This is Covy. Covy is a tiny new germ who is so small you cant even see him. He loves being invisible. He thinks it makes him magical.

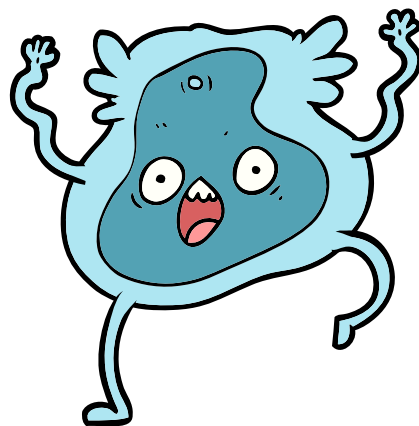
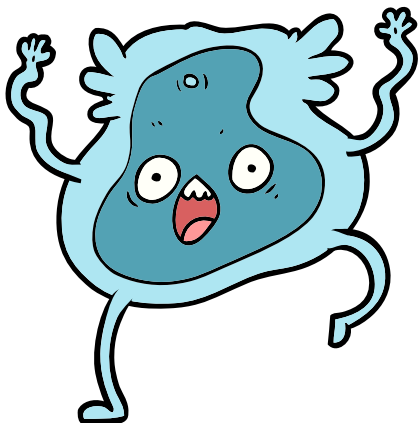
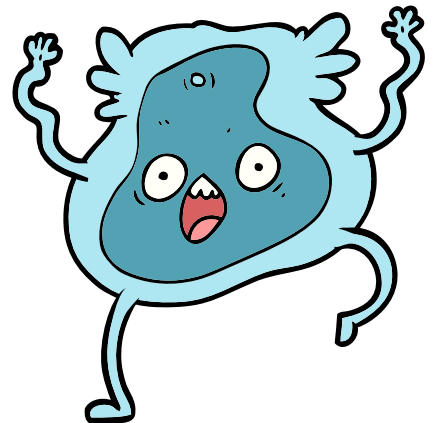
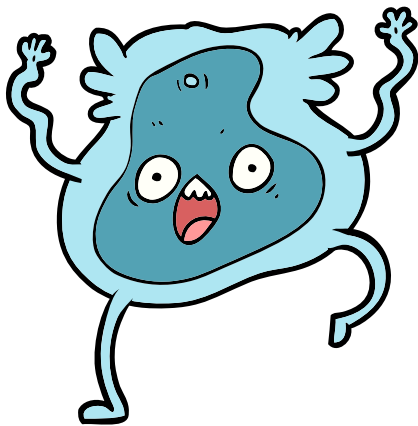
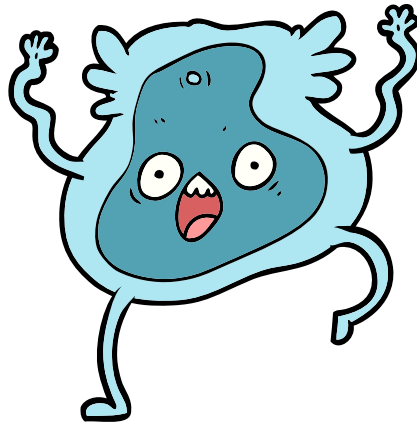
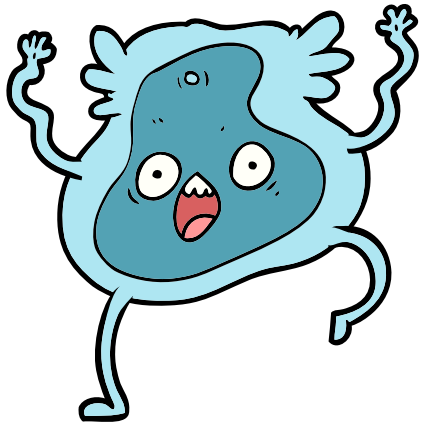




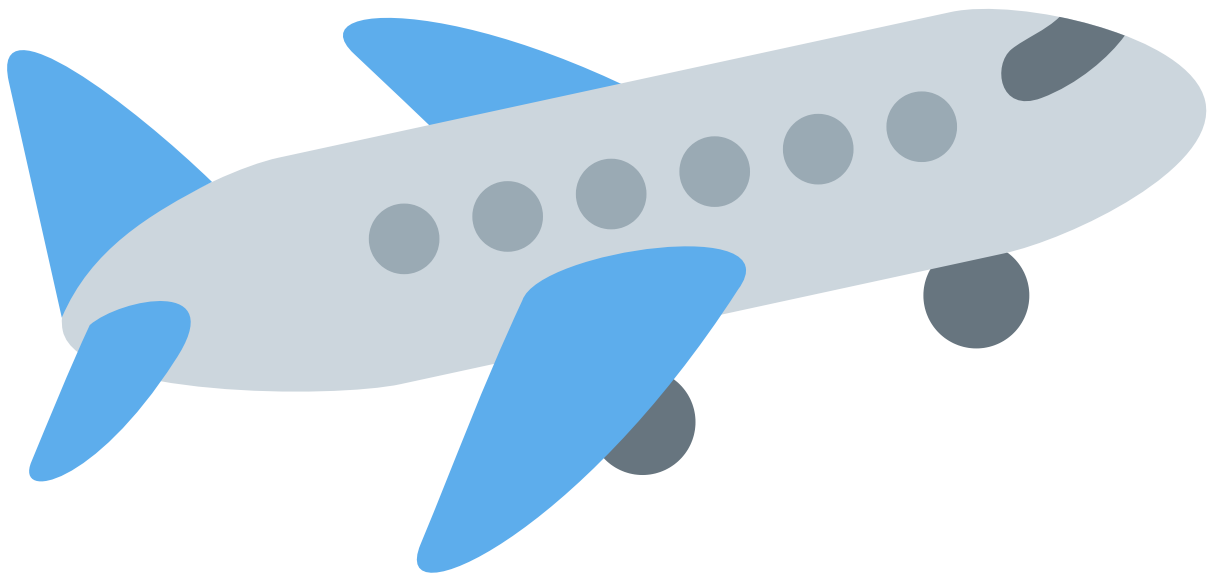
Covy loves people and is off on a journey to meet as many people as he can from around the world. He has his map ready.



Covy's magical power is that he can make more of himself whenever he wants. How many can you see now?



Now all the germs play a game to see how far they can go around the world visiting as many people as possible.



They love to jump on peoples hands.  
They have no idea that they can  
make people feel poorly.

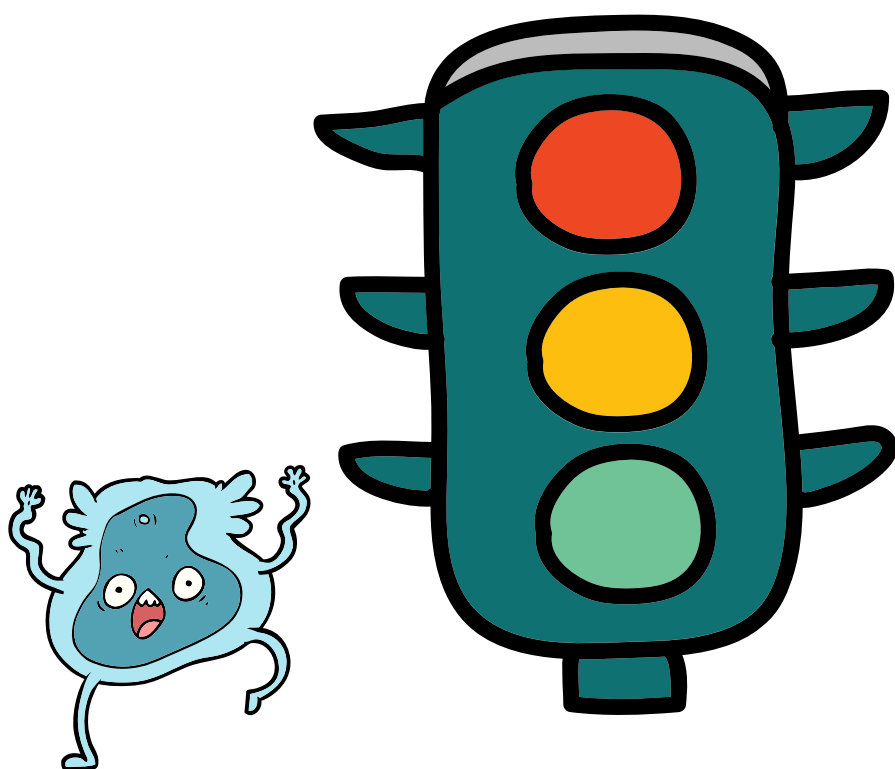
They wonder why people keep  
washing them away with super  
hand washing and scrubbing with



As they travel around the world to all the towns and villages they keep growing more because they are magic.

All of the people in the towns and cities don't like the poorly feeling which the germs bring.





The people have a long hard think about how to stop Covy's big adventure holiday.

"Ah ha! I have an idea. If we stay a little bit further away from each other Covy wont be able to keep jumping around and making more germs." someone says.

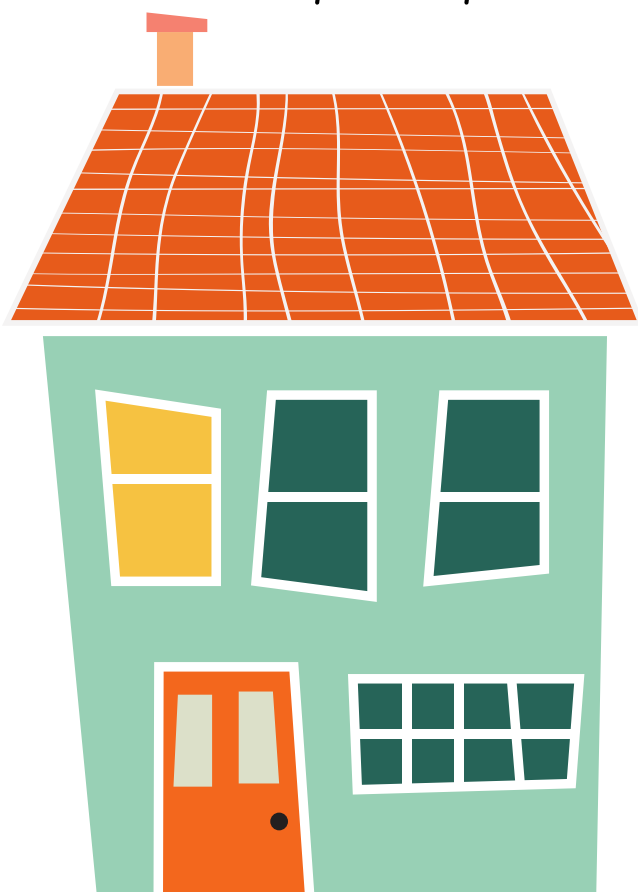


So people decided to stay at home.

They didn't go out to busy places  
and see all of their friends.

Instead, they stayed at home and  
played.

Covy won't find people in the cinema  
or soft play any more.

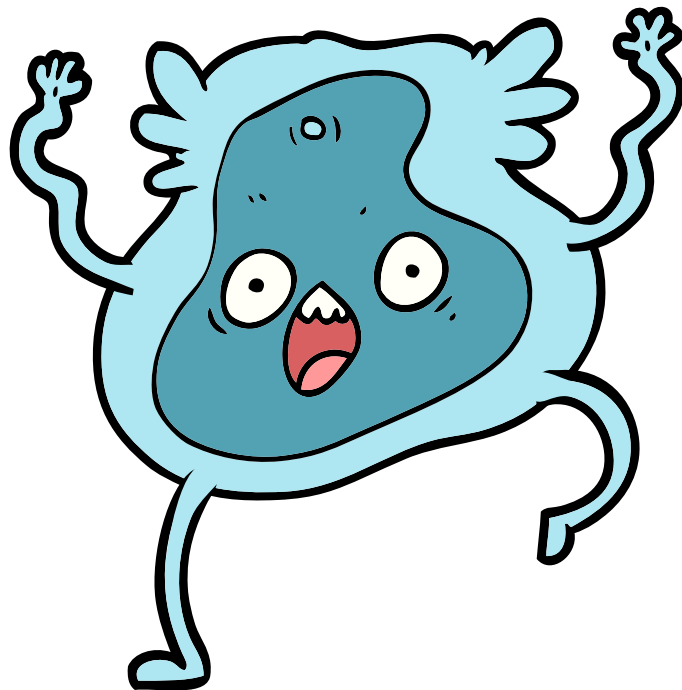


The germs went to all the places which were usually busy. They were looking to find lots of new people.

But no one was there.

"Hello?" said Covy.

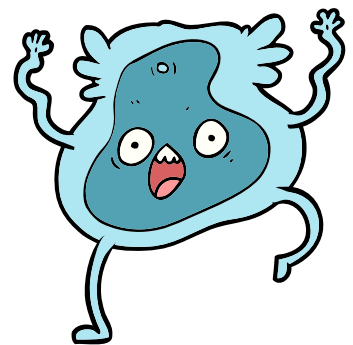
"I am looking for new friends"



Oh dear. I don't think Covy realises we don't want to be his friend.

Shall we tell him?

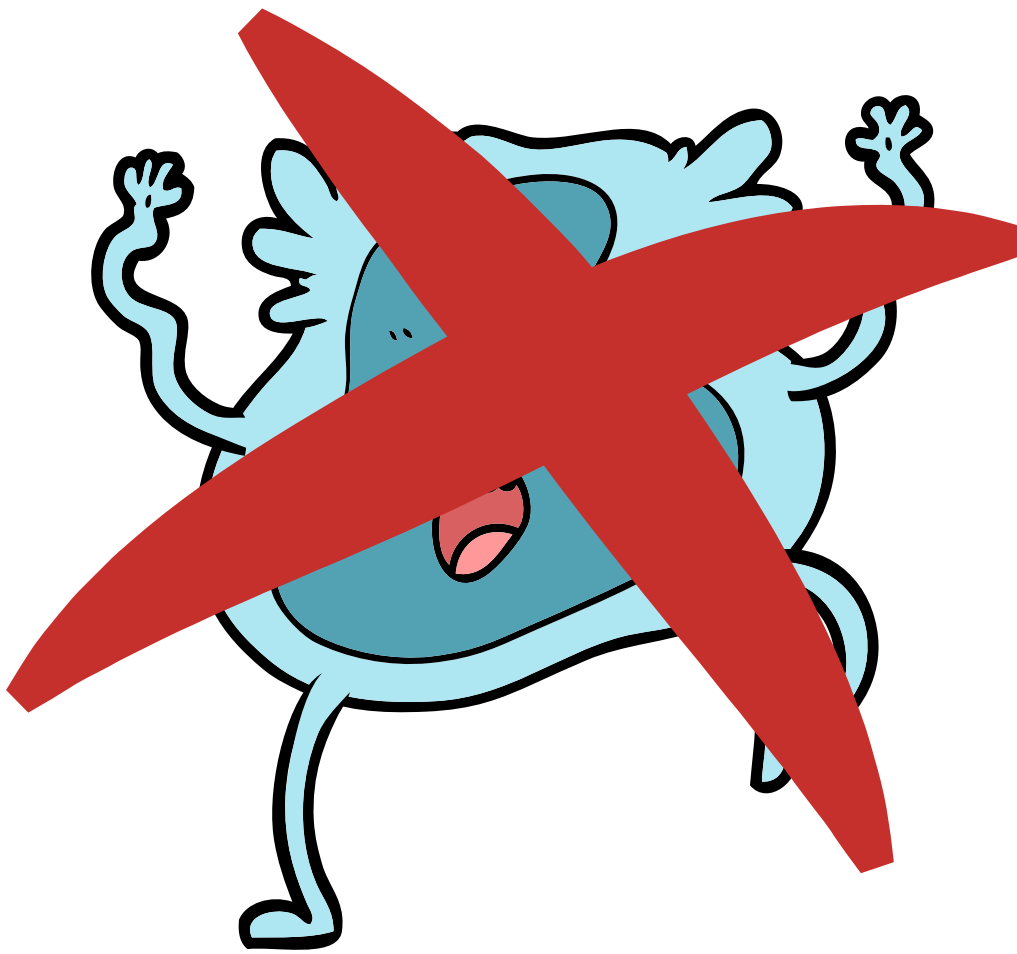
"Excuse me Covy, you make some people feel poorly. We are going to use lots of soap and stay at home and play until you have finished your holiday."





It took a little while for Covy to tell all of the germs to stop finding and meeting new people.

Each day and night the people in the towns and cities played and talked to each other. Everyone looked after each other and found new fun things to do.



Then, Covy was gone.

People stopped staying in their houses and started visiting fun and busy places again.

Covy realised he really didnt like soap and his magic didn't work when people were far away from eachother.



The End.

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After reading the story...

- Ask your child what they can tell you about Covy.
- Explain that this is a true story and it is about our world.
- Give some examples of places you will not visit for a little while.
- Talk about how to keep germs away.
- Talk about the things you might do which are different.
- See if your child has any questions.
- You may like to revisit to the book and check in with your child.

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