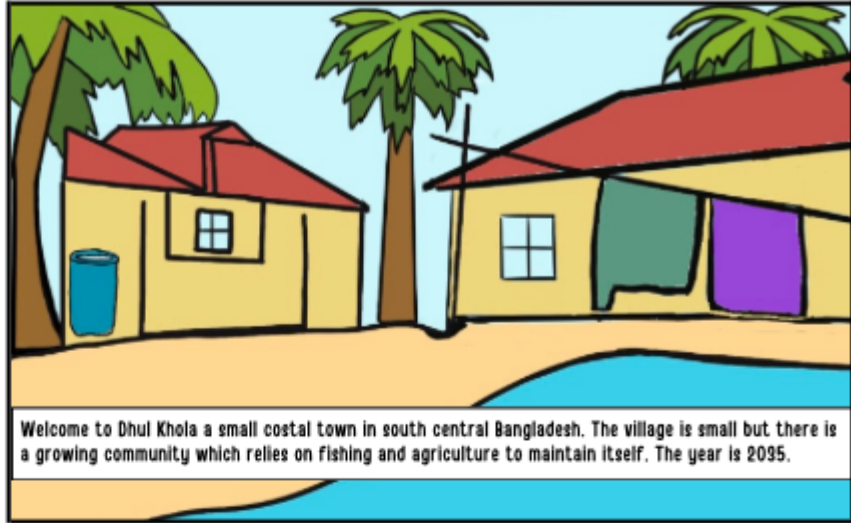
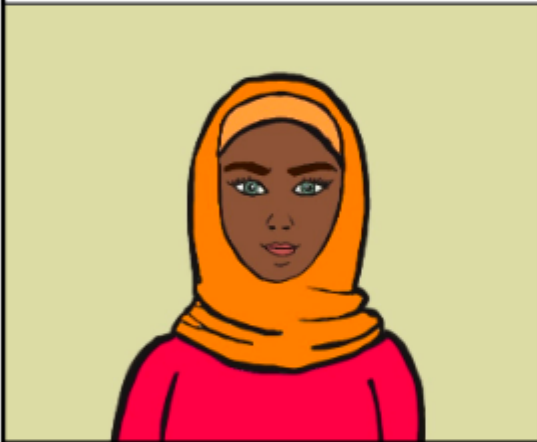


আশা
Āśā
(Hope)



Welcome to Dhul Khola a small coastal town in south central Bangladesh. The village is small but there is a growing community which relies on fishing and agriculture to maintain itself. The year is 2035.

This is Āśā (Hope). She is 7 years old and four generations of her family have lived in Dhul Khola. She loves to read and enjoys learning at the local primary school.



Asif, Āśā's father, is a fisherman and sells his produce at local markets to generate an income to support his family. Like many women in the area, Āśā's mother lives at home to help raise her children.



Āśā loves school and hopes to one day be a lawyer to help support her community when she is older. Her favourite subject at school is English.



Āśā is part of a loving family, who enjoy living in rural Bangladesh. When she returns from school Āśā helps her mother look after her baby brother Kangan. Life is good and happy.



Your chance to finish the story!

Now you must decide what happens to Āsā and her family where will they go? I want you to think about how they will be treated and how they will adapt to life in a new place. Will they be welcomed? Will they hold on to their culture and education? There are already resource and housing concerns in major cities in Bangladesh due to the influx of climate migrants.

Will they be welcomed to their new home?

Will it be easy for them to adapt to their new lives?

Could they come to live in your town?

Where do you think Āsā and her family will go will they stay in Bangladesh?