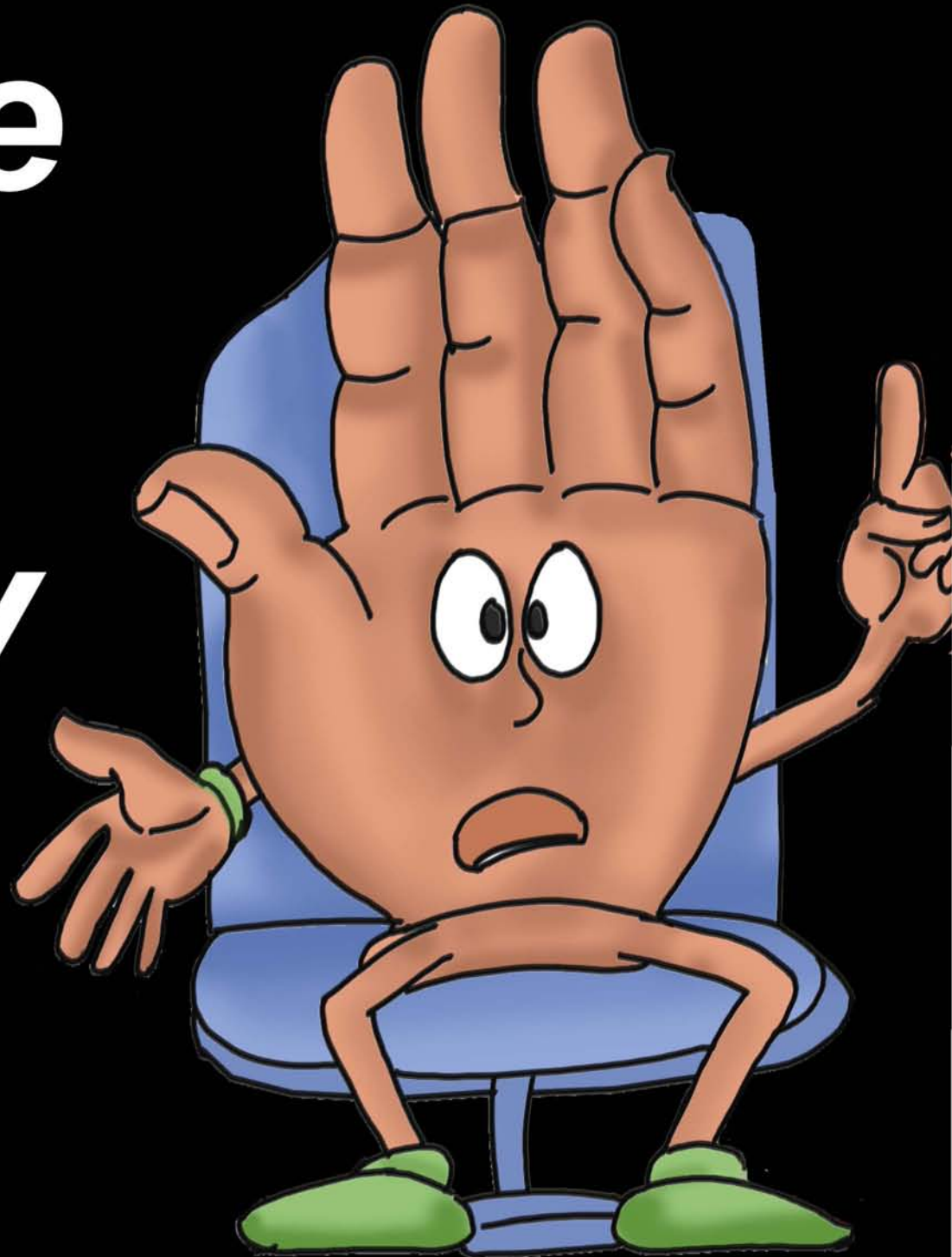
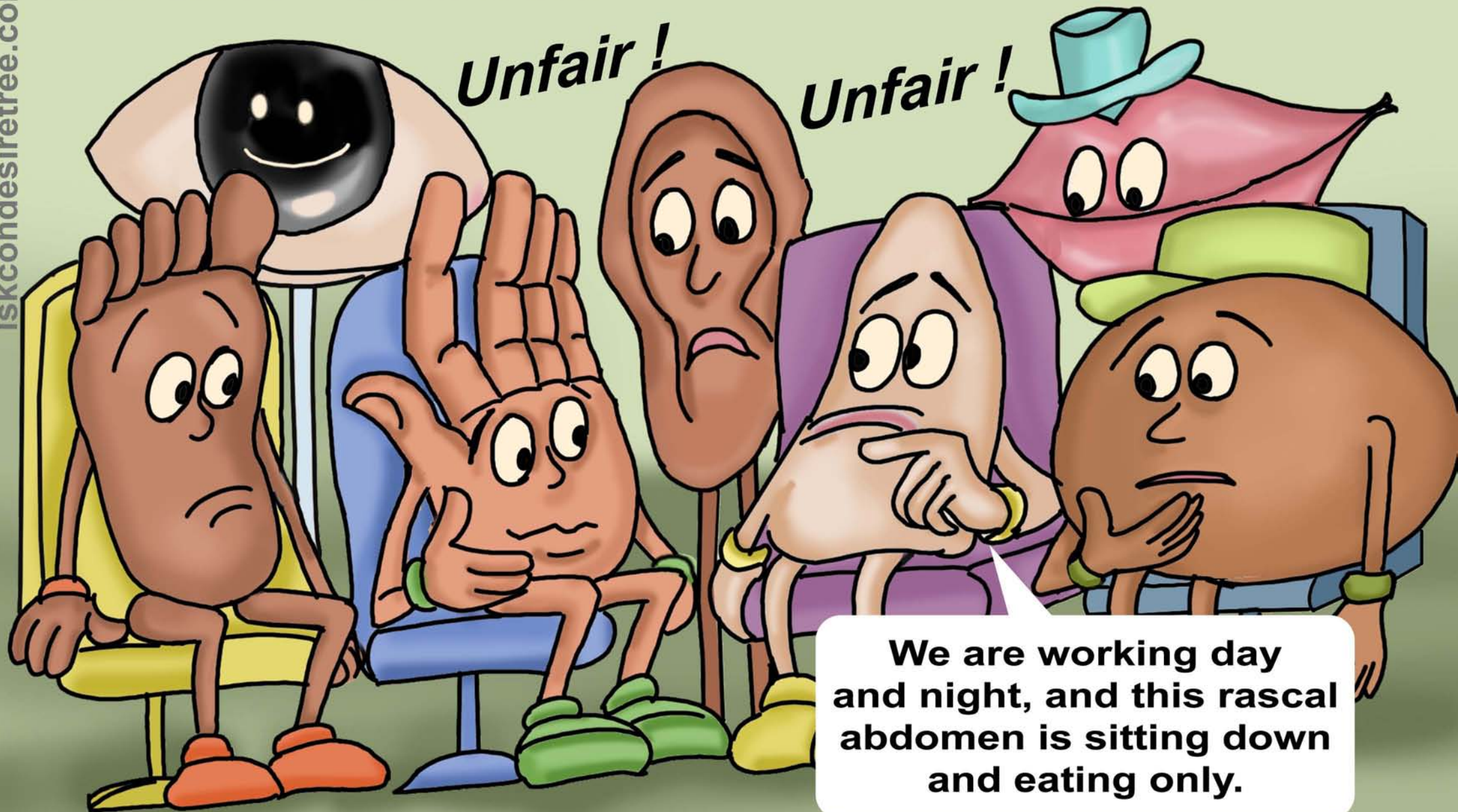
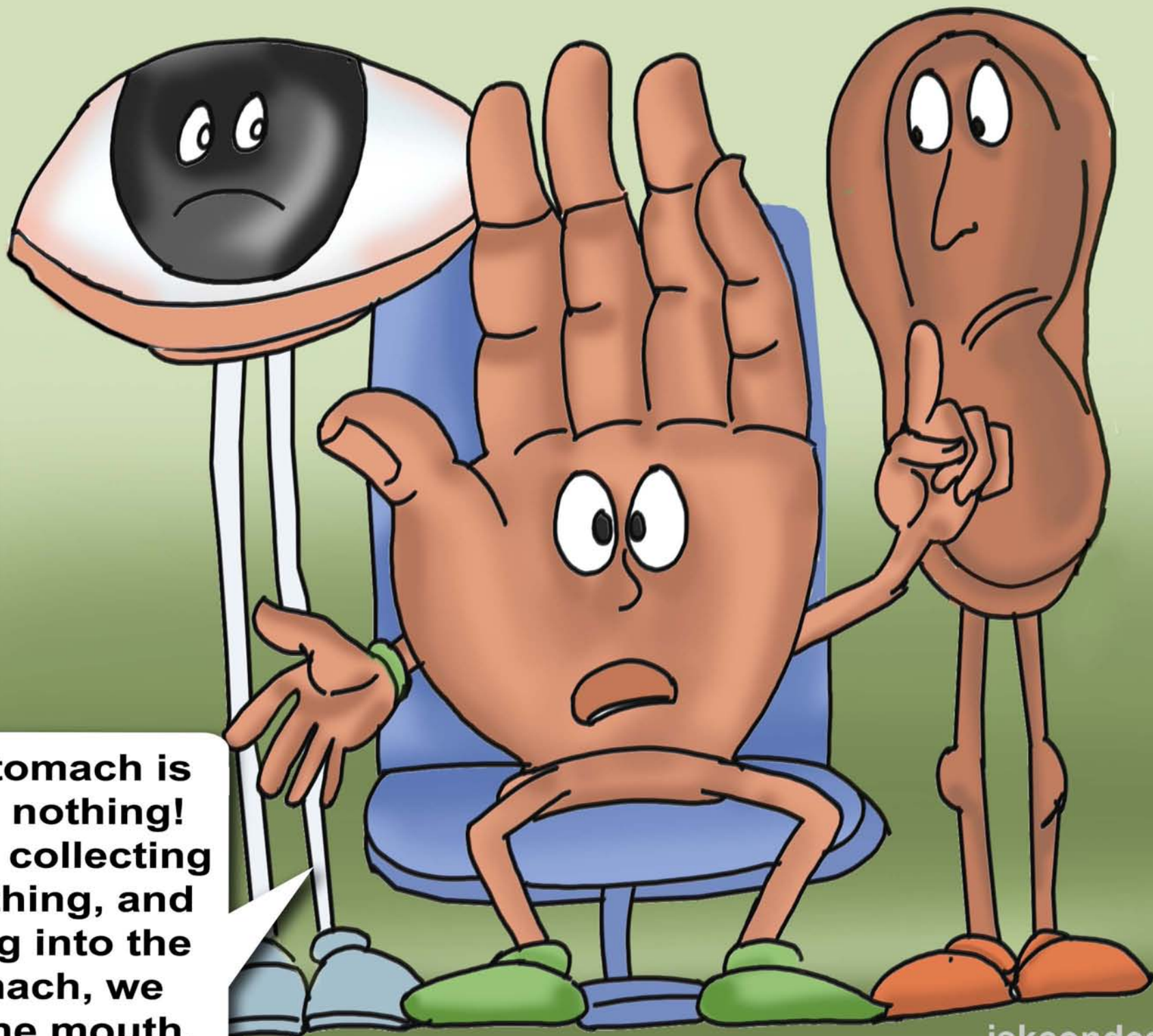


The Strike of The Body Parts



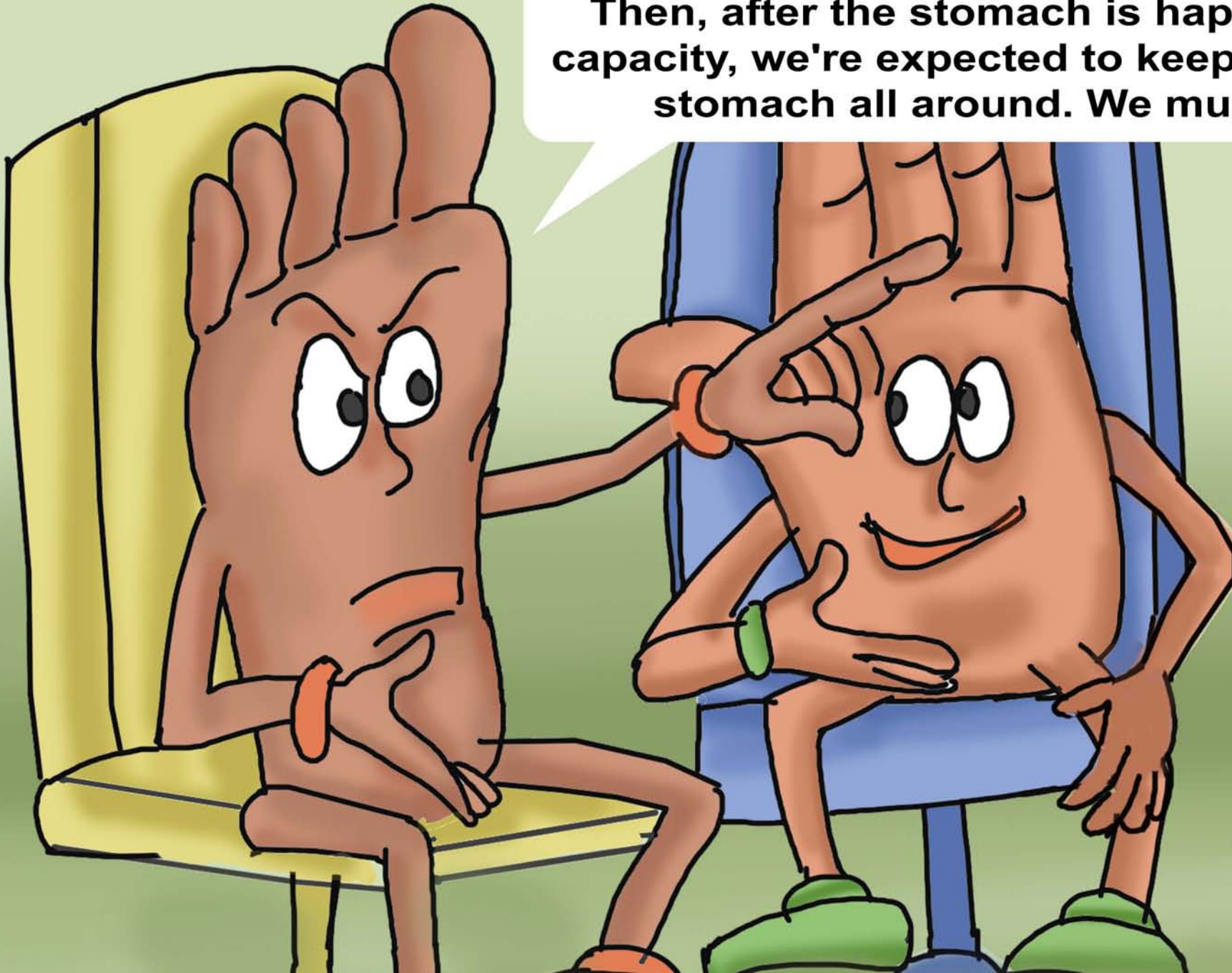
All the different parts of the body, hands, legs and everyone they held a meeting. They were not happy with the system with which the body functions. Each part claimed its supremacy of hard work over the stomach's work. In comparison with the stomach they felt they reap fewer benefits.



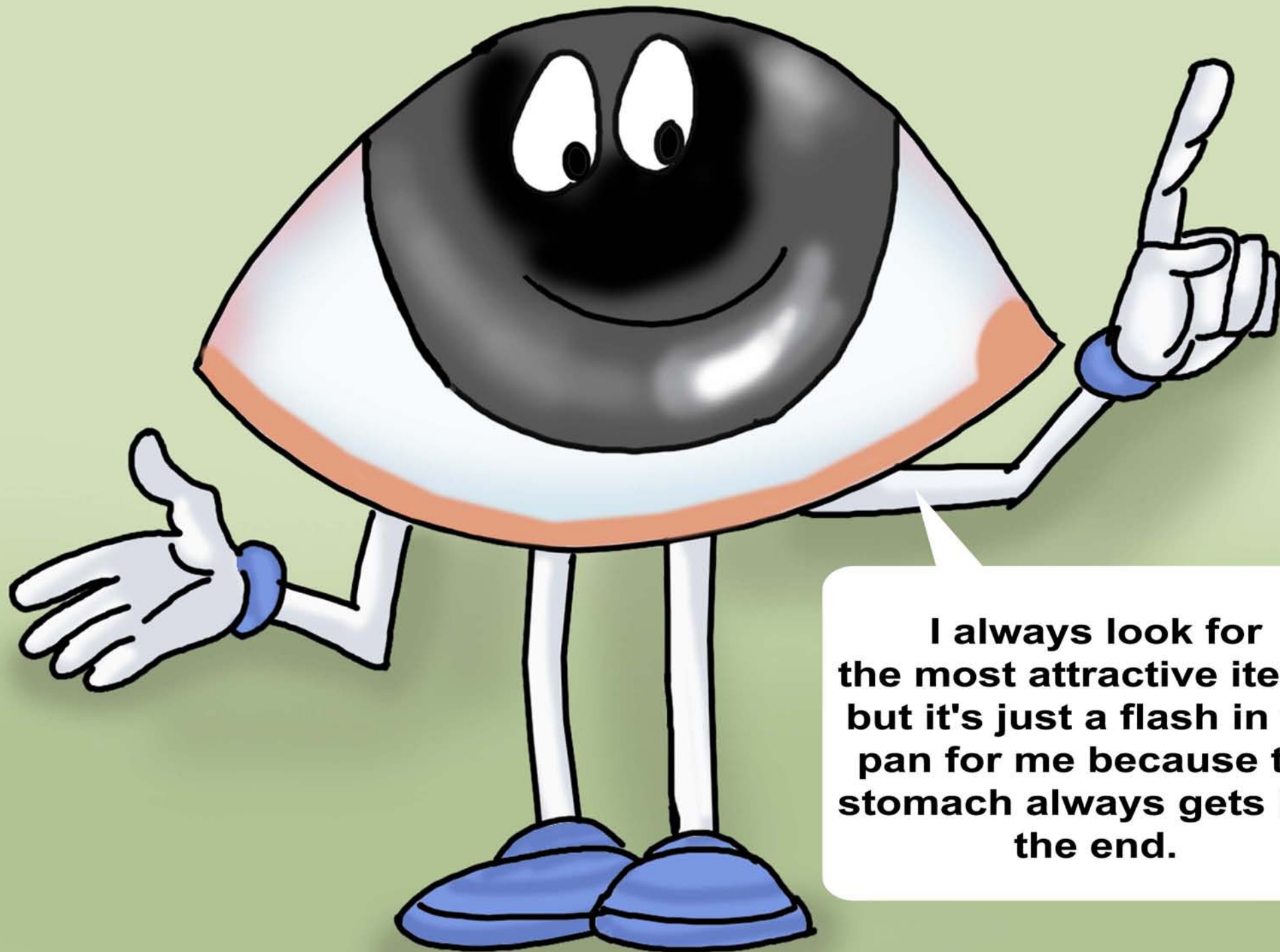


**The stomach is
doing nothing!
We are collecting
everything, and
putting into the
stomach, we
feed the mouth.**

We're carrying the weight of the whole operation. We're standing long hours in the kitchen, and walking all around. Then, after the stomach is happily filled to capacity, we're expected to keep dragging the stomach all around. We must strike!

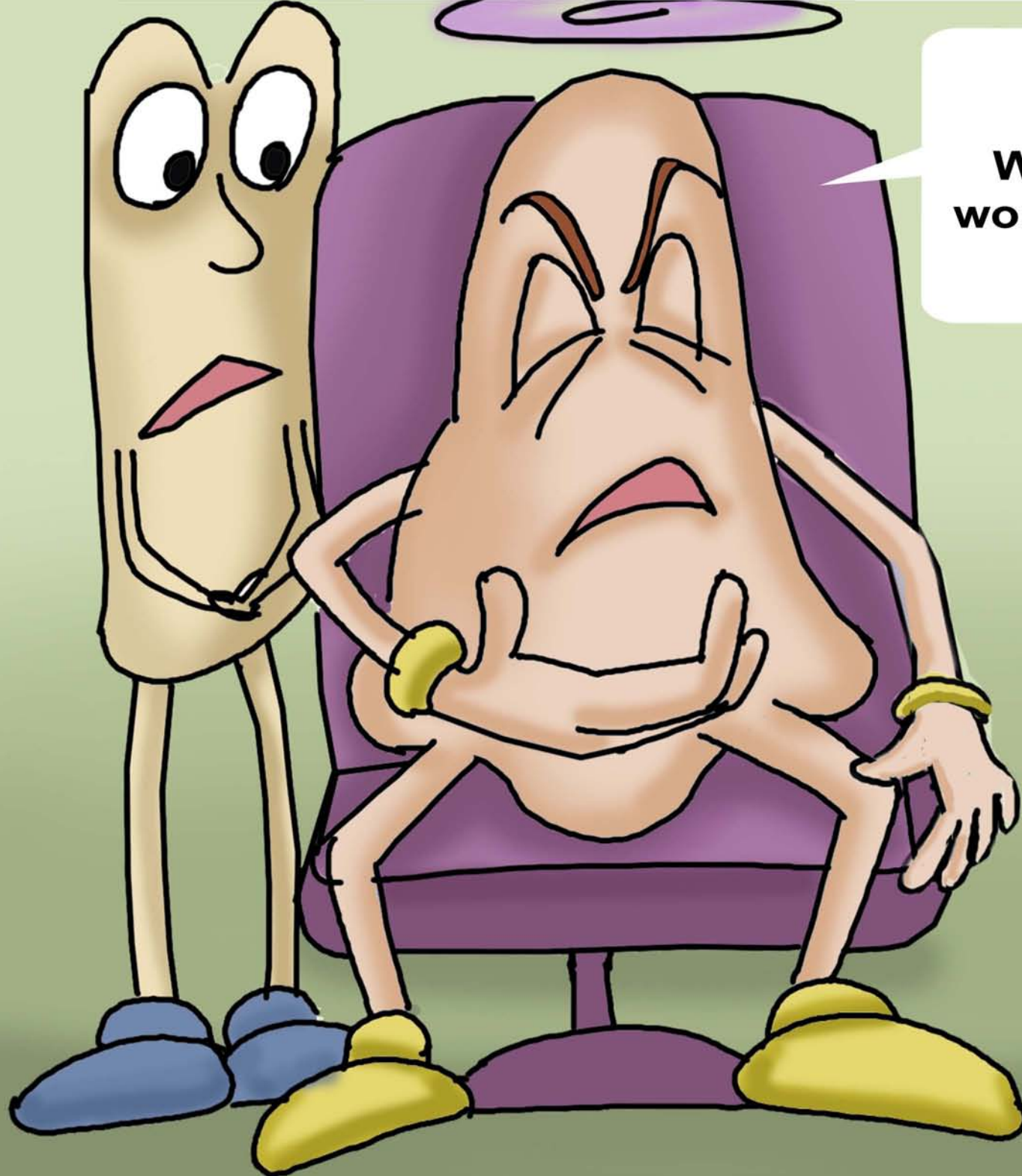


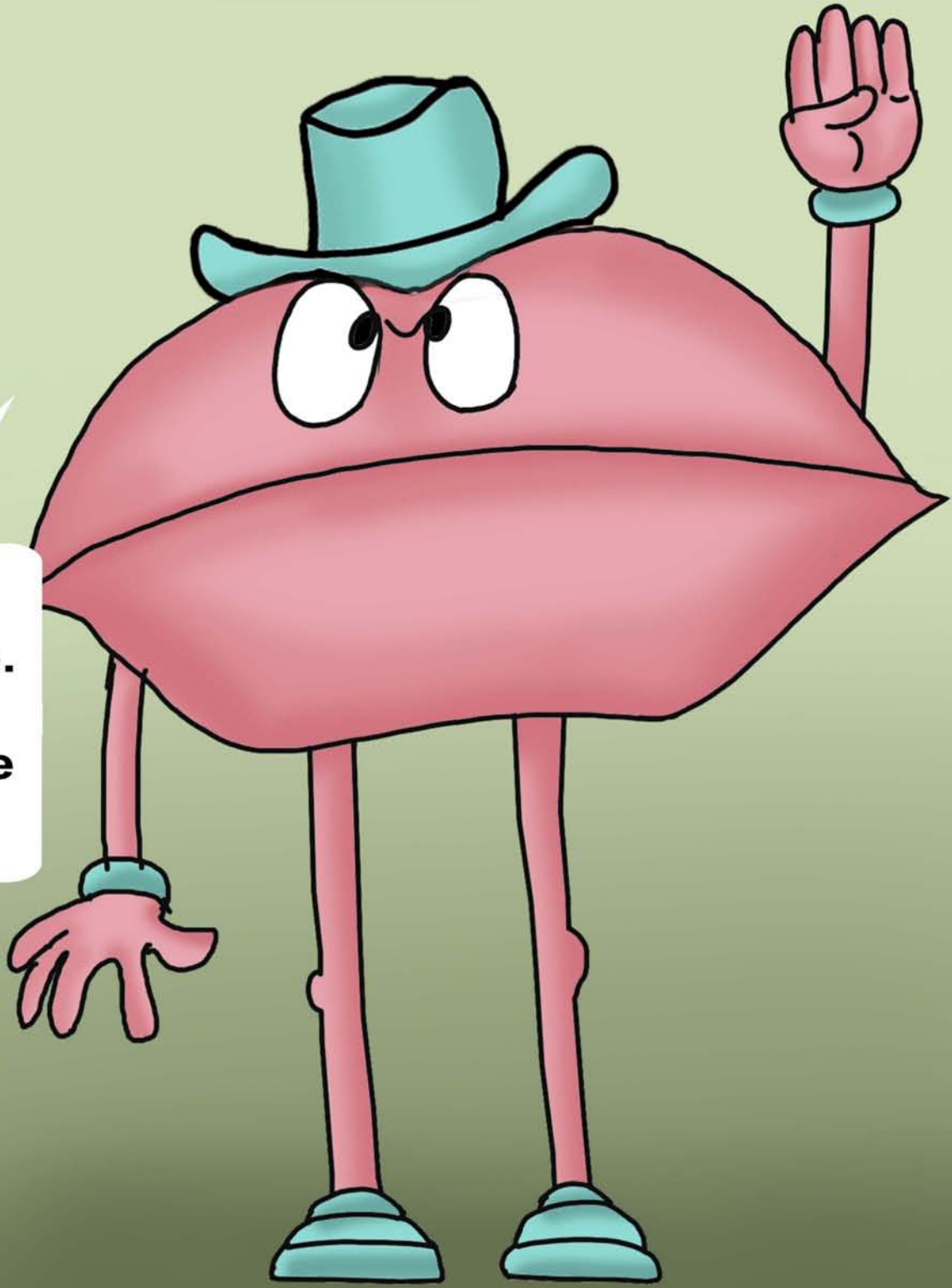
The eyes, the nose and the mouth put forth their pleas.



**I always look for
the most attractive items,
but it's just a flash in the
pan for me because the
stomach always gets it in
the end.**

**I'm in-charge
of quality control.
Without me stomach
won't know what's good
and what's bad.**



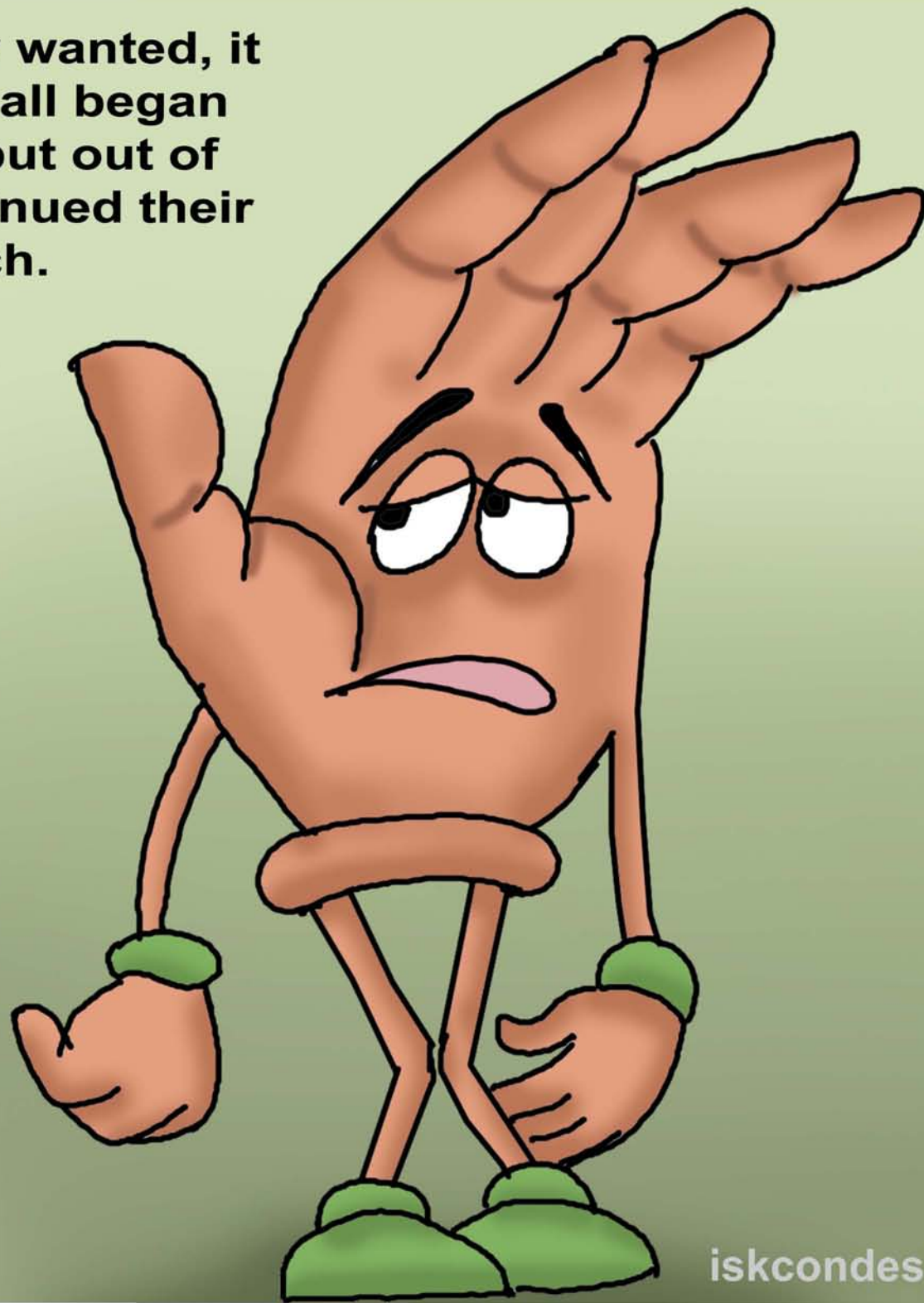


**I chew and get
to taste for a little while.
But that's it. It's the
stomach which gets the
best of everything!**

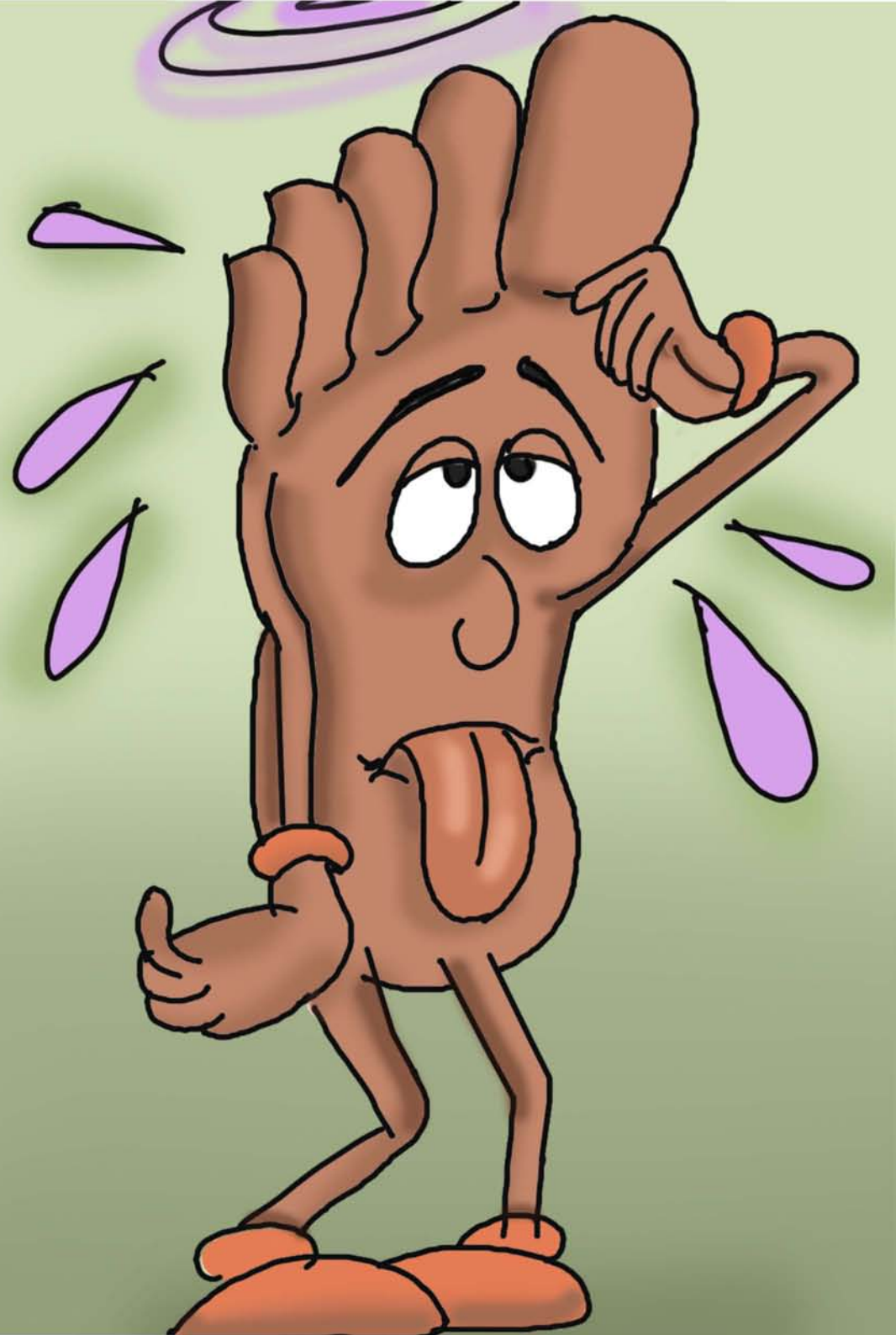
The lower half set up a faction and spoke in unison.

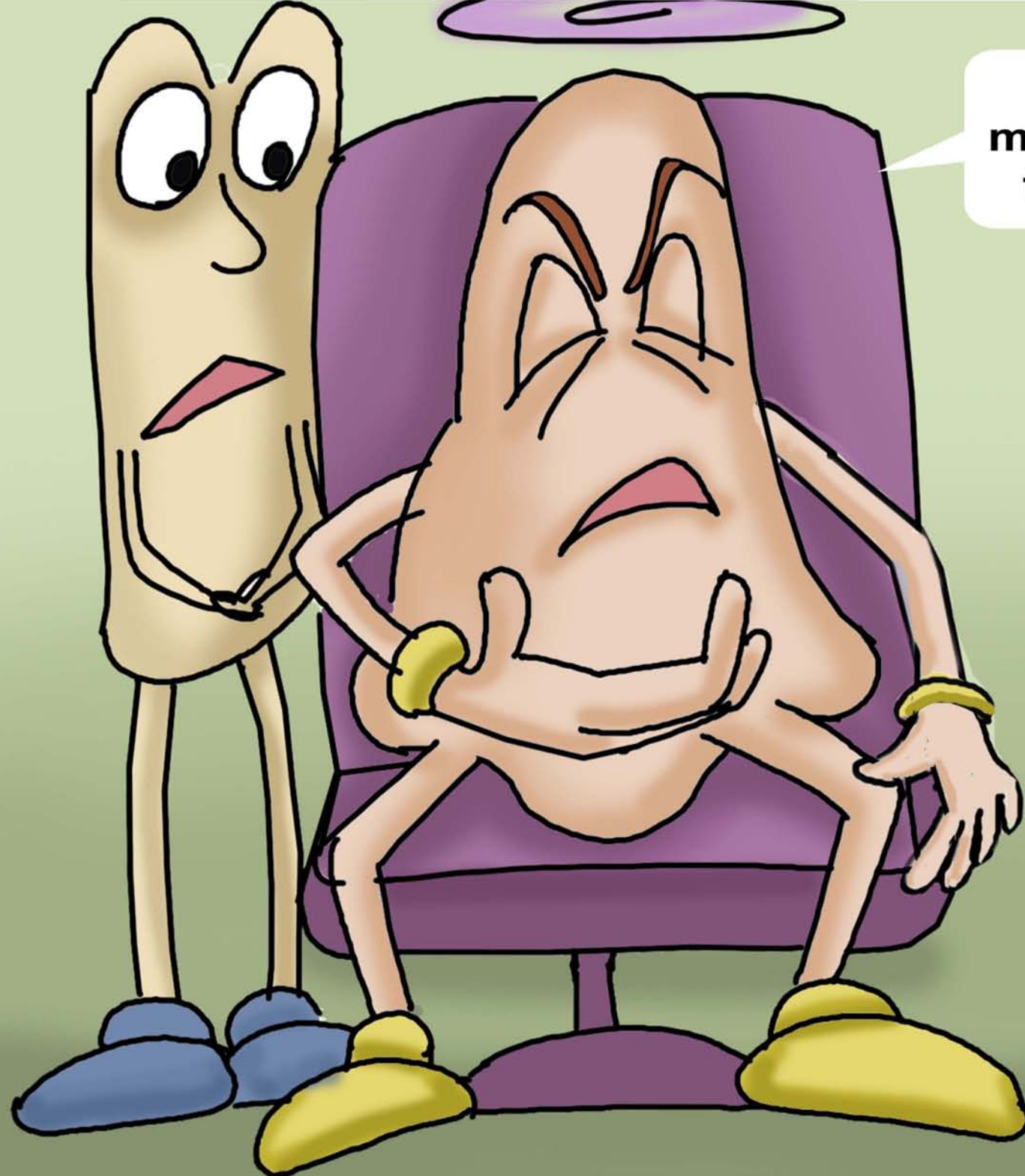


They didn't get what they wanted, it was quite contrary. They all began to feel weak and shaky; but out of stubbornness, they continued their strike against the stomach.



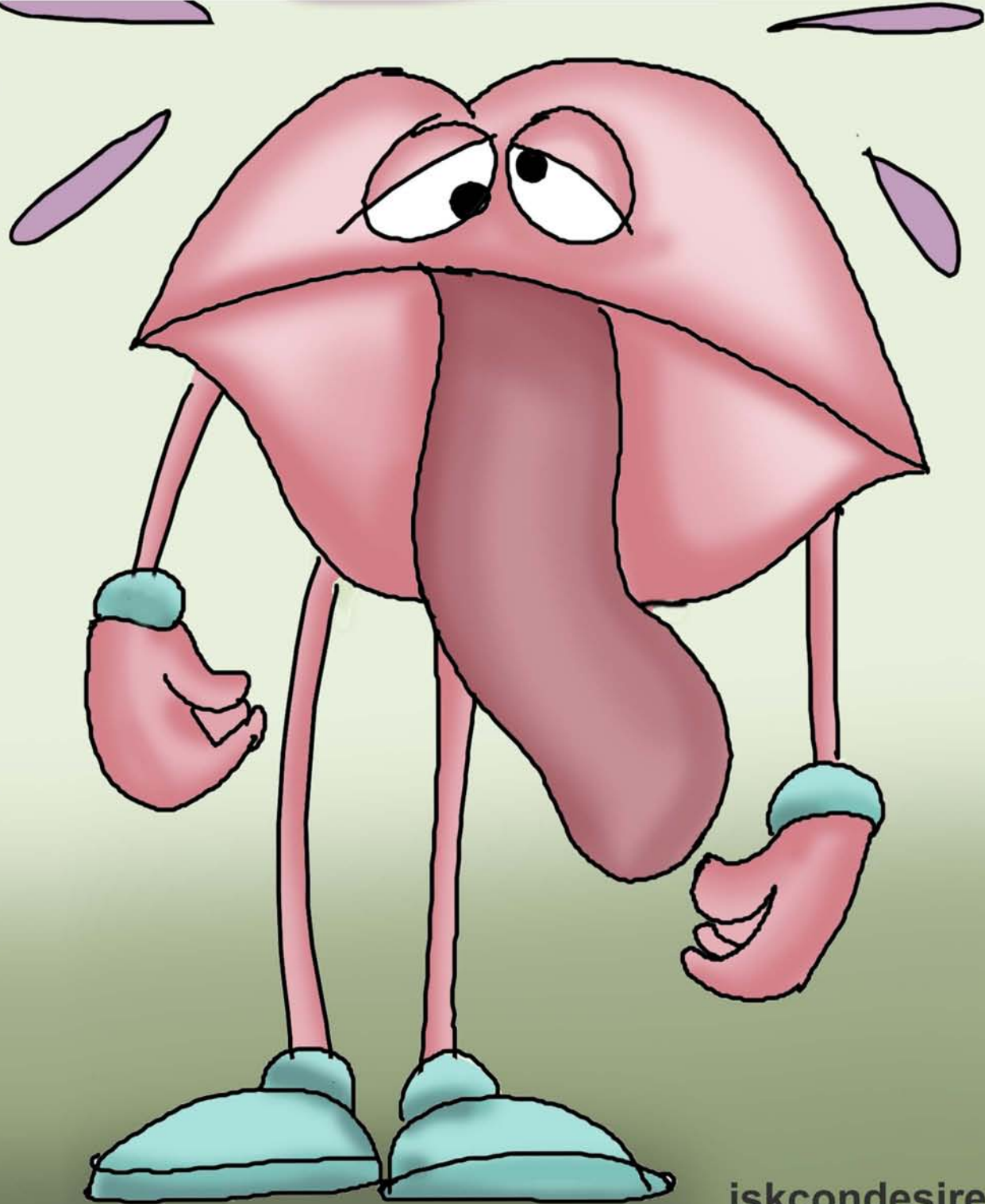
**The legs refused to
work for the stomach.**





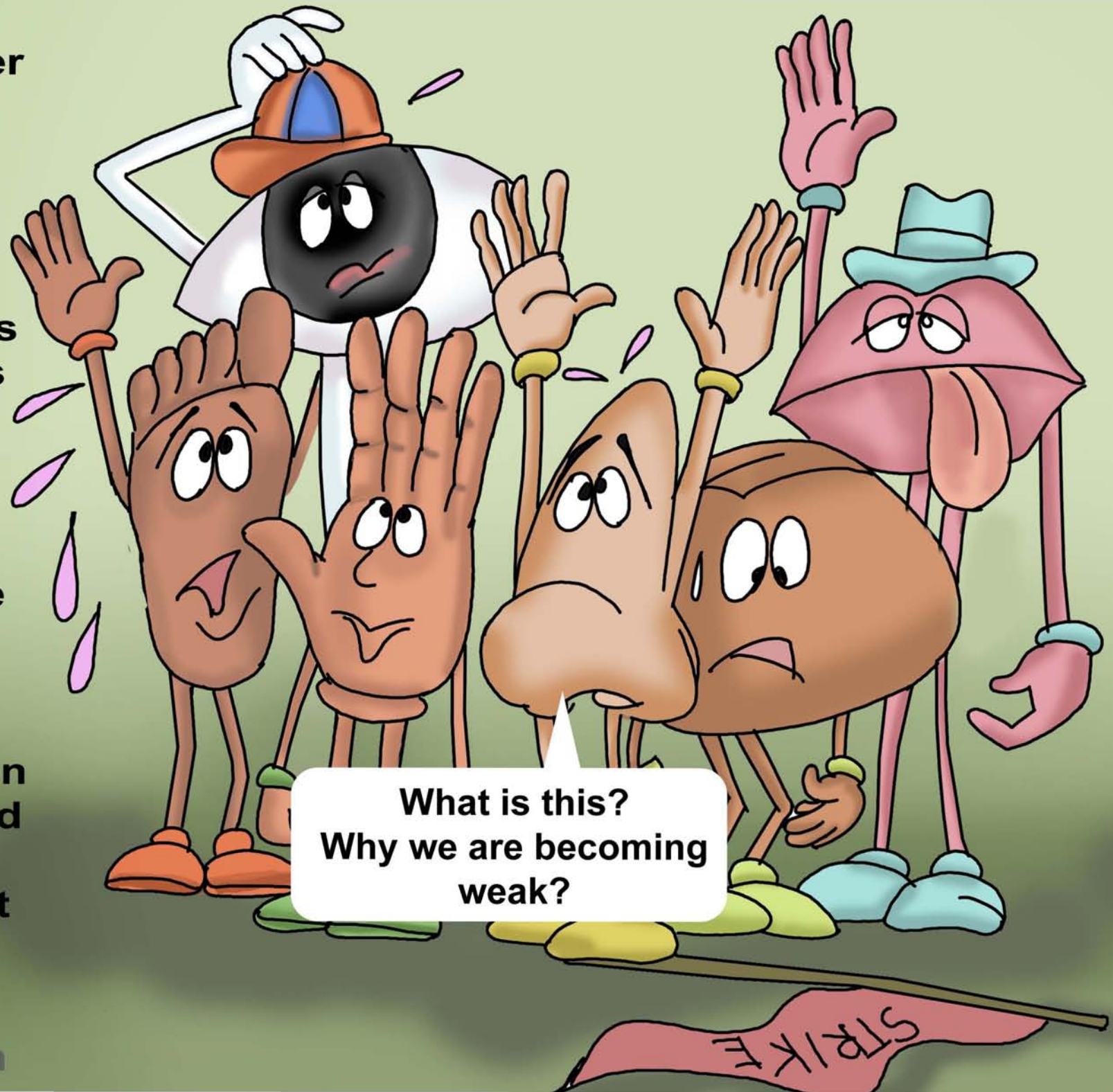
**I will hold
myself away from all
fragrant edibles...**

**The mouth, in protest,
remained silent and
refused to chew
anything...**



There was another meeting.

For it seemed to them that the stomach, though not being fed, was still as fired up as always. It was as if the stomach was actually benefitting from the rest, while the other parts felt great fatigue. They all came to a decision in the meeting and agreed that the stomach must be fed.



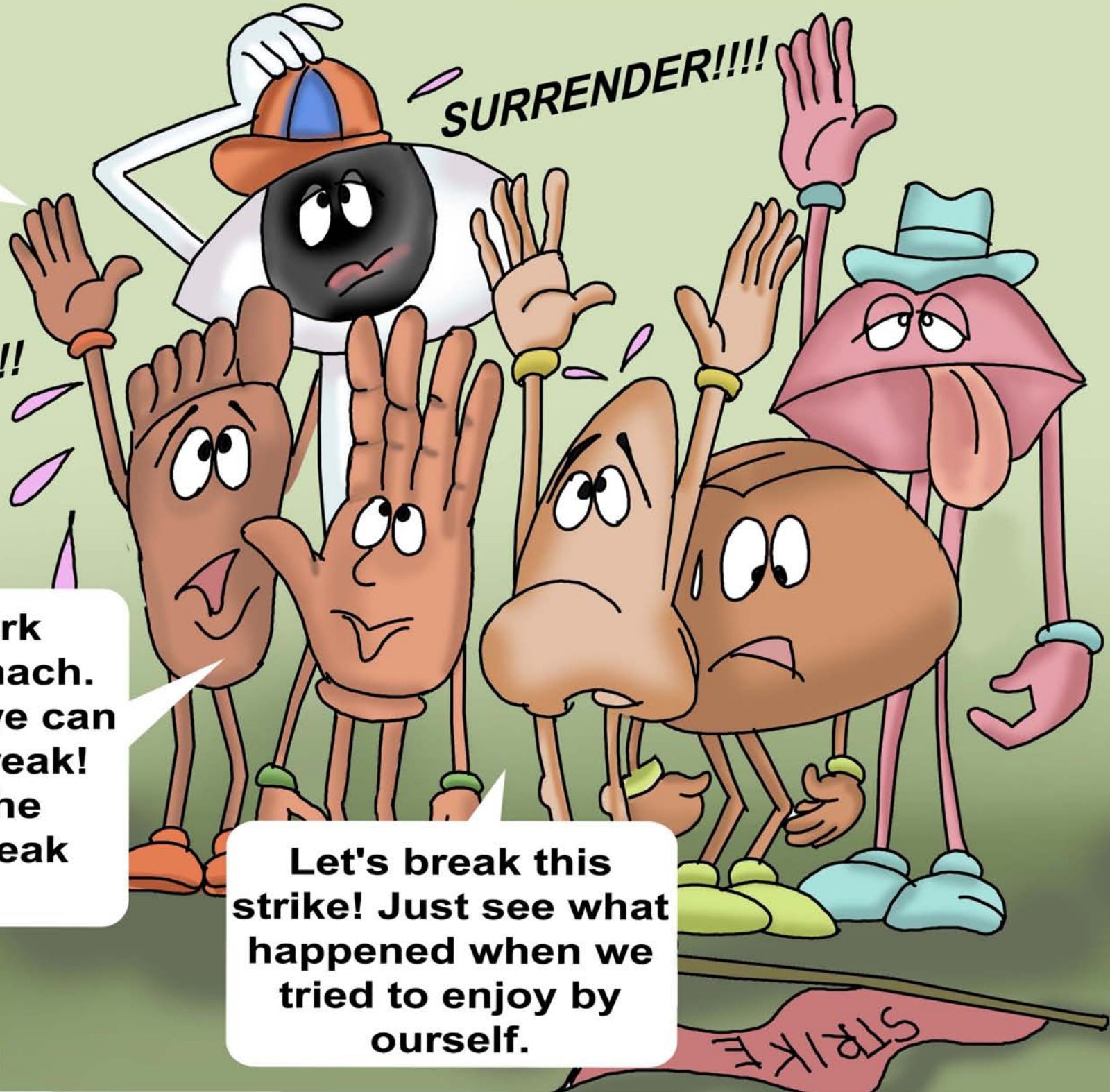
**I don't mind
doing my part
as long as
I get some
energy back.**

SURRENDER!!!!

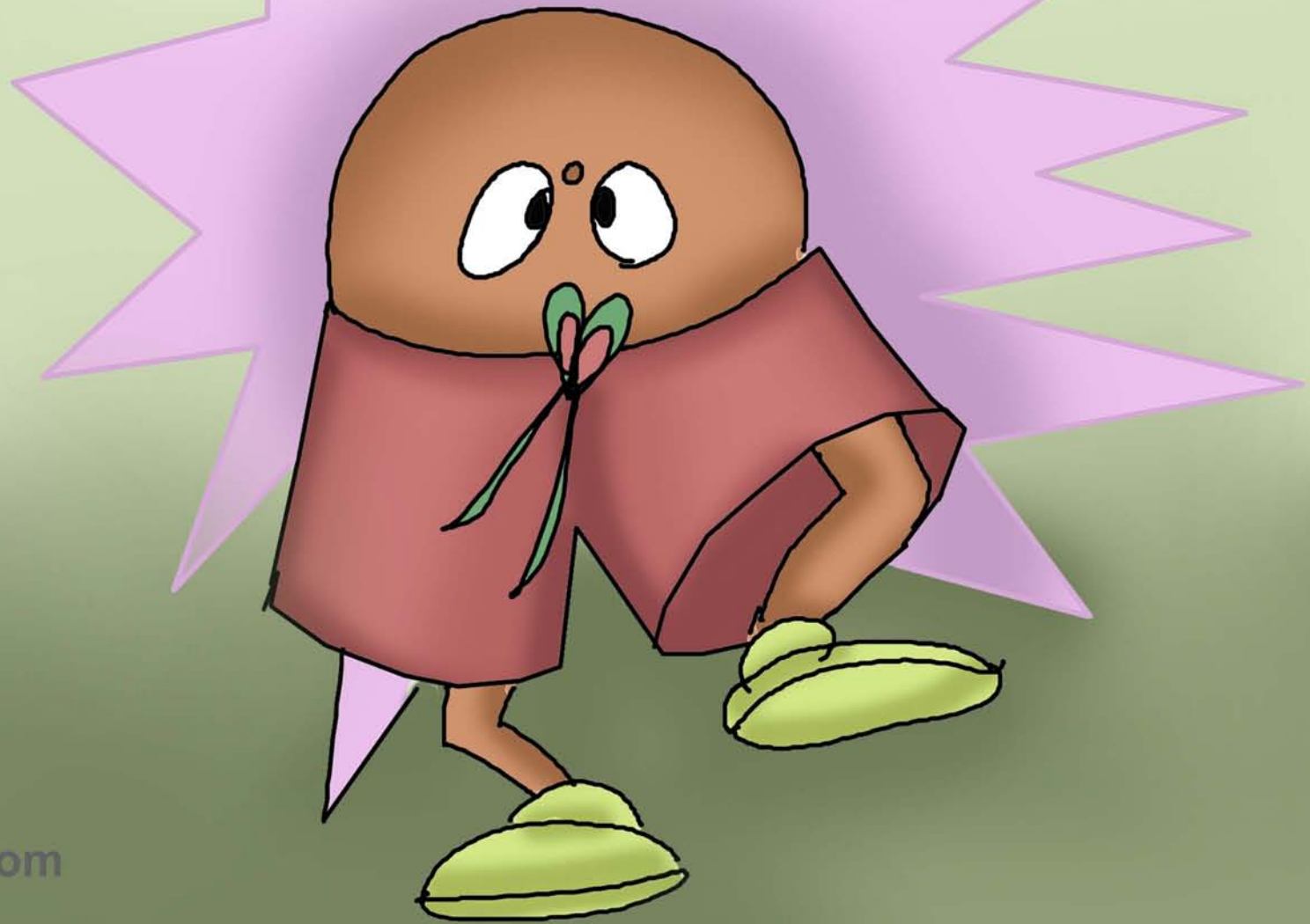
SURRENDER!!!!

**We have to work
to serve the stomach.
It's the only way we can
survive. Yeah. Break!
Break! Serve the
stomach and break
the strike!**

**Let's break this
strike! Just see what
happened when we
tried to enjoy by
ourself.**



So the strike was called off when the body parts again took up their constitutional positions in service to the stomach. The various parts of the body are rightly situated in service to the stomach, since the stomach is the source of energy which extends to every part of the body.



MORAL:

Just as pouring water on the root of a tree energizes its leaves, twigs and branches, similarly, the individual spirit soul is rightly situated in his constitutional position as servant to Sri Krishna, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, who is the cause of all causes, source of all sources, the supreme enjoyer and maintainer of all that be. We should re-establish our constitutional position simply by chanting the Hare Krishna maha-mantra:

***Hare Krishna Hare Krishna
Krishna Krishna Hare Hare
Hare Rama Hare Rama
Rama Rama Hare Hare***