

Welcome to Earth

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<https://youtu.be/IYZUPddoAK8>

[The sound of a space ship as five aliens from space land on Earth]

Taro: Ohhh..we've landed safely!

All Aliens: Hey..! Hey!!! [They hug each other] Earth.. Earth the beautiful blue planet!!!

Fin: And ..now, let's see ..What should we do?

Bell: We should try to find somewhere to live!

Nan: But where?

Wim: Mmm... I think we should look for a good, safe place, my friends. Let's go and look in different places, then meet back here. Everyone can tell us where they went.

All: OK, Wim, OK. You're right. [They give each other a hi-five then fly away]

[Soon they appear again, milling about in front of the camera. Finally, they meet back together, looking sad, surprised, most of them disappointed with humans' wrongdoings on Earth]

Taro: There are many wars on Earth. Humans kill each other. They use terrible weapons. These weapons kill many children! How could this happen on Earth?!

Fin: I've seen many poor people .. homeless .. looking for food. No one looks at them. There is so much food on Earth, but many people are still hungry!

Bell: Well, I was in a big city. There were many cars. They smell so bad. There's so much pollution on Earth.

Nan: I don't think humans on Earth are so bad. I'm lucky!! I've seen nice, good people. Farmers grow crops. Teachers teach children at school. Doctors help sick people...

All: [smiling] Ohhhh!

Wim: Well, the weather on Earth is getting worse because of humans' activities. They cut down so many trees. Earth is getting hotter and its ice is melting!

All: Ohhhhh, this is so bad ... so dangerous for life on Earth.

Wim: So what should we do, my friends? Shall we stay ... or look for life on another planet?

[They stand in a circle, look at each other and finally raise their hands]

All: Earth is beautiful. We will stay here and make it a better place!

[The End (or is it just the Beginning?)]