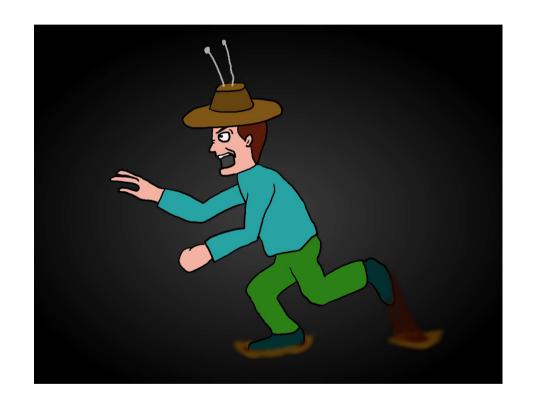
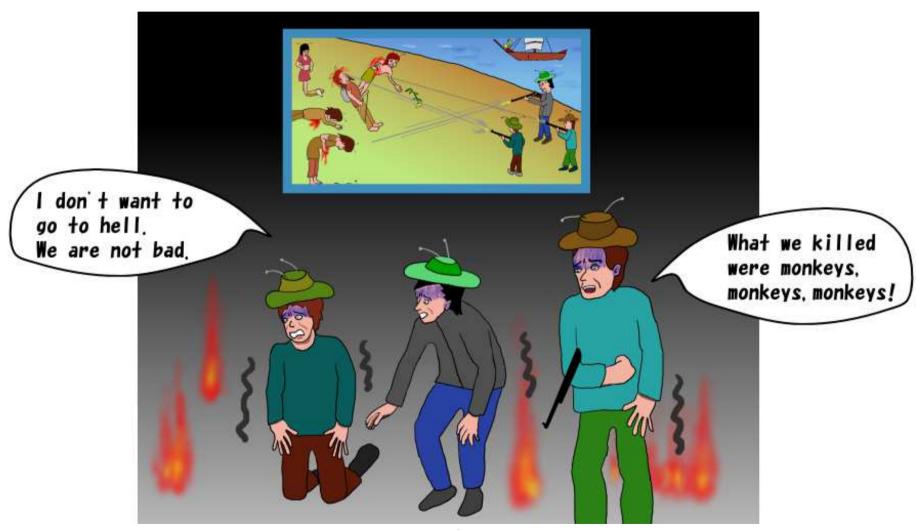
Escape from a Nightmare



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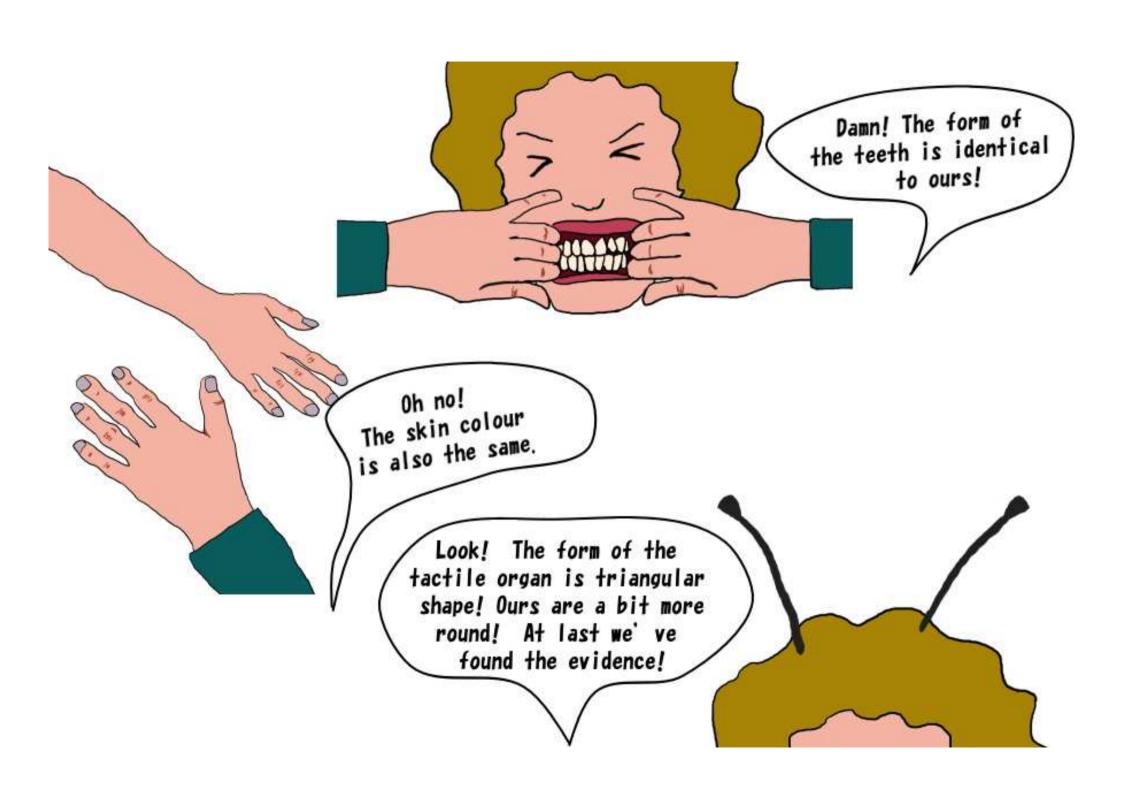
On a faraway planet, there was a group of men who killed a different group of tribes, trying to make a delusion that what they killed was animals. They believe that anyone who committed a wrong act would be burnt in hell.



Unfortunately it is not easy for humans to look like monkeys.





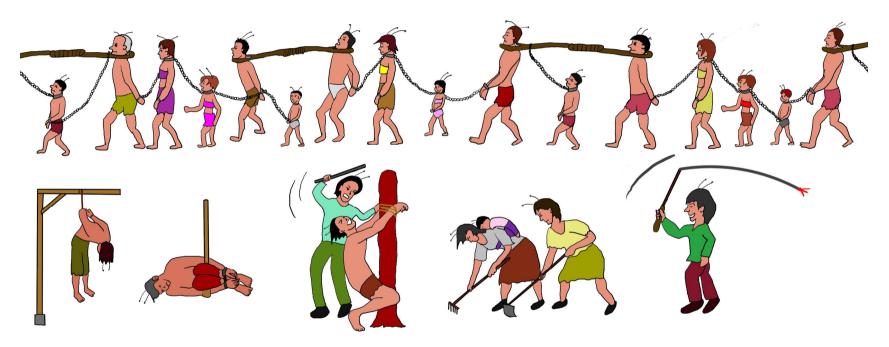




Now these men won't be evil anymore. There is no punishment waiting for them as murderers and also they don't need to worry about going to hell.



People act based on their recognition. If one believes that the only people with round tactile organs (hereinafter; Rounds) are genuine humans and the people with triangular shaped tactile organs (hereinafter; Triangles) are animals, he/she will treat Triangles as animals afterward.



Thus large-scale slavery was born on this planet. It's hard to believe, but they kidnapped over 10 million Triangles, forced hard labour, traded them as a commodity, raped, imprisoned, tortured and killed for over several hundred years. ¹

¹ N.B. This is not related to slavery on this earth.

However, the fact of Triangles being humans is a bare fact. It is not easy to keep the illusion that Triangles are animals. But if the Rounds fail to keep the illusion, they would face the fact that they kidnapped, forced hard labour, traded them as a commodity, raped, imprisoned, tortured and killed the same kinds!







Though it is natural to wear lighter clothes, if Triangles live in a warmer area.



Though it is natural to have different food in a different place ...well, the situation seems too emergency to say like this.



Somehow they made a success of believing that the people they made slaves were barbarians.



People act based on their recognition. If the Rounds believe the illusion, that is, the reason why they have conquered Triangles was to civilize the barbarians, they will perceive that the culture of Triangles is also barbaric. In this case, they would force their culture on Triangles in due course. This includes the language, the religion, the family system, the way to protect children, the taboo of sex, the medical ethics, the political system, the standard of crimes and the food culture.



On this planet, the Rounds even separated Triangles' children form their parents forcibly, believing that the act was for the civilization. 2



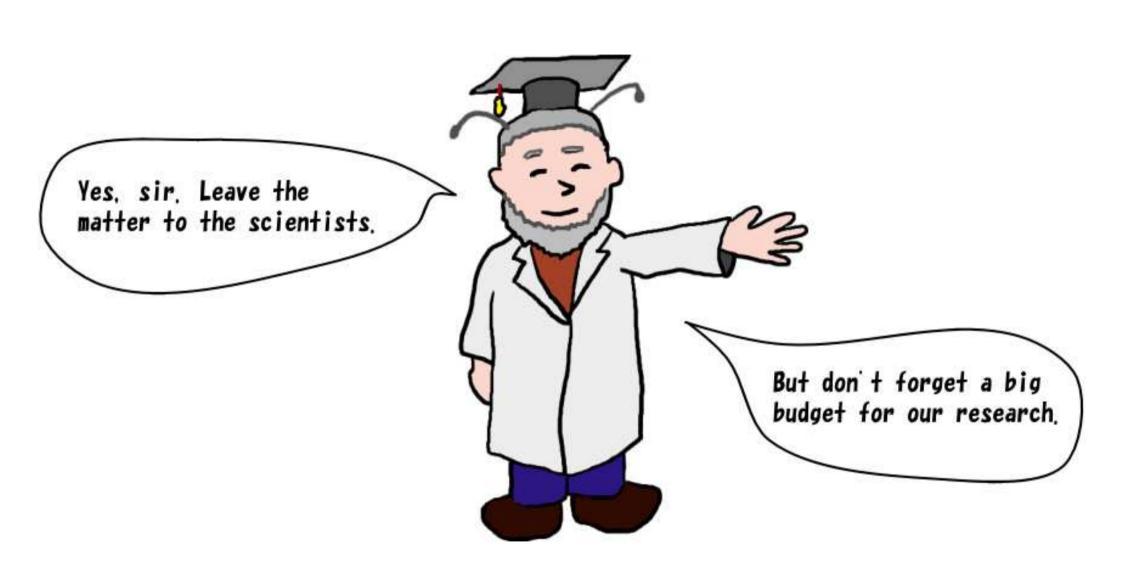
² N.B. This is not about the Stolen Generations on this earth.

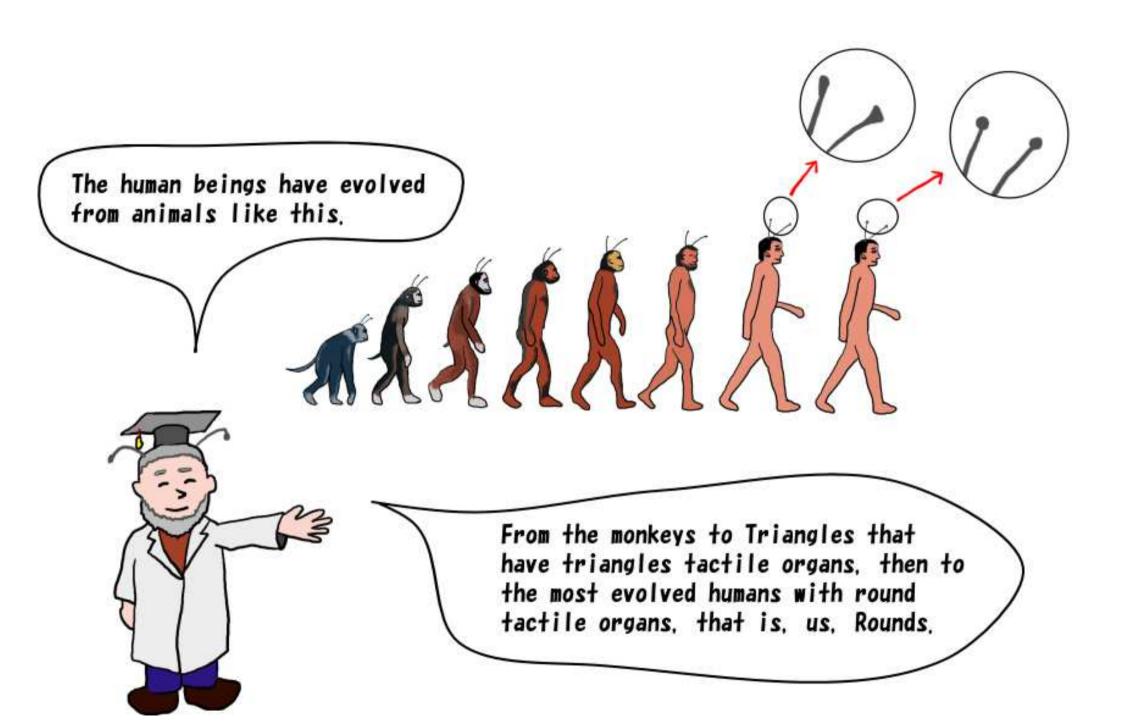
Needless to say, the culture of Triangles is also valuable.

No matter how greatly the Rounds tried to believe that only their culture was advanced, the fact that their belief was wrong did not change.





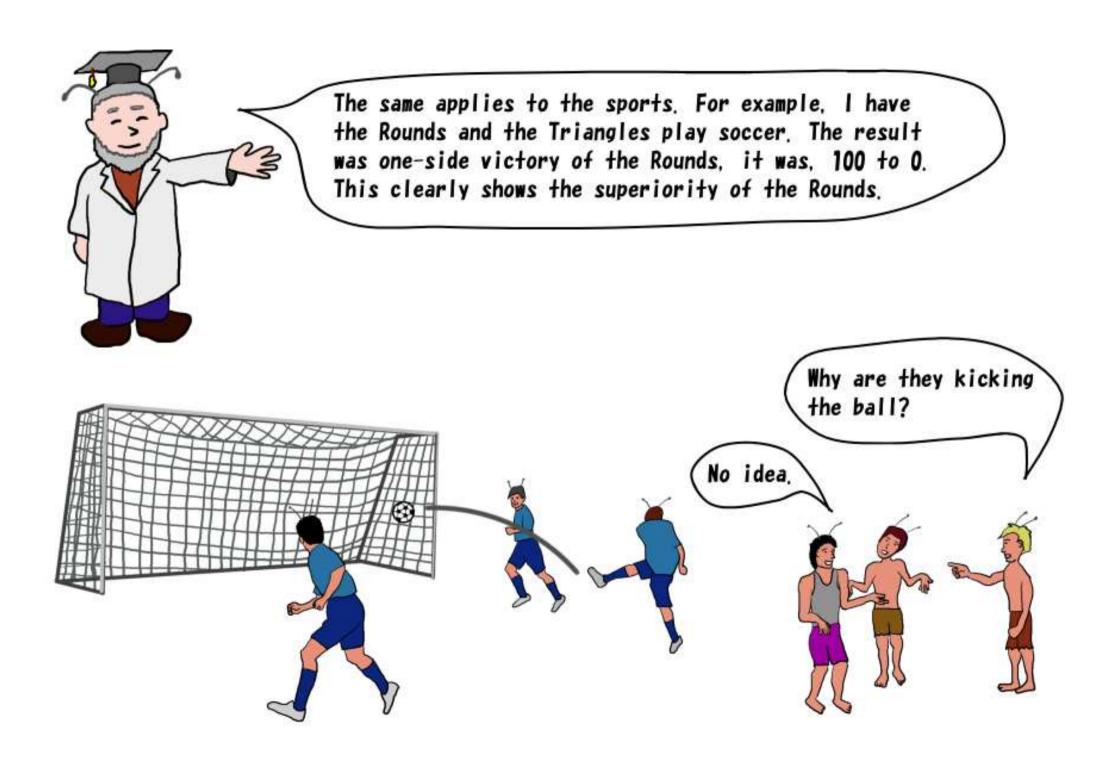


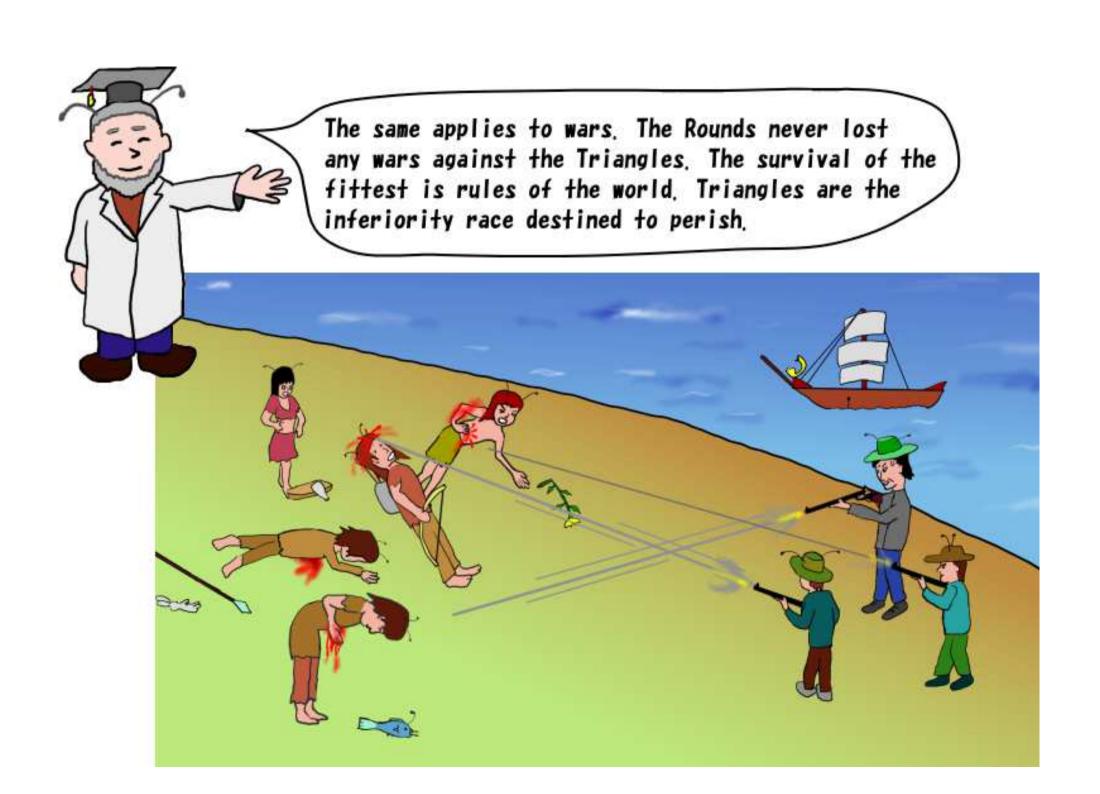




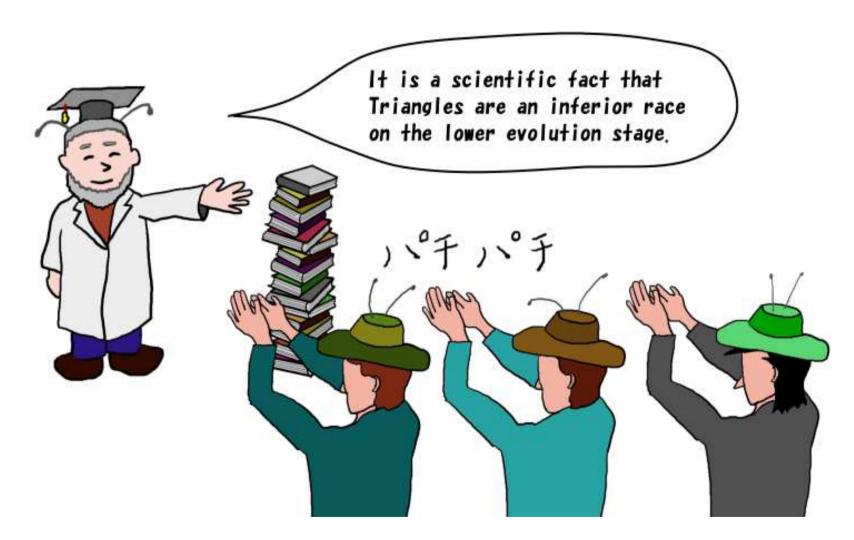
I tested the national language. The average score of the Rounds was 90 points. On the other hand, all of the Triangles got 0 with the same test. This is a clear evidence that we are superior.







Thus eugenics was developed, claiming that the difference of races came from the different level of the evolution.



The Rounds were greatly relieved with the authoritative assurance of the scientists.

People act based on their recognition. The Rounds who recognised Triangles as an inferior race subsequently prohibited romance and marriage between the Rounds and the Triangles³. It is because making a baby with an inferior race goes against the evolution of humans.



³ This is not related to Jim Crow laws / Prohibition of Mixed Marriages Act / Immorality Act on this earth.

However it is just a fantasy that the Triangles in the planet are an inferior race. It is also a delusion that they are animals or barbarians. No matter how strongly eugenics supports the illusion, the Rounds would be reminded of the fact occasionally.



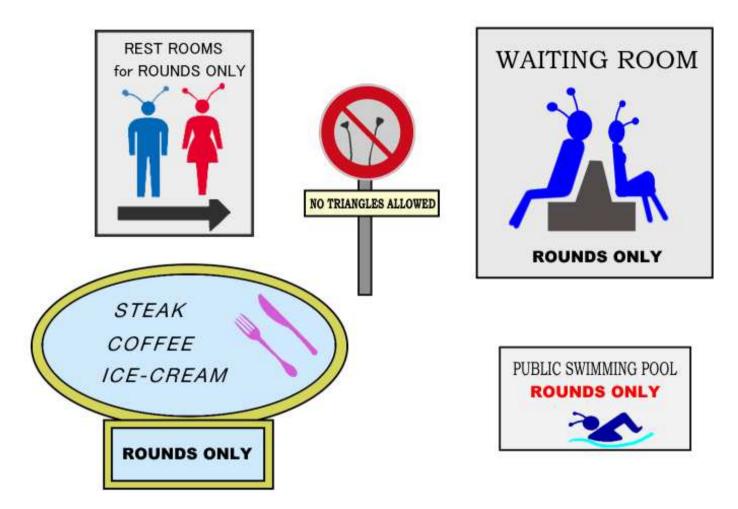


If there are the Triangles nearby, the Rounds may see their figures and hear their voices, which could be a risk of the illusion being destroyed. If they isolate the Triangles far away from them, how would that be?



The Rounds enforced many of the Triangles removal and isolate them in reservations. ⁴

⁴ This is not about "Trail of Tears" on this earth.



When the Rounds could not relocate the Triangles faraway, they created isolated areas and every facility including restaurants, schools, buses, hospitals was separated between the Rounds and the Triangles. A Triangle who happened to enter a Rounds' facility was punished severely⁵.

 $^{^{5}}$ This is not related to Apartheid / White Australia Policy / Jim Crow laws etc. on this earth.

Needless to say, if the Triangles became well educated, it would become hard to keep the fantasy that the Triangles were an inferior race. Subsequently the education of the Triangles were prohibited or limited to the lowest level.



The illusion of races is transferred to children through the education. Based on the delusion, the social system is also developed. Any opinions that claim that the Triangles are not inferior was regarded as antisocial, unscientific, illegal and evil.



In this way, racism last for a long time on this planet.

People act based on their recognition.

The Rounds who perceive that the Triangles were barbaric and inferior attacked one-sidedly, conquered and ruled the Triangles for several hundred years for the sake of human evolution and civilization.



As the result, countless Triangles were killed. Many of the Triangle tribes have been wiped out. Nobody knows the accurate number of the Triangles who shed their blood, whether it was tens or hundreds of millions of people.



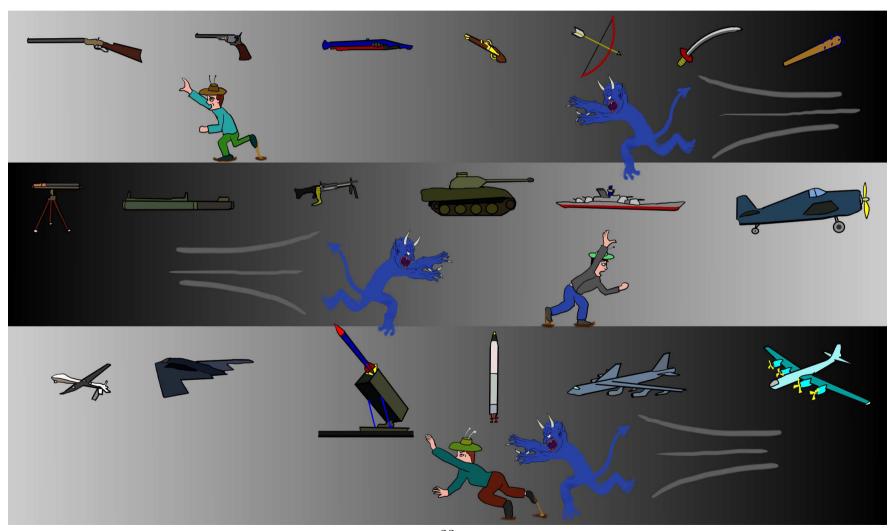
Nevertheless, the Triangles are neither inferior races, barbarians nor monkeys. There were some people who became aware of the truth.





If this man is weaker than them, he would be scared and run away.

On the contrary one cannot threaten the other if the other is stronger than him/her. In this case he/she cannot justify himself/herself. Therefore, many of the Rounds who persisted in the delusion pursued power as if they were possessed.

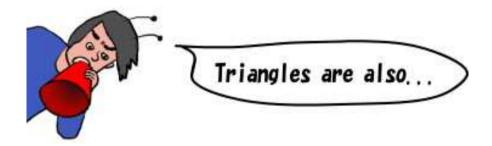


But still, someone who mutters over this issue will come out. Well, it is because a fact is a fact.





But no matter how much the Rounds threaten, a fact is a fact.





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