



Once upon a time, a very special artist called Jaishree made a very special teapot.

The teapot looked like a beautiful bug. It was painted in magnificent colours, just like the temples in India. The teapot felt cool and smooth, curved and spiky, and it had 6 beautiful, stripy, purple toes that were pointed. The teapot was very precious and could easily be broken, so Jaishree made the teapot to fit carefully inside an enormous blue suitcase, which protected the teapot from being bumped around.

The suitcase lived at the Museum, but sometimes it would go travelling. It travelled to many places and visited many people, but whenever it returned from being away, the workers at the Museum always made sure that the teapot was safe inside the enormous blue suitcase and that the enormous blue suitcase was safe inside the Museum.

One day the beautiful bug teapot in the enormous blue suitcase travelled to visit some children at a school. The teapot made the children feel very happy. They all sat carefully with their teacher on the carpet, washed their hands and only held the teapot with their teacher's help.

They especially loved to look closely at the 6 beautiful, stripy, pointed, purple toes.

When it was time for the teapot to return to the Museum, the teacher carefully rested the beautiful bug teapot inside the enormous blue suitcase, and sent it back to the Museum.

When the enormous blue suitcase arrived back at the Museum, the Museum workers checked to see that the teapot had arrived safely. They opened the suitcase and carefully took out the teapot. They felt that the teapot was still cool and smooth. Then they saw that it was still curved and spiky. Lastly they checked that there were still 6 beautiful, stripy, purple toes that were pointed. They counted:

- 1 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toe
- 2 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes
- 3 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes
- 4 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes
- 5 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes

But wait! The 6th beautiful stripy, pointed purple toe was missing! It had been accidentally broken! A little note was tucked underneath the teapot. It had been written by the children and it said, "We are very sorry, but we accidentally broke the 6th beautiful, stripy, pointed purple toe."

The Museum workers were very sad. They carefully put the beautiful bug teapot back inside the enormous blue suitcase and sent it to some special fix-it people called Conservators. The Conservators told the Museum that they would try and fix the beautiful bug teapot, but they would need to keep it in their fix-it workshop for 3 days.

1 day passed by, then 2 days, and then 3. After 3 days the Conservators had been working very hard to fix the beautiful bug teapot and they sent it back to the Museum.

The Museum workers opened the enormous blue suitcase, and carefully took out the teapot. They felt that the teapot was still cool and smooth. Then they saw that it was still curved and spiky. And then they checked that there were 6 beautiful, stripy, purple toes that were pointed. They counted:

- 1 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toe
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- 4 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes
- 5 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes
- 6 beautiful stripy, pointed purple toes!

There were 6 beautiful, stripy, pointed purple toes!

The beautiful bug teapot had been fixed and the Museum workers were very happy. They carefully put the beautiful bug teapot back inside the enormous blue suitcase and made sure that the suitcase was safe inside the Museum.

The next time the suitcase went out to visit, they would have to remind everyone to be extra careful, so that the beautiful bug teapot would never be accidentally broken again.