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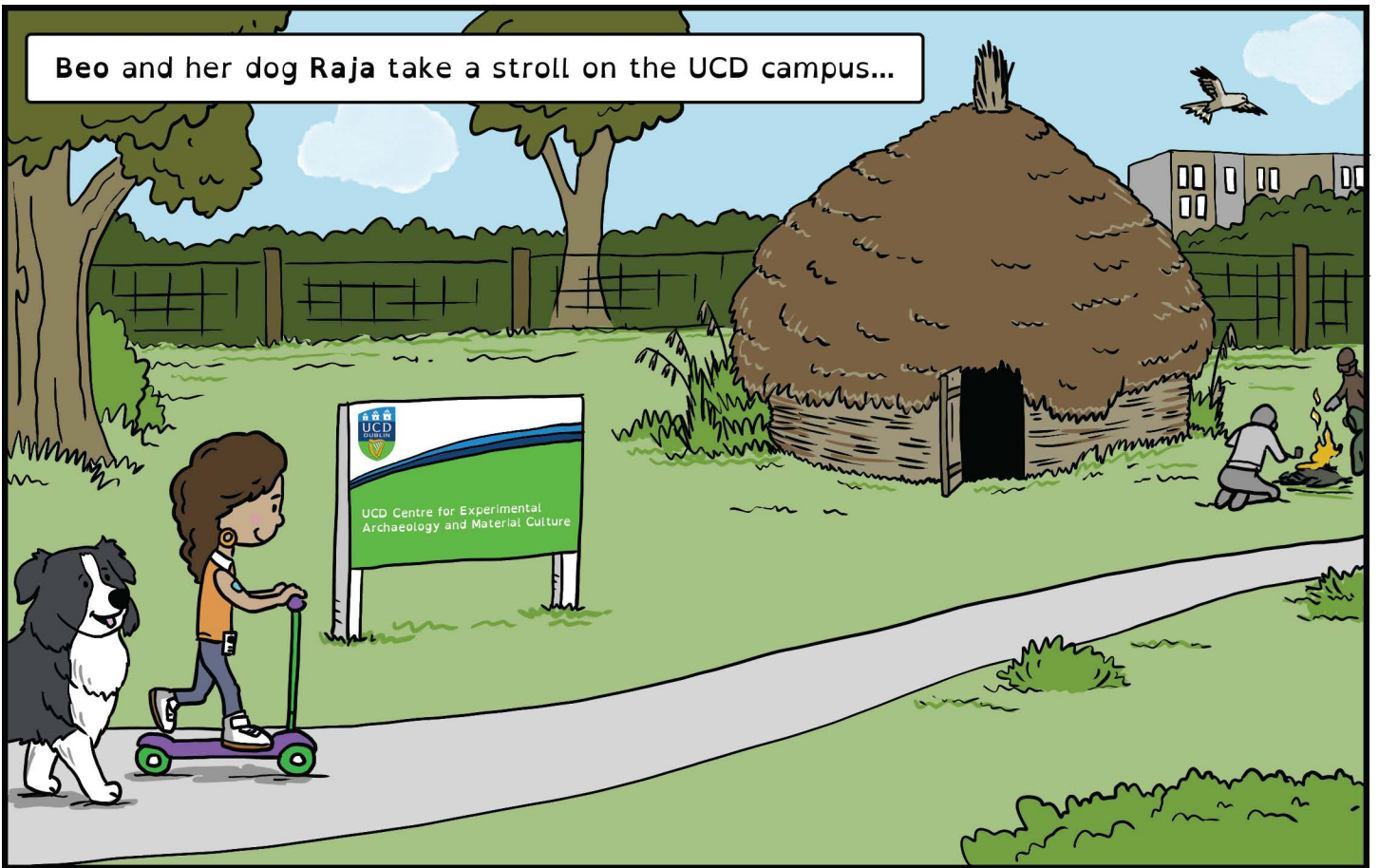


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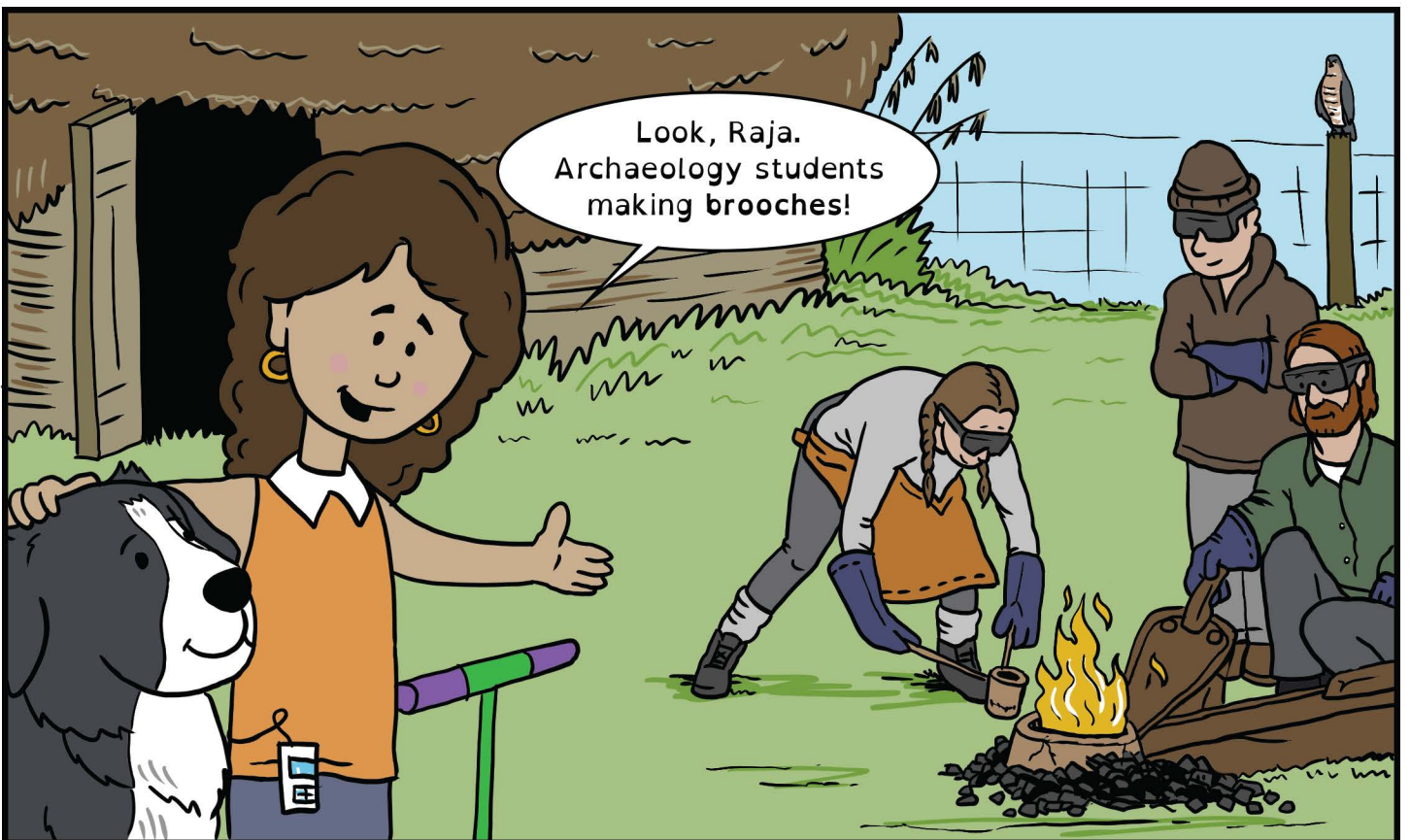
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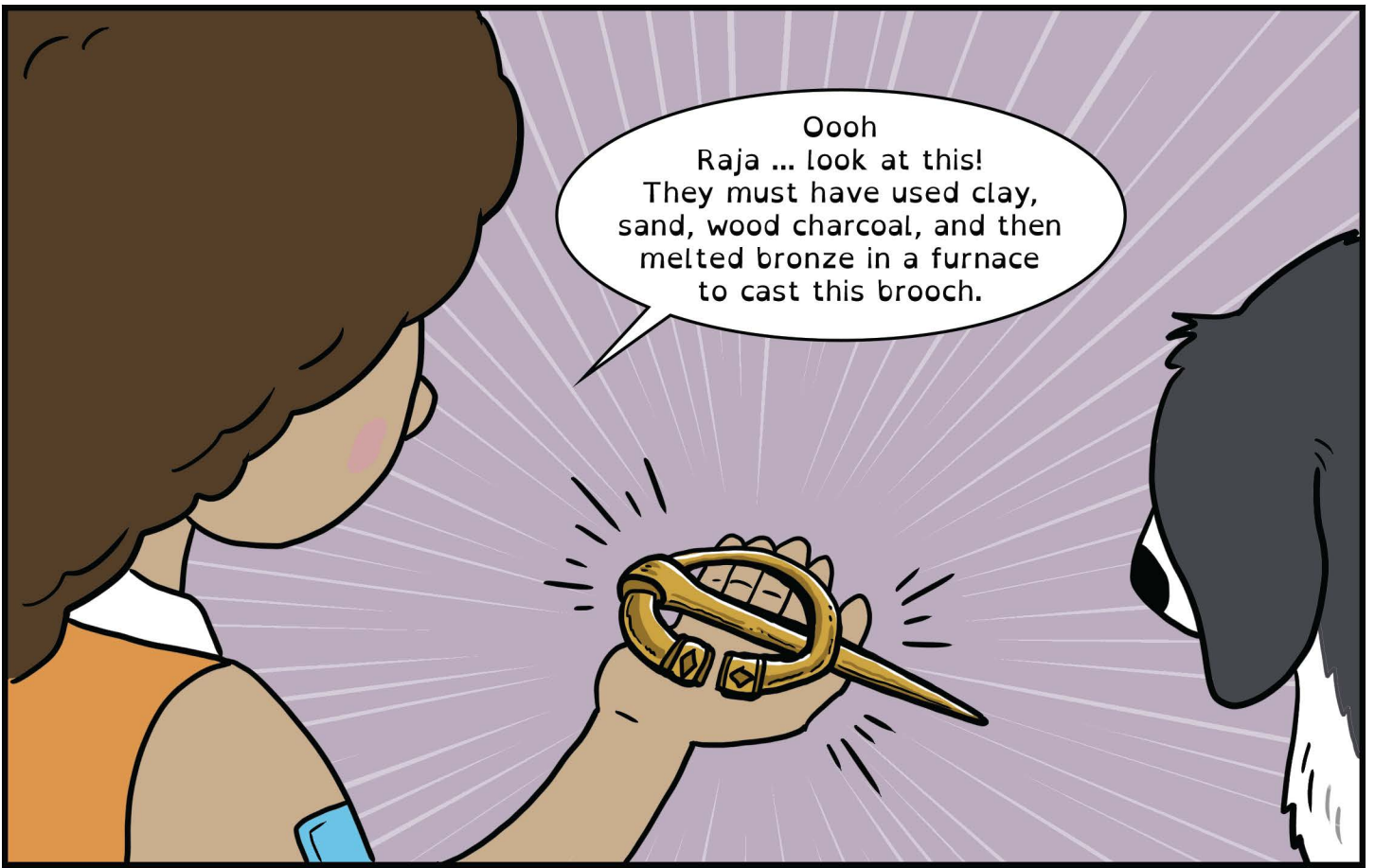
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Beo and her dog Raja take a stroll on the UCD campus...




Look, Raja.
Archaeology students
making brooches!










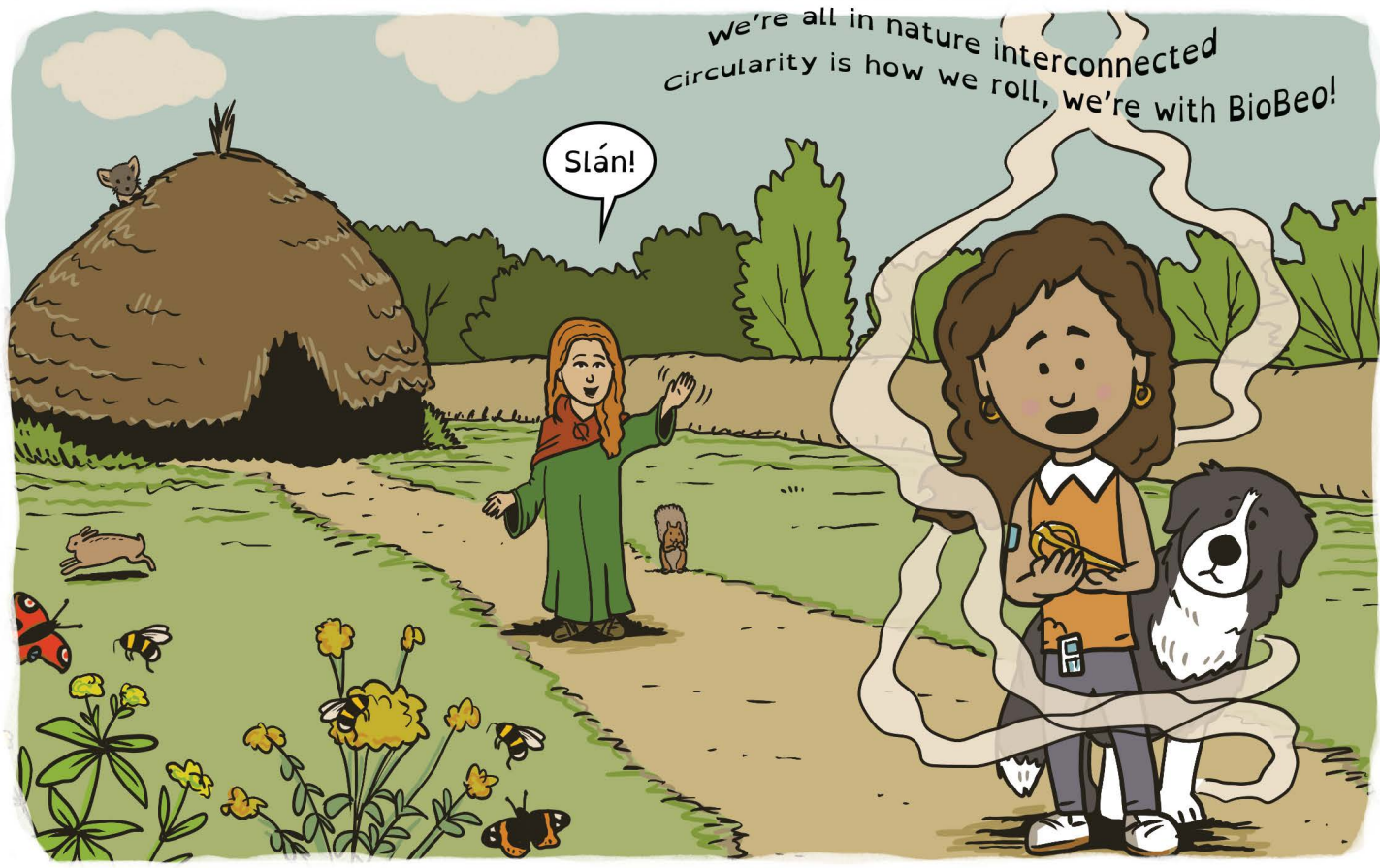
You're right Beo, we manage and use our hazel woodland very carefully. We can cut hazel rods for use in building our houses and then every 7 years the hazels regrow. That's a bioeconomy!



We grow oats for our food and then use the straw for our homes. Look at the thatched roof! **Nothing** is wasted here.

Fascinating ... a bioeconomy!





BioBeo Song:

BioBeo, ó BioBeo, BioBeo, yeah BioBeo!
Following nature's way, following nature's way
For a bioeconomy
Learning to see those interconnections,
All of nature is interconnected,
And that's how we roll,
With BioBeo, yeah BioBeo
Tagaigí linn go dtí an coillín beag,
Ó tagaigí linn go dtí an coillín beag!
Anáil isteach an ocsaigin
Ó na crainn, na crainn, is iad ag cabhrú linn
Ag cabhrú linn!
Sa choillín beag, we plant an edible garden
We'll sow the seeds and watch them grow
Food for the bees and for you and me
The food loop is circularity
Interconnectedness for all to see
We celebrate nature now,
Ó, with BioBeo
A magical world, it's life below water
full of living things, life below water
Our little pond, who's making a home there now?
A natterjack toad, and the dragonfly! O Fly dragonfly!
We're Following nature's way, it's the bioeconomy
With BioBeo,
Learning to see those interconnections,
We're all in nature interconnected,
Circularity is how we roll, we're with BioBeo!

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