



Ricardo Levins Morales is an incredible graphic artist based in Minneapolis who has been a beacon of hope in his many images of peace, resistance, and social justice!

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(Ken and Lynda buy posters and buttons from him all the time).

*“SOLACE is the beautiful, imaginative home we make where disappointment can go to be rehabilitated. When life does not in any way add up, we must turn to the part of us that has never wanted a life of simple calculation....SOLACE is not an evasion, nor a cure for our suffering, nor a made up state of mind. SOLACE is a direct seeing and participation...SOLACE is not meant to be an answer, but an invitation, through the door of pain or difficulty, to the depth of suffering and simultaneous beauty in the world that the strategic mind by itself cannot grasp nor make sense of. To look for SOLACE is to learn to ask fiercer and more exquisitely pointed questions, questions that reshape our identities and our bodies and our relation to others.”* from David Whyte *Consolations, a book of essays on 52 ordinary words*, pp. 217-19.

- **What do you observe about the image? (color, composition, objects)**
- **Which word or phrase in the “definition” of SOLACE captures a feeling you are having?**
- **How have you been able to be a creator of calm and solace for your family, friends, and school community?**