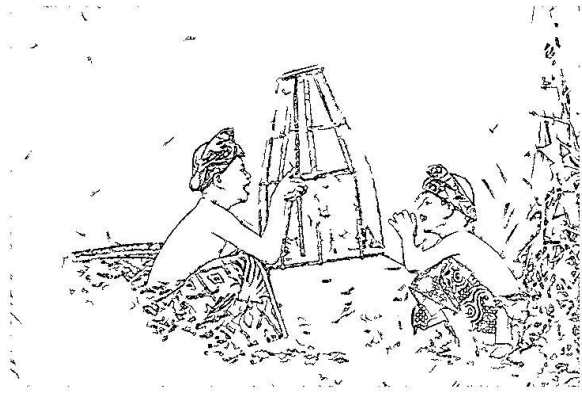




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BALI INDONESIA CHILDREN'S NAMES



How children are named in Bali

Do you like the name your parents gave to you? Some children do and others don't. Do any of your friends have the same name? In Bali Indonesia, there's a good chance that some of your friends will have the same name as you. Actually it could even happen that a younger brother or sister could share your name!!

How is this possible? In Bali most of society operates under a caste system. A caste system is a way of making it obvious who is poor and who is rich. The system is far more detailed than this and you can learn more about it here over at the BBC.

The lower caste, meaning the people who are poor, are actually about 95% of the population. They are the Sudra caste. They name their children very simply in order of when they were born. So the first child will always have the same name as the first child in any other family in the Sudra caste. It doesn't matter if the baby is a boy or girl, they will have the same name.

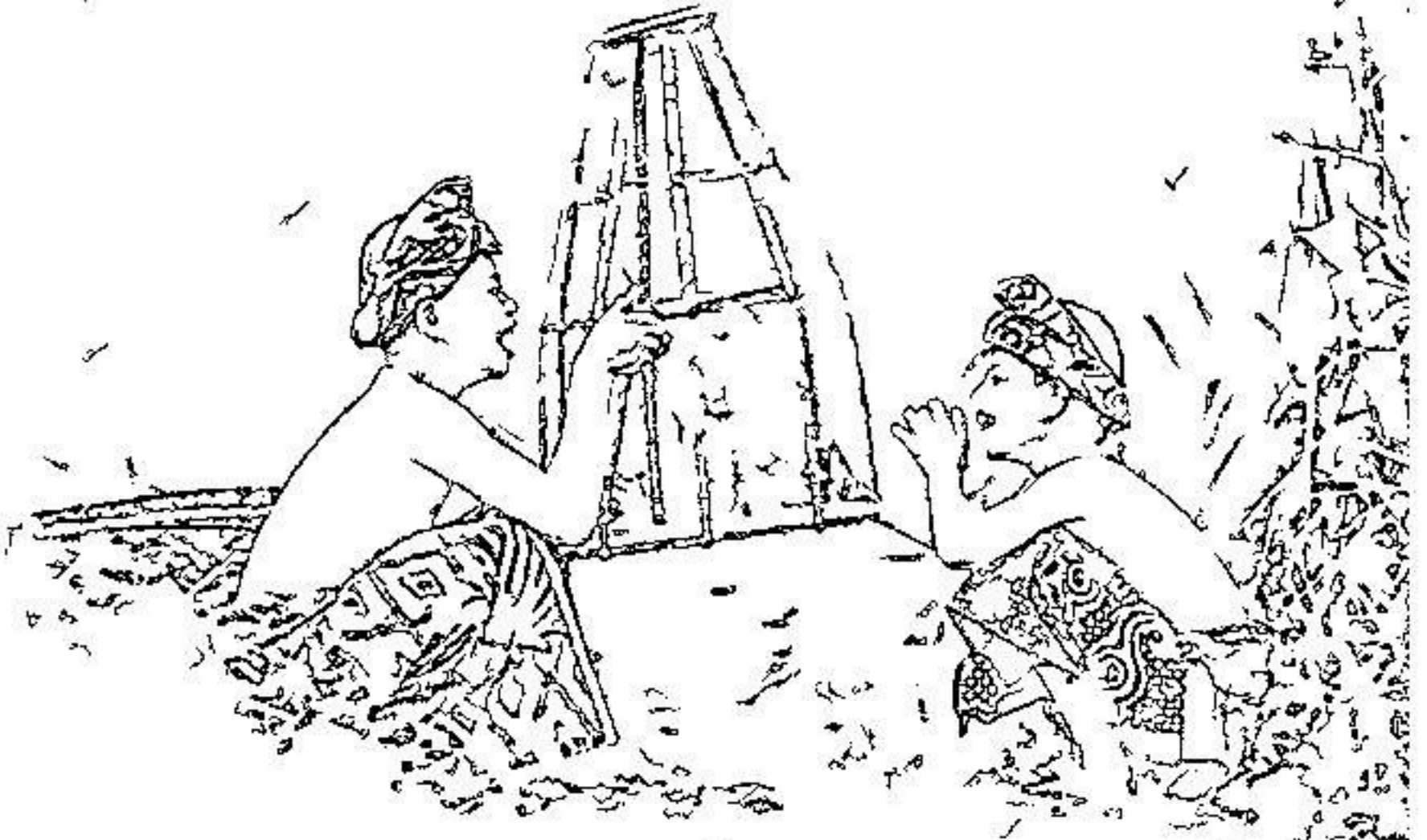
Here are those names:

- First Child: Wayan (or maybe Putu or Gede)
- Second Child: Made (or it could be Kadek or Nengah)
- Third Child: Nyoman or Komang
- Fourth Child: Ketut

What happens if the mother gives birth to a fifth baby? The name system starts again back at the beginning with Wayan!

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