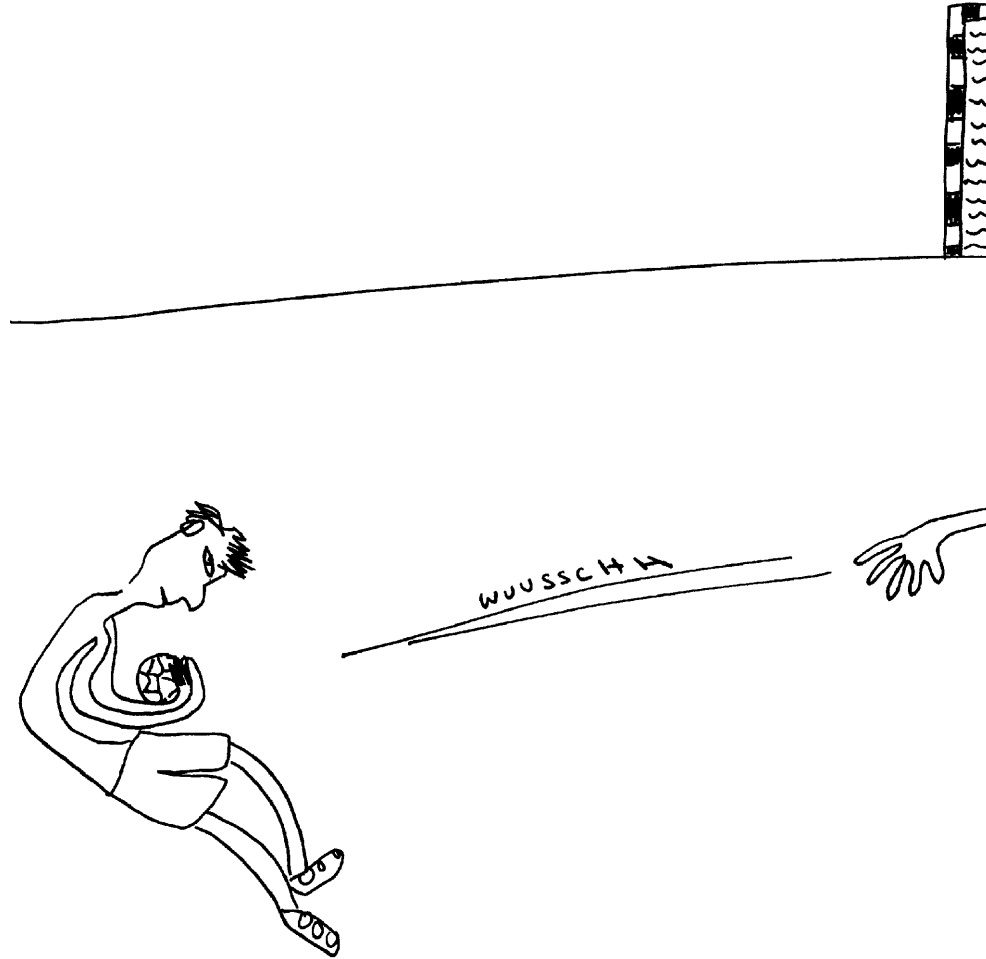




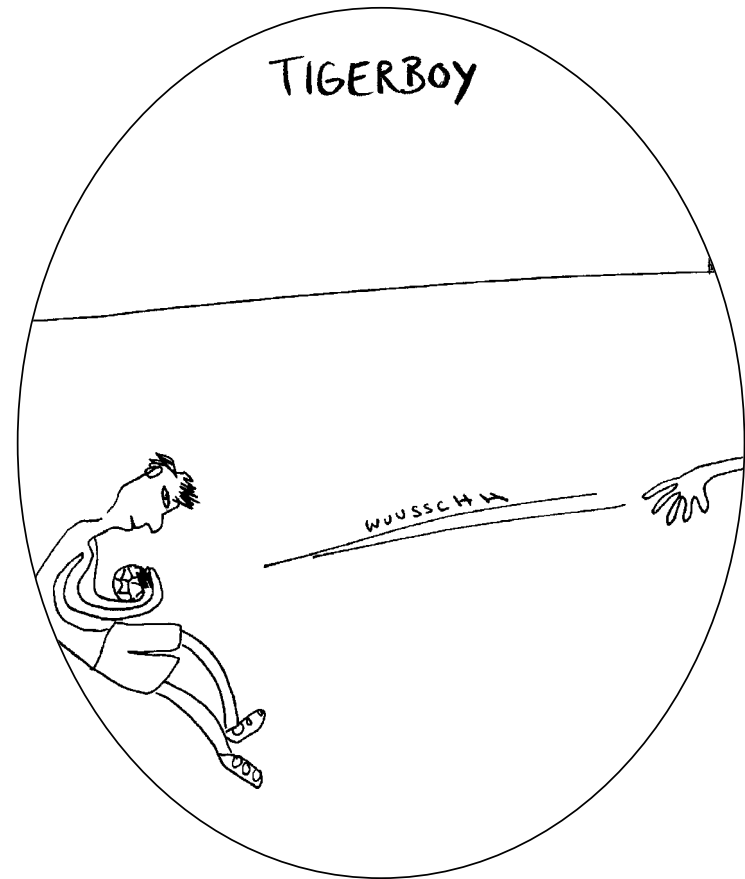
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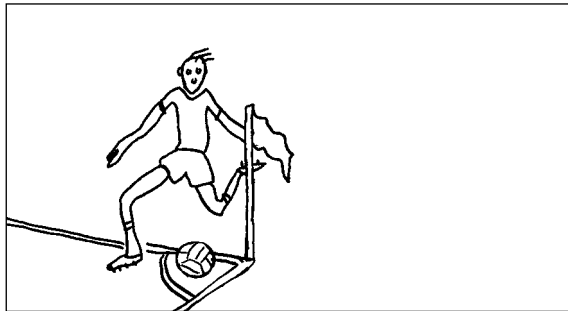
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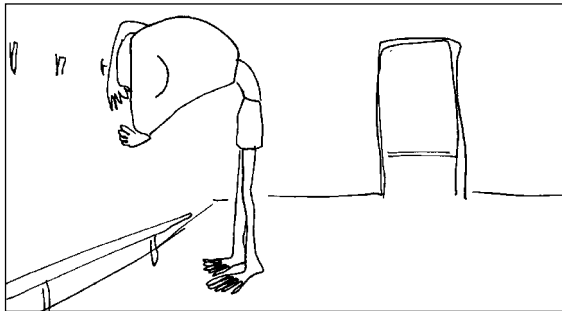
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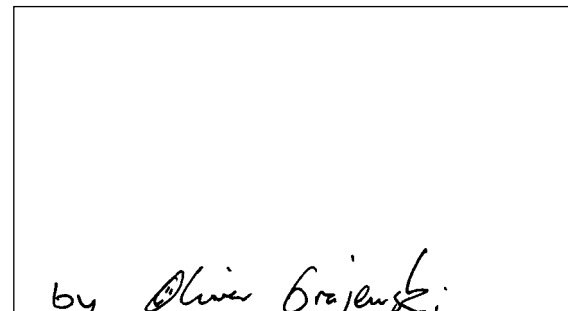


WHY TABLE TENNIS  
IS FUNDAMENTALLY  
GOOD NATURED ...

HOW I BECAME  
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CHAMPION ...

HOW THE DEVIL WAS  
RIDING ME AND I  
WAS RIDING A HORSE ...

ONE DAY ON  
THE HALFPIPE ...



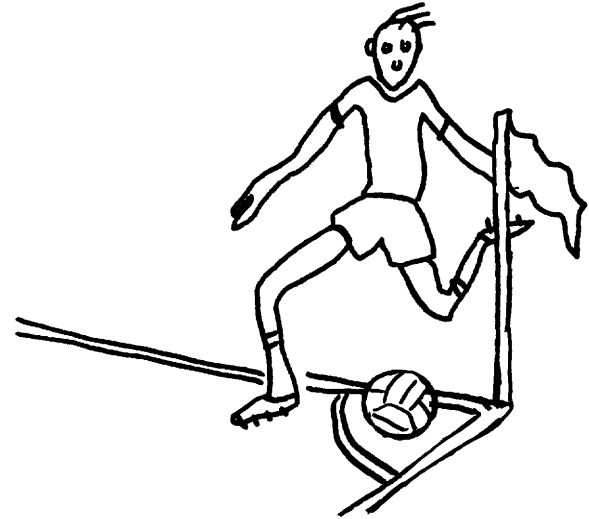
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How I GAVE UP SOCCER ...

# WHY I GAVE UP SOCCER ( A BRAVE STORY )



SPORTS BAG

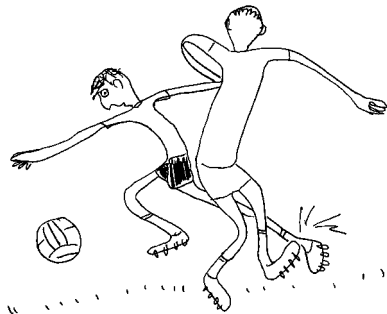
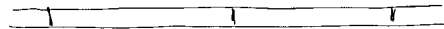
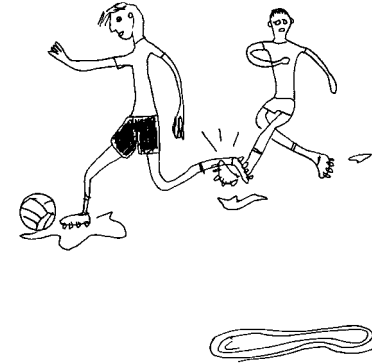
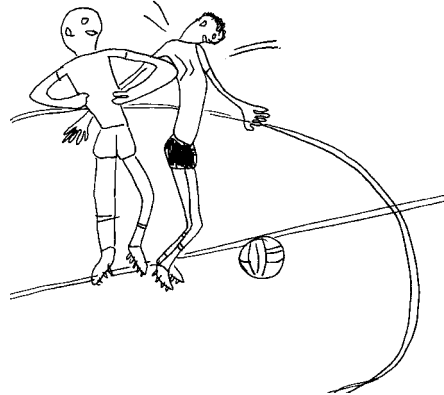
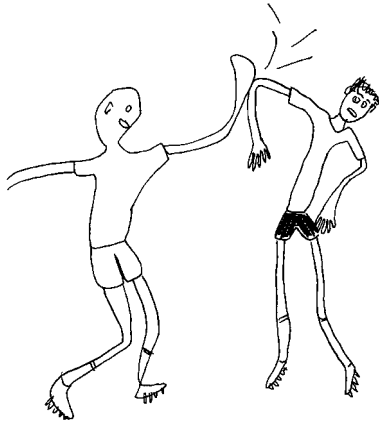


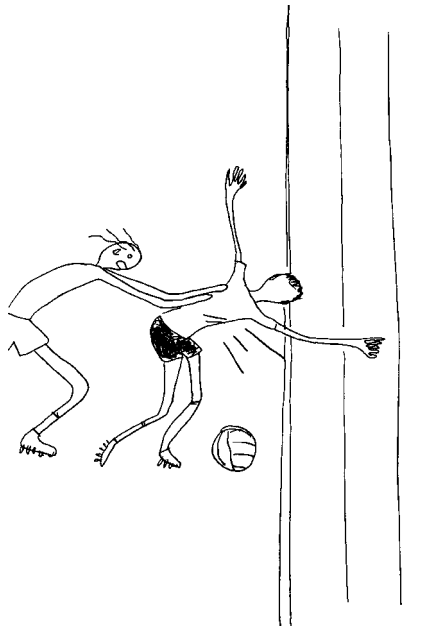
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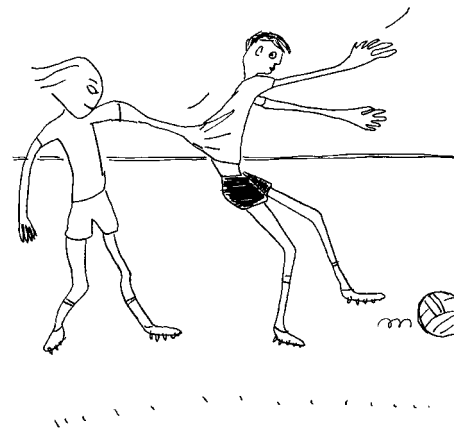
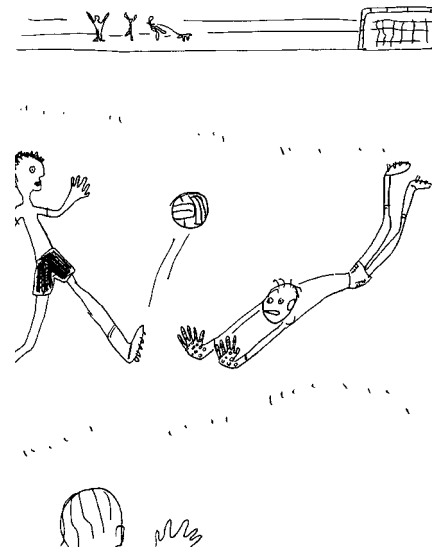
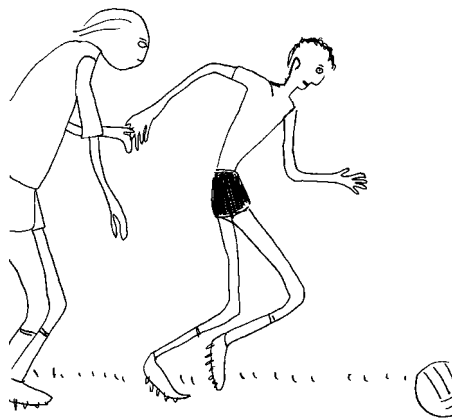
← - - - = WAY OF THE PLAYER WITHOUT BALL

← ~ ~ ~ = WAY OF THE PLAYER WITH BALL





SPIRIN HOLS







IF SOCCER IS THAT  
UNFAIR, I DON'T WANT  
TO BECOME A SOCCER  
PLAYER.



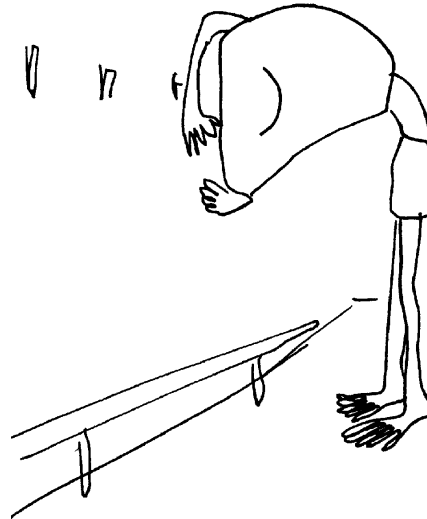
How I SAVED A PENALTY KICK ...

HOW I SAVED A  
PENALTY KICK, WE  
WERE DRAWN AND  
MY LIFE WAS  
DEFINATELY CHANGED:

OVER HEAD LIGHT



ENTRY TO NEW HALL

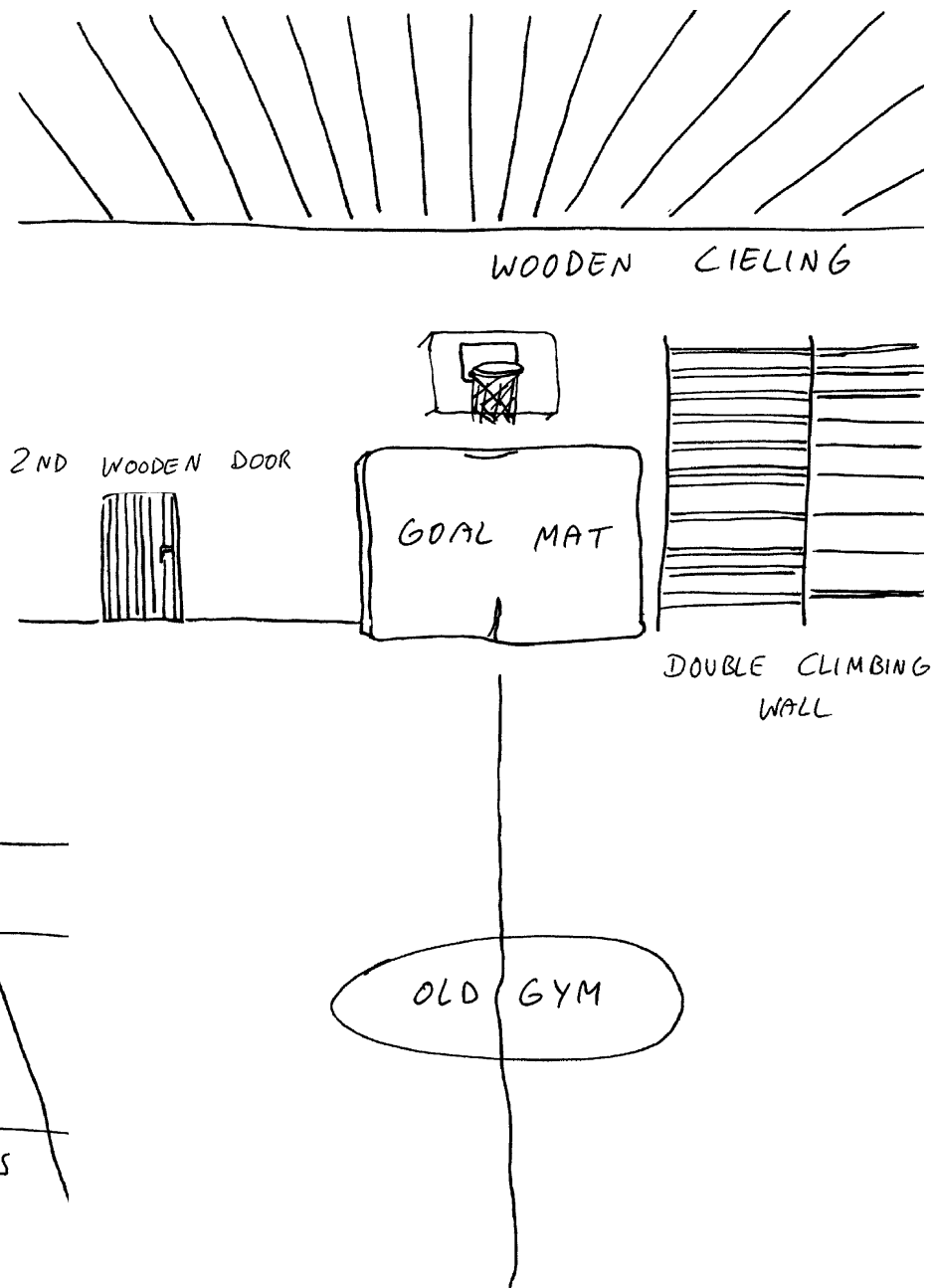
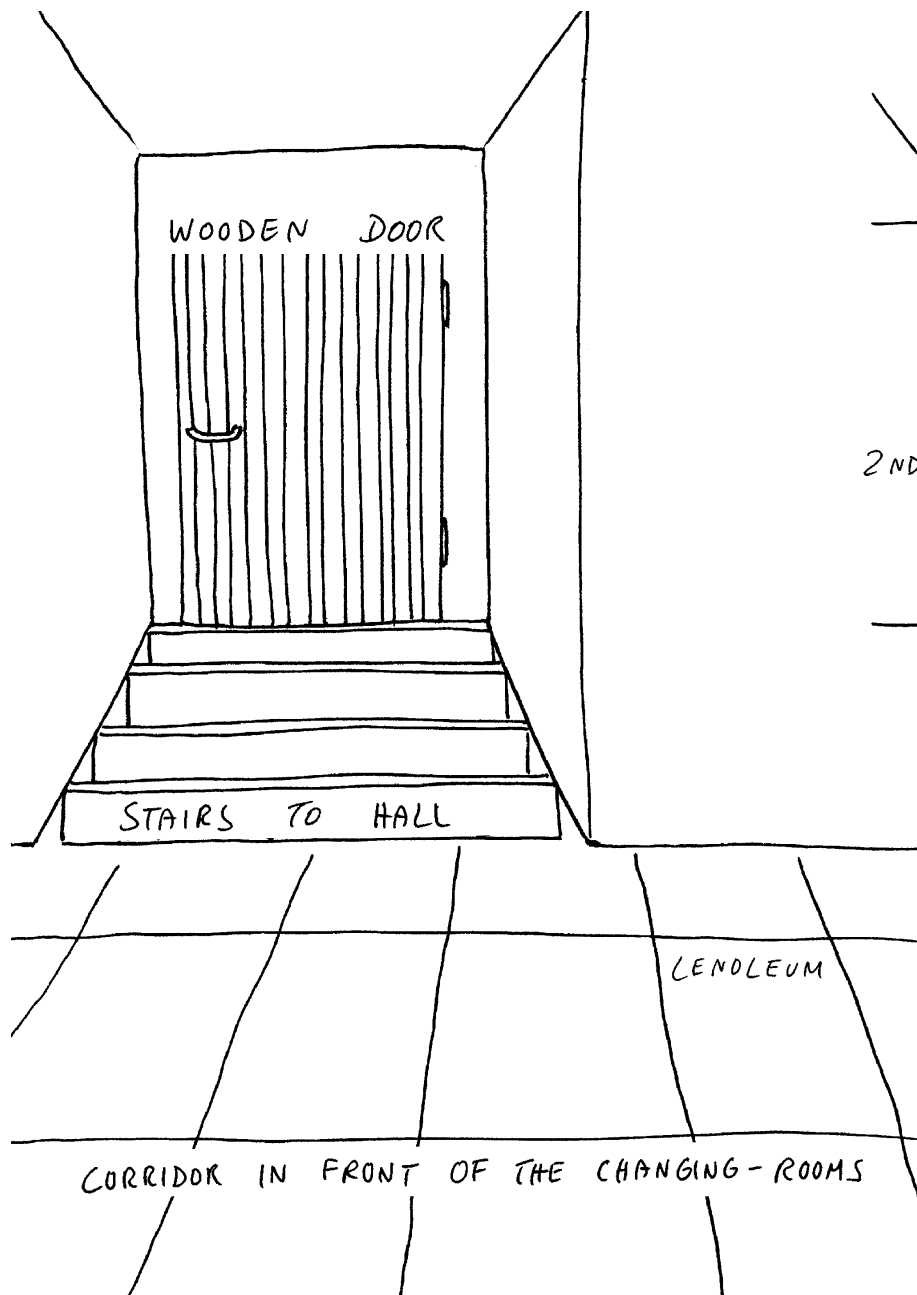


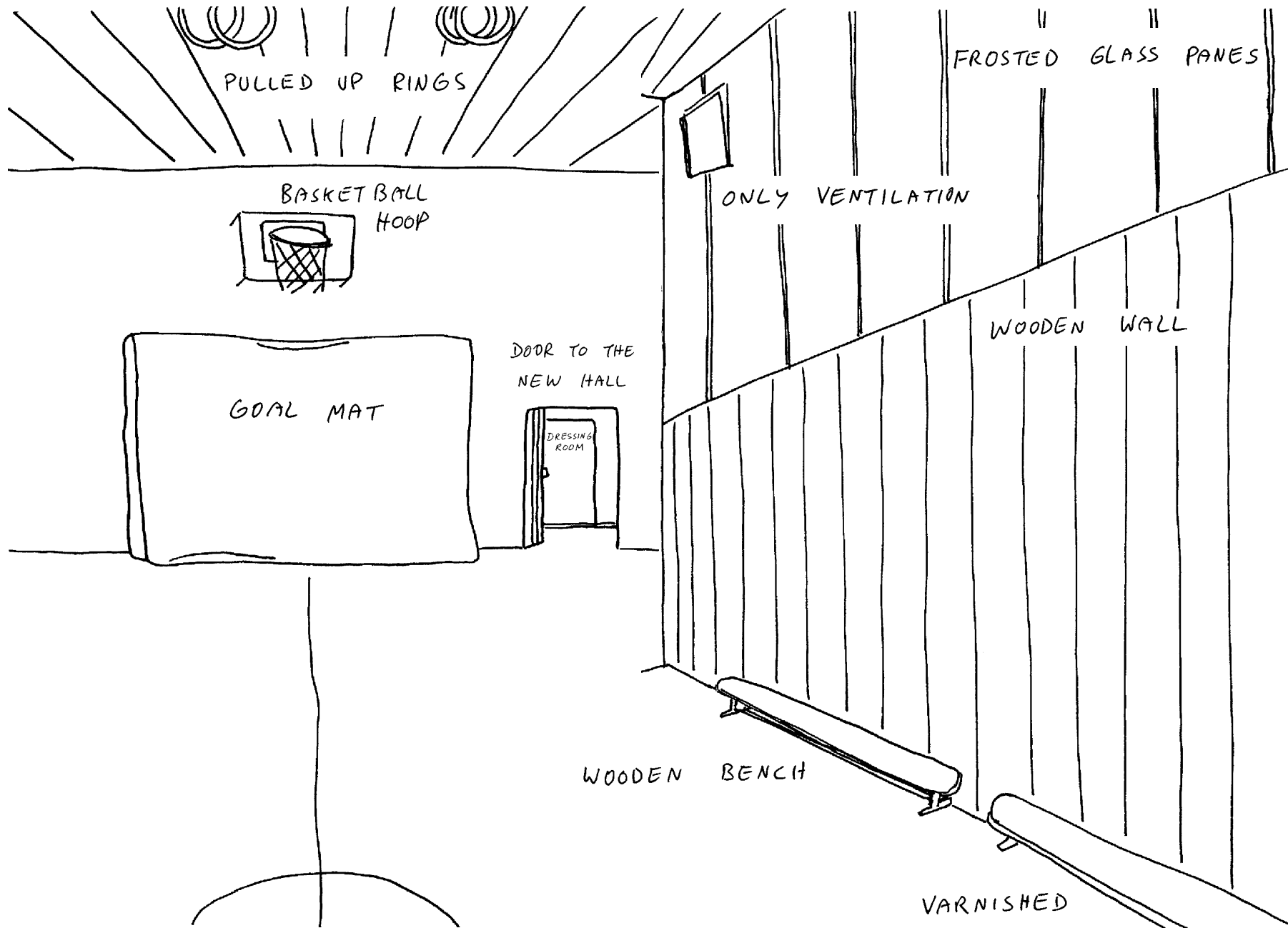
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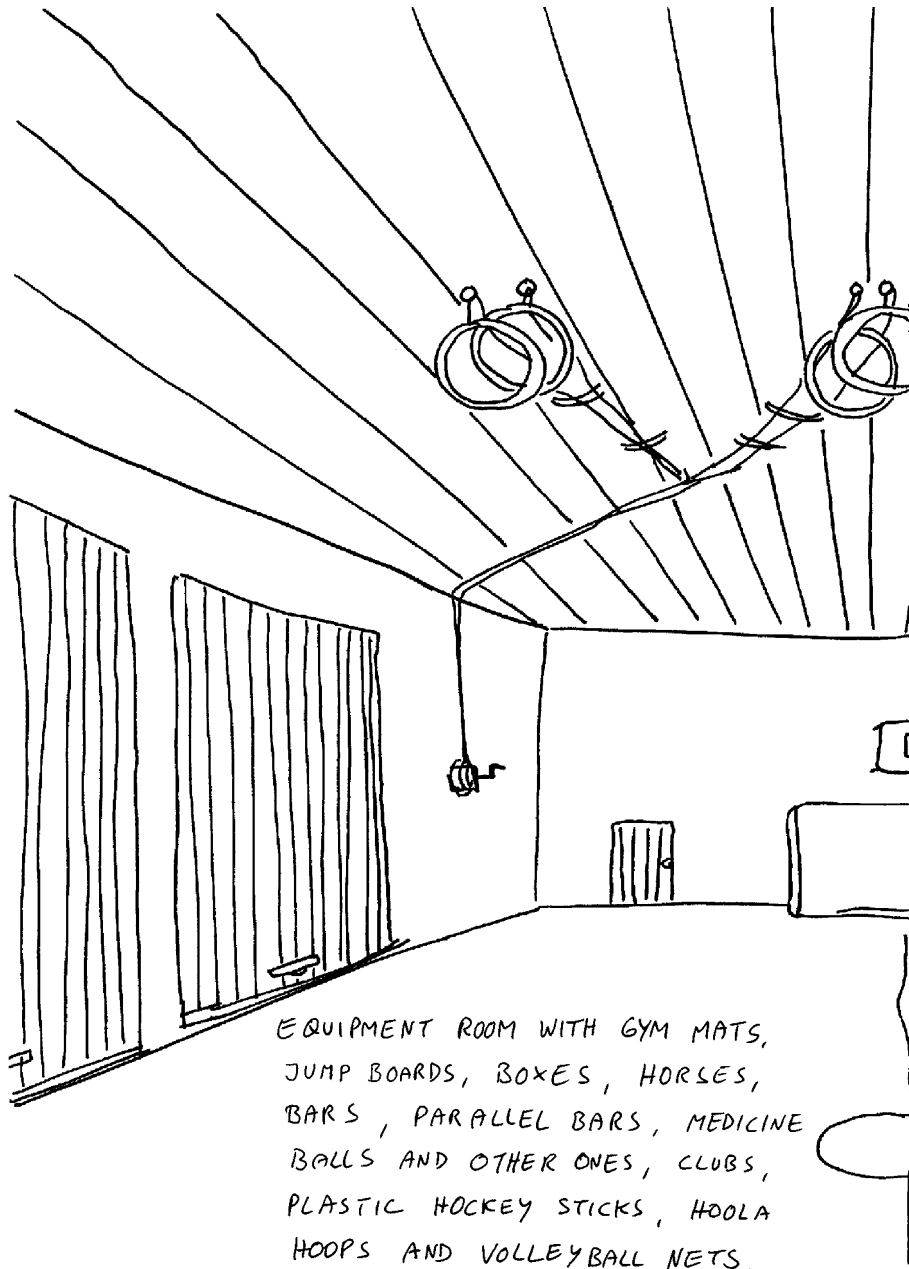
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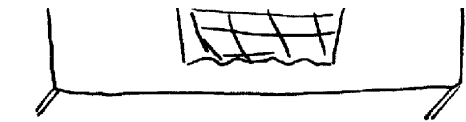
25 YEAR OLD SKIN





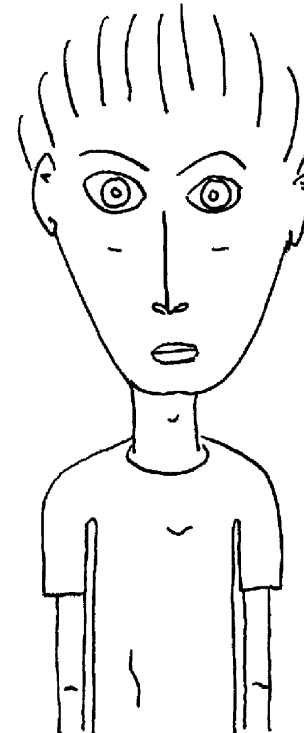


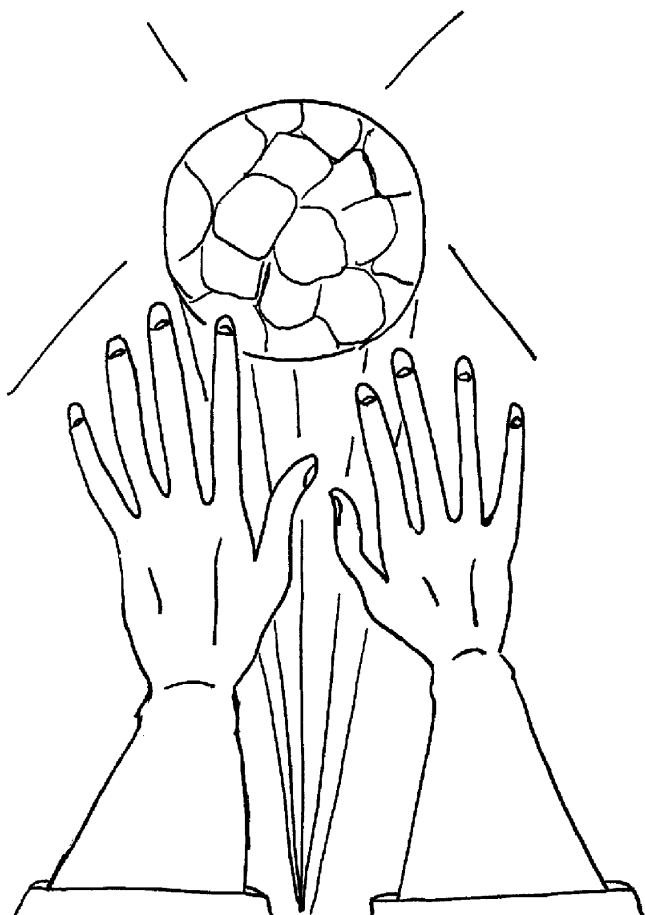
EQUIPMENT ROOM WITH GYM MATS,  
JUMP BOARDS, BOXES, HORSES,  
BARS, PARALLEL BARS, MEDICINE  
BALLS AND OTHER ONES, CLUBS,  
PLASTIC HOCKEY STICKS, HOOLA  
HOOPS AND VOLLEYBALL NETS.



SITUATION WAS THE FOLLOWING:  
THE LAST MINUTE OF THE PLAYTIME,  
JUST BEFORE A DOUBBLE GERMAN  
LANGUAGE LESSON. WE HAVE AN

8 TO 8 TIE SITUATION. I'M THE  
GOALIE. THE OTHER TEAM GOT  
AN 11 METER PENALTY FREE KICK.  
IN THE HALL 11 METER ARE 7  
METER. I'M PRETTY MUCH AT EASE.



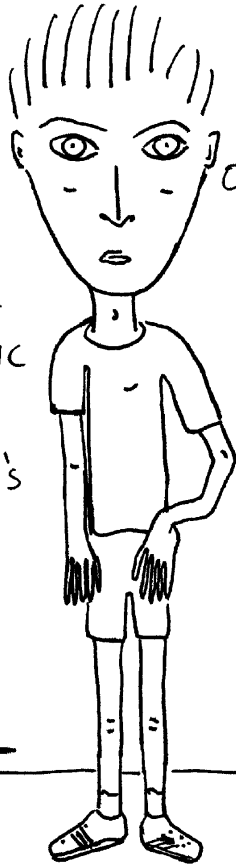




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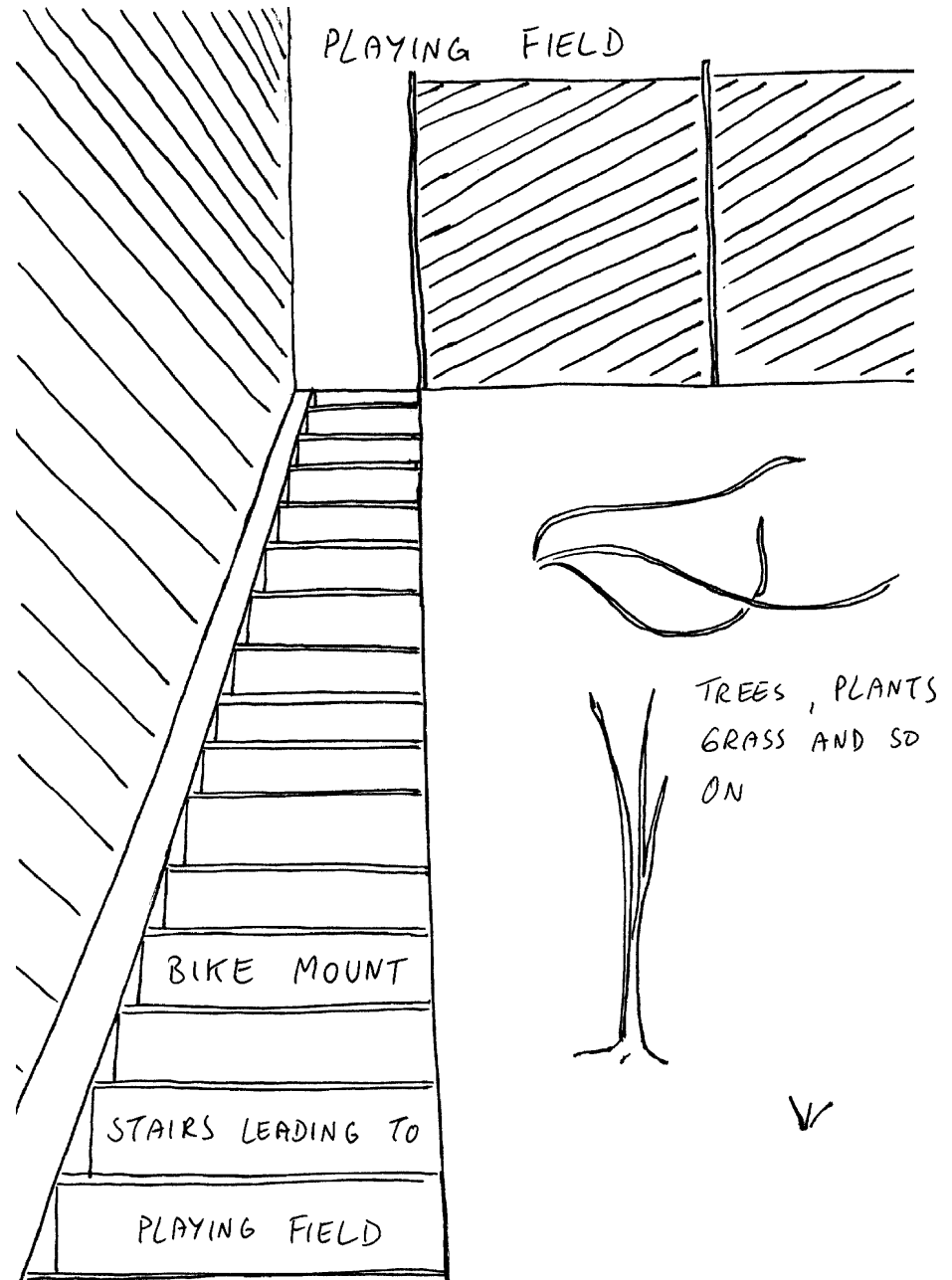
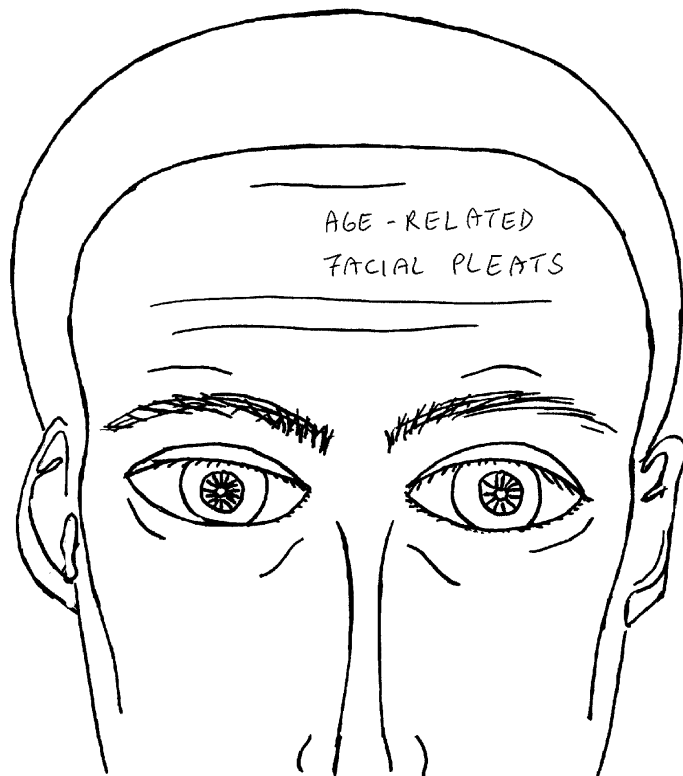
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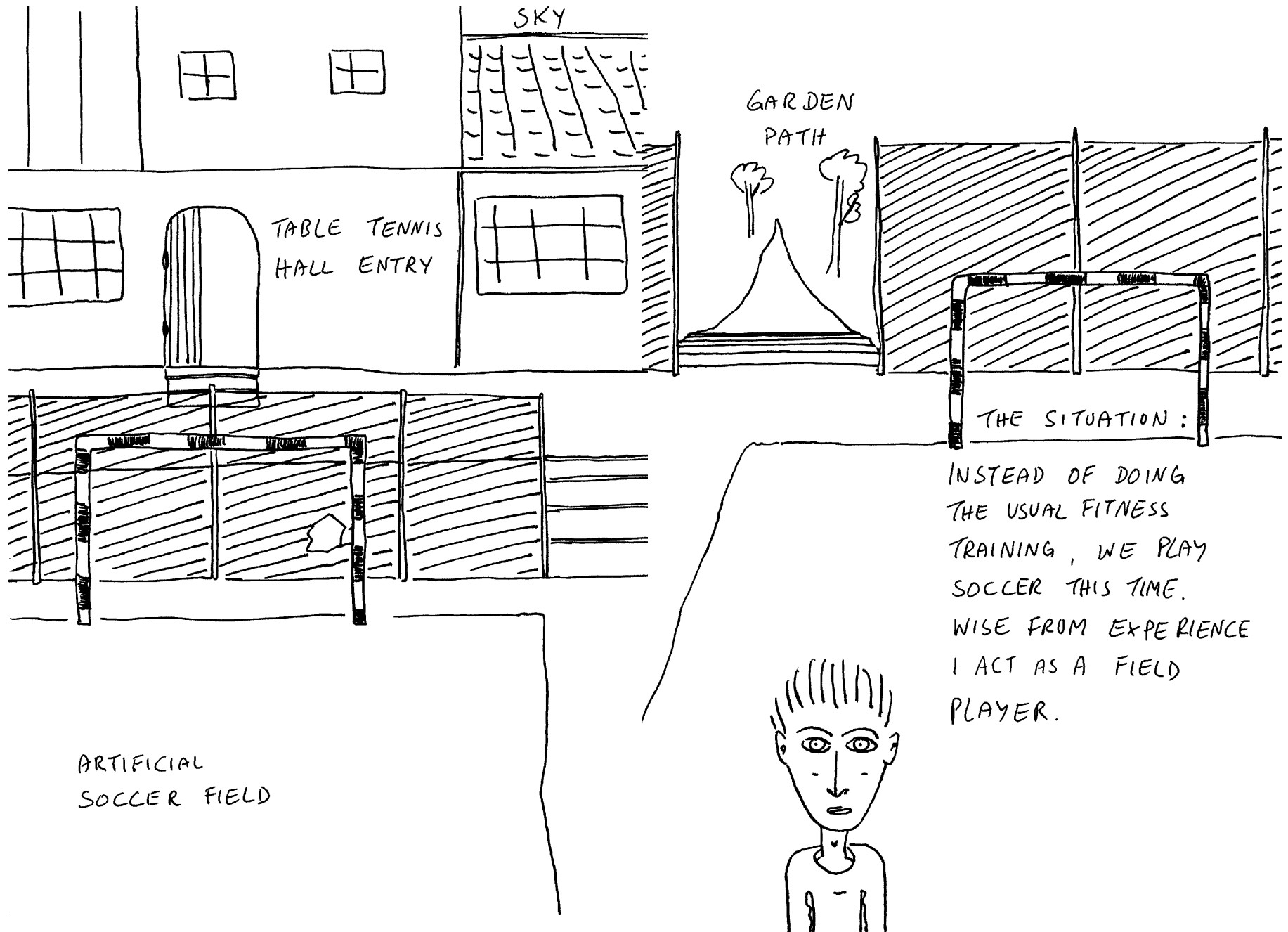
BY THE WAY : THE AMBULANCE  
TOOK 45 MINUTES TO ARRIVE  
AND ANOTHER 30 MINUTES TO GET  
TO THE HOSPITAL. X-RAYS AND  
WAITING COST ME  
ANOTHER 3 HOURS.  
THE OPERATION  
AND THE TIME IT  
TOOK FOR THE  
ANESTHETIC TO WAVE OFF  
WAS 90 MINUTES.  
BUT THAT'S ANOTHER  
STORY.



WHY TABLE TENNIS IS FUNDAMENTALLY  
GOOD NATURED ...

WHY TABLE TENNIS IS  
FUNDAMENTALLY GOOD  
NATURED , BUT SOCCER  
IS NOT .





SKY

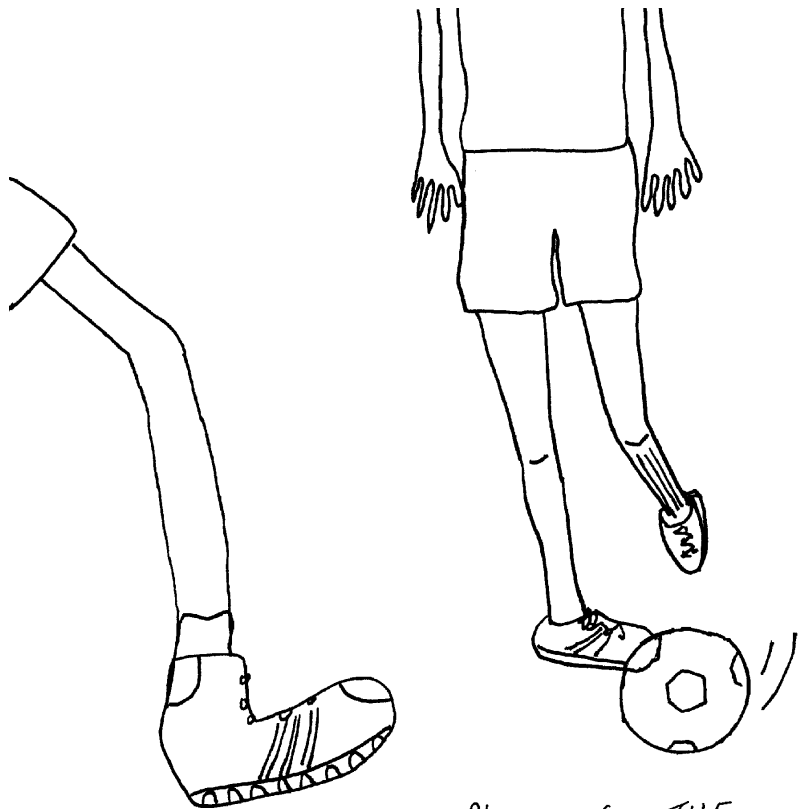
GARDEN  
PATH

TABLE TENNIS  
HALL ENTRY

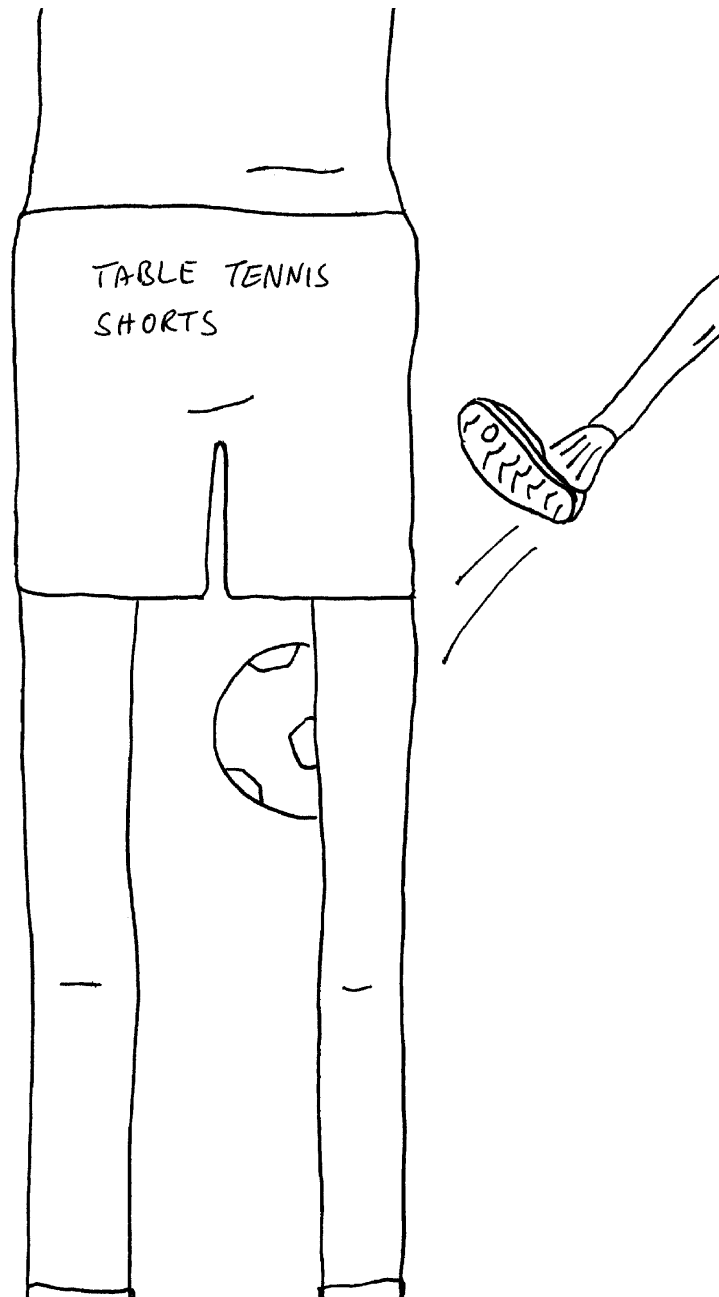
THE SITUATION :

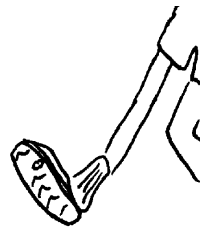
INSTEAD OF DOING  
THE USUAL FITNESS  
TRAINING , WE PLAY  
SOCCER THIS TIME.  
WISE FROM EXPERIENCE  
I ACT AS A FIELD  
PLAYER.

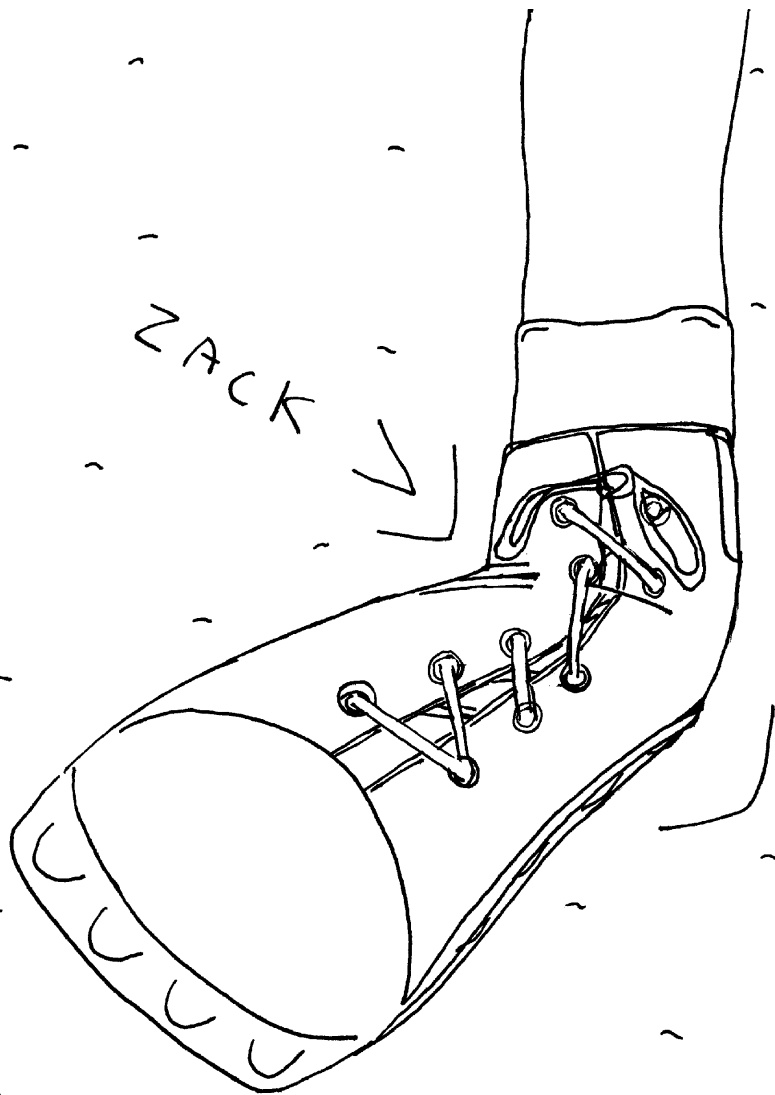
ARTIFICIAL  
SOCCER FIELD



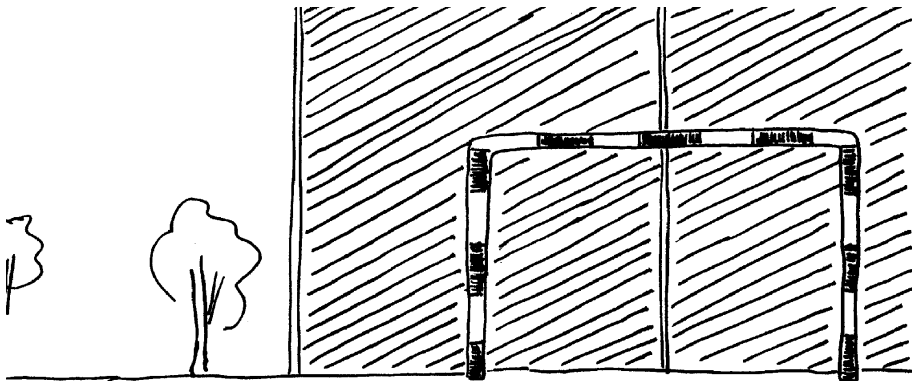
PLAYING THE  
BALL WITH THE  
OUTSIDE OF THE  
FOOT.







ZACK



I ARRIVED AT THE HOSPITAL  
ONE HOUR LATER. BUT  
THE SURGERY TOOK PLACE  
MORE THAN ONE  
WEEK LATER.

COMPLETELY UNDER  
ANASTHETIC. SO I  
HAD PLENTY OF  
TIME DURING MY  
SUMMER VACATION




TO THINK  
ABOUT THE  
WORLD IN  
GENERAL. BUT THAT'S ANOTHER STORY  
ALTOGETHER.





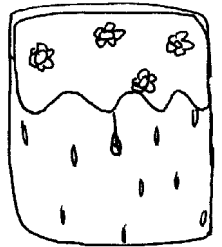
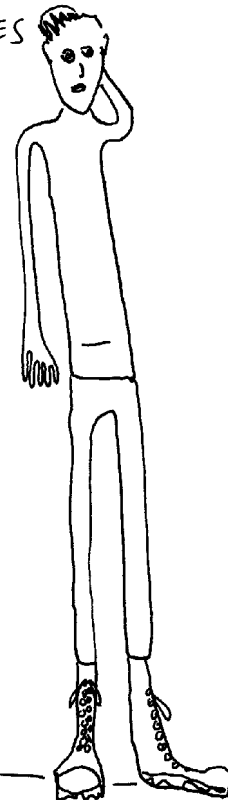
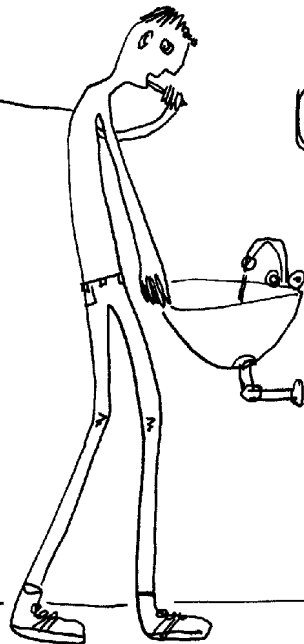
HOW I BECAME SMALLTOWN  
CHAMPION ...



RIGHT ON. THE  
BEGINNING OF THE 80s.

NEARLY GOOD WEATHER  
BUT IT WAS ALREADY  
GETTING COLD. AND  
SOMETHING MORE WAS  
ON IT'S WAY TO DEVELOP.  
BEFORE I WENT OUT  
I EXCHANGED THE  
SPORTS SHOES  
WITH ARMY  
BOOTS.

TIGHT TROUSERS AND  
ADIDAS UNIVERSAL SHOES.



TELEPHONE  
BOX

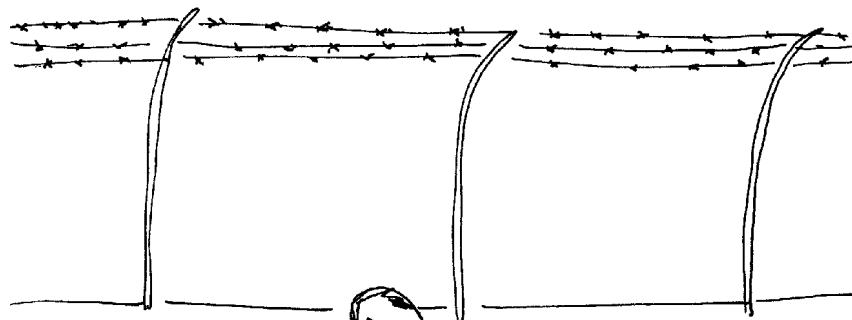


ALL THE OTHER  
KIDS ALREADY  
WENT OUT  
WHEN I  
ARRIVED AT  
SCHOOL. RAIN  
BEGAN TO  
FALL WHEN  
I FOLLOWED  
THEM.  
BECAUSE  
OF THAT I  
LEND A  
RAINCOAT  
(YELLOW)  
FROM  
SOMEONE.

BY THE WAY :  
AT THAT TIME!  
THE STADIUM  
DIDN'T HAVE  
A TARTAN TRACK.  
THAT FOR IT HAD  
THIS OLD RADIO -  
ACTIVE, OR IN  
ANY OTHER WAY,  
ACTIVE ASH.



STADIUM →



AND WHEN THERE WAS RAIN,  
IT SOON BECAME MUD.

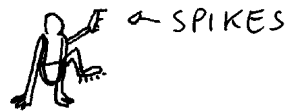
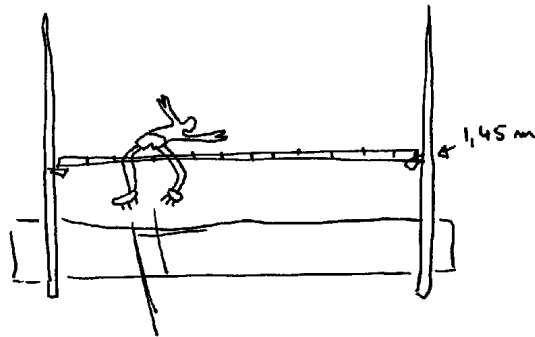


GRANDSTAND

... ENTERING THE STADIUM,  
PASSING THE THROWING TRACK  
WHERE MY PAST RESULTS  
DIDN'T LOOK TOO GOOD.

BUT TODAY ALL  
OF THIS DOES  
NOT COUNT.  
I ONLY APPEARED  
BECAUSE OF  
THE HIGH JUMP.  
AND I STARTED  
ASKING MY -  
SELF : "WHY?"  
AFTER ALL I  
WAS NEVER  
PRACTISING.

GLITTER TROUSERS

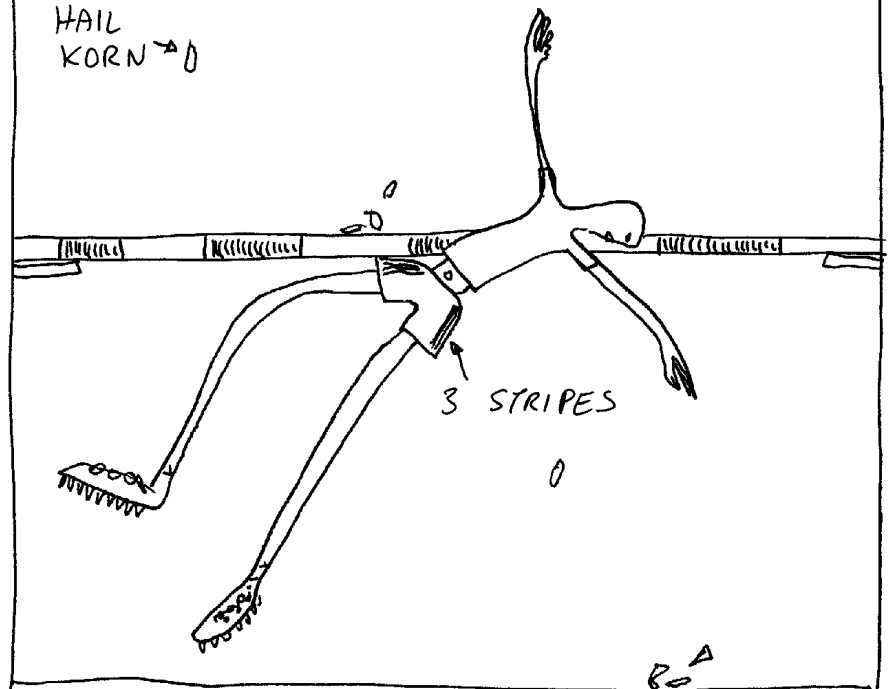


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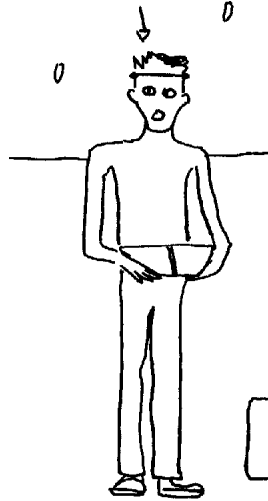
WHEN I PASSED THE  
ROOFED GRANDSTAND I  
FELT SOMETHING LIKE  
SELFCONFIDENCE  
CRAWLING UP IN ME.  
FROM FAR AWAY I  
SPOTTED THE JUMP  
AREA AND RECOGNIZED  
THE OTHER SPORTS-  
MAN, DRESSED  
QUALIFIED (GLITTER  
TROUSERS AND SPIKES).  
THE CONTEST WAS  
ALREADY IN ITS  
FINAL ROUND.

AS I COULD PROPOSE FROM THE  
DISTANCE, THE FINAL HIGHT WAS  
AT 1 METER 45. EVEN UNDER  
SUCH BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS  
(HAIL) IT MADE ME LAUGH.

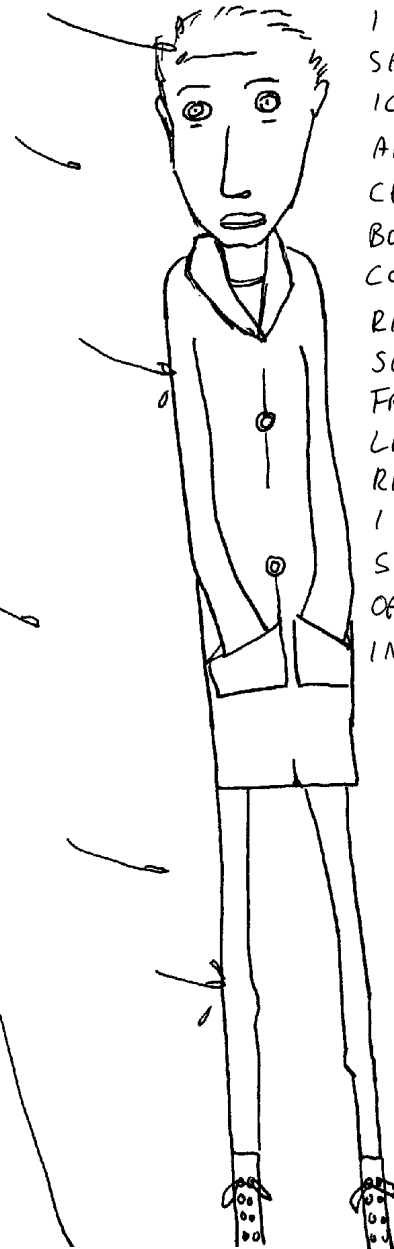
HAIL  
KORN



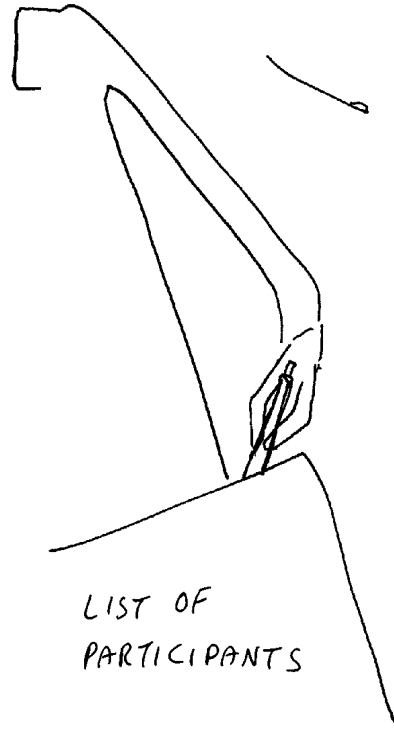
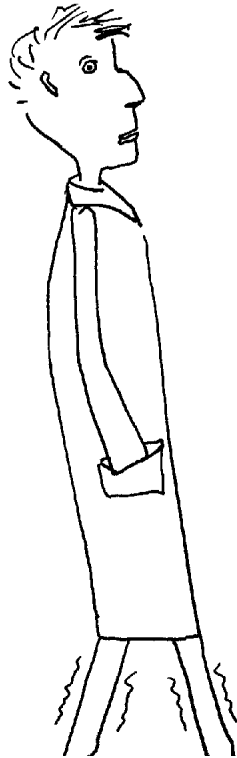
REFEREE  
FRANK (EN)  
STEIN



WITH MY BOOTS  
I WAS STANDING  
SAFE ON THE  
ICING GROUND.  
AND I DIDN'T  
CHANGE THE  
BOOTS FOR THE  
CONTEST. MY  
RAINCOAT WAS  
SAVING ME  
FROM THE WAVE  
LIKE FALLING  
RAIN. AND SO  
I MANAGED TO  
SIGN THE LIST OF  
PARTICIPANTS  
IN TIME.

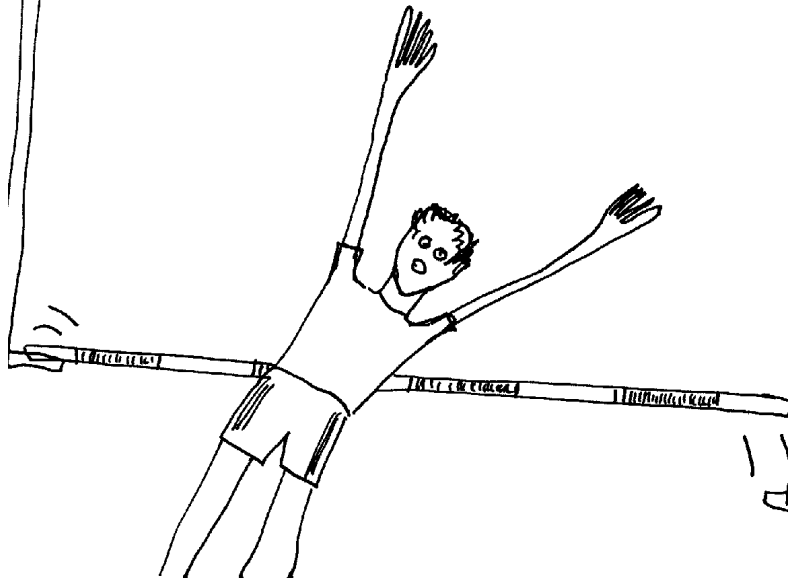


WET AS A DOG  
I REACHED THE  
REFEREE  
THE HUMIDITY  
NEARLY KILLED  
ME. I ALREADY  
WAS ON MY WAY  
TO CATCH A FLUE  
AND MY WET  
JEANS STARTED  
TO SHRINK.

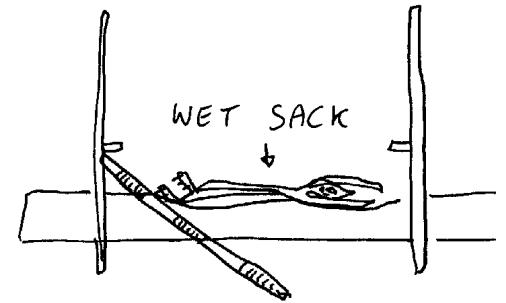


LIST OF  
PARTICIPANTS

BUT BEFORE I COULD  
DO MY FIRST JUMP,  
THE LAST COMPETITOR  
FAILED AT A HEIGHT  
OF A METER SO.

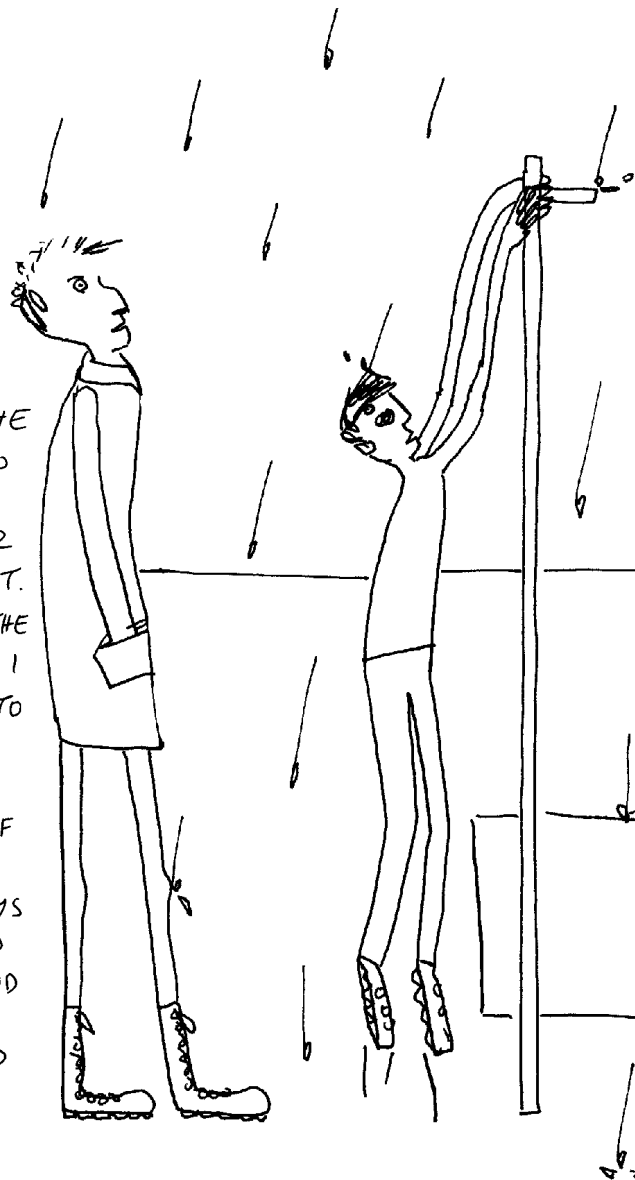


← TRAINER

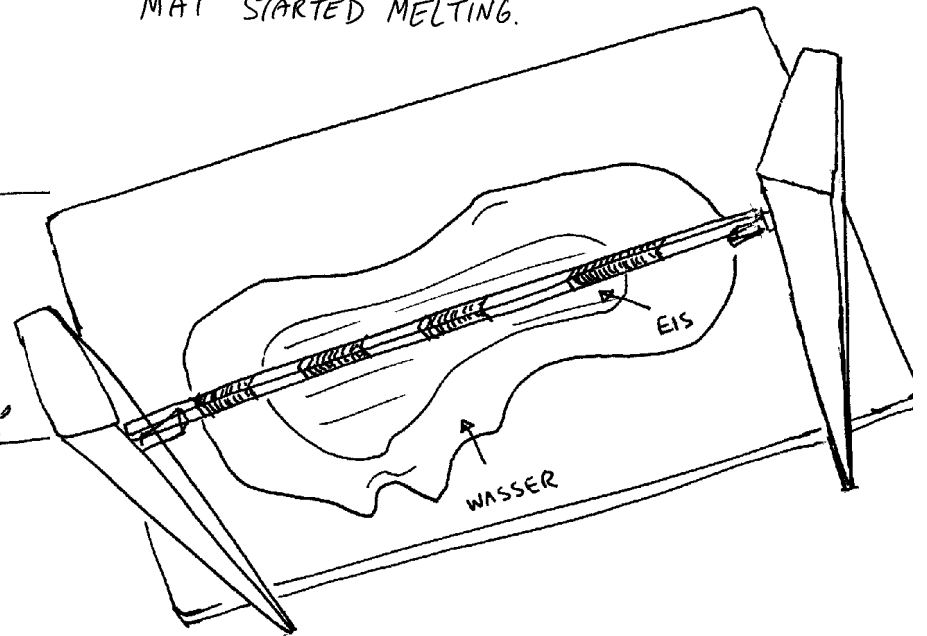


NOT A GOOD DAY FOR  
THE ATHLETICS TRAINER  
OF MY SPORTS CLUB.  
HE WAS EXTRA  
VISITING IN SEARCH  
OF NEW TALENTS.  
SUCH A NERD.

I WENT TO THE REFEREE TO LET HIM PUT THE IRON AT 2 METERS HIGHT. BECAUSE OF THE BAD CONDITIONS I JUST WANTED TO JUMP ONCE. LONG CONTEST WHERE YOURSELF HAD TO TAKE PART IN, ALWAYS HAD BEEN KIND OF BORING. AND THE FREEZING PUBLIC WOULD THANK ME FOR JUST FINISHING IT FAST.



HAIL WAS TURNING INTO RAIN AGAIN AND THE BIG FROZEN PUDDLE ON THE JUMP MAT STARTED MELTING.



I KEPT THE RAINCOAT ON FOR NOT GETTING WET WHILE LANDING.

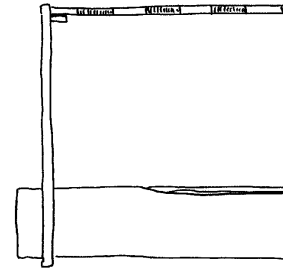


MEANWHILE MEAN WARM  
WINDS TROUBLED MY  
BLOOD PRESSURE. I WAS  
ALWAYS WEAK FOR  
EVIL INFLUENCES

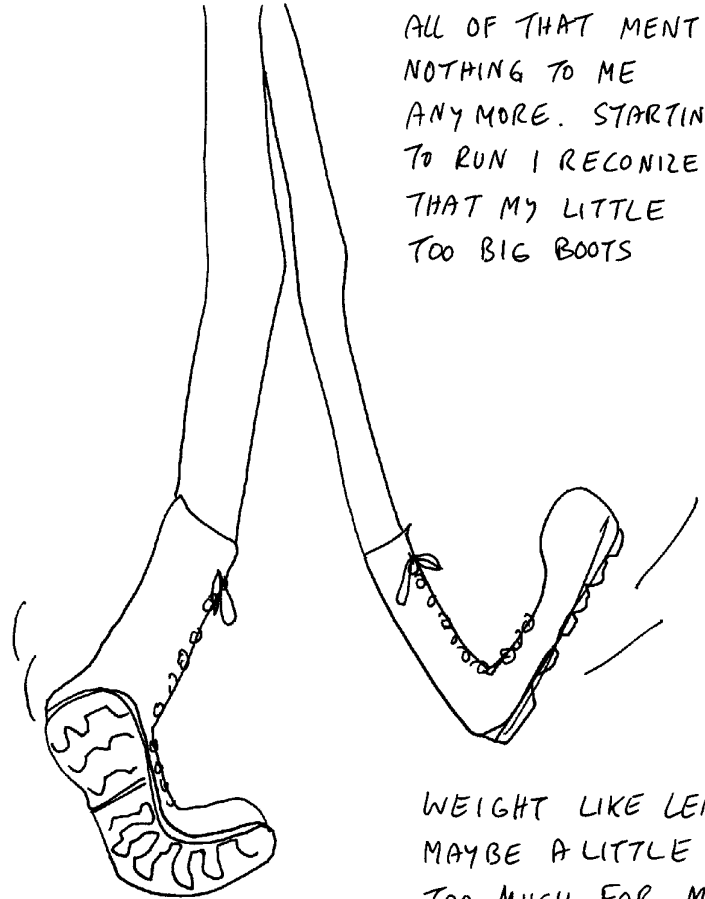
FROM WEATHER OR  
THINGS LIKE: "YOU  
SHOULD WORK IN  
YOUR HOLIDAYS  
FOR EARNING  
SOME MONEY."  
EVIL WINDS  
WERE STREAMING  
TOWARDS ME.



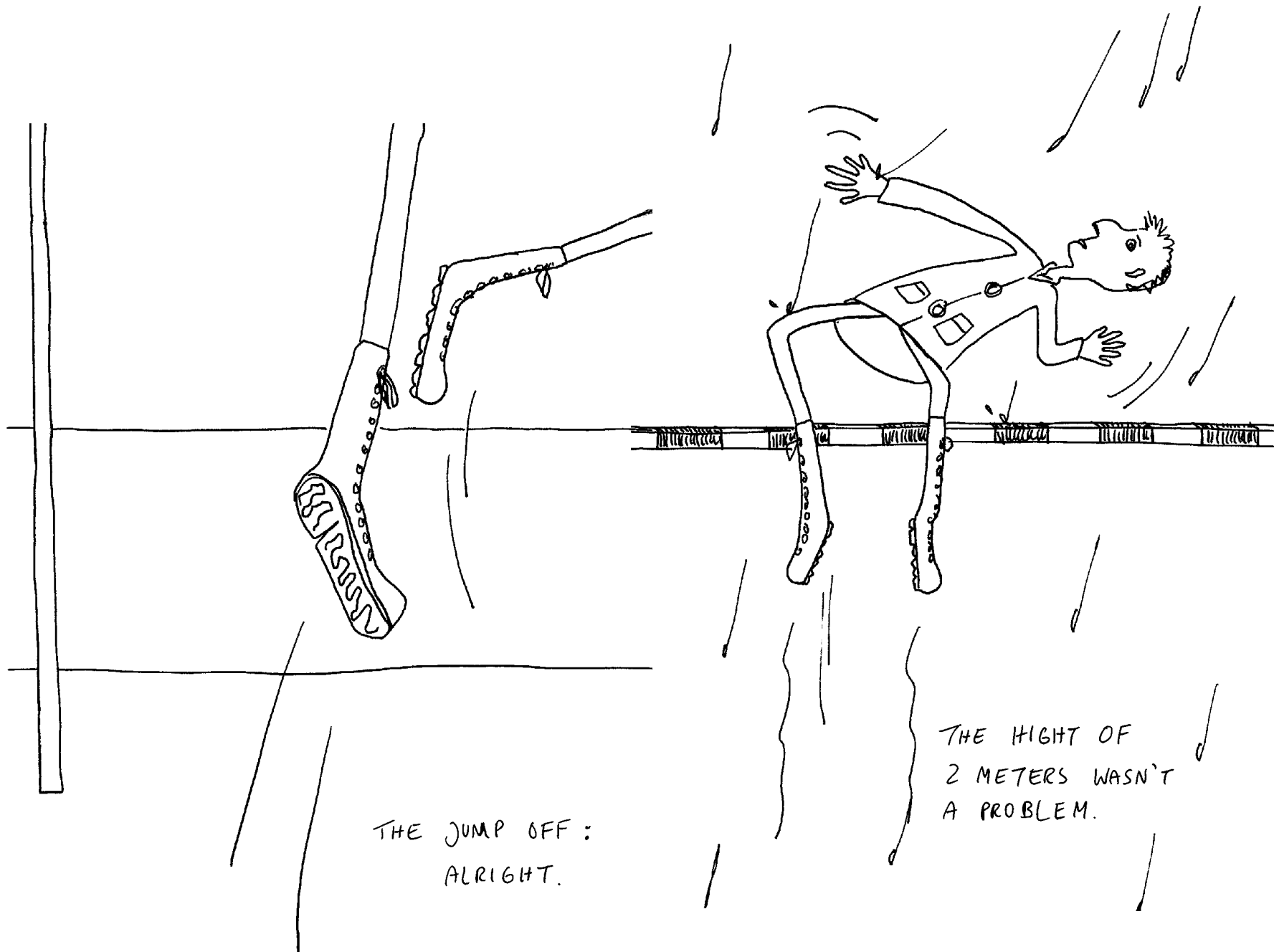
BREEZE



ALL OF THAT MENT  
NOTHING TO ME  
ANY MORE. STARTING  
TO RUN I RECONIZED  
THAT MY LITTLE  
TOO BIG BOOTS

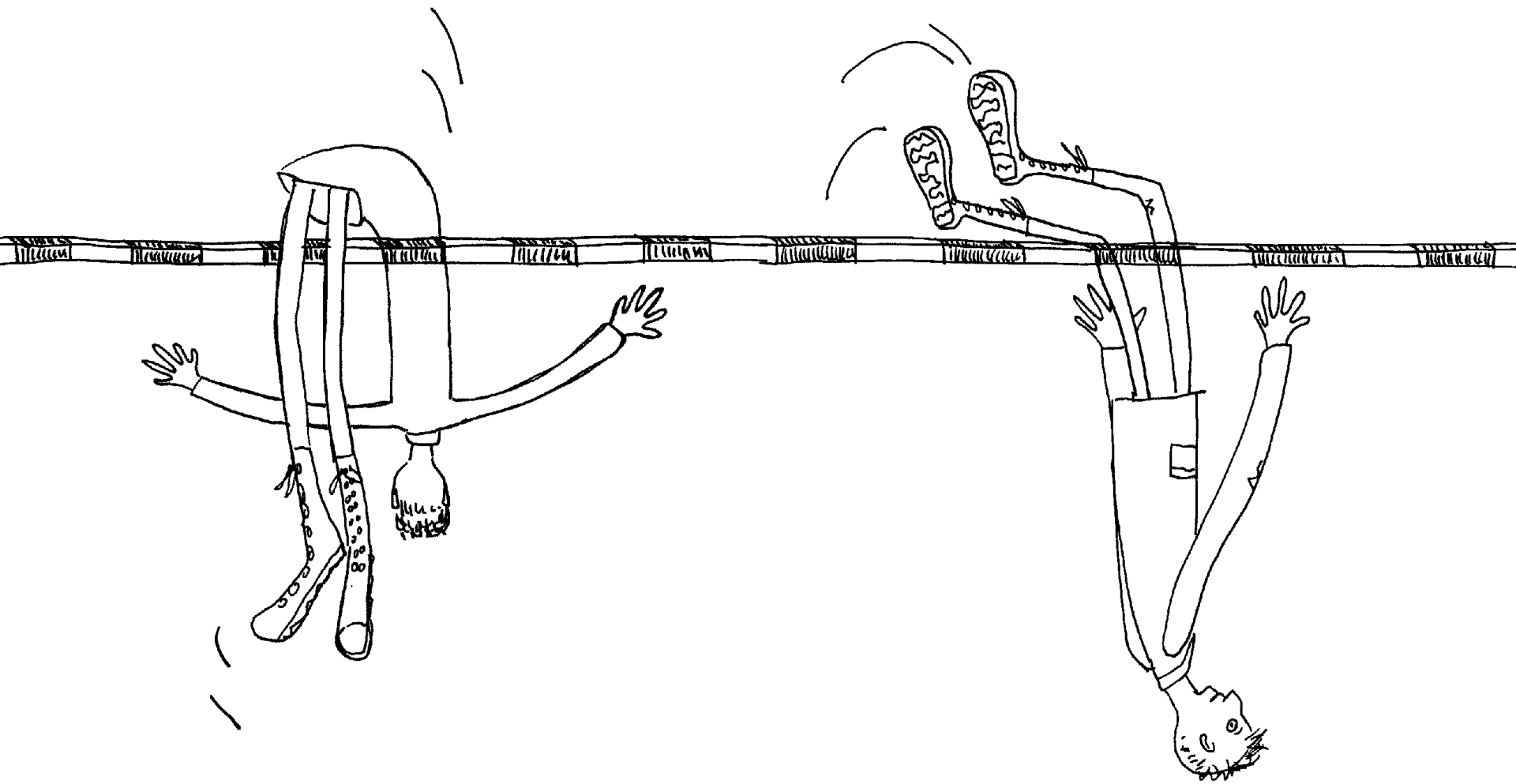



WEIGHT LIKE LEAD.  
MAYBE A LITTLE  
TOO MUCH FOR MY  
UNSPECTACULAR  
LEG MUSCLES.



THE JUMP OFF :  
ALRIGHT.

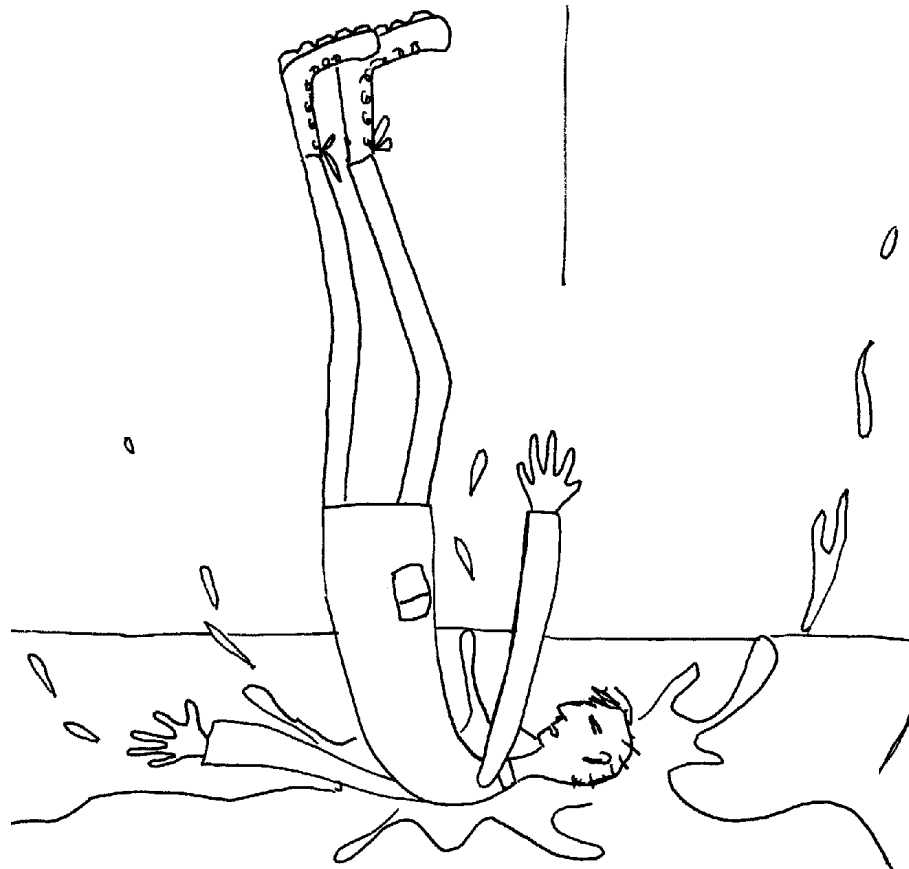
THE HIGHT OF  
2 METERS WASN'T  
A PROBLEM.



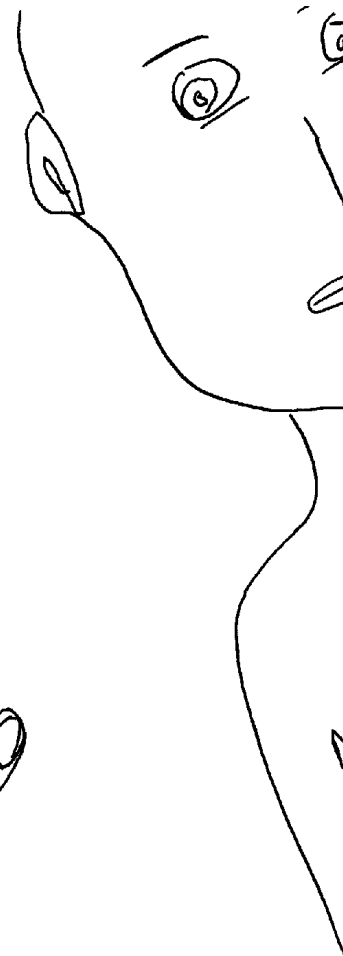
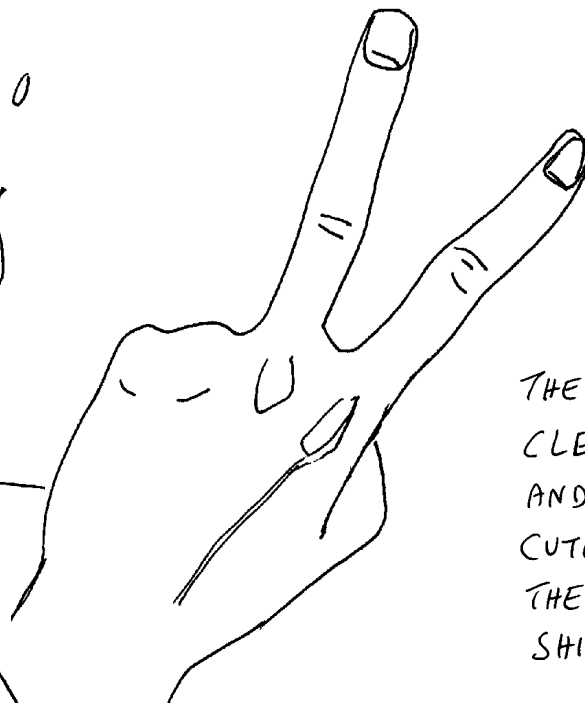


THE LANDING  
WAS REFRESHING.

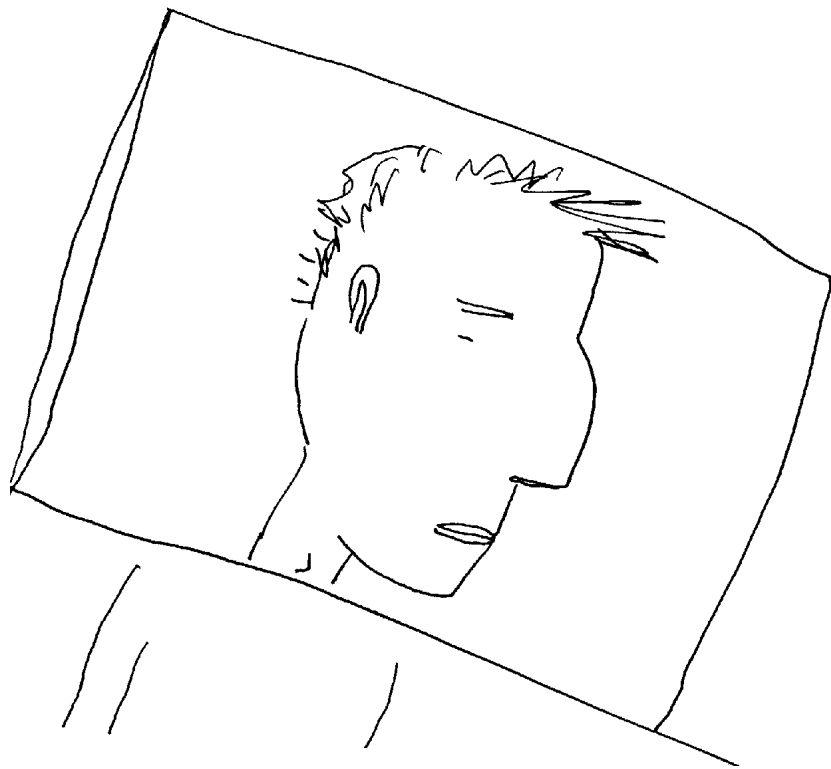
I UNROLLED AND  
MADE A SIGN IN  
DIRECTION OF THE  
REFEREE AND  
LEFT THE STADIUM.



THE SKY WAS  
CLEARING UP  
AND FOR A  
CUTE MOMENT  
THE SUN WAS  
SHINING.



FROM THE NEWSPAPER, THE NEXT MORNING, I WAS GETTING THE INFORMATION THAT I WON THE CONTEST. THE CHAMPIONS-PHOTO SHOWED THE TOP PLATFORM ON THE WINNER STAIRS EMPTY. THE TWO OTHER GUYS LOOKED REALLY STUPID AND SO I WAS GLAD NOT TO BE WITH THEM.

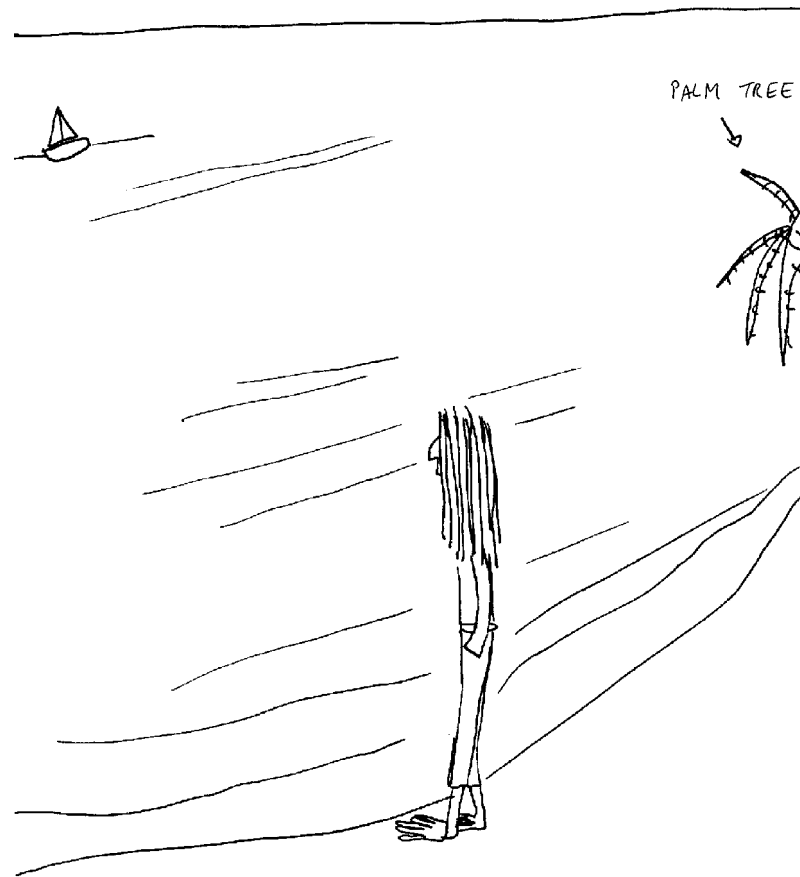


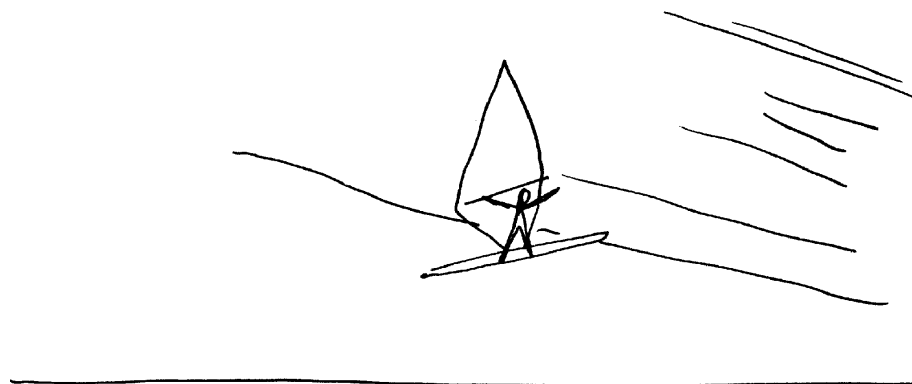
I DIDN'T TAKE BREAKFAST AS I ALWAYS DID AND WENT TO SCHOOL LIKE I ALWAYS HAD TO DO ...



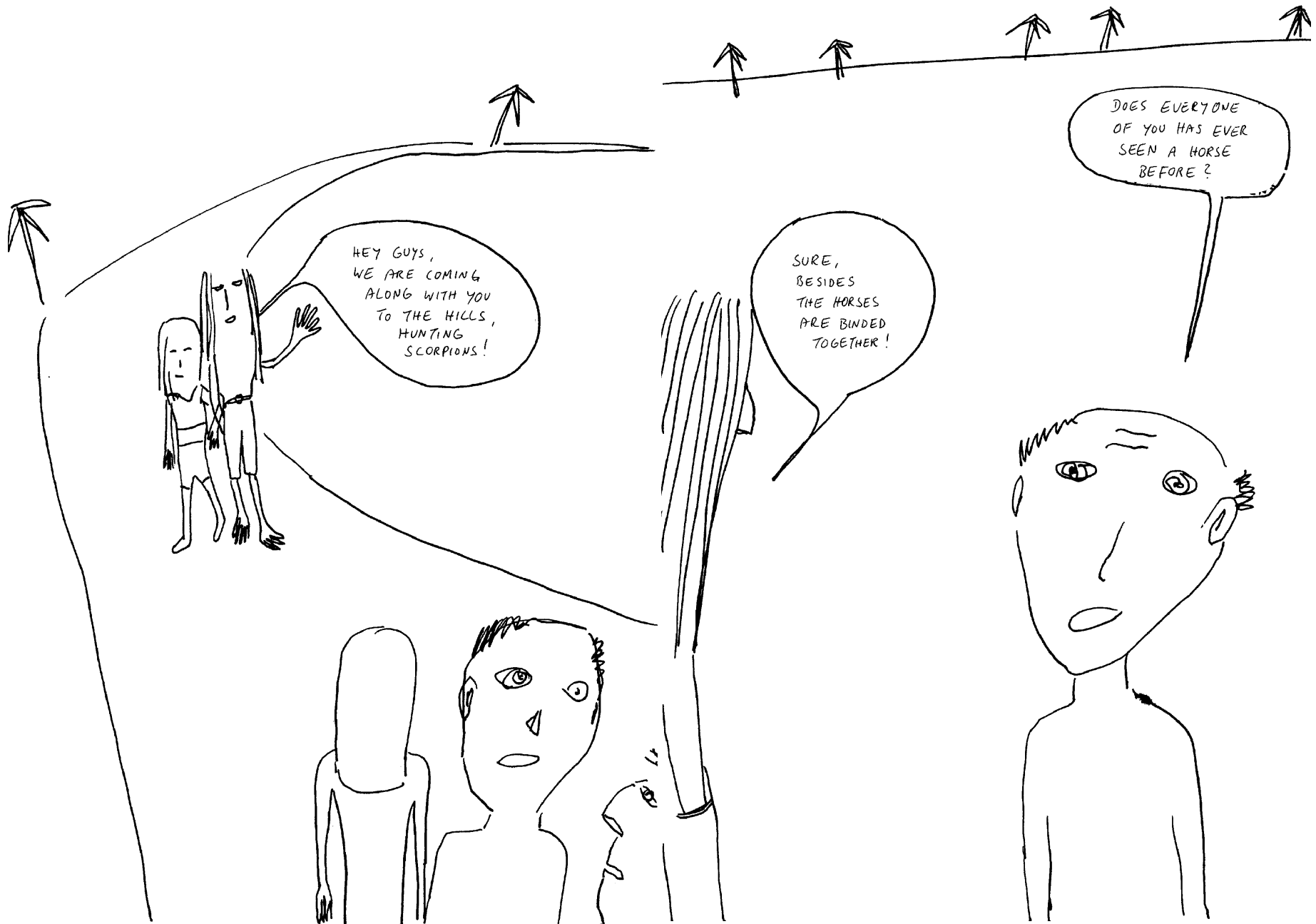


HOW THE DEVIL WAS RIDING ME  
AND I WAS RIDING A HORSE ...







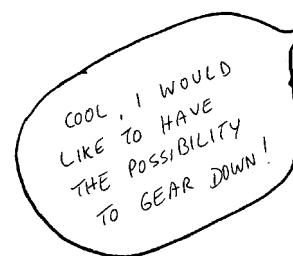
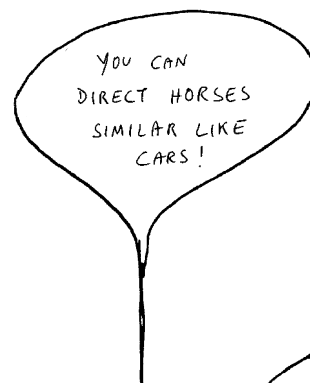


HEY GUYS,  
WE ARE COMING  
ALONG WITH YOU  
TO THE HILLS,  
HUNTING  
SCORPIONS!

SURE,  
BESIDES  
THE HORSES  
ARE BINDED  
TOGETHER!

DOES EVERYONE  
OF YOU HAS EVER  
SEEN A HORSE  
BEFORE?



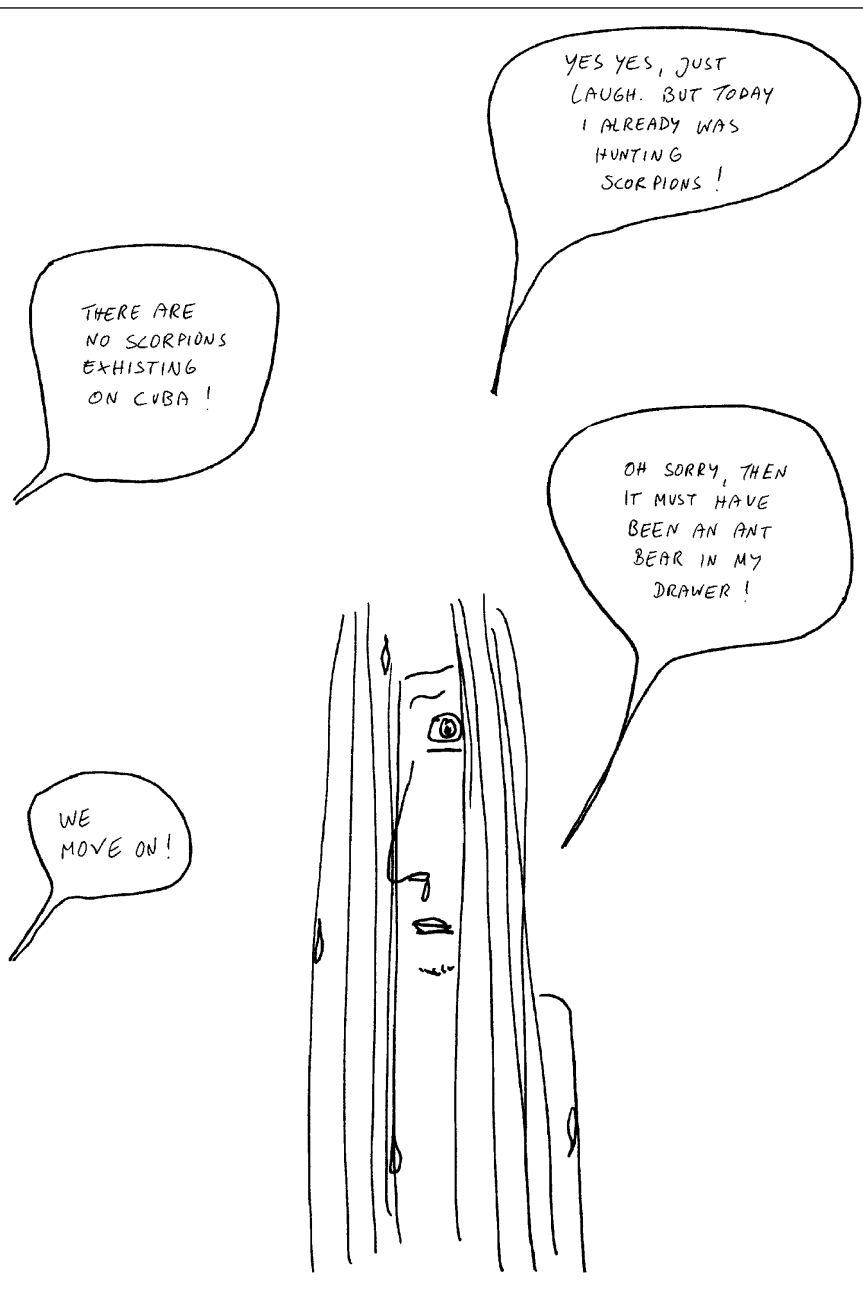


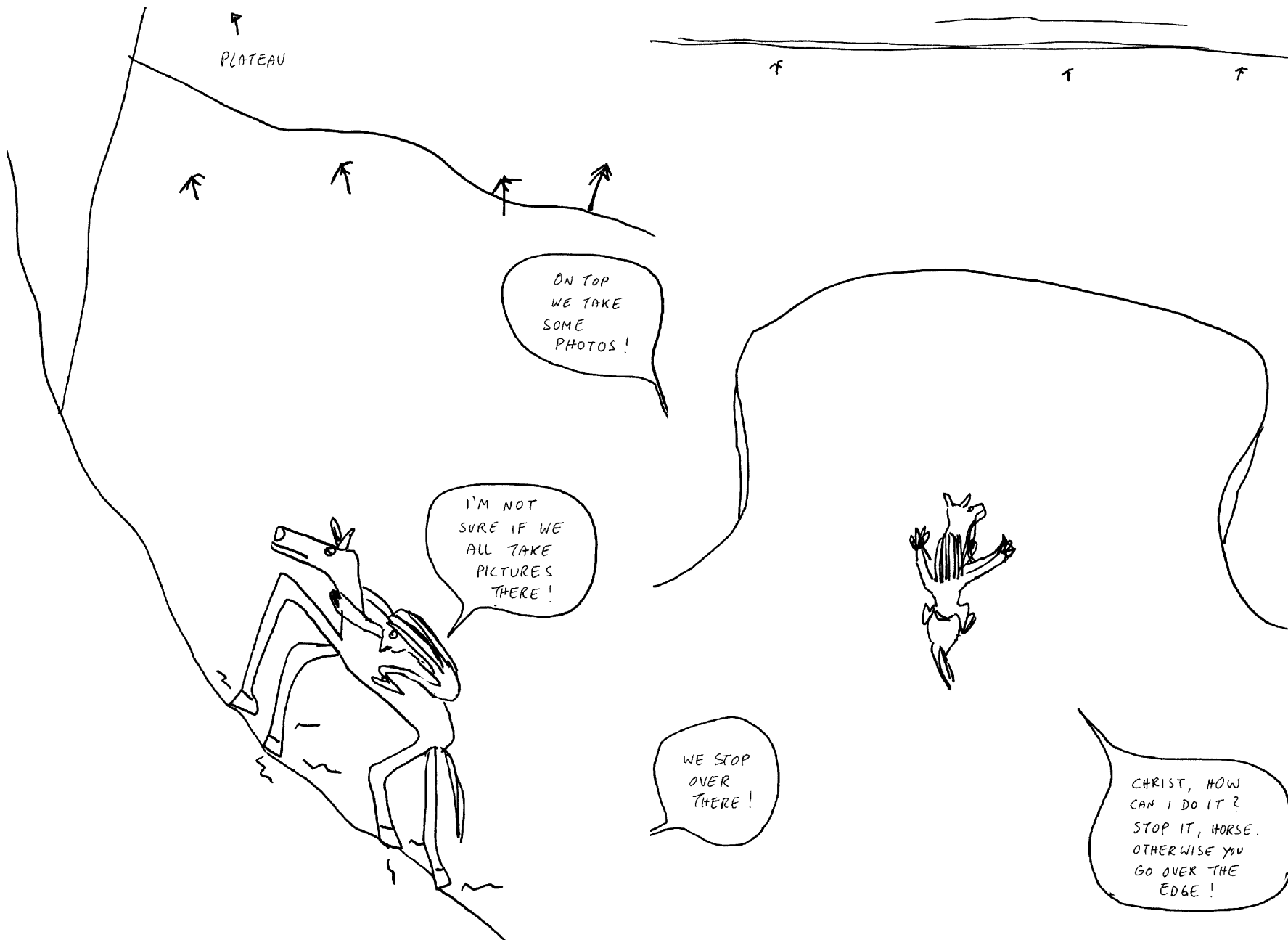


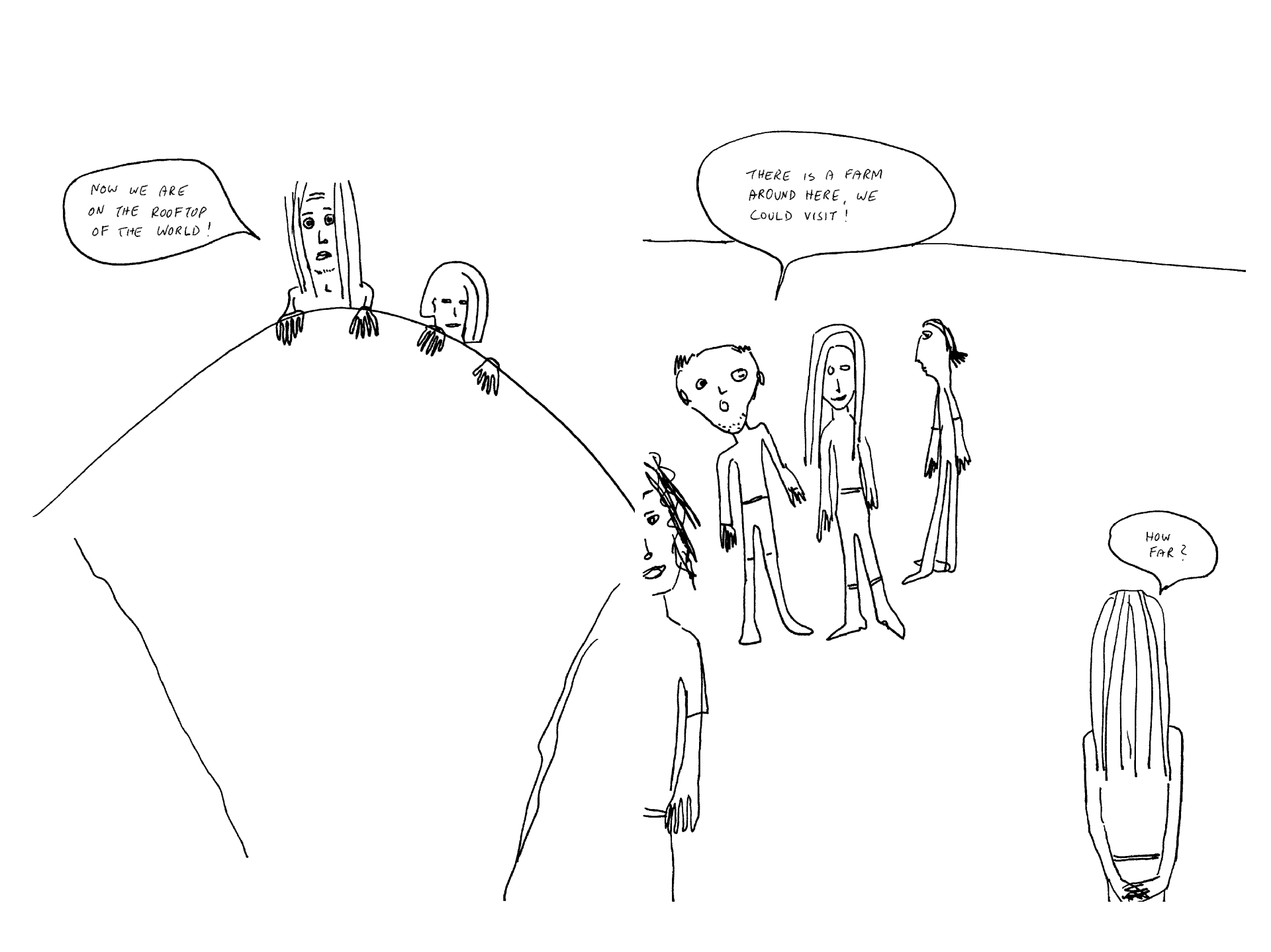
IT'S GOOD  
THAT THE HORSES  
KNOW THAT IT'S  
GOING INTO  
THE HILLS!

THERE IS  
ALSO A BEACH  
GALLOP EXHISTING!

NO, STOP IT!  
IT IS TAKING THE  
BEACH WAY. HELL,  
WHERE IS THE  
BRAKE?



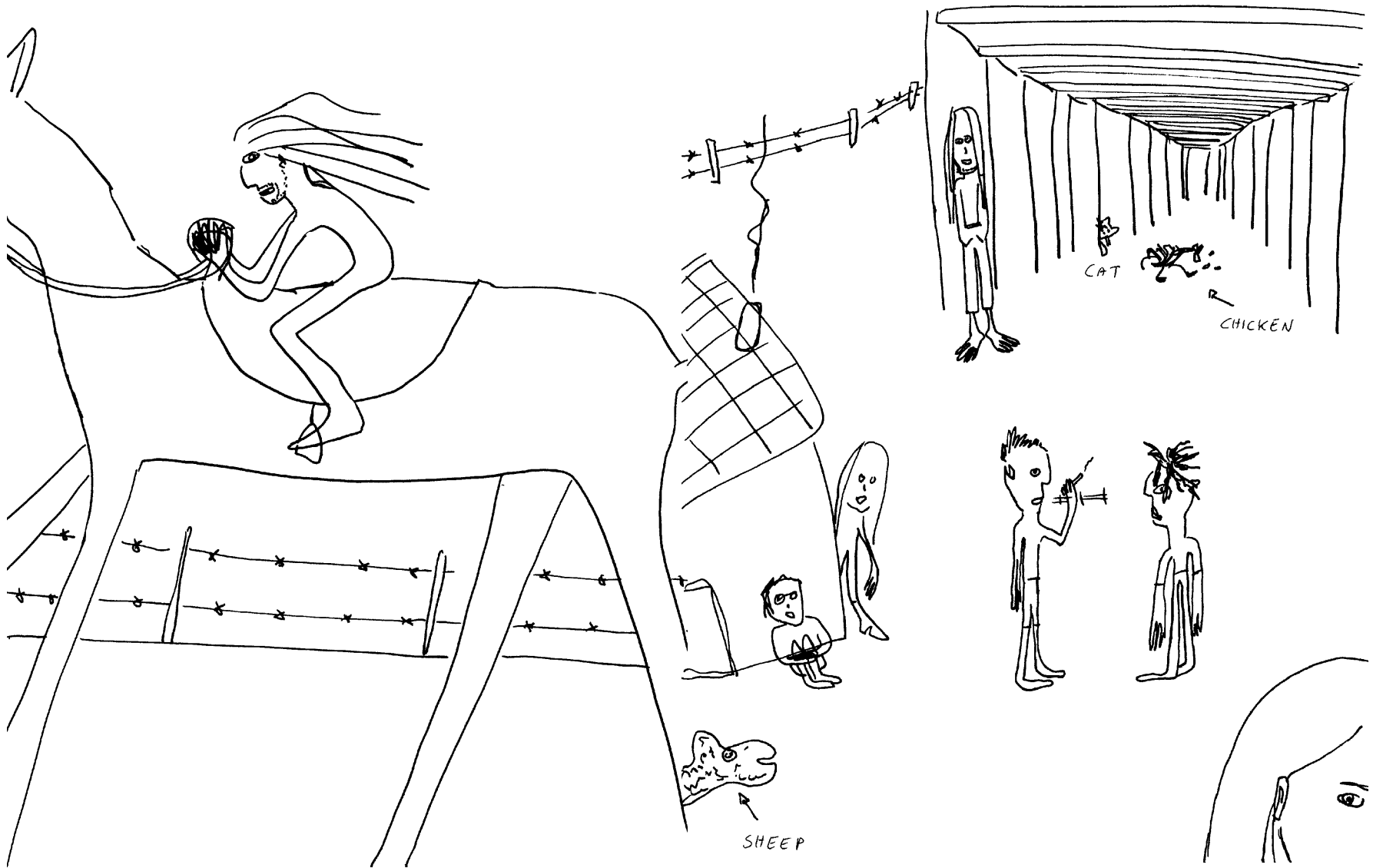




NOW WE ARE  
ON THE ROOFTOP  
OF THE WORLD!

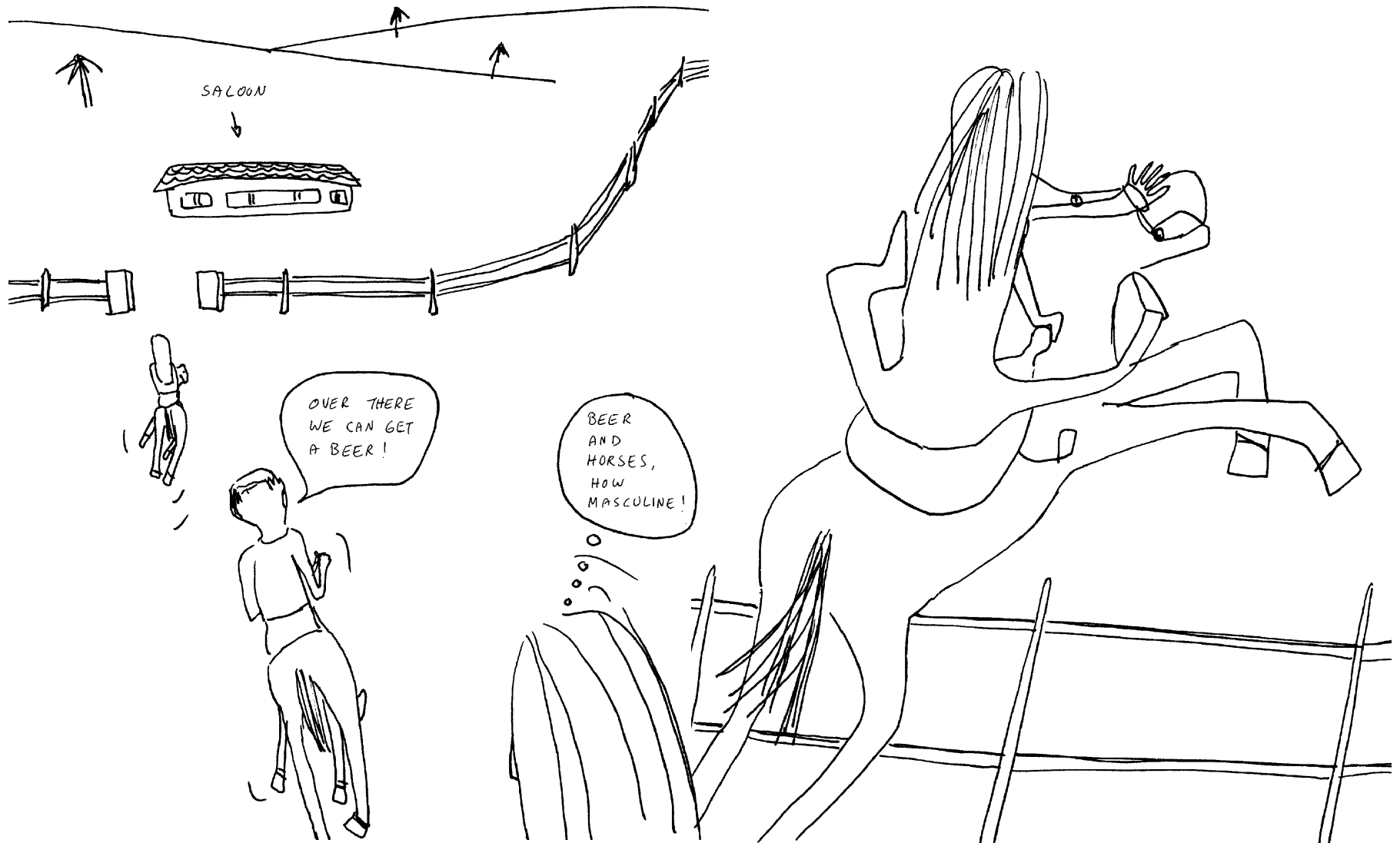
THERE IS A FARM  
AROUND HERE, WE  
COULD VISIT!

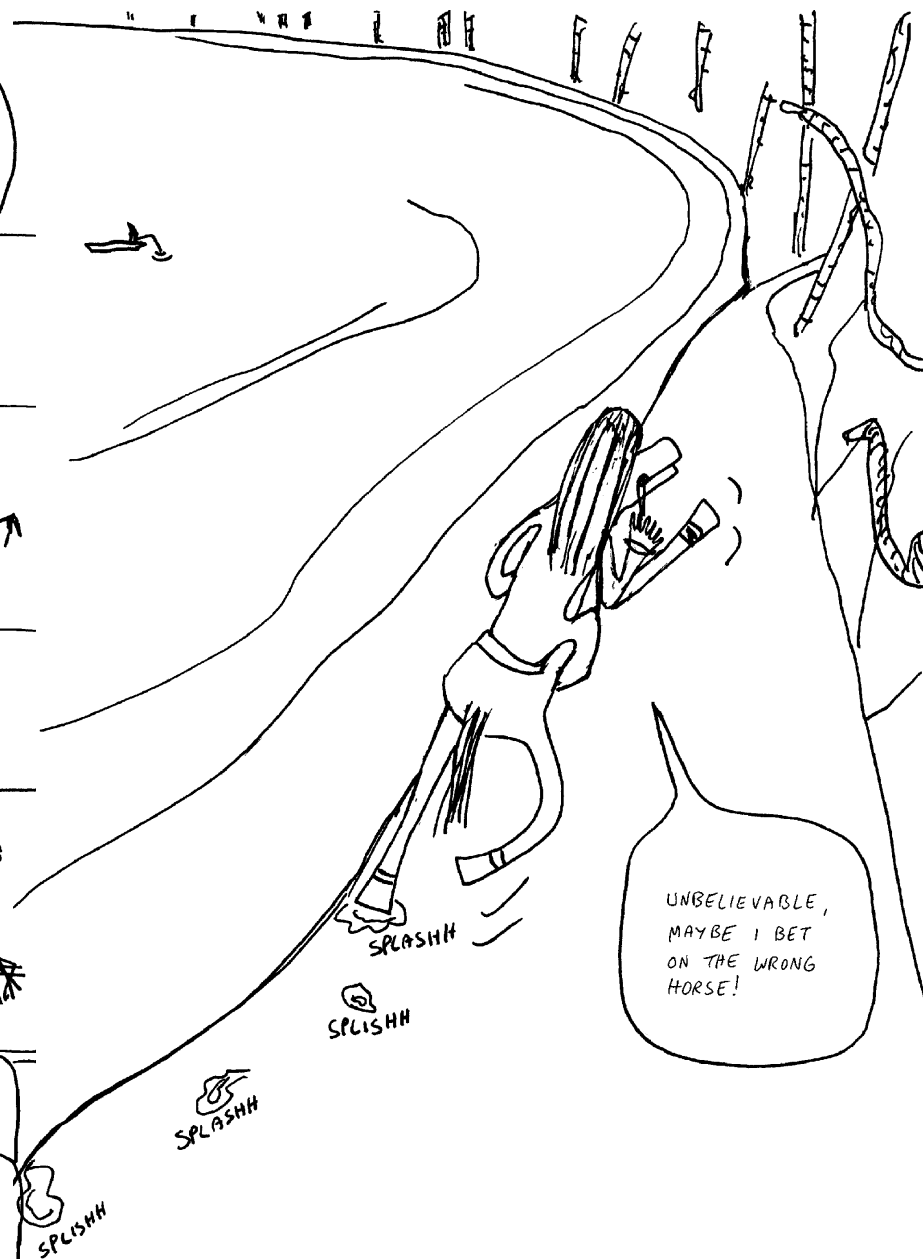
HOW  
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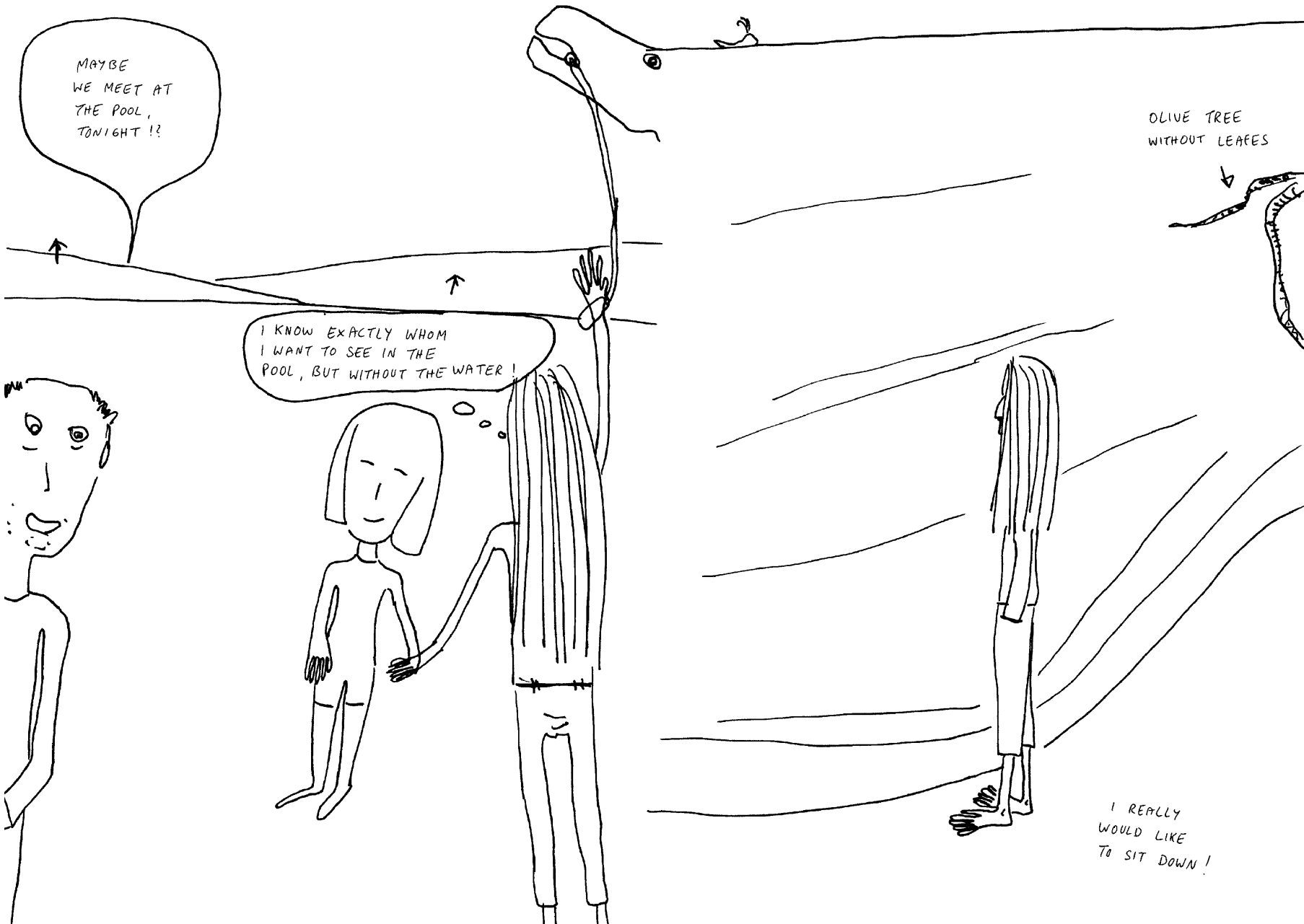




I WASN'T THINKING SERIOUSLY  
ABOUT THE FACT THAT MY  
HORSE WAS NOT USING THE  
GATE LIKE ALL THE OTHER ONES!







MAYBE  
WE MEET AT  
THE POOL,  
TONIGHT !?

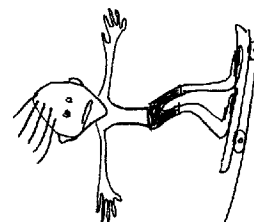
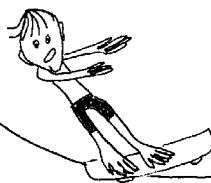
I KNOW EXACTLY WHOM  
I WANT TO SEE IN THE  
POOL, BUT WITHOUT THE WATER !

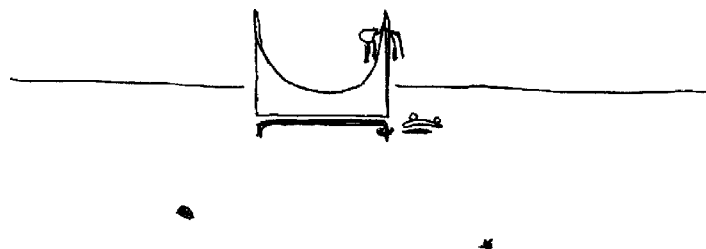
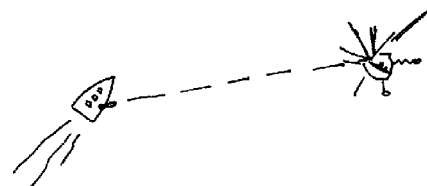
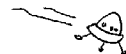
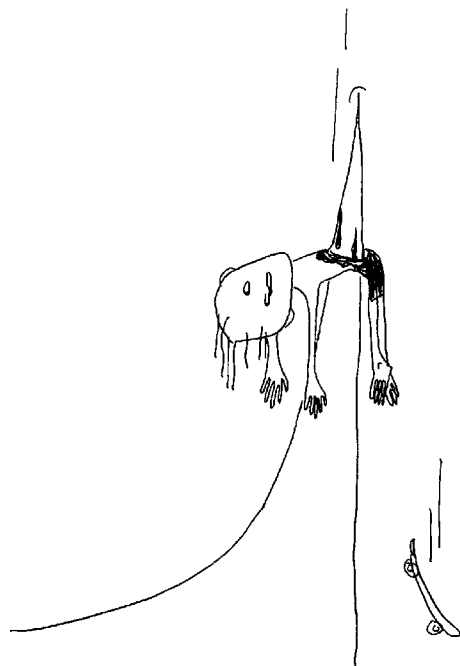
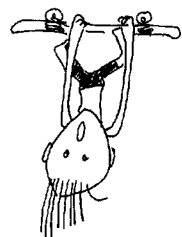
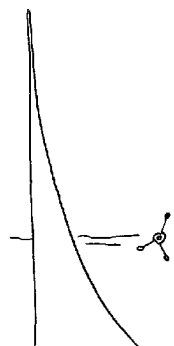
OLIVE TREE  
WITHOUT LEAFES

I REALLY  
WOULD LIKE  
TO SIT DOWN !



ONE DAY ON THE HALFPPIPE...

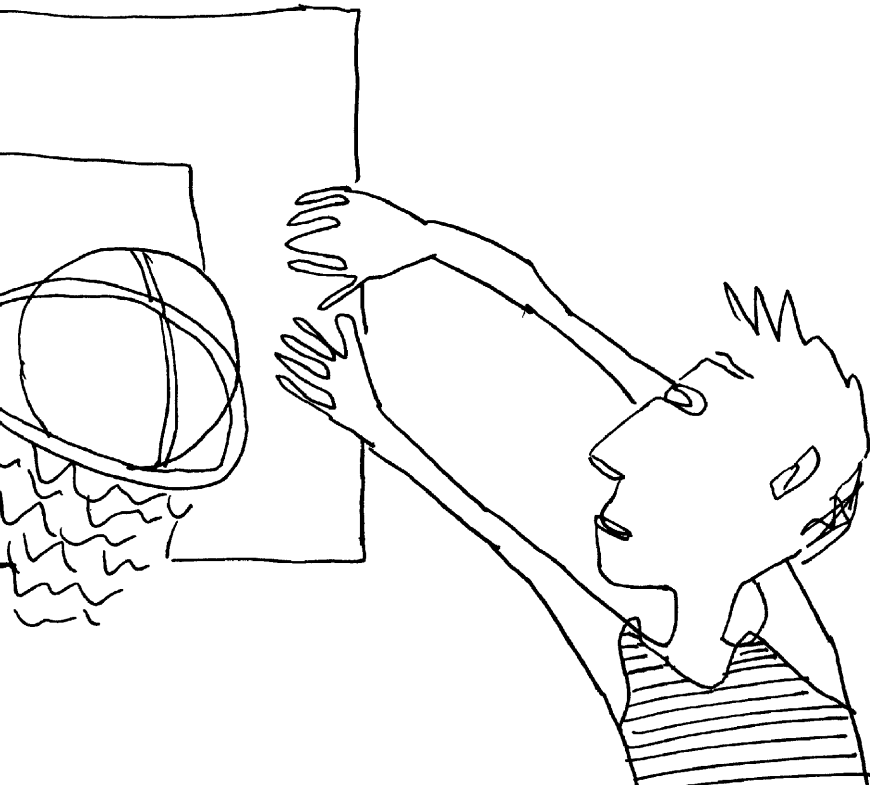




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GYM CEILING

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