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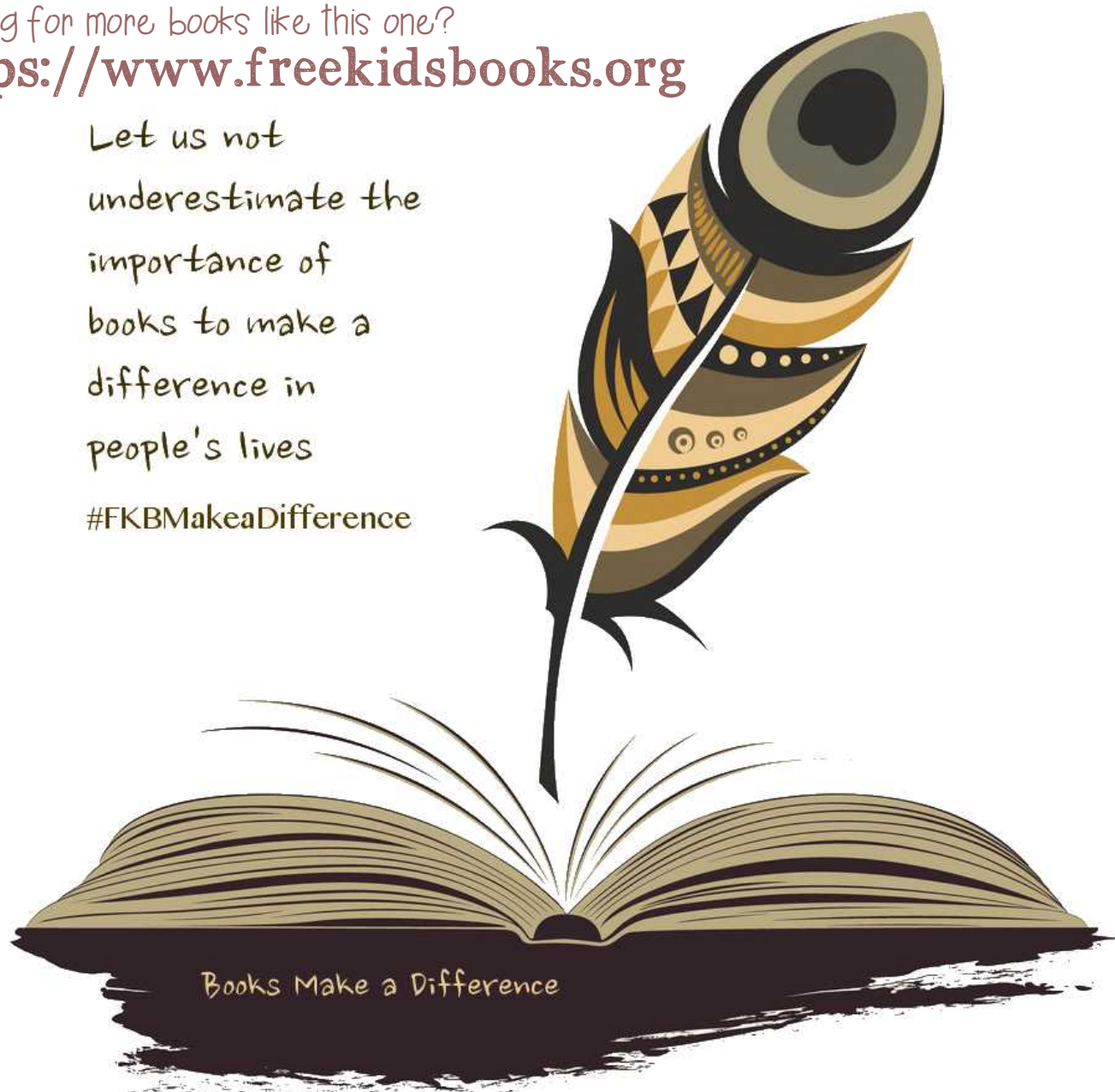
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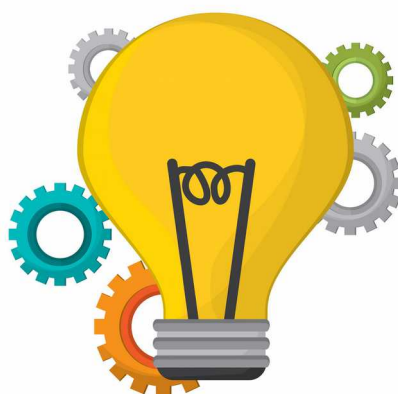


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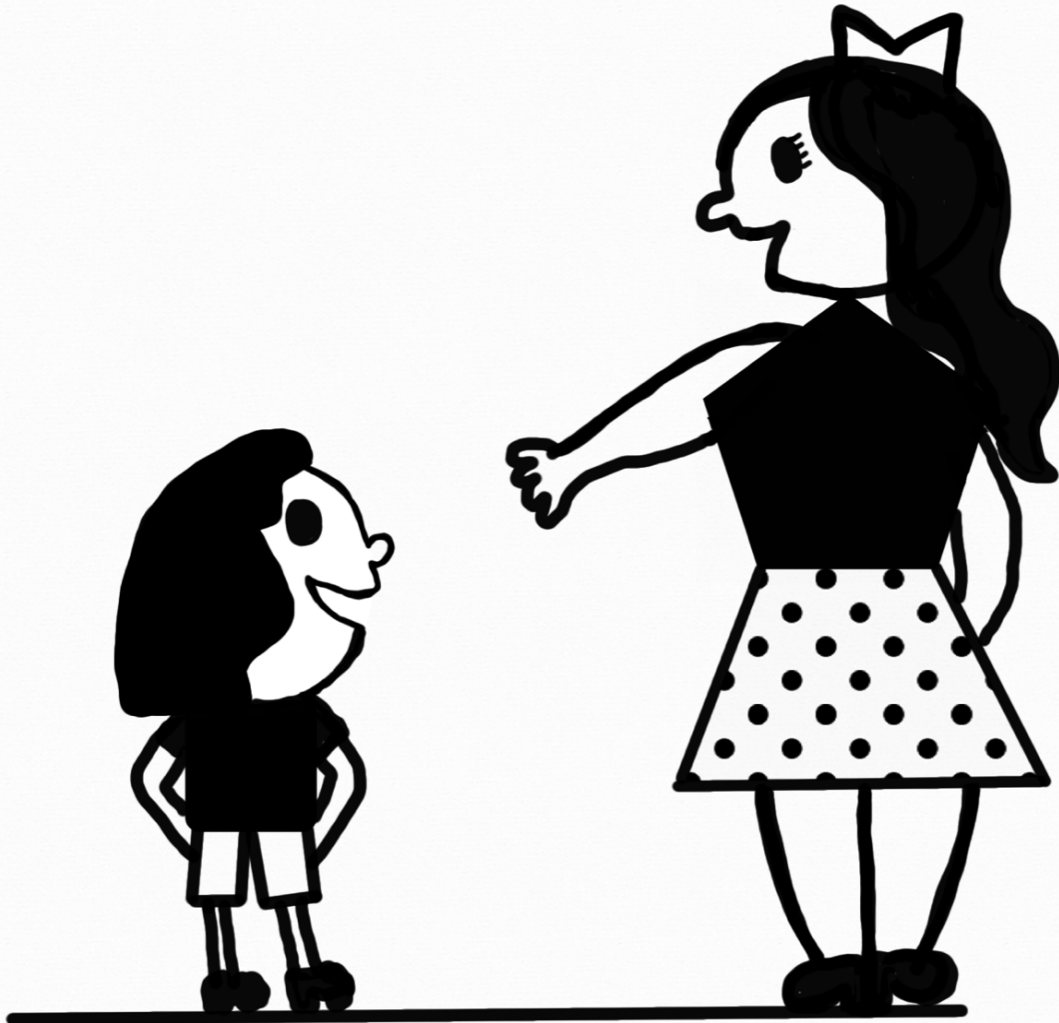
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Hey! My name is Gracie. My big sis is a feminist

F-E-M-I-N-I-S-T. It's okay if you don't get it right away.

I can only spell it because she gave me this sweet pin.



That's another perk to being a feminist.

You get a badge!

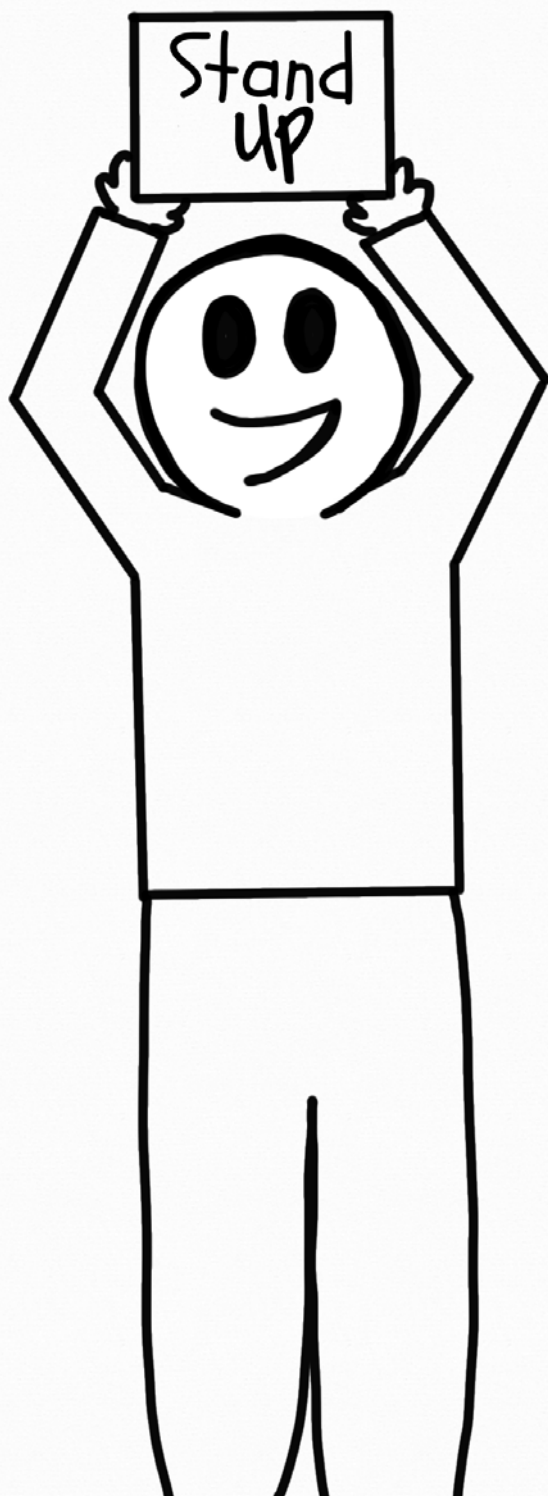
Just like the hall monitors in school.



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And it's kinda like being a hall monitor, too.

It's your job to stand up when you see
people not treating others right.

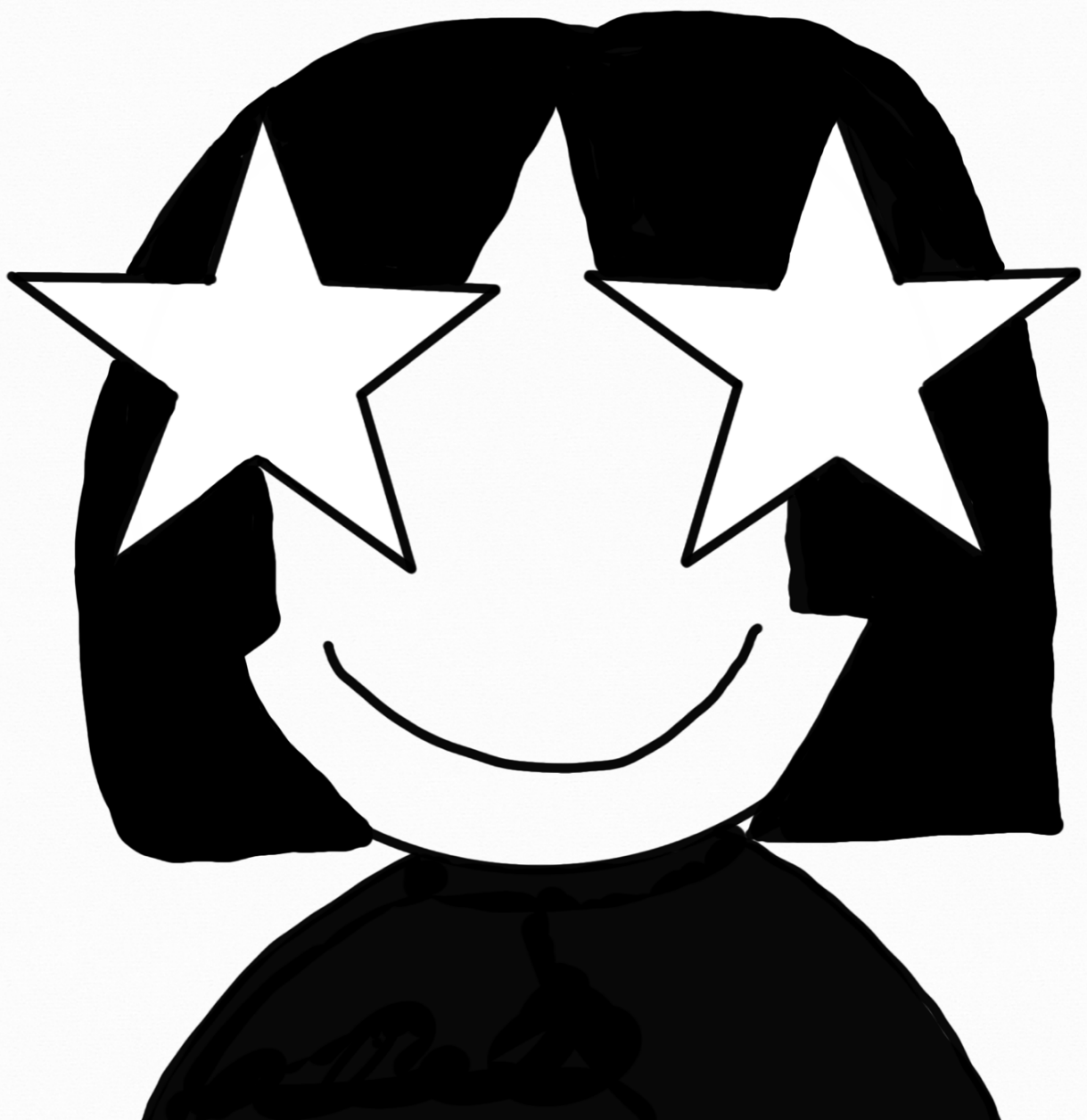


You might be wondering,
"How will you know when
people aren't treating others right?"
She said, "you will know it when you feel it."



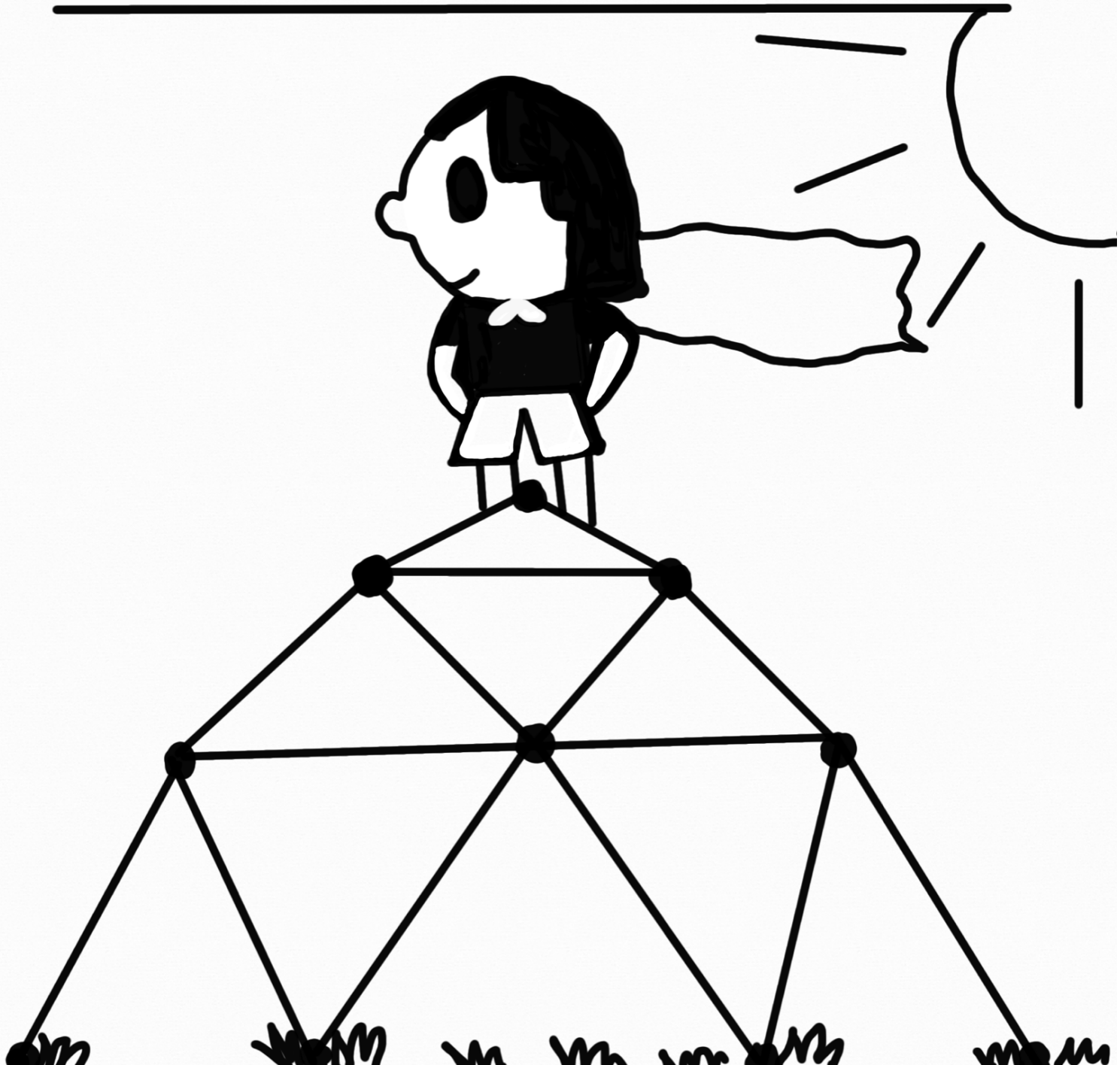
And she was not lying at all.

Or even exaggerating. Exaggerating means
lying a bit to make it seem cooler,
better, worser, just more-er.



As feminists, we only use that superpower
with great responsibility.

But anyway, back to the point,
I felt it, first, at recess.

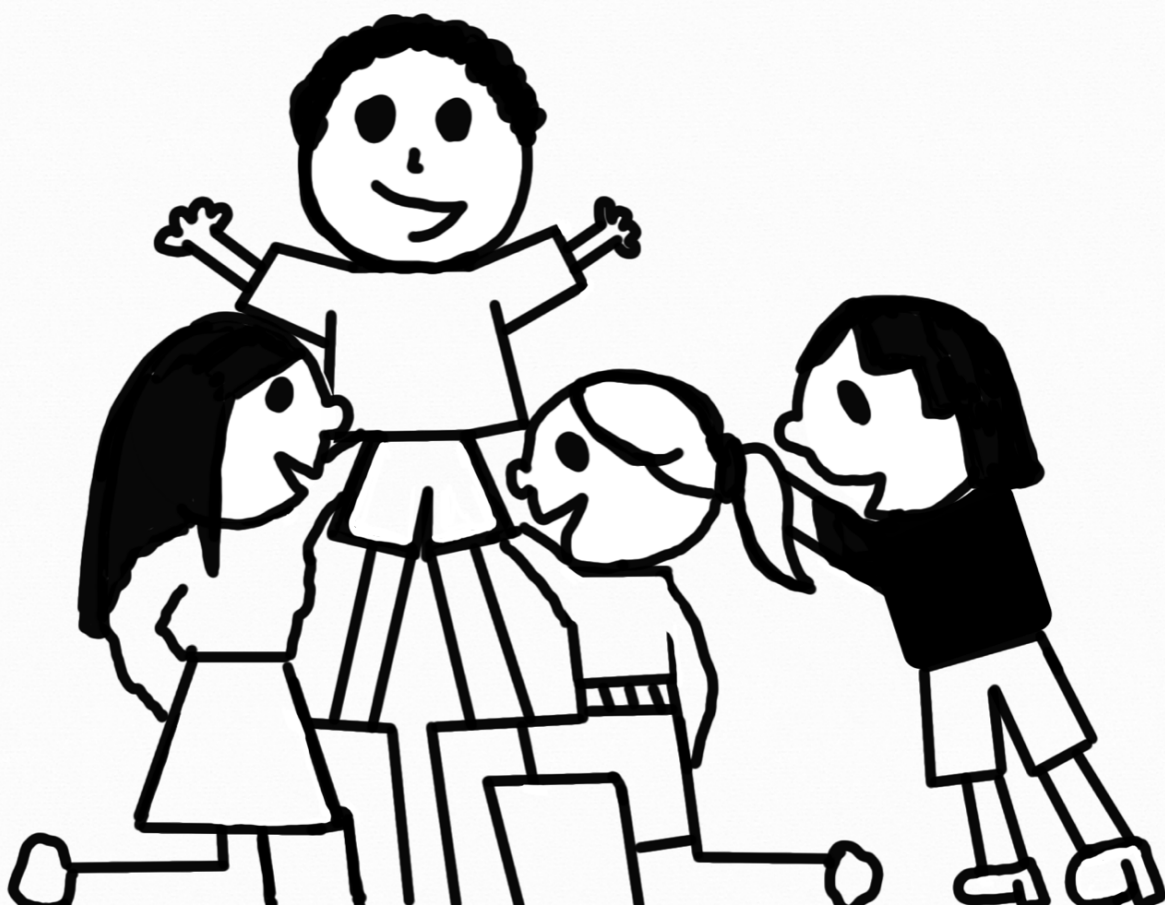


Me, Sadie, Rose, and Chance were playing cheer which is when you do

Cartwheels and stunts which is when two people put their knees together

And the other person stands on top with their hands up

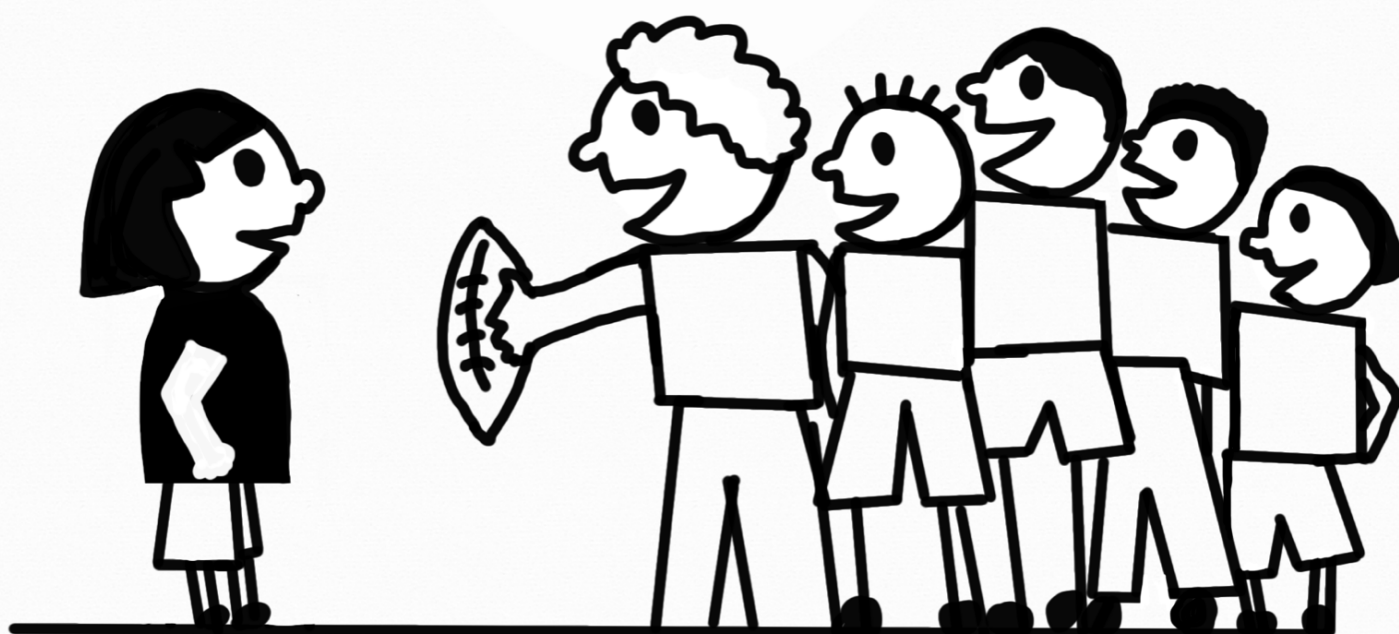
Also someone stands behind to make sure you don't fall backwards,



We were taking turns being the flyer. It was about to be my turn when

Sam, Jack, George, Marcus, J.D., and a bunch of other boys

came up and asked if we would cheer for their football game



I didn't want to because it meant I wouldn't get my chance to fly since two

of us had to cheer for one team and two of us had to cheer for the other team

and you can't do a stunt with just two people. But everyone

else wanted to so I was outvoted.



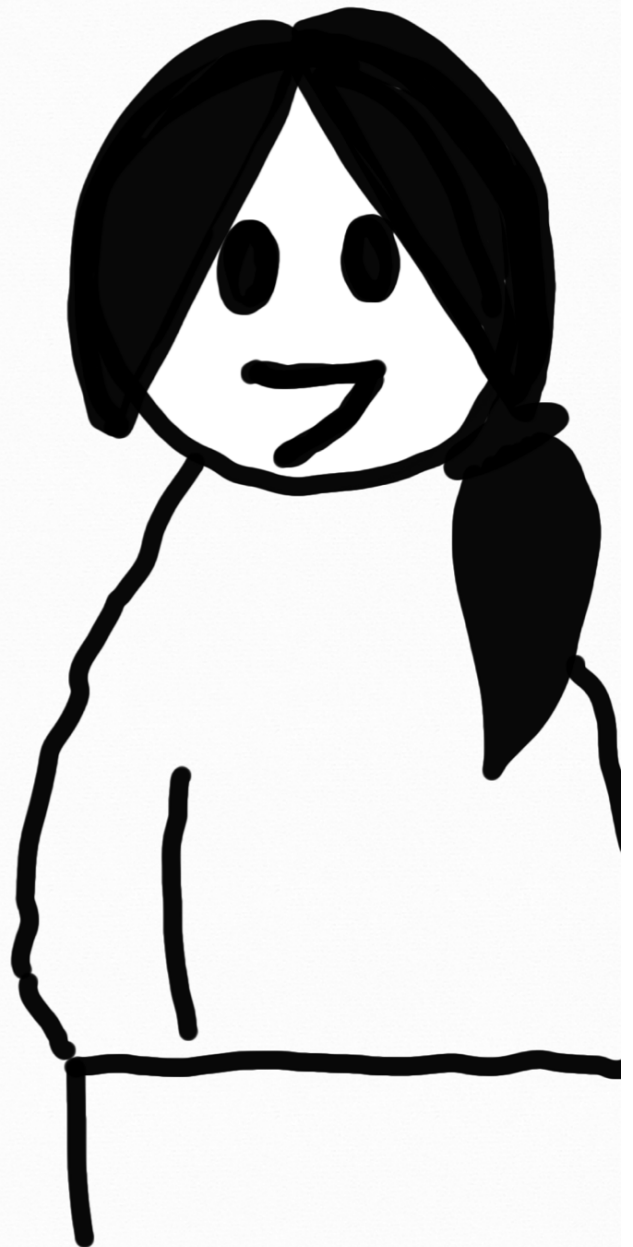
Football!

Stunt

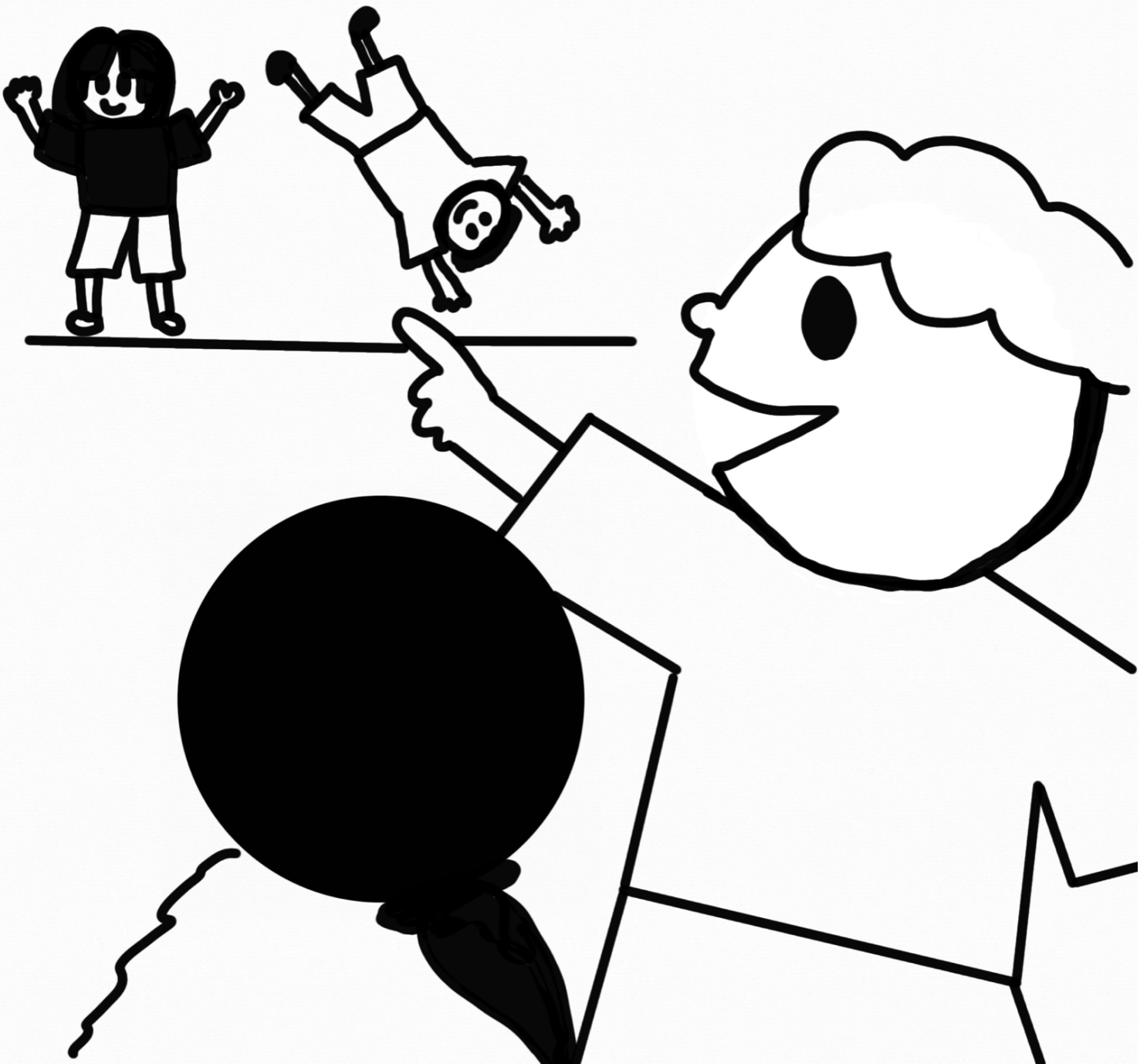
When they went to pick teams, Margo came up from the swings

and asked if she could be the quarterback.

Sam didn't like that.



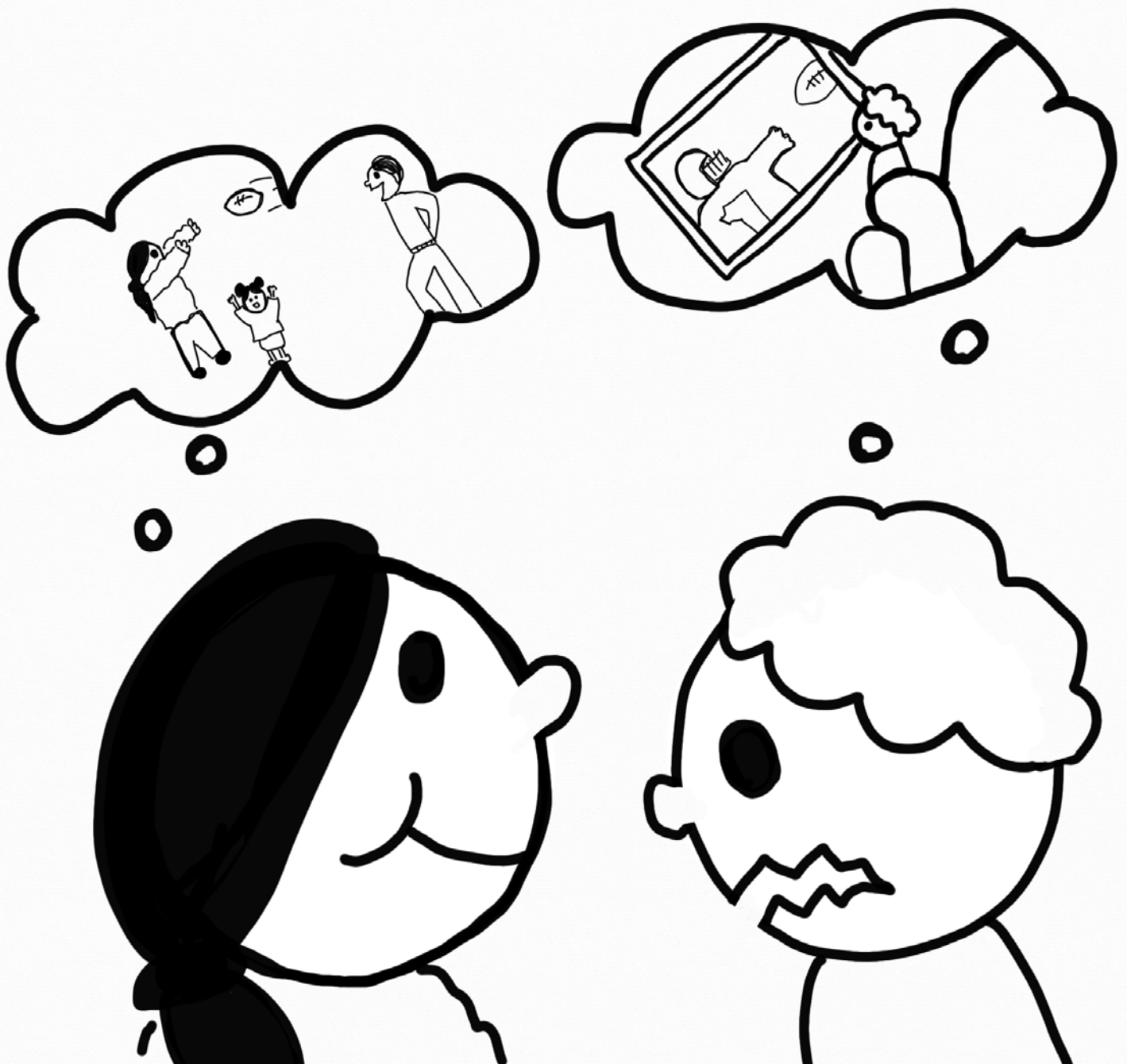
He said he was always quarterback and
that football was for boys,
but that she could go cheer.



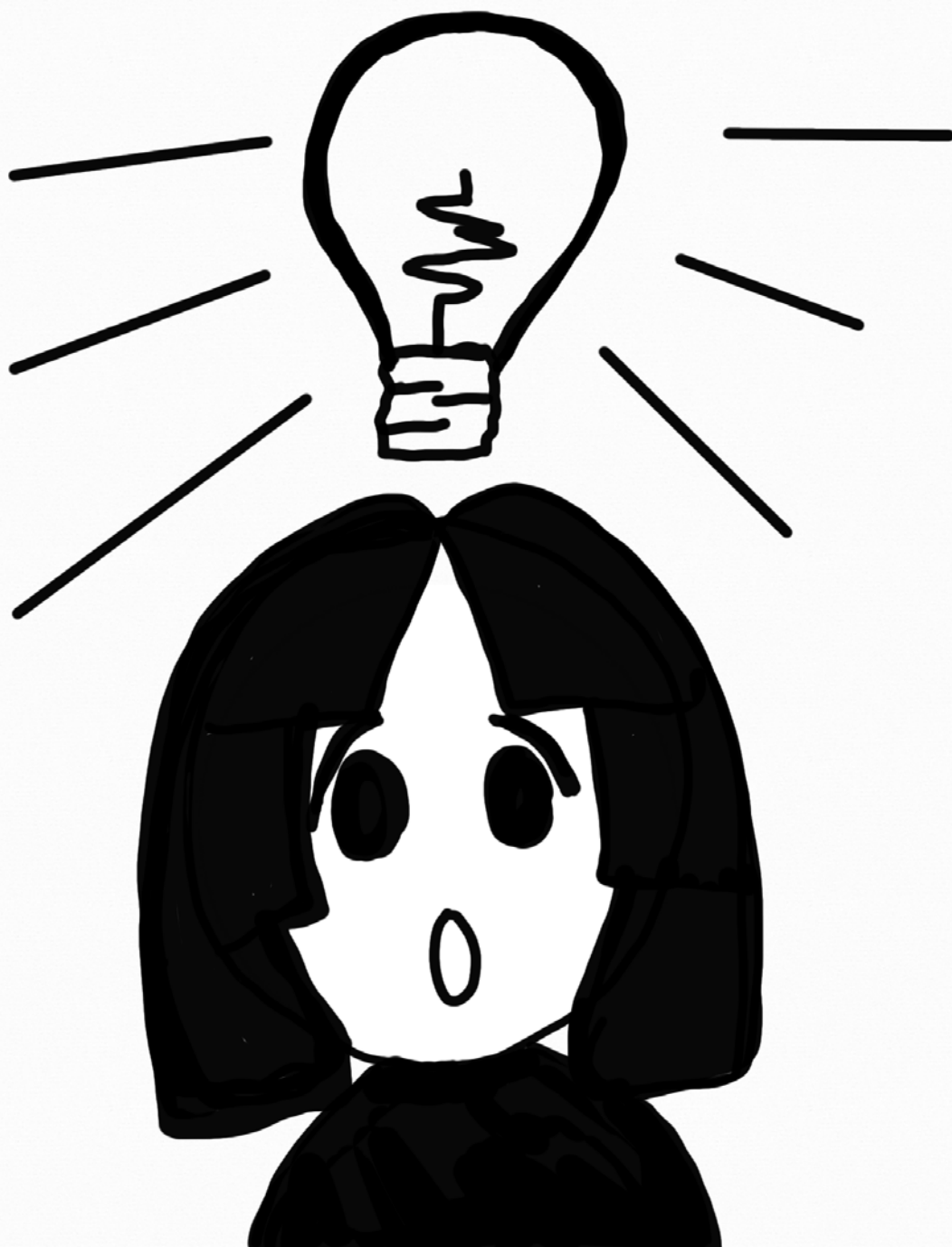
She said that she played football at home all the time
with her dad and sisters.

Sam looked shocked at that one.

He had never seen a girl play football before.



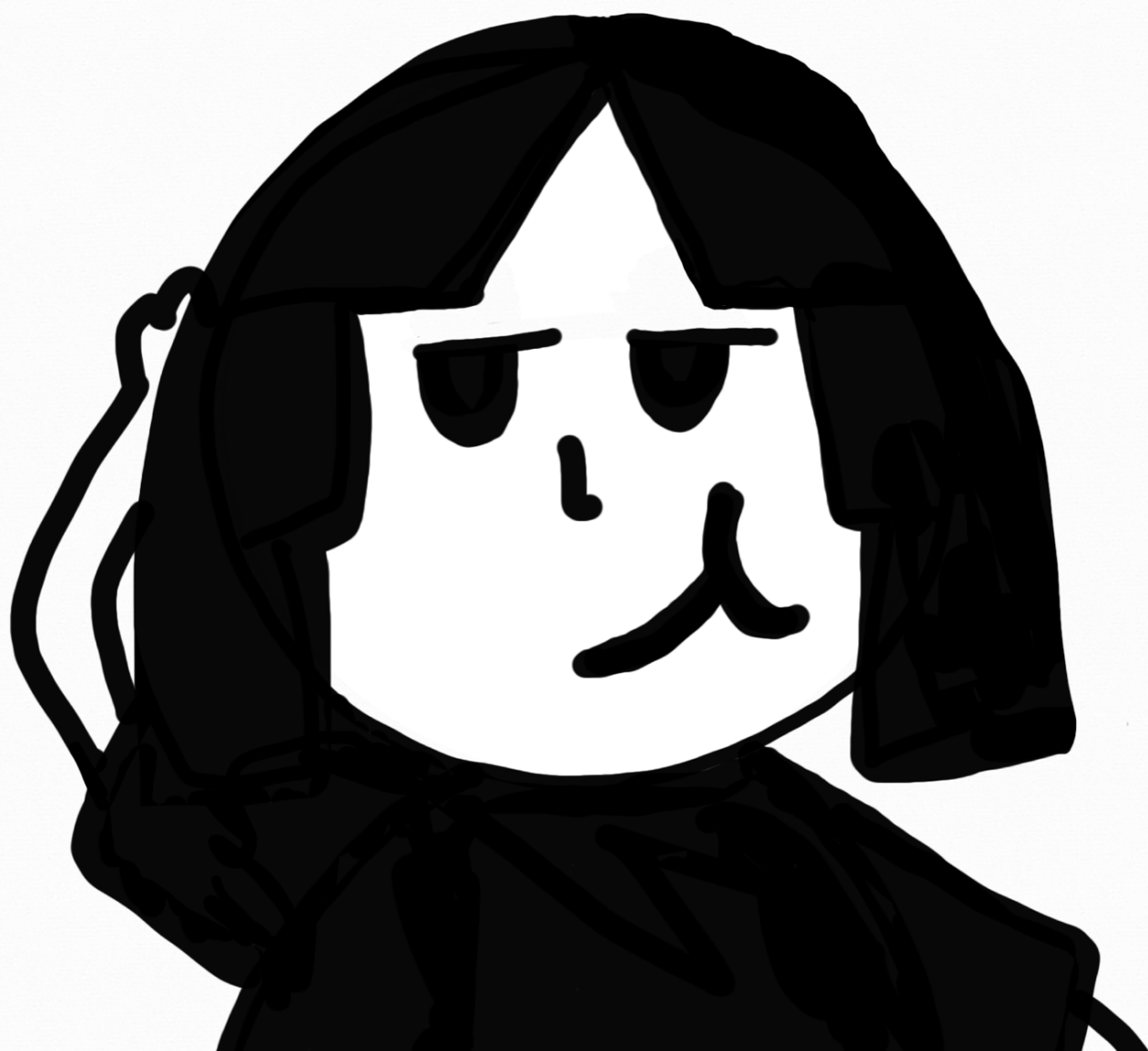
Right then a light bulb went off in my brain
and I thought this is what my sister was
talking about!



Right then I got busy thinking of what I could say.

I thought and thought but couldn't think of anything!

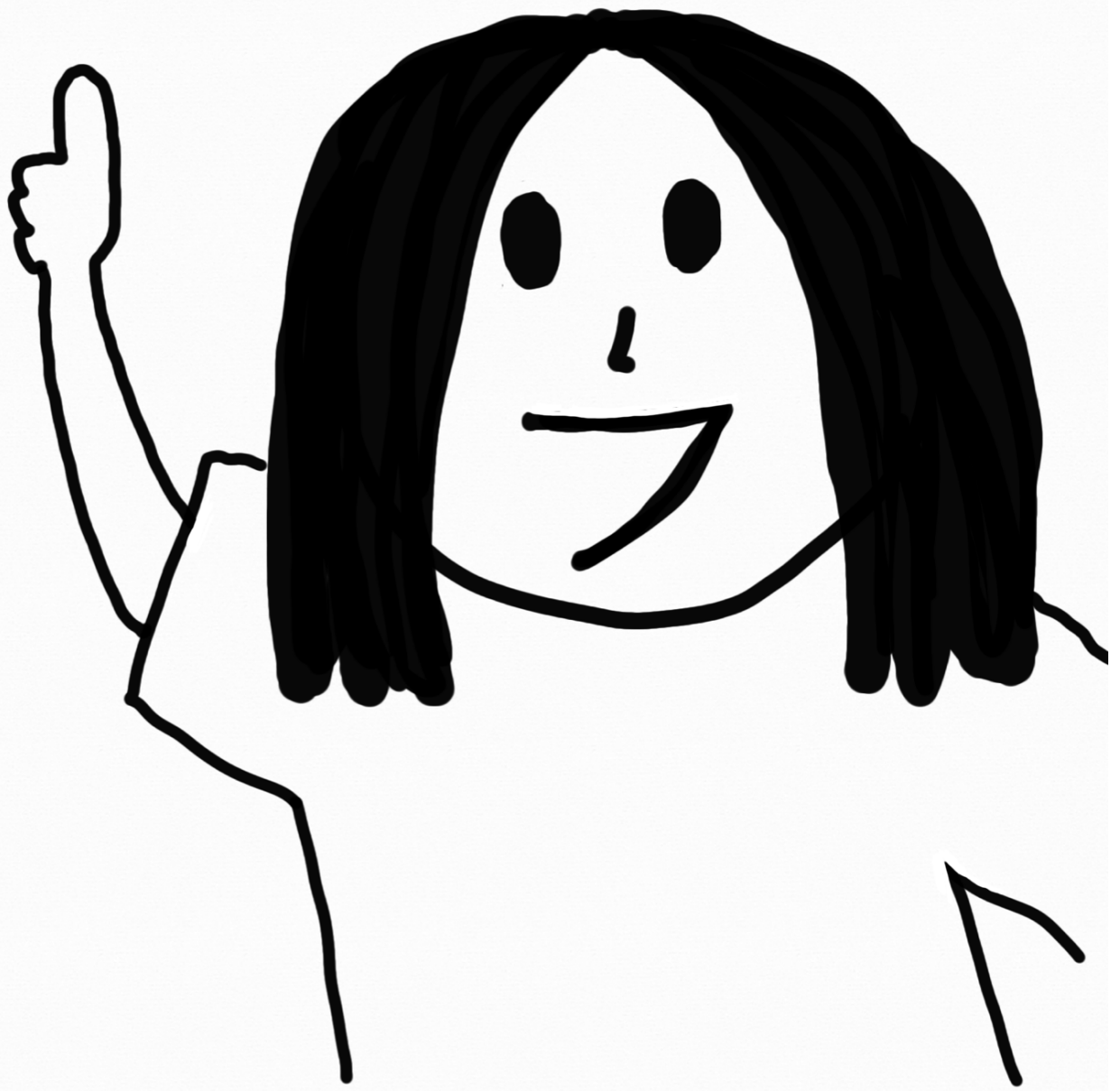
I didn't know what to do or say!



That's when J.D. said that he thinks anyone who loves football
should play football and that was that.

Sam said, "but there's no NFL for girls"

J.D. wasn't phased at all.



He said, "so what? That shouldn't stop us"

"Yeah!" Margo yelled. Everyone was

Fired up now for the game. Even Sam was

happy and excited now.

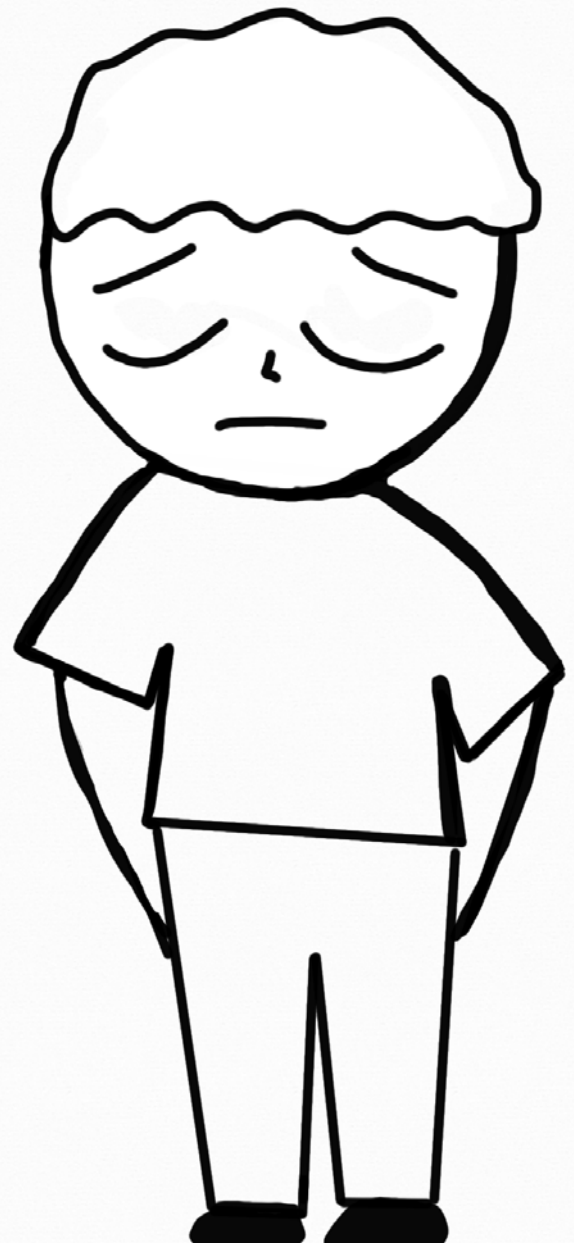
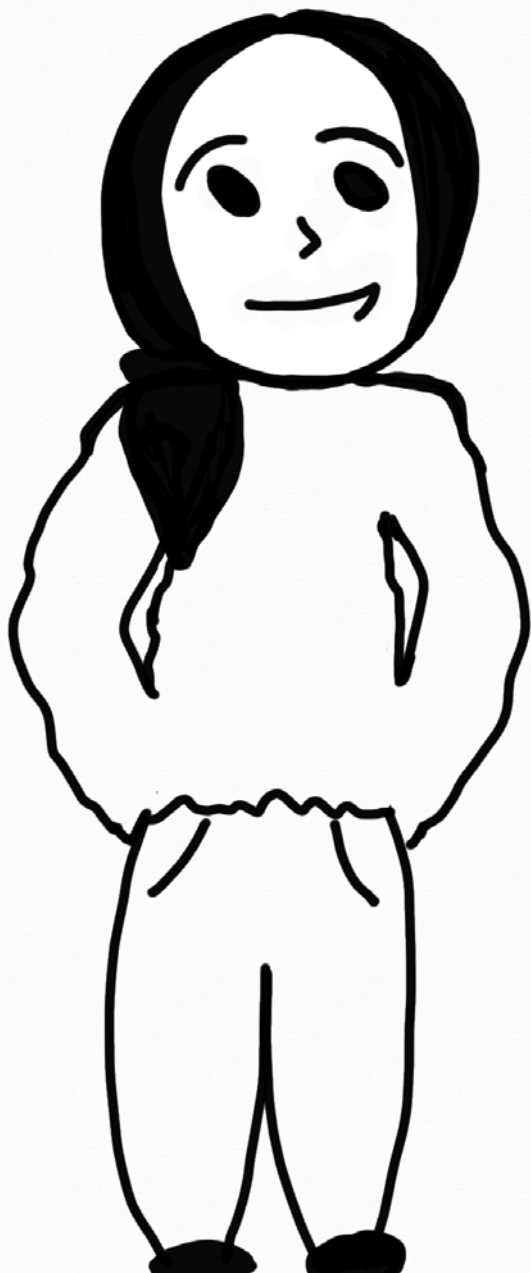


"I'm sorry, Margo. Can we still be

friends?" Sam asked super nicely.

"Yeah! For sure! But don't change your mind

if my team wins" Margo said.



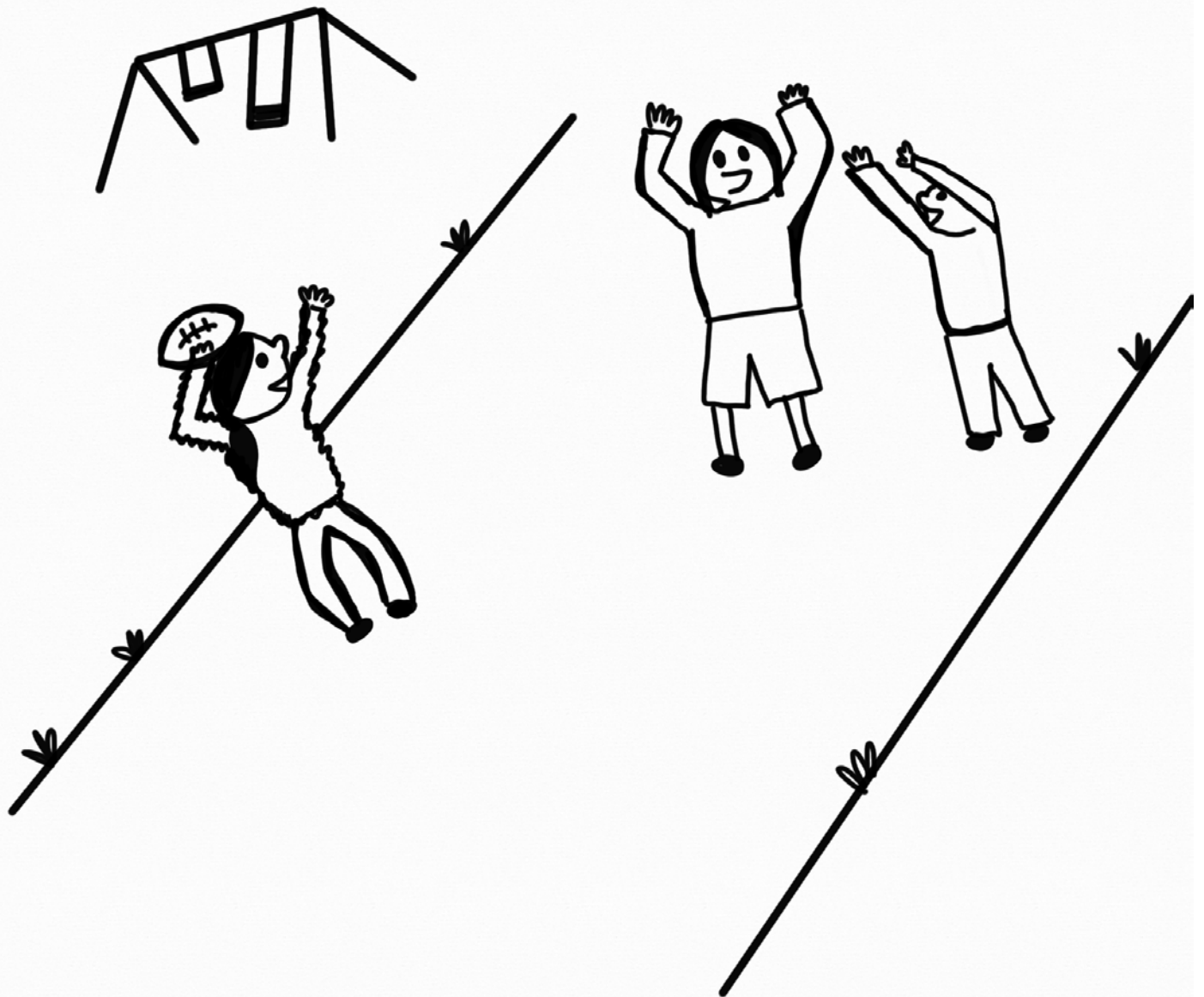
And they both laughed like life
long buddies. After that everyone
including me, wanted to cheer
hard for them and it was probably...



the greatest football game

in the history of the sport.

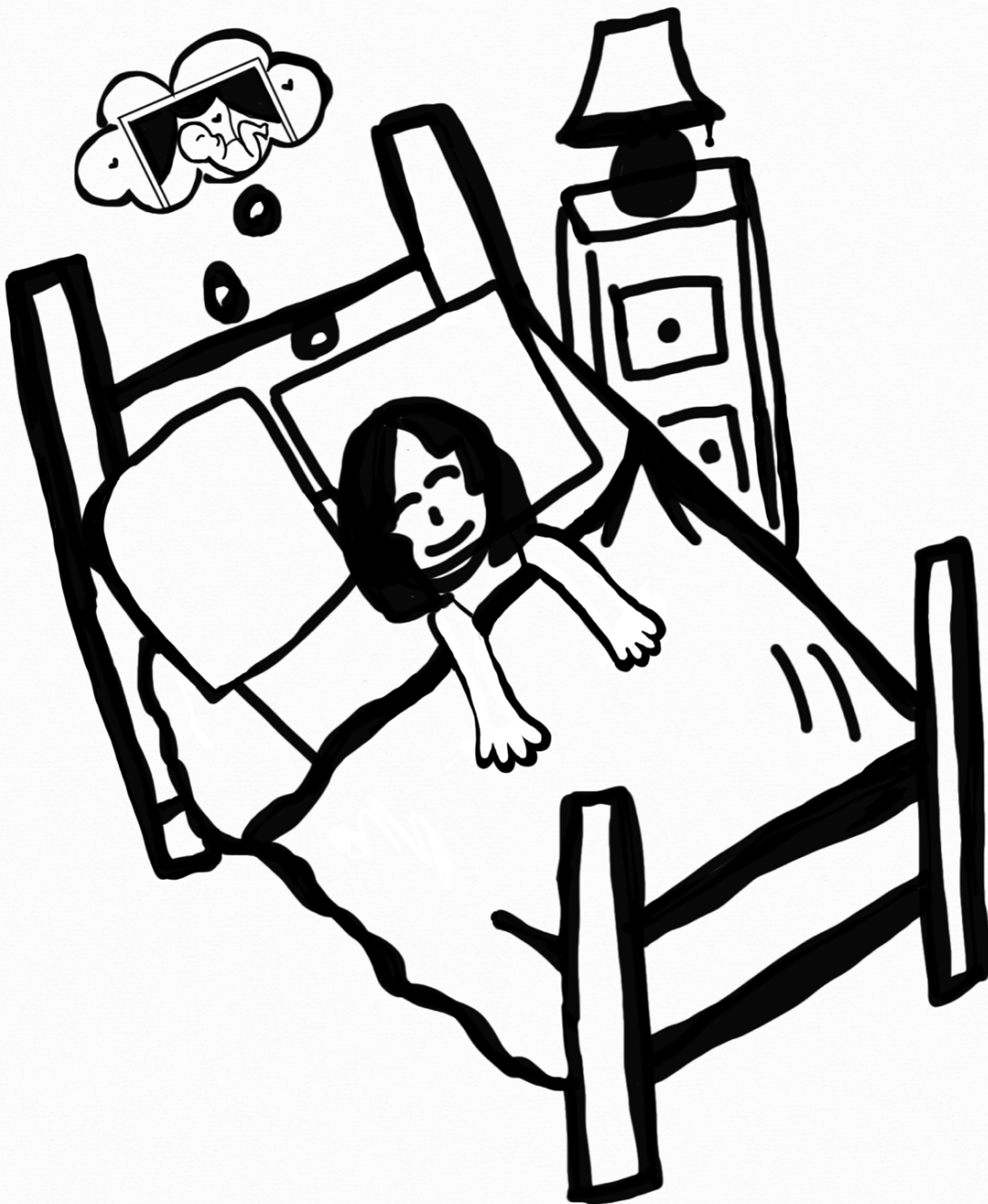
No exaggeration.



That night I was thinking about my new friends
and had a super wild thought.

If you aren't a girl, will you be a feminist?

Will you want to be?



I brought my questions to big sis.

She said anyone can be and should be!



This made me think of J.D.

What he did today at recess
was super feminist.



So I thought I would write
down all these stories of
super feminists so you can be a
super feminist one day, too.



To: Future Sibling

From: Gracie

T.B.C.

(that means to be continued...)

