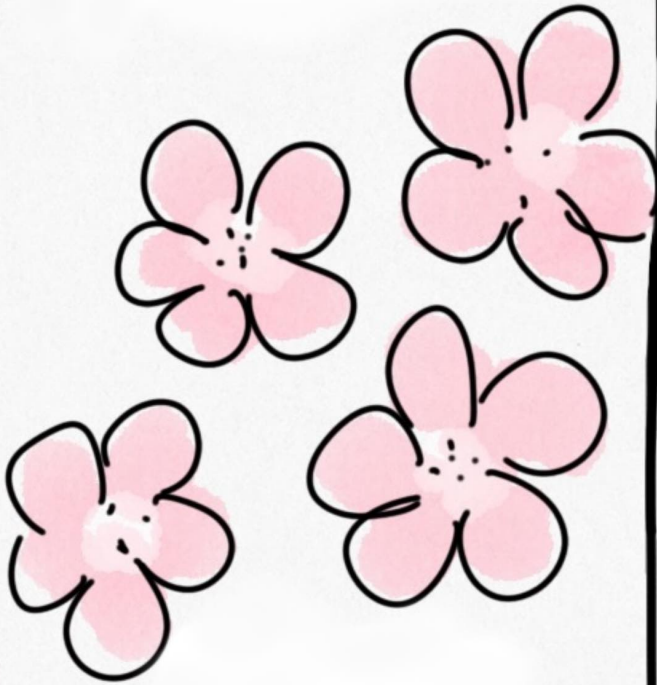
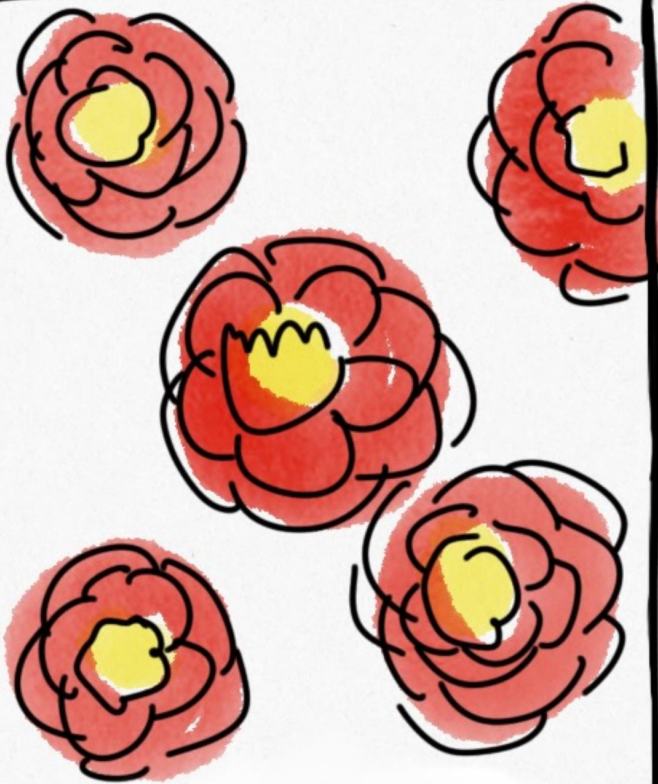


DAZE in a LIFE



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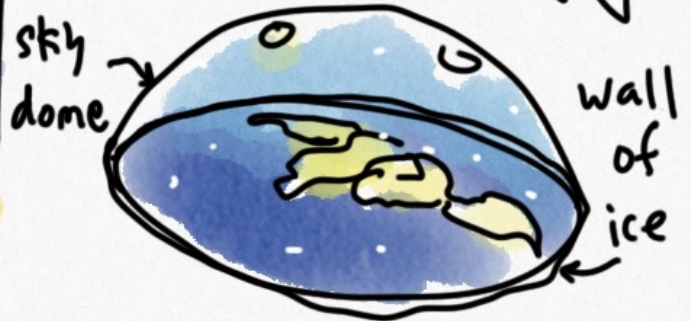
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You can see for yourself that the Earth is FLAT.



BEHIND THE CURVE is a documentary

People have been FOOLED into thinking the world is round.



about Flat Earthers.

The only person I believe is ME.



I thought it would be FUNNY, but mostly

Our numbers are GROWING, so that must mean SOMETHING.



it was sad and DISTURBING.

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I joined (from my doorstep) our street's 7pm salute



to thank the healthcare workers,



and all the others keeping things going,

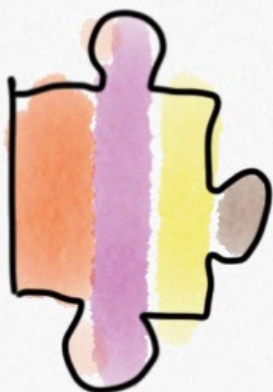


and to appreciate how lucky I am.
So far.



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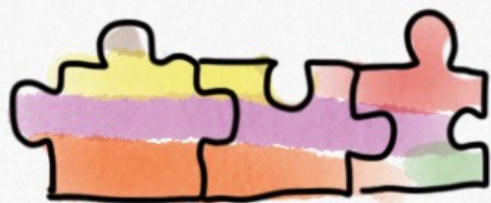
I started working on an old 1000 pc Christmas puzzle.



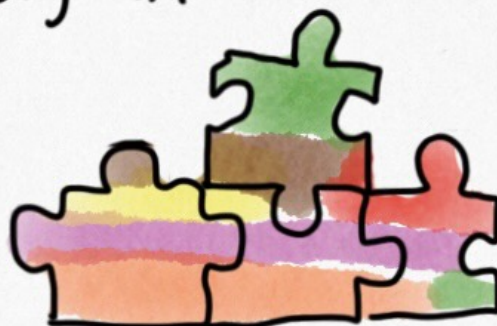
I hid the cover to focus on the pieces.



It's satisfying to build order from the chaos,



knowing that one day things will make sense again.



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When I went to pick up sushi



I tried out a mask my spouse had made.



I felt like a bank robber



until my glasses fogged up.



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GARFUNKEL +
OATES



wear pretty
dresses and



sing pretty
tunes



with pretty
raunchy lyrics

G@!?!



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In GHOST BRIDE,
The evil guy wants
her,



even though he's dead

The rich guy wants
her



even though he's
supposed to marry
someone else.

And the immortal
guy wants her



even though he's
immortal.

So what does
she want?



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Spring time



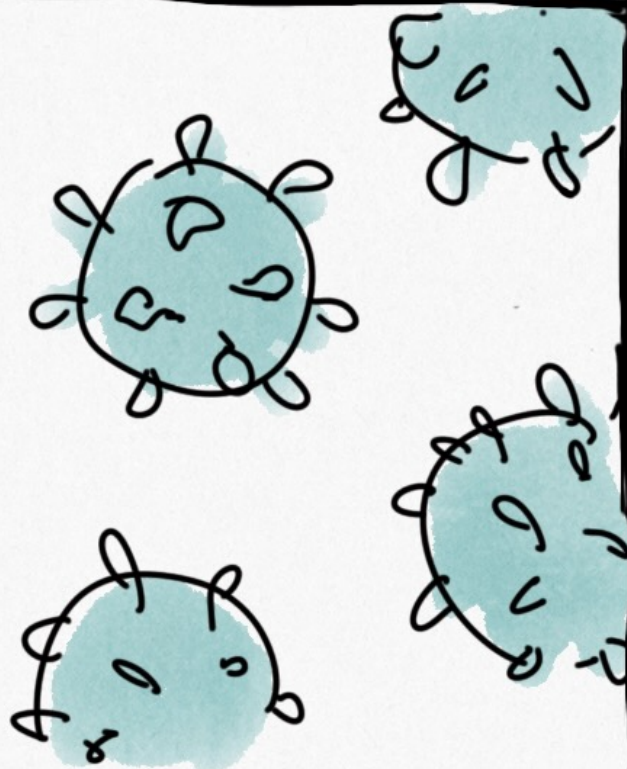
SAKURA



FORSYTHIA



CAMELIA

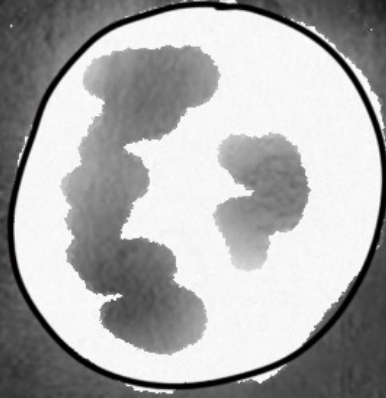


CORONA

WALKIES



SUPER PINK



PERFUME



CANNABIS



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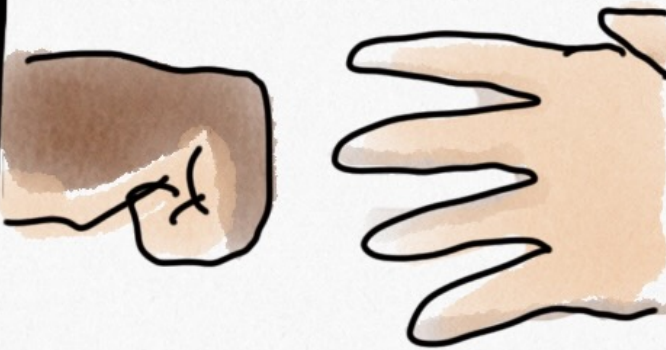
If you are a
black dude,



and your white
girlfriend's family
are too nice



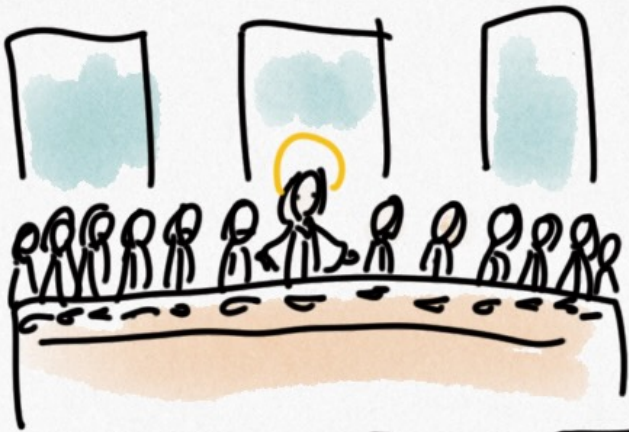
and the local
brothers do not
act like brothers,



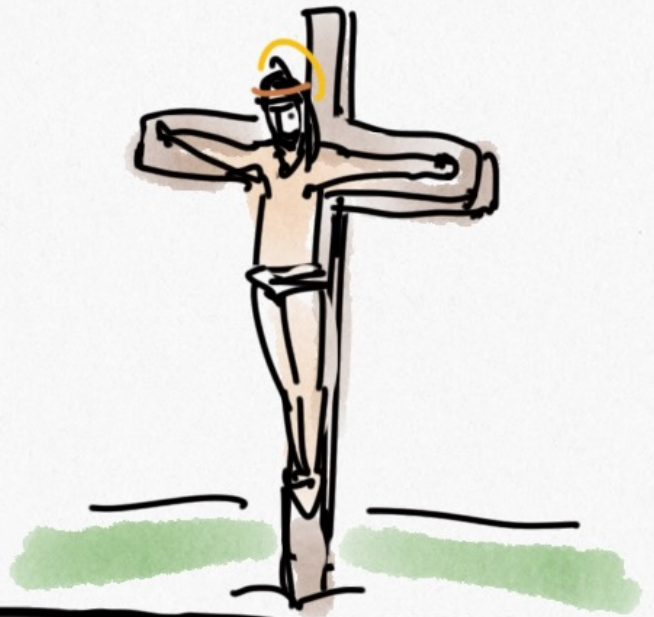
you should GET OUT.



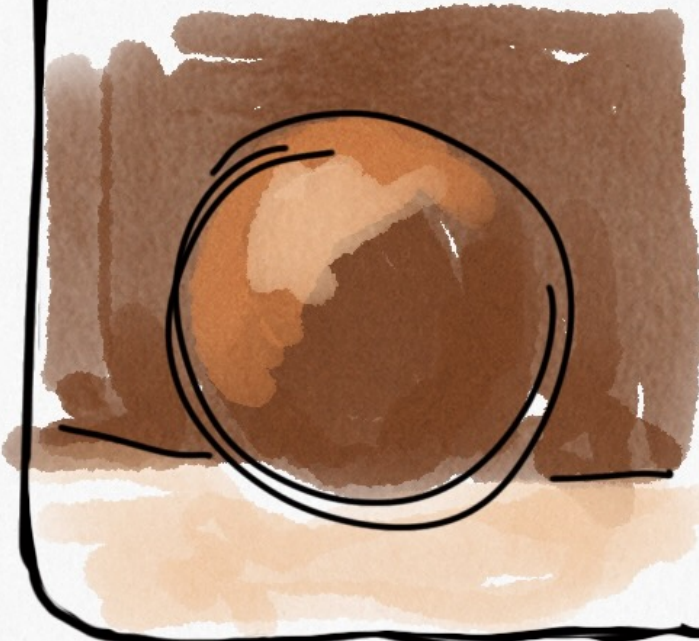
I heard some guy ignored social distancing rules,



in a place that was pretty strict.



They put Him in quarantine,



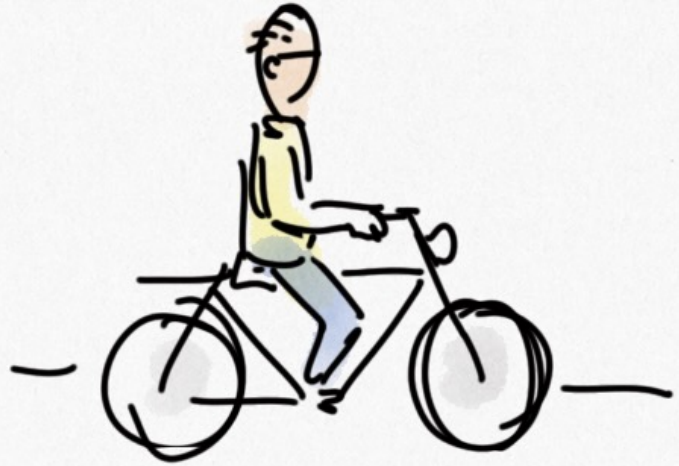
but it didn't help.



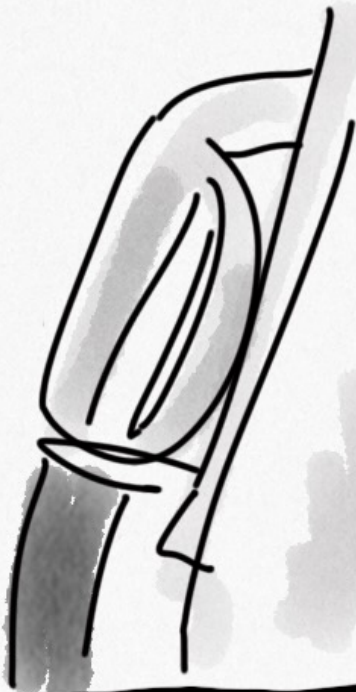
Since staying home so much,



we've reduced our emissions



saved on gas



and killed the car battery.



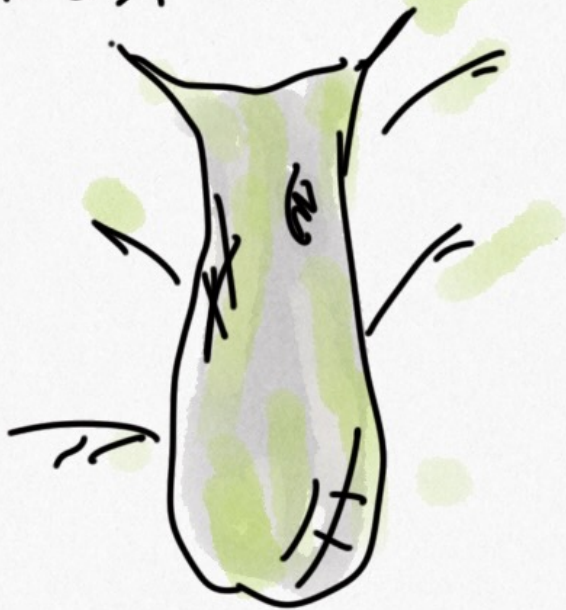
Recent observations while walking the dog.



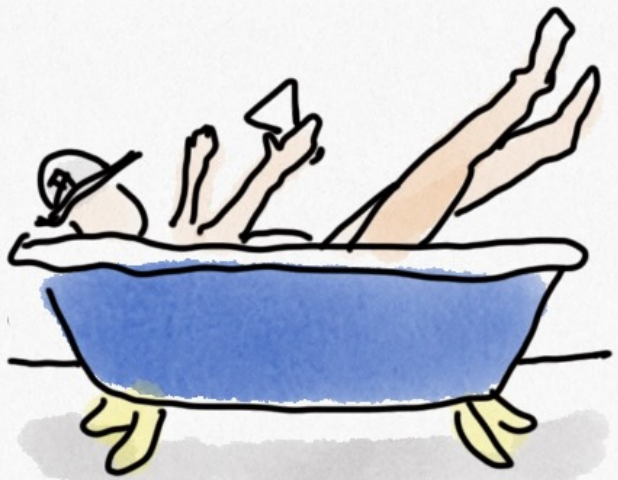
MESSAGE

DO YOU
LIKE
HAM?
YES
NO

NEST



PLANTER



(mannequin)

In the text-based game A DARK ROOM, imagine starting a fire,



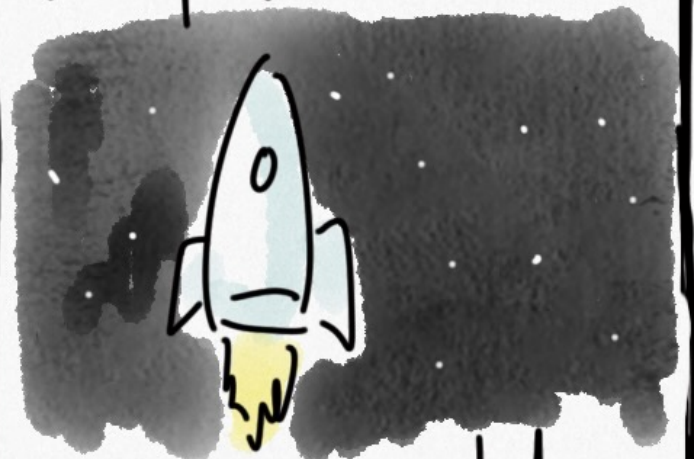
Gathering resources,



exploring the surroundings,

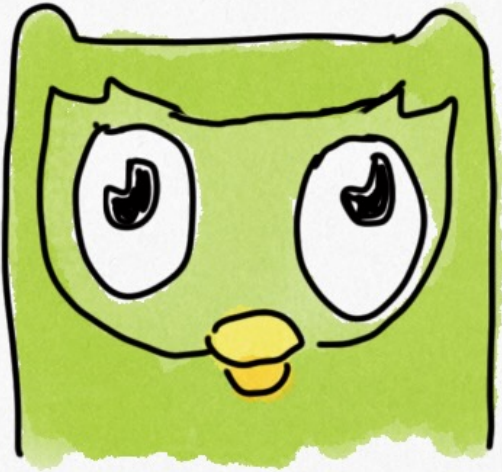


until you leave the planet.



A person could kill hours on this.

I use DUOLINGO



to practise
JAPANESE

while I stretch



It tests me on
my listening
and reading,



but not writing
and speaking.

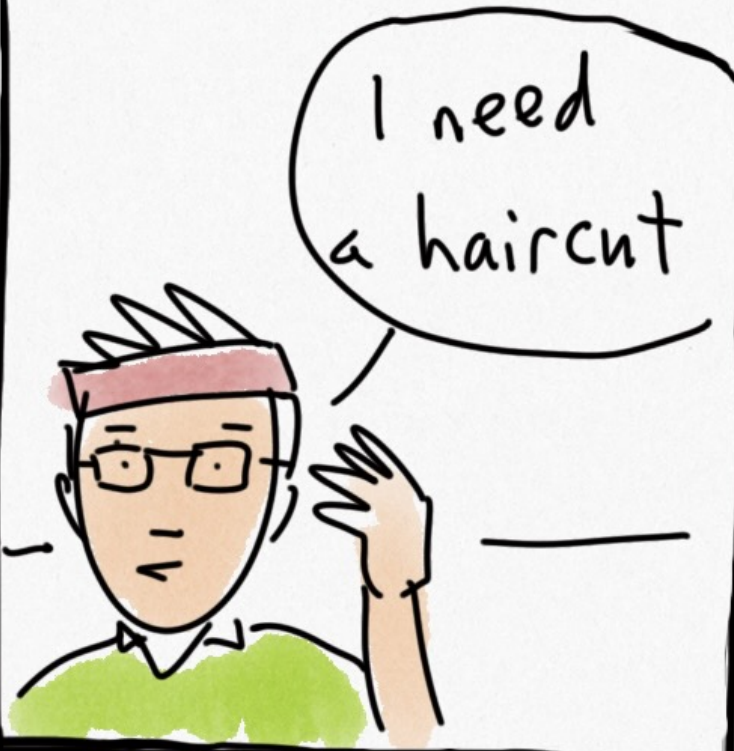


Thanks to technology, I could check in on my Dad (92)



I'm watching YouTube to practise ukelele.

And my brothers



I need a haircut

My move is on hold



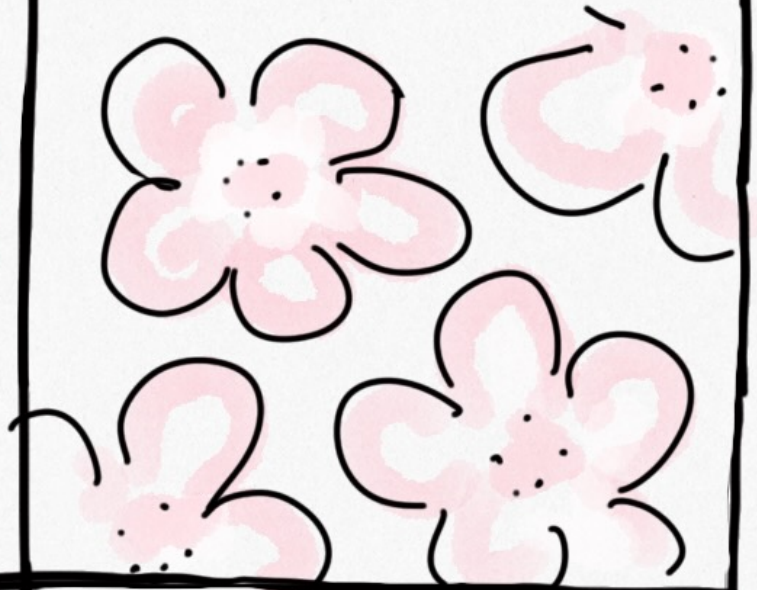
except the one who works in computer science, but doesn't have internet at home.



Breathtaking



beauty reminds
me to appreciate



beauty, while
I still have

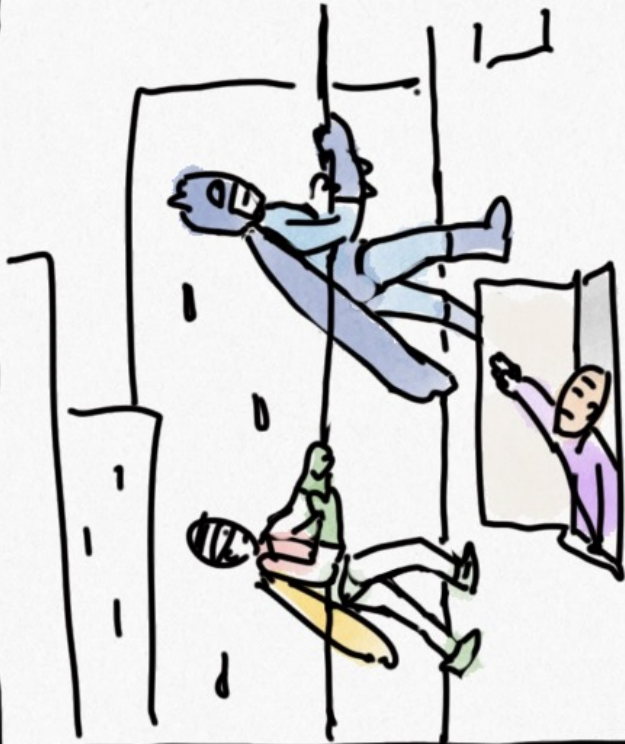


breaths to take.



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Batman and Robin;



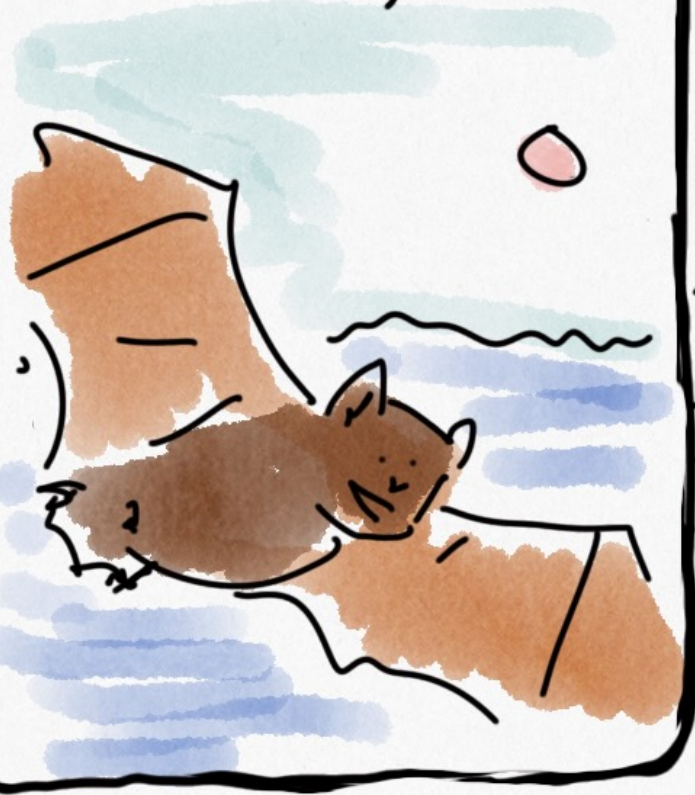
Compared wing shape



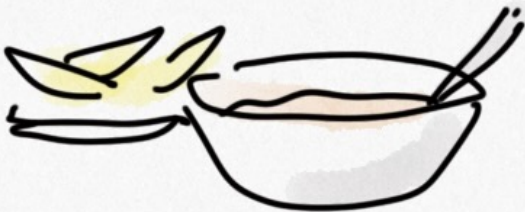
and lifestyle;



Silverwing series



Usually I think
of a comic during
breakfast.



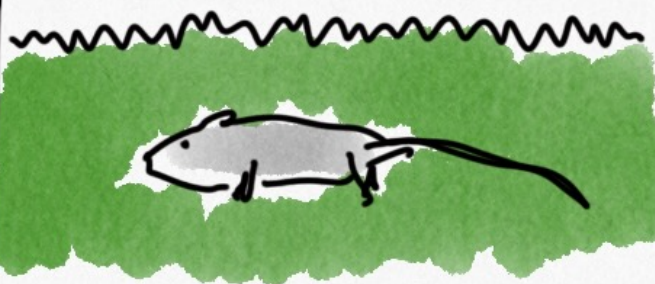
But not today.

I saw STUBBER
last night.



But didn't like it
enough to share.

I saw a dead rat
this morning.



But even that did
not inspire me.

Good thing
making comics



is not my day job.

In STUBBER, Stu
drives Uber in
a leased electric
car.



He picks up a cop
who has just had
laser eye surgery
chasing a criminal.



After some shooting
and car chasing,



one learns to stand
up for himself

and the other
learns to share
his feelings.





SOME DAY / MAYBE
□ Fix gas burner



□ RegROUT shower



□ Fix light socket

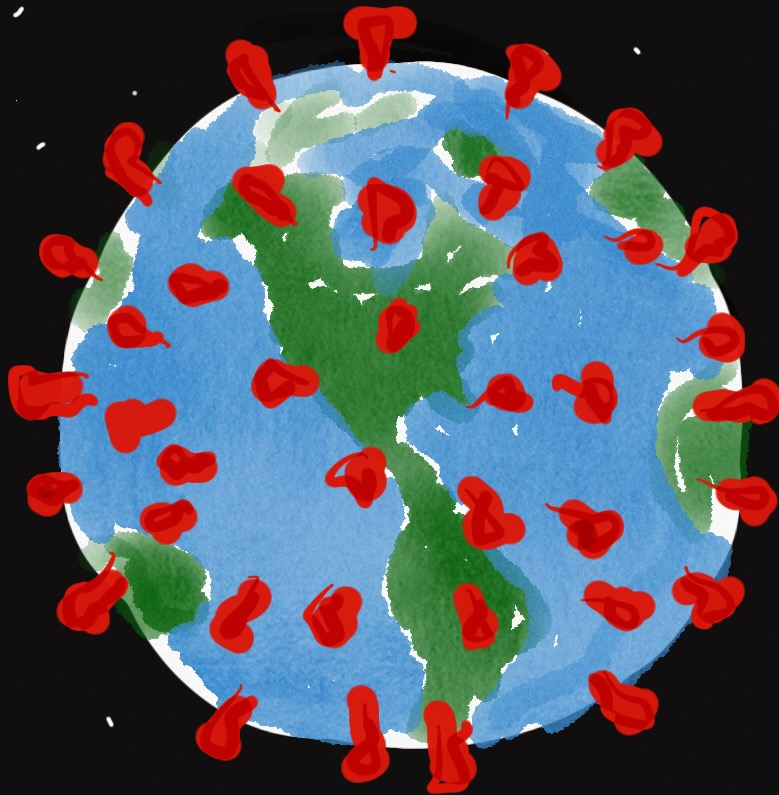


□ Build patio chair



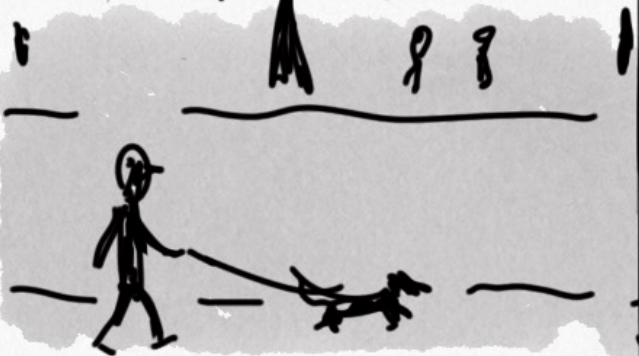
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HAPPY EARTH DAY

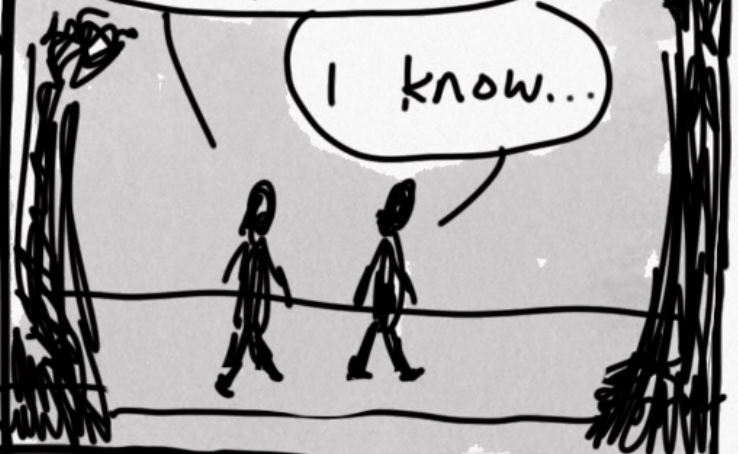


What goes around
comes around

I was walking my dog when I overheard two young women



I don't think Peter is 'beach ready.'



and Owen is so 'delicate'.

Yeah, he's just a skinny boy...

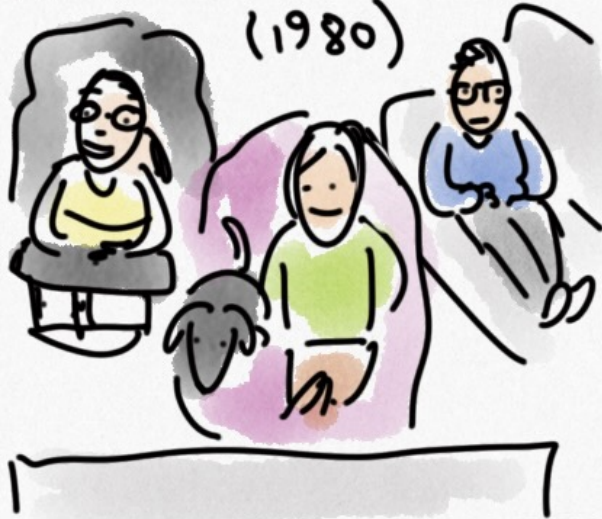


I could be 'beach ready,' as long as that means boots and a bucket.

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o



For family movie night, our teen chose THE SHINING.



It showed that trying to write a novel while



in isolation



is a bad idea



I like BROOKLYN
NINE-NINE
because the
Captain's name
is Raymond,



Indeed.

and Rosa is so
tough,

Suck
it.



and Terry loves
his daughters,

Cagney

Lacey



and Scully clears
out the fridge.

Hmm

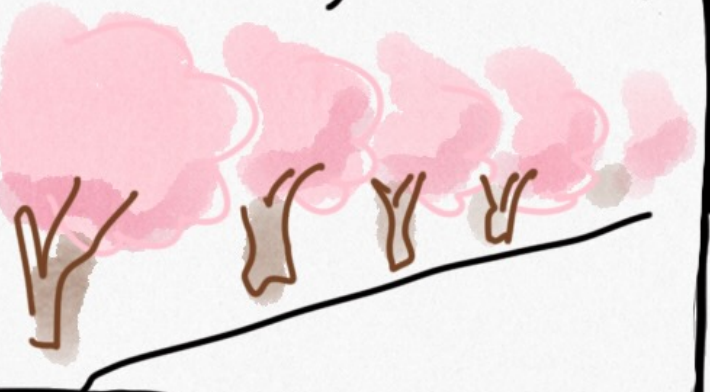


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According to my
Van Trees app



The fluffy pink
trees near me
are Kwan Zan
flowering cherries.



They
always
remind
me of the
Cat in
the Hat
story

where a bathtub
ring gets out of
hand.



Rezoomion with former colleagues.

I've been sewing!



SCARBOROUGH

Online teaching takes so much time.



NORTH CAROLINA

We're not allowed to travel more than 2 km from home.



IRELAND

We've been cleaning groceries...



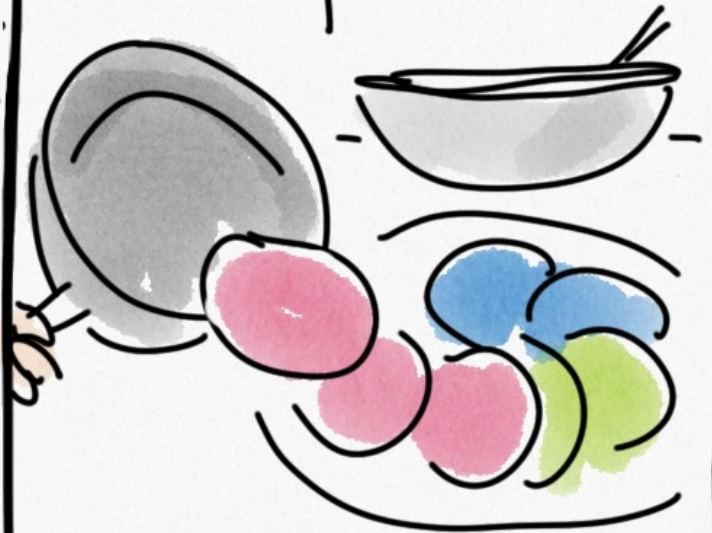
ISRAEL

A Quaranteen's Rainbow Cake

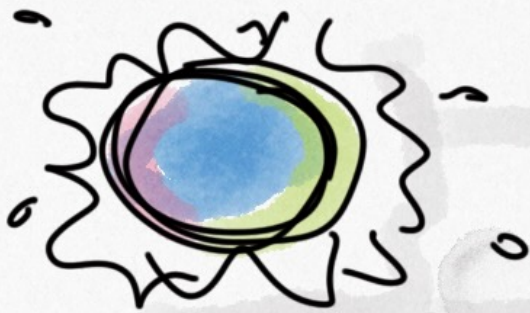
1. Make Dad buy whipping cream.



2. Make Mom fry up coloured crepes and whip the cream.

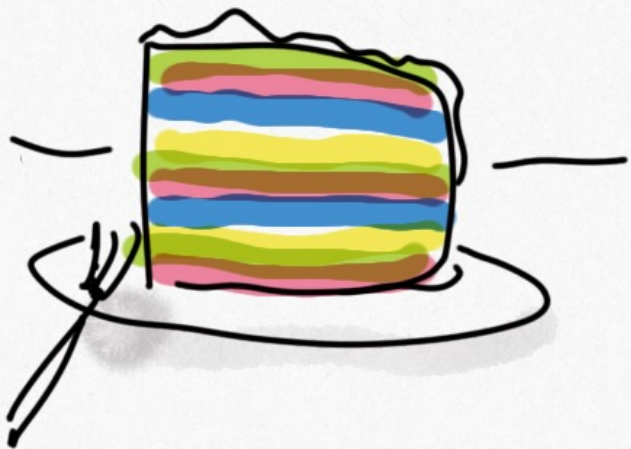


3. Slather whipped cream on each layer —



then drop on floor.

4. Scrape up within 5 seconds and serve.



Once a speck



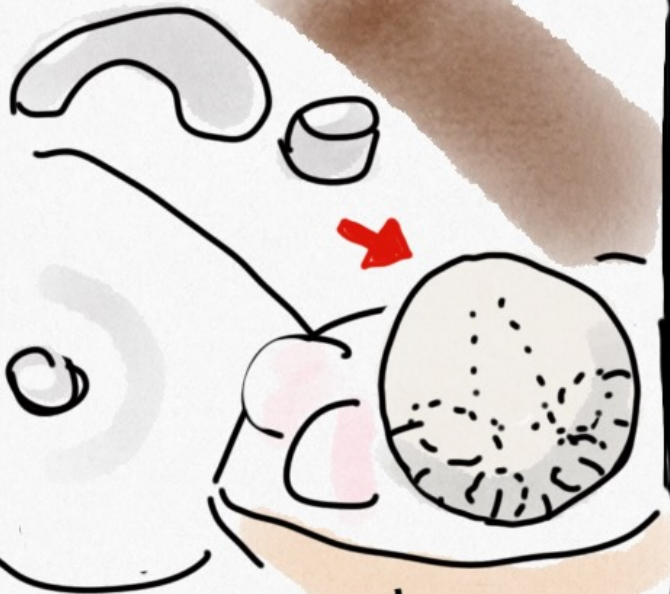
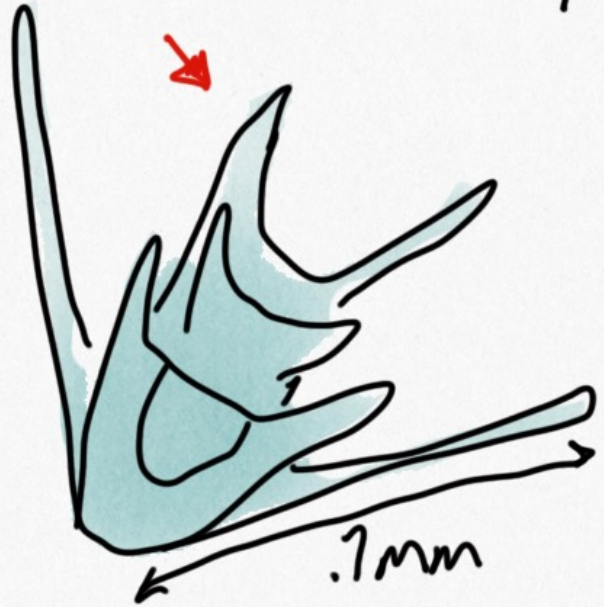
cast into a big, cold sea,

survived.



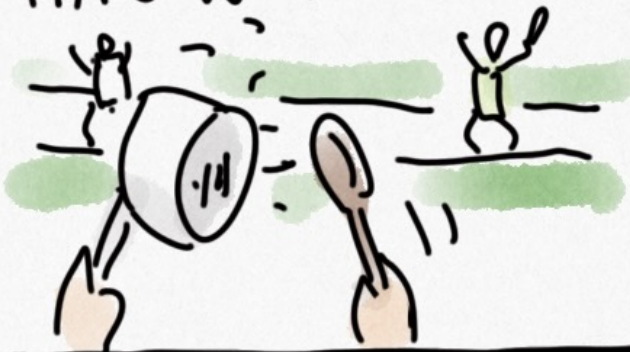
transformed, and grew to become

this echinopluteus (sand dollar baby)



a bathroom decoration.

Every day at 7am
people on our
street join the
salute to front
line workers.



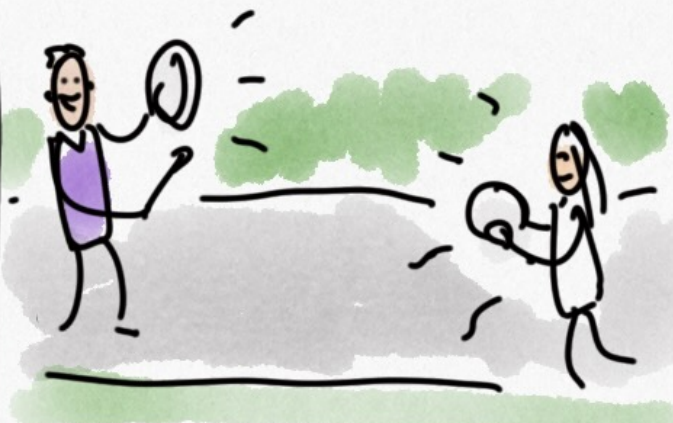
Some bang bongos



or percuss pots.



It brings us closer,



without getting
too close.

Your car should be ready in about an hour.

OK, I'll go for a walk.



Maybe I'll have lunch in the garden at the Nikkei Centre.



BBRRRRRR!

or not.



maybe next time.

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