

*When I Was Young
in Worthington: 1960s*

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This book is dedicated to the sixth grade teachers of 2003 which are Miss wood, Miss Swearengin, and Mrs. Watson. You helped us make our story be all it could be. We hope the best for you in everything you do.

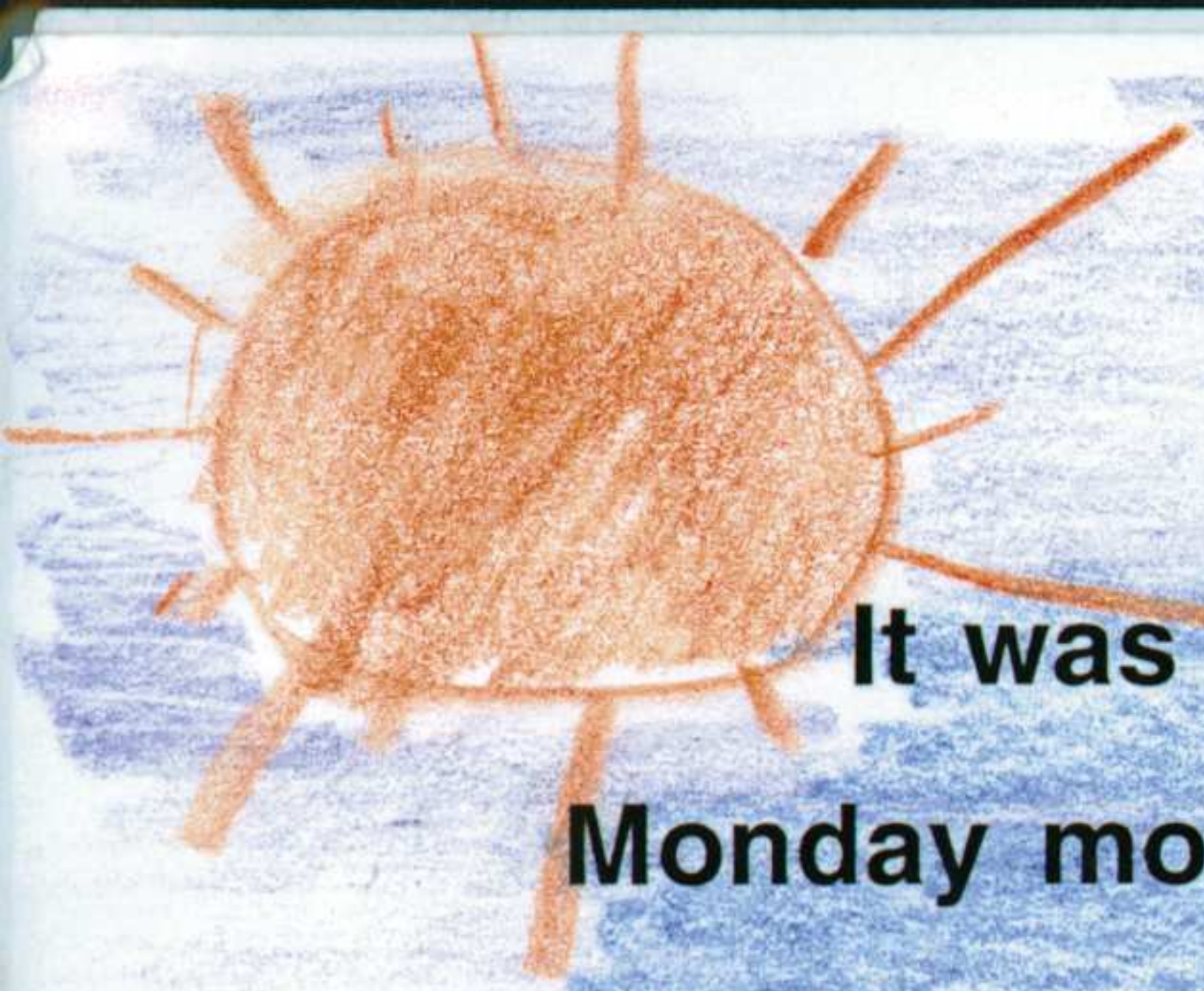
James was a member of a family of four. He had an older sister named Lisa, who was sixteen years old. Lisa wasn't home a lot because she had just received a new car and had gotten a new job at a diner. Lisa attended Worthington High School.

James also lived with his mom and dad. James' mother was a teacher at Brookside Elementary School. James' father owned a clothing and accessory store called Lazarus.



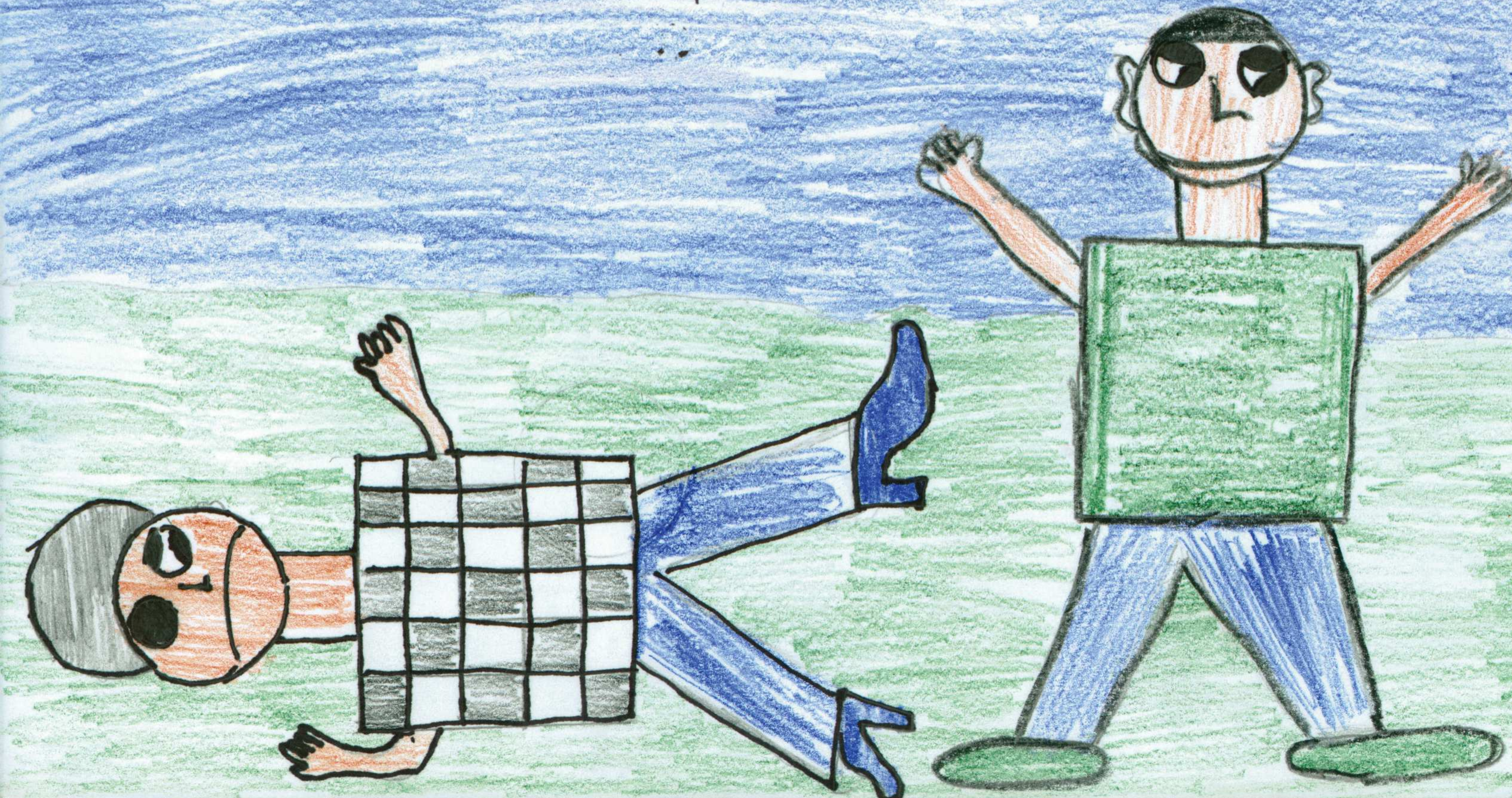


“Happy Birthday!!” cheered the Smith family as they welcomed James to his twelfth birthday party. James was thrilled and the amazement showed on his face. After eating cake and ice cream, James was ready to open his presents. James received many gifts for his birthday. He received bell bottom jeans, a plaid shirt, small platform shoes, and a chain necklace. James mostly enjoyed his new Beatles’ record and the concert tickets he received from his grandparents. He decided to invite his friends to go the concert with him.



It was a long Sunday and James was tired. He was ready for bed. James woke up on Monday morning to the voice of his mom. James was excited to go to school and to see his friends, John and Phil. He put on all of his new clothes he had received for his birthday.

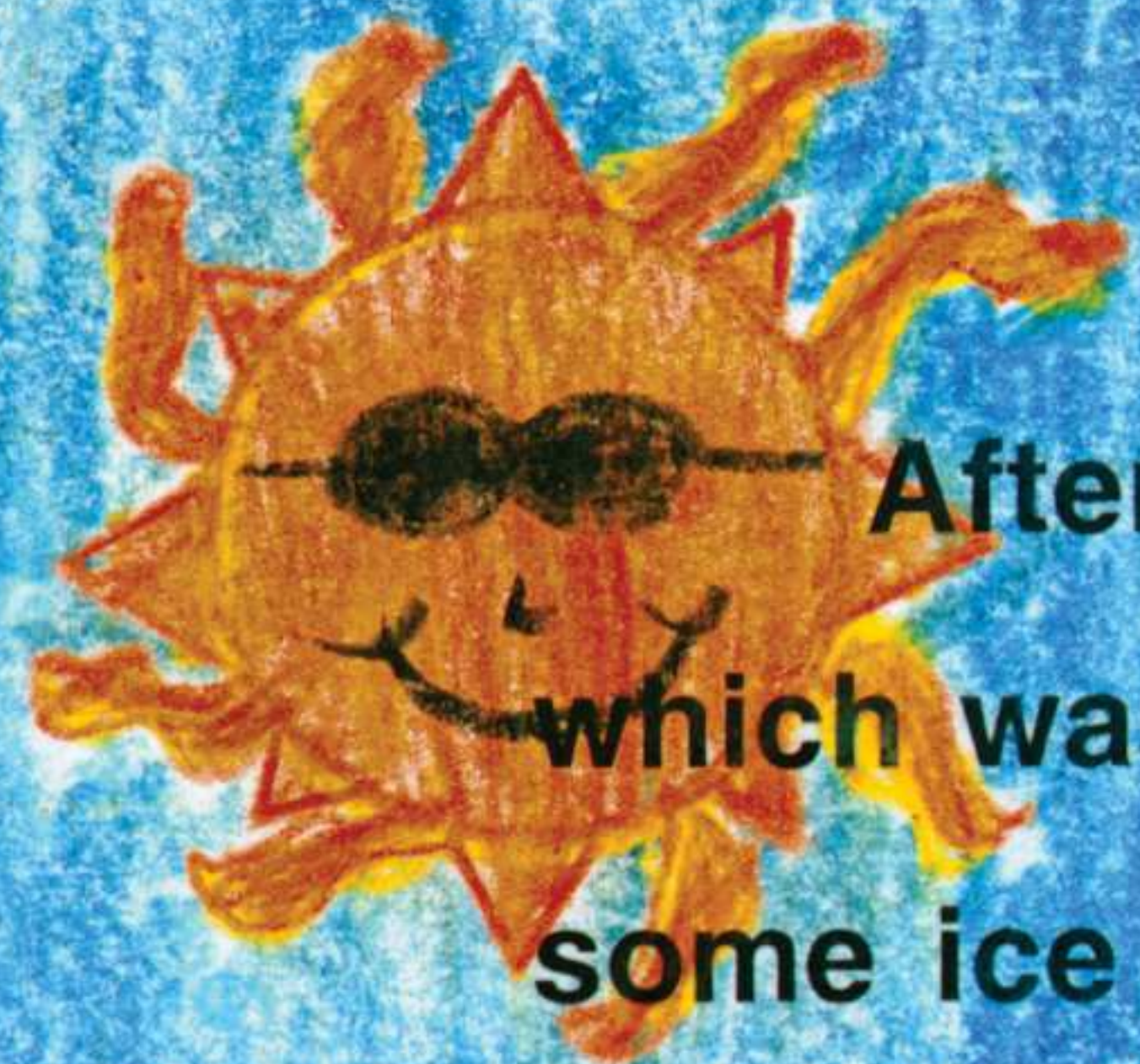
After a breakfast of pancakes, James met his friends to walk to school. James and his friends attended Colonial Hills. When his friends arrived at the house, they left for school. When they got to school, Tom the bully got in their way and took their lunch money.



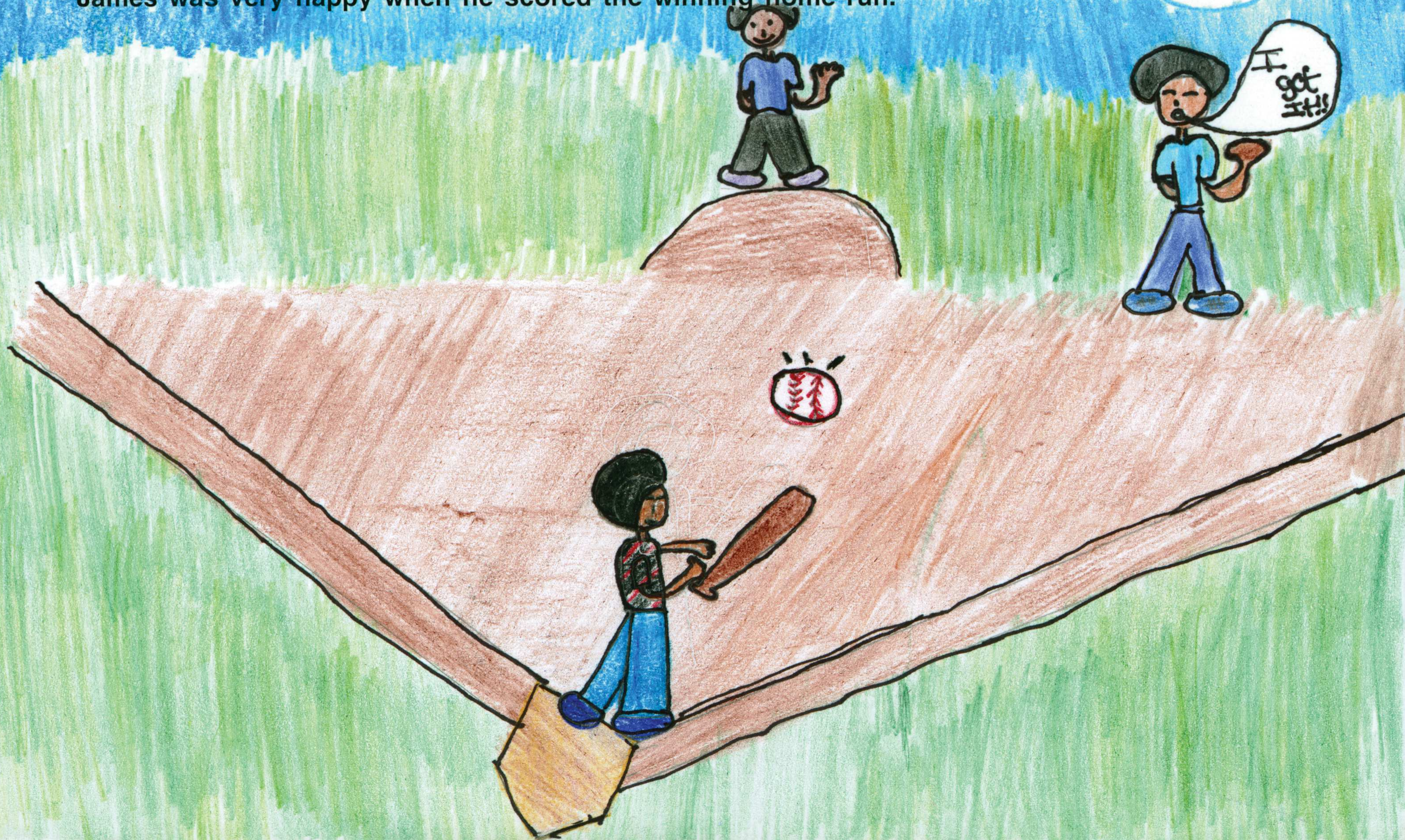


James was late for his first class of the year, math. He had to recite the ordinary class apology to the class. After he did that, he took his seat. "Now let's get started" said the teacher sharply.

After four of his classes, it was time for lunch and recess. At lunch he met up with John and Phil. They went outside and played dodge ball until the bell rang. Then, they got in line and went inside. James finished off the remainder of the day with grammar class.



After school, James, Phil, and John went to their favorite place to go after school which was the Worthington Library. Afterwards, they met their friends at Gables to get some ice cream. After their ice cream, they headed over to Selby Park to play baseball. James was very happy when he scored the winning home run.

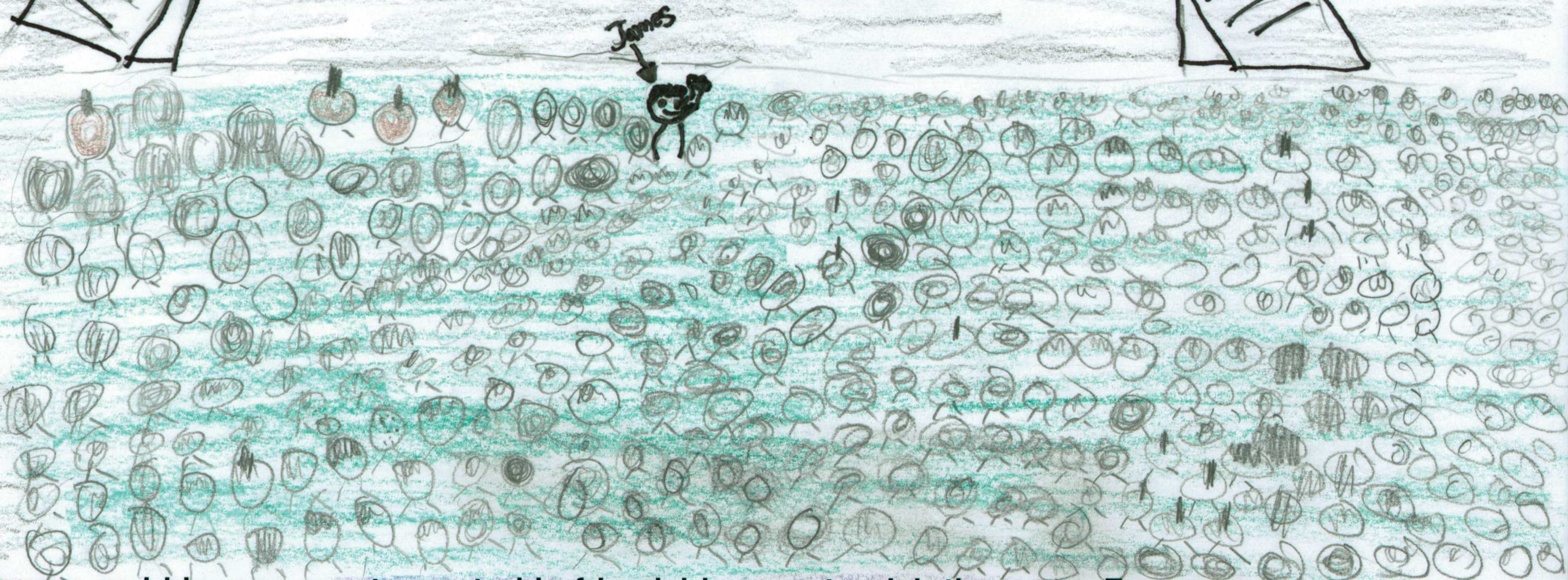




When James arrived home, he found a note from his parents saying that they went to Anntons for dinner and he should eat homemade pizza with fluffernutters for dessert. The note also said they would be home by 7:00 to take him to the concert. So, James ate his dinner while he watched his favorite family game show 'The Price is Right'. James always had the best luck guessing the correct prices.

Later, James took a shower and got ready for the Beatles' concert. His mother had bought him a new suit to wear to the concert. James was proud because he knew how hard his parents had worked to save up enough money for him to have a new suit to wear to the concert. James called his friends and told them that he would be over to pick them up in ten minutes.





James and his mom went over to his friends' houses to pick them up. Everyone was on their way to go to Vets Memorial for the concert. The concert finally started and James was thrilled. The first song the Beatles sang was 'Yellow Submarine'.

The concert continued and James knew that there would always be a future to look forward to.