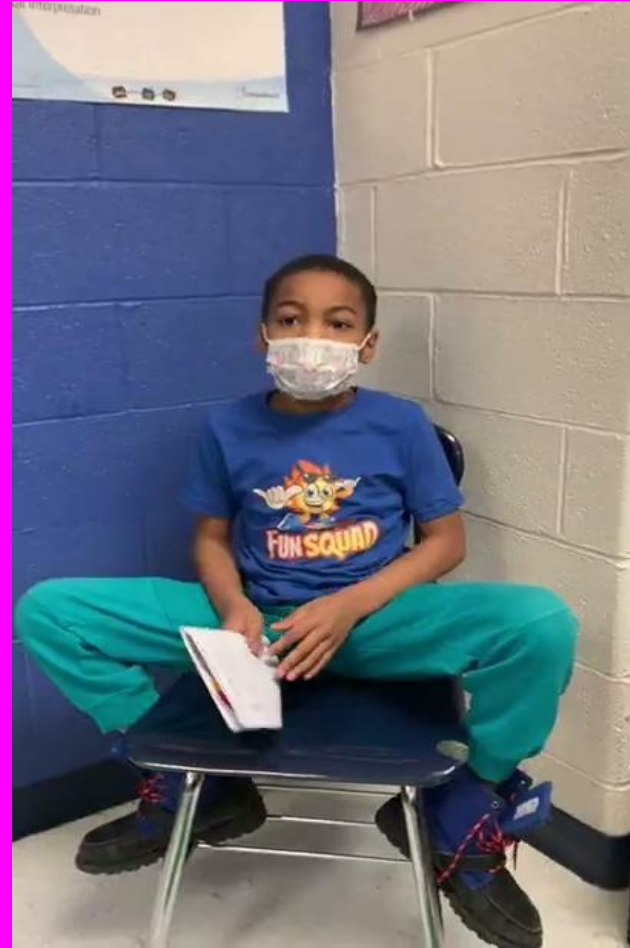


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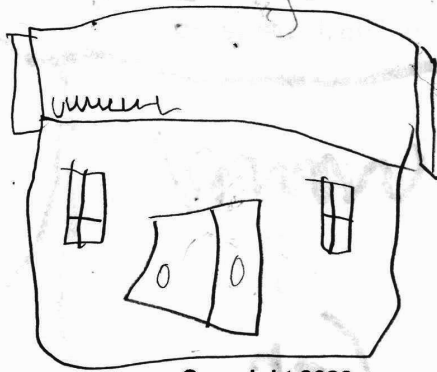
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# Traveling to the Lake

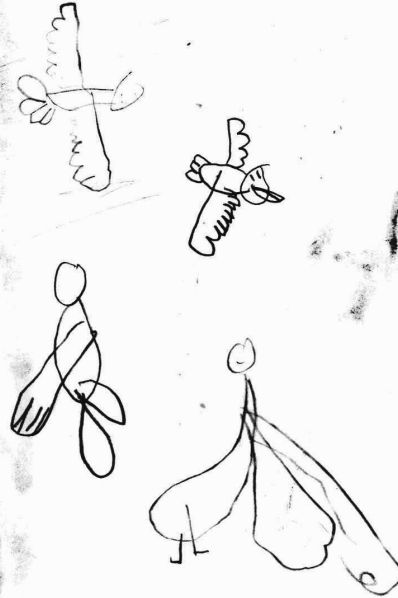
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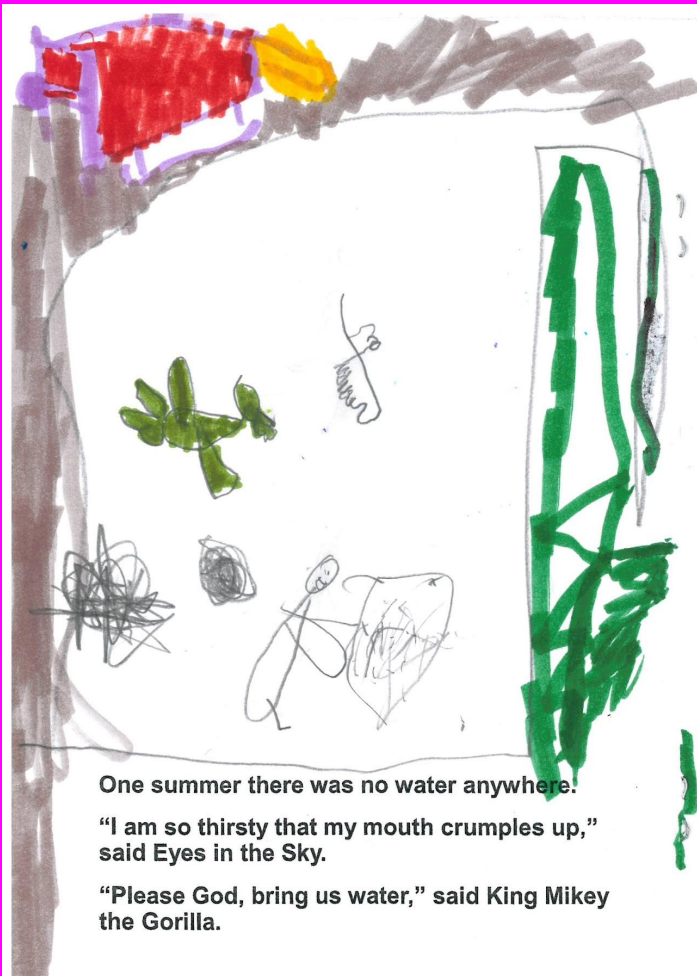
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Once there was an eagle named Eyes in the  
Sky.  
His best friend was King Mikey the Gorilla.



One summer there was no water anywhere.

"I am so thirsty that my mouth crumples up,"  
said Eyes in the Sky.

"Please God, bring us water," said King Mikey  
the Gorilla.



"We should go to Core Lake," said Eyes.

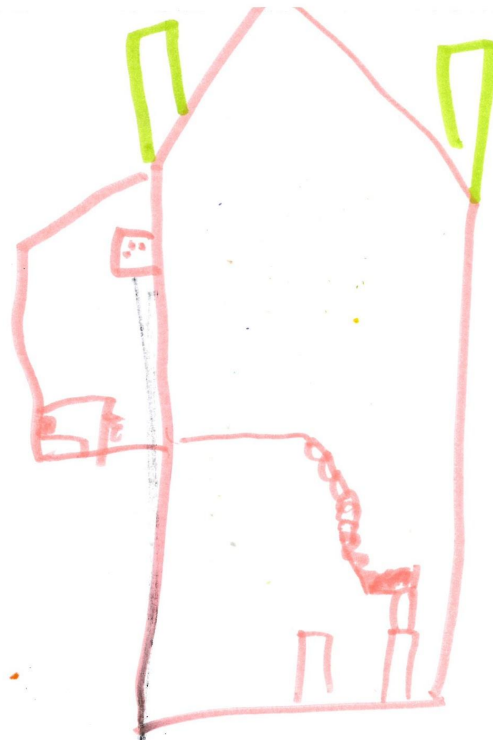
"But Core Lake is a secret," said King Mikey.

"I found a map on a cactus," said Eyes.



They traveled a long time, drinking rainwater  
and cutting open cactus.

Finally, they saw the lake.

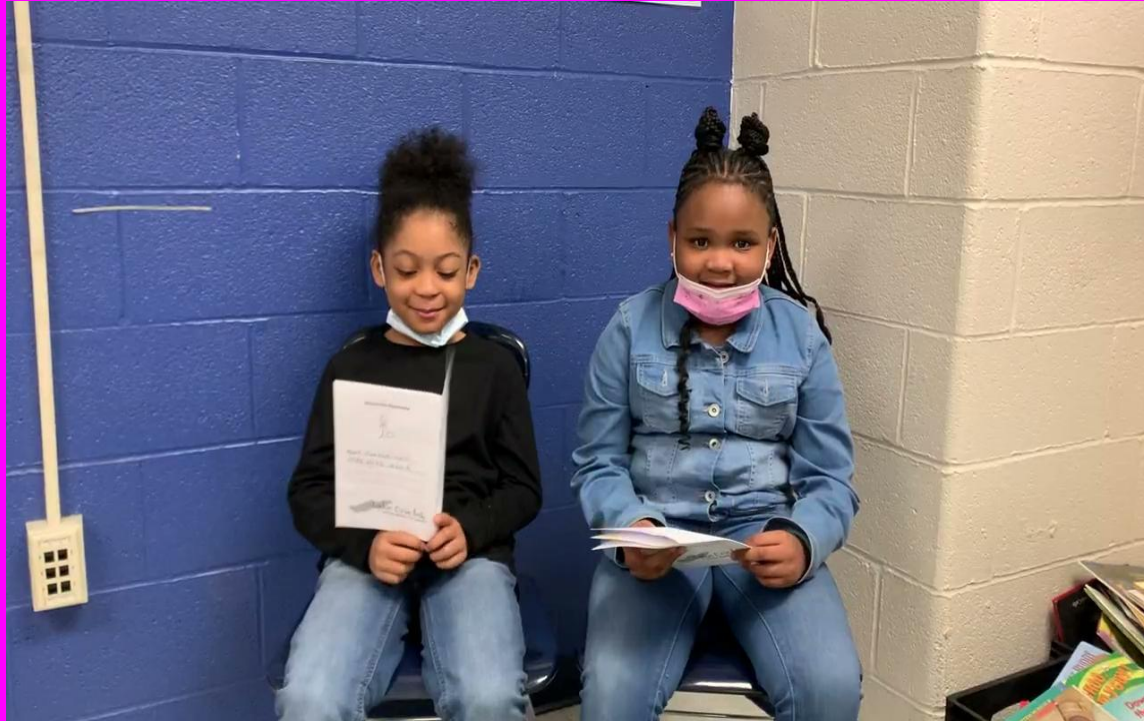


Then Eye in the Sky had an idea. "Let's drink  
water. Then let's build a house from these  
trees."

And they were happy.

The End

# Escape to the Zoom: A Story by Raeshawn, Nasir, Laurryn, and Desire



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MY MOM &  
MY DAD &  
MY FAMILY &  
MY BROTHER &  
MRS. ARDIS &  
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Once there was a saber-toothed tiger, Sammi  
Kate.

Her best friend was a bird named Crystal.





They ran away because they were scared of the woods.

They ran to their hiding spot in a tree at the zoo.

Sammi Kate said, "I'm hungry."

Crystal said, "I'm going to look for some food."





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She found carrots and apples in a zoo shelter.

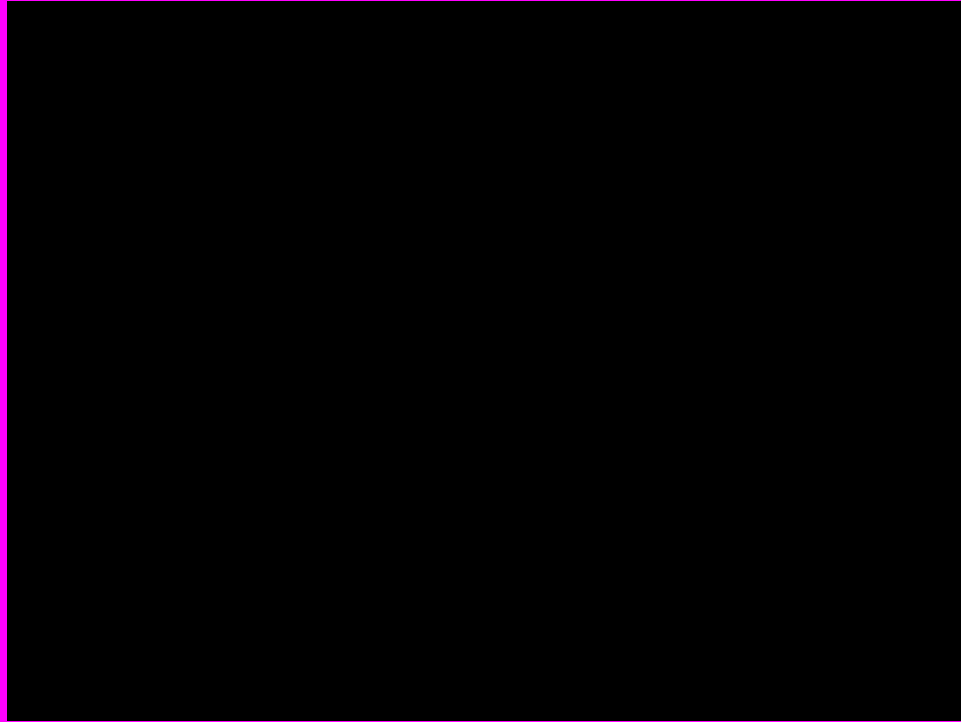


Suddenly her mom found them and took them home in the car.

"I'm sorry that I ran away, mom," she said.

The End

Looking for Food: A Story by By Tra’Nhyla, Raymond, La’Niyah, Deshauna

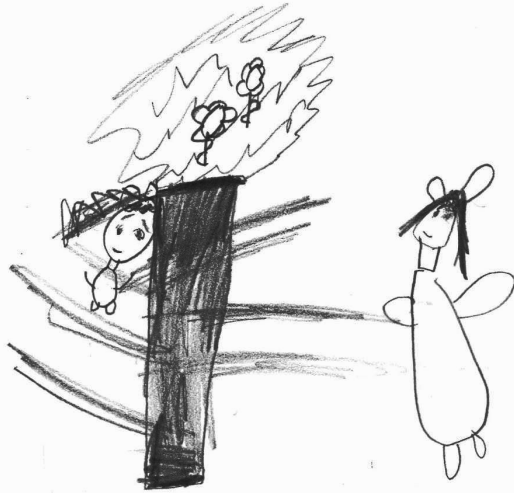


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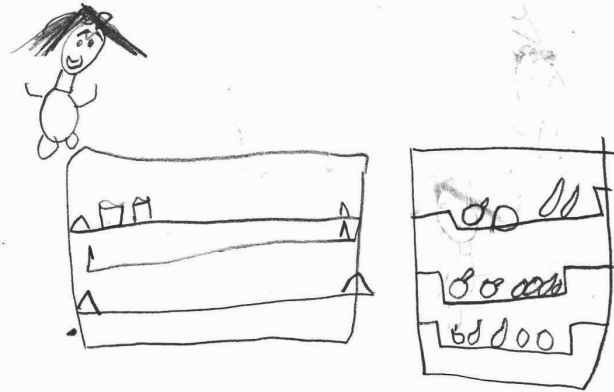
**Ms. Koala Bear McCorvey was hungry. She was looking for food.**



Suddenly she saw Ms. Kangaroo Nakonachny.

"Do you have any food?" she asked Ms. Kangaroo Nakonachny.

"No, I'm hungry too. Let's go look for some food," said Ms. Kangaroo.



First, they went to the store, but they said, "No animals allowed."



Then they went to McDonald's, but the manager yelled, "You are not allowed in here!" and chased them away.



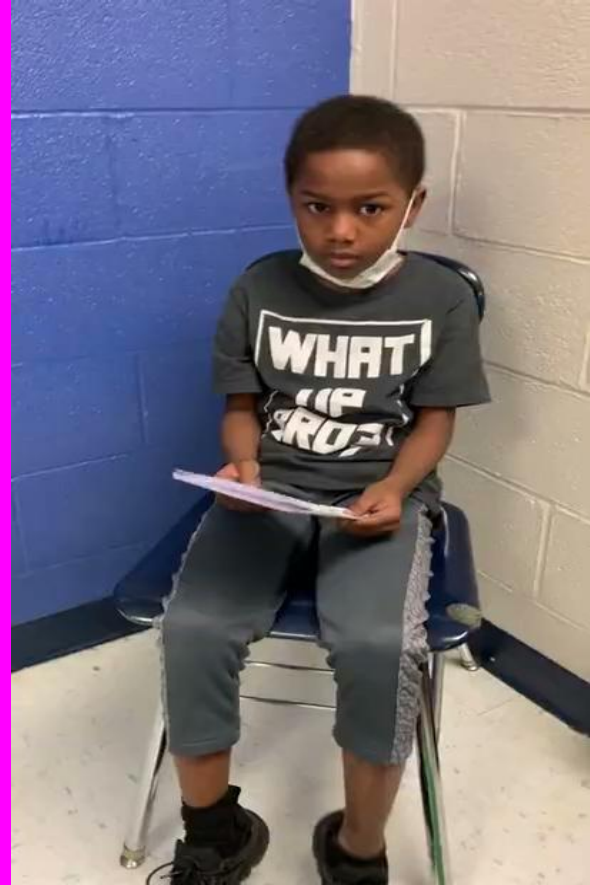
Then they went to the zoo. The zookeeper said, "Please come in. You may have some vegetables. I have carrots and apples."

"Thank you so much. Can we stay?" asked Ms. Kangaroo Nakonachny and Ms. Koala Bear McCorvey.

"Yes!!" said the zookeeper. So they did.

# The Lion Saved the Day

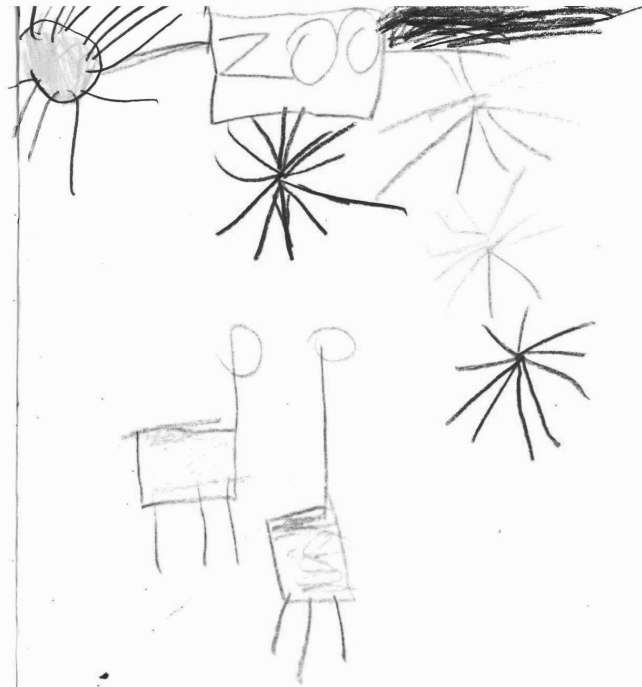
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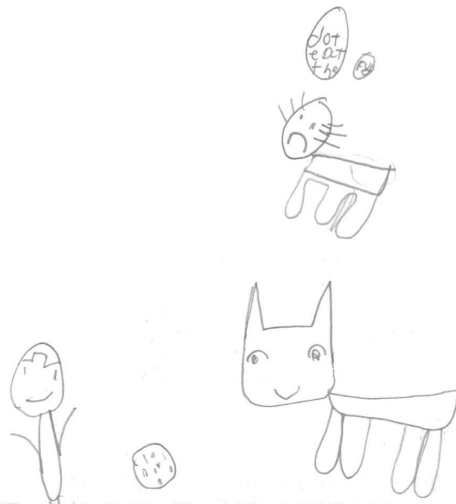
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One day at the zoo, Lonetti the Lion was hanging out with Van the Dog.

Suddenly, an animal kidnapper showed up.

"Come here, dog!" said the kidnapper.



**"Don't do it, Van!" said Lonetti the Lion.**  
**But Von was hungry.**  
**So he ate the food and fell asleep.**





Lonetti was a magical unicorn lion so she was able to follow the truck to a butcher shop in Chicago.



Right before the butcher began to cut Van up, Lonetti jumped through the window and ate the kidnapper butcher.

"Thank you! Let's go home," said Van.

The End