

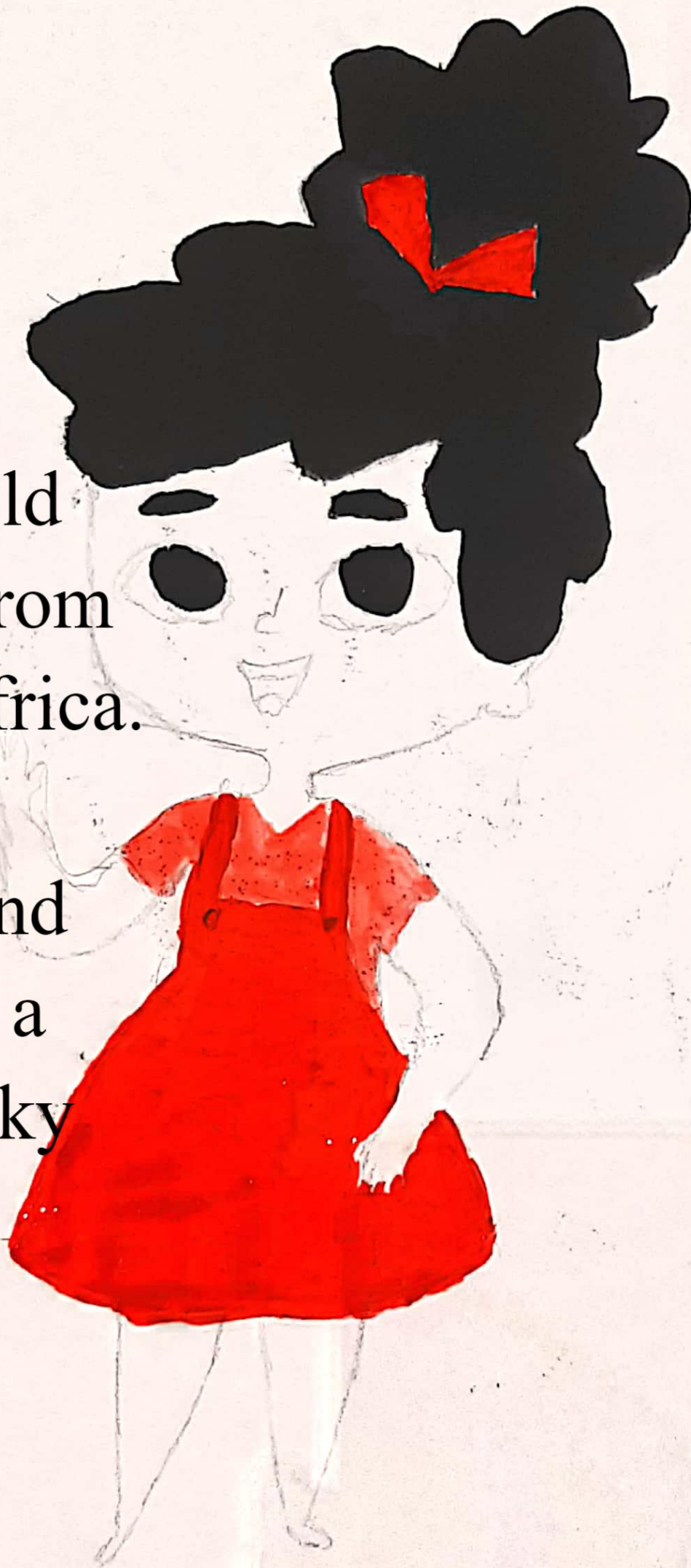


ALL  
GROWN  
UP

By fara

This is  
5-year-old  
Lerato from  
south Africa.

Say hi and  
give her a  
high pinky



Lerato has an 18-year-old sister whose name is Palesa. Palesa Loves wearing tall high heels and lots of make up. Lerato loves seeing Palesa get all dolled up and pretty and wanted to be just like her.





Palesa answered “Lerato my tall hills are every dangerous for kids and can hurt you and makeup is very messy and is not very good for skin. You will have to wait until you are **ALL GROWN UP**”.





Lerato  
mumbled  
a little  
“ok” and  
walked  
away  
sadly to  
her room.



A few days later, Palesa decided to go for a fun day out with her friends. At first Lerato wanted to go with Palesa until she realised that Palesa's heels and makeup would be left alone.



Lerato waved  
goodbye to palesa  
with a big sneaky  
smile on her face  
knowing the fun  
she was about to  
have





Lerato snuck into palesa's room and started GOING CRAZY.

She was touching all types of makeup and smothering it all over her face leaving a big mess behind.



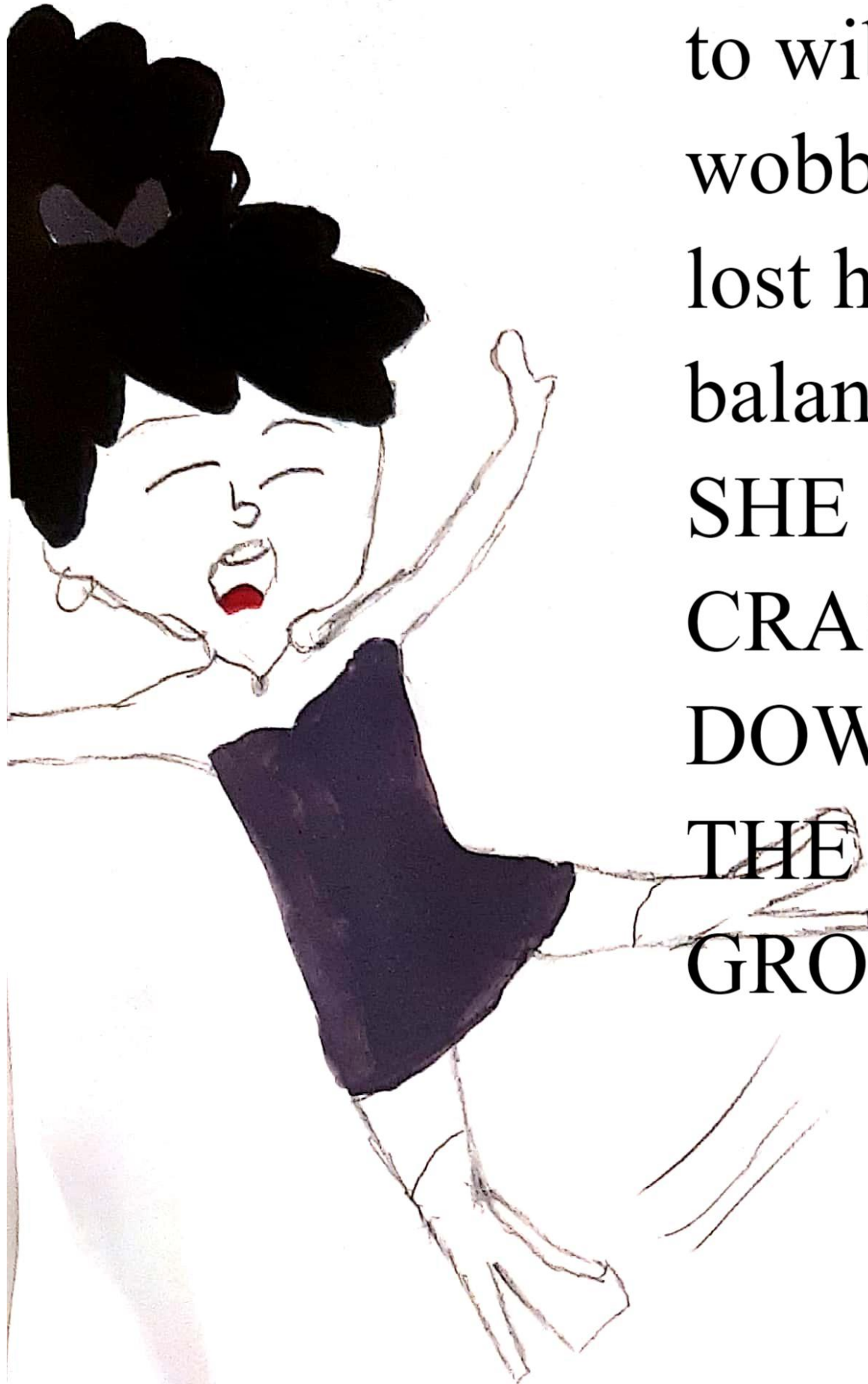


She was  
trying all the  
highest  
heels she  
could find  
and walking  
in them with  
pride  
until...



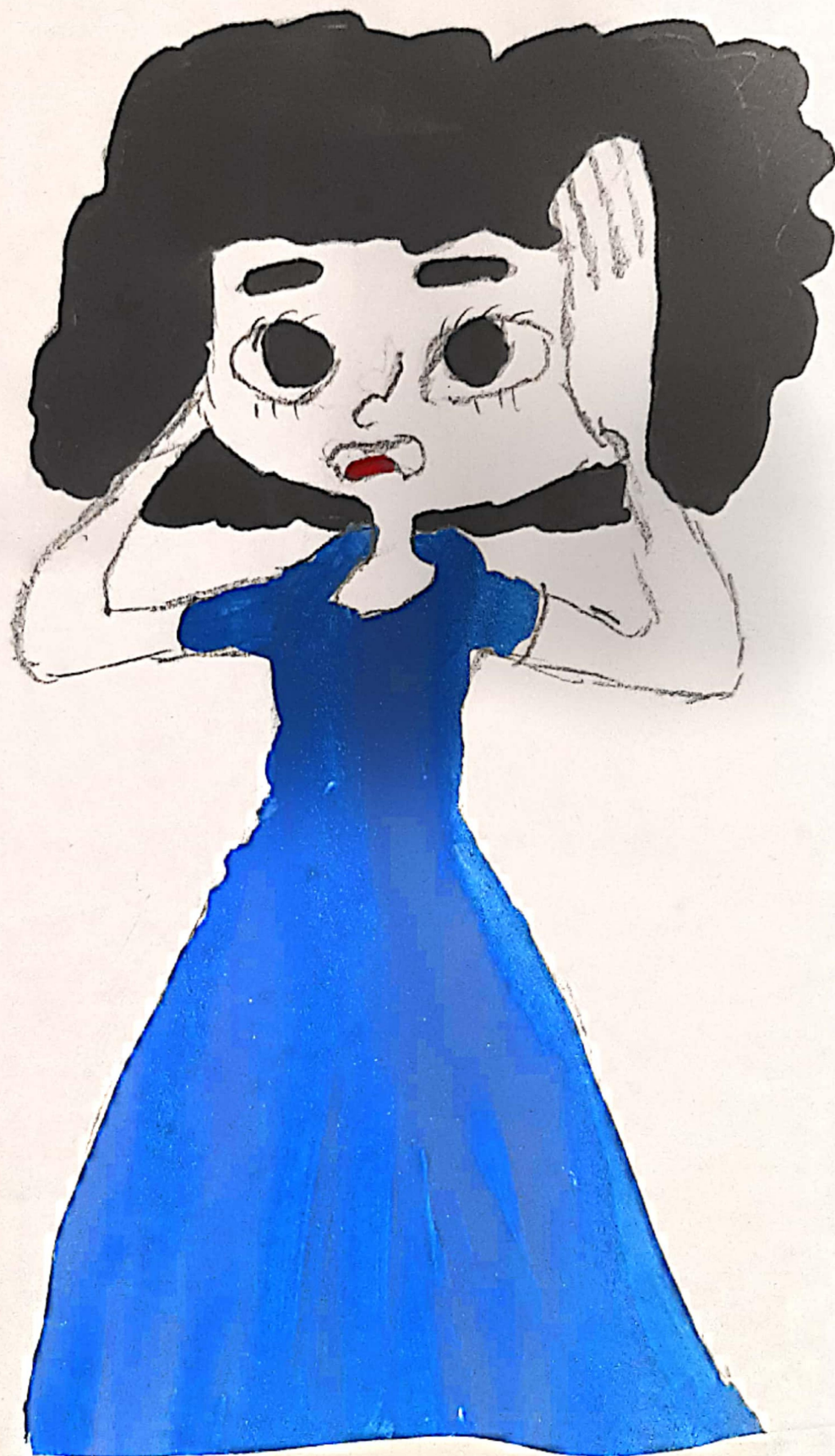
she started  
to wobble  
wobble and  
lost her  
balance.

**SHE CAME  
CRASHING  
DOWN TO  
THE  
GROUND.**





When Lerato's mum heard the big thud followed by a loud cry, she ran faster than she ever has before .

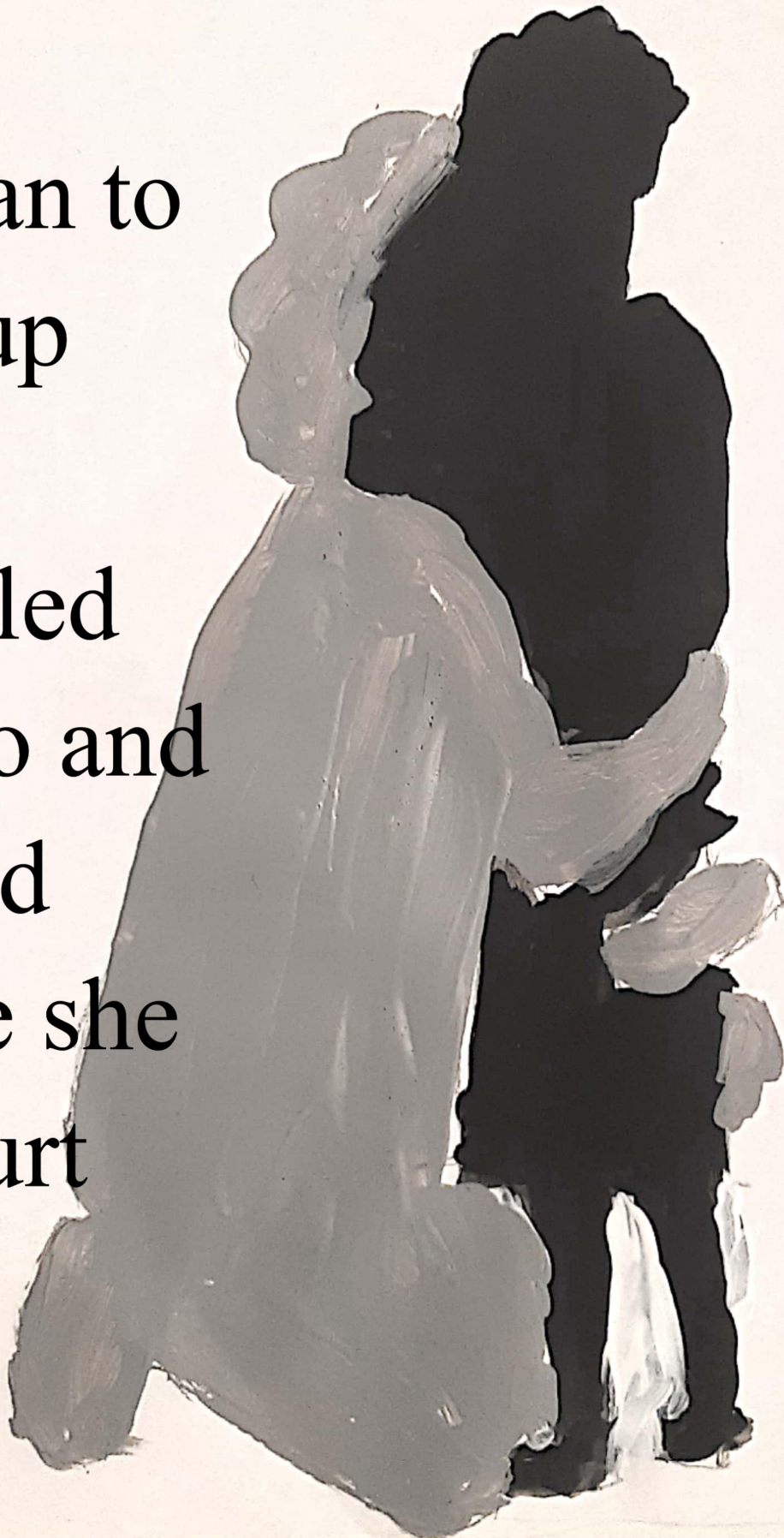


She swung the door of palesas room and was shocked to see the HORENDUS MESS that was everywhere. She was also shocked to see the state that Lerato was in.





She ran to  
pick up  
and  
craydled  
Lerato and  
rubbed  
where she  
got hurt



Just then Palesa arrived and was even more shocked about everything.

Palesa shouted “WHAT HAVE YOU DONE LERATO. YOU DESTROYED ALL MY STUFF, MESSED UP MY ROOM AND EVEN HURT YOURSELF!”





Palesas mum gently said “Palesa I know you are mad but please don’t shout.”

The mum continued “Lerato I am very disappointed in you. What you did was completely unacceptable. You need to clean up everything and apologise to Palesa.”





Lerato slowly  
stood up and  
made her way  
to palesa

“Palesa” shae  
said feeling  
ashamed. “Im  
really sorry for  
messing  
everything up  
and wanting to  
try all your  
stuff. I really  
wanted to look  
as grown up as  
you but I  
realised that I  
am extremely  
happy to be a  
kid “





Palase said “ Its ok little sis. I know how it feels to want to be a grown up.

She giggles “when I was 5 just like you, I wanted to be able to cook just like mummy. But every time I wanted to cook mum said no because it was dangerous. So one day whilst mum was sleeping I went the to turn on the stove when I ended up accidentally burning my thumb. It really hurt but I learnt my lesson. I even have a funny photo of when it happened.

They all laughed and Lerato learned her lesson and enjoys doing kid stuff.







How many times have you said  
you want to be a "grown up" or  
have tried grown up stuff.

Circle yes or no

If you circled no the you are  
**LYING!**

We all have said we want to be a  
grown up just about...**ONE  
THOUSAND TIMES.**

Tell a your story  
about wanting to be  
a grown up then  
draw pictures for it.