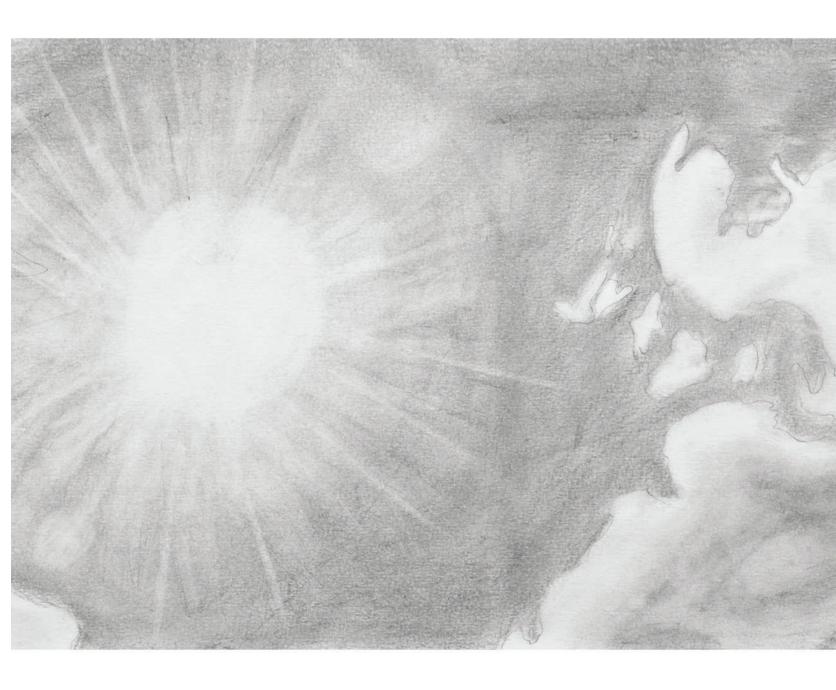
SPLASH

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ONE HOT SUMMER DAY IT SEEMED EVERYONE WAS SWIMMING TO STAY COOL.

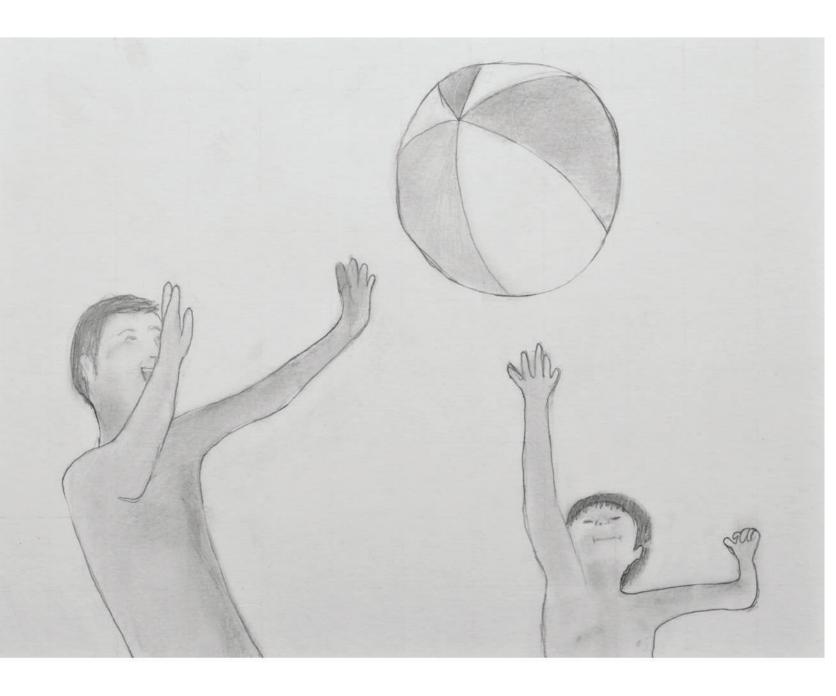




WELL, ALMOST EVERYONE...



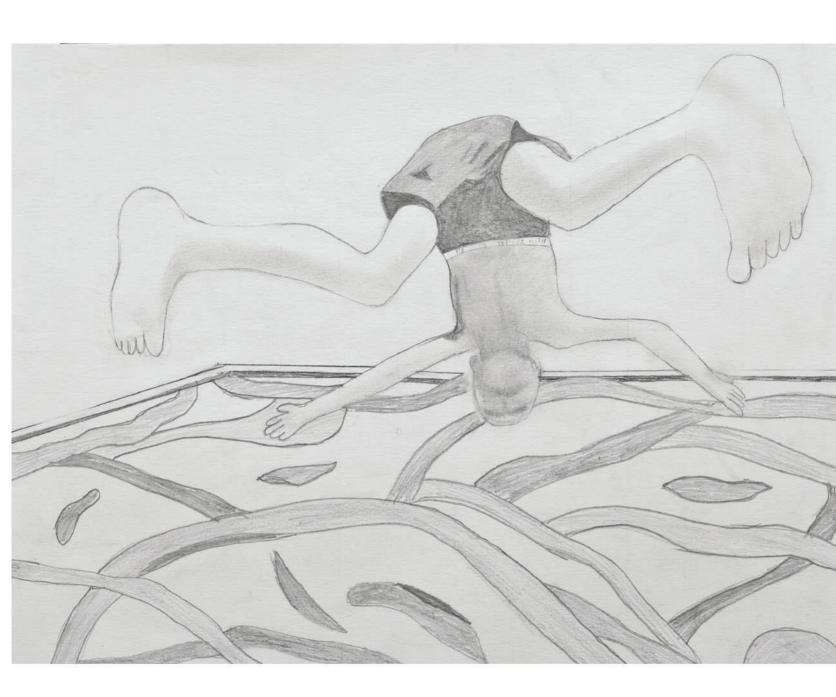
ONE BOY WAS STANDING OUT OF THE POOL LOOKING VERY SAD.



OTHER CHILDREN WERE PLAYING,
SPLASHING,
AND HAVING FUN.

BUT NOT THIS BOY.

SUDDENLY, SOMEONE SNUCK UP BEHIND THE UNHAPPY BOY AND PUSHED HIM INTO THE WATER!





HE SPLASHED AND KICKED IN THE WATER, AFRAID AND CRYING FOR HELP!

HE THOUGHT HE WAS DROWNING.



THEN HE RELAXED AND BEGAN TO MOVE HIS ARMS, THEN HIS LEGS...

BEFORE THE BOY KNEW IT,

HE WAS SWIMMING!

WHEN HE REACHED THE

EDGE OF THE POOL,

HE FELT VERY HAPPY AND PROUD.



AS HE CLIMBED
OUT, HIS BIG
BROTHER WINKED
AT HIM AND SAID,
"GOOD JOB,"

THE BOY HUGGED HIM.

"THANKS!"

