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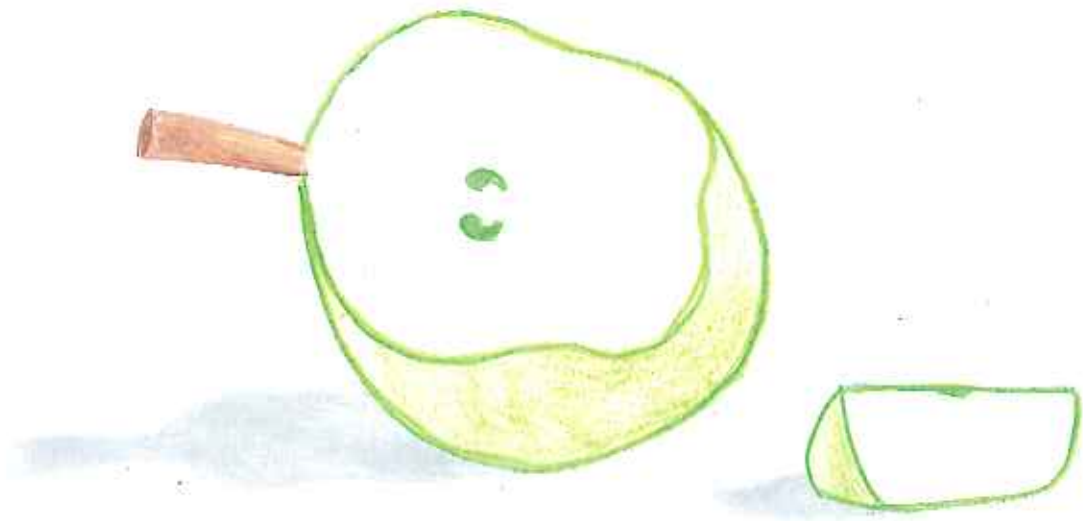
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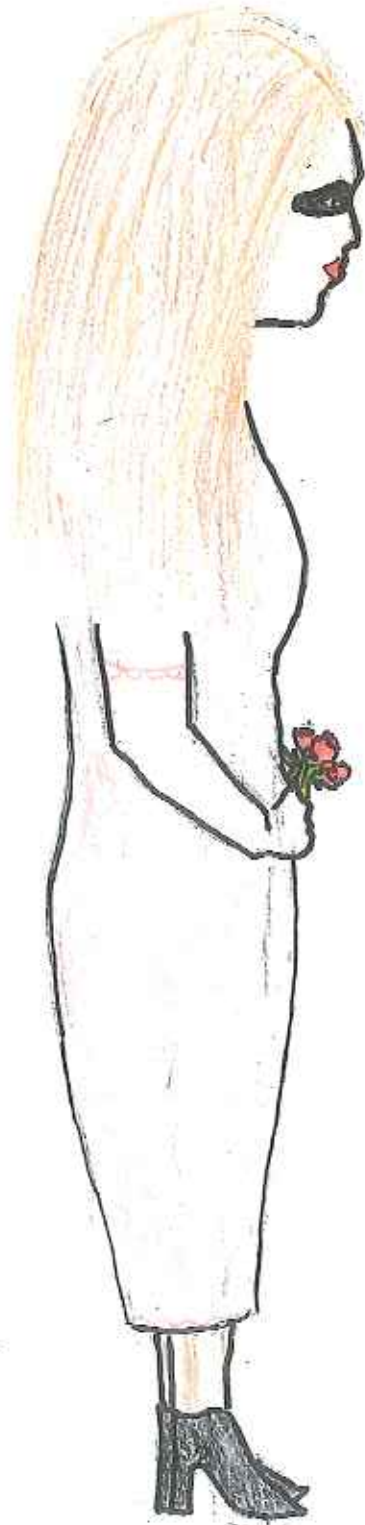
The Core of Life

The
Bee
Is
A

Very small creature.

Learning to fight and thrive
For survival. The bees' core
Purpose in life is working as
A team and answering the
Cries. The " hard crunch
Fighting off enemies. The
Fall to the ground, shutter

*-Ing eyes. It's what lives
All about. Protecting
The hive*



The Stars In Life

*Show me the scars you hide,
Away behind the stars at night.
I can see right through those deceiving eyes,
The resting place of the truth to your lies.
Show me the life you hide,
Away behind the stars at night.
The figure you conceal,
In the emotions that you feel.
Show me the real you,
Fighting to shine with the stars at night.
The life you've pushed away,
Only to look yourself in the mirror at the end of the day.
I've seen the stars at night,
They shine for the truth and show for what's right,
Until they give off their last ray of light.*



Living Dictionary

You're always such a braniac,

Studying those books like a maniac.

You know everything a brain could hold,

But those words in particular fill your head like mold.

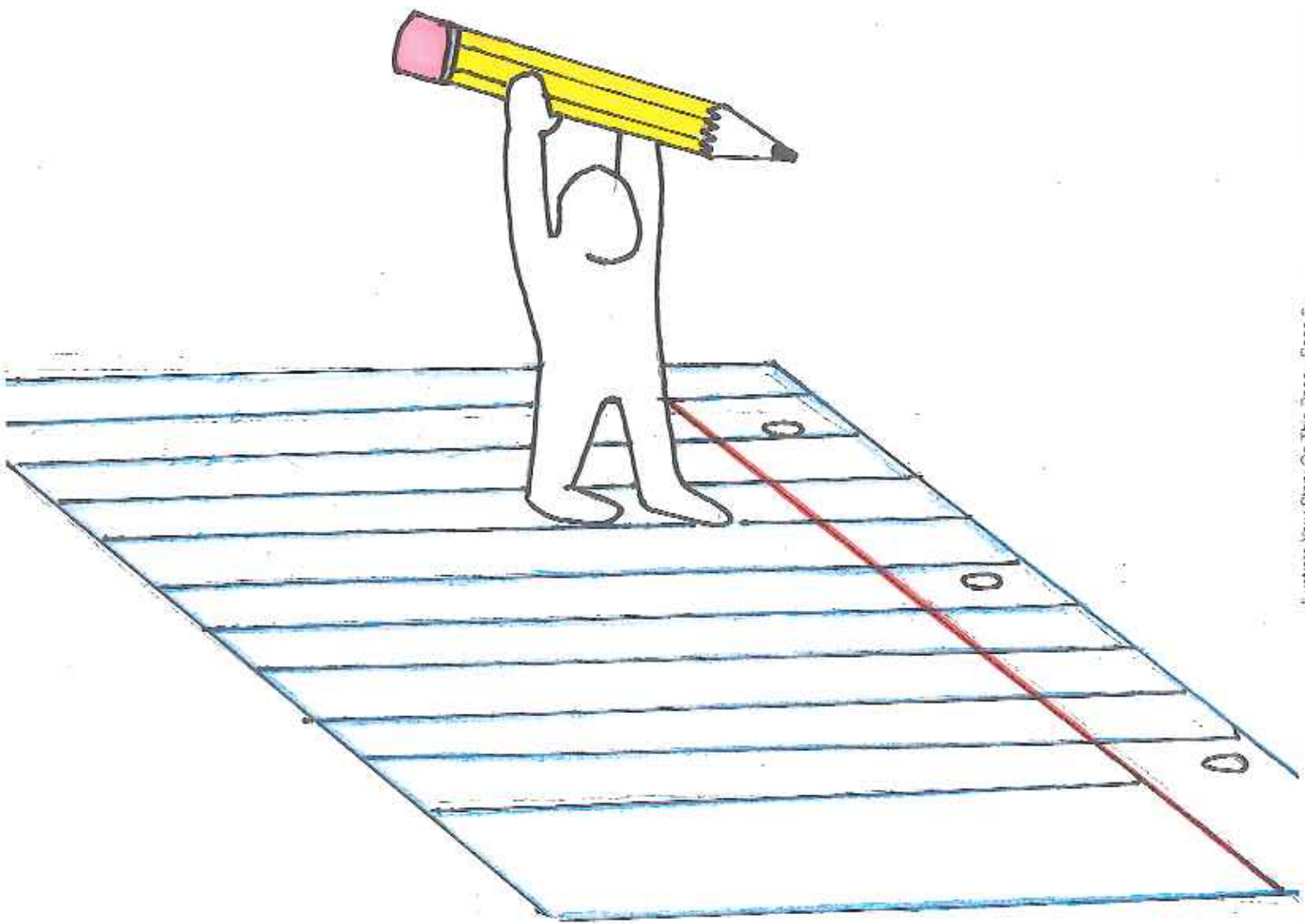
The definitions are stuck like a bad student on a test,

And you don't ever allow those syllables to rest.

You need to get out and relieve the stress,

Because did you know that the main cure

To a boring life is studying less?



School

Not a time to break the rules.

Not a time to act like fools.

Not a place to demonstrate your voice.

Not a place to concentrate on noise.

*But when the teachers have finished their work,
and only the janitors continue to lurk, the school is silent.*

No sound, no stress.

A perfect place for the mind to learn and assess.



Coffee Shops

*A coffee shop is a calm, peaceful place,
Where even the most impossible tasks can be
accomplished. In this state of mind you could even solve a
conflict. It's almost as if a switch has been flicked, when
the warm, soft music enters your head. But the wisps of
coffee and the smell of cookies tuck you calmly in bed.*



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Desire

He's running, he's gunning, he's shrugging off pain.

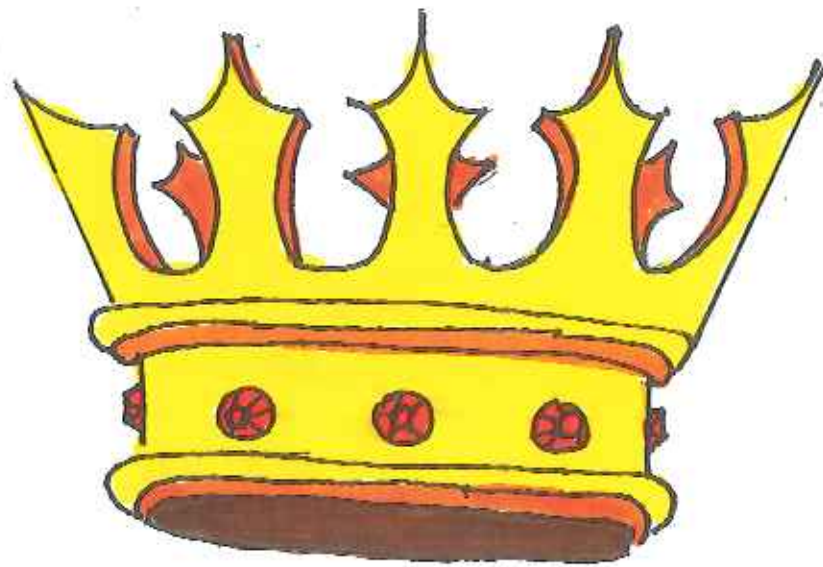
He's burning, and turning, and hugging his lane.

The fire in his heart still burns with propane.

But he's a man on a mission, excepting no gain.

His blood is pumping, hot to the touch.

Another man with his desire? There is nonesuch.



Don't Not

Don't feel content with just paying your rent.

Don't you feel you've accomplished something

With money well spent?

Don't live your life with a deadline.

Don't let the world collapse on you with a lead sky.

Don't let mentors and peers drag you down.

You be the ruler of your life, show off your crown!

But in the end, you do you, and don't let anyone,

ANYONE! *Tell you what not to do.*

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Andrew Ellis is a seventh grade student attending Lake Harriet Upper campus in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Andrew loves to play sports and socialize with friends. He also loves to write stories and has found that he enjoys writing poetry whenever he gets the chance. This book has been a chance for him to improve his writing skills and express his newfound interest in poetry.