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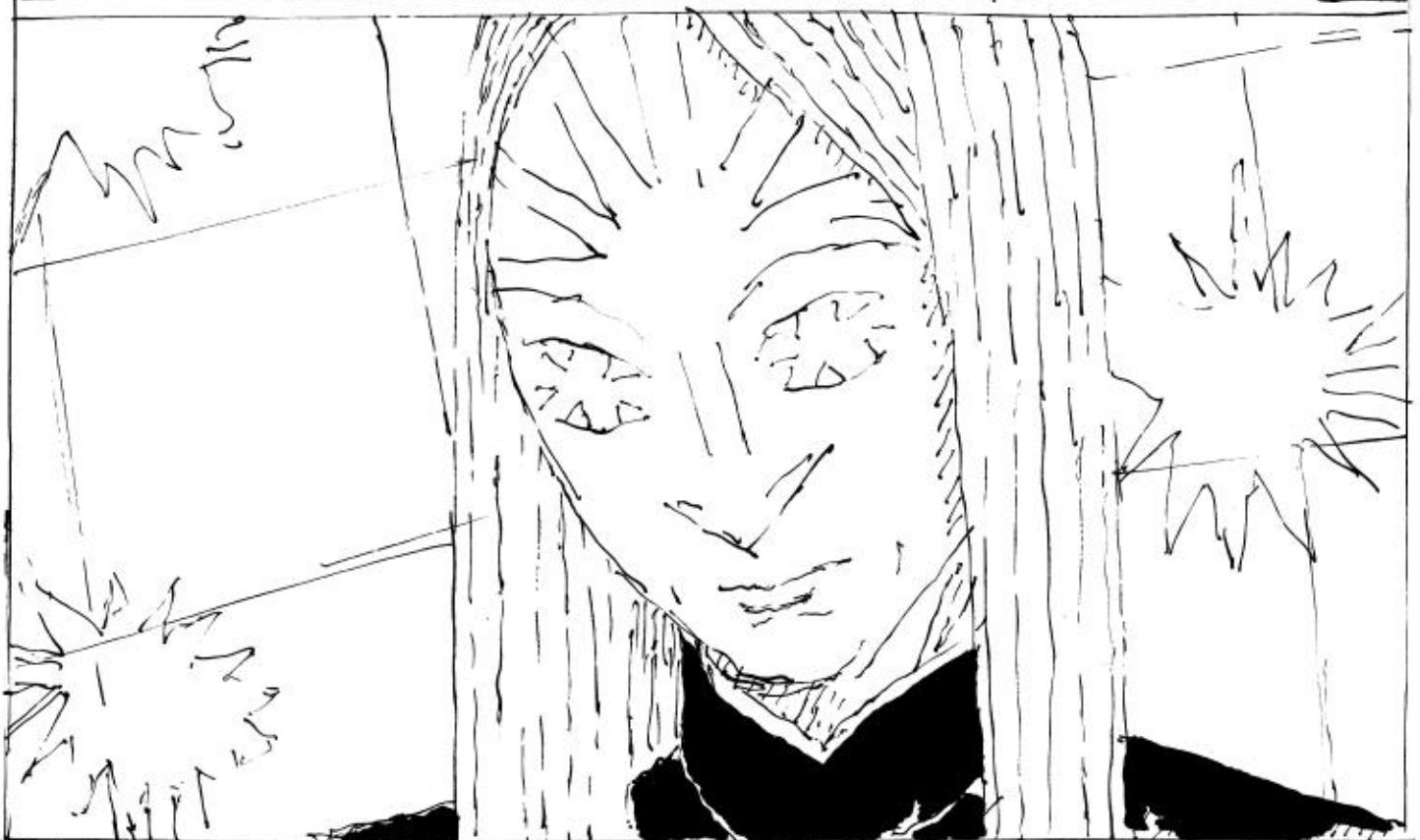


ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION

THIS VENUE LOOKS LIKE
SOMEONE'S KITCHEN.



I GET UP AND LEAVE. I WILL
MISS THE LAST PERFORMANCE
BUT HAVE TO CATCH THE LAST
BUS HOME.

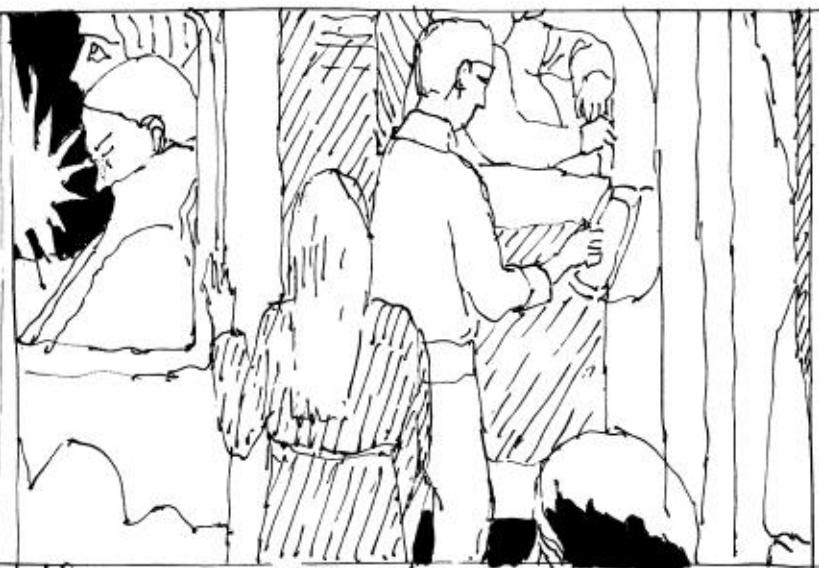


OUTSIDE IT IS RAINING SLIGHTLY . I HEAR A LOW
SOUND - MACHINES AND WIND PASSING THROUGH INDUSTRIAL
ESTATES - WHERE? LIGHTS AND MOON REFLECTED
ON THE PUDDLES OF WATER
ON THE PAVEMENTS - I MAKE
MY WAY TO THE STOP.

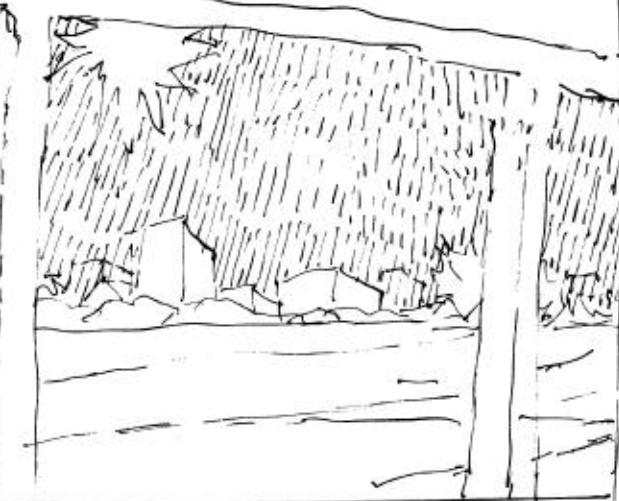




WHEN THE BUS ARRIVES WE
ENTER FRONT DOOR WE WALK
PUSH THROUGH SEATS ROWS
OF PASSENGERS — BACK ROW
TAKEN — WE SIT AT
THE FRONT



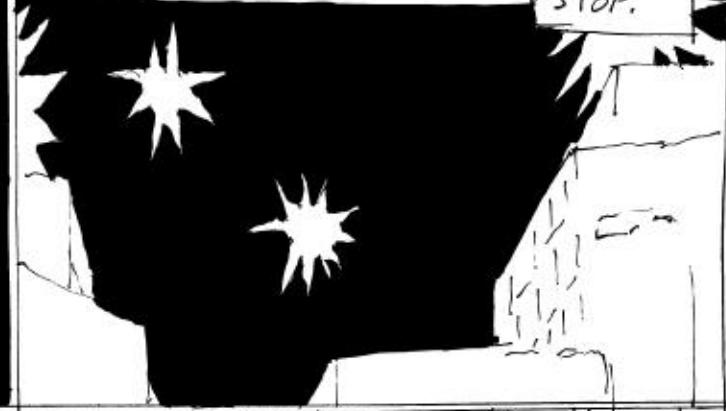
THE NIGHT BUS RIDE LASTS FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR - OUT OF THE CENTRE TO THE EAST.



I KNOW WHERE WE ARE WHEN I SEE THE SKYSCRAPER FROM A DISTANCE - I'M THE STOP BEFORE IT.



IF I MISS IT IT'S ANOTHER HOUR WALK BACK FROM THE NEXT STOP. WE ARRIVE AND BOTH GET OUT AT THE SAME STOP.



SO WILL YOU INVITE
ME OVER OR WHAT?

FULL DISCLOSURE THIS
IS MY MOTHER'S PLACE,
I HAD TO MOVE IN -
—BUT SHE'S AWAY

SO EMBARRASSING AT
MY AGE - I'M ALREADY
FORTY-THREE.

NO NEED
TO WORRY -
I'LL NOT
REVEAL YOUR SECRETS.

AND ANYWAY I CAN'T
STAY THAT LONG - I'M
LEAVING IN THE
MORNING FOR
THE AIRPORT,

GOING TO STUDY
AT A DANCE ACADEMY
ABROAD.

NOW I'VE NEVER EVEN
LEFT THIS CITY.

BY THE WAY
WHAT'S YOUR
STAR SIGN?



THIS PLACE SEEMS FAMILIAR,
LIKE I'VE BEEN HERE
BEFORE -

OR MAYBE I LIVED
HERE WITH MY MUM
— BEFORE YOU DID?

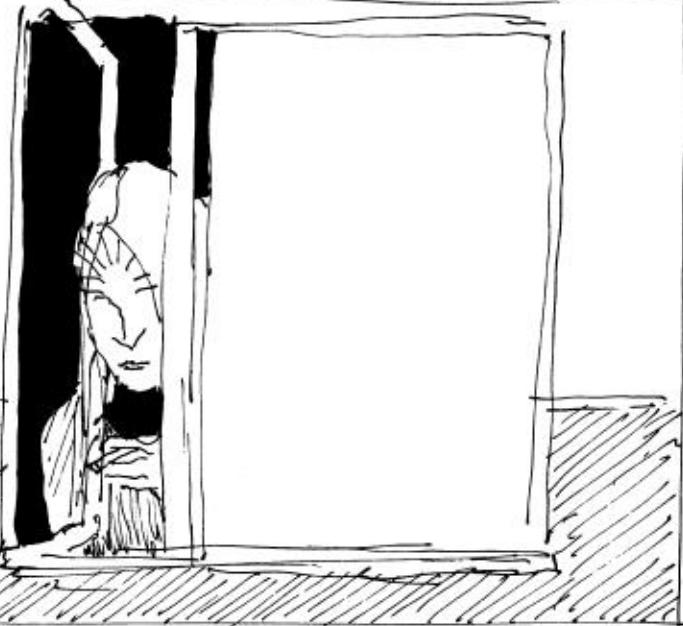
NO

THAT CAN'T
BE POSSIBLE.

WE'VE LIVED HERE FOR
THIRTY YEARS AND MY MOTHER
BOUGHT IT NEW! DO YOU
UNDERSTAND? IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

(I THINK - MAYBE
IT'S BETTER
I LEAVE -

WE'LL RECEIVE A COMPLAINT
TOMORROW FOR THIS BUT ANYWAY.
WHY DID THIS HAPPEN? I
KEEP THINKING WHY I GOT
SO ANGRY.



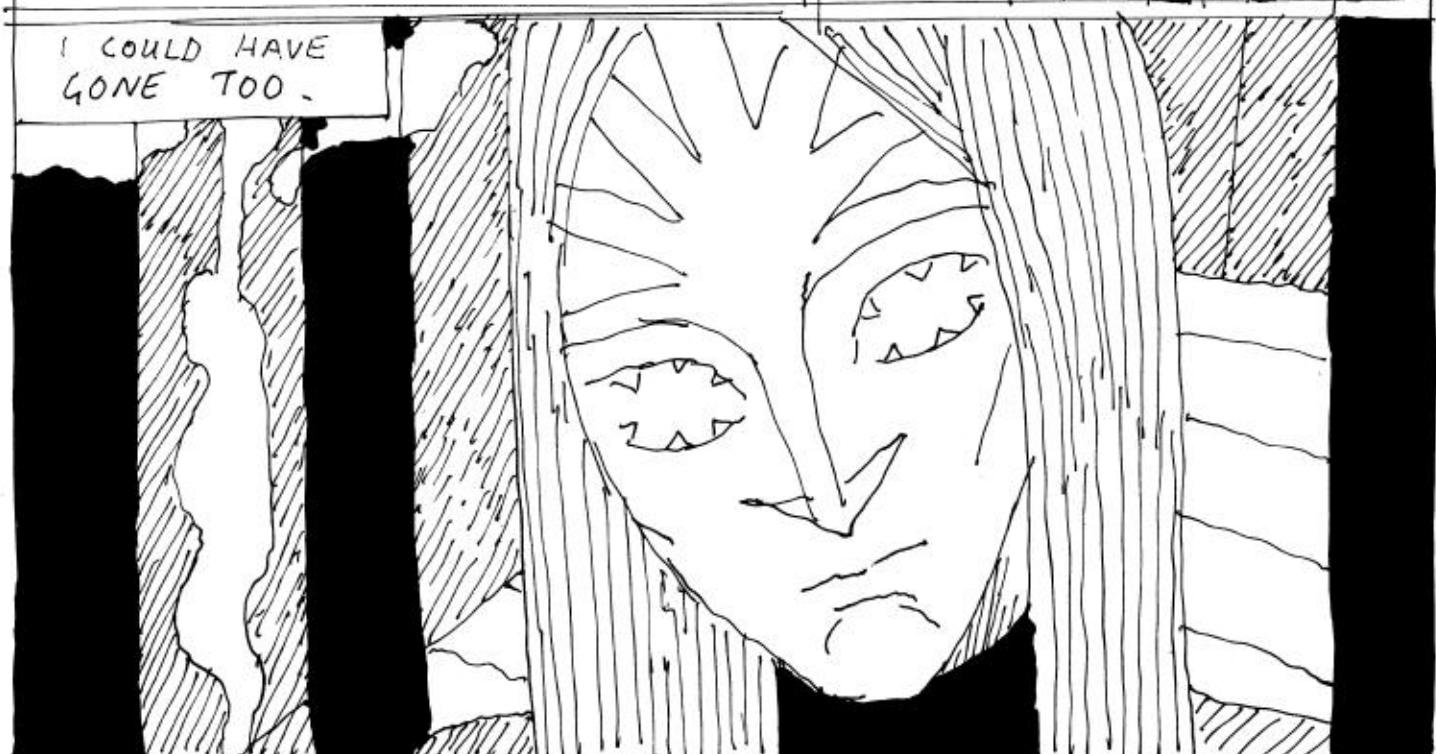
I LET MYSELF LOSE CONTROL
JEALOUS OF THEIR CONFIDENCE -
SITTING THERE WITH SUCH
ASSURANCE - I'M NOT SURE



IT DOESN'T MATTER IN
THE END, THEY'RE ON
THE PLANE NOW THINKING
OF OTHER THINGS - DANCE,
FUTURE, WHAT TO EAT



I COULD HAVE
GONE TOO.

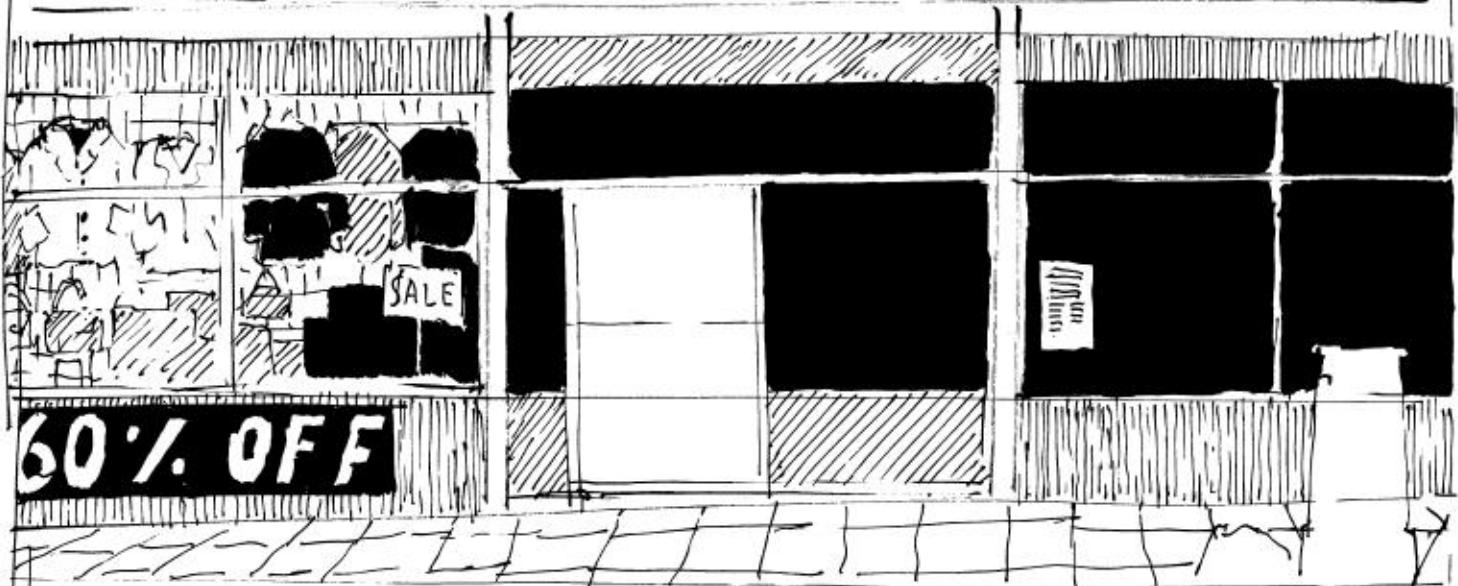


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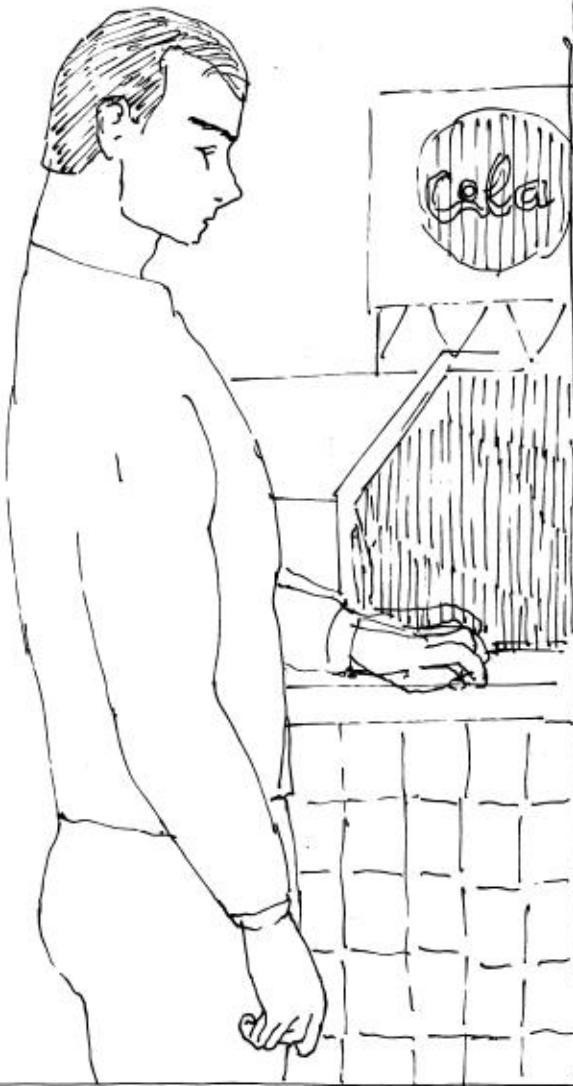
CANALSIDE
BURRITOS

ALL YOU CAN EAT
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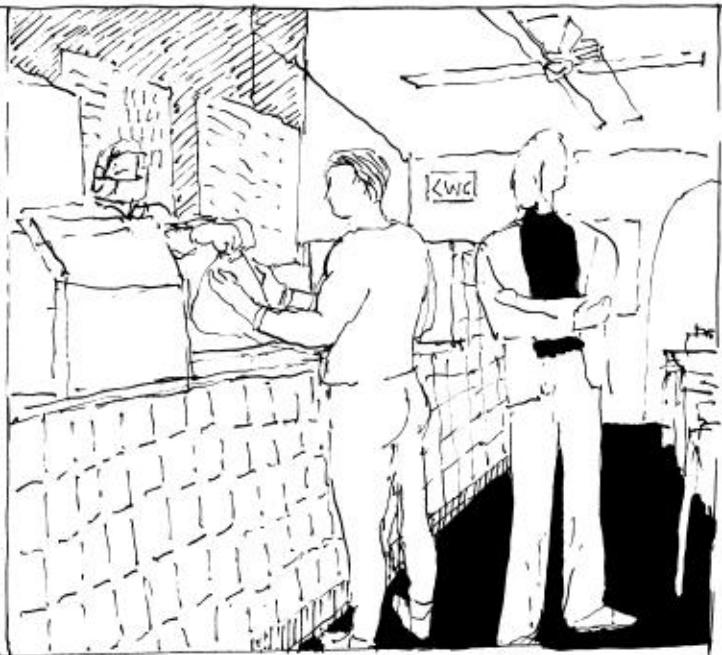


(IS THERE ANYTHING
YOU CAN EAT HERE?)

(YEAH - I'LL GET
THE BEAN BURRITO
- WITHOUT CHEESE.)



OH YOU CAN'T HAVE CHEESE EITHER? THAT'S WHY YOU DON'T GAIN MUSCLE.



YOU WORK OUT A LOT?

YEAH - WORK A LOT, THEN WORK OUT. WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO DO?



PLAY VIDEOGAMES?

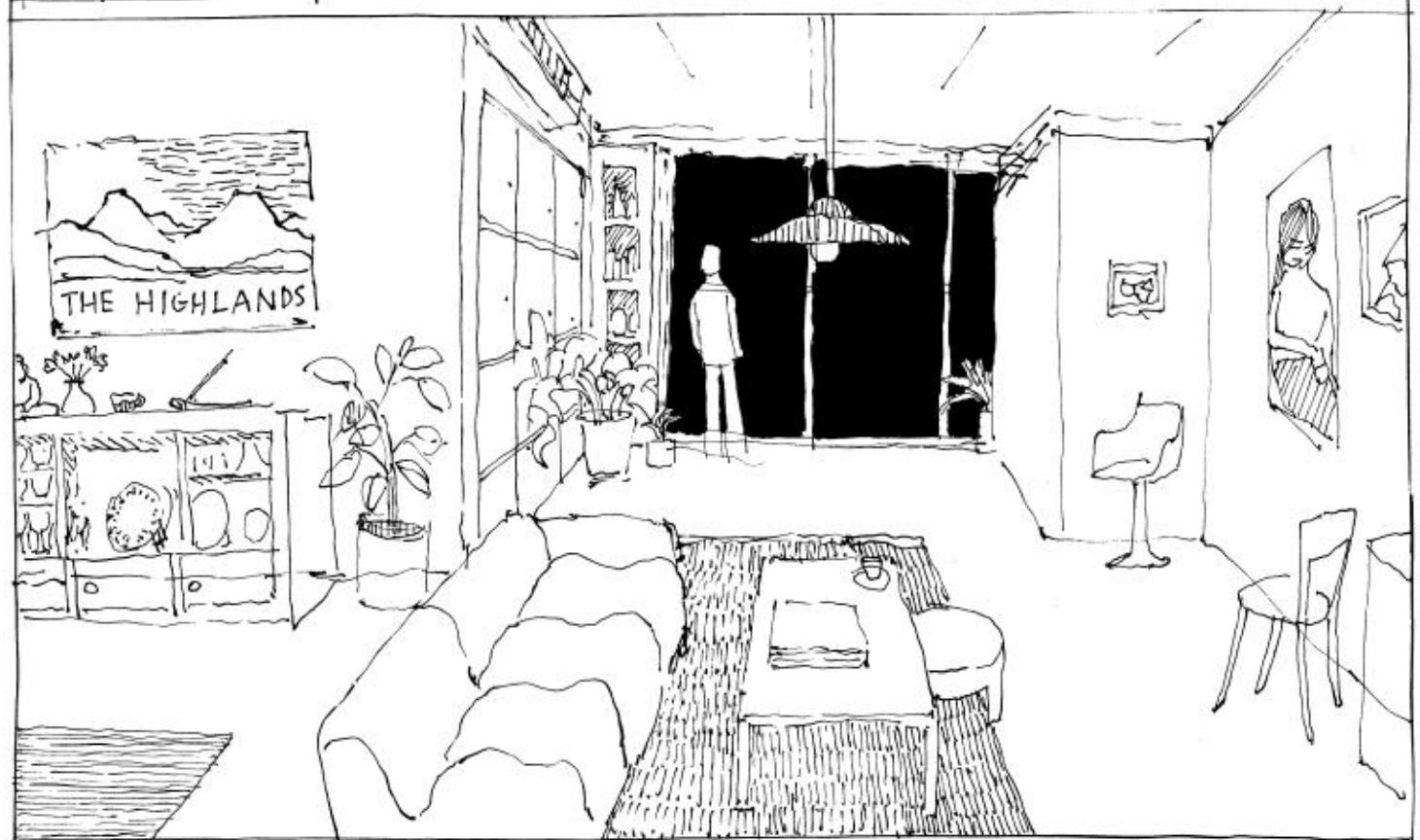
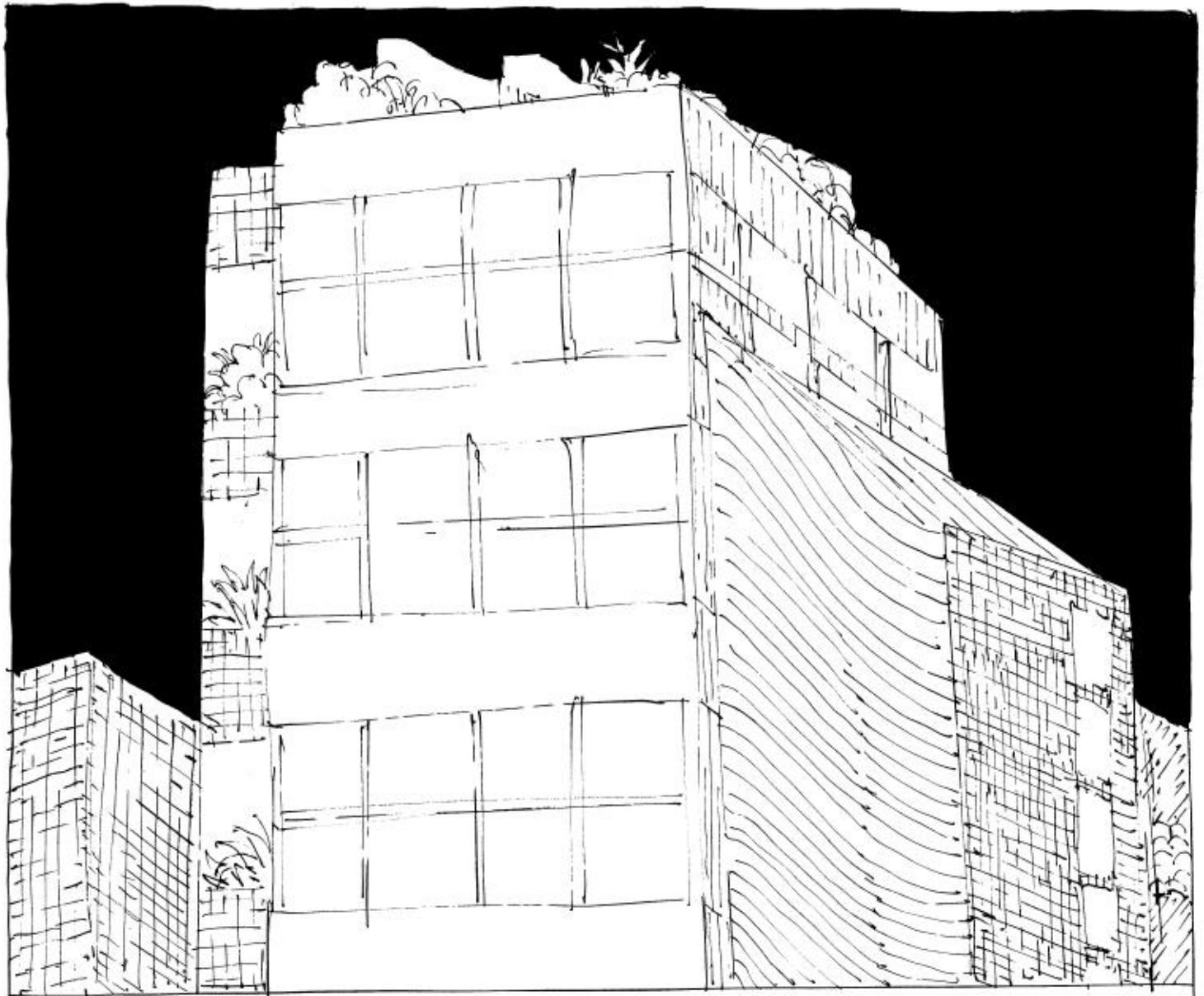
I DIDN'T REALLY WANT THIS - DO I HAVE TO EAT IT NOW?



I LIVE JUST AROUND THE CORNER - BY THE RIVER.

I DIDN'T WANT TO SEEM DIFFICULT - I'M SURE I'LL GET FOOD POISONING -





THE VIEW FROM UP HERE
IS INCREDIBLE. HOW
DID YOU GET A PLACE
LIKE THIS IN THE CITY?

WELL I'M PAYING FOR
IT WITH MY SOUL, LET
ME TELL YOU.

HELP YOURSELF TO
WATER - TEA - ANYTHING.

I'M OK
THANKS

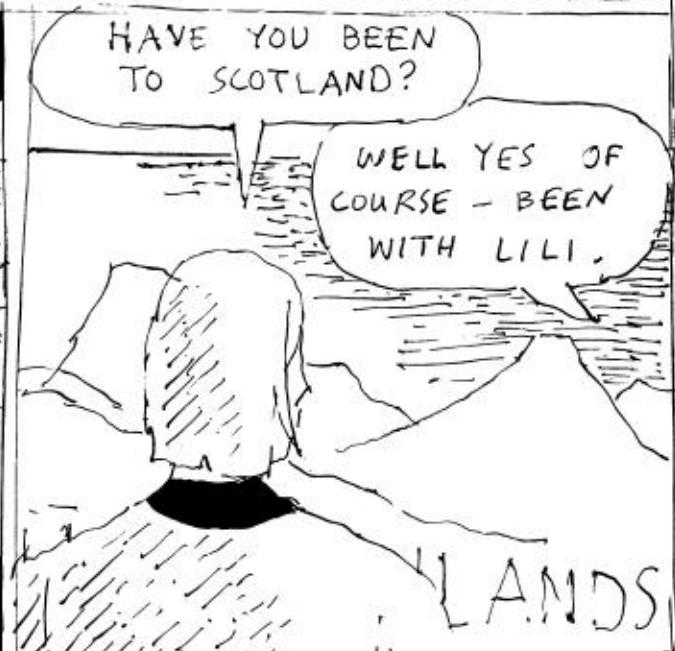
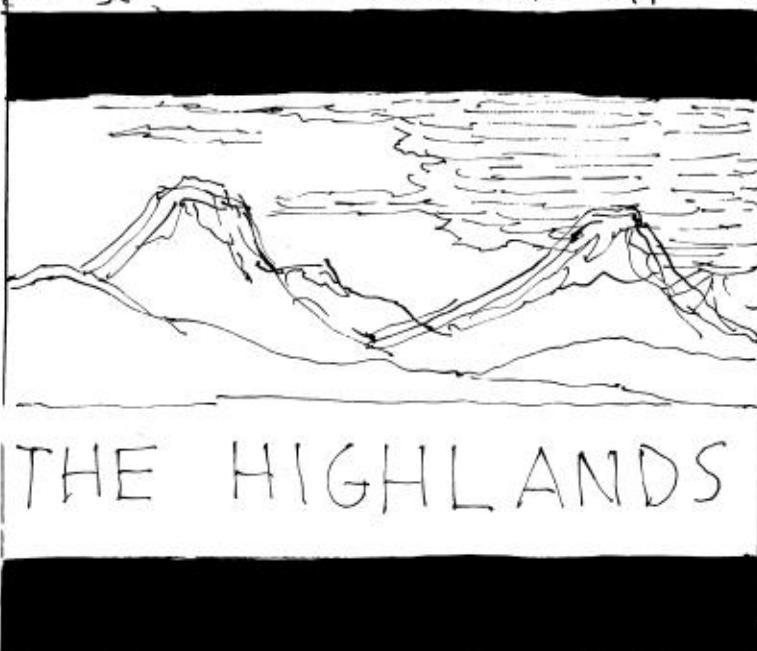
SO WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN
UP TO? ANY HOBBIES?
TRAVEL?

I DON'T
KNOW - THE
SAME.

WHY HAVEN'T WE
MET FOR SO LONG?
WHERE WERE YOU?

THERE WERE SOME
THINGS I HAD TO
TAKE CARE OF -
ALONE -

I ONLY REALISE HOW LONG
IT'S BEEN NOW THAT I
SEE HOW FAR YOU'VE
PROGRESSED -



THE HIGHLANDS

LANDS

SHE'S SCOTTISH?

YEAH



I DON'T KNOW WHY
I'M SURPRISED - I
THOUGHT SHE'S FROM
SOMEWHERE ELSE.

HOW COULD YOU KNOW?
YOU HAVEN'T MET YET.
YOU MISSED THE
WEDDING.



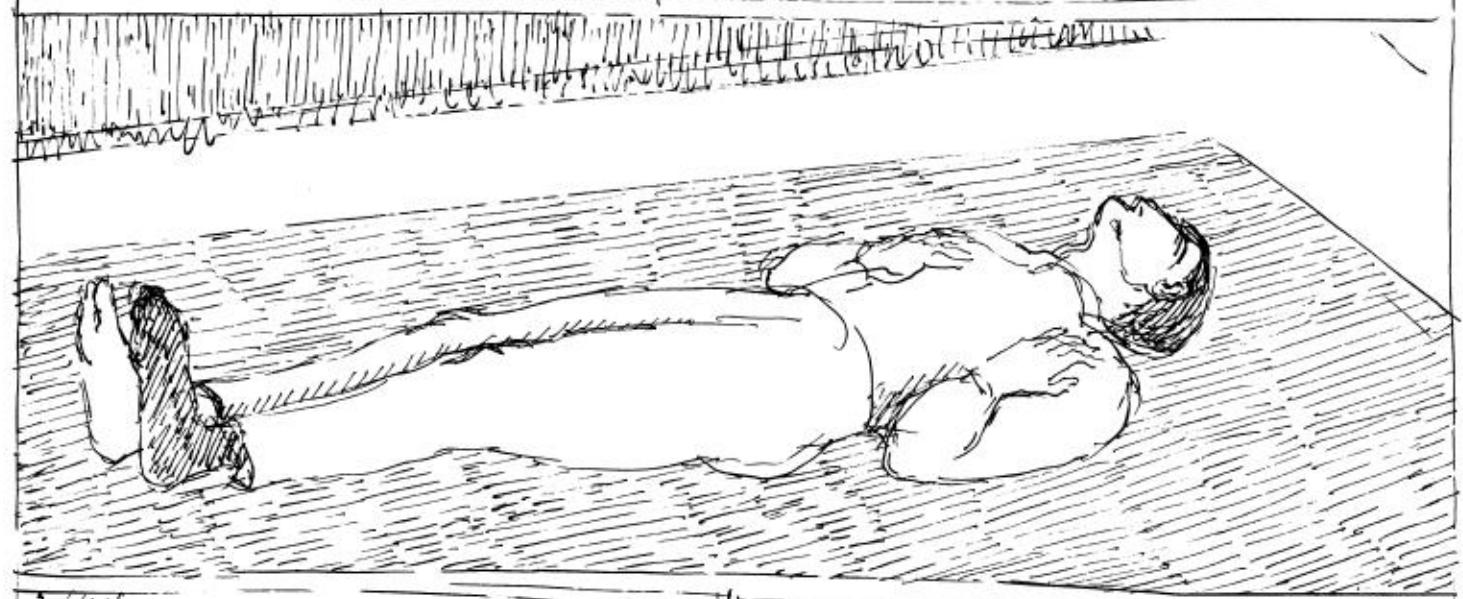
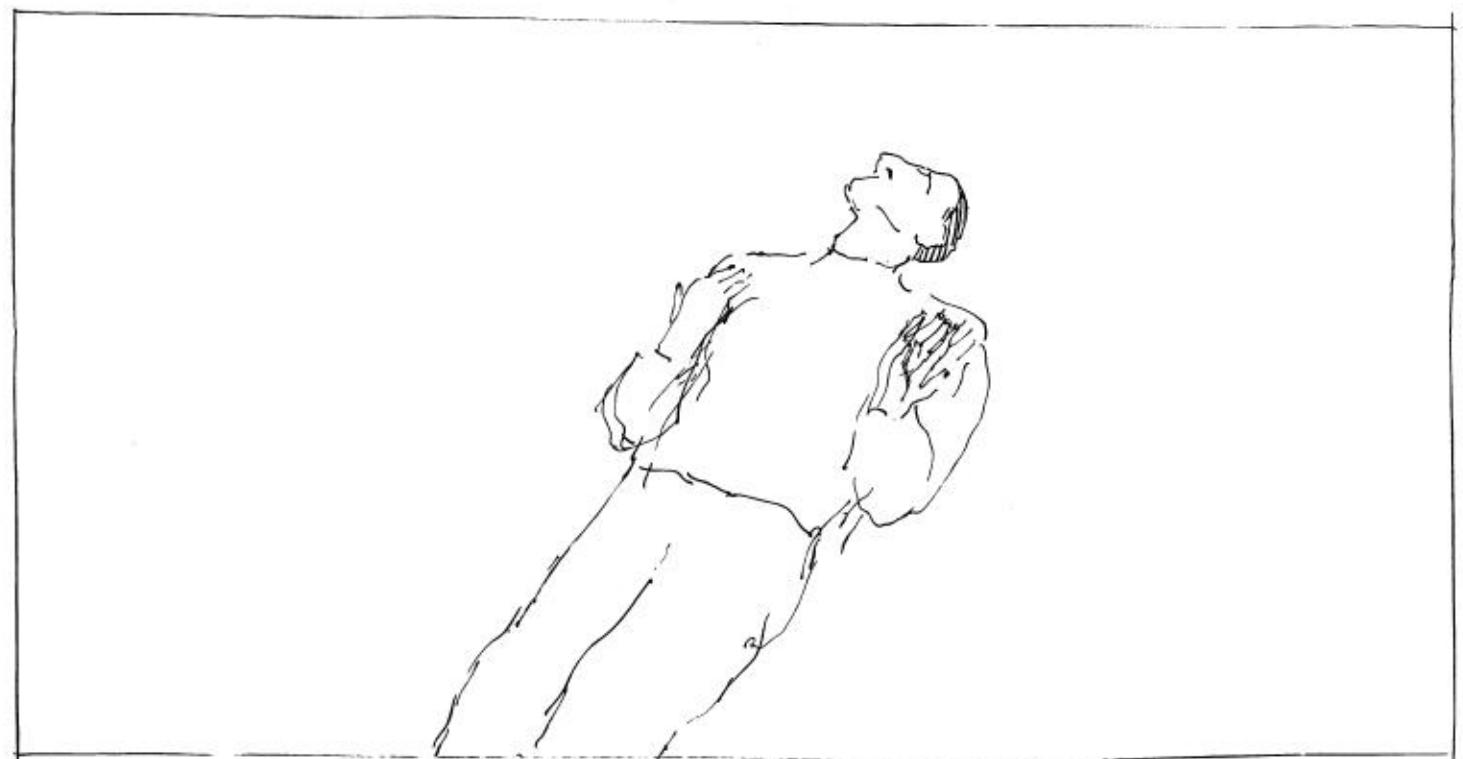
LISTEN. WHAT ARE YOU
THINKING? BECAUSE I
SHOULD GET TO BED.

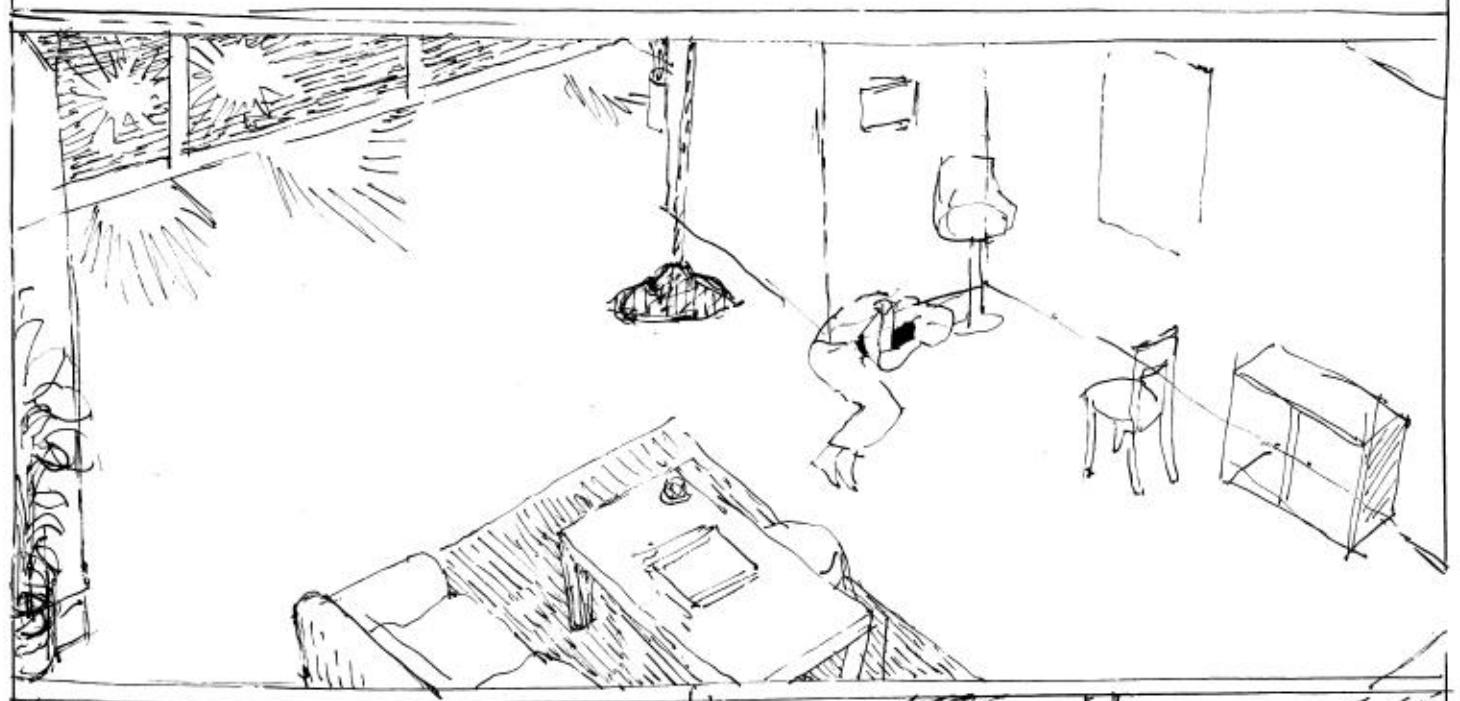
EITHER WAIT UNTIL THE
MORNING OR SLEEP HERE.
IT'S TOO LATE FOR
PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

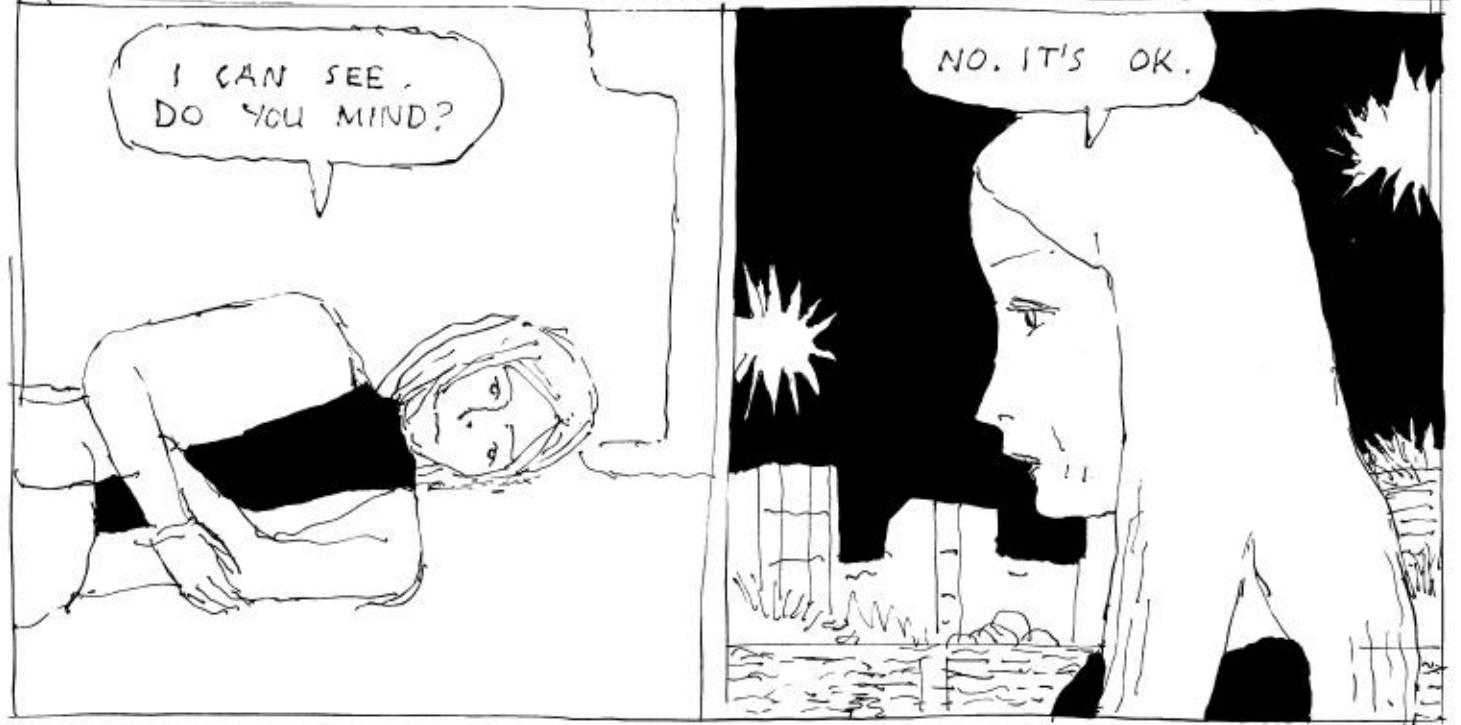
THAT'S ALRIGHT —
JUST SLEEP WHEREVER.

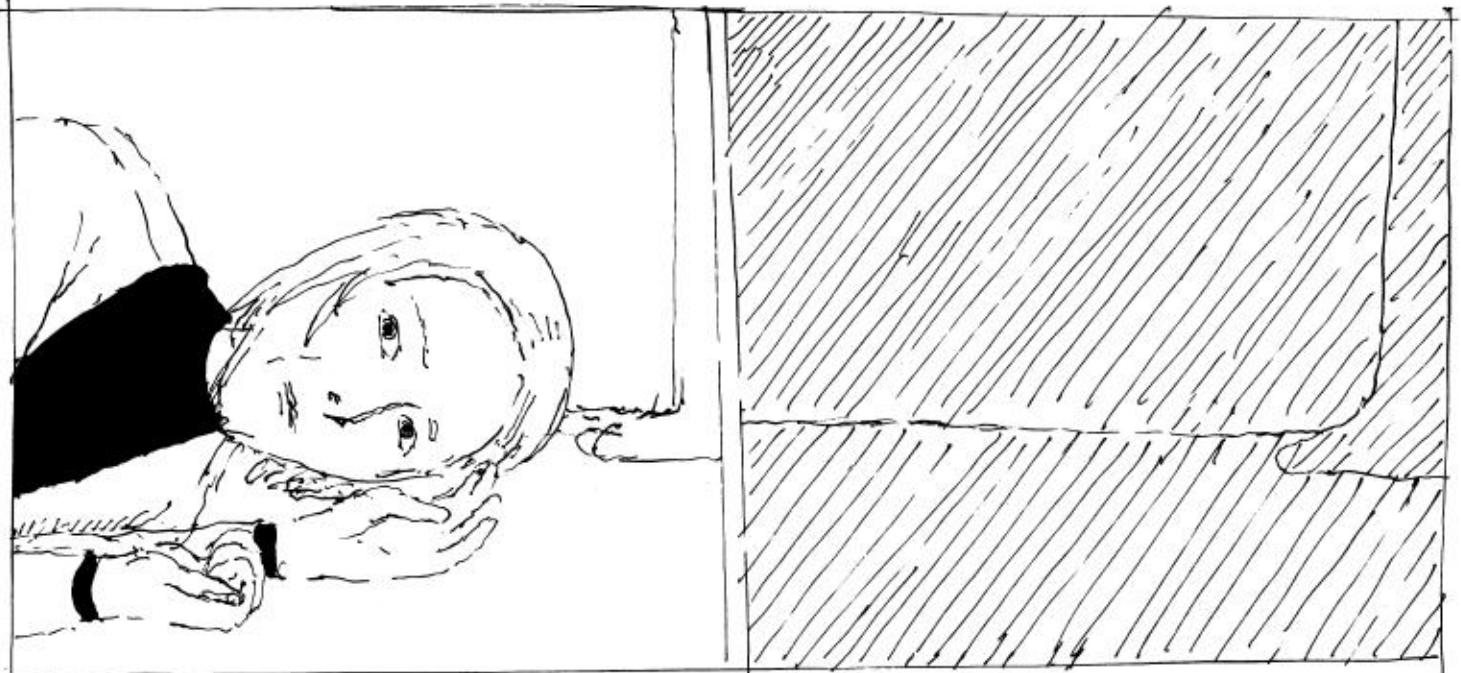
AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO
TELL ME ANYTHING — BUT
DON'T DISAPPEAR —











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