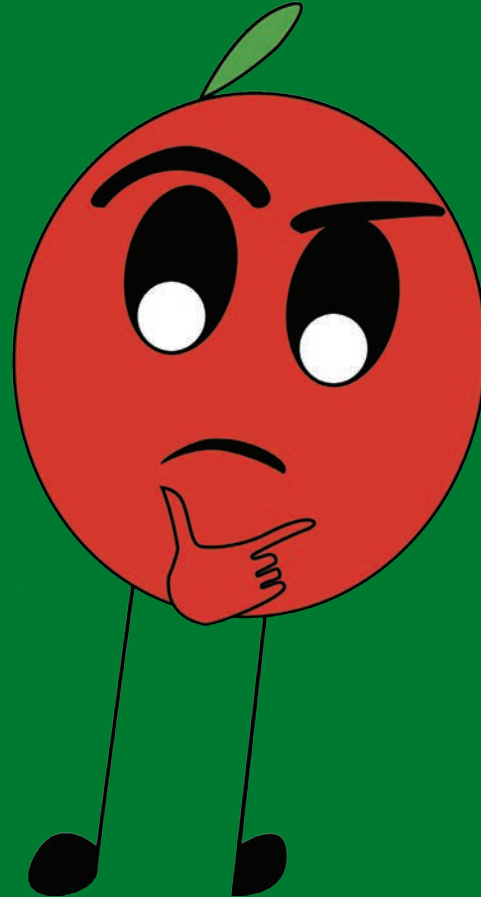


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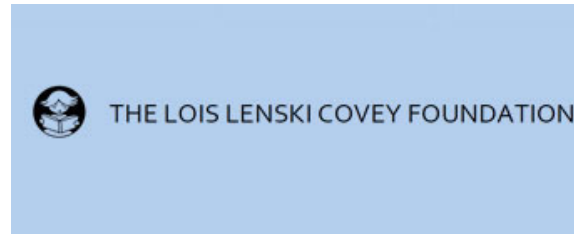


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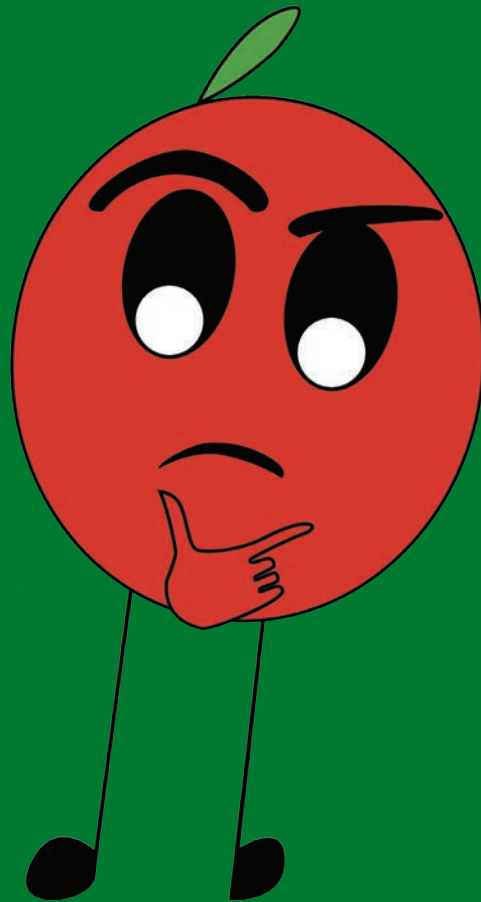
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# FRUIT OR VEGETABLE?



My name is Tomato, and I live in the fridge. I was the cutest little baby. I was so ripe and fresh. Since then, I've been trying to figure out where I fit in.



# FRIDGE LIFE

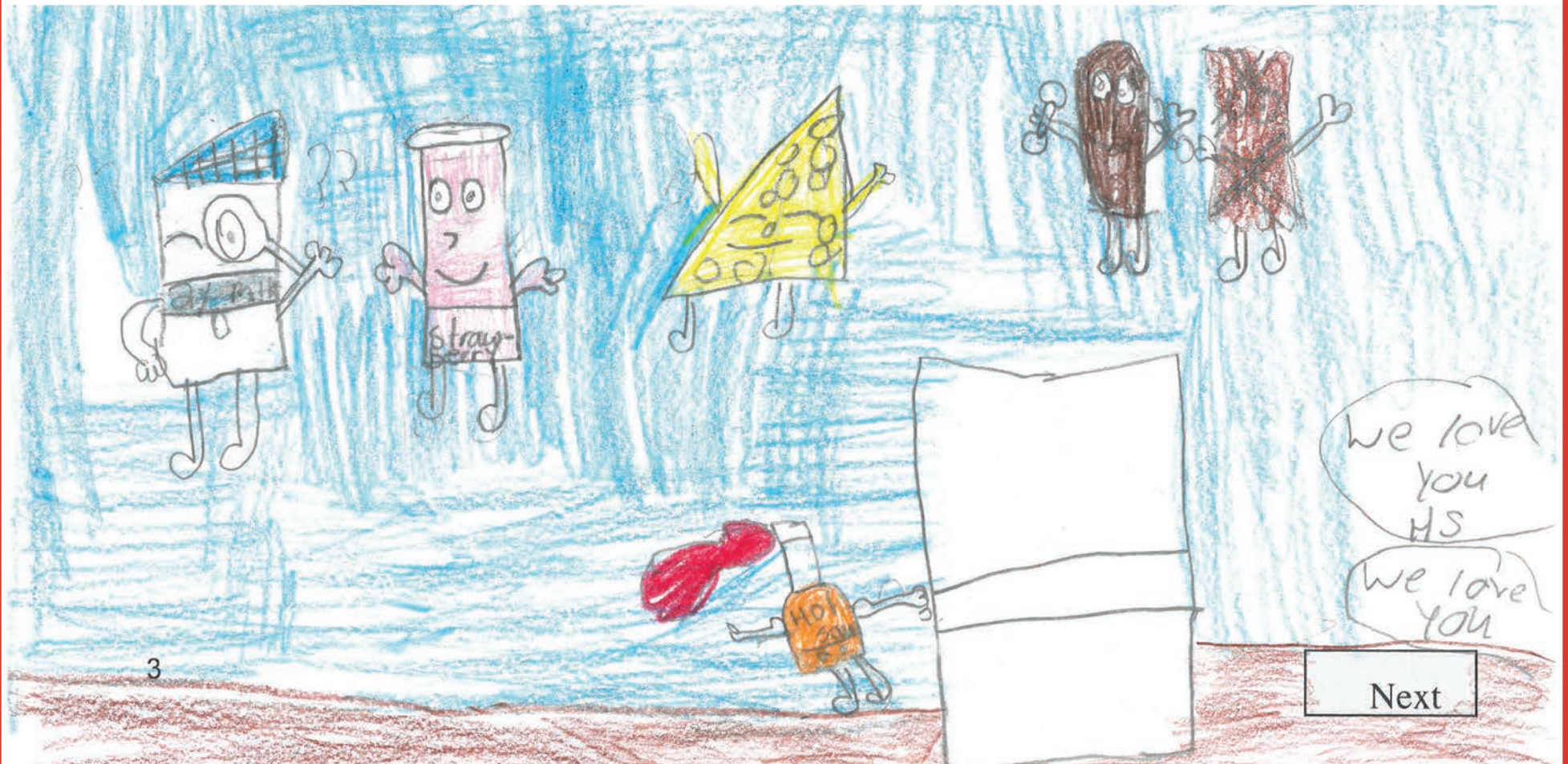
Life in the fridge is kind of hard because you need to know where you belong. The drinks are cool, but are always partying.





# FRIDGE LIFE

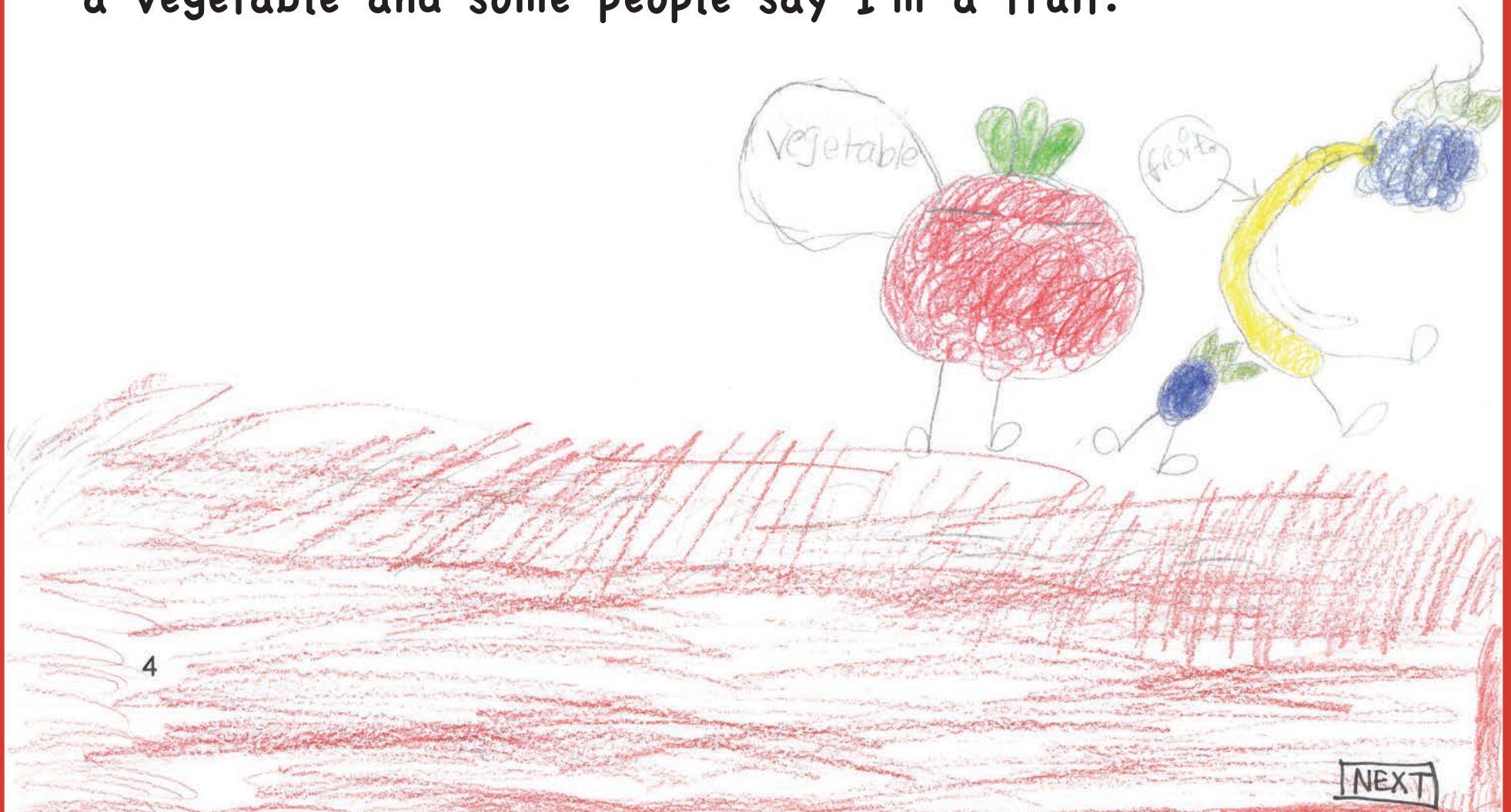
The dairy like to problem solve and are friendly to everyone. The meats are strong and work out non-stop. The fridge door is where a lot happens, especially hot sauce, everyone loves him.





# WHO AM I?

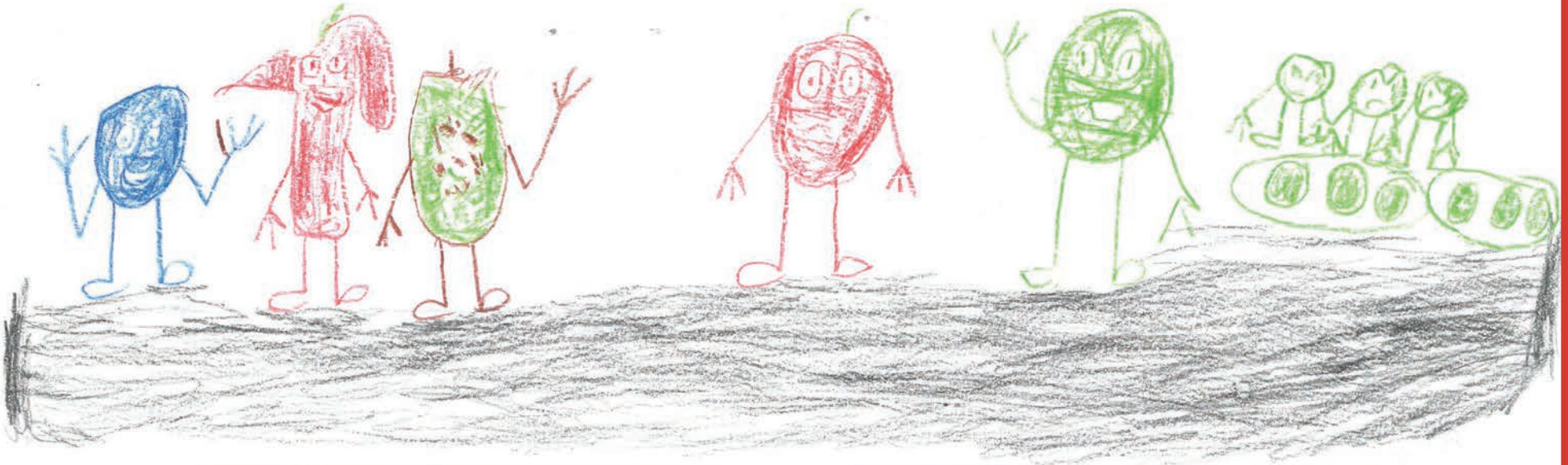
The reason I don't fit in is because some people say I'm a vegetable and some people say I'm a fruit.





## BUT WHO AM I?

The fruits are really nice and sweet, but I'm not as sweet as them. The veggies are tough and tangy, but I'm not totally like them either.



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Choice One:  
Tomato should be a Fruit.  
Turn to page 6

Choice Two:  
Tomato should be a Veggie  
Turn to page 9

# AM I A FRUIT?

I started on my way to the fruits whistling my favorite song, "I Like to Move It, Move It!"





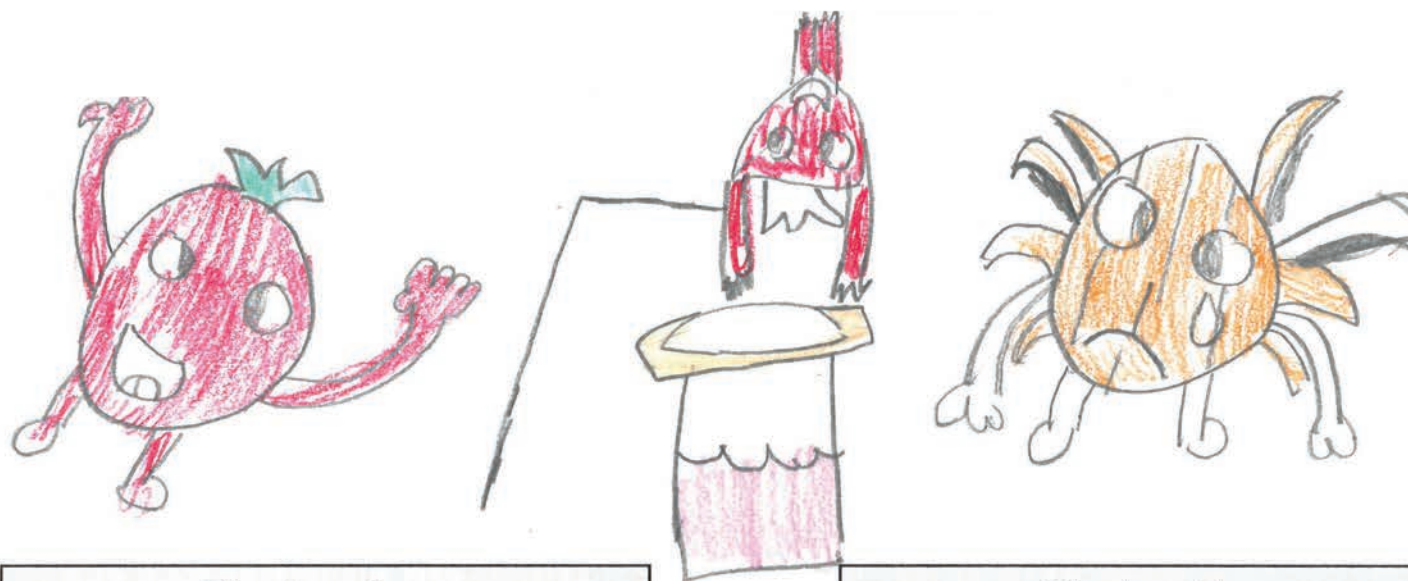
# AM I A FRUIT?

Once I made it to the fruits, I felt different. I'm not as sweet as them, but I was going to try. I tried to make myself as red and seedy looking as I could.



# AM I A FRUIT?

I didn't seem to fit in right away. They were talking about stuff that didn't make sense to me...like mixing up with the yogurt. Some of them were talking about "peeling" and I didn't even understand what that meant. We did talk about seeds, so that may be a good thing.



Choice One:  
Tomato makes it work with  
the Fruits.  
Turn to page 11

Choice Two:  
Tomato leaves the Fruits.  
Turn to page 14



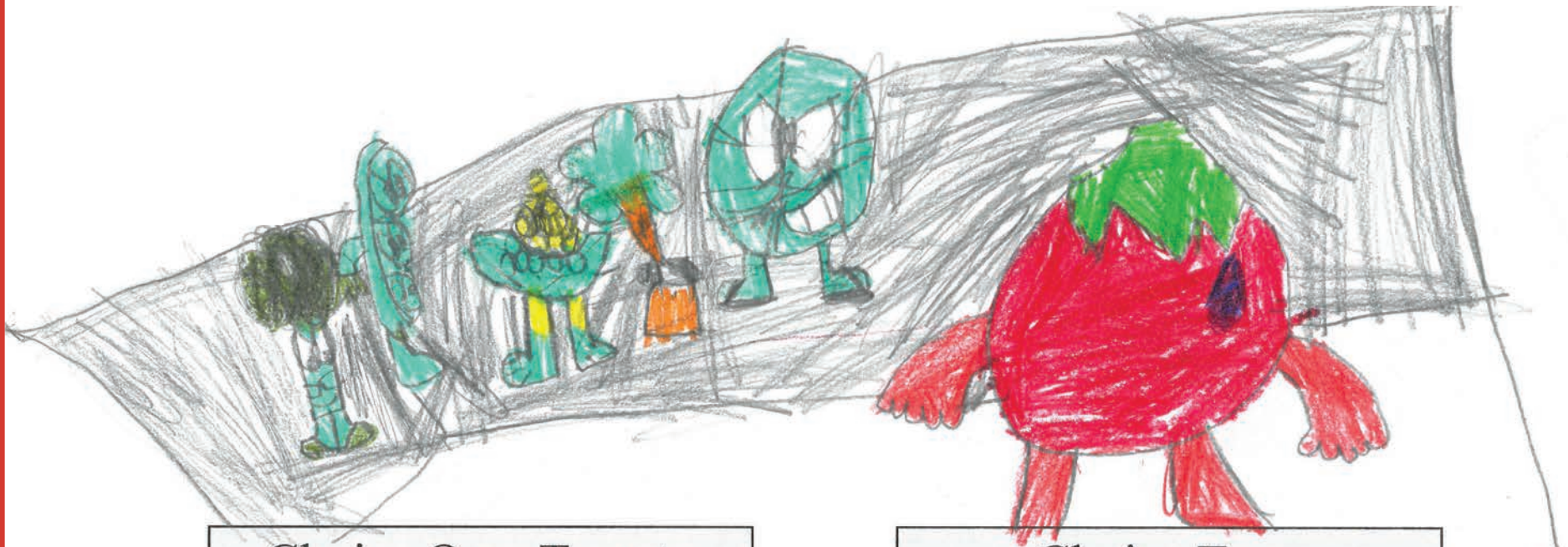
# AM I A VEGETABLE?

I headed down to the Veggies' drawer. I know most of those folks, since I'm usually put with them. I am different than them though. I have seeds in different places.



# AM I A VEGETABLE?

Once I got there, they were asking where I was. They were working out and when they got up, they kinda seemed mad. I was nervous. They were talking about getting steamed, and I had never done that.



Choice One: Tomato  
stays with the Veggies  
Turn to page 16

Choice Two:  
Tomato moves on  
Turn to page 18

# THE DAY I BECAME A FRUIT

I started to act sweet. I was really healthy and kind to everyone I walked by. They started teaching me how to mix with other food like yogurt and fruit salad.





# THE DAY I BECAME A FRUIT

I didn't really taste good with those combinations, but I kept trying. To try and make myself sweeter, I took a sugar bath with scented bubbles.





# THE DAY I BECAME A FRUIT



The more I tried the more sweet I became. I'm so glad I chose to be a fruit.



# NOT SWEET ENOUGH

I didn't really fit in, so I decided to go on my own. I wanted to try and go back to my childhood, because I have some good memories.





# NOT SWEET ENOUGH

At first, I started acting like a child. I was swinging on a vine and called up my brothers Tamo, Tamaro, Tom and Taliek. I finally decided to go live with them in the garden.





# VEGGIES FOR LIFE



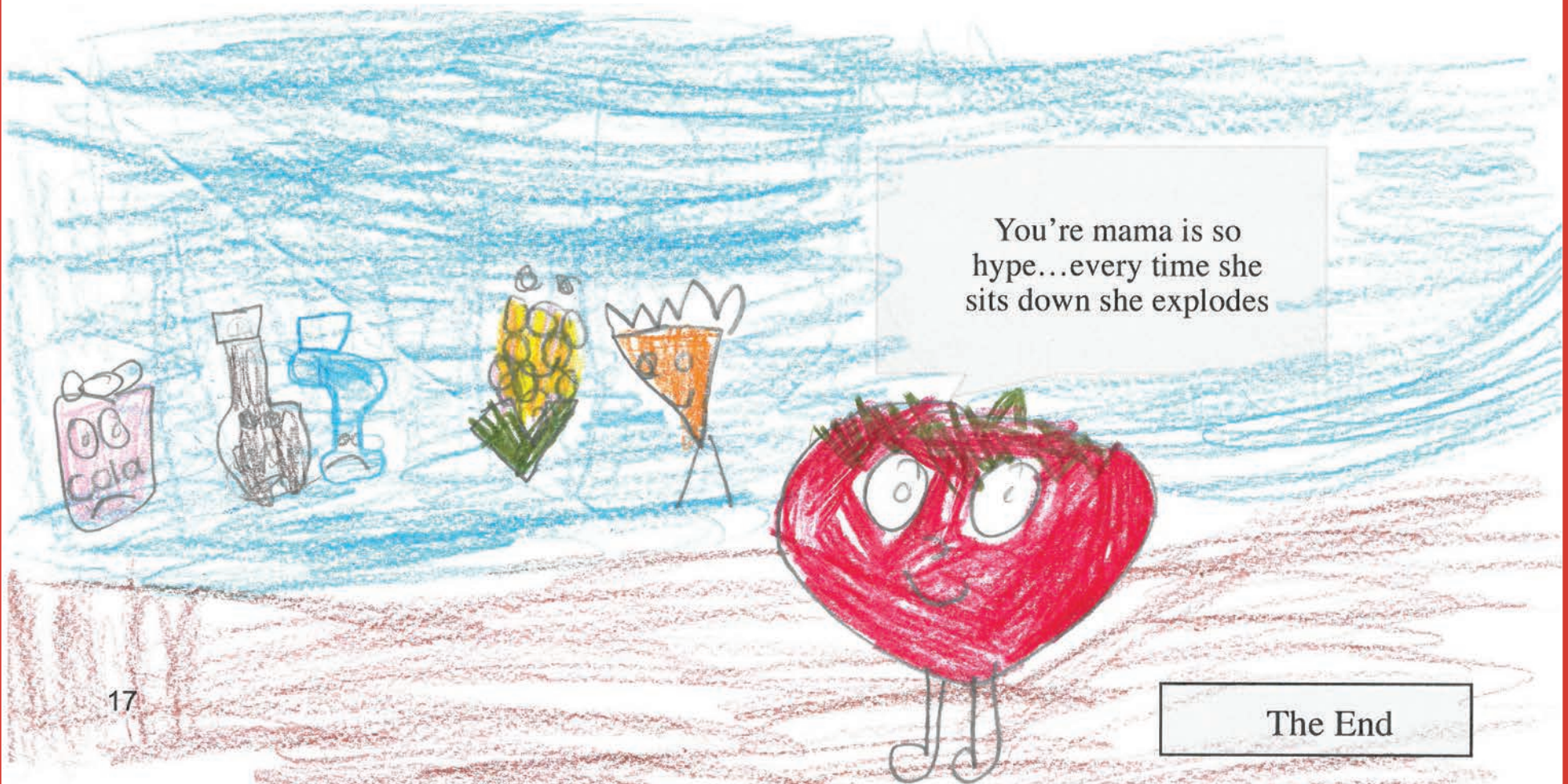
I decided to be one of the Veggies. First, I went to the gym to get pumped up. I took a class to figure out what it means to be steamed.





# VEGGIES FOR LIFE

I walked over to the sodas to talk about their mamas.  
The Veggies were cracking up, and I knew I made the  
right choice.







## VEGGIES AREN'T FOR ME

I knew being a Veggie wasn't for me. They are too strong and too mean for me. I decided to go in search of Tomato Mountain, so I could learn the ways of the tomato.

Tomato  
Mt.



# TOMATO MOUNTAIN

Next, I learned about the ketchup smoosh. I didn't enjoy the massage that tried to turn me into ketchup. The last test was the hoagie slice. That was my favorite. It felt good to be sliced up. I decided to stay.



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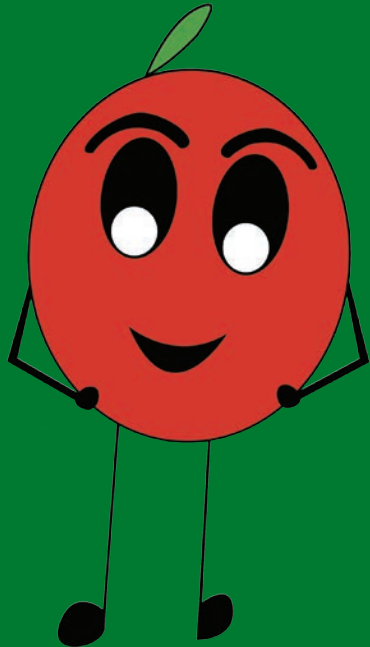
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-4th Grader



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