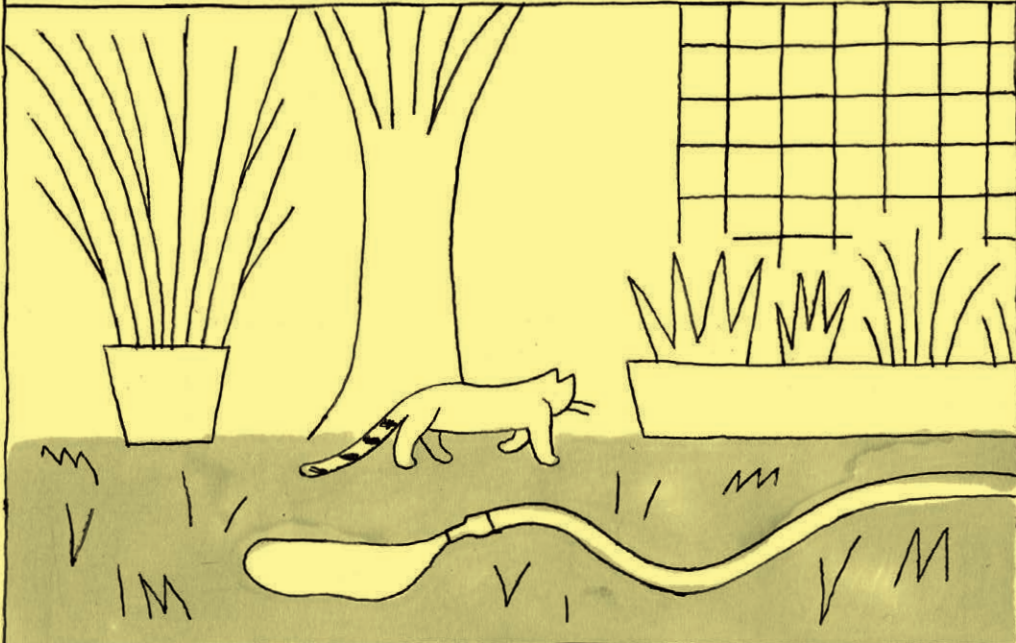


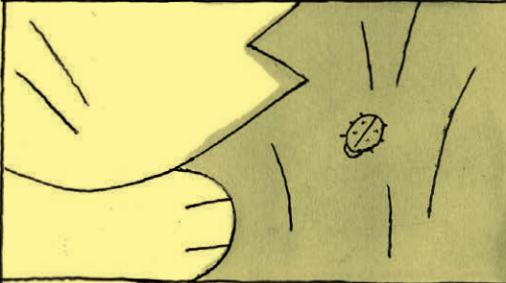
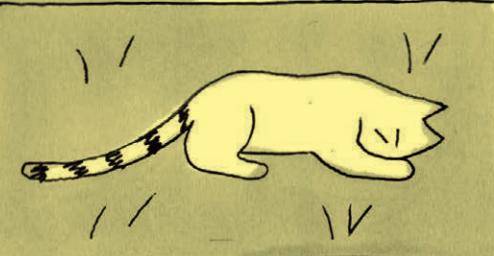
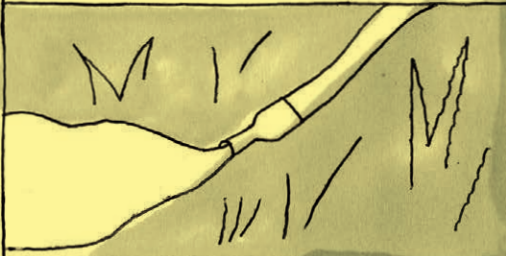


THE PERSON WHO FOUND HIM CALLED HIM MANEL.



MY PARENTS HATED THE NAME BUT NEVER MANAGED TO DECIDE ON ANOTHER ONE AND IT STUCK.

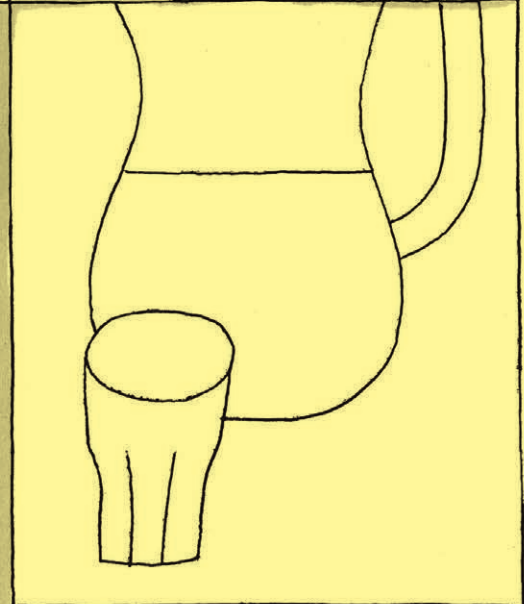
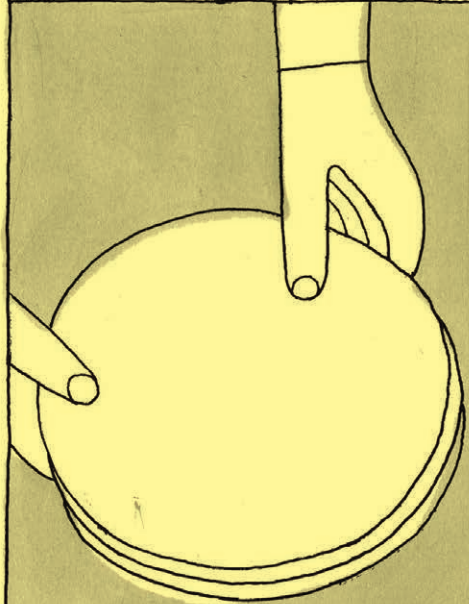
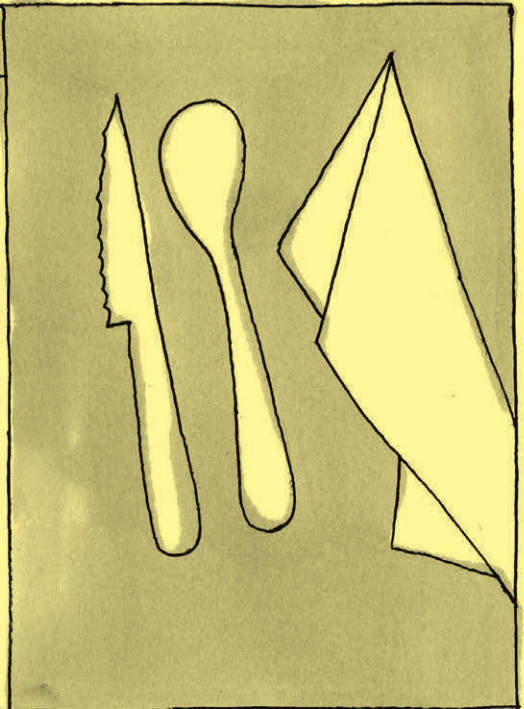
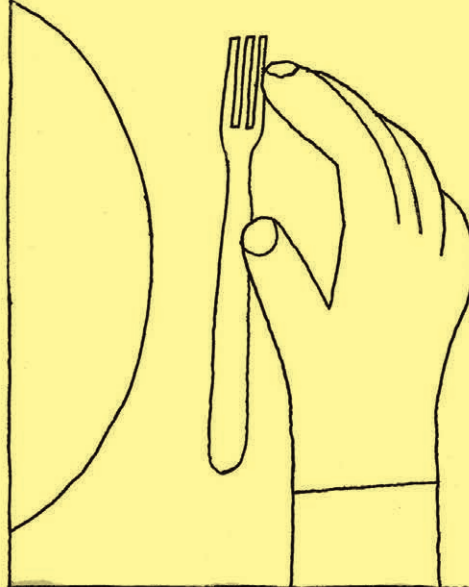
WHEN YOU ONLY HAVE ONE CAT, YOU DON'T REALLY NEED TO GIVE IT A NAME.



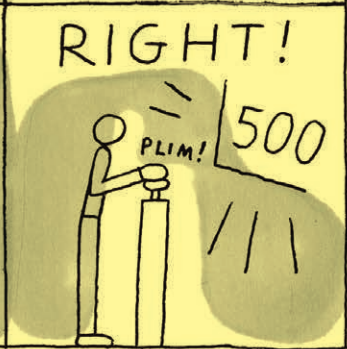
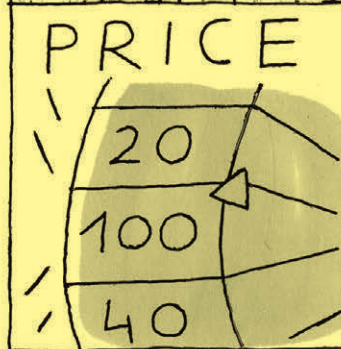
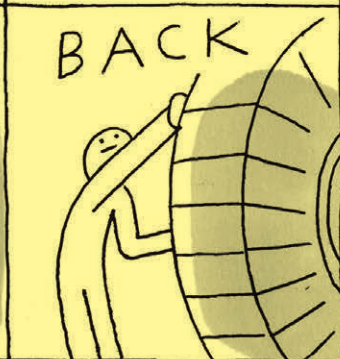
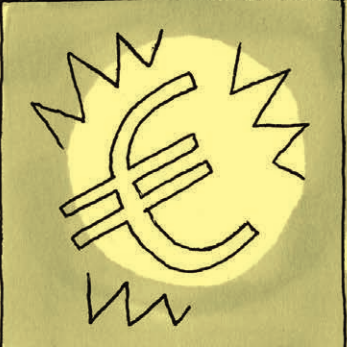
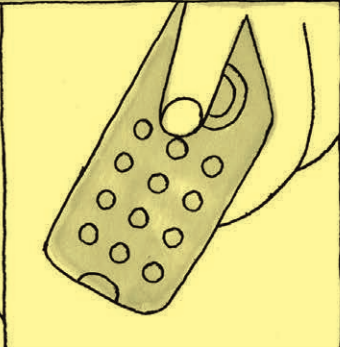
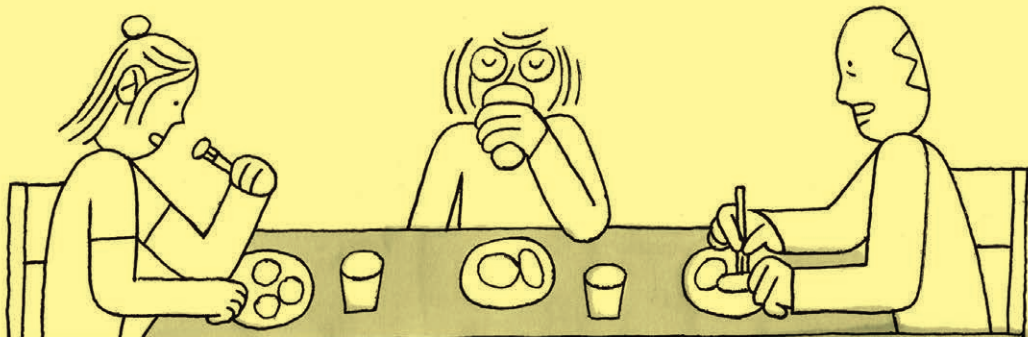
THERE IS NO OTHER TO CONFUSE IT WITH.

THE CAT IS THE CAT.

IT'S THE SAME WHEN YOU HAVE A FATHER AND A MOTHER,



FIRST NAMES ARE FOR EVERYONE ELSE.



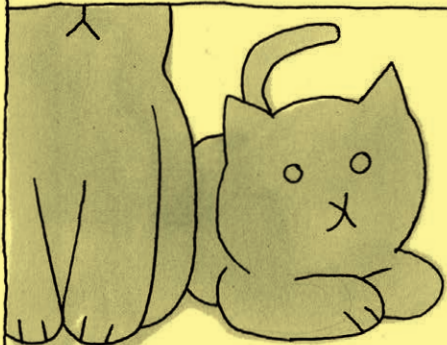
IN THIS HOUSE, MY BIRTH IS THE ZERO YEAR IN RELATION TO OTHER EVENTS, PERSONAL AND GENERAL. THERE'S BEFORE AND AFTER CRISTINA.



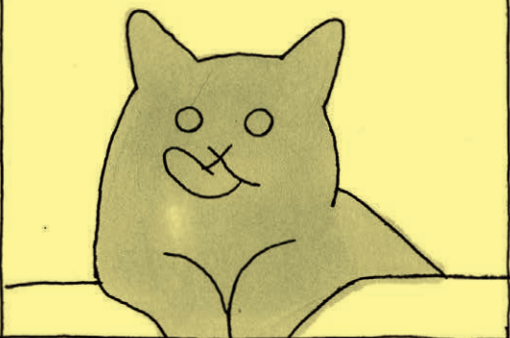
NOW IT'S 17 AC  
AND HE CAN BARELY  
STAND UP.



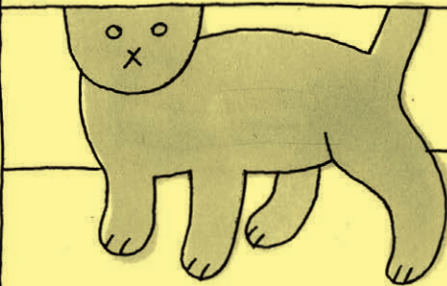
I GO BACK TO MY GOOGLE  
SEARCH, BUT IT LOOKS  
LIKE ALL THE ADVICE



IS FOR OWNERS OF  
YOUNG AND HEALTHY  
PETS



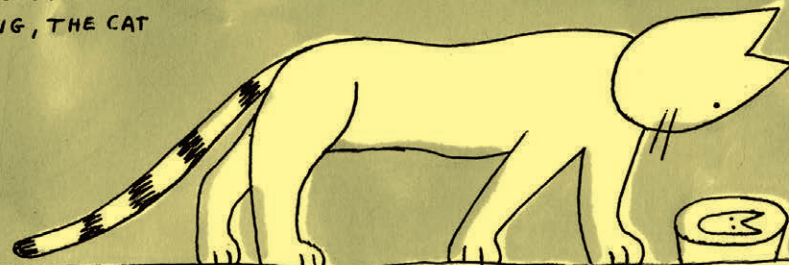
NONE OF IT APPLIES  
TO OURS.



LOOK AT HIM! HE'S WALKING!



IT'S SUCH A SMALL  
THING, THE CAT



HE JUST STANDS THERE. WE DON'T KNOW IF HE SEES THE WATER.



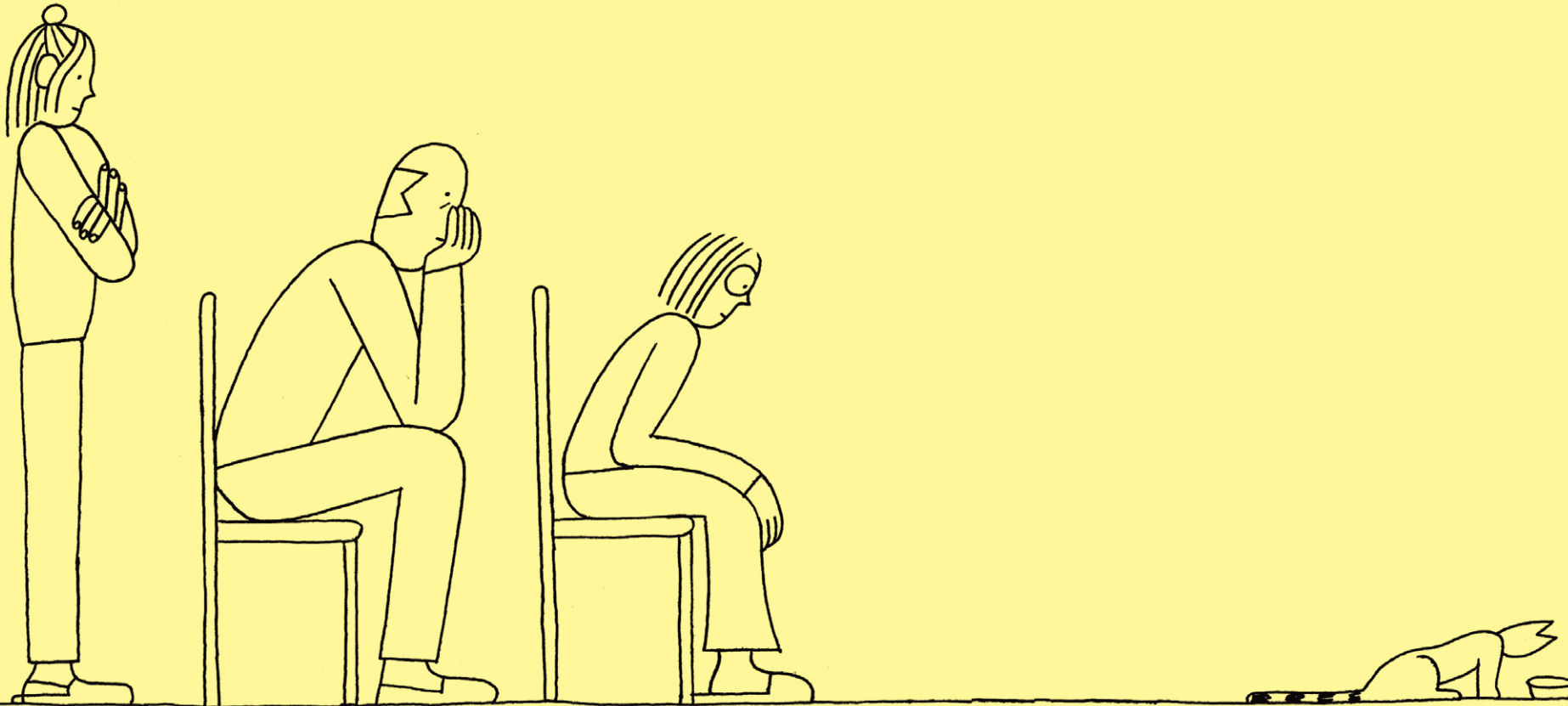
IT'S SUCH A MYSTERIOUS  
THING, THE CAT



MAYBE HE'S DECIDING: SHOULD HE STAY OR SHOULD HE GO?

WE SAY NOTHING. I AM SURPRISED TO SEE THEM WITH SO MUCH PITY.  
I WANT TO PICK THEM UP, ROCK THEM AND PUT THEM TO BED AND SAY  
THAT TOMORROW IT WILL BE RESOLVED.

IT COMES TO MIND THAT FAMILIES ARE SO RANDOM.  
WE HAPPENED TO BE EACH OTHER'S FAMILY,  
AND THE CAT HAPPENED TO BE OUR CAT.



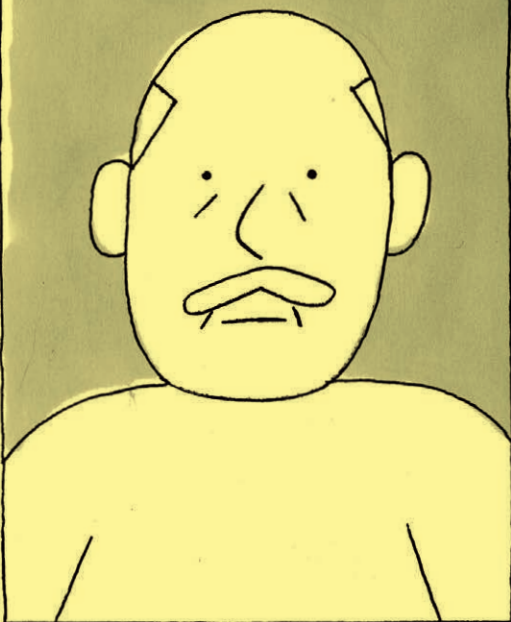
THEN I REALIZE THAT EVERYONE  
HERE, IN THIS KITCHEN, HAD A  
LIFE BEFORE THEY WERE FROM  
THIS HOUSE.



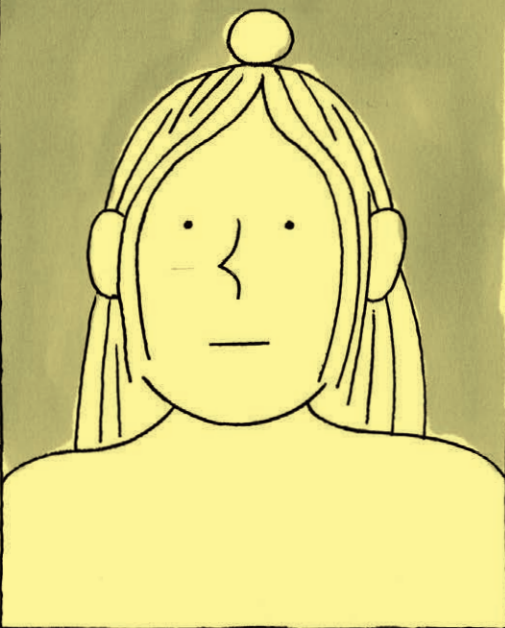
BEFORE THEY WERE FROM THIS  
FAMILY

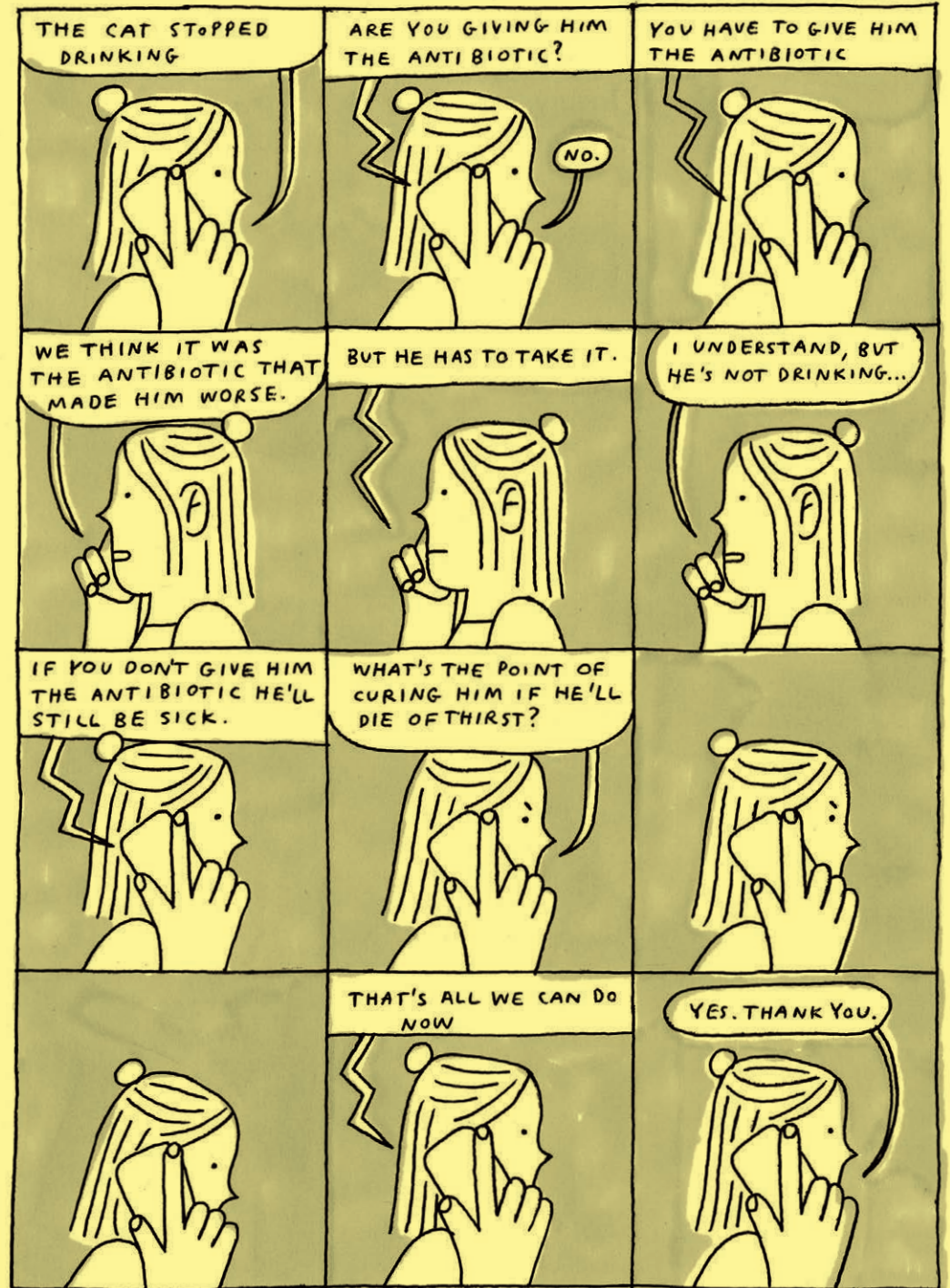


EVEN THE CAT



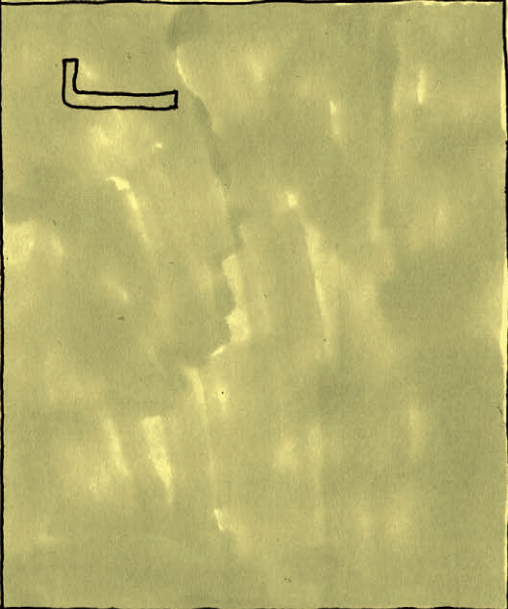
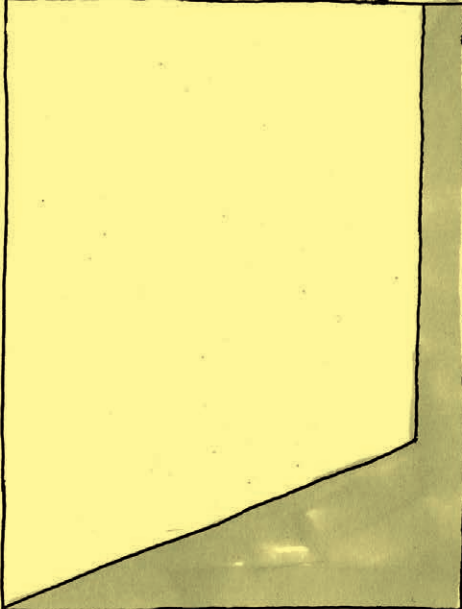
EVERYONE BUT ME.





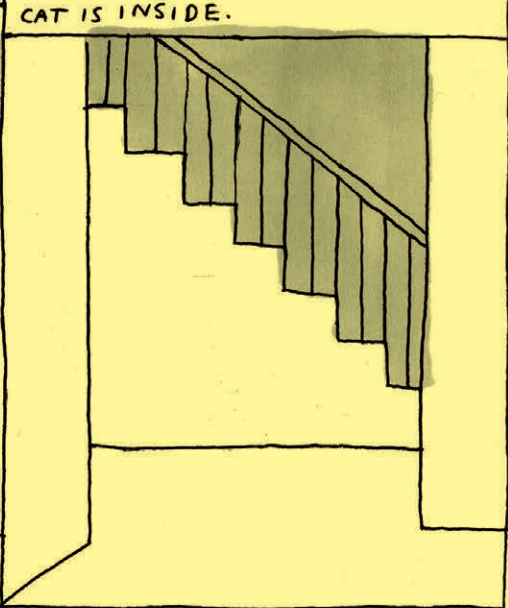
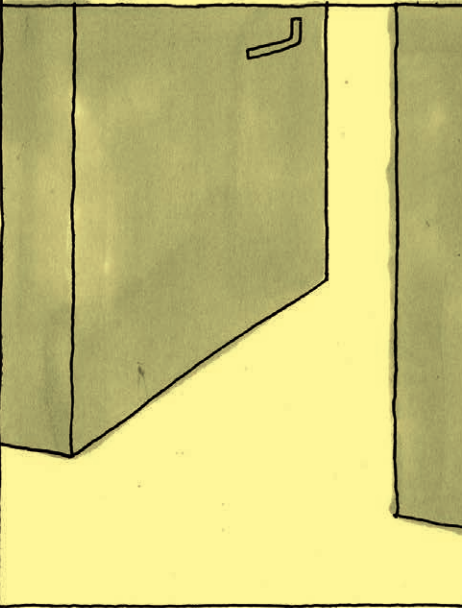
LIVING WITH A CAT REQUIRES THE COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN RULES.

FOR EXAMPLE, THE KITCHEN CAN NEVER BE LEFT OPEN, SO HE DOESN'T GO IN THE BEDROOMS.



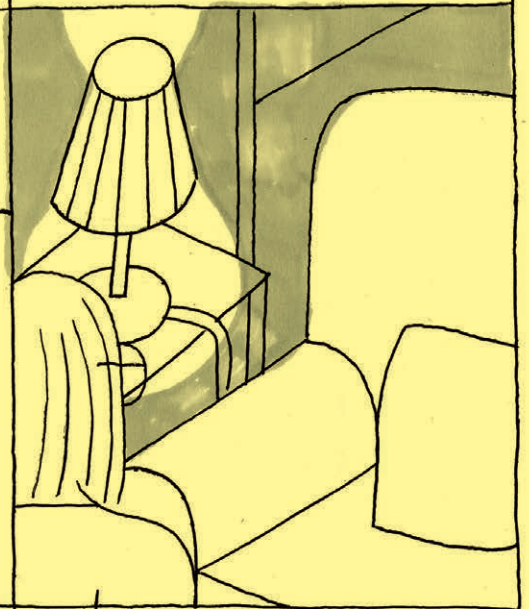
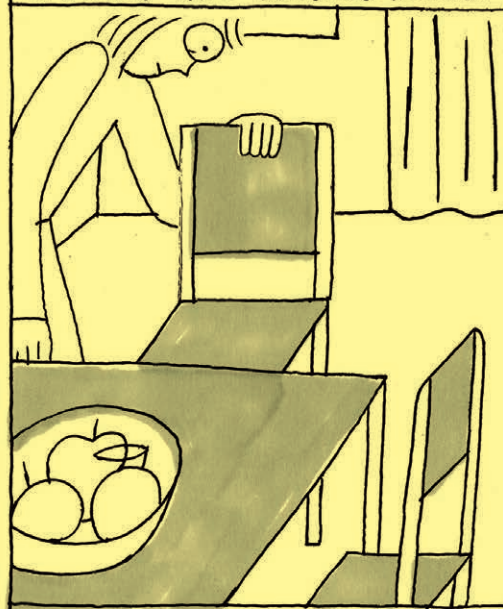
IN THE MORNING, THE FIRST TO RISE FEEDS THE CAT AND OPENS THE DOOR TO THE GARDEN

THE DOOR TO THE GARDEN MUST BE CLOSED IN THE EVENING, BUT NEVER BEFORE CHECKING IF THE CAT IS INSIDE.



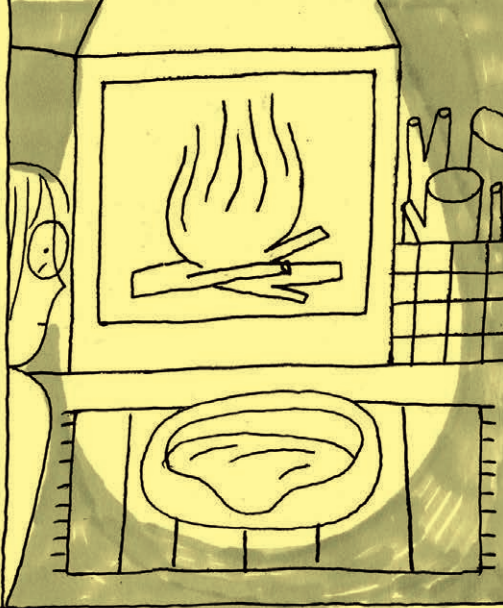
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, MOST OF THE RULES ARE ABOUT OPENING AND CLOSING DOORS.

THERE ARE PLACES THE CAT CAN'T GO.



THERE ARE PLACES HE CAN.

THERE ARE PLACES HE CAN AND CAN'T GO DEPENDING ON THE TIME OF THE DAY.







THESE RULES ARE SO OLD THEY BECOME UNCONSCIOUS. THERE ARE DOORS THAT ARE SIMPLY NEVER LEFT OPEN, AND WE DON'T EVEN REMEMBER THE ORIGINAL REASON WAS THE CAT.







I DON'T THINK HE  
WANTS US HERE.



HE JUST STAYED OUT THERE ALL DAY.



UNTIL DAD CAME HOME.

