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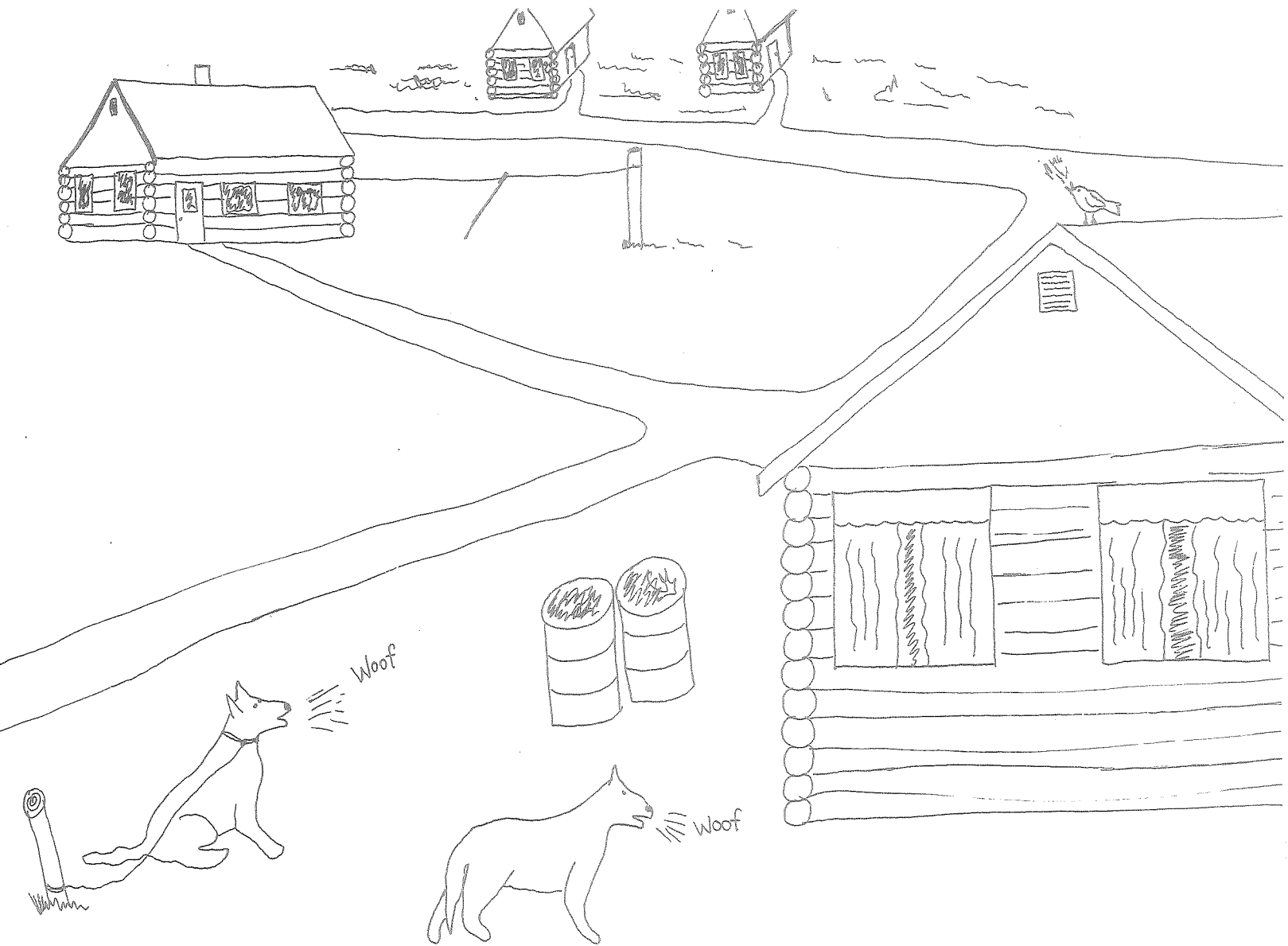
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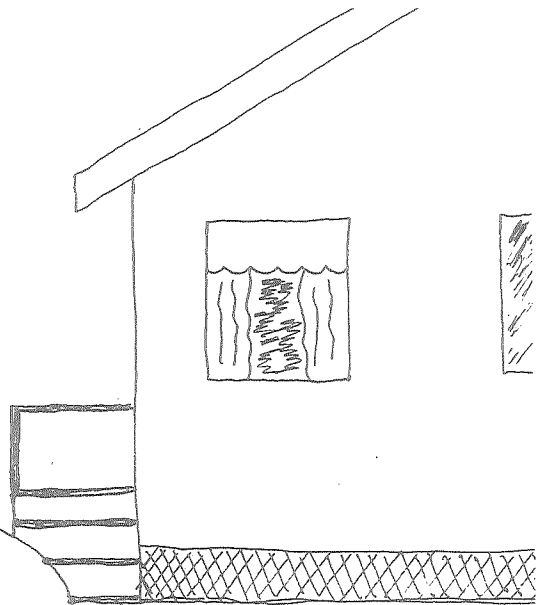
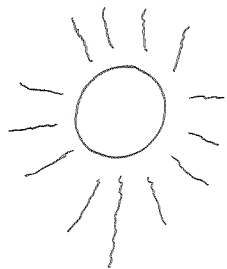
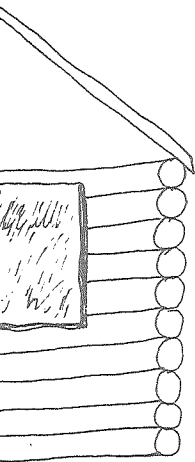
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This story is true and it
happened in Lac La Martre.

It was a nice Sunday morning.
Birds were singing their songs
while people were sleeping.

Suddenly people's dogs
started to bark as if something
was coming towards them.

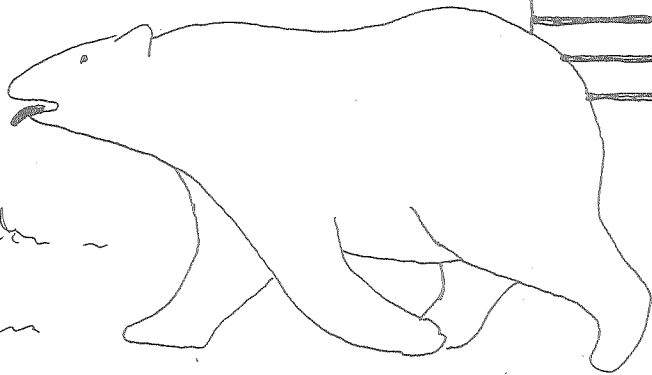


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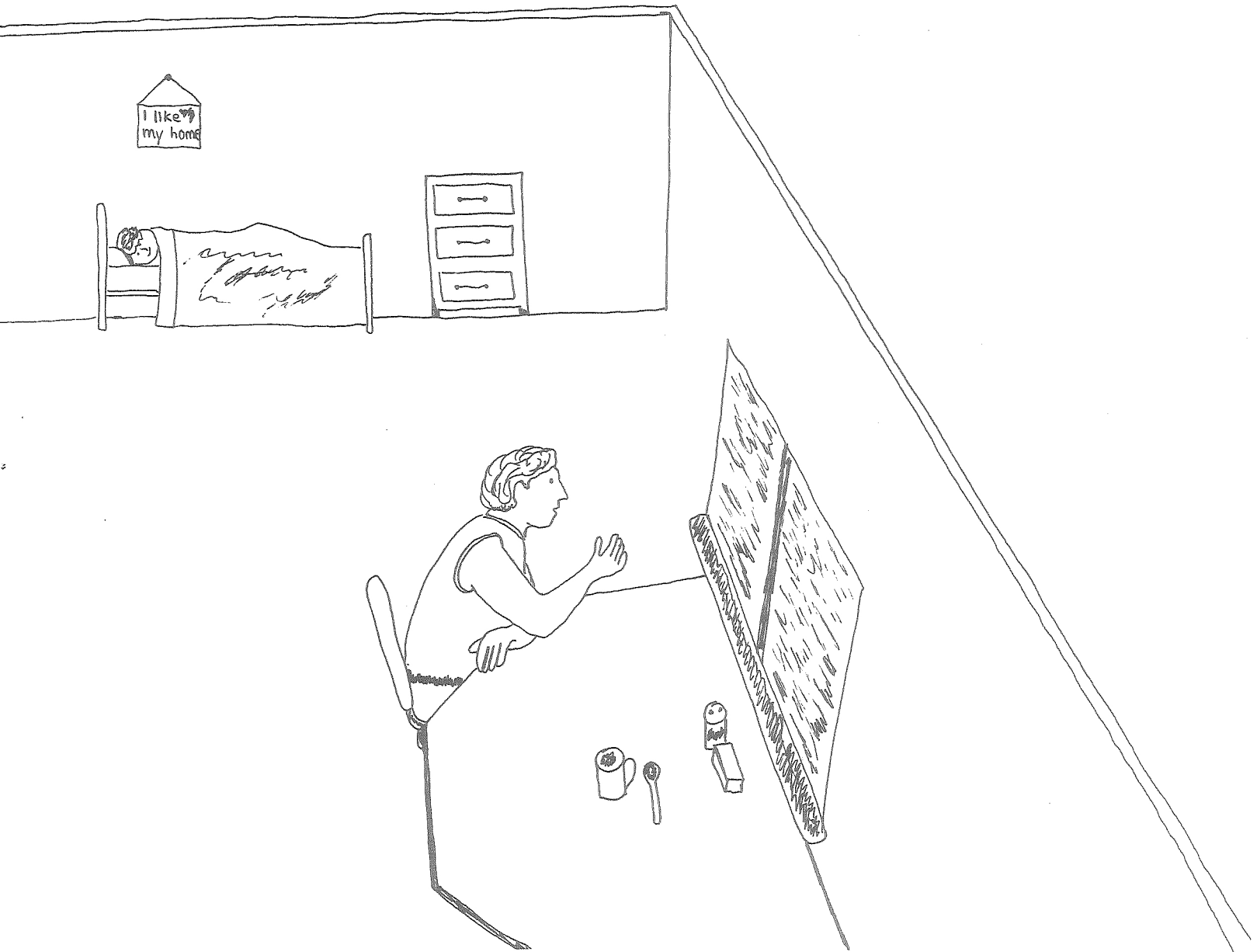
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From Alex's house you could see a medium black bear coming.

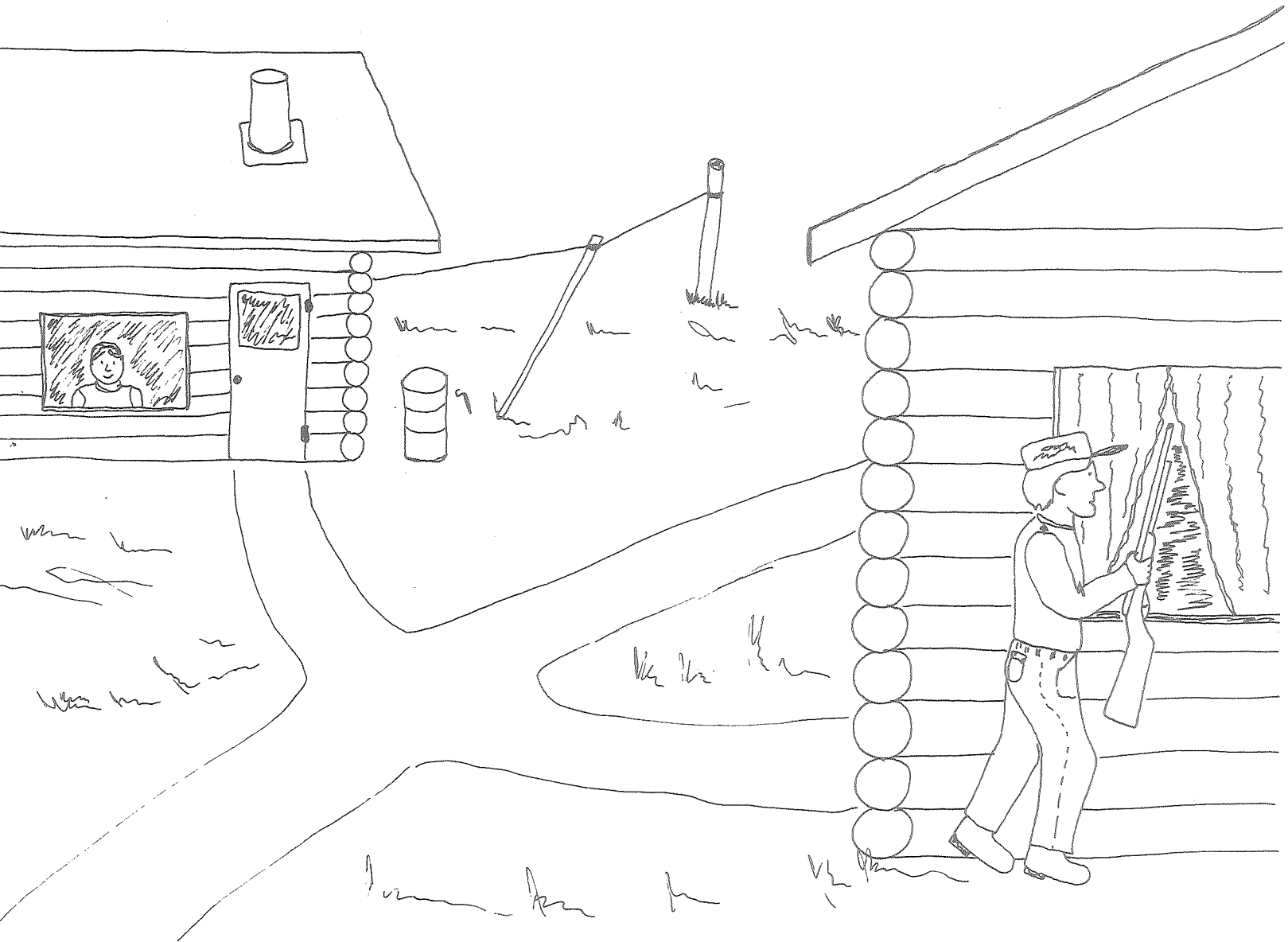
It was the bear that the dogs were barking at.

As the bear was walking towards Jimmy's house, more dogs started to bark.



Pierre was awakened by the dogs' barking. He looked out the window and saw the black bear walking behind Francis' house.

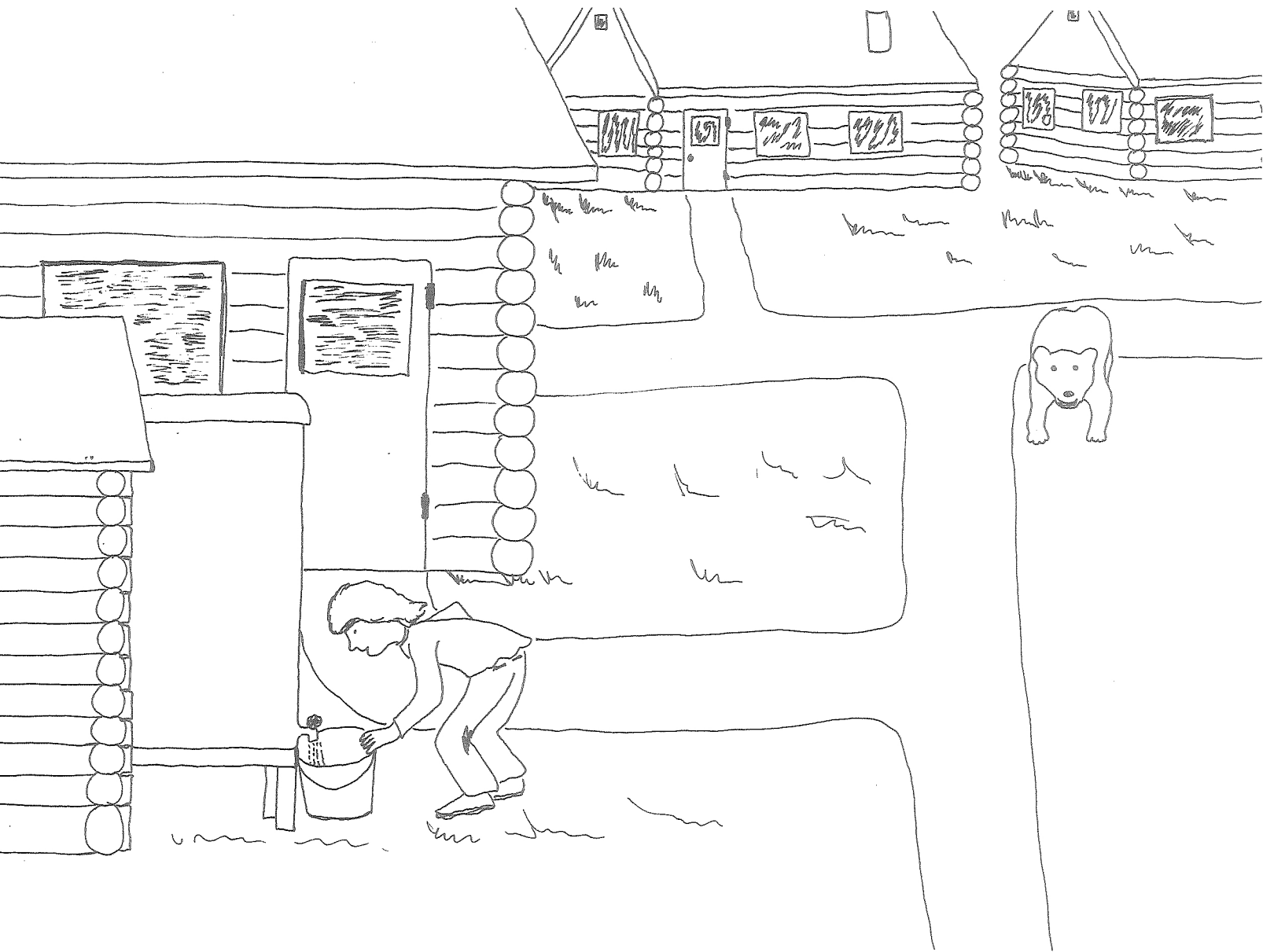
He woke his son up and told him about the bear. His son didn't believe him so he went back to bed.



Pierre went back to the window to look again.

He saw Benny with a rifle behind Leo's house.

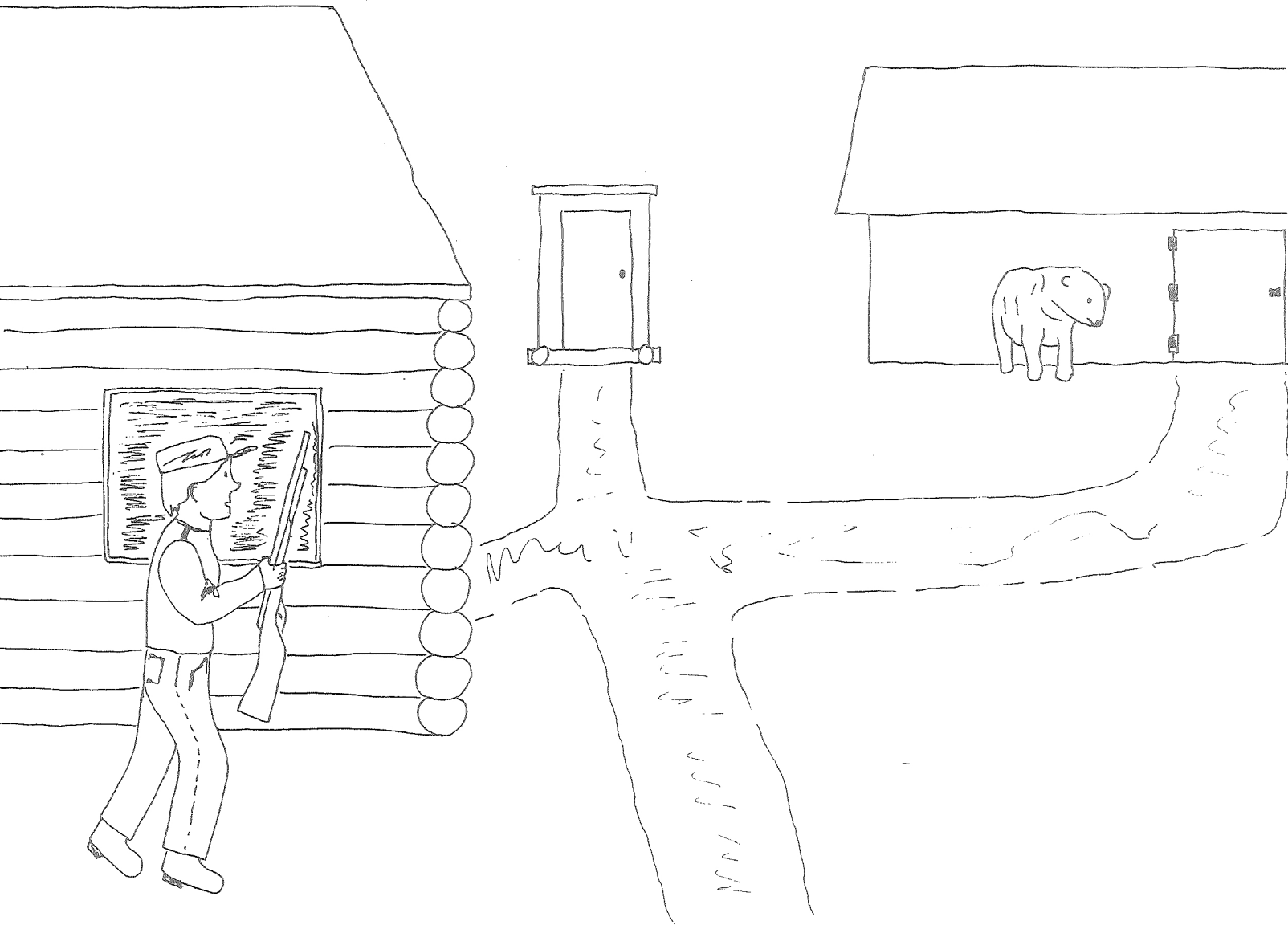
Pierre went outside to help Benny.



Jimmy's daughter went outside to get some water. She didn't know about the bear behind Francis' house.

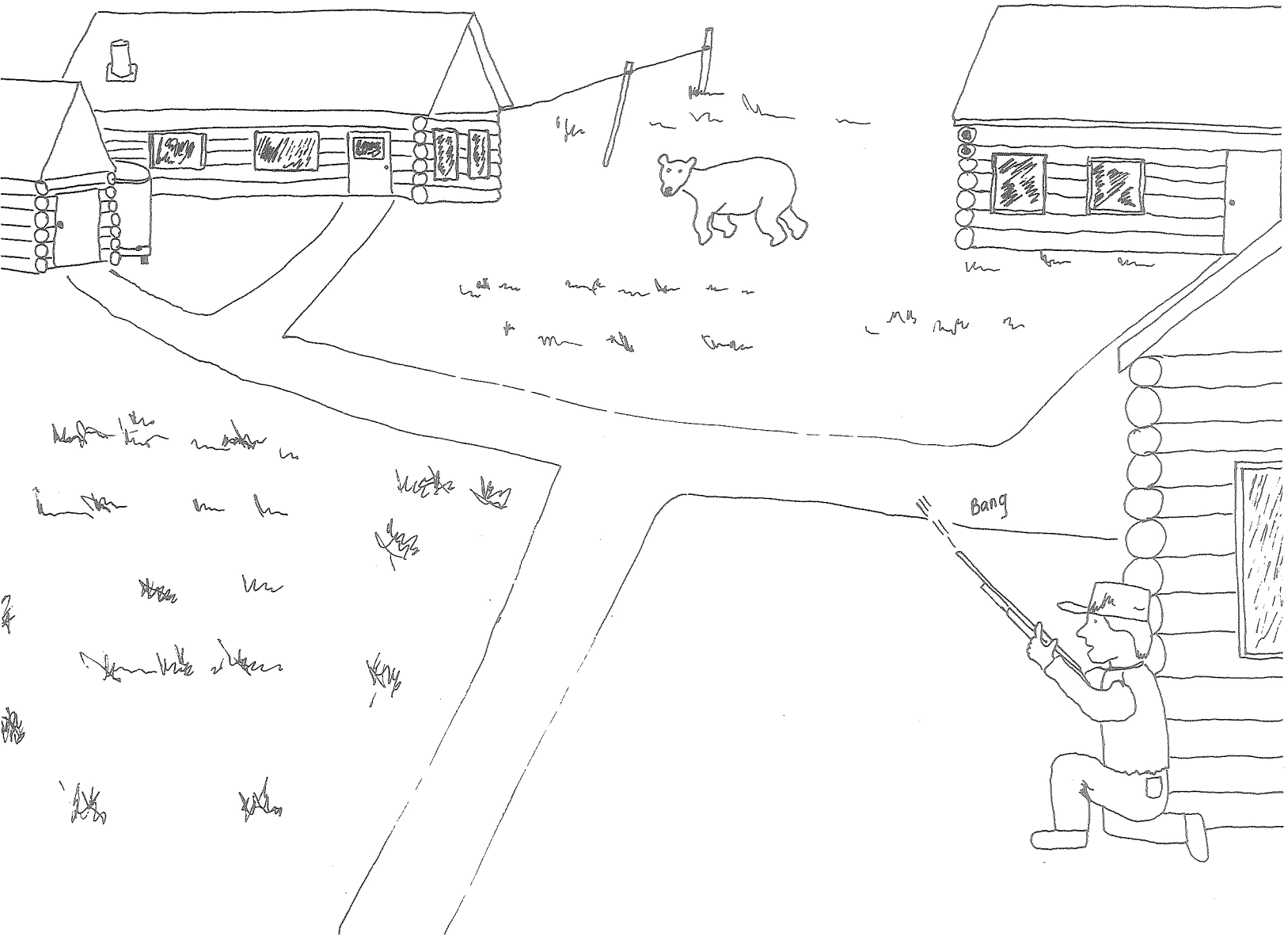
As she opened the water tap from the tank she saw a black bear walking towards her.

She was scared but had to run to her house. She locked the door.



Benny was still behind Leo's house when he saw the bear.

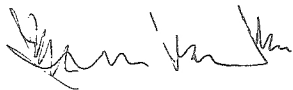
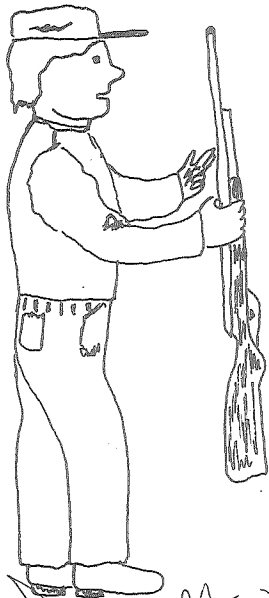
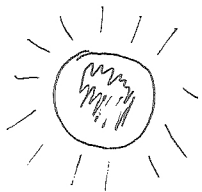
Benny was looking for a good spot to shoot the bear.



The bear was walking between
Jimmy's and Francis' house.

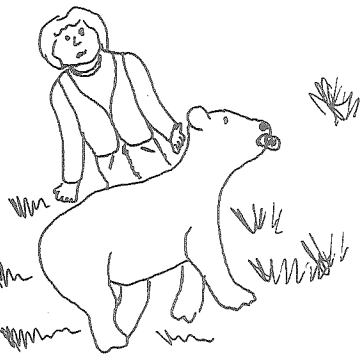
When Benny fired his rifle
a black bear fell to the ground.

By that time most of the
people were shouting thanks to
Benny.



Benny asked the boys to help
him push the bear into the bush
so that he could skin the bear.

Benny ran back to his house
to get a knife.

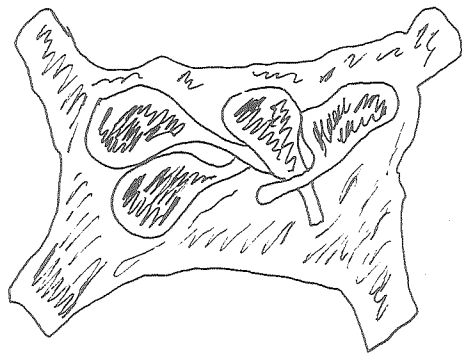
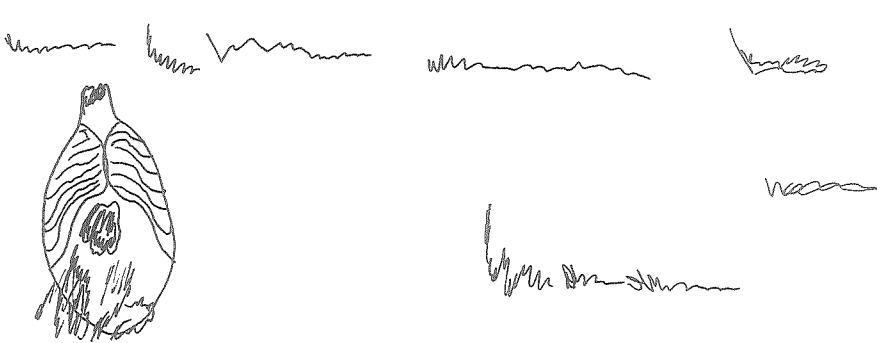
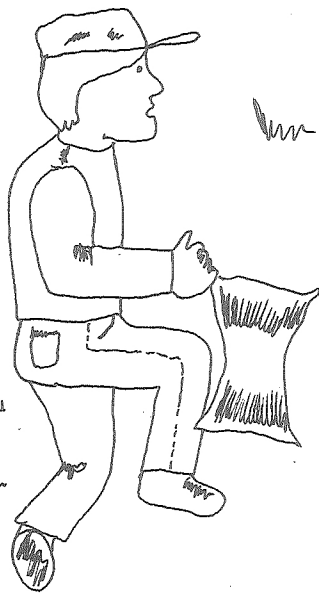


Benny followed the boys to
where they put the bear.

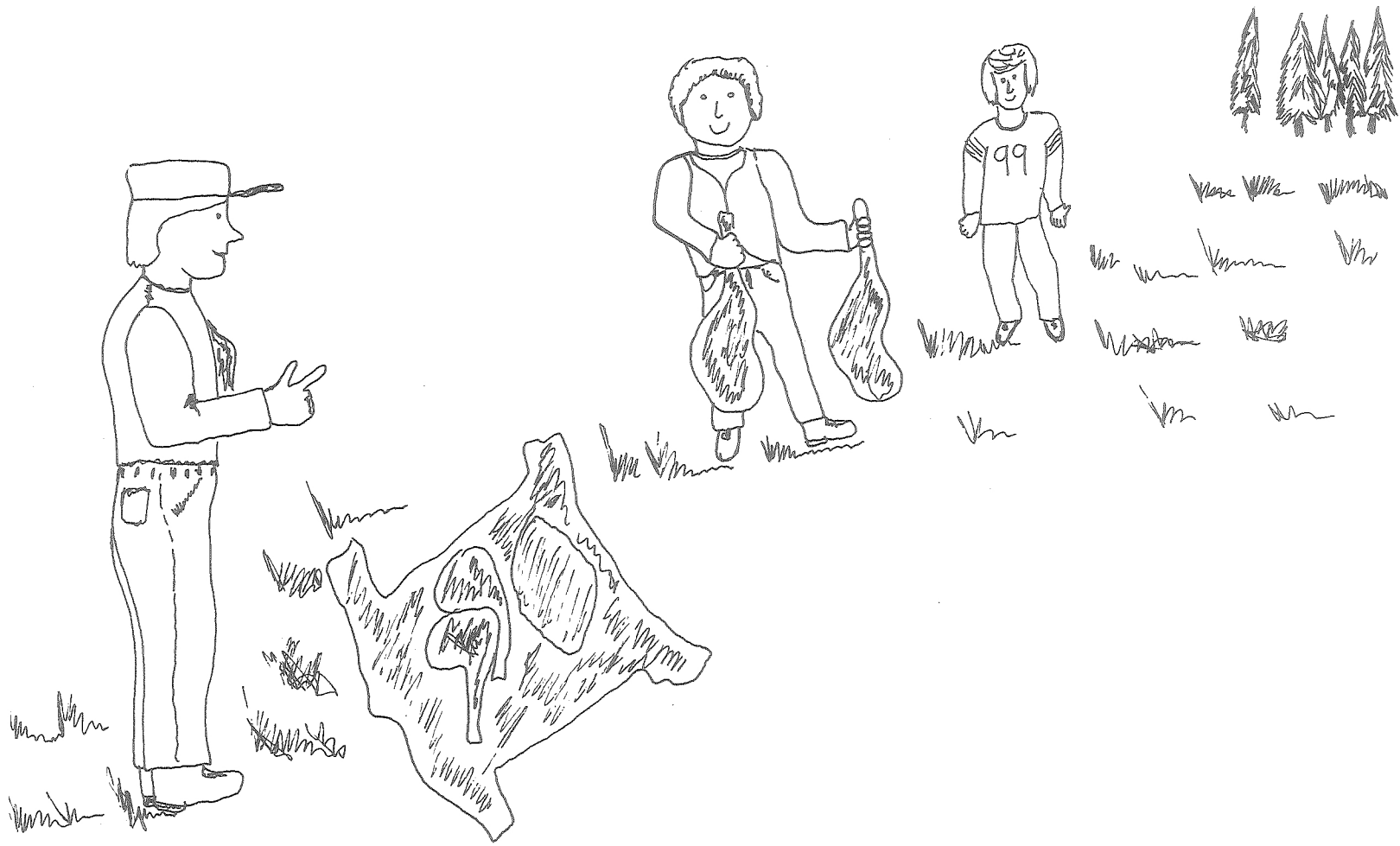
He took his knife and
started cutting the skin-hide
off.



He put the skin-hide on
the ground beside the bear.
Blood was pouring out from
the belly.



Something white was coming out. Benny picked it up and saw it was a pampers. He didn't believe bears would eat pampers.



After what he saw Benny didn't want the bear meat. So the boys gave it to the dogs.

Benny said, "If you hunt and kill something, find out what it eats. This way you don't have to get sick."