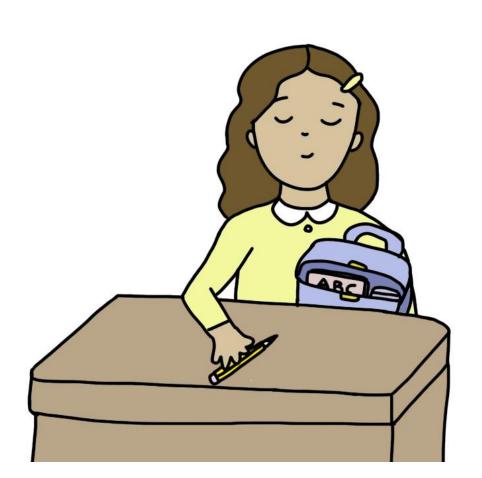
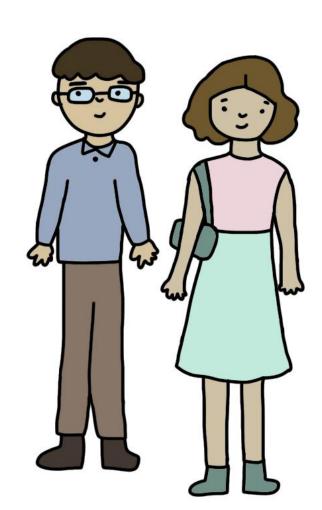
A WONDERFUL DAY





DING... DONG...DING...DONG...

THE SCHOOL BELL RANG AND I PACKED MY BAG QUICKLY, BECAUSE MY MOTHER ALWAYS SAYS THAT I AM THE LAST TO COME OUT FROM THE SCHOOL GATE.



THERE WERE MANY PARENTS NEAR THE GATE AND MY MOTHER WAS ALSO AMONG THFM.

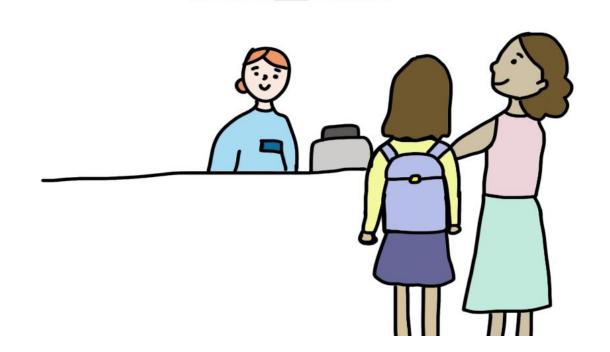


AFTER COMING TO THE MAINROAD, WE GOT INTO A TAXL AS A HABIT I ALWAYS TELL MY MOTHER WHAT HAPPENED AT SCHOOL ON OUR WAY HOME SINCE SHE IS MY BEST FRIEND.

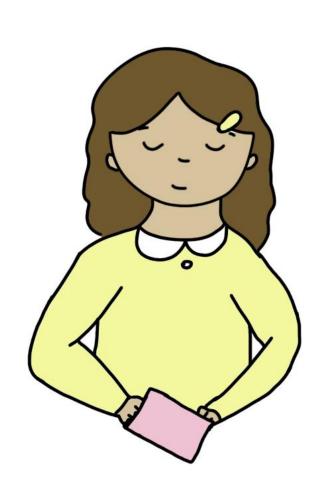


SHE ENJOYS LISTENING TO ME AS IT RECALLS HER SCHOOL TIME AS A STUDENT.

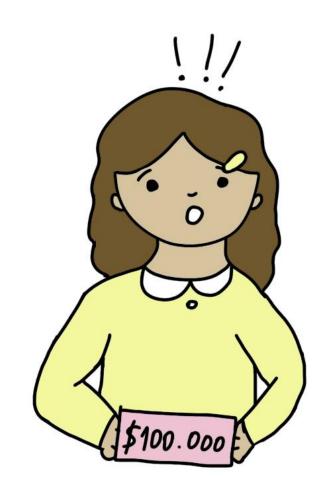
LOTTERY



WHEN WE WERE CLOSE TO OUR HOME, MY MOTHER FOUND OUT THAT SHE DID NOT HAVE CHANGE TO PAY FOR THE TAXI. SO WE WENT TO A NEARBY ROAD SIDE LOTTERY SELLER AND WE BOUGHT SOME LOTTERY TICKETS TO HAVE CHANGE.



WHEN I SCRATCHED ONE OF THE TICKETS I FELT THAT WE HAVE WON SOMETHING. WHEN I MENTIONED IT TO MY MOTHER SHE DIDN'T BELIEVE IT. SHE THOUGHT I WAS JOKING. I WIPED MY EYES AND I LOOKED AT IT AGAIN ... AND AGAIN...



THAT WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT I WAS NOT DAYDREAMING. I WAS RIGHT, THAT'S EXACTLY MY TEACHER TAUGHT ME; ONE FOLLOWED FIVE ZEROS IS HUNDRED THOUSAND.

SO THIS IS IT!

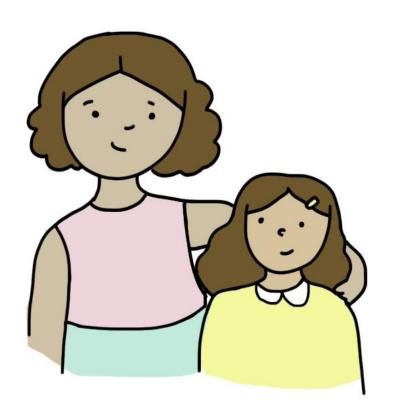
I AM RIGHT!

IT REALLY IS ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND. I SCREAMED CHEERFULLY.



WHILE I WAS STARING AT THE TICKET, MY MOTHER WAS CALLING ME "HURRY UP BRUNA, WE NEED TO GO SOON".

"I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS" MY MOTHER SAID.



FINALLY I WAS PRAISED BY MY MOTHER. SHE SAID TO MY FATHER "IF NOT FOR THIS CHILD I WILL NEVER CHECK THE LOTTERY TICKET, I JUST WANTED TO GET CHANGE MONEY FOR THE TAXI, AFTER ALL WHO THINKS WE WILL BE LUCKY ENOUGH TO WIN A LOTTERY".



ON OUR WAY HOME WE WENT SHOPPING AND GOT MANY BEAUTIFUL FROCKS, SHOES AND LOT OF SWEETS TO MF.



THEN I THOUGHT I COULD ASK FOR SOMETHING USEFUL FOR MY STUDIES. THAT IS WHEN WE WERE PASSING BY A FAMOUS BOOK SHOP.

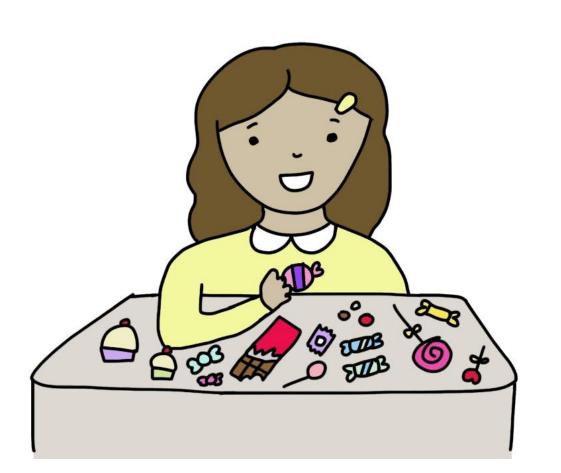
QUICKLY I ASKED MY FATHER, "CAN YOU PLEASE STOP THE CAR?"

I SAID WE WERE ASKED BY OUR MATHEMATICS
TEACHER TO BUY A MATHEMATICAL SET AND I
NEED TO BUY ONE. MY MOTHER SAID "OK LET'S GO
THEN"



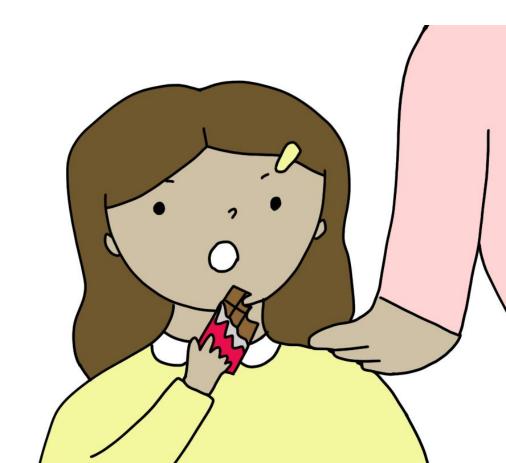
WE WENT TO THE BOOKSHOP AND THERE WERE MARVELOUS THINGS.

I LOVED THE STICKER SHEETS, GLITTER PENS, HIGHLIGHTERS, MULTI-COLOUR PENS, GREETING CARDS, STORY BOOKS AND GAME SETS. I ALMOST WANTED TO BUY EVERYTHING. BUT KNOWING MY MOTHER, I BOUGHT ONLY THE ONES THAT I NEEDED AND SOME STORY BOOKS AS GIFTS FOR MY FRIENDS.

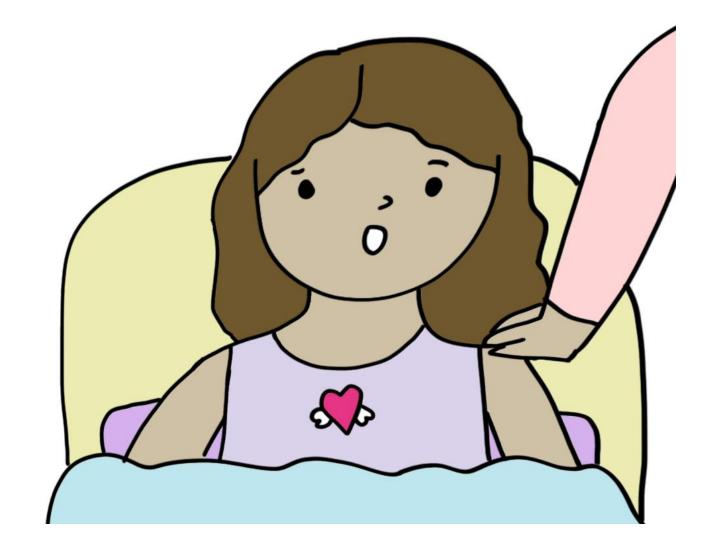


AFTER SO MUCH SHOPPING, WE CAME HOME AND I STARTED EATING THE SWEETS ONE BY ONE. MY FATHER WAS COMPLAINING THAT EATING TOO MUCH SUGAR IS NOT HEALTHY.



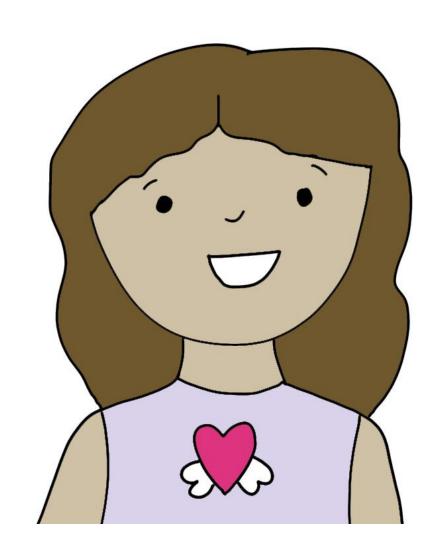


I WAS ABOUT TO FINISH MY FAVORITE MILK CHOCOLATE. I LOOKED AT THE LAST PIECE AND WAS THINKING HOW TASTY IT WAS. SUDDENLY SOMEONE KNOCKED ON MY SHOULDER.



"BRUNA, WAKE UP, YOU ARE LATE!, GET READY SOON TO GO TO SCHOOL"

OH GOD.... I FELT VERY SAD
BECAUSE IT MADE ME REALIZED IT
WAS ONLY A DREAM.



WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY IT WAS!