

Girls' Day Out

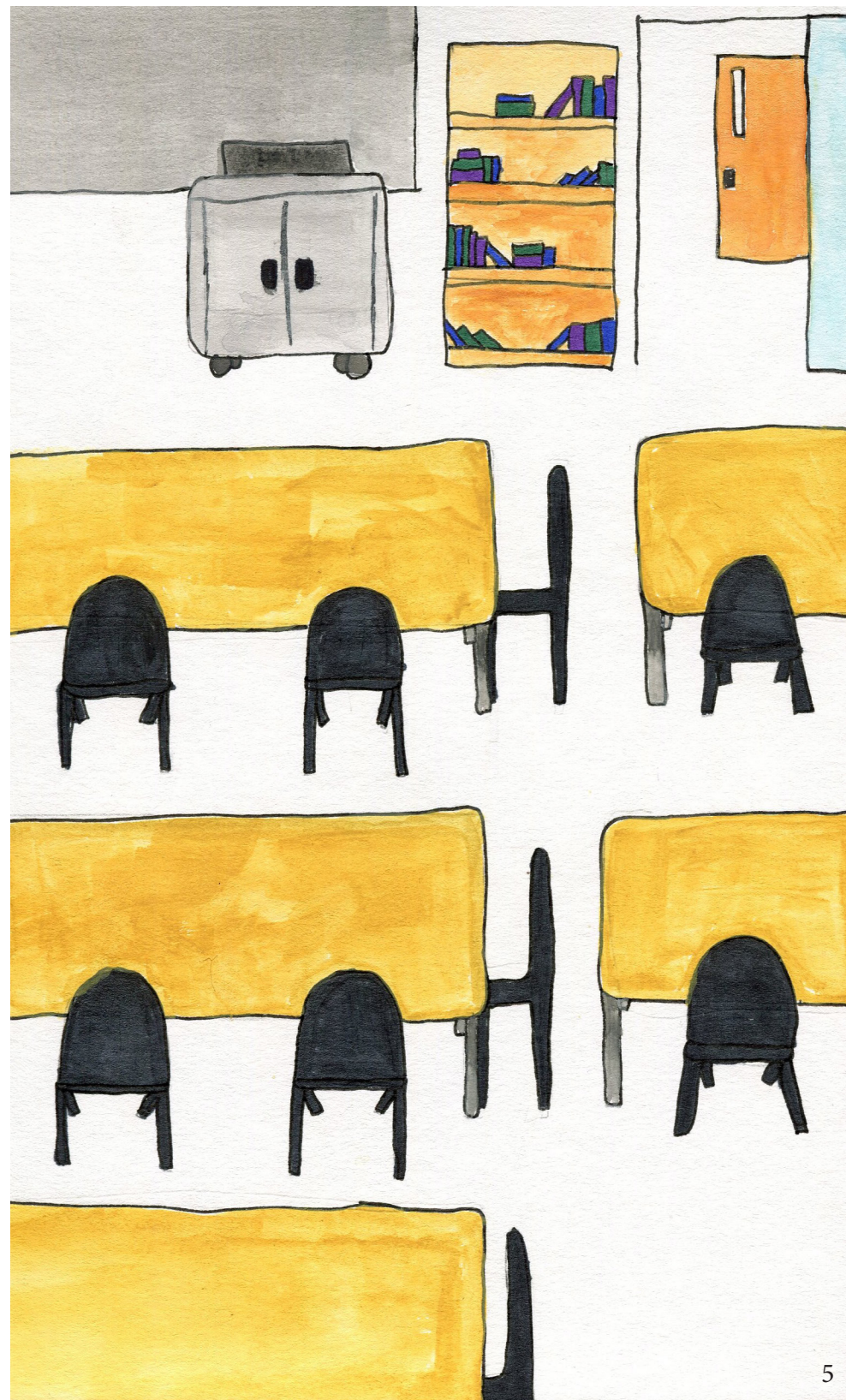
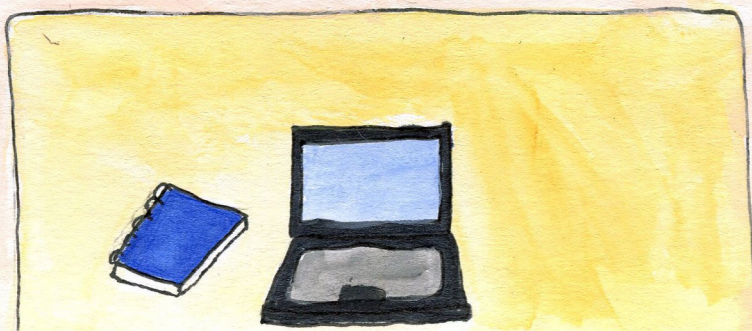
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It was a lovely summer morning. My alarm clock had rung at 6:00 am. I got up and got ready to start another day. As I was about to leave my home, I checked if I had enough money for that day. When I double-checked, I was ready to leave and ready to wait for the metro bus to get to summer school.



When I came to school, I grabbed my breakfast and waited for the class to start, hoping for my friends to show up. As more students came into the classroom, I saw my friends walking in. One of my friends, Arina, asked me “You have money, right?” and I said, “Yes, I do.” All the girls came, and we asked each other if we had the money for today and everyone brought money.

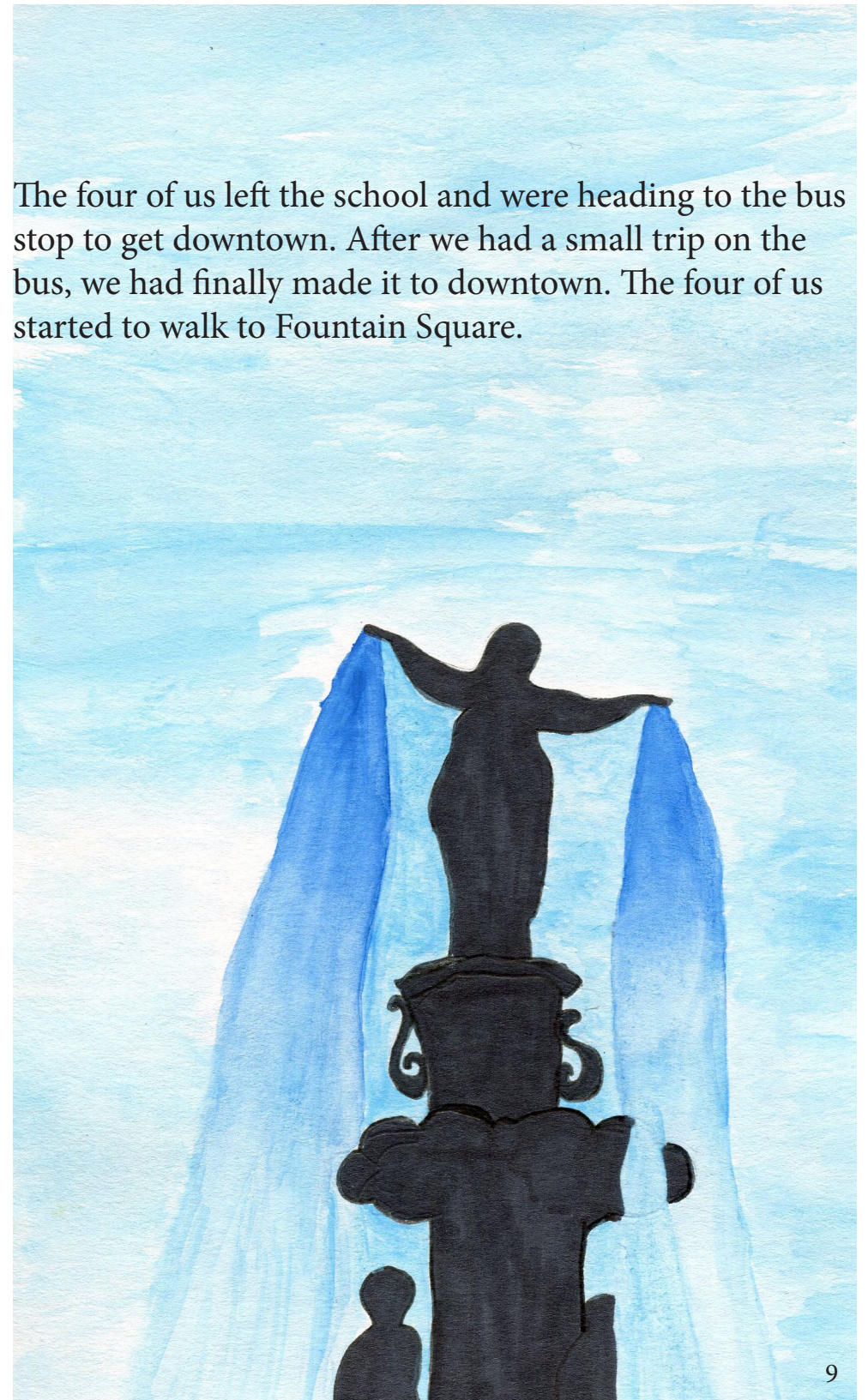




We had to wait for the class to finish. I was so ready for today! I couldn't wait for the classes to finish. I felt that the time took forever. I was looking at the time waiting for it to turn noon. As the time came, I was ready to head out. I thought we would have a great time, but then something came up.

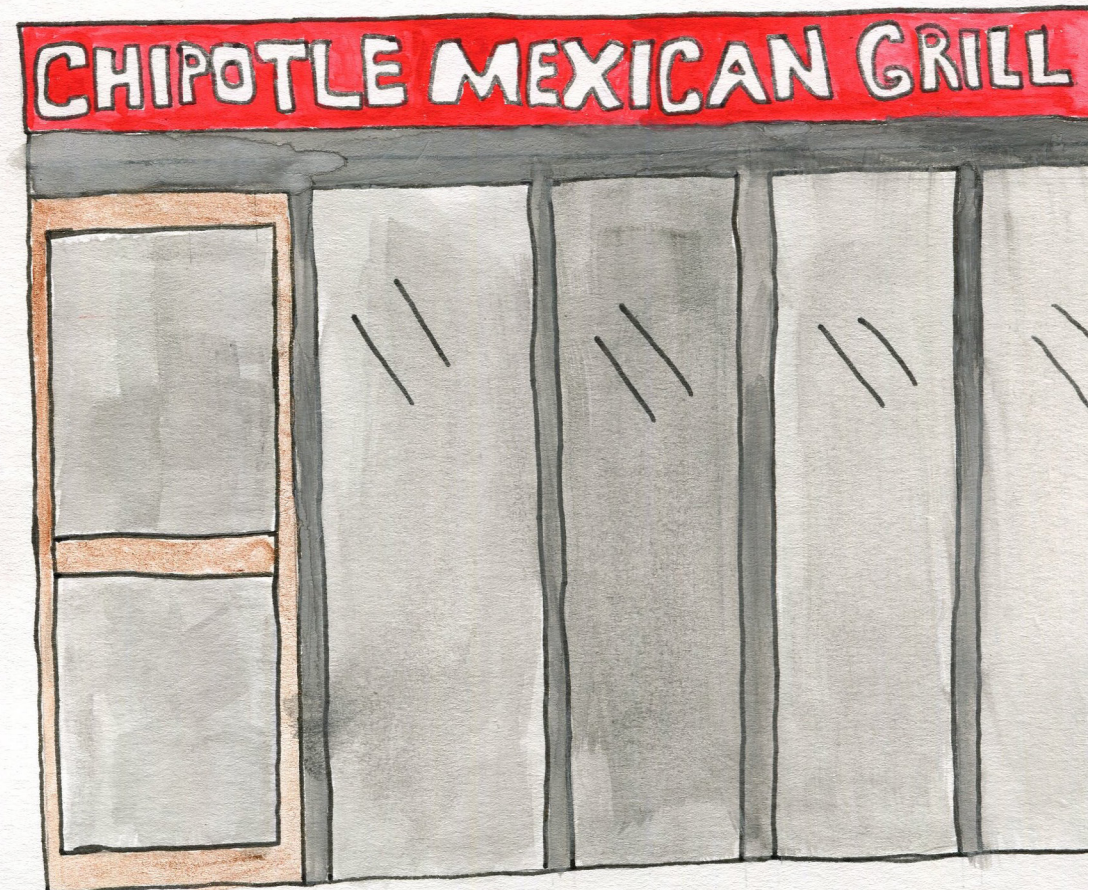
Two of the girls had to stay after school. They couldn't skip, some of us were thinking of staying until they finished, but the others just wanted to go. So Isha was thinking, and she said, "What if you guys go and we would meet you guys in downtown?" - I was thinking about it, so my other friend Sheni said, "It was a good idea." Two of us stayed at school for the other two girls to finish and I went with the other three to downtown.

The four of us left the school and were heading to the bus stop to get downtown. After we had a small trip on the bus, we had finally made it to downtown. The four of us started to walk to Fountain Square.

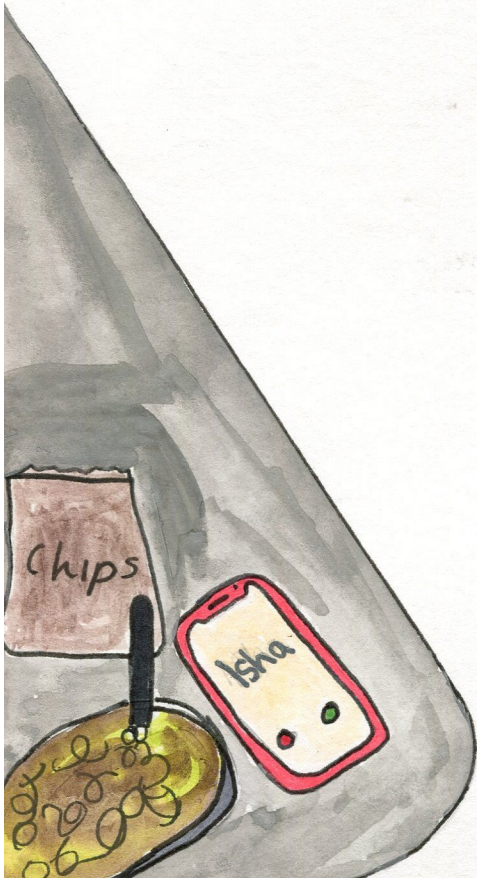


We were talking about what we should do. If we should look for a restaurant where we can eat or wait for the girls to come. We all just decided to walk around and look for a nice place to eat. As we were getting ready to leave Fountain Square we saw a Chick-fil-a stand. Some of us were hungry, so we checked the price. When I saw the price it was an ok price, but I was thinking “is it worth it to buy it?” Sheni also thought the same thing. So we just decided to leave and look for another place to eat.

We looked around for 30 minutes. We couldn't find somewhere nice, the four of us went back to Fountain Square. We talked about what we should do, we were hungry and the other girls hadn't finished. Sheni said we should just eat at Chipotle. We all agreed and went to Chipotle.



Sheni and I were not new to eating Chipotle, but Ankita and Sidra were new, I was surprised that they had never eaten at Chipotle. We took our time eating till I got a call from Isha saying that they were on the bus and to send them the location where we were. As we finished up eating I received a phone call from Rojina saying that they are here. We went to go look for them.



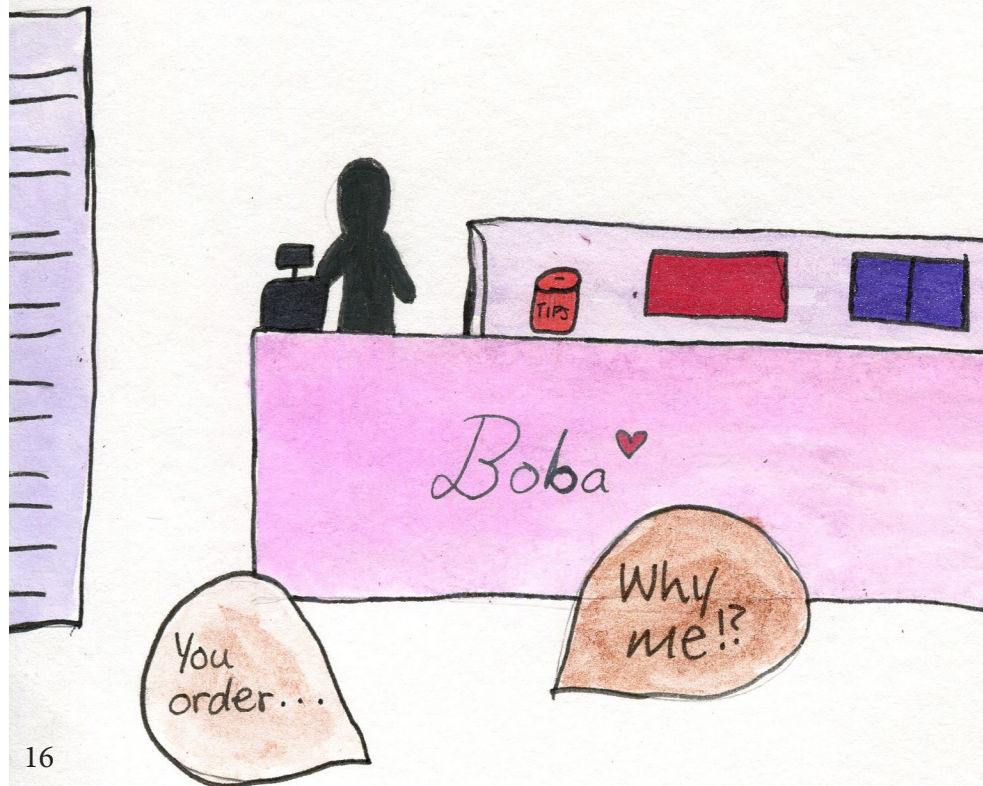
As we headed out we walked back to Fountain Square and we saw them walking our way. We told them we couldn't find somewhere to eat and I couldn't find the restaurant that Arina wanted to go to. So we all decided to find a restaurant or get boba as we planned what we were going to do. So we all just decided to go get boba, we started to walk along, well it was not that long.



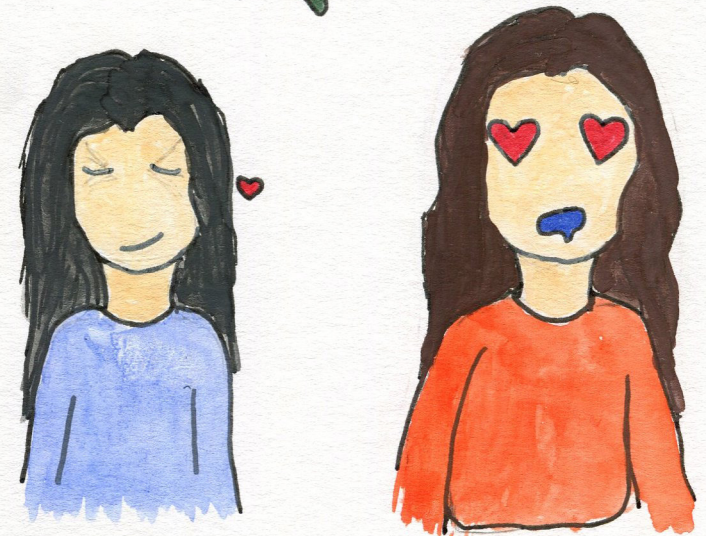
Neheraika kept asking me if we were close or not, and the others were saying they were tired. Of course some of us were going to be tired, we were carrying our bookbag with things in it, and it was that summer time where the weather feels humid.



It took us like about 20 minutes to get to the Boba Cha place. We were all finally relieved that we made it. We took a long time deciding what we wanted to get. Sadly my friends made me order everyone's drinks. It took us some time to wait for our drinks to be prepared. We got our drinks, everyone got happy when they saw their drinks were ready.



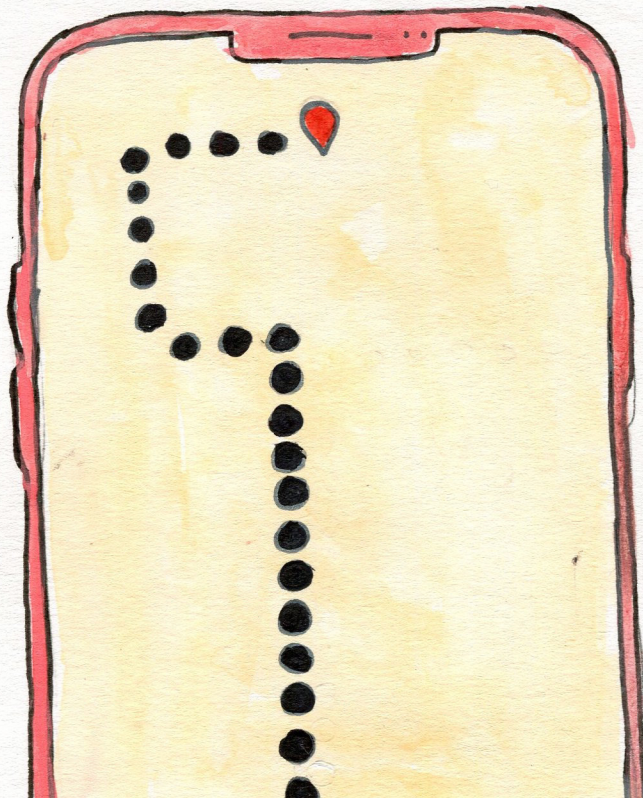
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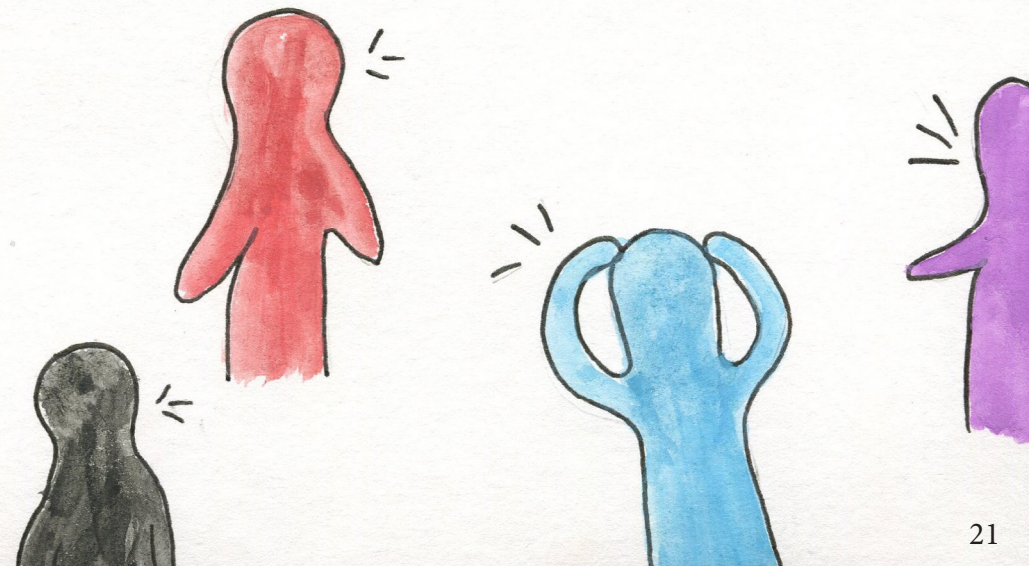


We all made sure that everyone got their drink. When we stepped out of the building we tasted our drinks and started to say, “Picture time!”, or “Come here I am trying to take a picture!” We all took pictures, once we were done we started to walk back to Fountain Square.

Once we walked back the girls were talking about where we are going to eat. Arina really wanted to go to an Indian restaurant. We search on our phone, “Indian restaurant near me”. Arina found one. She gave the address to Isha, she put it on her map and we started to follow the map. We walk and walk... at that point I got tired, I was not the only one who was tired, the other girls were too.



So we began to argue about not wanting to go to the Indian restaurant, since it was nowhere to be found, and the map kept telling us to go different directions. Arina got mad about it. Then, Sheni wanted to go to get Cane's, and I looked up one that was near us. Apparently I found one that was not that far, so I told the girls to take this one bus that would take us to Cane's. I thought it was near downtown, but it was not, the one that popped up on google was a different restaurant.

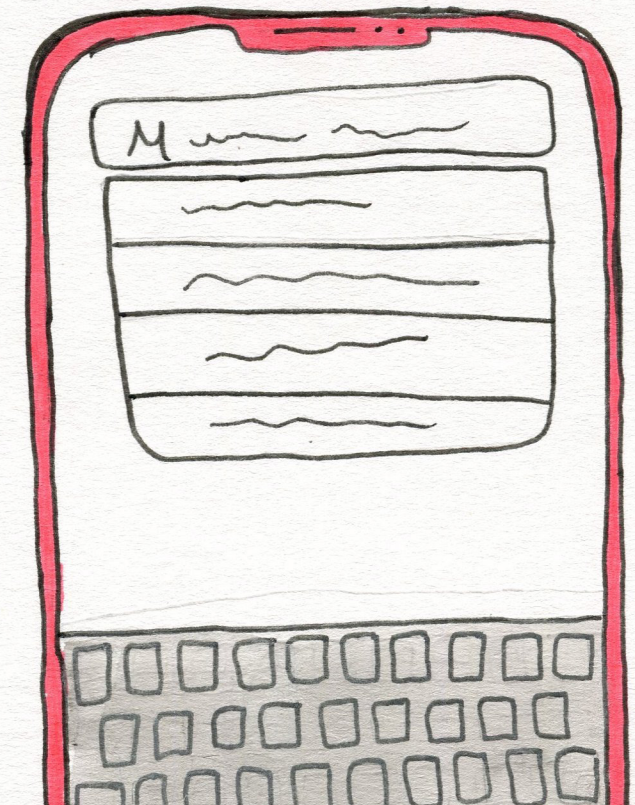


When we got off, Sheni realized that there was no Cane's near where we were. I was confused and lost in my mind. I went on my phone and searched "Cane's near me" and I saw one near the University of Cincinnati. I was surprised when I found out that it was all the way there. They were thinking about getting on the right bus but, I told them that I would have to go to another place and I needed to be there on time.

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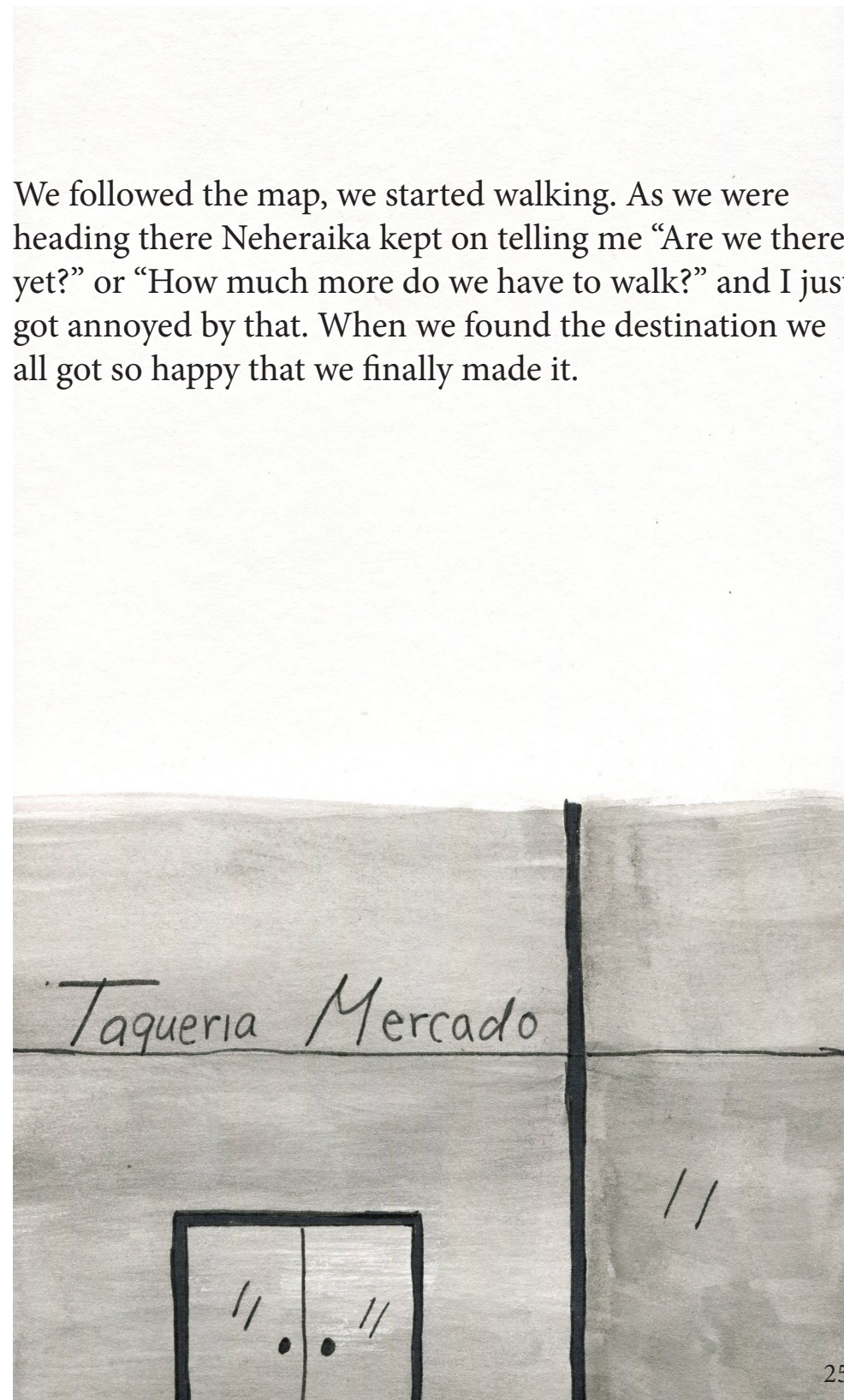
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So we canceled the idea of going to Cane's and we all were thinking of where else we should go. Everyone was tired and hot. Sheni then said we should just eat at a Mexican restaurant. Everyone just agreed on going. I searched a Mexican restaurant near us and there was one that was in front of the library.

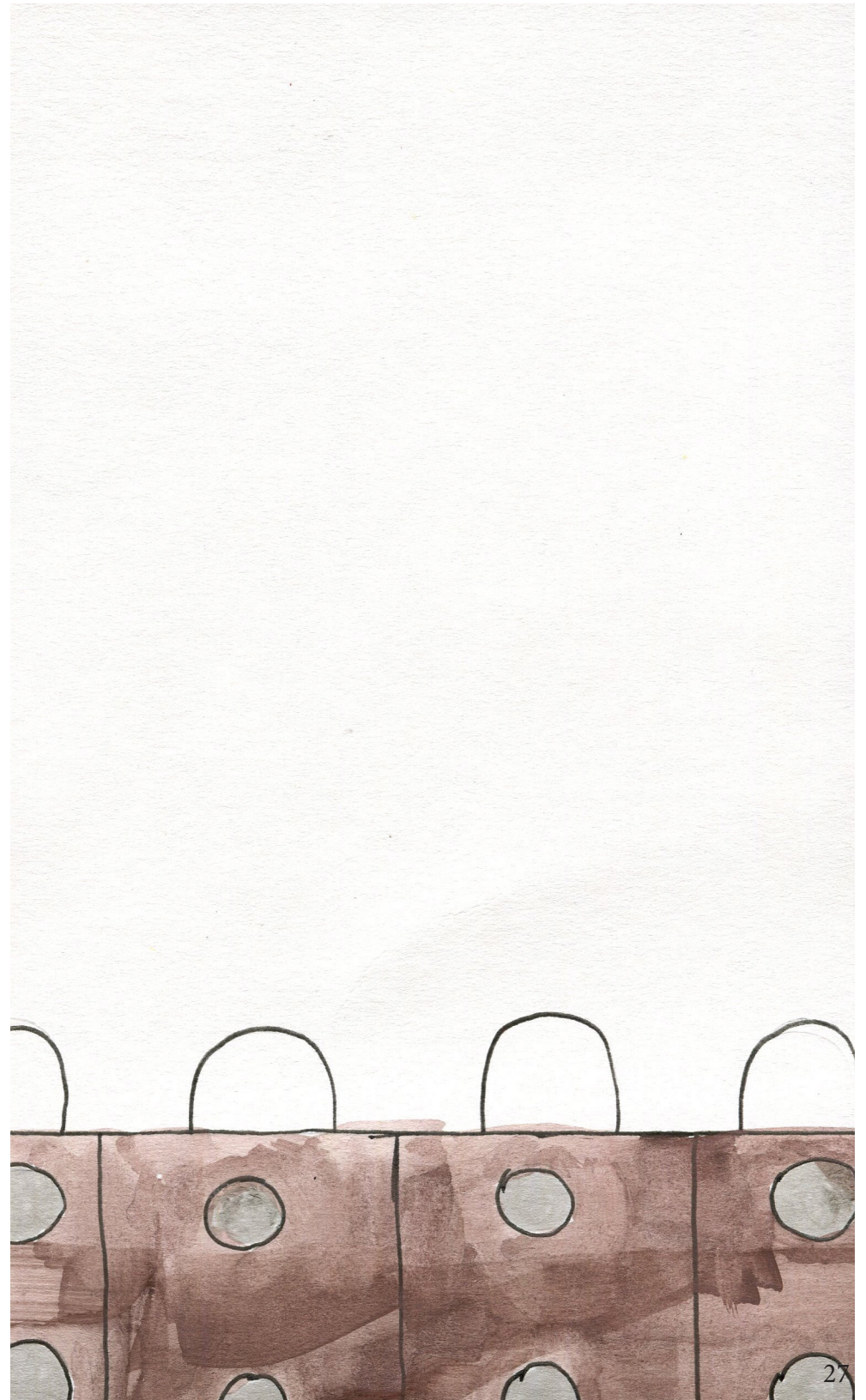


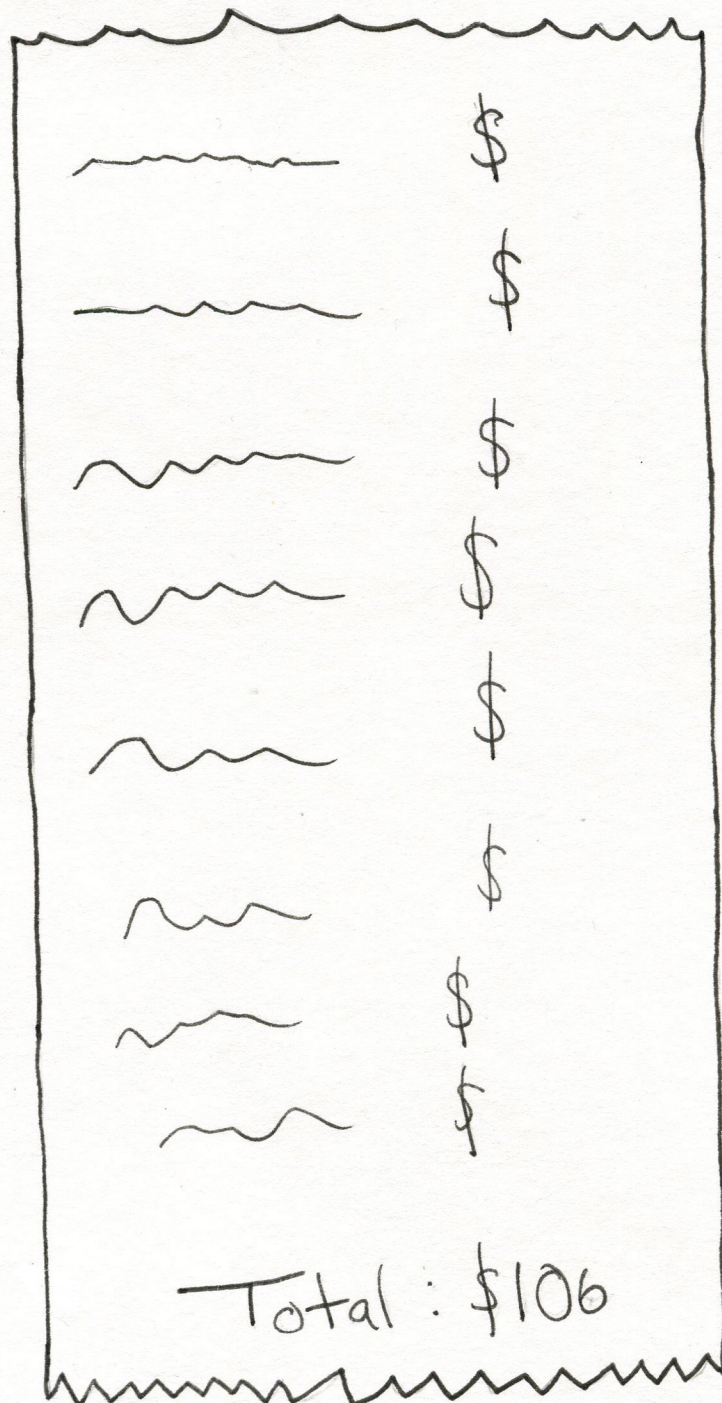


We followed the map, we started walking. As we were heading there Neheraika kept on telling me “Are we there yet?” or “How much more do we have to walk?” and I just got annoyed by that. When we found the destination we all got so happy that we finally made it.



We all walked in and we were taken to a table for all of us. The waiter gave us the menu and some chips with salsa. The girls were asking Sheni and I about what should they get. The five of us ordered tacos, Ankita ordered tres leche cake, Sidra ordered a tamale, Sheni ordered nachos. The girls were so happy that they finally ate. We ate, talked, and laughed. We were having a great time until the check came.





I was so shocked, I just passed the check around, as each of us saw the check we were surprised. Luckily we did have enough money to pay. As we finished paying we all went out and started to walk to the bus stop. They all looked up the time that the bus would come for them. We all said our goodbyes and went in our own ways.

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I got on the bus that would take me back home, but I didn't go back home. I had to go to a meeting and spend an hour and half rehearsing there. After that, I waited for the bus and headed home, I told my younger brother how my crazy day was. I was glad we were able to eat and got home safe. If we all go out again, we should plan where exactly we want to go and eat and see if the restaurant is close to the location we picked, and hope we don't have any disagreement on the exact day.

