



A Memoir by Mame Ndiaye



I woke up feeling amazing.



I was so happy I finally turned 10 years old.

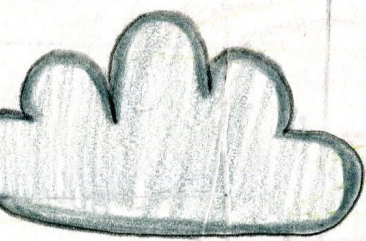


My parents made me breakfast in bed

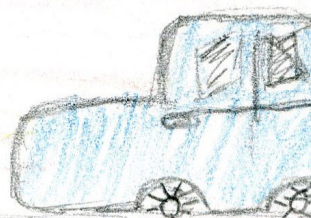


and showered me with presents! (\$\$\$!)





After that I took a shower, got dressed and went shopping with my mom with the money my dad gave me.





While I was out, my cousins were out of presents ideas.



So the only solution they came up with was a chicken.



I came back home after a long day. I put on my beautiful dress my mom bought me, with the matching shoes and tiara.

I loved it!



When I walked out of my room feeling excited,

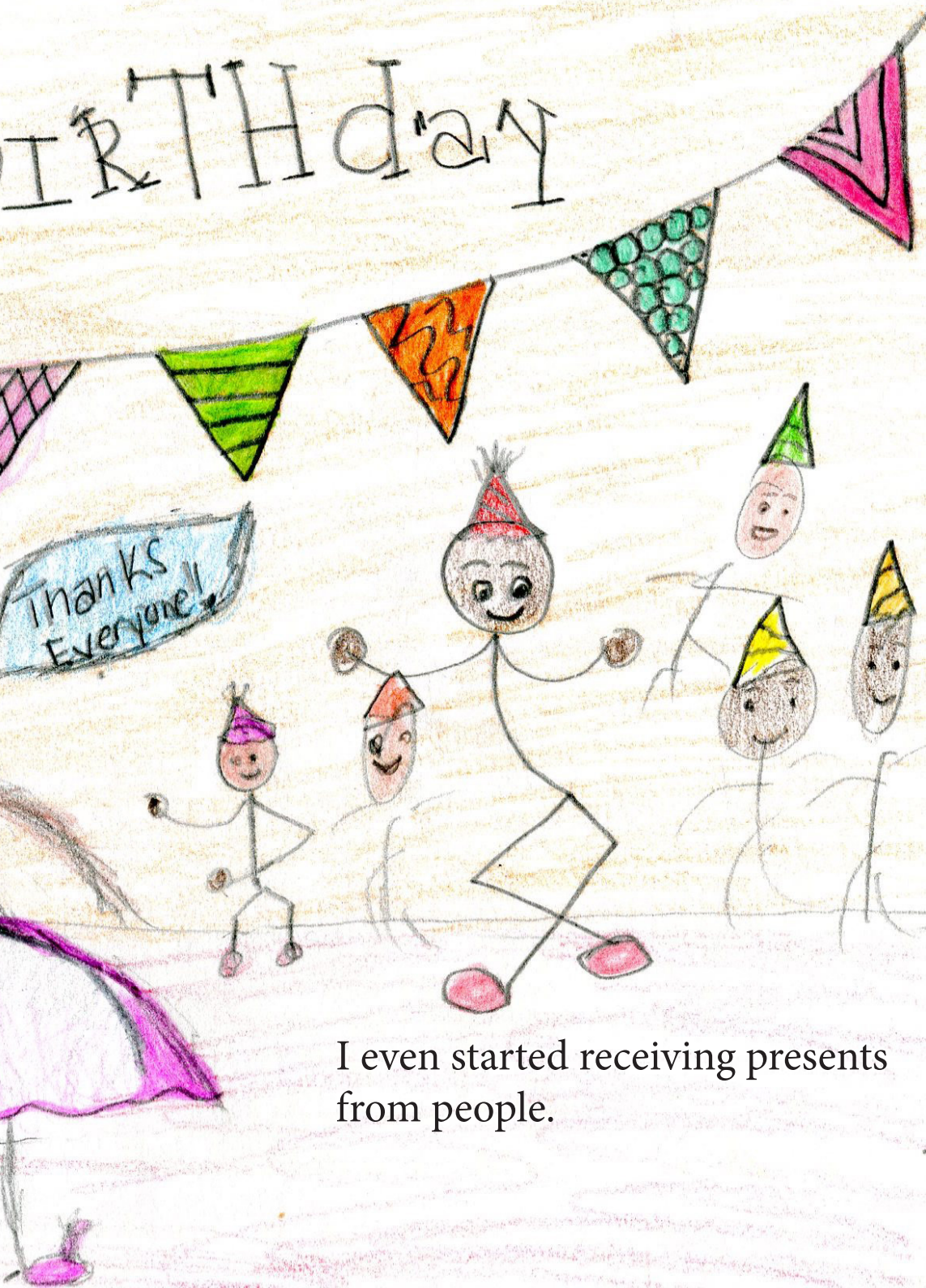


I could hear my friends talking, having fun as I suspected.



Everyone saw me and wished
me a happy birthday.

BIRTHday



I even started receiving presents from people.



After all the fun we cut the cake,



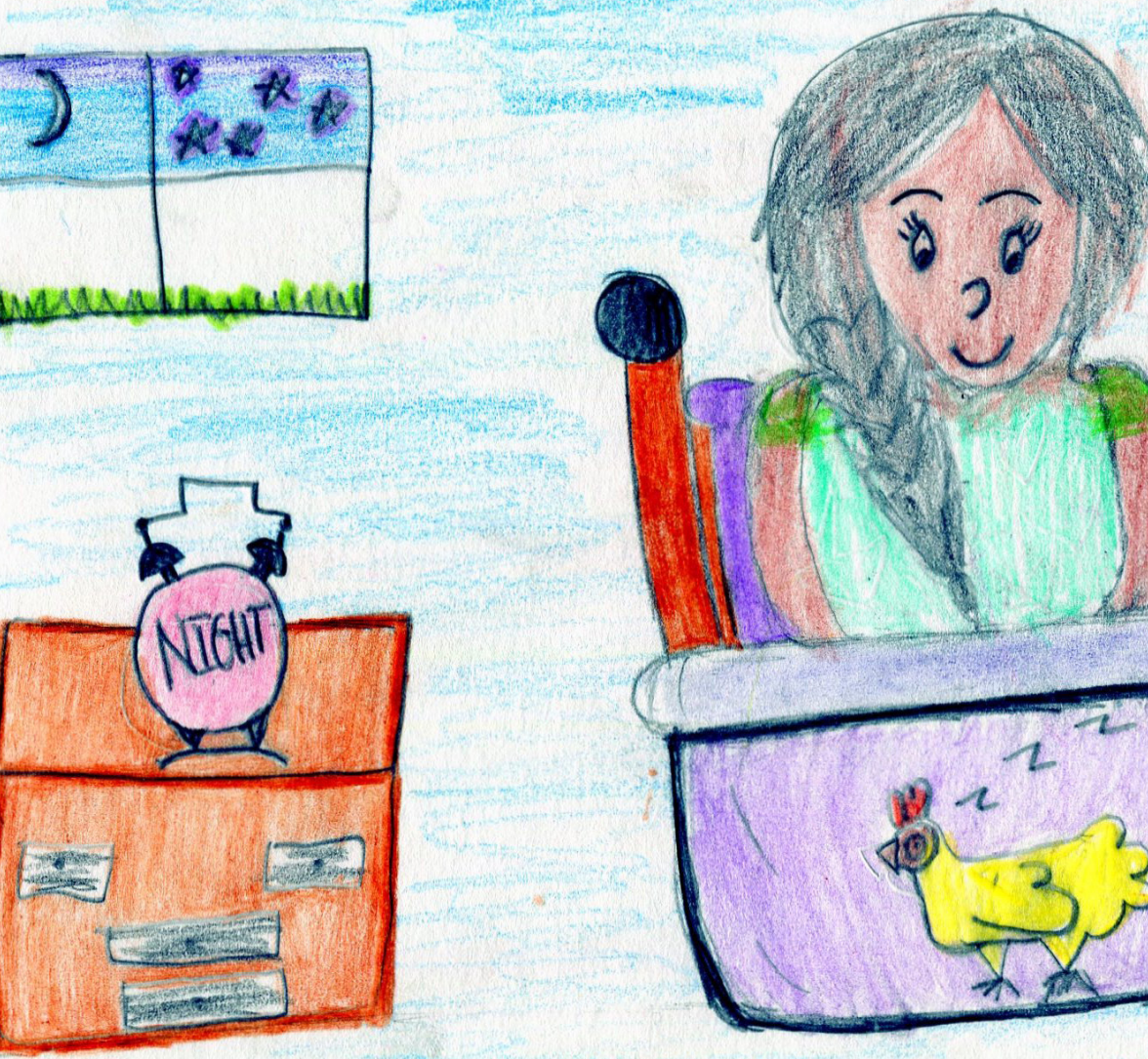
and that's when my cousins decided to give me the chicken.



My cousins screamed, SURPRISE!



And there it was, standing there doing chicken noises.



After that day my chicken and I became best friends!



Three weeks later, Layla and I were thick as thieves.

Until she bit me, and my cousins killed it and cooked it.

It was delicious!



