

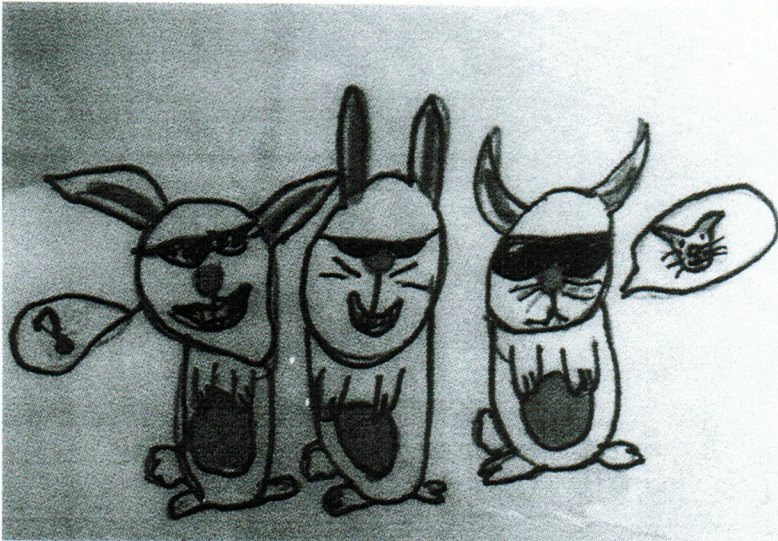
Tommy the Rabbit

There once was a rabbit named Tommy. He was not an ordinary rabbit. Tommy, the rabbit, lived up high in a tree, while most rabbits live in a rabbit hole.

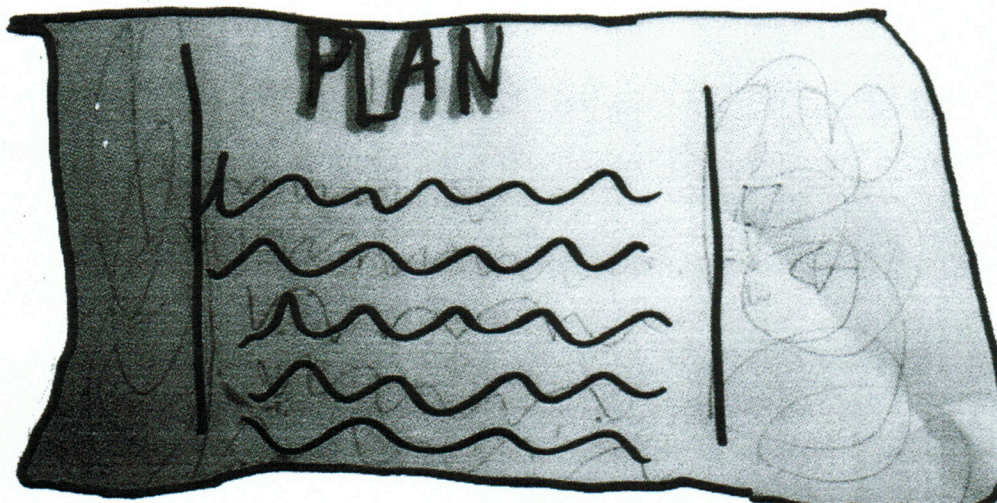


He was happy he lived in the tree. This way he didn't have to live in a wet and wormy rabbit hole. His home was dry and open, just the way he liked it.

One day he was going to school and three rabbits started teasing him. They said "Oh, look at that poor little bunny. He can't even make a hole." "What does he think he is a squirrel?" They all laughed.

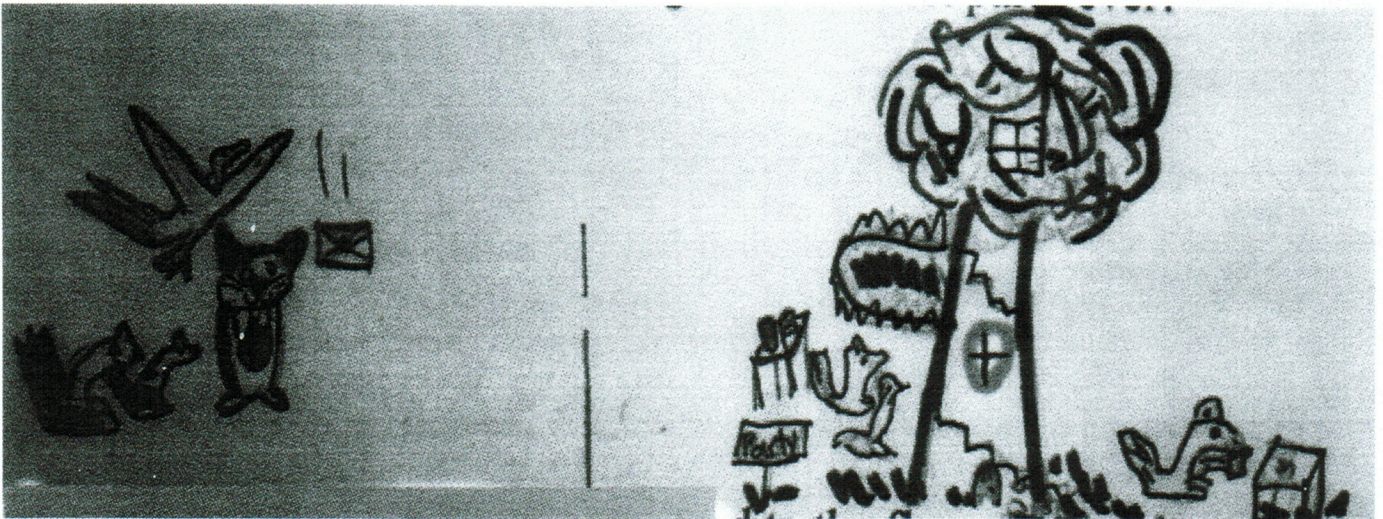


Tommy felt embarrassed. He ran away to talk with his friends. Sandy and Skipper the squirrels were his best friends in the whole wide world. They were his neighbors in the next tree over. His friends felt sad for him so they decided to come up with a plan.



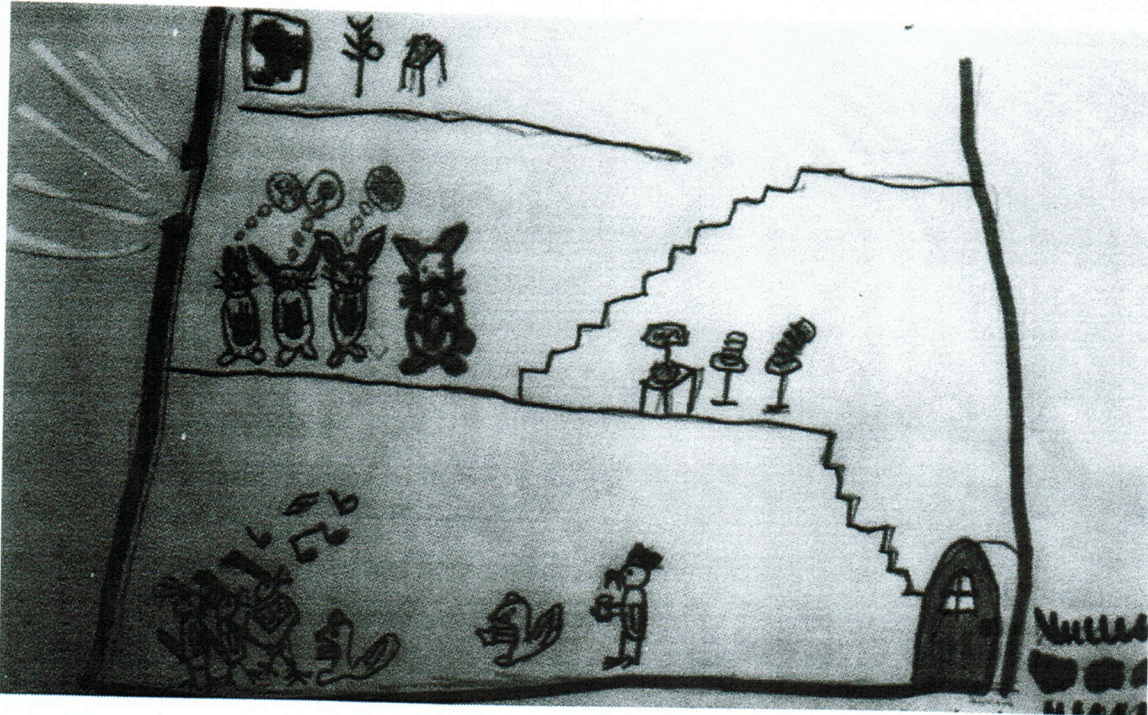
They were going to make flyers and pass them out to the entire town. They were going to have the biggest and coolest party at Tommy's house in the tree. This was going to be the best party ever!

Many people around the town replied to the flyer. Tons of rabbits, birds, and squirrels were going to attend. They were all so excited. The friends made carrot cake, worms n' dirt, and acorn butter sandwiches to share.



On the day of the party, many friends started to arrive. Everyone was amazed at Tommy's tree home. They began singing songs and enjoying treats. They even played the game, "Pin the leaves on the tree". Tommy began feeling much better until the bully rabbits walked by.

Since Tommy was such a kind and mature rabbit, he decided to invite the mean rabbits over too. The bully's were confused to be included since they knew they were mean to Tommy. They decided to check out his tree home. They hopped up the side steps and they squeezed through all the guests. They admired his beautiful view up in the tree. They started to feel really bad for bullying him. They were kind of feeling jealous too.



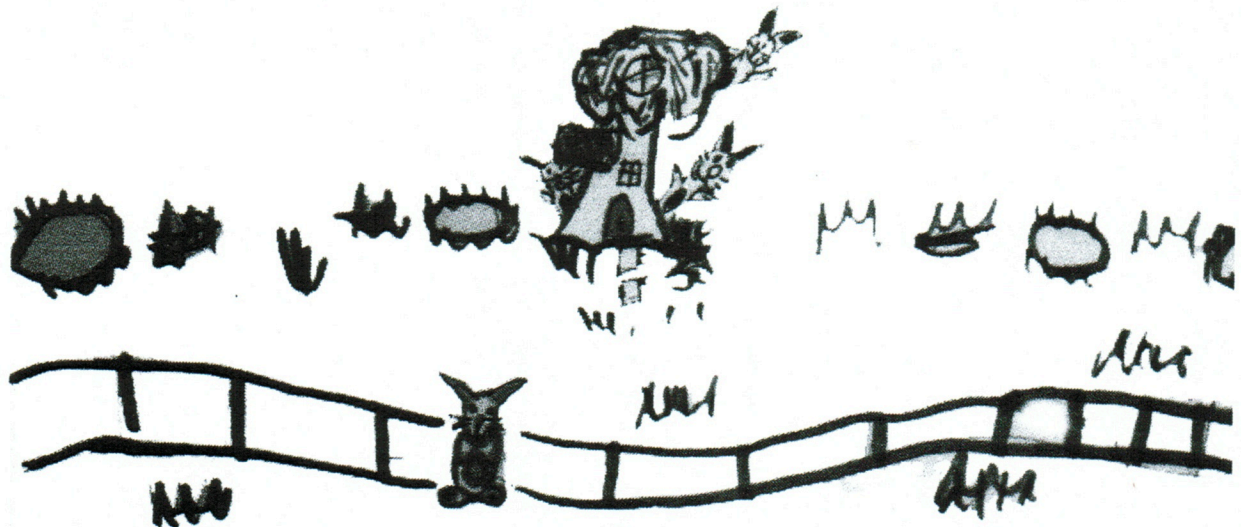
The next day, Tommy was feeling confident about his home and happy he included the bullies. He knew the bullies were impressed and fascinated by his unique home. When he ran into them at school they said, "You know what Tommy, thank you for inviting us yesterday. We must say we are feeling pretty bad for making fun of your amazing home!" Tommy accepted their apology.

One week later... his new friends invited Tommy over to their house. They were beginning to be good friends. As Tommy walked down the street toward their rabbit hole he heard,

"SURPRISE!"



Tommy looked up and saw that these friends now live in a tree home too. He was grateful for his new friends.



The end.

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