

A Hard Start Maketh A Good Beginning.

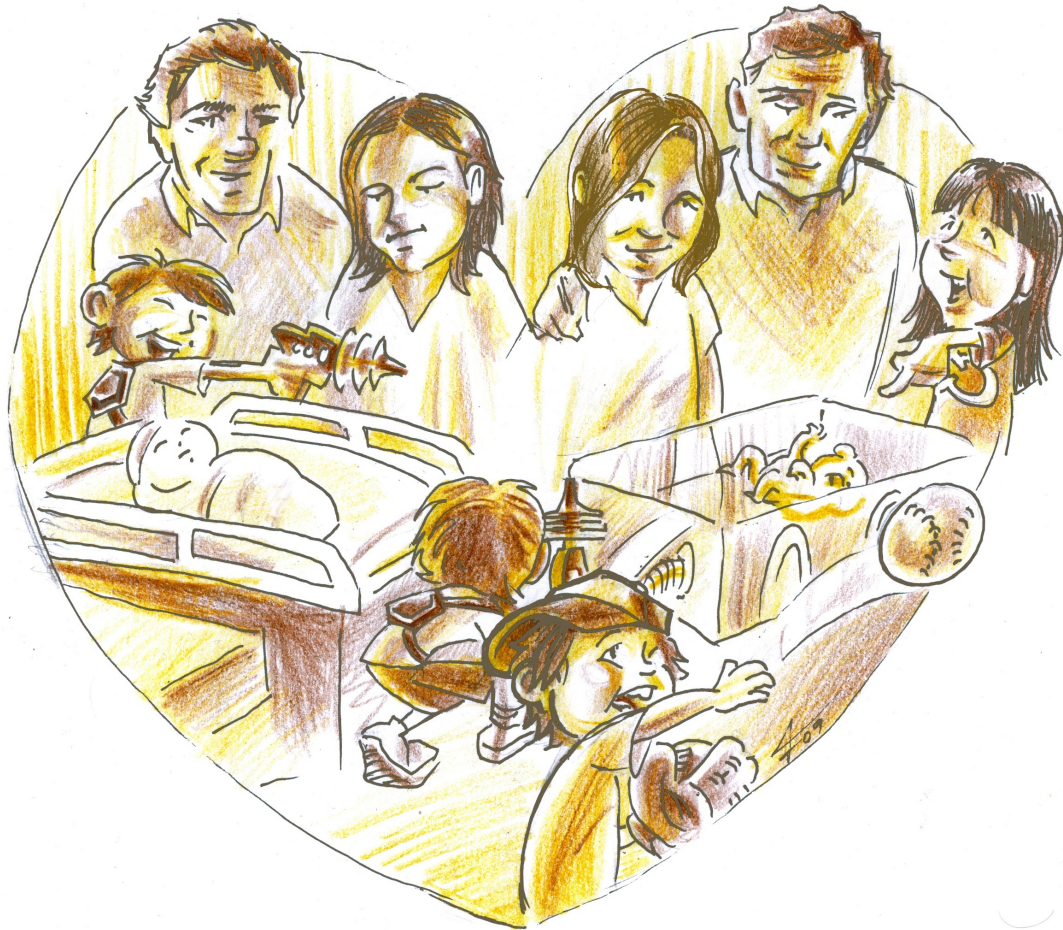
Joey and Doug Take the Scenic Route

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You, Me, and Us

Once upon a time in a land far far away, a beautiful, smiling little girl was born. Her name was Joanna Dale. Before she could talk, Joanna would spend long hours in her crib dreaming about her prince charming.



A few months later, a tiny baby boy was born. His name was Douglas Isydor.

This boy and this girl never really noticed one another as the years went by.



Then one day, as Doug stumbled late into a college class, he noticed Joanna's peering eyes fixated upon him. His chocolate eyes had not changed and his khakis remained the same. But, Joanna realized that he had grown taller and was looking less scrawny. Could he be The One now that they could see eye-to-eye?



Joanna knew deep in her heart that Doug was a diamond in the rough.

With her usual persistence, friendliness, and grace, Joanna worked on uncovering the hidden treasure.

No small task! It required breaking down walls, a few sly dating tricks, and bundles of patience.

To achieve victory, she drew on her super-heroine powers.

It was the perfect recipe for the future.





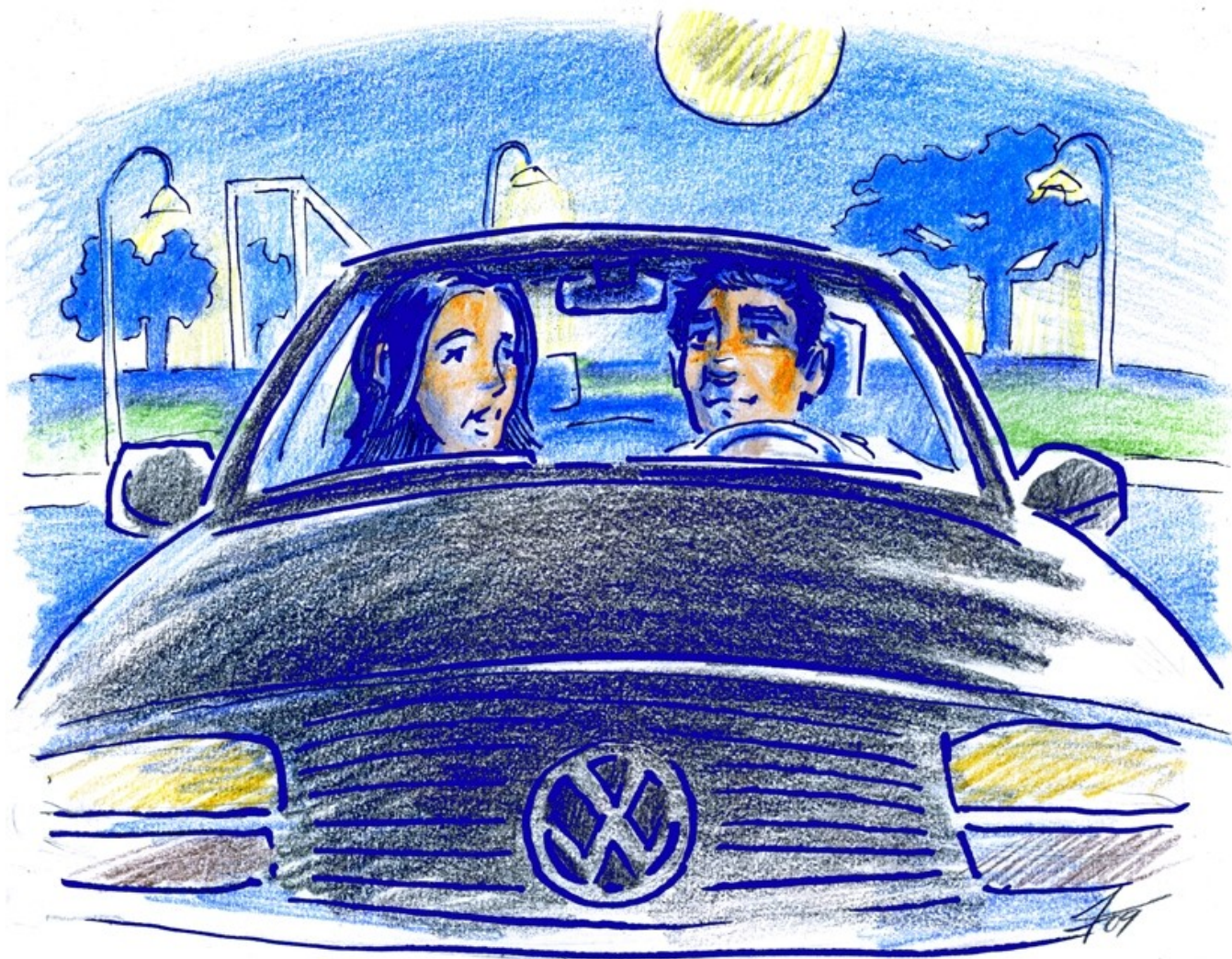
Meanwhile, Doug would stay up into the wee hours of the morning thinking about kissing Joanna.

And, for those six[☼] months, Joanna wondered what was wrong with her that this boy was not trying to kiss her.



☼ This lapsed time has been purposely underestimated for obvious reasons

This pattern of behavior and miscommunication continued for some time.



Until one day, Doug mustered the courage to invite her to watch a movie in his love shack.

A mere centimeter from one another, they lay watching a movie...

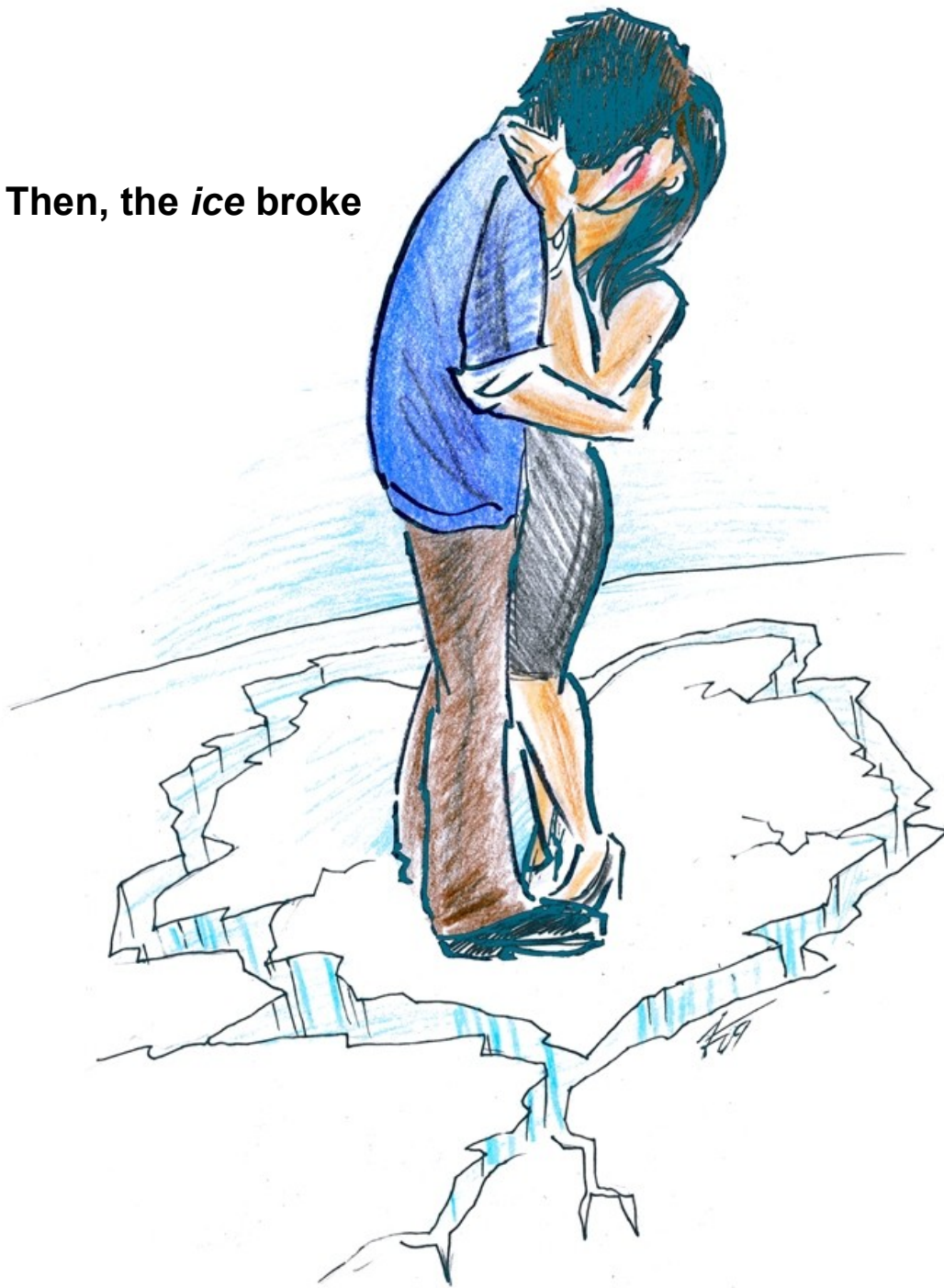
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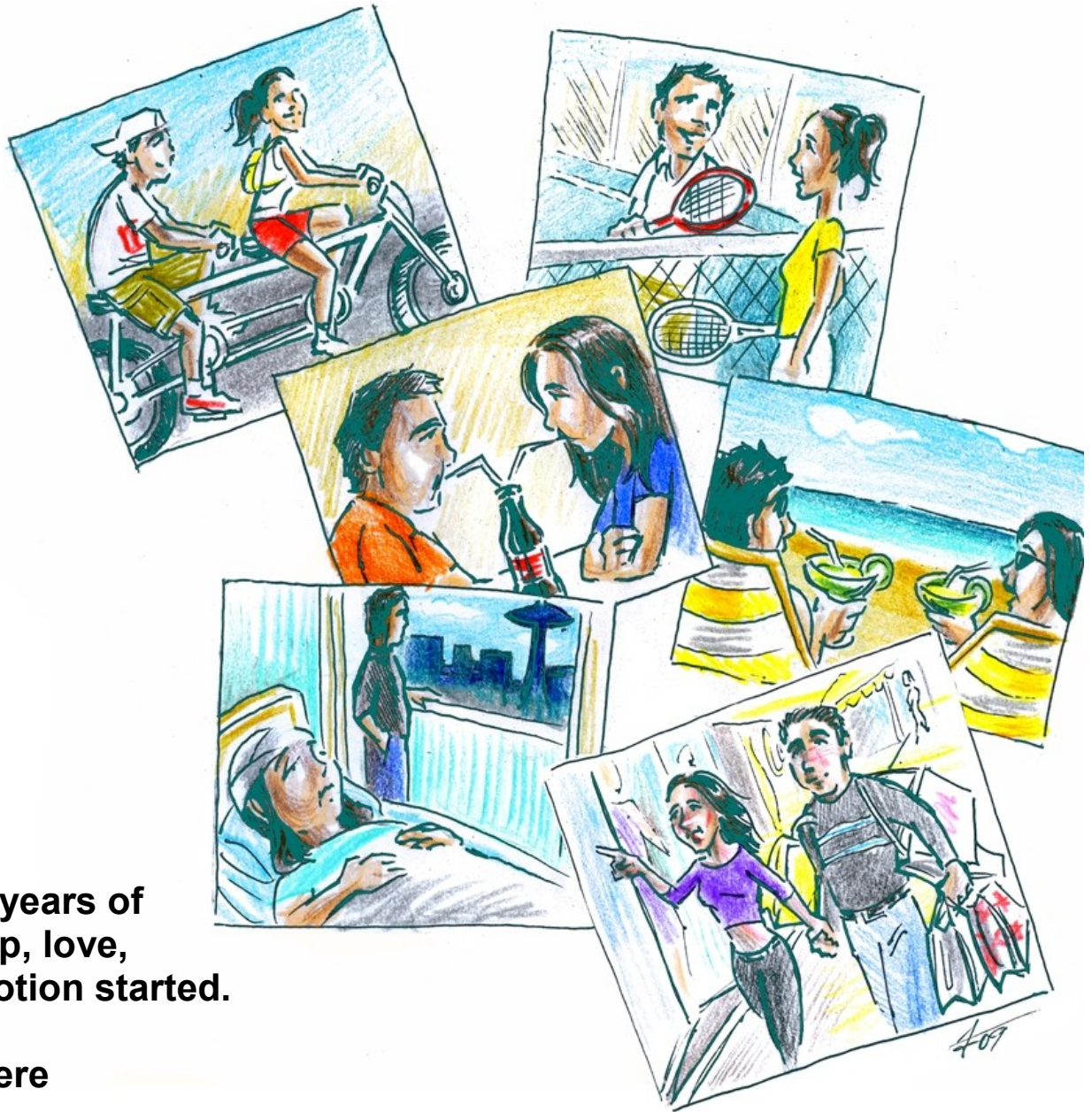


After movie...

It was undeniably a Hard Day's Night!

Then, the *ice* broke



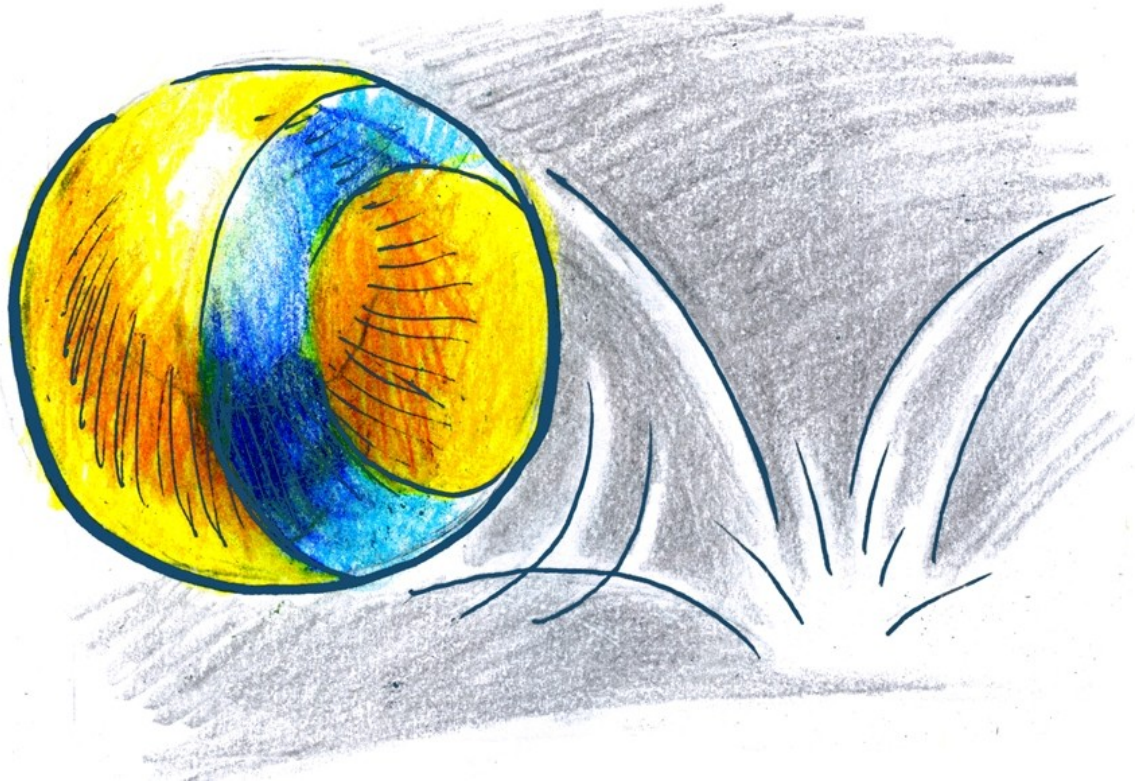


**7 whole years of
courtship, love,
and devotion started.**

**There were
laughs
fights and tears,
good and some bad times.**

It was magic!

There were some interruptions along the way. But, the rubber ball always came bouncing back to its natural home.



Joanna and Doug loved each other with all their might.

Over the years, their bond grew stronger and their devotion was infallible.

It was indeed a resilient relationship.

Doug moved to New York City in 2006; the city that never sleeps but the city where Doug would sleep alone for one whole year.



Over that year, Doug and Joey talked each other to sleep every night, sometimes until the sun was shining into Joanna's room in Montreal and Doug's apartment in New York.

Luckily, Joanna made the big move to the big city to be with the big love of her life. At last, they were reunited and both knew that this time it would be forever.

With this leap, their first home was created in New York City.





Every night, Joey and Doug would drift off together, dreaming about their future. They knew that their love would carry them through the ages.

So, one day in March, after a lengthy treasure hunt, Doug popped the question at...



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And,
she
said,
'YES!'



...and they lived happily ever after!



These pages will continue to be filled with love as we change, add,
and walk together in happiness.



