

Introduction

**“Oh no Casey, we’re running out of time!” yelled Sealy
“I don’t’ want to be a puppy: cried Casey. “I’m a little boy”
“Don’t’ worry Casey, we’ll still love you and take you for walks.
How we feel about you will never change.” Said Mumbo**

Have you ever wondered what it’s like to be misunderstood. No, I mean really not be understood, to not be able to say the things that are on your mind or even understand other people. As if you are speaking a different language. Why do I do things other people may think are strange but is so calming to me? It is as if we’re in different worlds. Maybe I am in my own world. I’m not really sure, but come along and find out with me.

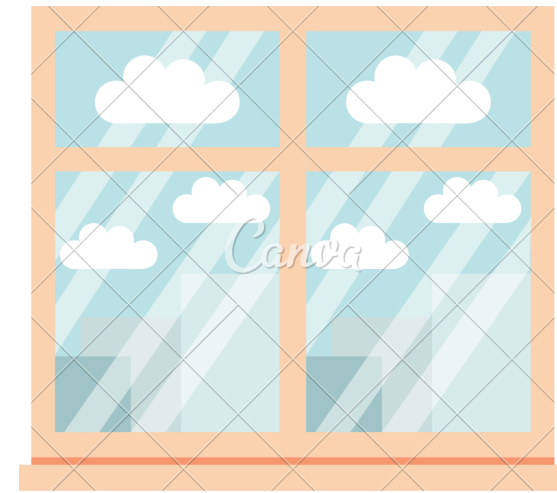
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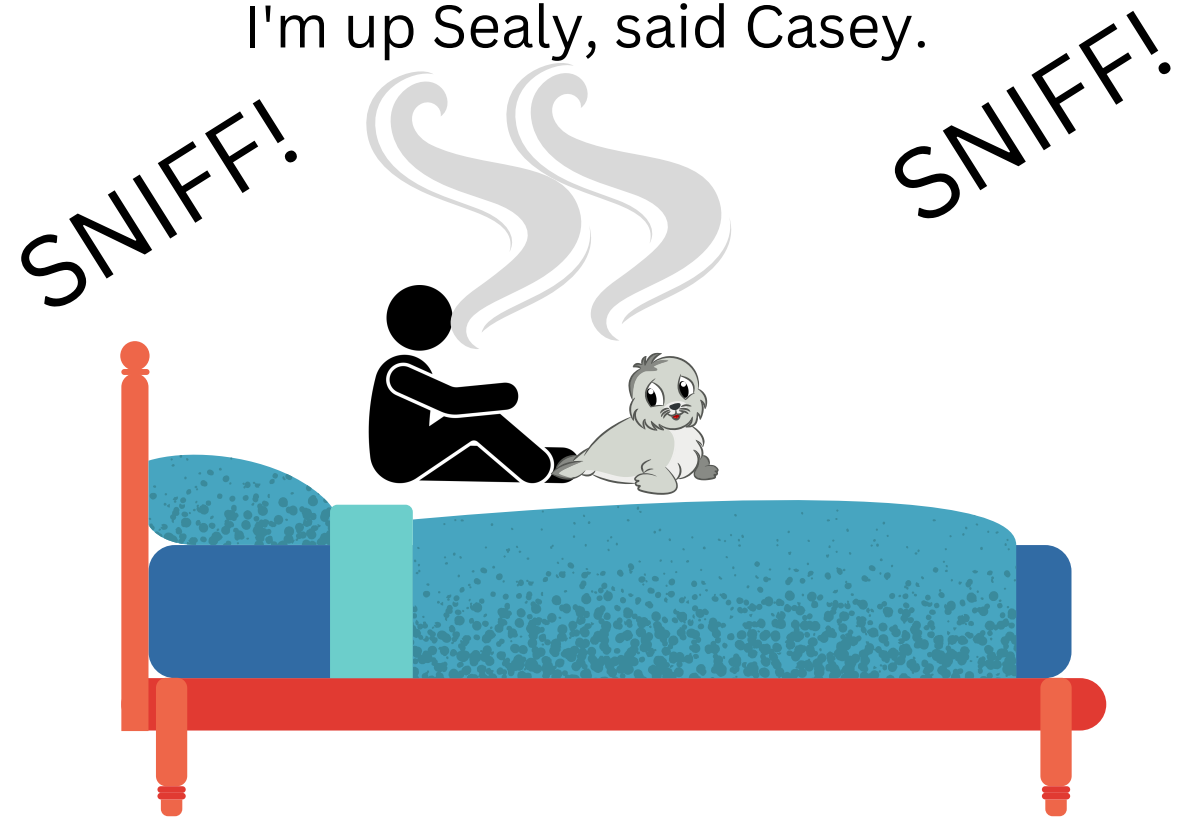
Dedication



Casey, WAKE UP!!
said Sealy



I'm up Sealy, said Casey.



(Casey will be sitting up in bed)

(This will be a full little boy's bedroom.)

I smell.....

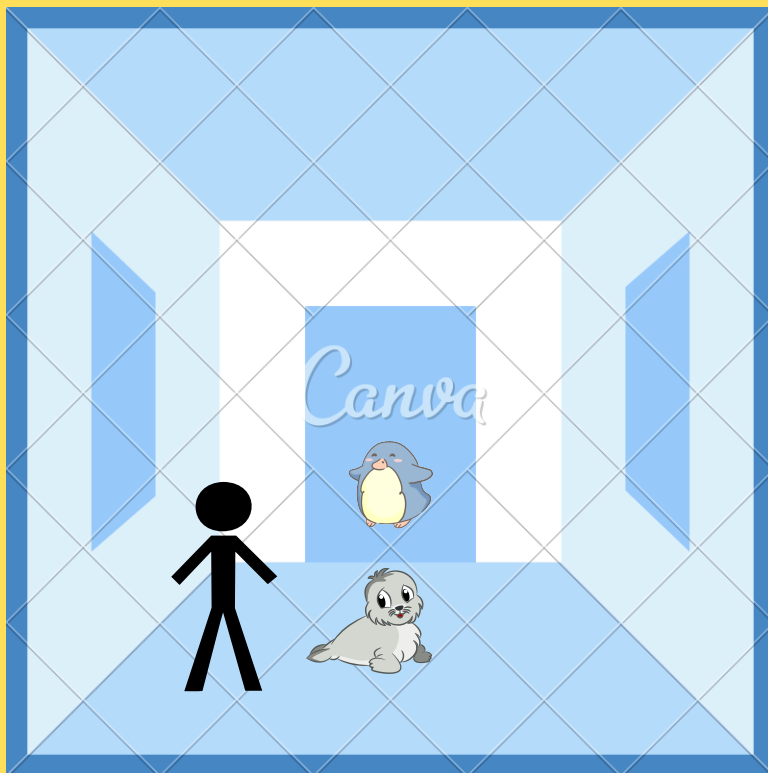
PANCAAAAAKESS!!!!



(Casey's and Sealy's face with these big puppy eyes, not just eyes)

LET'S GO!!!!
cried Casey and sealy

Hey guys, wait for me, said Mumbo.



Mombo tries to go with Casey and Sealy, but they were too fast.

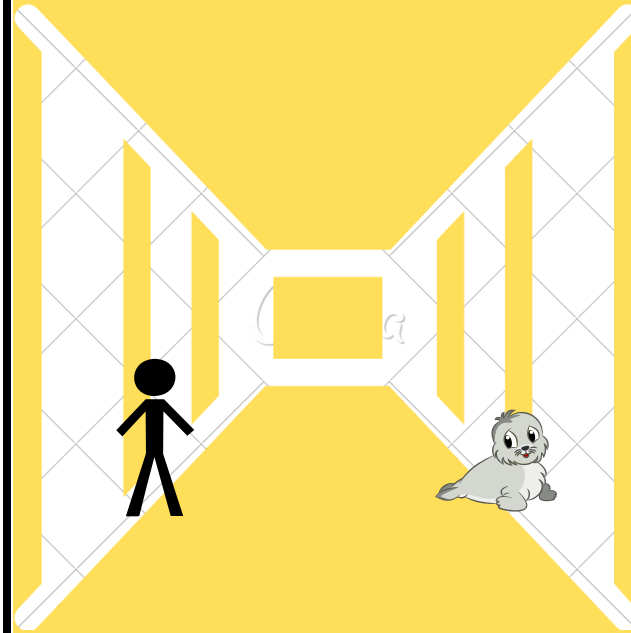
(The fast "smoke follows Casey & Sealy

Considering the door of bedroom at the right side and Mumbo in doorway and you see the backs of Casey & Sealy down the hall with "fast smoke behind

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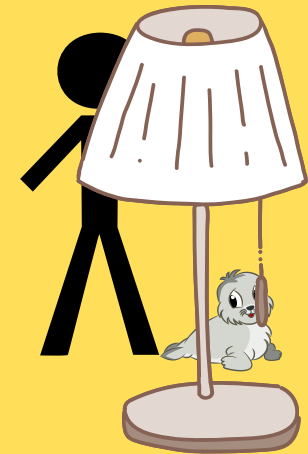
Casey pretends he is on a mission to get the pancakes without mommy seeing him.

Into the hallway



FREEZE!!

Behind the lamp.



FREEZE!!

Behind the couch.



FREEZE!!

Casey and Sealy make their way to the kitchen
without being seen.

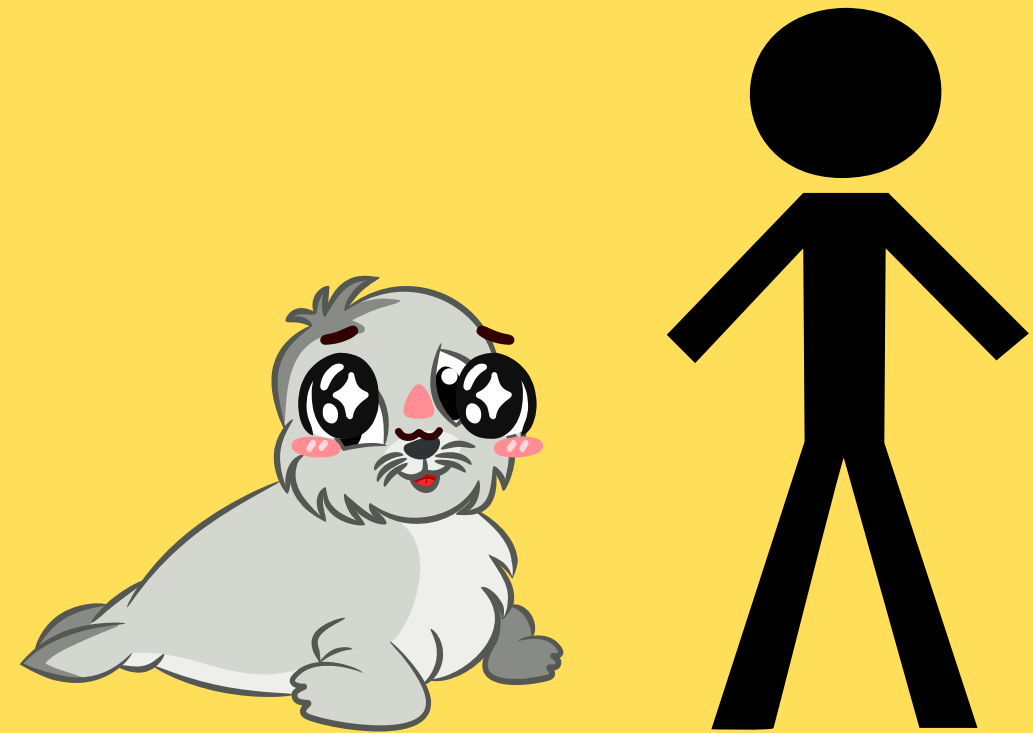
"There's the target" said Casey, pointing to pile of
hot delicious pancakes on the table.



(Pancakes will have chocolate chips & blueberries)

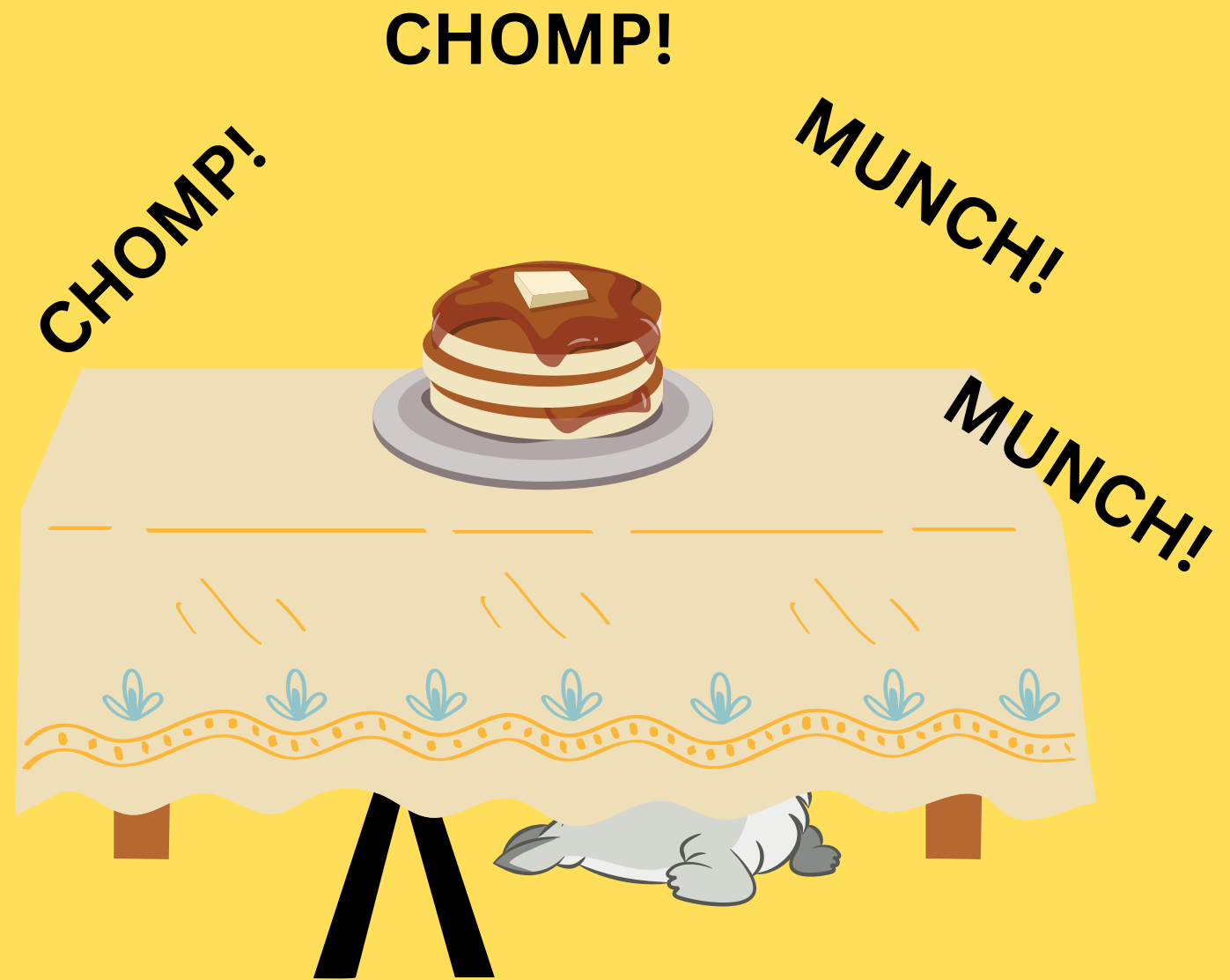
(Some coloring underneath the plate to indicate table
cloth...maybe)

"And they have **CHOCOLATE CHIPS**
and **BLUEBERRIES!!!**" cried Sealy.



"We have to be quiet" warned Casey

Casey and Sealy make their way under the table.
Casey snatches two pancakes. "One for you and
one for me" says Casey.



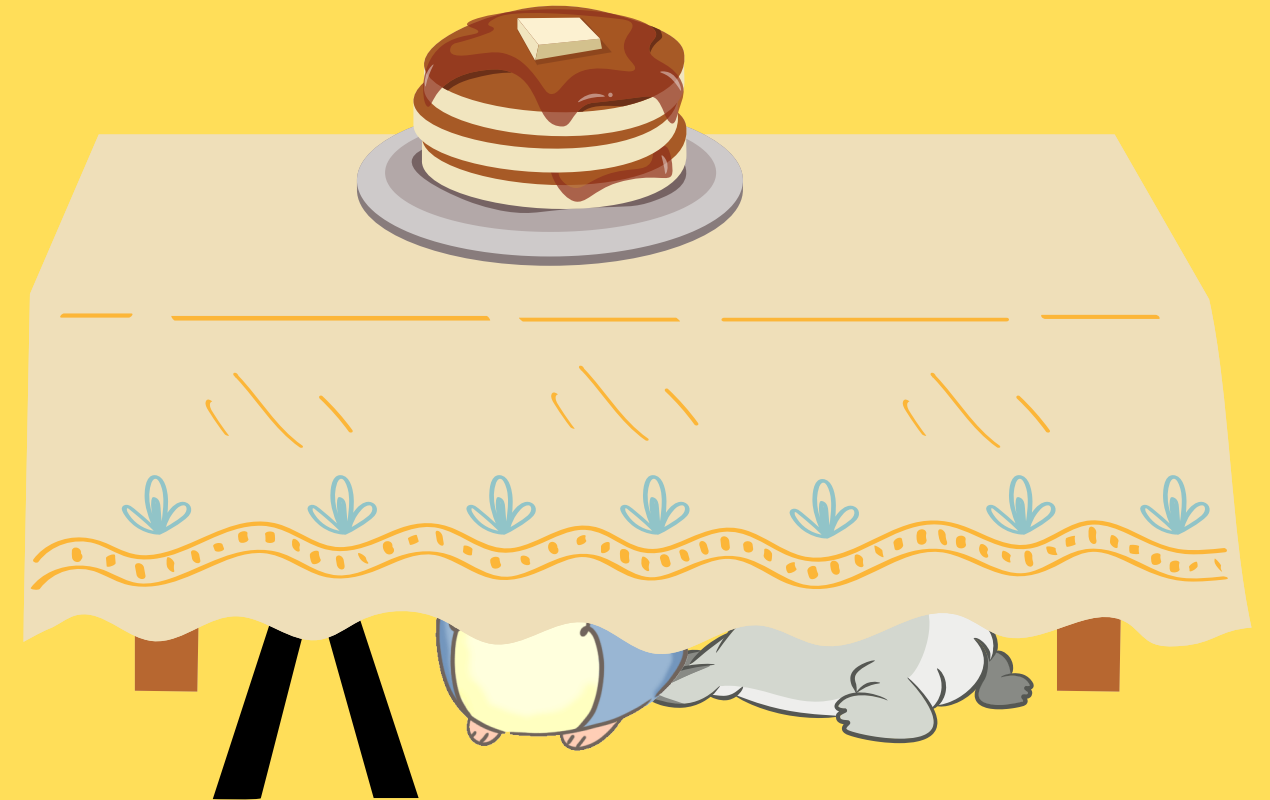
SO YUMMY!!!

(Other items will be on the table. Items that are indicative of having
breakfast.)

"I made it! May I have a pancake please? asked Mumbo



"No, you're too late", scoffed Sealy



Of course you can Mumbo, here you go" said Casey.

(not sure about this page. I want all of them under the table talking but showing their faces.) I don't want a page similar to the one above.

(Sealy will not be happy in this scene because she doesn't really like Mumbo.)

Casey's mommy doesn't notice a few pancakes missing because she is talking on the phone with Casey's auntie Peppa.

"I'm not sure, the doctor said it was autism, and he needs to start speech and occupational therapy." Casey's mom said sadly.



"Did you hear what your mommy said Casey?" asked Sealy.

**"I did, but what does it mean" said Casey.
"The doctor said you have PAWPISM"
cries Sealy.**

"OH NO...OH NO.....OH NO!!! Do you know what this means Casey" asked Sealy.



(Sealy has tears coming out of her eyes)

"No, what does it mean?" asked Casey.

It means that if we don't find a cure by the time the clock strikes 8 o'clock tomorrow night, you are going to grow....

PAWS!!!!

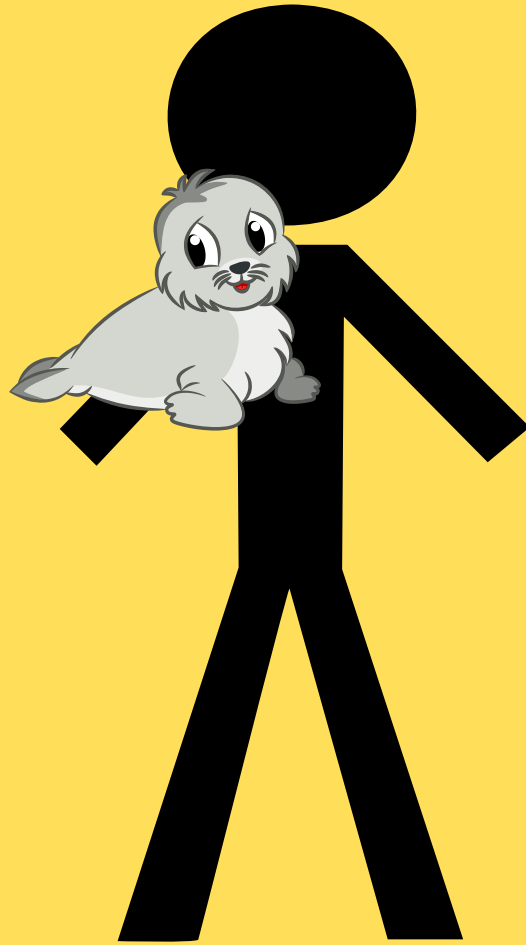


And turn into a puppy.



OH NO!! I don't want to be a puppy, I want to be a little boy." cried Casey.

**"Don't' worry Casey, we'll find a way".
Reassured Sealy.**



(Sealy is hugging Casey to reassure him. At this point they are still under the table.)

**"That does not sound right Sealy, that
doesn't make sense." said Mumbo**



I don't think I asked you, " scoffed Sealy

(In this scene Sealy is annoyed with Mumbo and her face shows she's upset or irritated.)

"You know that little Corgi that lives down the street? He used to be a boy.....that's right....PAWPISM!"



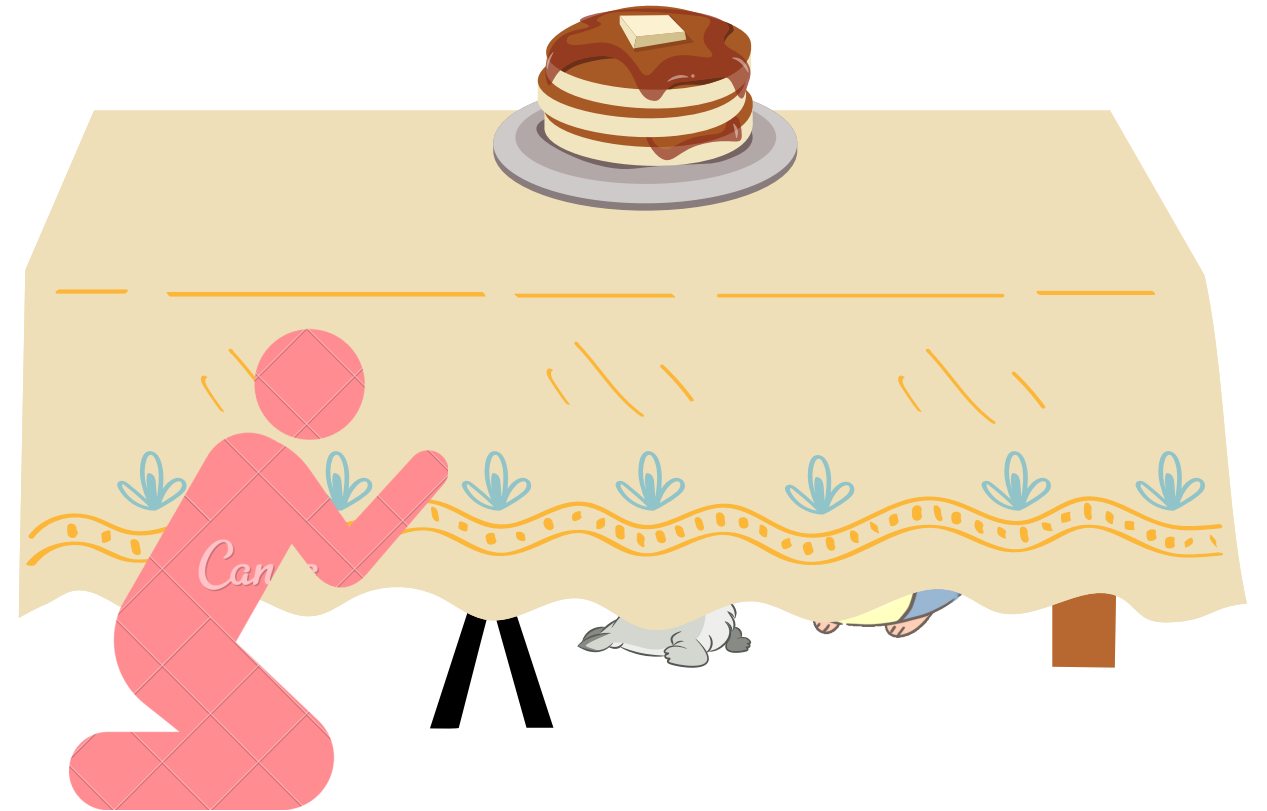
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(Inside the thinking bubble Casey is imagining turning into a Corgi. The picture in the bubble will depict Casey's face and Corgi ears, mouth and paws

"I won't let this happen to you Casey", said Sealy.

Mommy gets off the phone and notices there are a few pancakes missing.

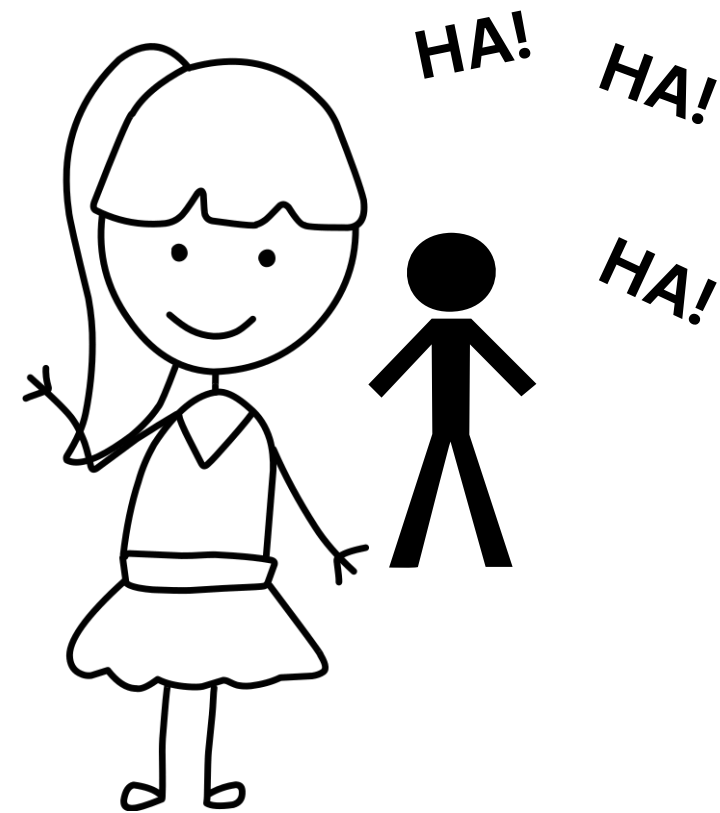
"Hmm..I wonder where some of the pancakes have gone. Maybe a big mouse with 2-legs ate them. Perhaps the mouse is under the table." said mommy



(Breakfast food is still on the table and in this scene the pancakes will be less because Casey, Sealy & Mumbo ate some.)

Mommy peaks under the table. "Got you" said Casey. "no, I got you my love " says mommy as she tickels Casey.

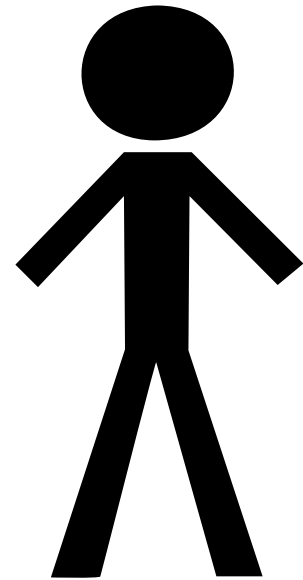
"All done...all done." cries Casey. "Okay, all done." says mommy.



"Okay, let's brush your teeth and wash your face and let's have a real breakfast", said mommy.

(Picture of mommy tickling Casey.)

Even though Casey enjoyed one of his favorite breakfast, he kept on thinking about turning into a puppy.



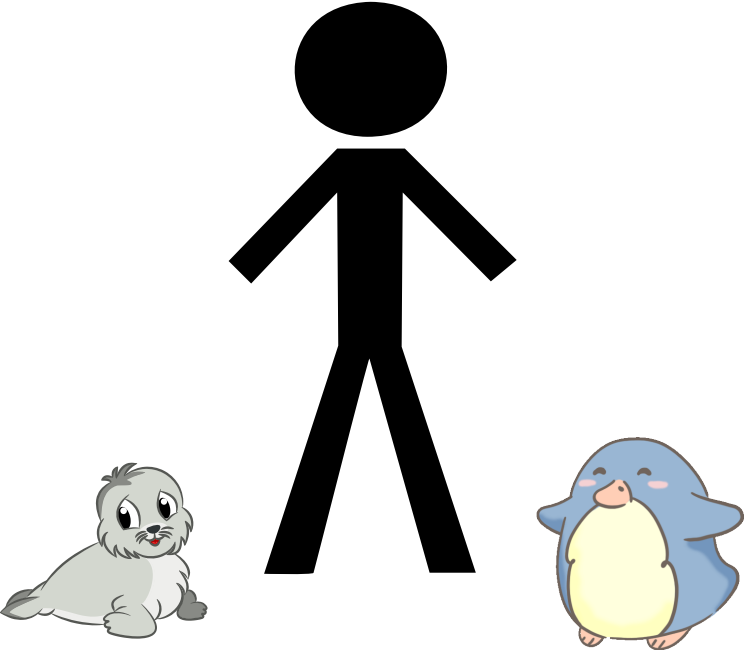
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**"Aha! I have an idea. Come on Sealy and Mumbo" said Casey.
What are we going to do?" asked Mumbo**

First, let's fill my swimming pool with lots of mud. Then, cover me with mud from my head down to my little toes. This will stop any dog fur from growing.



(This scene is still in the house. In Casey's room)

They head to the backyard, Mumbo Sealy & Casey fill the swimming pool with all the mud they can. Mumbo & Sealy help Casey cover himself with thick gooey mud, from his head down to his little toes. Mud was everywhere.

"Yay, we did it, no puppies here! ", exclaimed Sealy.



(Should this picture be in the box above?)

(Casey splashing in pool of mud)

Mommy went into the backyard.

**"Casey, what are you doing? What is going on here?"
yelled mommy.**



**Mommy was not happy, but Casey was not able to
tell mommy why he was completely covered in mud
from his head down to his little toes.**

(Casey, Sealy, and Mumbo all have sad faces here).

He just looked at her with a sad face.

**He wanted to tell her he didn't want pawpism,
but didn't know how.**



**"I'm sorry I yelled Casey, let's get you cleaned
up.", sighed mommy**

**(Mommy's face looks tired and frustrated, Casey is sad in this picture.
Casey has dirt all over his hands, feet, face etc.**

The next morning Casey woke up bright and early.

"We have a lot of work to do guys.", said Casey.

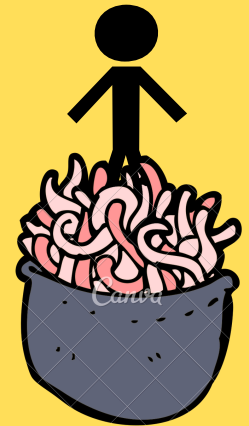
Casey tried everything to stop from turning into a puppy, like:

(page in the right should be a montage of all things Casey is doing stop pawpism. Something similar to the right)

Standing on his head

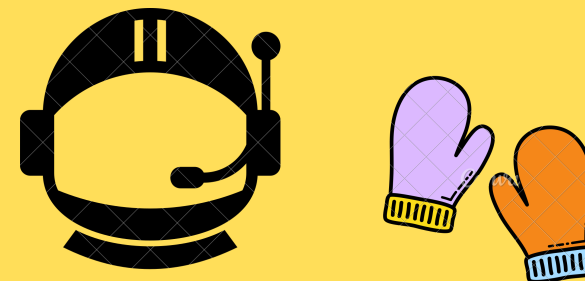


Standing in a bowl of worms.



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Wearing a big helmet & gigantic mittens



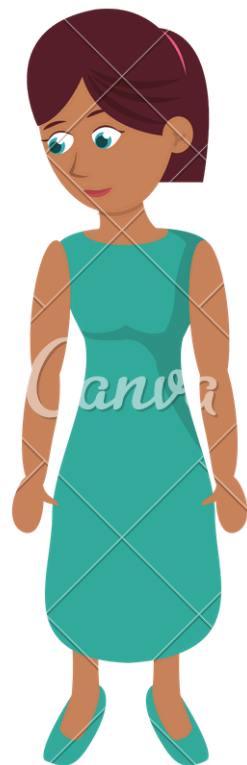
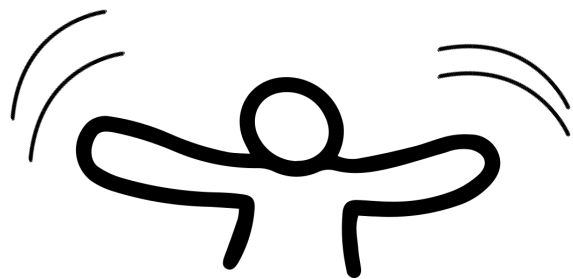
(picture of Casey wearing helmet & mittens. Mittens can be oven mittens, big boxing gloves. Something too big for him)

And eating.....
a CRICKET??



a closer view of Casey's face .
(Casey's eyes are closed with mouth open attempting to eat the cricket)

It was almost 8 o'clock, and Casey was not sure if all that hard work stopped the pawpism. He was feeling sad.

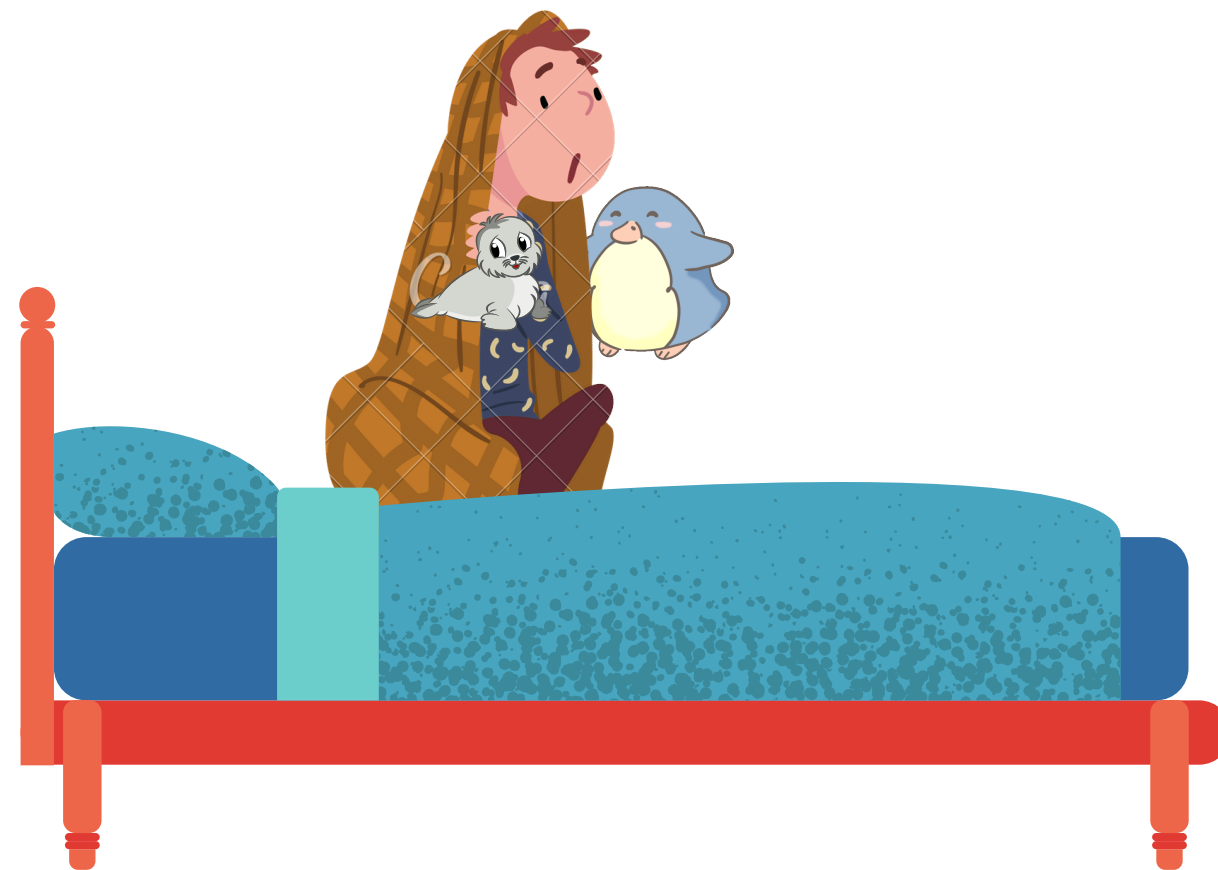


"What's wrong Casey", asked mommy. he moved quickly away from her scared, frustrated and flapping his arms. He then hides under the covers.

(Casey is flapping his arms and has a scared and frustrated face. Mommy has a bewildered and sad face. She doesn't understand why Casey is afraid to come near her.)

He was afraid he might give his mommy pawpism too.

Sealy and Mumbo came out and gave Casey a hug. "It's okay Casey, if you become a puppy, I'll walk you if you need me too." says Sealy.



(Casey's expression is someone who is comforted yet still sad.)

**"WHAT!!! YOU CAN TALK?"
exclaimed mommy.**



(Mom has a shocked facial express seeing Sealy and Mumbo move and talk)

"Yes, we can talk.."



(Scene is in Casey's room. Mumbo and Sealy are on Csey's bed)



"....."

Mommy is shocked.

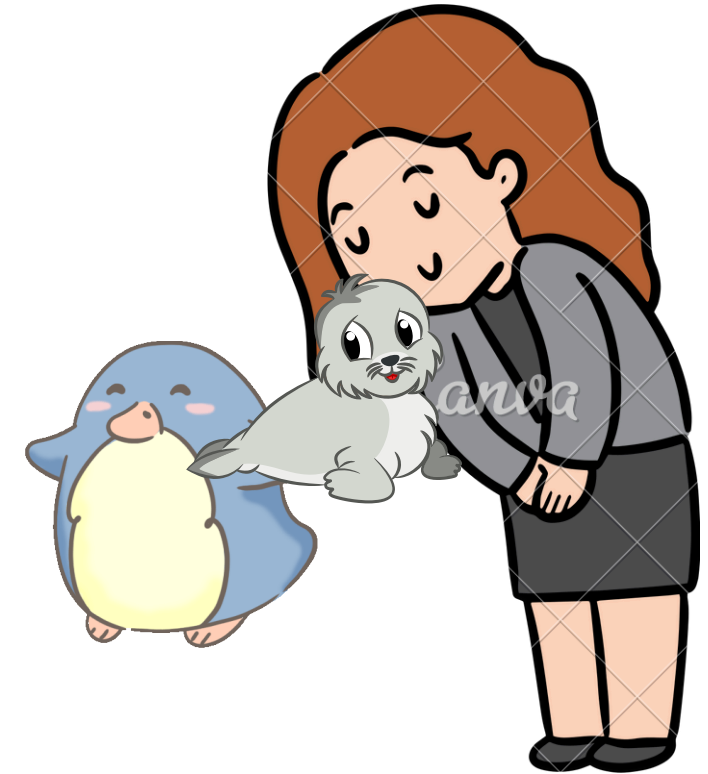
**"But...but...stuffed animals can't talk", said
mommy.**

**Yes we can, we talk to Casey he is our friend.",
says Mumbo.**

Yes we can, we talk to Casey he 's our friend OR we talk to Casey and
he talks to us. He is our friend.

Mommy hold Sealy in the palm of her hand and asks about Casey.

**Mommy picks up Sealy and asks "do you
know why Casey looks sad and scared?"**



**"He's scared because the doctor said he has
pawpism. He doesn't want you to get it
too.", Sealy said.**

"Pawpism?", asked mommy

"You were on the phone and said he has pawpism. Now Casey may grow paws and turn into a puppy.", explained Sealy.



**"OHHHH! Pawpism.
Thank you for telling me Sealy.", said mommy.**

Mommy lifts the cover off of Casey, and asks him "may I have a hug? It's okay, you wont give me pawpism." holding up her hands.

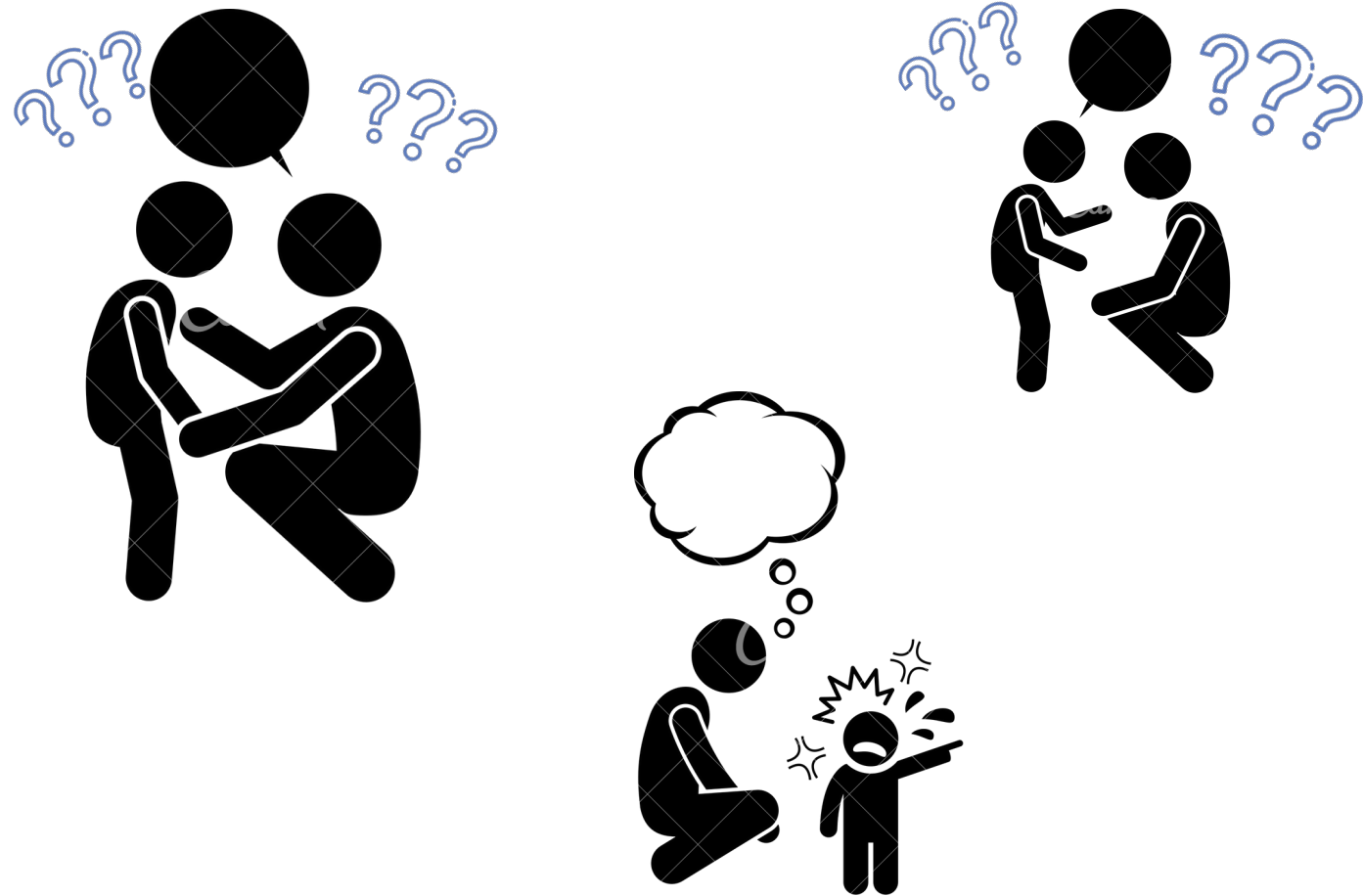


Mommy is holding up her hands (palms facing Casey) in this scene as a symbol of paws, so Casey can understand her.

**Sealy tells Casey it is okay.
Mommy hugs Casey and cradles him in her arms.**

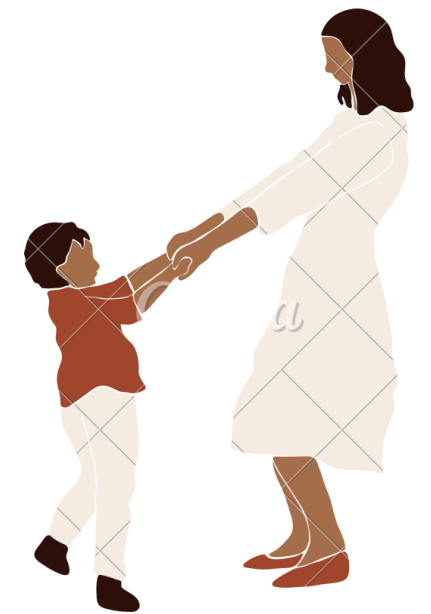


"Casey, you don't have pawpism, it's called autism. You see and feel the world a bit differently than others."



"Sometimes it is hard for us to understand each other."

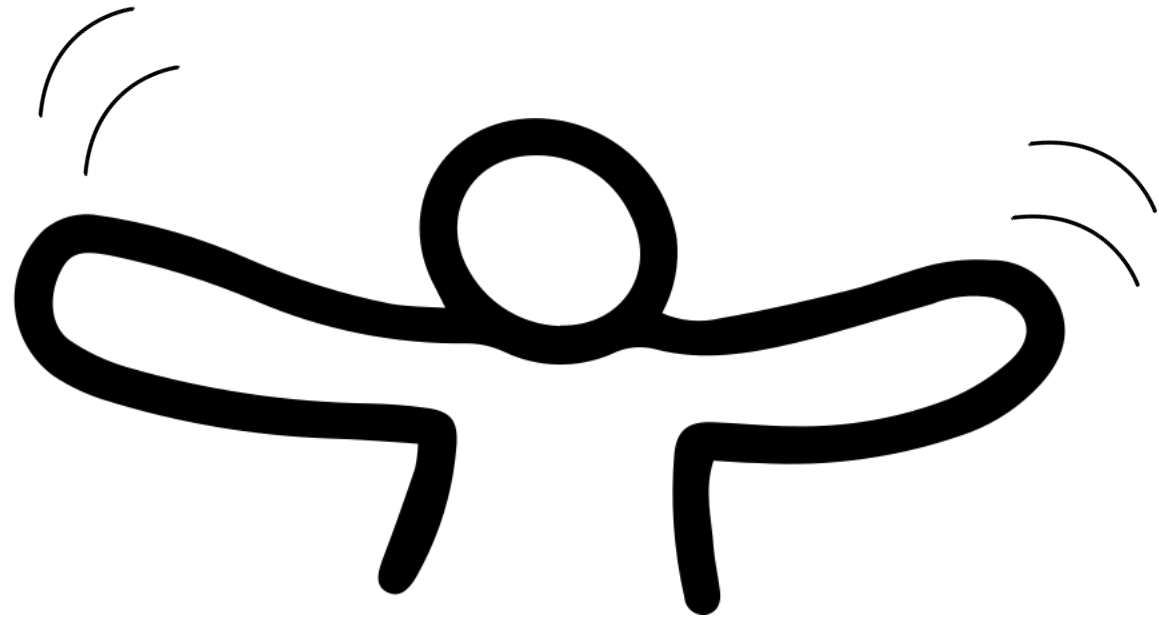
But it's nothing we can't get through together.



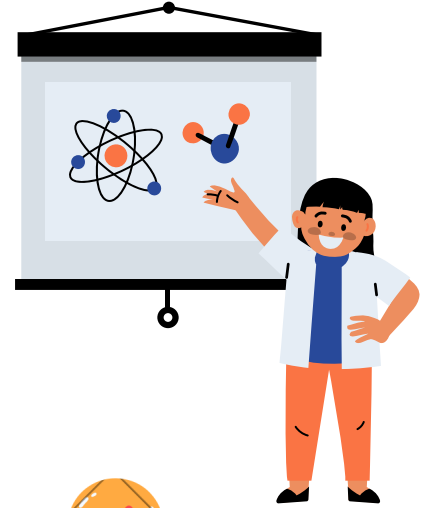
**It's a reason you repeat some things that I say.
That may be a way to help you understand me more
and me understand you, or even calm you.**



It's a reason you flap your arms, and that's okay.



You are awesome, super, brilliant, creative and amazingly blessed.



"No paws" mommy said holding up her hands. You're still an ordinary and extraordinary little boy.", says mommy. Casey smiles and says "no paws".



Mommy, Casey, Sealy and Mumbo all share one giant hug. They all say.....

You are the most fun person I know.

Do you understand what I am telling you? I hope you do." said mommy

NO PAWS

