Medical School Made Me A Doctor

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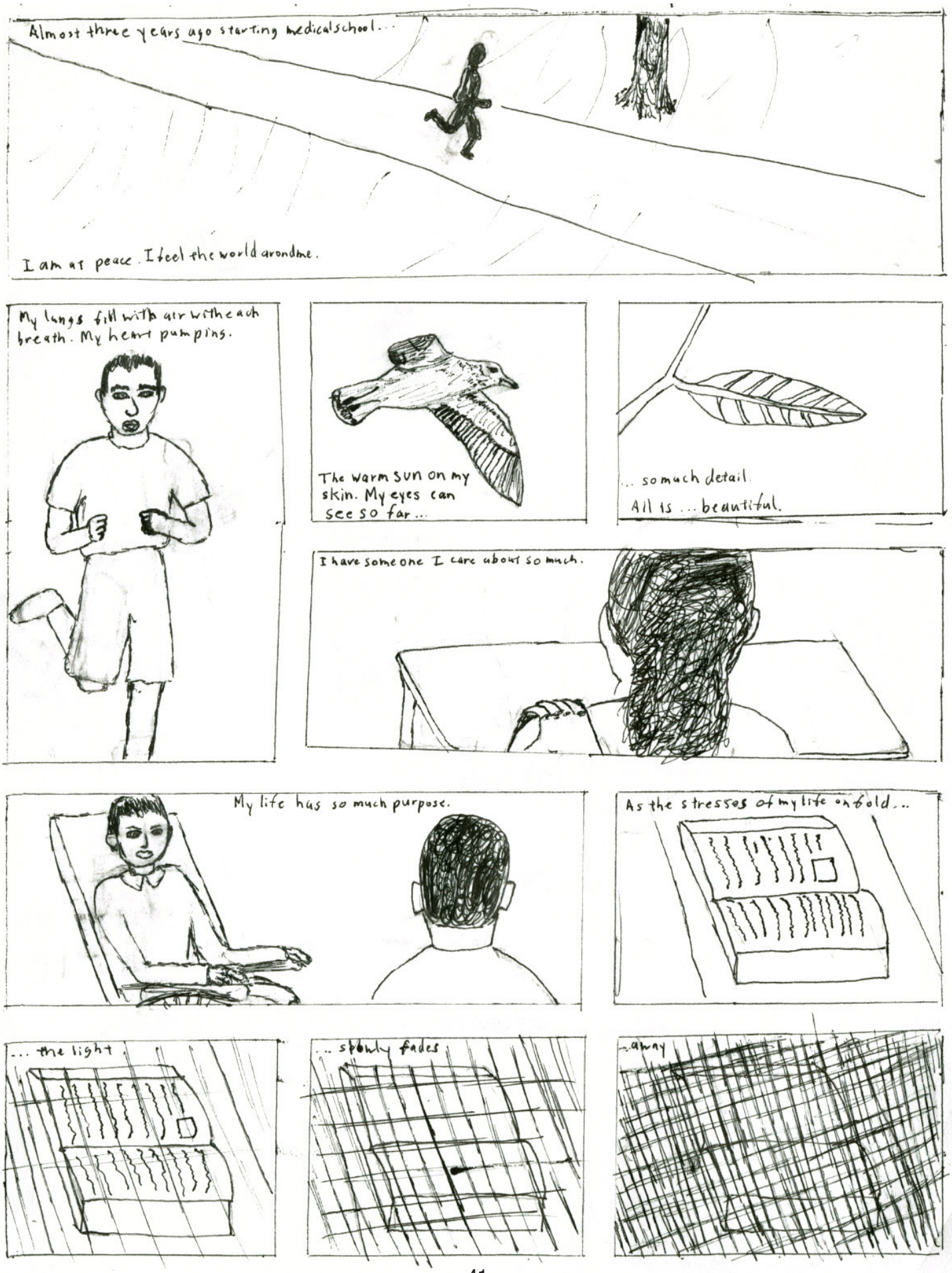
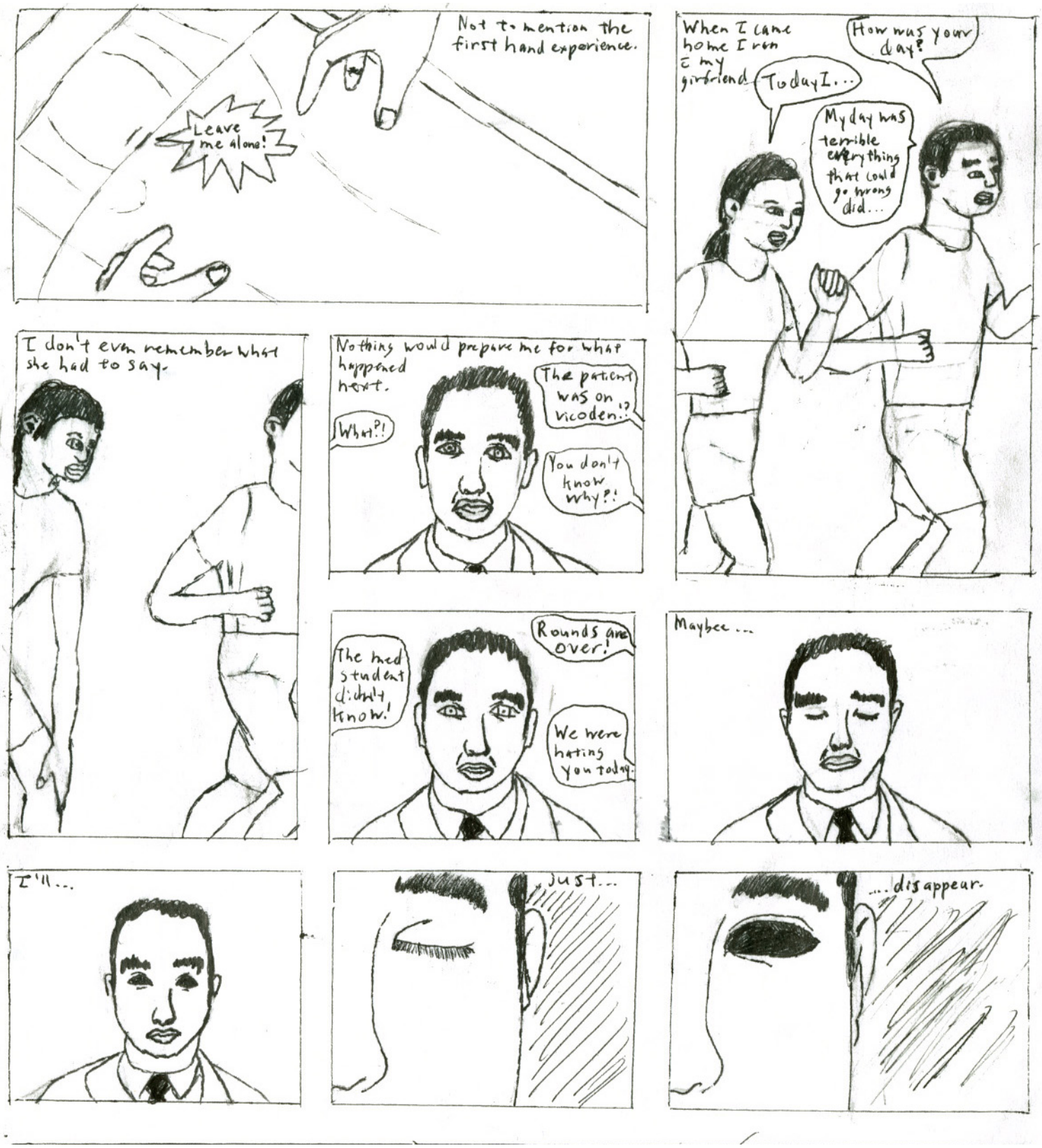
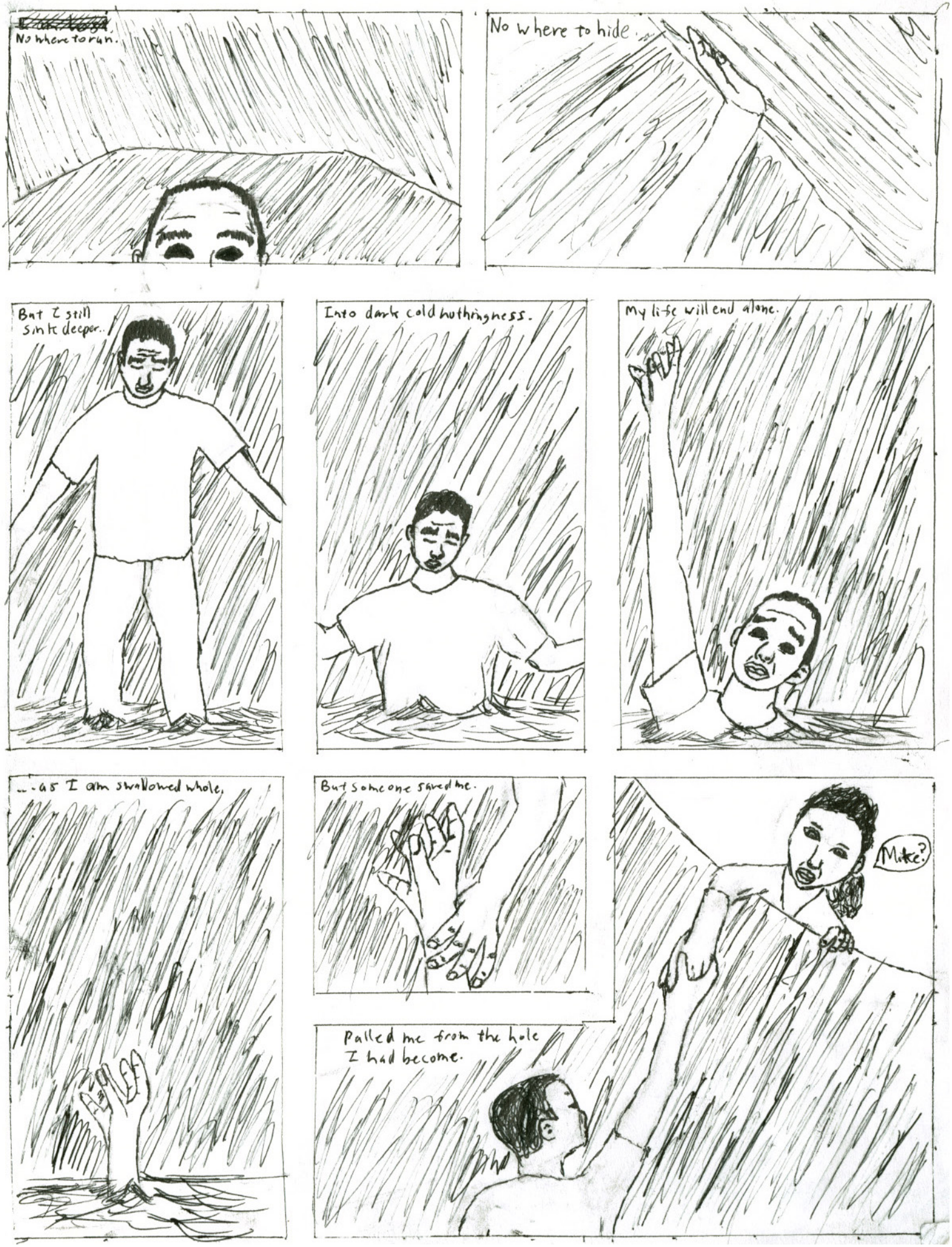


Breathe.
Day 1
Medical student: This patient has metastatic hepatocellular carcinoma. You'll learn a lot from her.
Any questions? feel free to ask.
So I asked questions.
What!
What!
And got answers.
What!


Leave me alone!
Not to mention the first hand experience.
When I came home I ran c my girlfriend
How was your day?
Today I...
My day was terrible everything that could go wrong did...
I don't even remember what she had to say.
Nothing would prepare me for what happened next.
What?!
The patient was on vicoden.!?
You don't know why?!
The med student didn't know!
Rounds are over!
We were hating you today.
Maybee...
I'll...
just...
....disappear.


No where to run.
No where to hide.
But I still sink deeper..
Into dark cold nothingness.
My life will end alone.
...as I am swallowed whole.
But someone saved me.
Mike?
Pulled me from the hole I had become.

How long have I been gone?
Desk is messy. Looks like I was here but I don't remember.
I'm just the medical student
...42yo who presented with metastatic hepatocellular carcinoma...
Is anyone listening to me?
Maybe they are.
I just don't know anymore.
I am already gone.
My patient is dying.
My girlfriend told me about her day.
...I can't believe the patient said that to me. Doesn't he know that I am only a med student.
But I couldn't hear the words.
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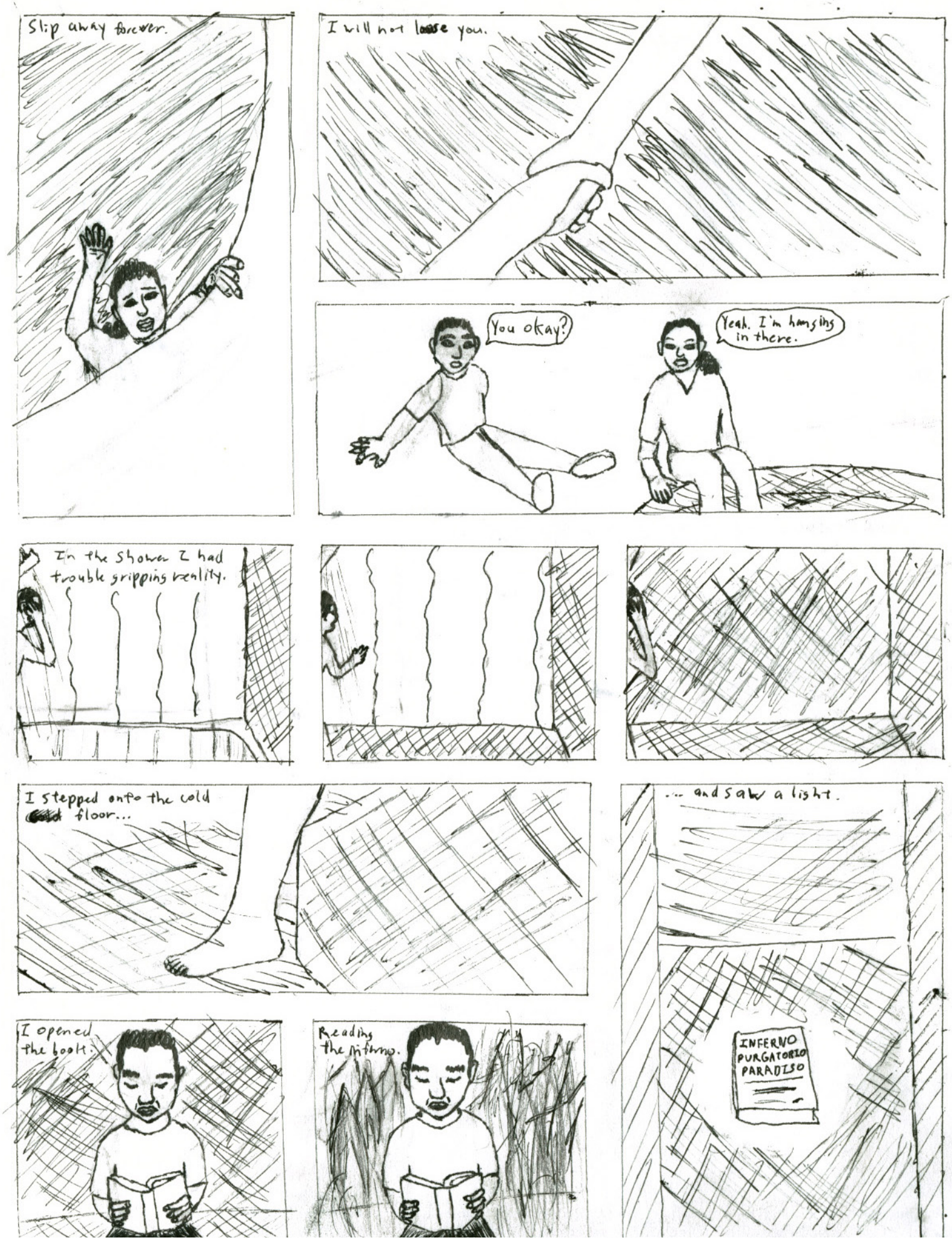
So she fell.


Slip away forever.
I will not loose you.
You okay?
Yeah. I'm hanging in there.
In the shower I had trouble gripping reality.
I stepped onto the cold floor...
... and saw a light.
INFERNO
PURGATORIO
PARADISO
I opened the book.
Reading the Inferno.