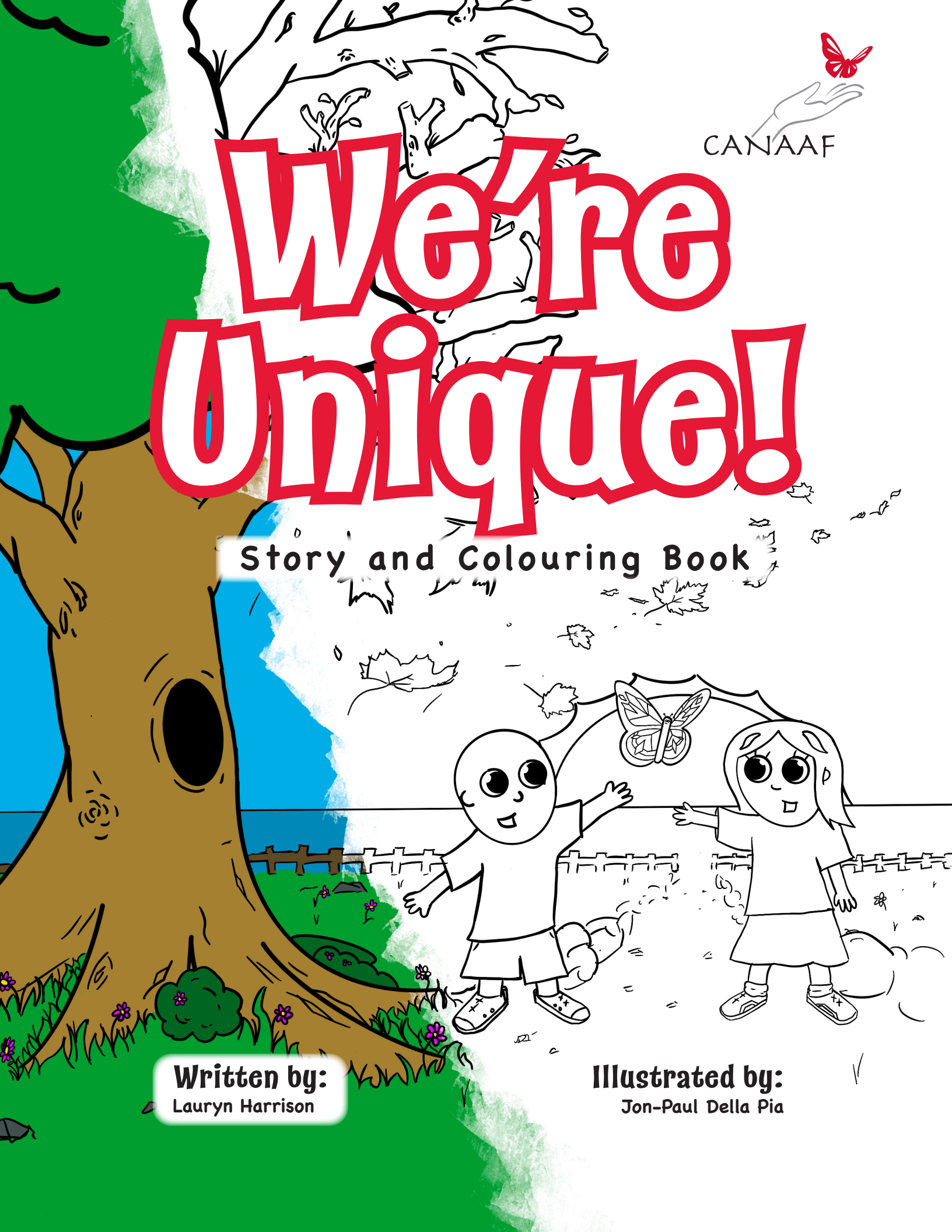




We're Unique!

Story and Colouring Book



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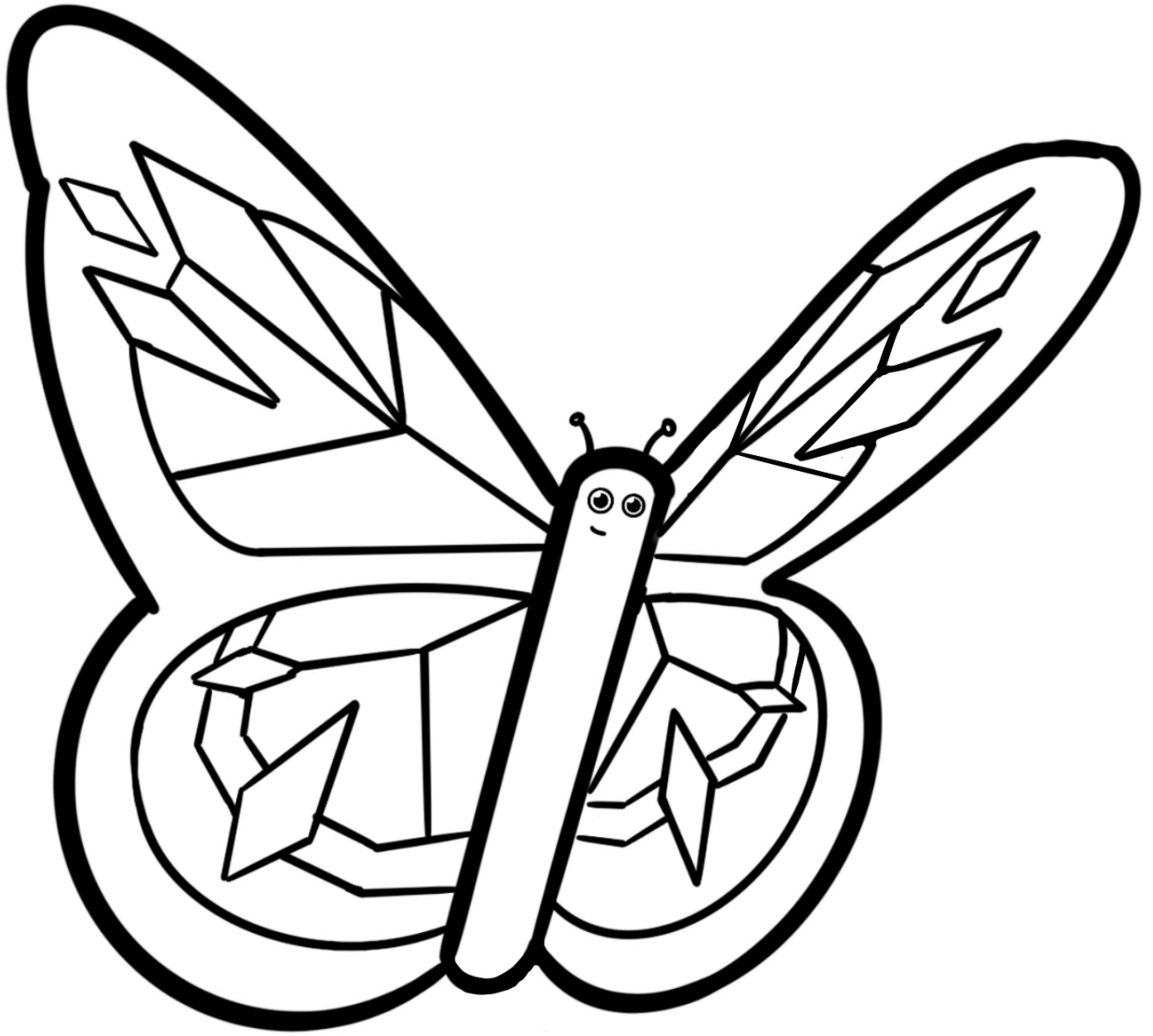
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CANAAF Challenge!!

How many butterflies can you find throughout the story?

Do you know why CANAAF chose a Butterfly?

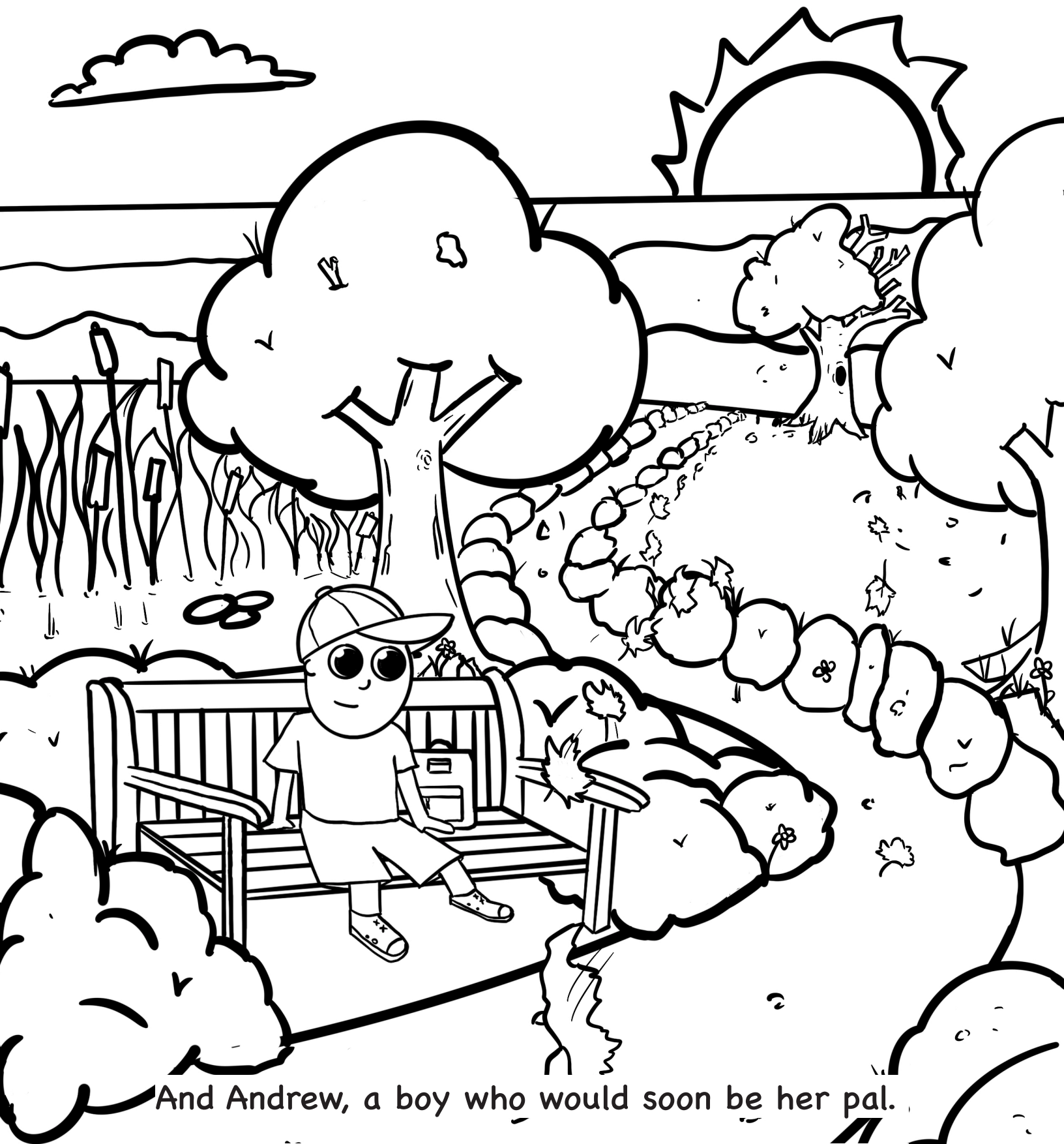
The CANAAF butterfly logo represents transformation, beauty and freedom. Every butterfly looks different, but they have more in common than meets the eye. Just like butterflies are free, people with alopecia areata can live happy and healthy lives and express their uniqueness. CANAAF aims to help transform lives by supporting those with alopecia areata and their significant others, by educating and creating awareness and by raising funds for research.



Our story begins at the Oak park ground
Where a beautiful butterfly flutters around.



Introducing Amy, a bright, young gal



And Andrew, a boy who would soon be her pal.

After school, as they walked through the park
On a friendship journey they would embark.



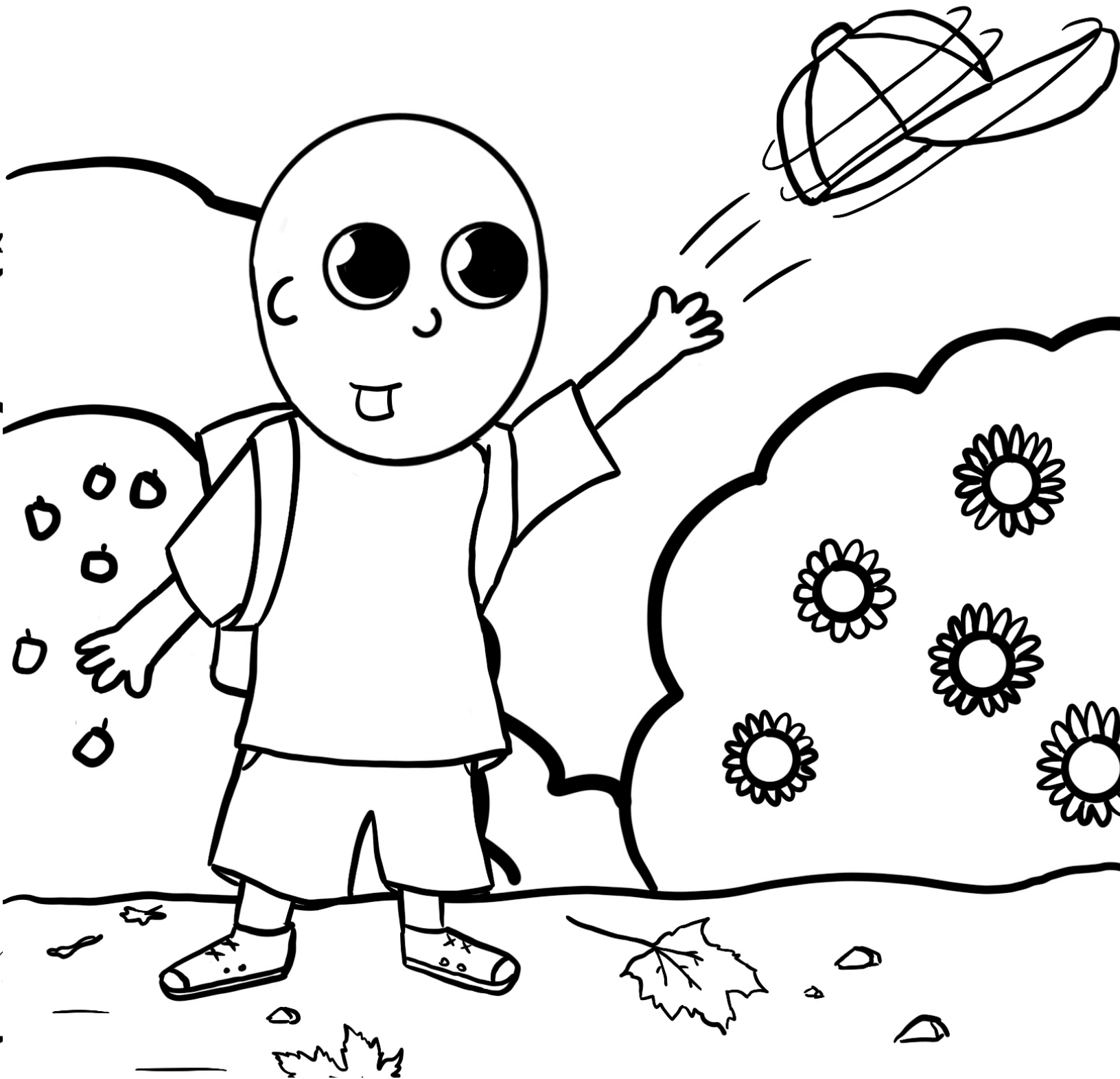
All of a sudden, there was a strong breeze
That swept Amy's scarf off toward the trees.



Now Andrew, who was just across the park
Noticed that Amy was chasing after her scarf.

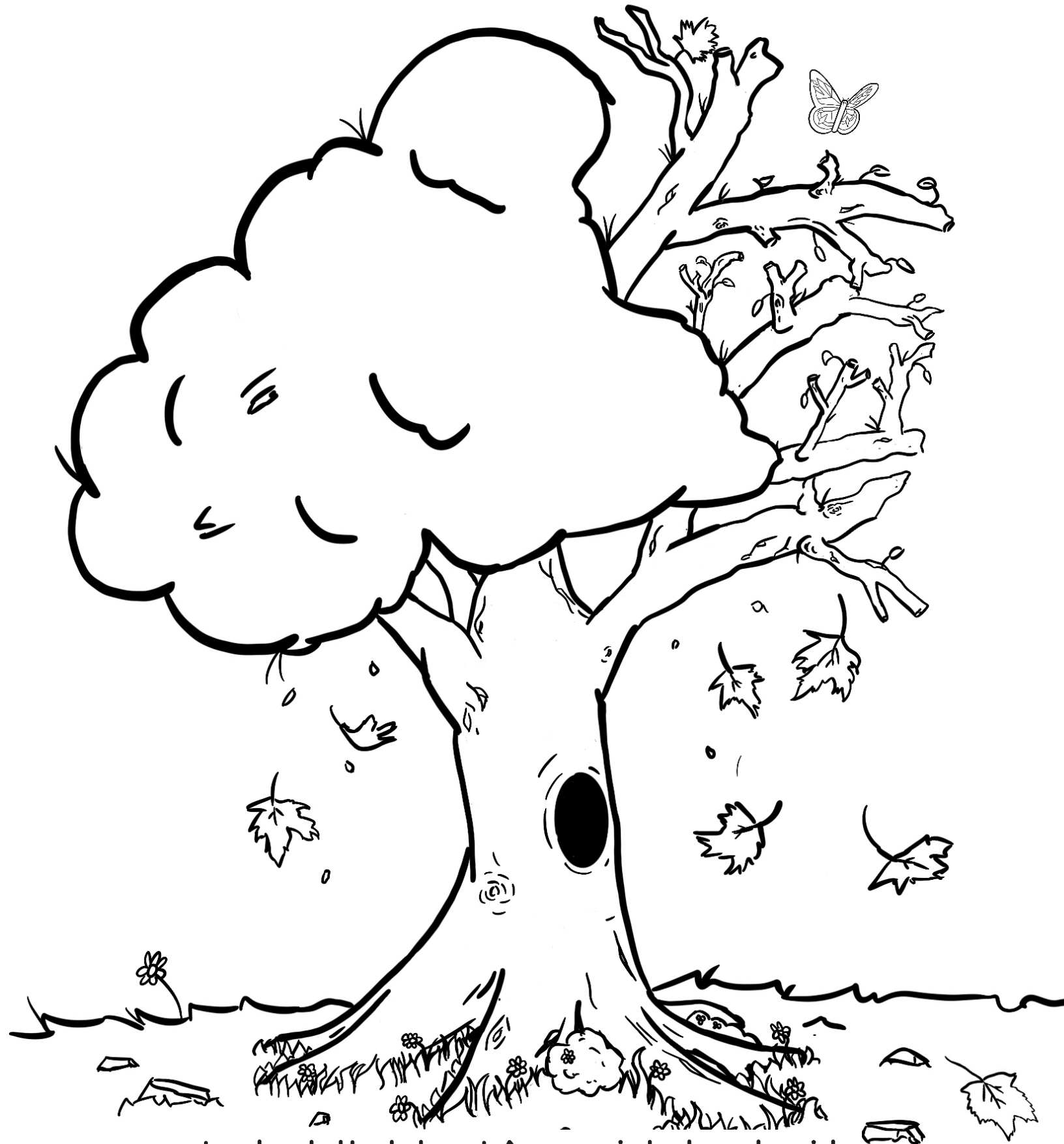


With alopecia areata, Amy had a bald patch
Which she covered with the scarf that she
was trying to catch!

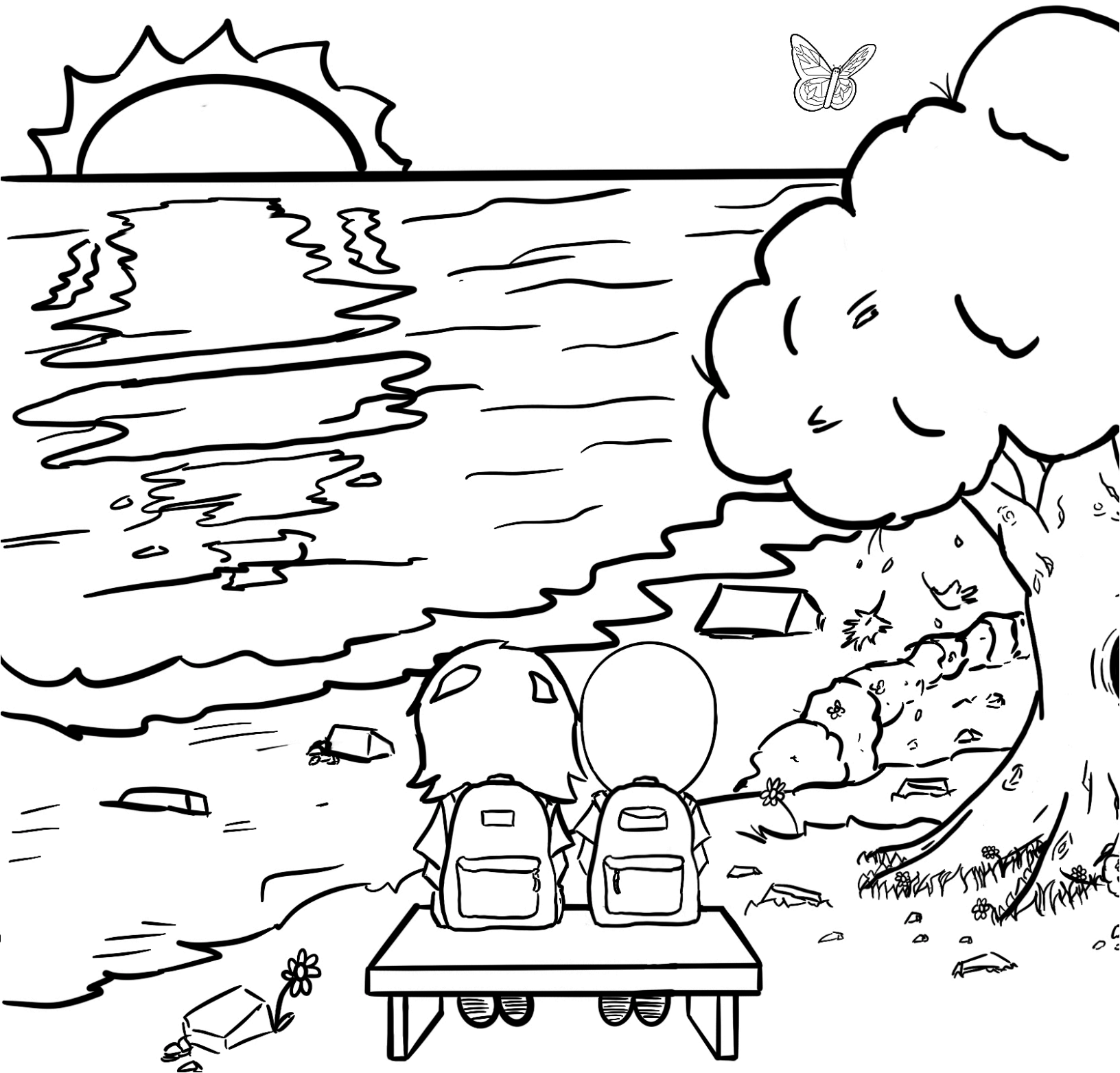


As Andrew walked towards her, Amy became aware
His head was bald! He was missing his hair.

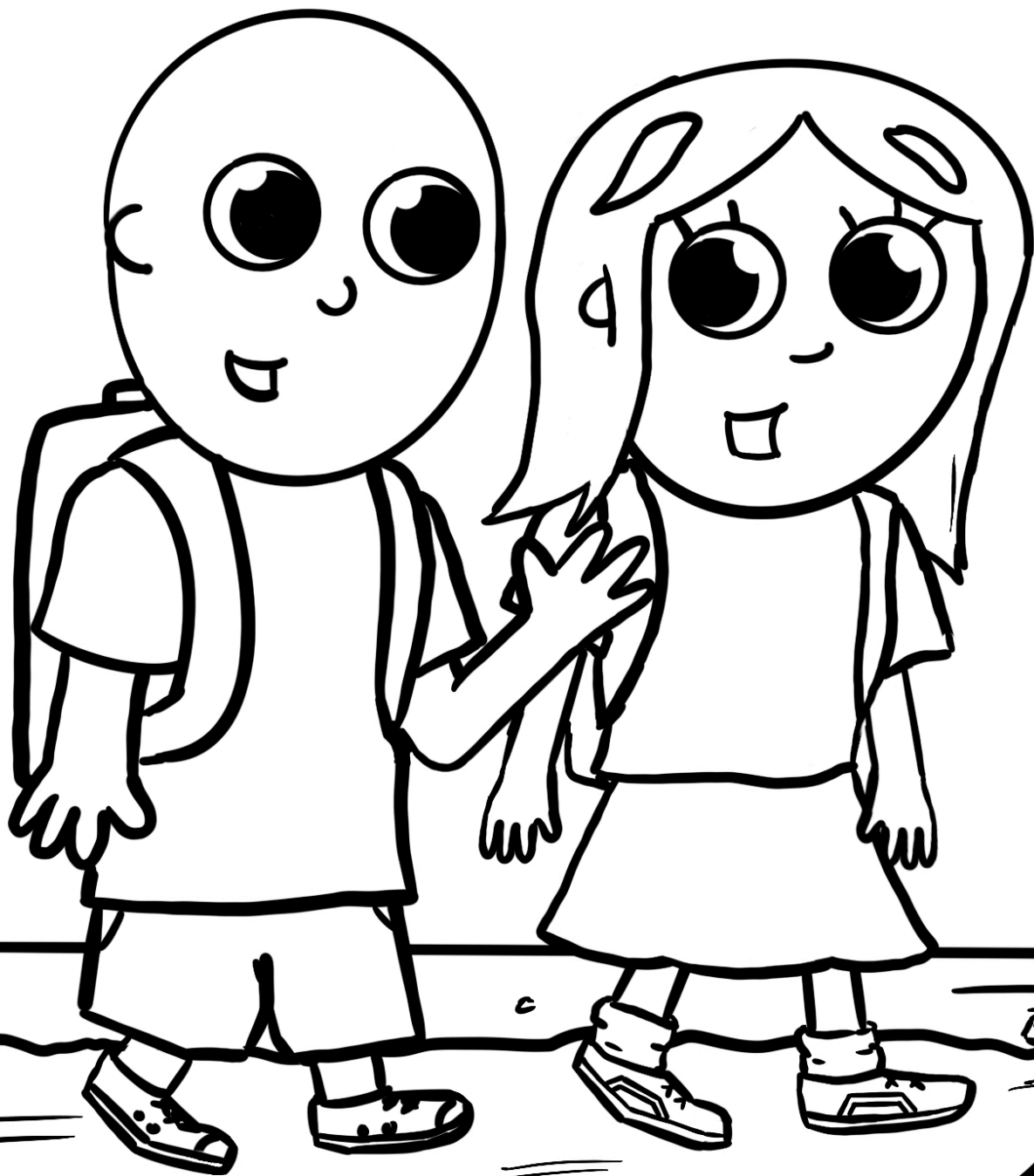
With alopecia universalis, Andrew liked his head bare
He explained to Amy, it was his special flair.



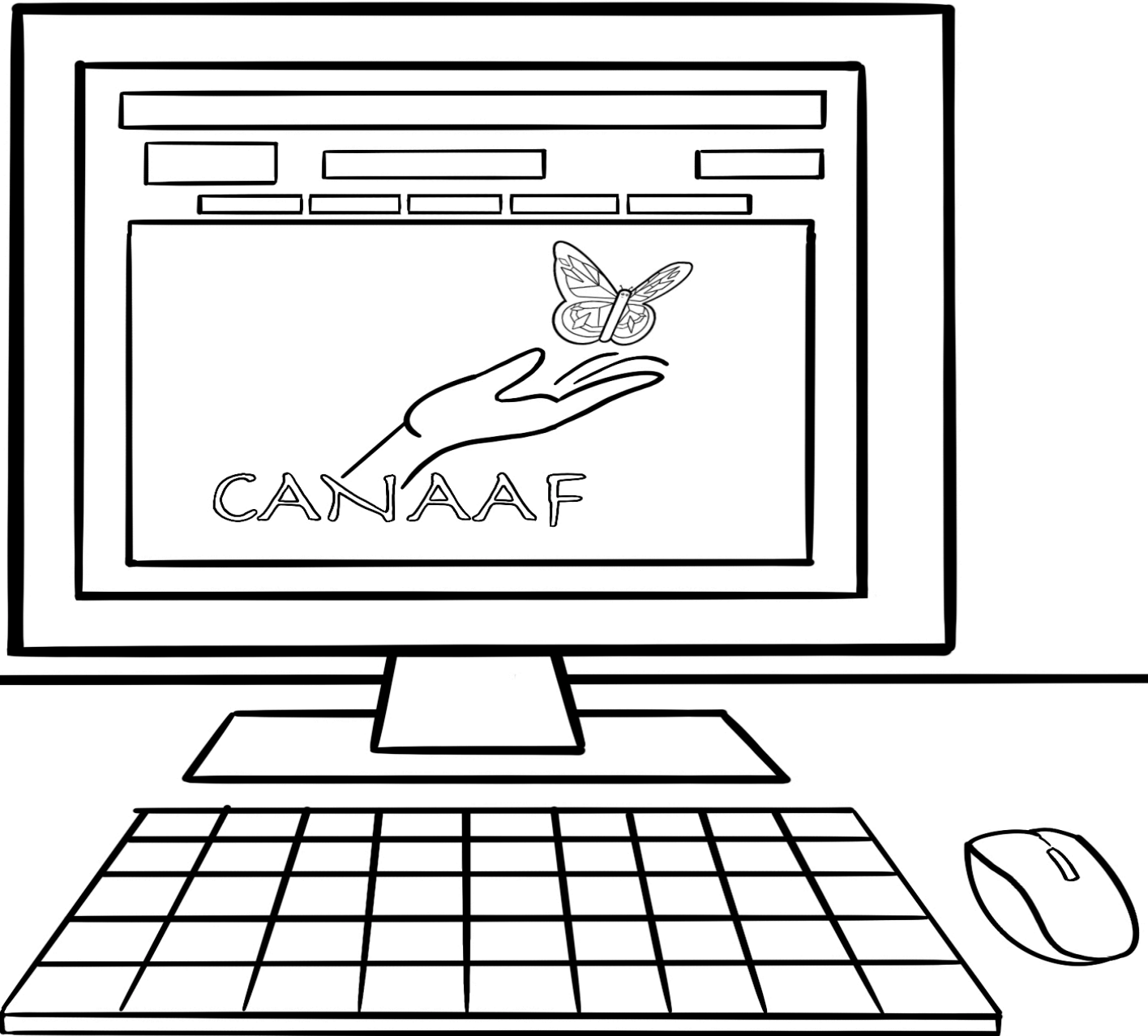
Look at that tree! Amy pointed and said
It has a patch missing, just like my head.



Amy and Andrew talked until the day's end.
Who knew that a breeze would bring a new friend?

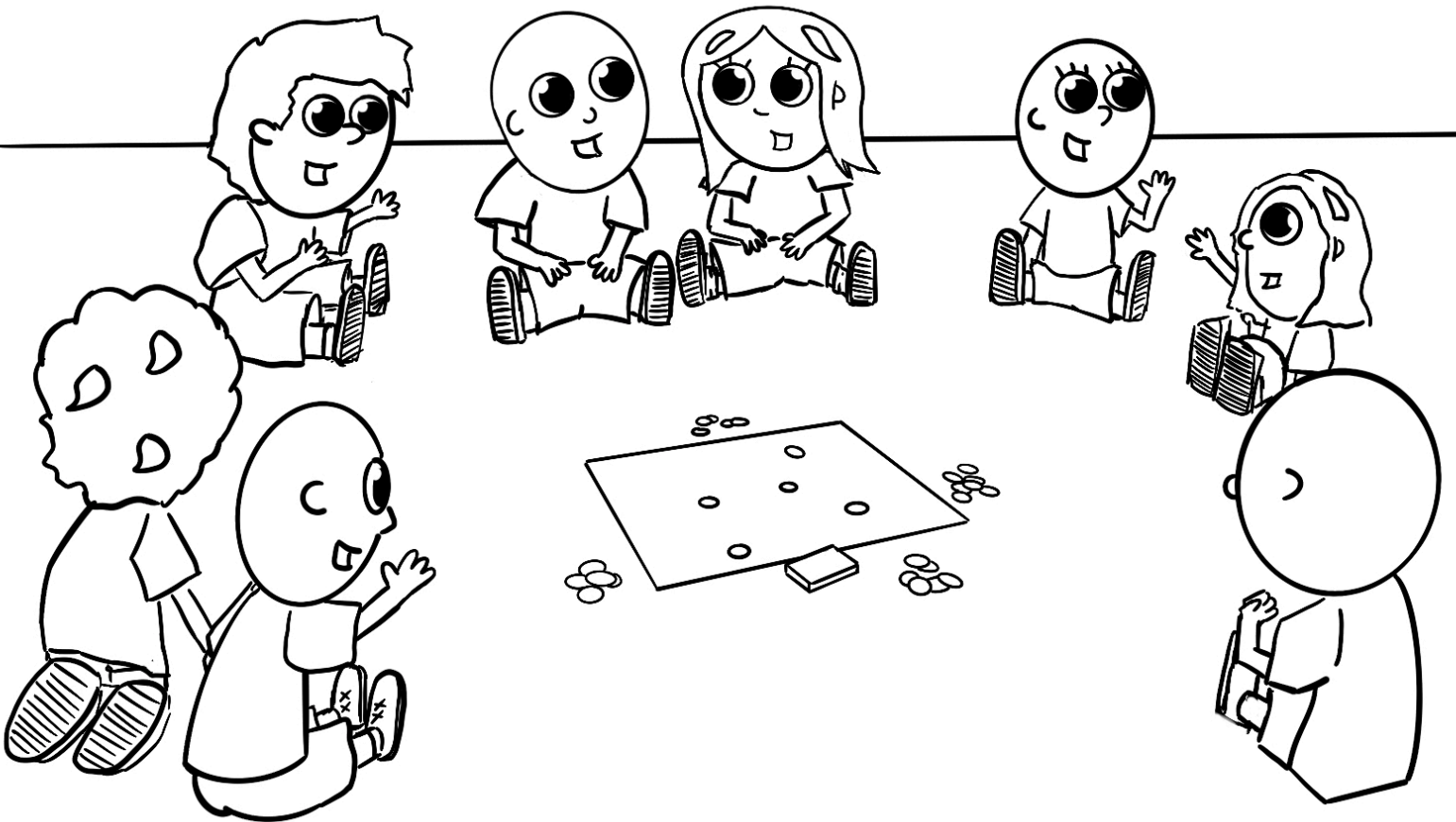
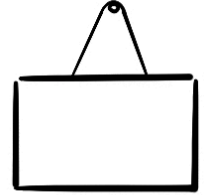
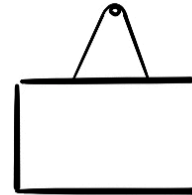
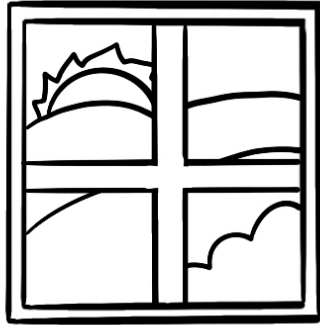


Before saying goodbye, Andrew inquired,
"Would you like to come to a kid's club next week?"
There are others with alopecia, like us, "We're unique!"



So later at home, Amy told Mom and Dad,
How the breeze took her scarf and of the invite she'd had.

"The kids club sounds great", Mom said with a grin,
I'll check canaaf.org to make sure you get in.



CANAAF hosts support groups which are very worthwhile. We share laughter and advice and stories, and smiles.



Alopecia (A-luh-pea-shuh) means hair loss.

Alopecia Areata is an autoimmune disease where the body attacks the hair follicles, causing hair to fall out. It is not the same losing your hair because you are taking medicine for cancer. People with Alopecia Areata are not sick and you can't catch it.

There are many types of Alopecia Areata.

Alopecia Areata: Patches of hair fall out

Alopecia Totalis: All hair on the head falls out

Alopecia Universalis: All hair on the body falls out including eyebrows and eyelashes.

Some people may want to treat their Alopecia Areata, and others may not want to. Some may wear wigs, hats, and scarves. All of these are perfectly okay.

You can be a good friend to someone with Alopecia Areata by learning more, being kind, and listening to them if they talk about it.

For more information visit
www.canaaf.org/resources-for-children



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Sometimes Amy and Andrew feel different because they have Alopecia Areata. When the two children happen to meet in the park, they discover friendship through celebrating their differences.

As it turns out, what makes them different also makes them unique!

