



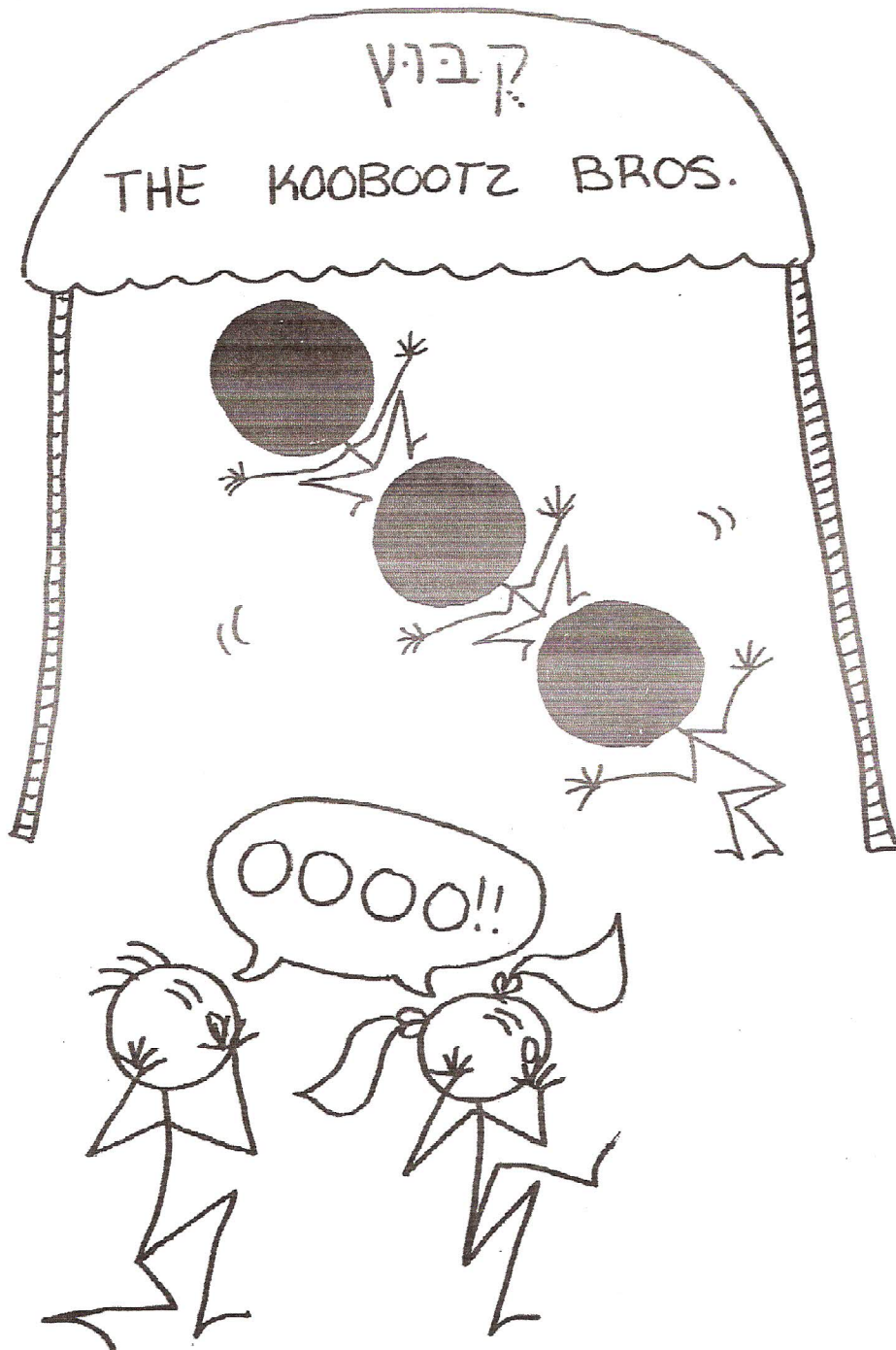
THE
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CIRCUS!

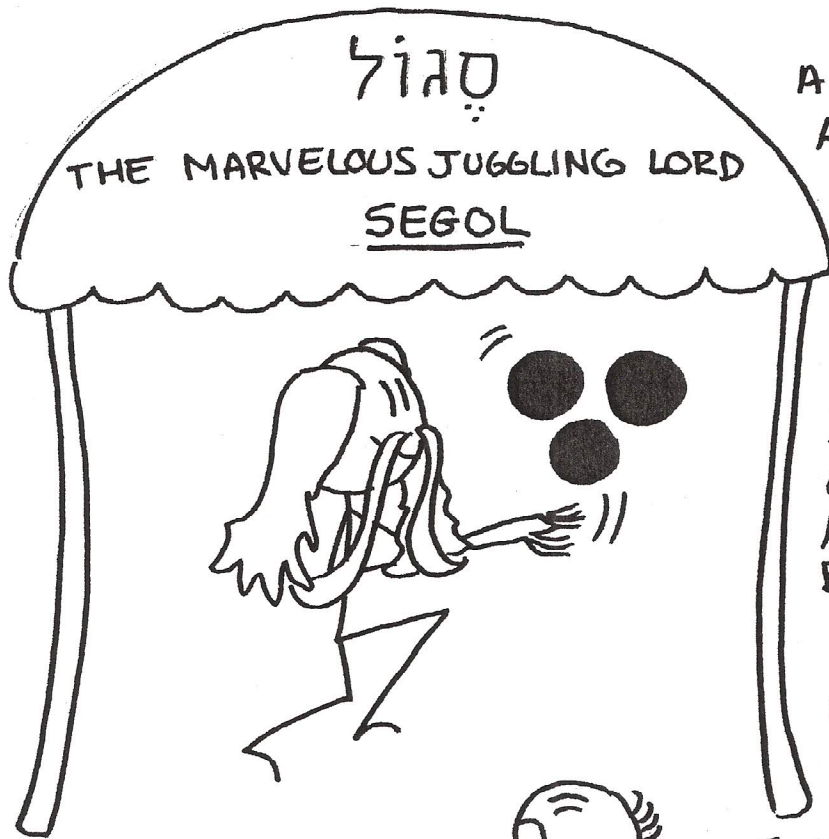


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THIS IS THE STORY OF A CIRCUS - NOT JUST ANY CIRCUS -
THE VOWEL CIRCUS - KIRKAS NEEKHOOD!!

AFTER EATING A LARGE POPCORN AND A
KOSHER HOT DOG, YOU ENTER INTO THE BIG TOP
AND WHAT DO YOU SEE?!! THREE PEOPLE - STANDING
ON EACH OTHERS HEADS - ON A DIAGONAL -
NOT HOLDING ONTO ANYTHING!!! THIS IS THE
MOST TREMENDOUS, STUPENDOUS, MAGNIFICENT
THING YOU HAVE EVER SEEN IN YOUR LIFE!!!

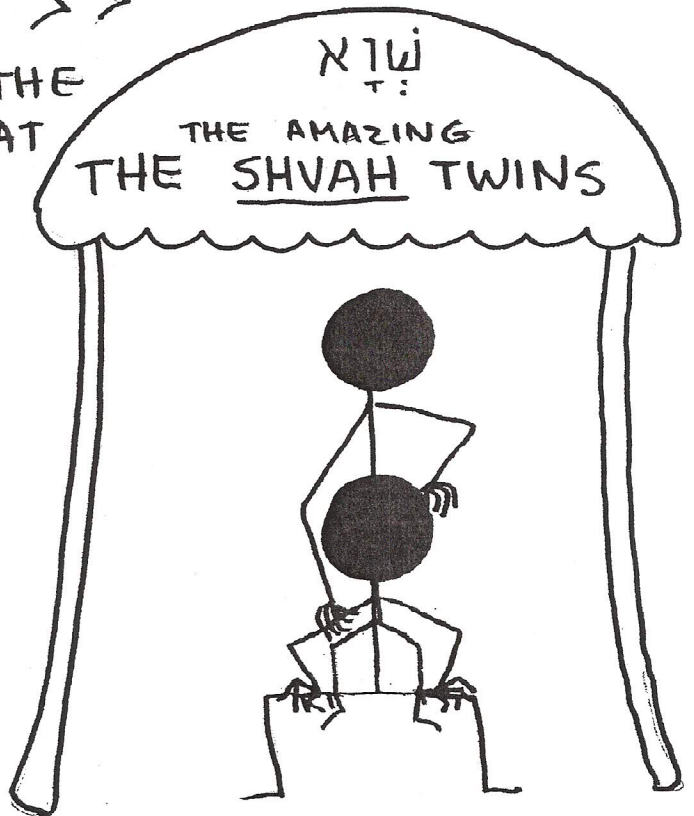
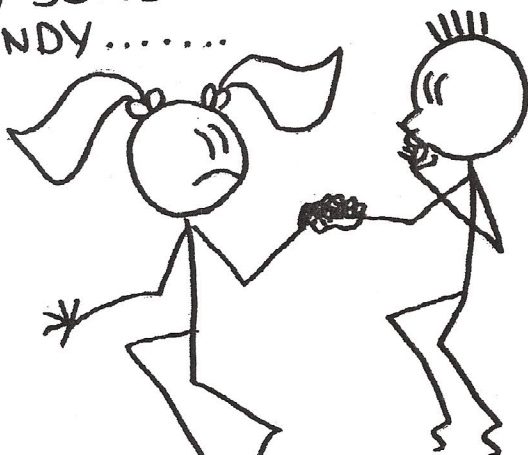




AFTER DRINKING A COLA AND EATING A BAG OF PEANUTS, YOU WALK TO THE SIDE SHOW AND SEE THE JUGGLER. HE'S GOOD, BUT WE'VE ALL SEEN JUGGLERS BEFORE.....



ON YOUR WAY TO THE CONCESSION STAND YOU PASS BY A TEAM OF — WHATS THIS?! PIGGY-BACK RIDERS?! YOU DO THAT ALL THE TIME AT HOME! WHATS THAT DOING IN A CIRCUS!? NOT WANTING TO BE RUDE, YOU SILENTLY CREEP AWAY TO BUY SOME COTTON CANDY.....



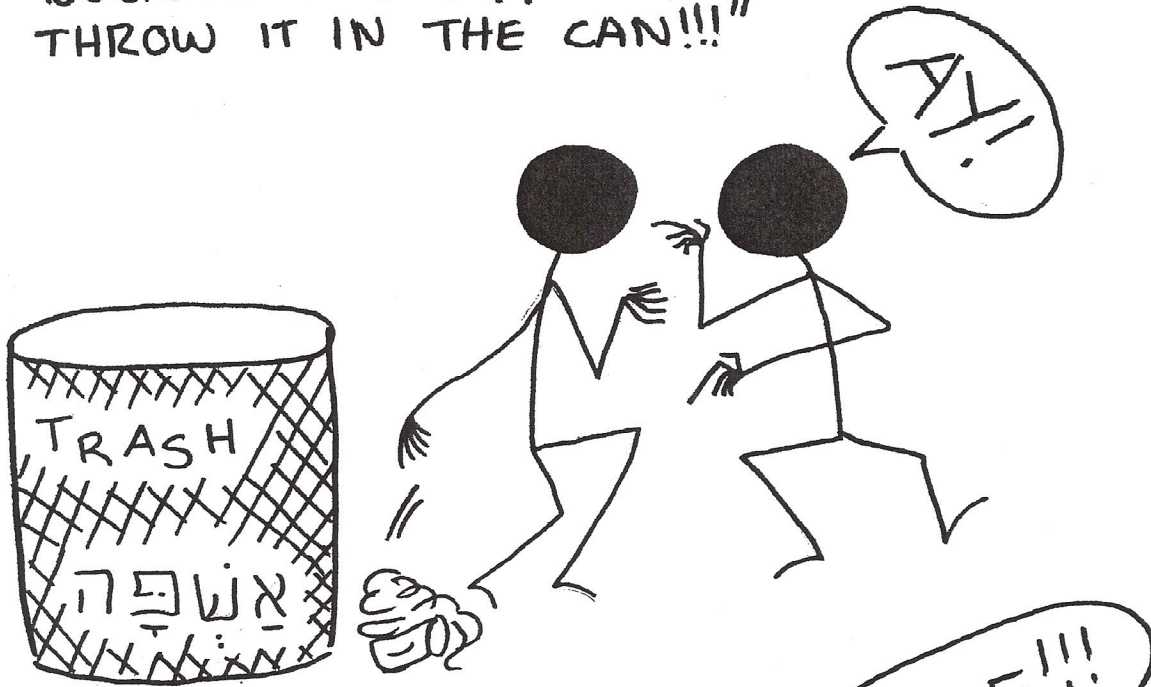
YOU'VE BEEN WALKING FOR THREE HOURS IN
105° HEAT AND NO SHADE! YOU'RE LEGS FEEL
LIKE PUDDING WHEN YOU FINALLY FIND BENCHES
ON WHICH TO REST.....



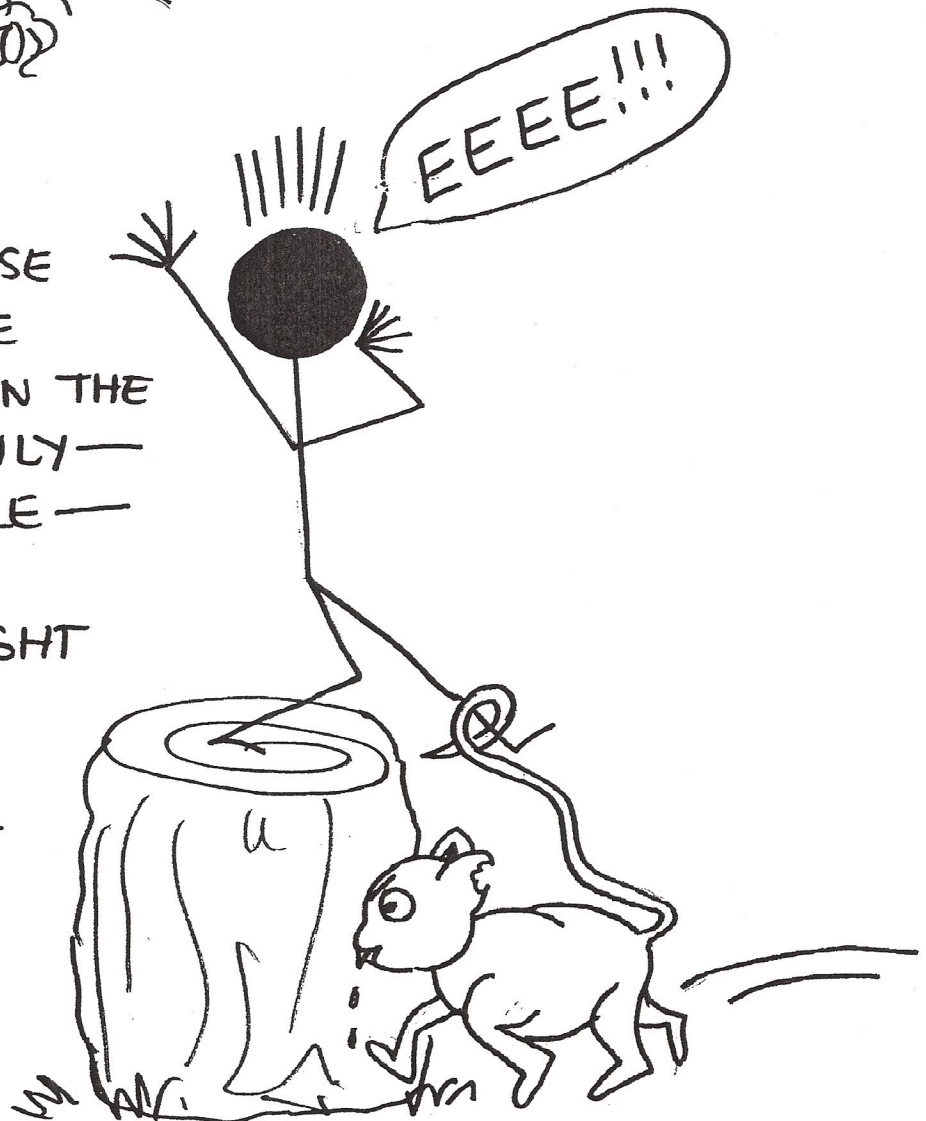
AFTER RESTING AND DRINKING AN
ICE COLD FLOURESENT BLUE SLURPEE,
YOU PICK UP YOUR GARBAGE AND
CONTINUE ON..YOUR WAY.....

BUT JUST AS YOU ARE ABOUT TO
THROW YOUR GARBAGE INTO THE
TRASH CAN.....

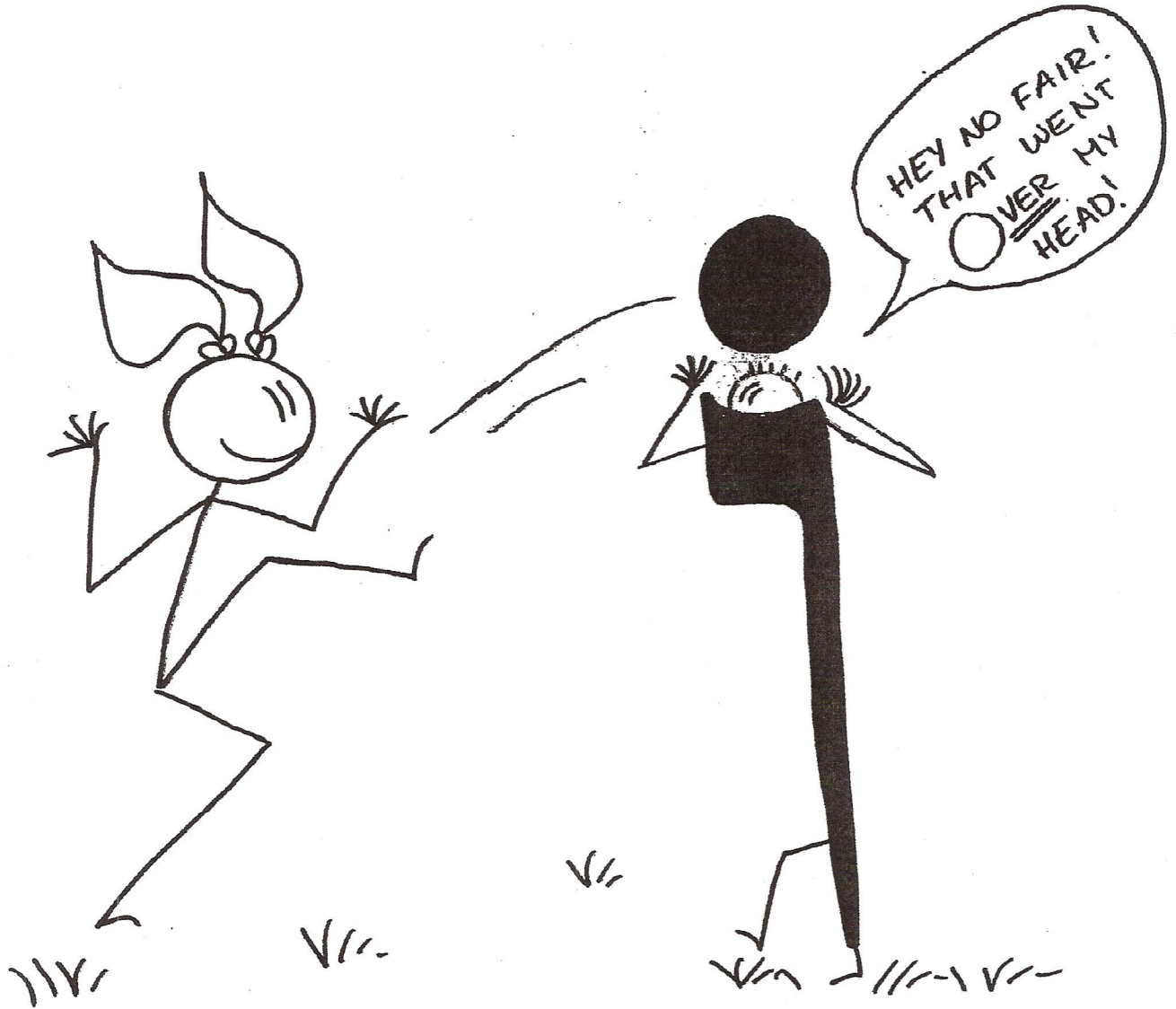
4 YOUR FRIEND TOSSES HIS GARBAGE ON THE GROUND NEXT TO THE CAN!! YOU CANT BELIEVE IT! "AY!", YOU CRY. "DON'T DO THAT! THROW IT IN THE CAN!!!"



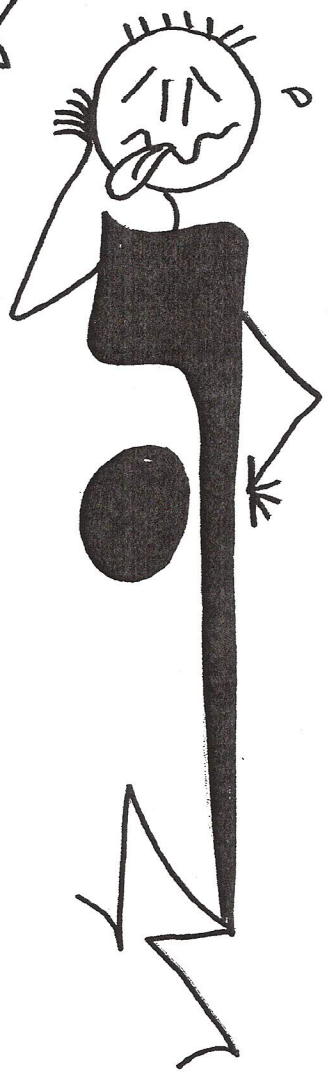
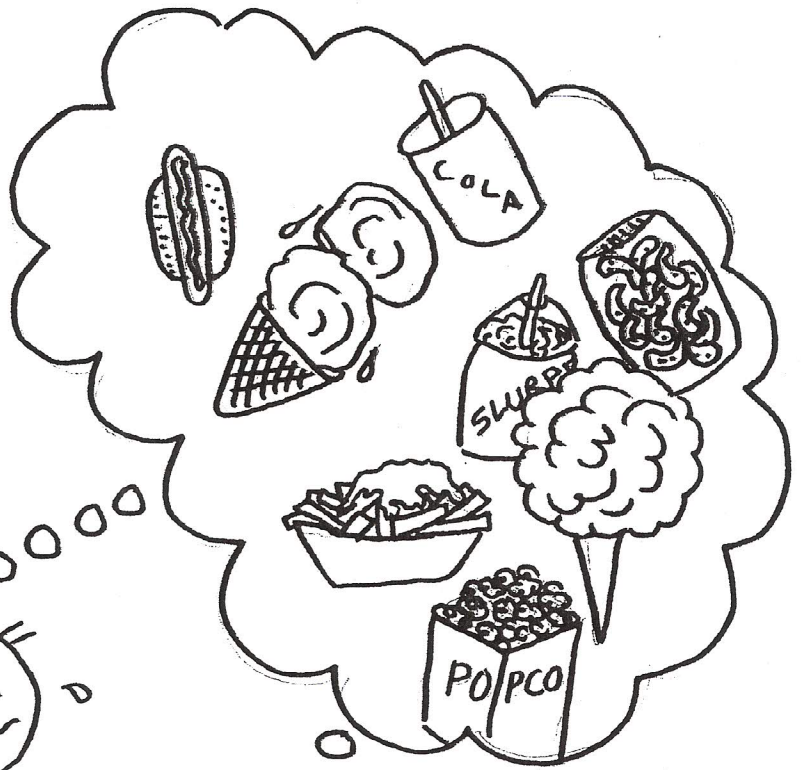
PERHAPS BECAUSE OF THE GARBAGE PEOPLE THROW ON THE GROUND, SUDDENLY— OUT OF NOWHERE— A HUGE GREASY RAT RUNS STRAIGHT TOWARDS YOU! LUCKILY, YOU'RE ABLE TO ESCAPE BY JUMPING ON AN OLD TREE STUMP.....



AFTER KICKING AROUND THE BALL
A BIT AND EATING CHEESE FRIES AND
A DOUBLE SCOOP CREAM CONE, ITS
TIME TO HEAD HOME....



OOOOO! I
ATE TOO MUCH
FOOD!!!



SHALOM!
L'HITRAOT!!