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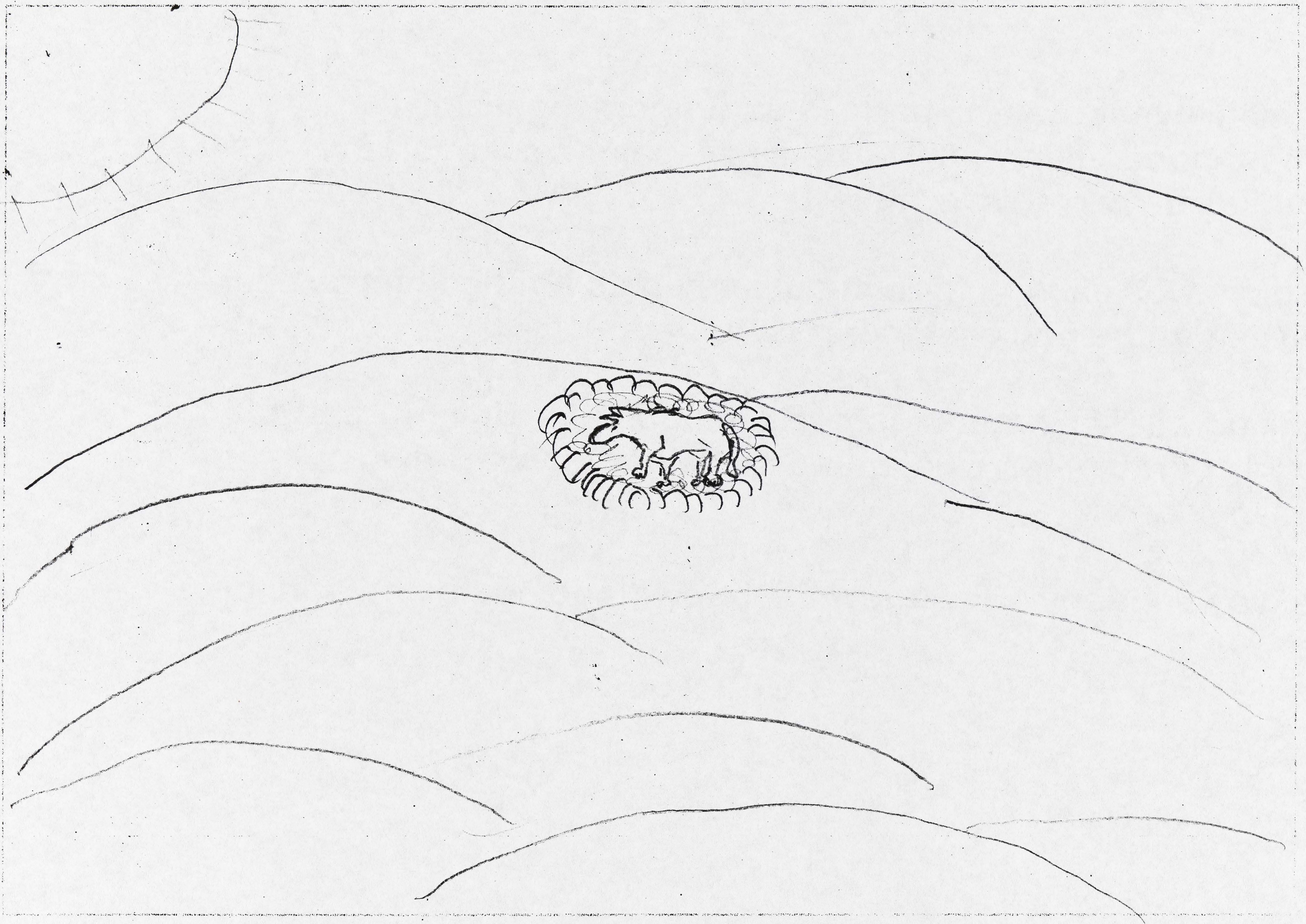
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Jarlu kaparn jiljinga lamparn marrany ngangayani.

A long time ago in the middle of the desert there was a baby dingo who lost his way.



Ngamaji nyankurangu parla muupungani ngajirtarni
parlipungarla tikirr yanirla najikarti pamarra kanarlany
warntikarti marranywarntikarti.

His mum was looking for him but she could not find him so she
returned to the pack in the big cave.

Ngajirta wirriya ngunangantarla pinapinakarrinyani parla
ngajirti parla pinarri pajanupurru kanarlanywarntiwu
marranywarnti.

She was unhappy. She knew the baby dingo could not fend for
itself.



“Marni manyanangu Ngajukura yapa paji nguniny nyanarla warntawu pajinta pujupalu parlipungku piyirntu pungka ngartarlu.”

She told the pack “My only baby is out there! Can you help me? If the humans find him they will kill him!”



Yaniny palu pujurni jiljikarti munganga ngajirtarni palu
parlipungarla.

The pack ran out into the desert but it was too dark. They could
not find him.



Lampartu mangangu parlipinya lamparn marrany yinya parla
ngapa tujukani warlunga rirringki .

But a little girl found the baby dingo and gave him some water and
put him next to the fire.



Warlu manyjinarni ngurranga .

The fire was next to the tent.

Mangangu parlanyan marni, martawu marna minyarti marrany
yini marna julawu Pingkawu.

The girl decided to keep the dingo and named him Bingo.
A week went past .

Puranguwarlany puranguwarlany yananiny.

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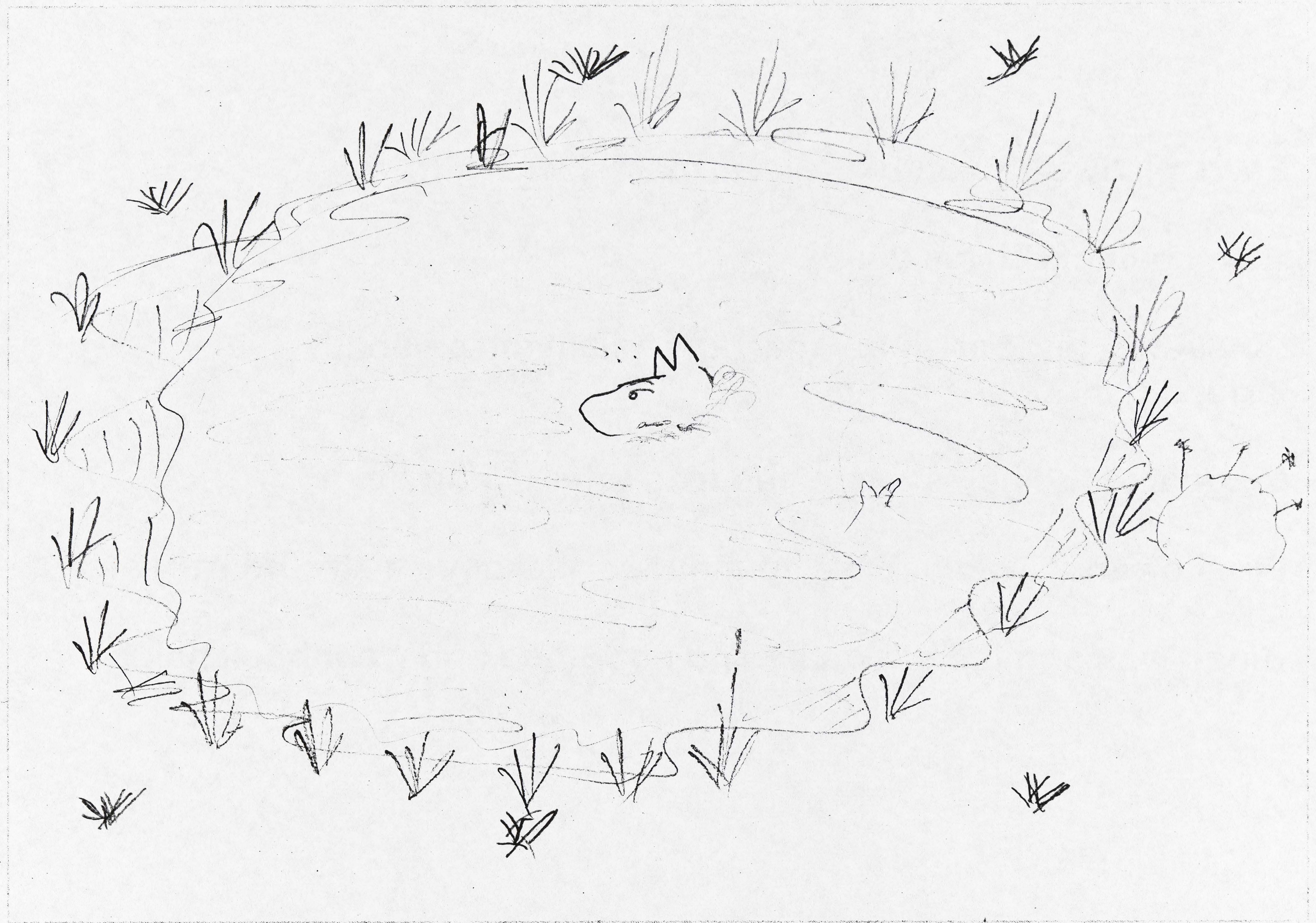


Pingkawu pa wulyu marrany ngunangani rijijuwal ja manyanjuwal kuyu manya limpirriwarnti ngarnani .

Bingo was a good pet and liked to play and sleep and liked to eat lizards.

Layinga purangu Pingkawu kanya layingu parnanyju pirrakarti nyumuk wantinya .

One day Bingo went with the old woman to the billabong and he went for a swim.



Parri pirriyani nyantukurajarti marrany .

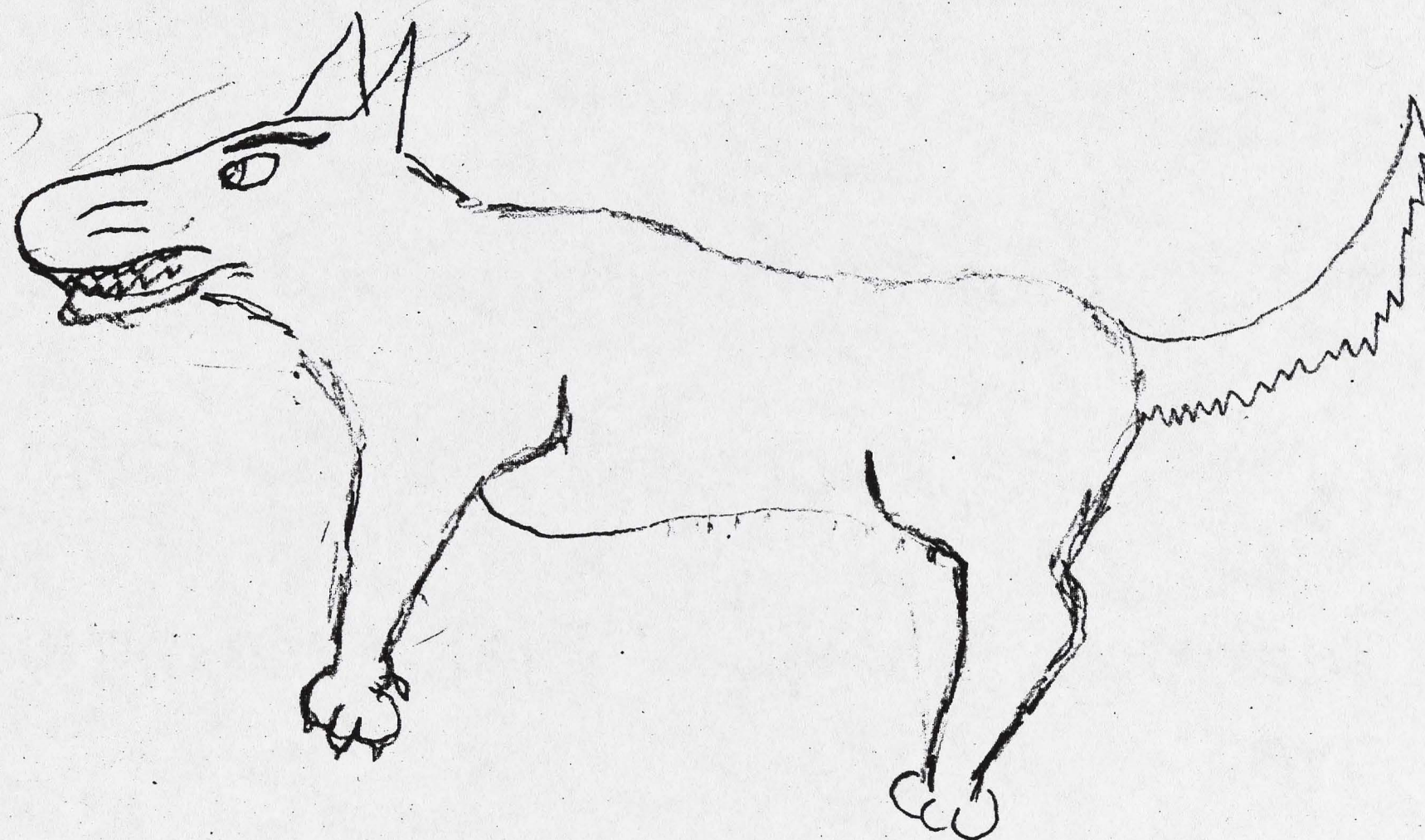
A boy came with his dingo.

Pingkawu jaa parrikura marrany pilanyan pajanani jarlujangkarlu.

Bingo and the boy's dingo had a fight for a long time.

Pingkawungu winjarrinya mangangurla kanya tikirr ngurrakarti .

Bingo won and the girl came and got Bingo and went back home.



Pukanyjajarti pingkawungu parla muupungani limpirriwu munganga

One night Bingo was hunting for lizards in the dark.

Nyanya nganaparta marrany pala parlipinya.

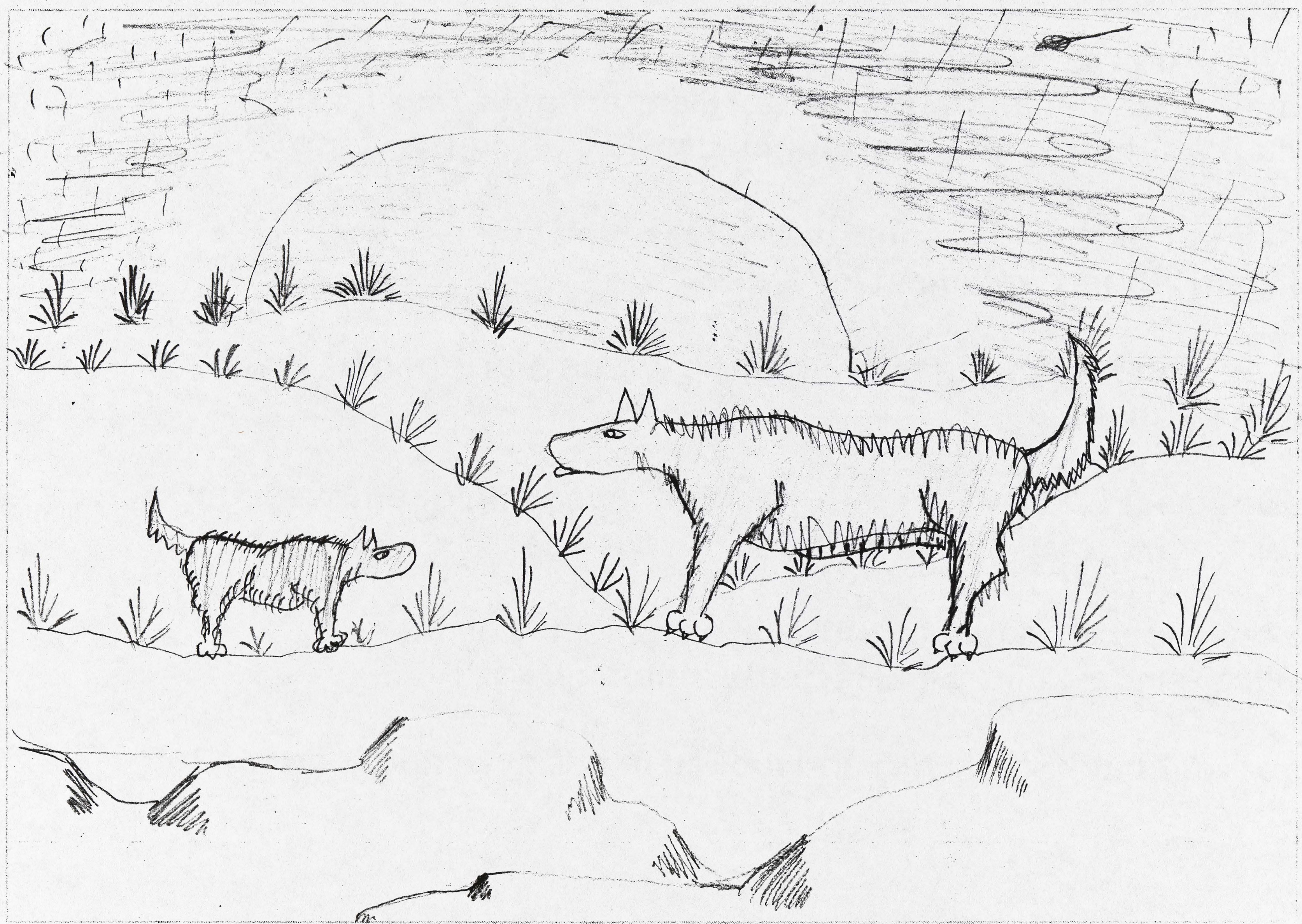
He saw someone. It was a dingo.

Ngana man nyuntu marni Pingkawu ngaju marnangu ngamaji .

“Who are you?” said Bingo. “I am your mum”.

Ngajirta marni Pingkawu “Ngajukura ngamaji paji jarlu pirlajarrinya.”

“No my mom died a long time ago” said Bingo.



“Ngajirta marna pirlajarrirla,” marniny Pingkawu kurangu ngamaji nganganyanya marnanta jiljinga ngaju marnangu ngamaji kangku marnanta, ngajukura jurnanykarra yapa .

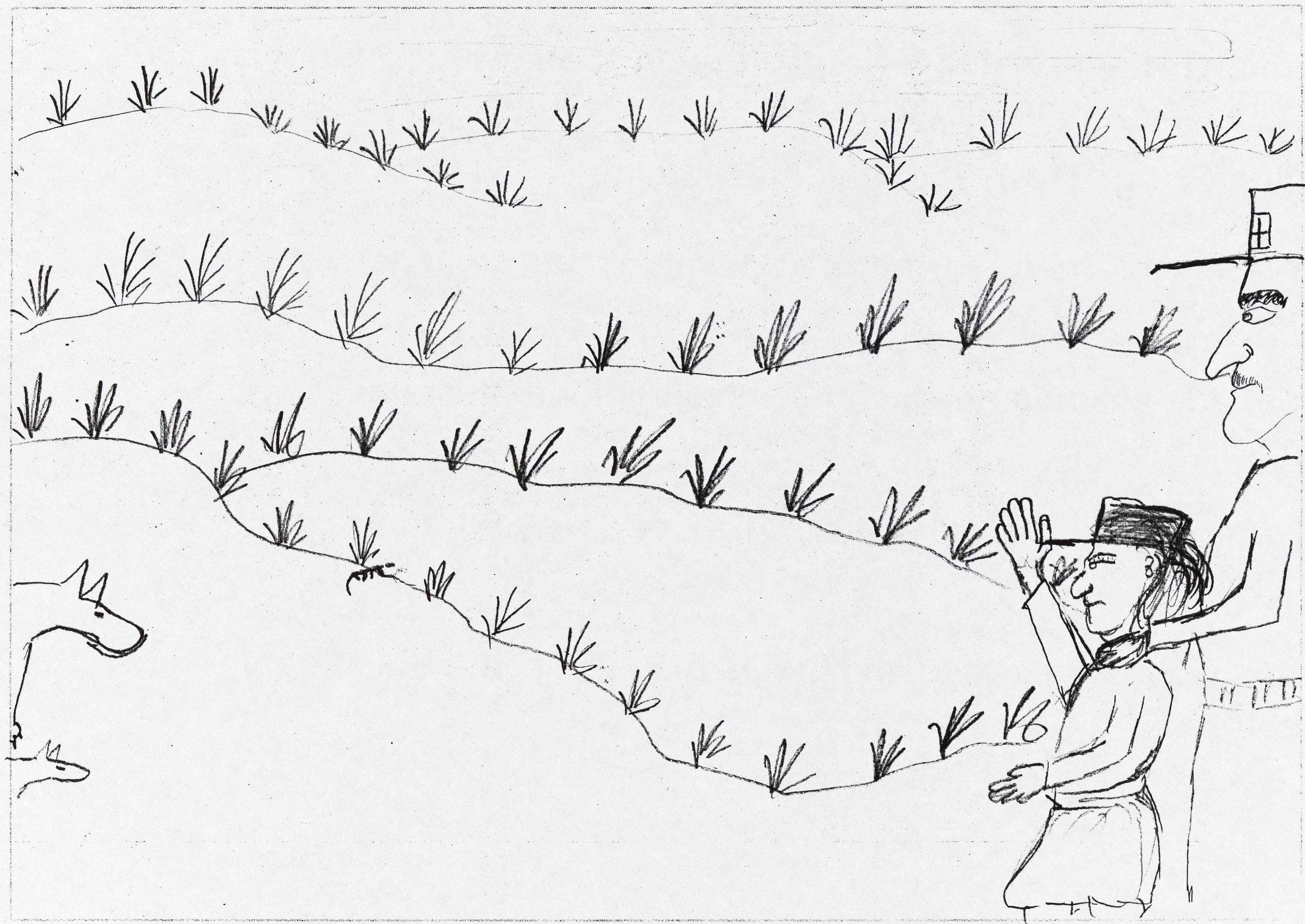
“No I didn’t die” said Bingo’s mum “I lost you in the desert”. His mum said “Come with me, I love you”.

Pingkawu marniny, “ngajirta ngarna yanta nurtpungku marna ngajukura maja.”

But Bingo said “I can’t go with you without saying good-bye to my owner”.

Pingkawu parla tikirryani manga kartinyanya milta nyanartijangka tikirr laparni parla ngamaji karti .

Bingo went back to the girl and looked in her eyes and then ran to his mum.



“Pingkawu ngajirta ngan yanta tapung manany marnanta,
marniny parla mangangu

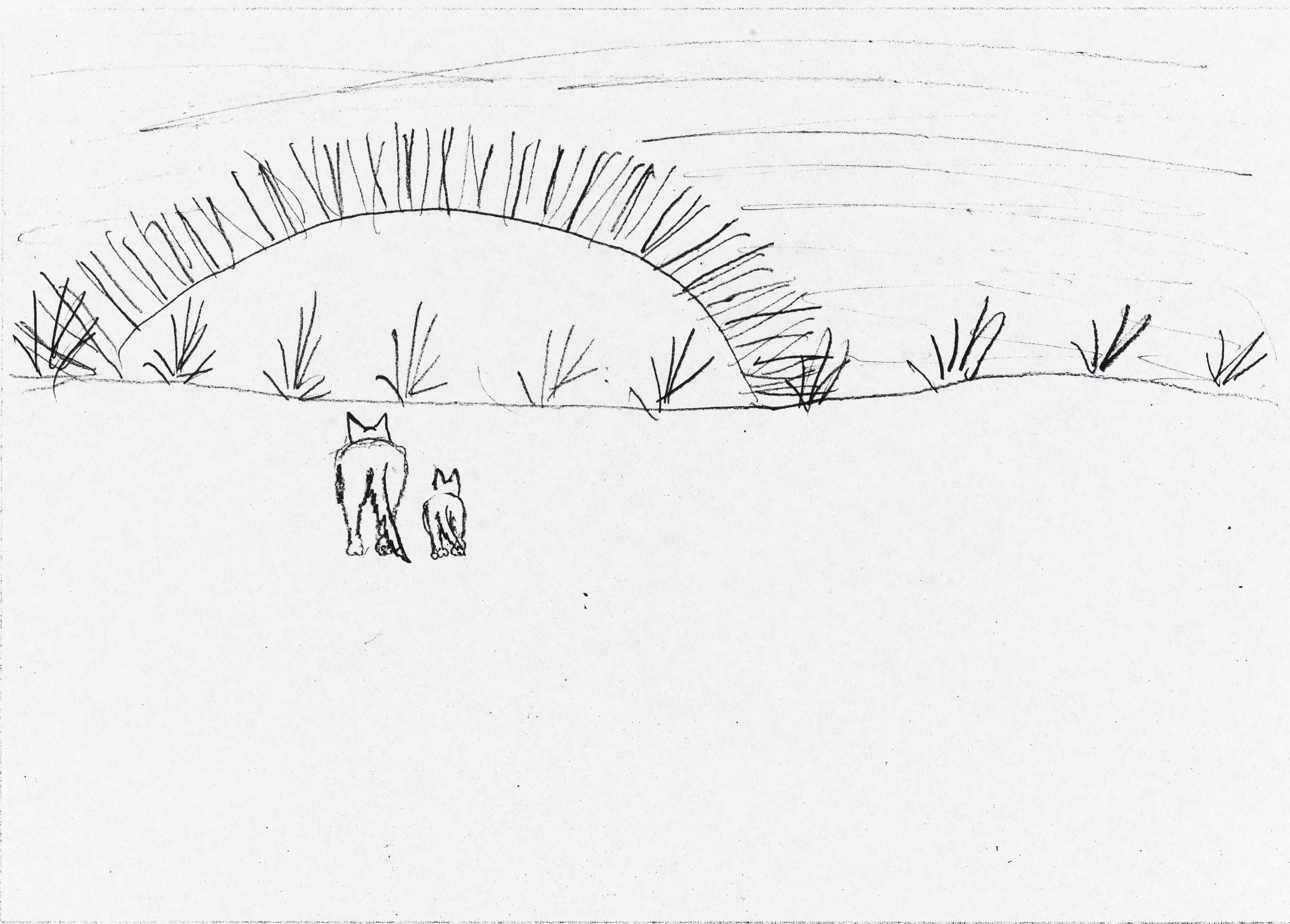
“Bingo don’t go I love you” said the little girl.

Rung rung marniny wurnarla yap yaniny purangu takurr
yanijangka .

He looked back and howled and walked off into the sunset with his
mother.

Wali marniparla mangangu marniny parla nyaku marnanta
walimpa .

The girl waved good-bye and hoped she would see Bingo again
someday.



Walmajarri Pronunciation Guide
(underlined in bold)

a as in but
I as in bit
J as in join
K as in koala
L as in lime
M as in money
N as in nothing
P as in sip
R as in ripe
T as in sit
U as in put
W as in wait
Y as in yesterday
Aa as in path
Ii as in beet
Ly as in million
Ng as in sing
Ny as in onion
Rl (no equivalent)
Rn (no equivalent)
Rr (no equivalent)
Rt (no equivalent)
Uu as in boot

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