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One day a man named Kadjina was looking for marlu by the creek near Wulungarra.

Layinga purangunga nganpayi Kadjina muupungani parla marluwu palmanga Wulungarranga.

A marlu was hiding in the bushes.

Marlu parla ranyji wantinya yungkunga

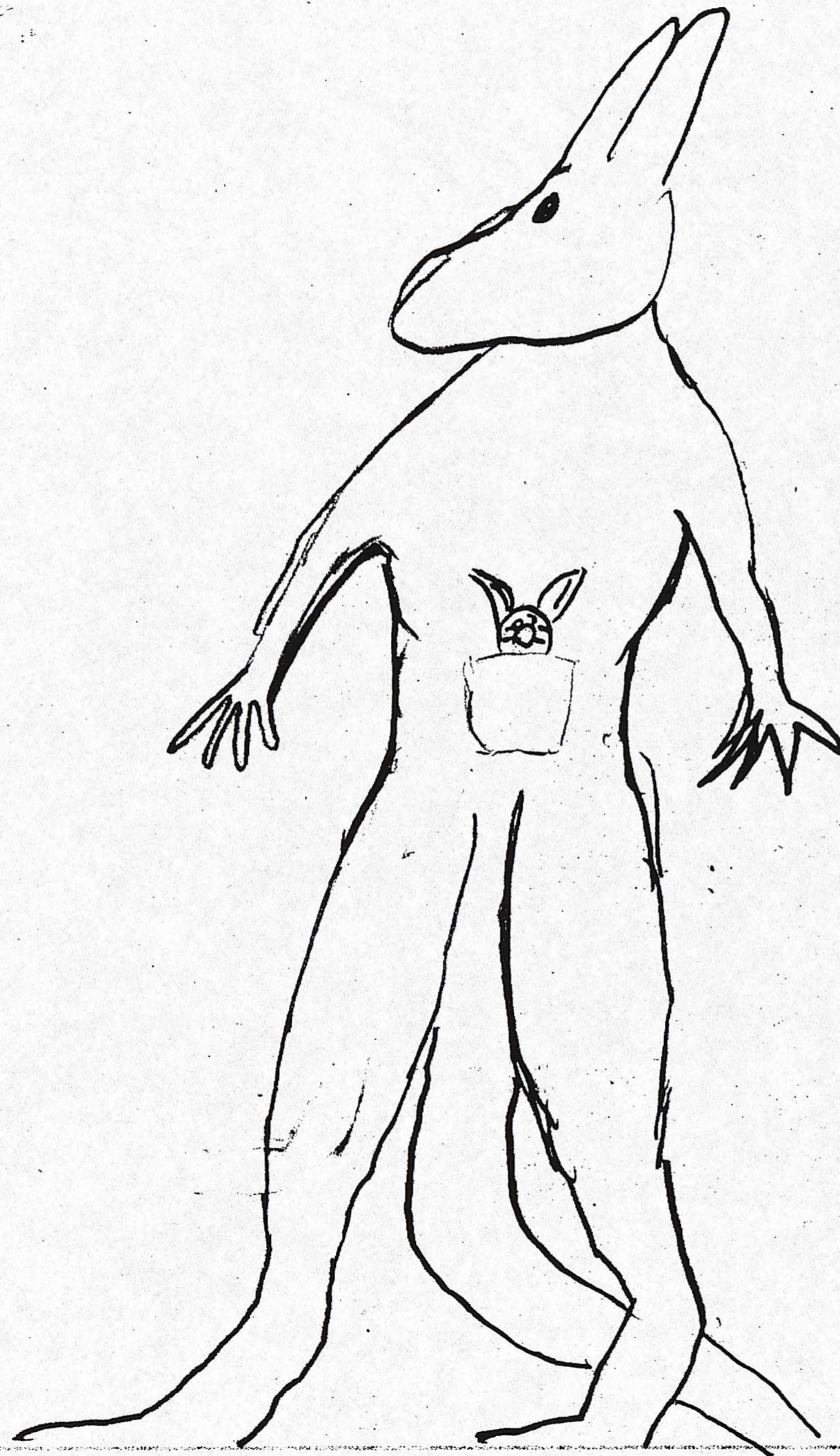


She was a big red marlu with a baby marlu.

Purlkanyangu ngirljarti lamparn jarti marlujarti.

She was scared.

Rayin jarrinya



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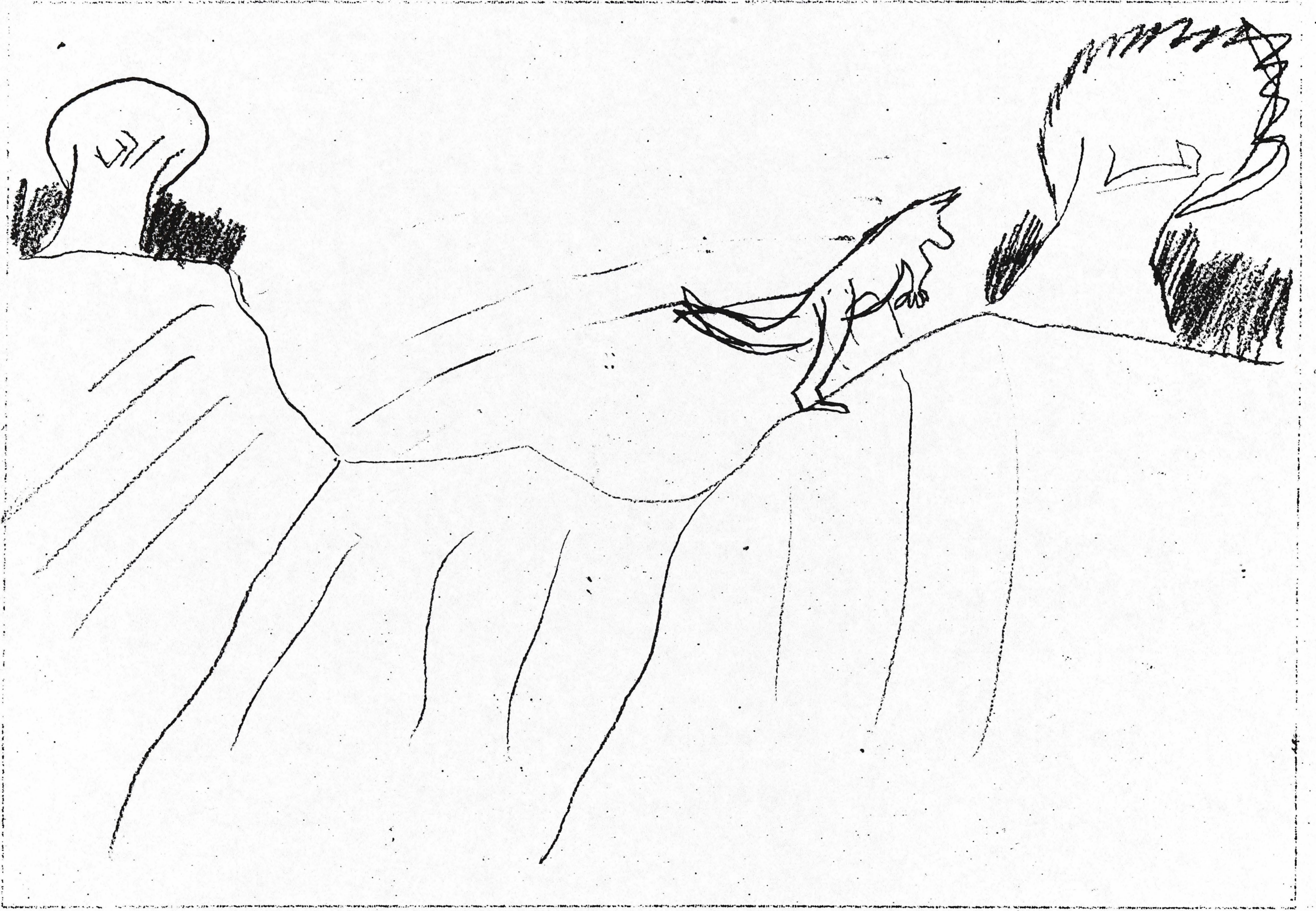
The kangaroo ran away up the creek.

Nyanarti marlu yap laparni palmarni wajilpinya

Kadjina chased the kangaroo.

Kadjinangu wajil pungani  
Nyanarti marlu.





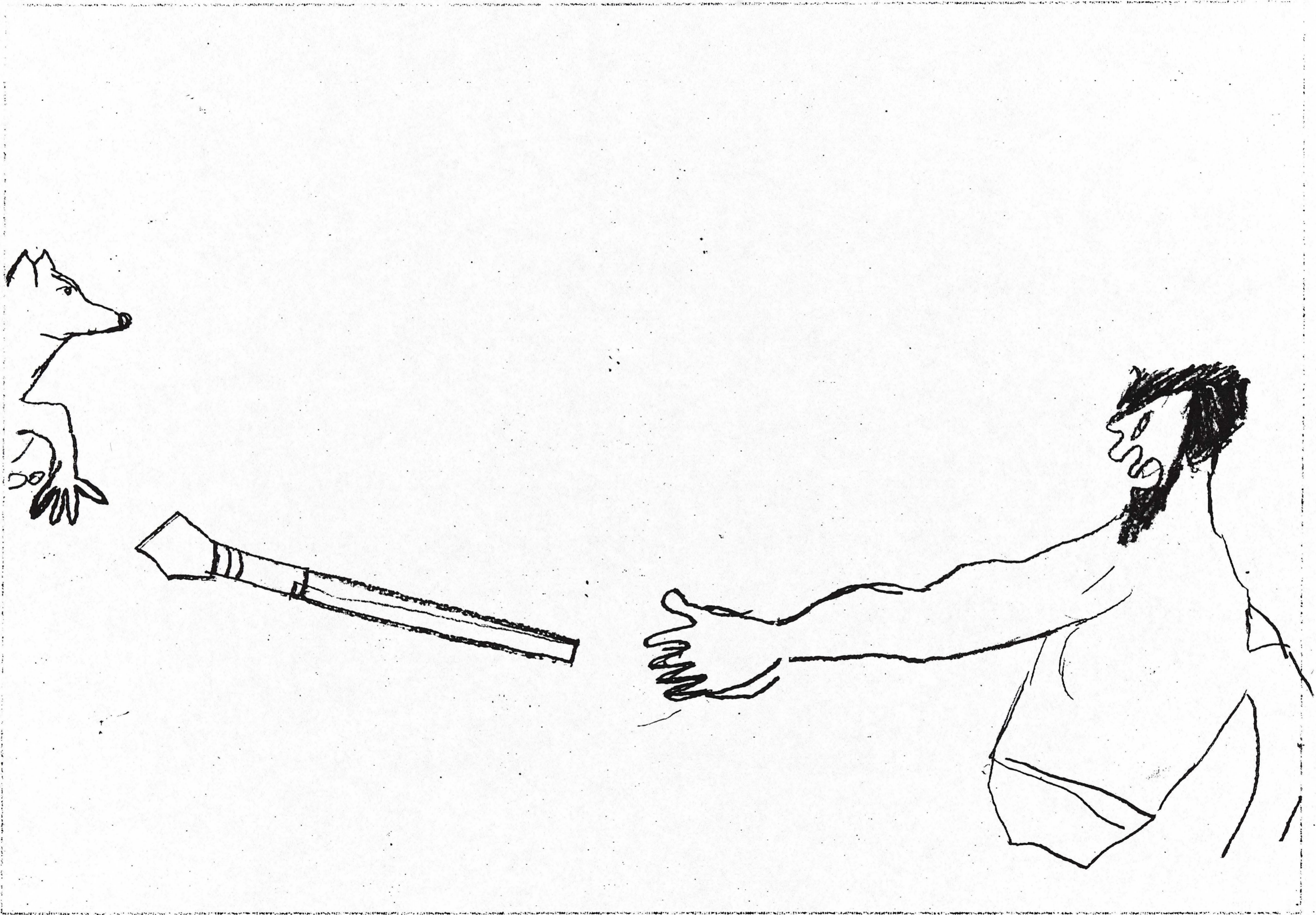
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The big red marlu was slow because she had a baby.

Yaru nyangu laparnani nyanartirni 'marlu laparnjarti juku.

The kangaroo turned quickly and Kadjina was running through the creek when he threw his spear.

Marlu pa partalurni lurrpwantinya nganpayi kadjina warrarni pupuru laparnani palmangal jinal tarrapiny wartaparanparni.



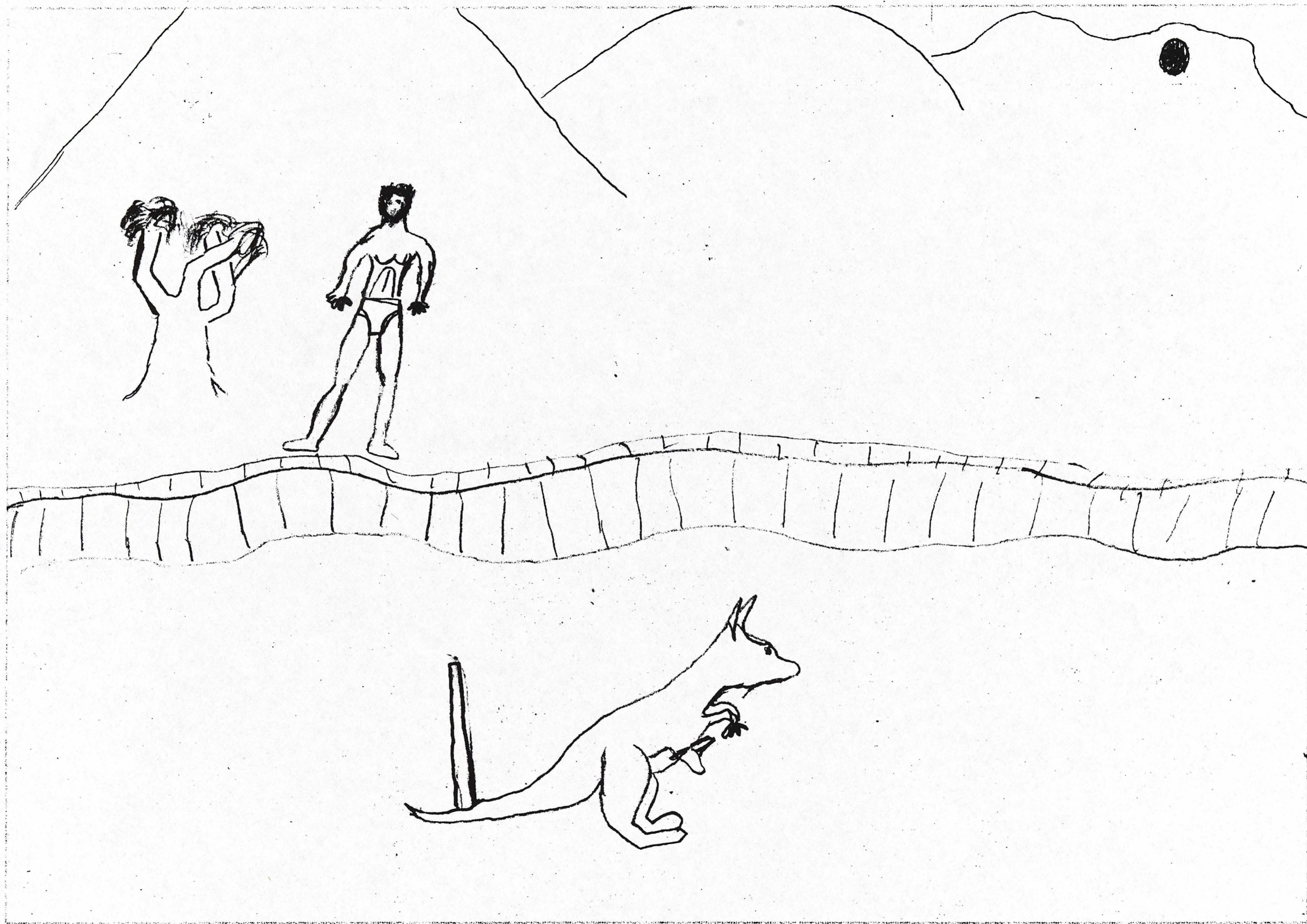
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The spear hit the kangaroos tail.

Jinaltu laní nyawaringa

The marlu kicked at the spear with her back leg and got it out.

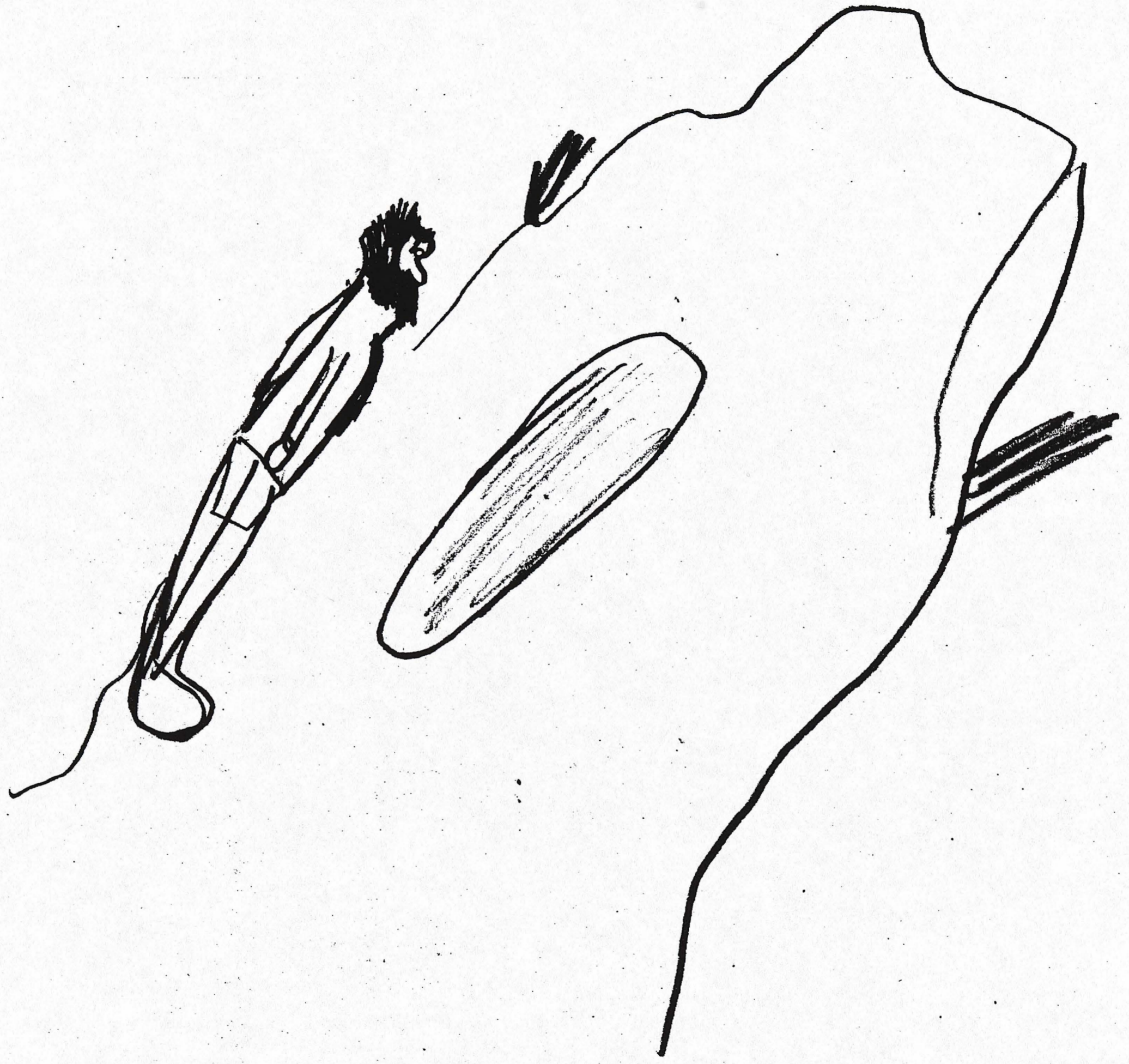
Marlu pa jarntakmarní nyantukurangu jurruk kanga nyanartirni  
jinal turtkani manyan.



Kadjina lost his spear so he went home with no food.

Kadjinangu ngangamani parlanyan jinal tikirr yani ngajirtajarti  
mangarri ngurrakarti.

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**Walmajarri Pronunciation Guide  
(underlined in bold)**

a as in but  
l 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  
li 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

Alphabet and pronunciation guide from Walmajarri-English Dictionary  
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