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A Visual Story of Progression

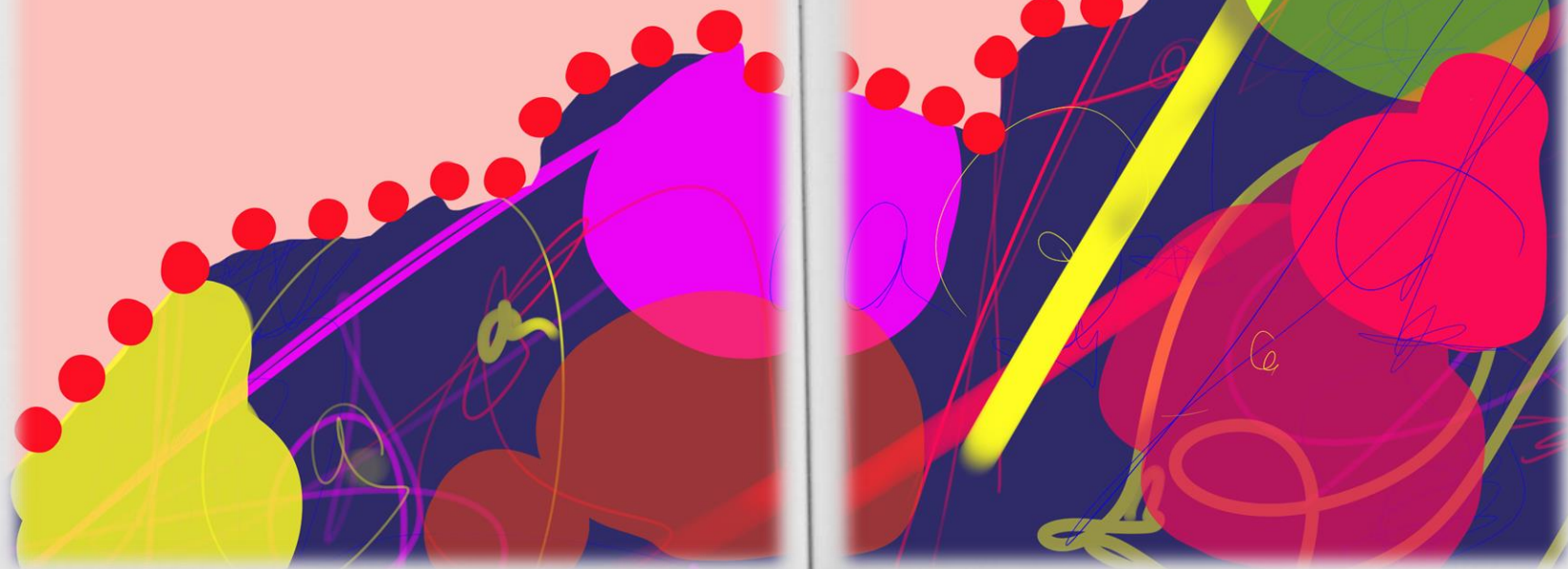
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FEST

Beginning



long ago...





follow me

know

north star

familiar

see

future guide

blinding light

path



desert here far bare there

alone

pass through

new

future

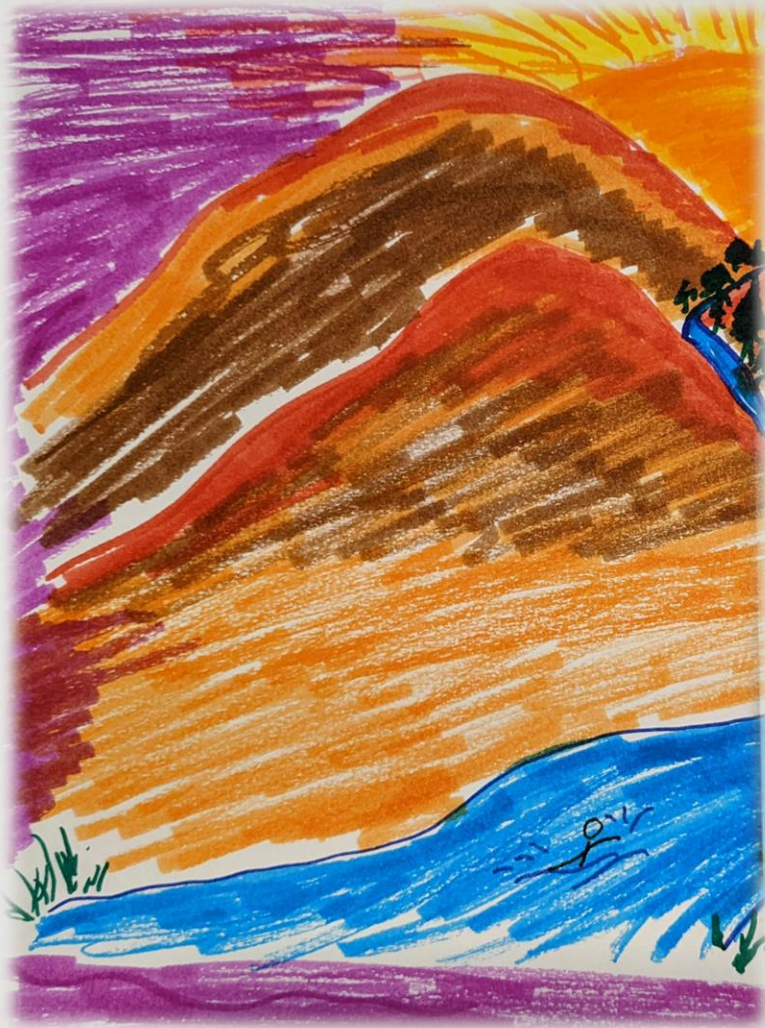
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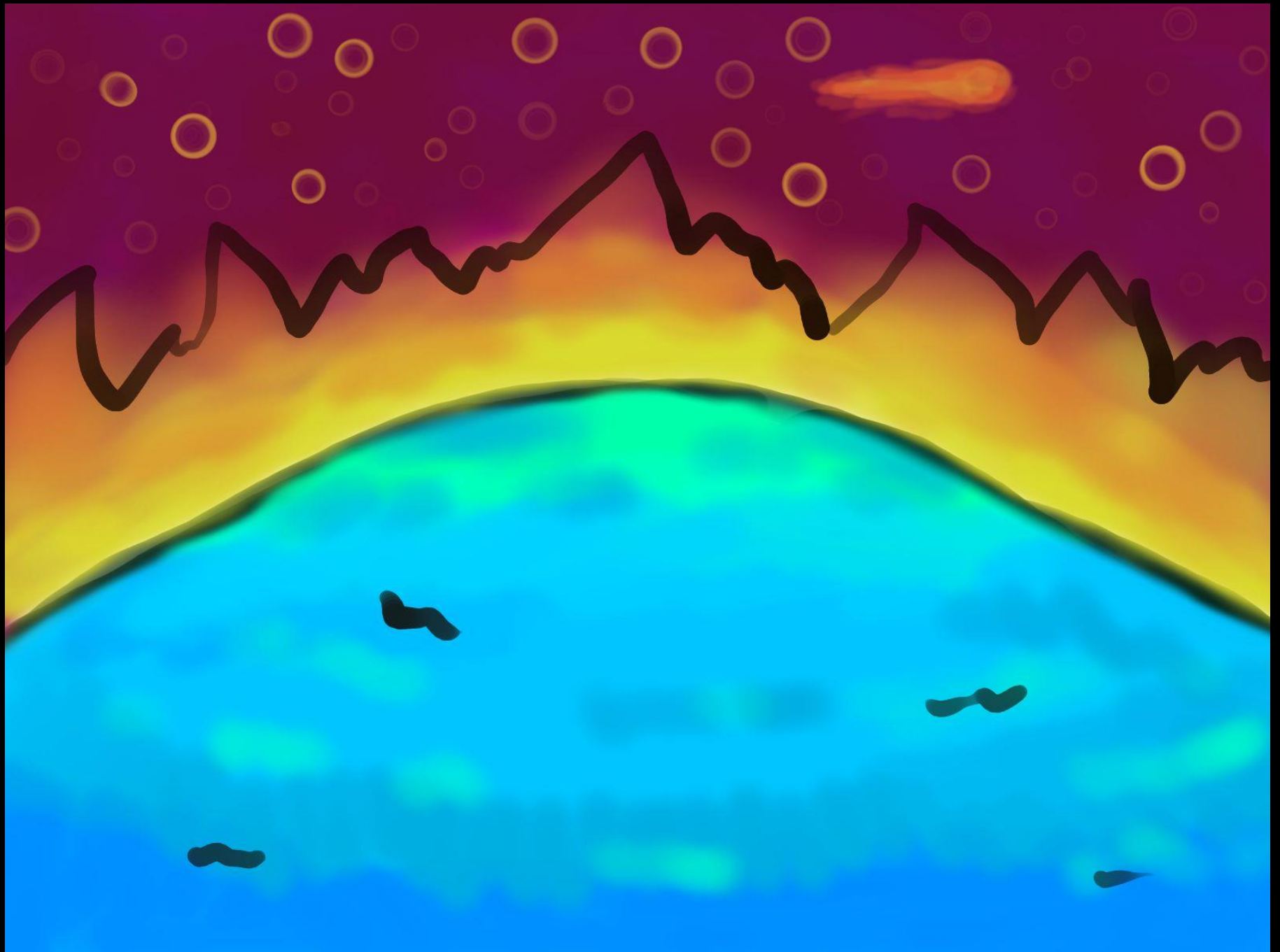
keep going

come

know

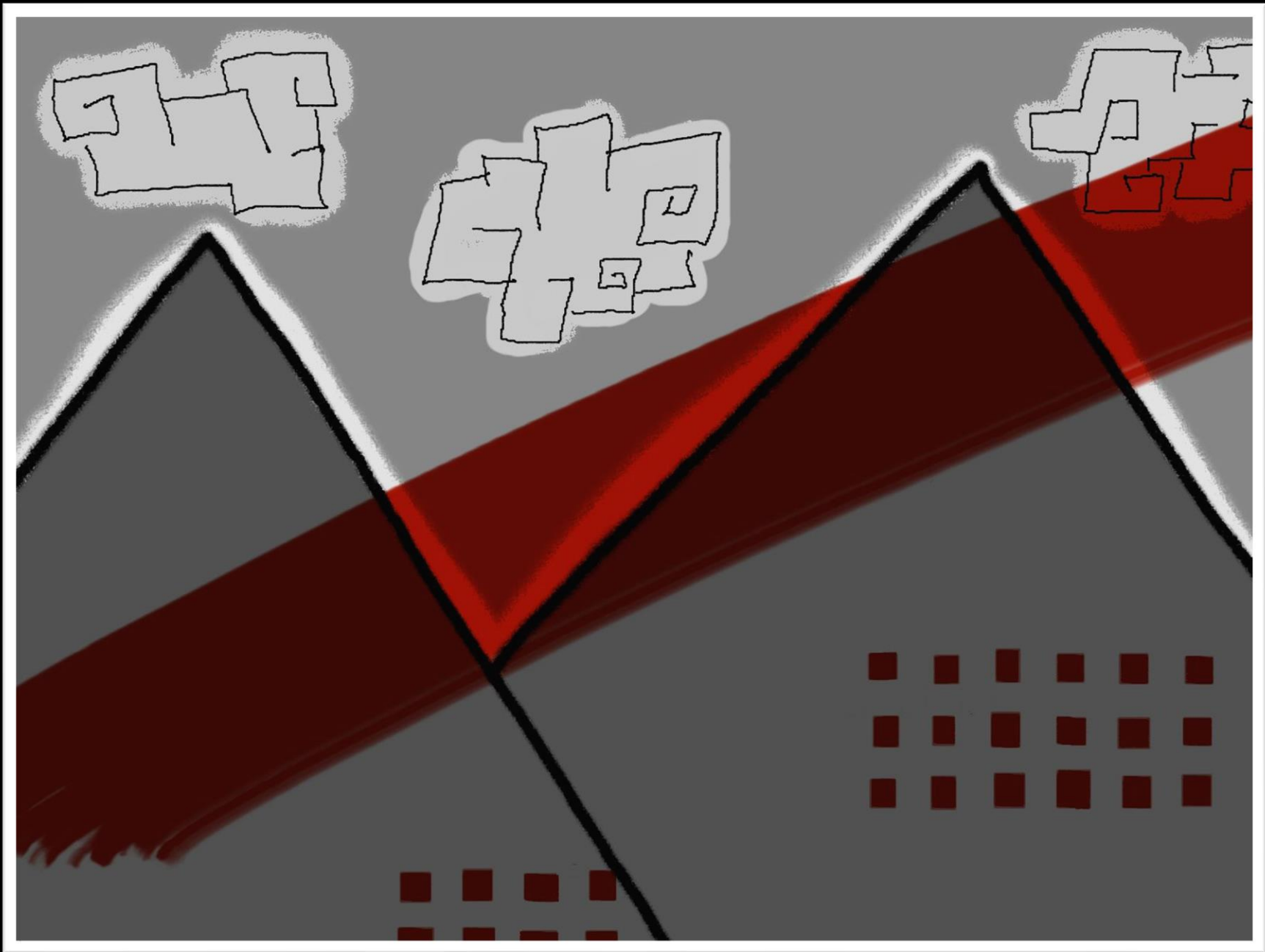


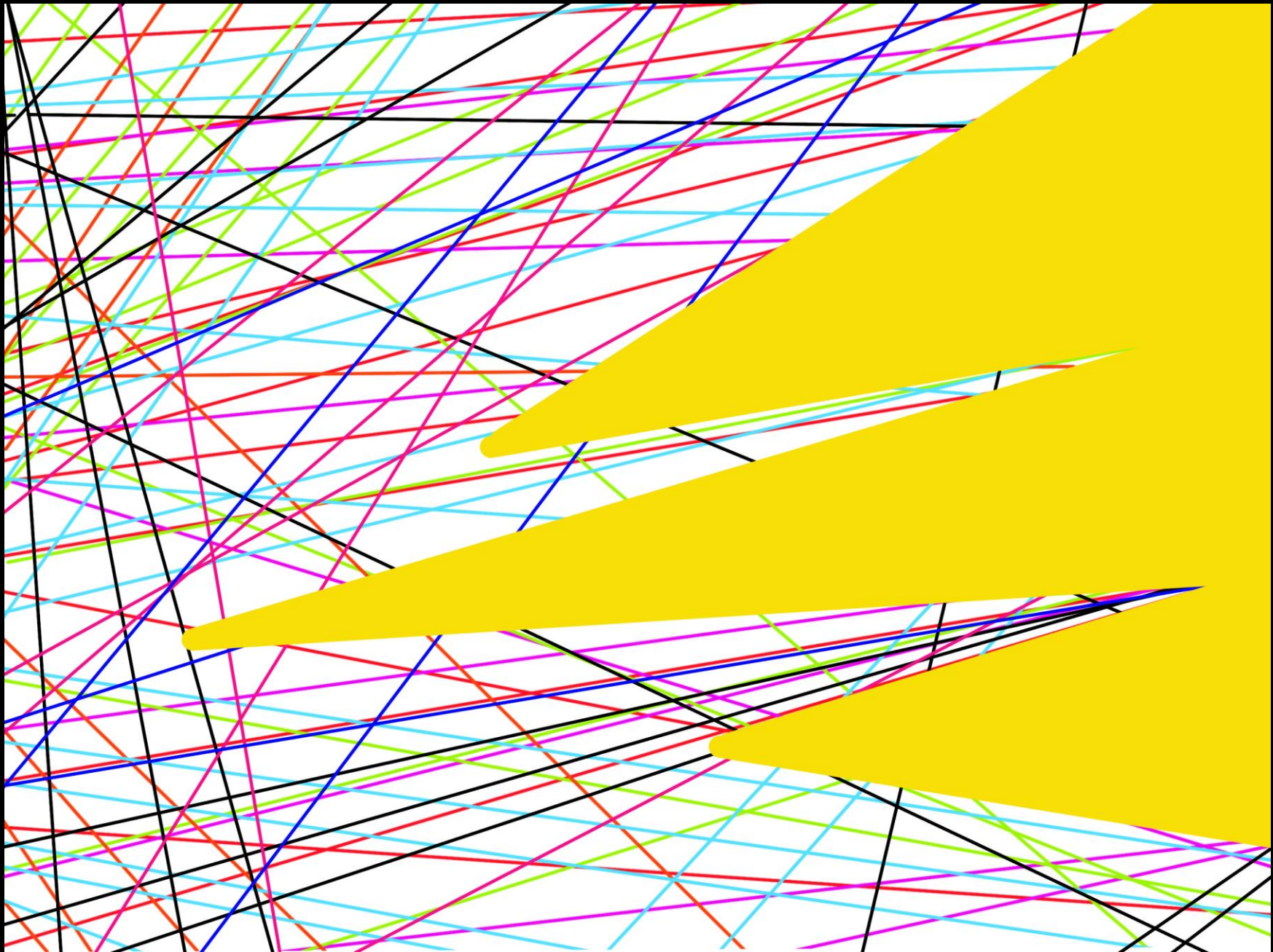


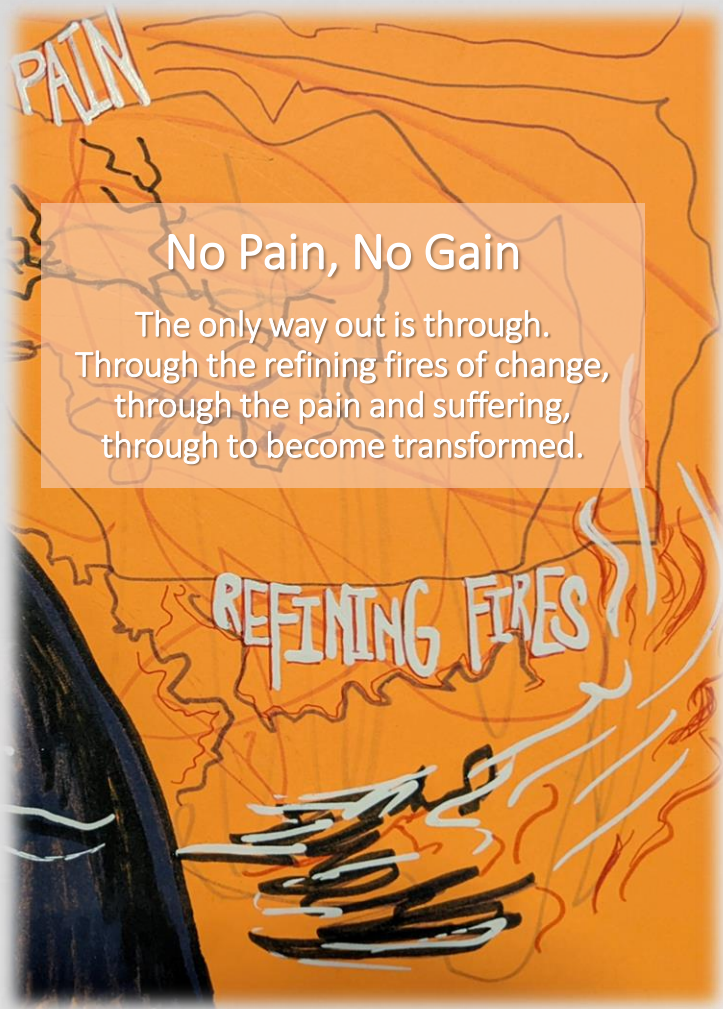


burning bright vs. burnt out





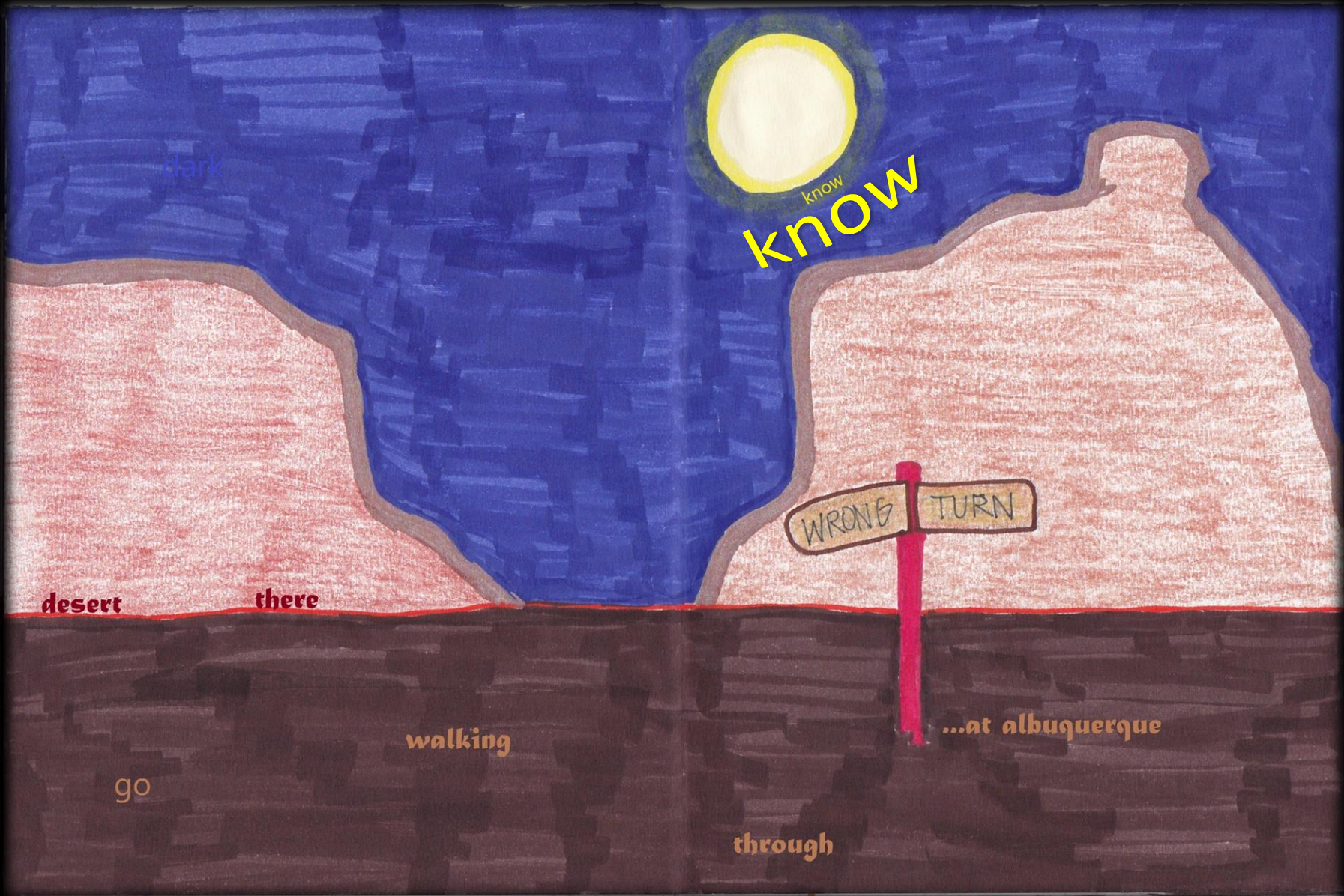




No Pain, No Gain

The only way out is through.
Through the refining fires of change,
through the pain and suffering,
through to become transformed.





dark

know

know

desert

there

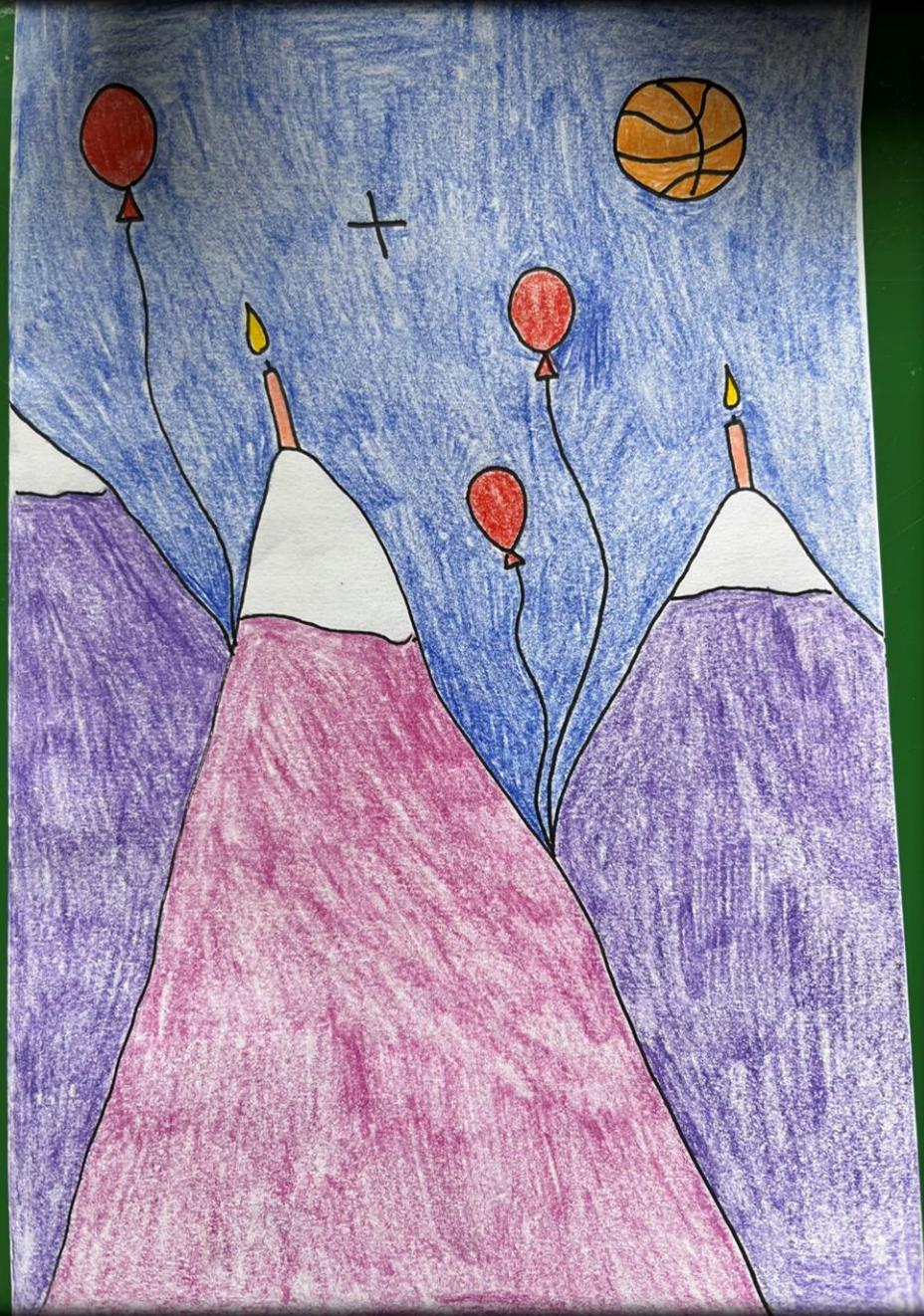
WRONG TURN

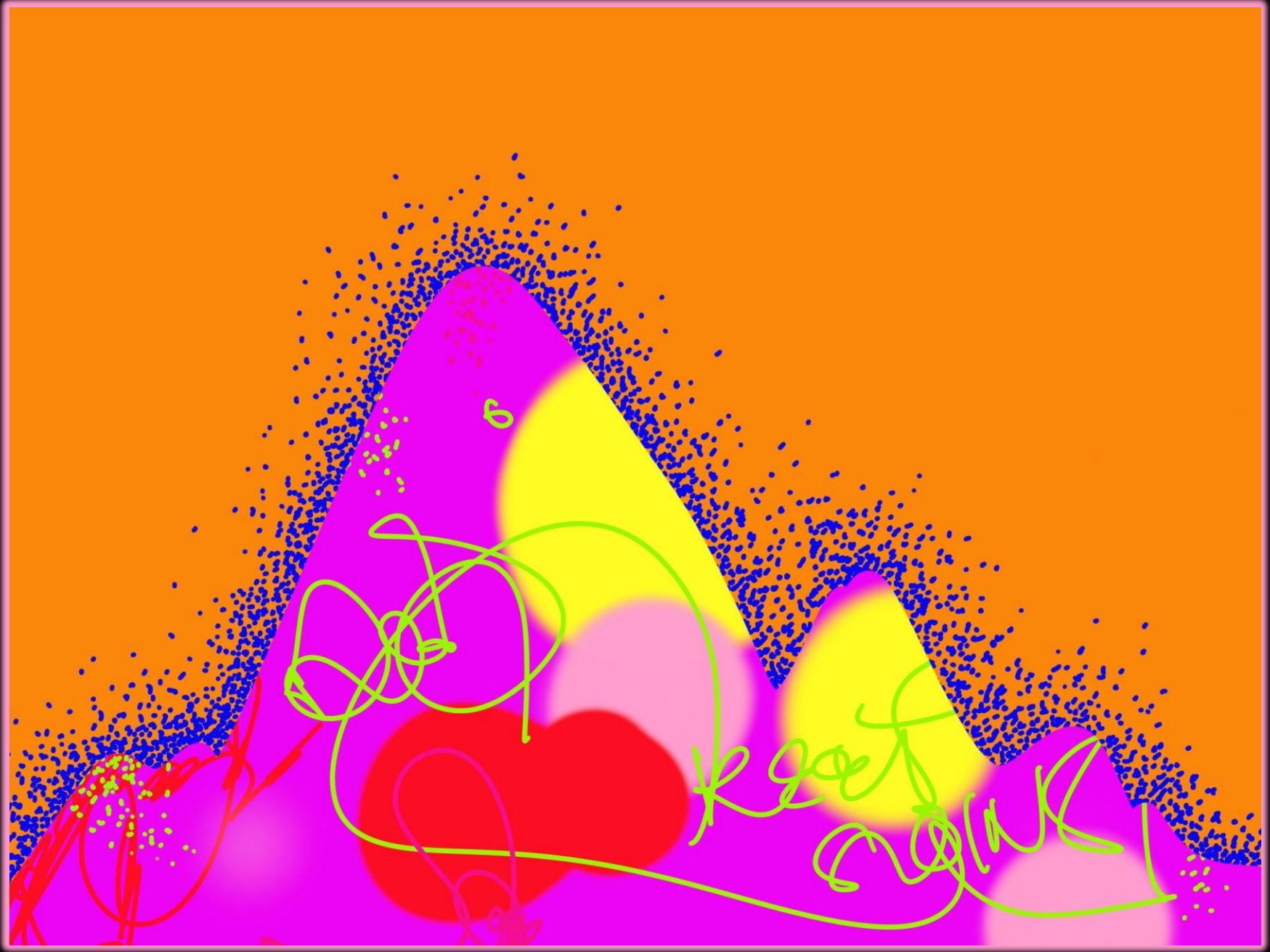
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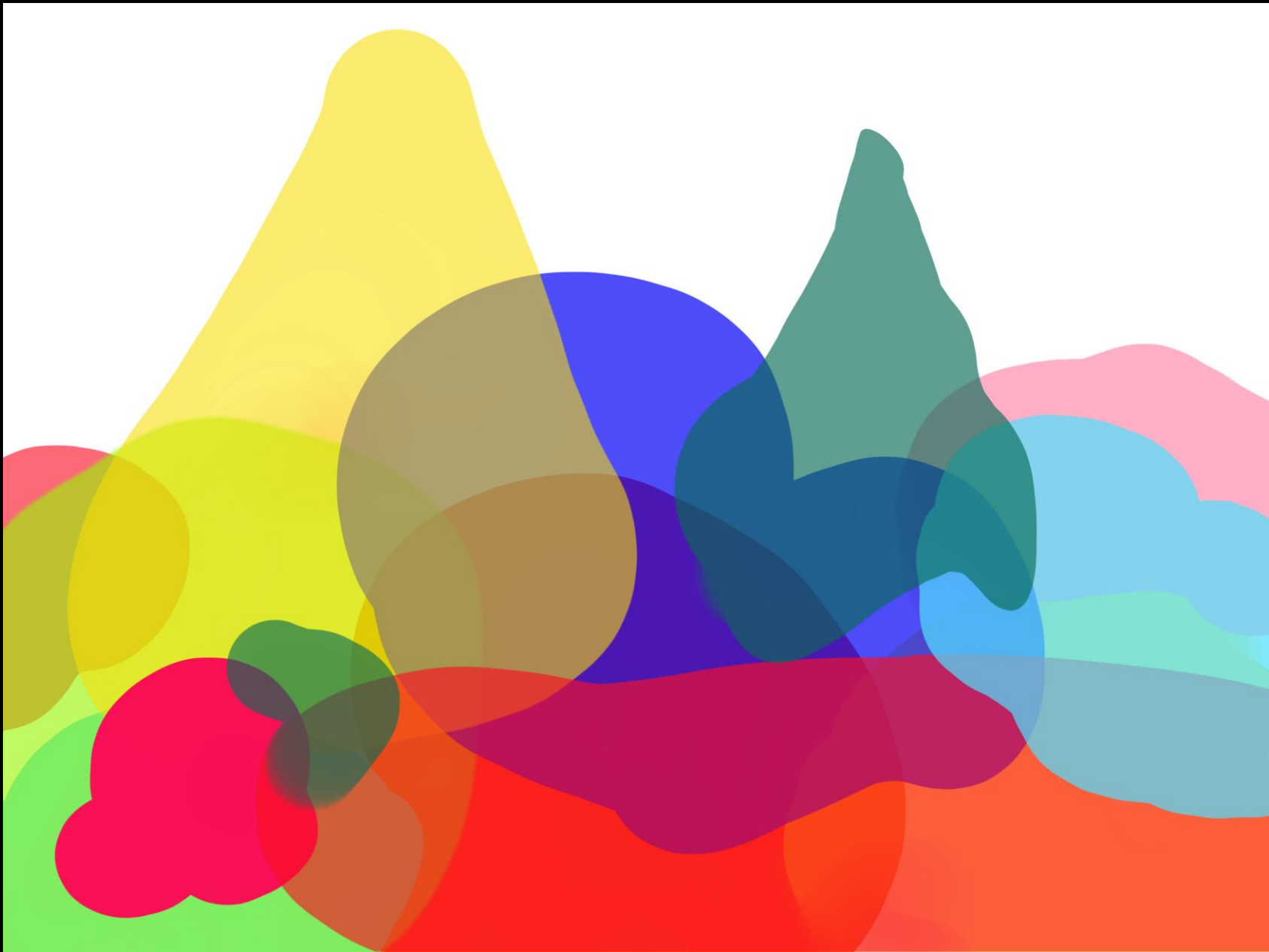
go

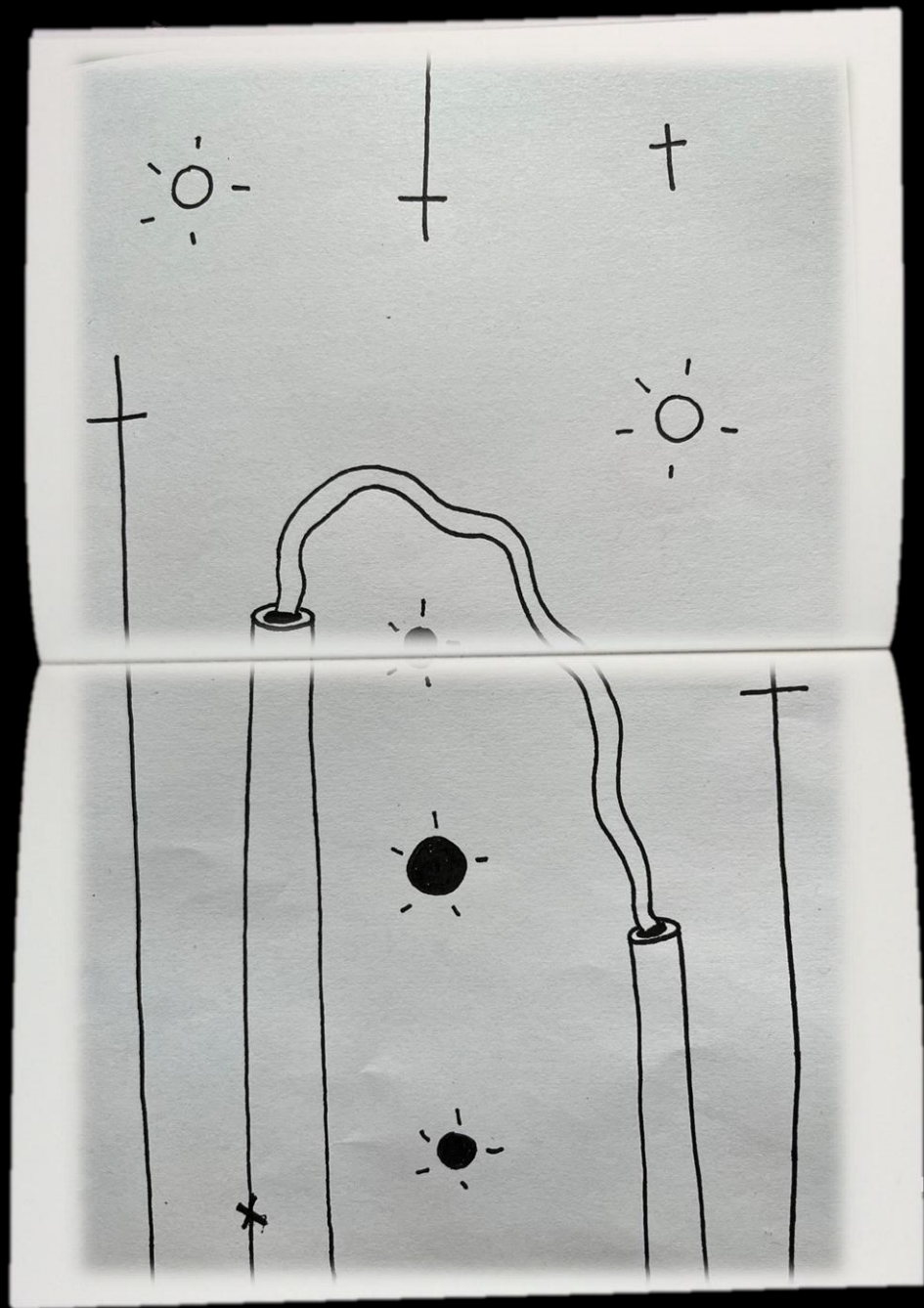
through

...at albuquerque









SWEATING IN JANUARY AND BEING SEEN FOR IT.
WEEK 3 BEING TOLD TO LET THE SHAME BURN
OFF OF ME. I FELT LIKE I COULD AND WOULD
LIGHT THE WHOLE ROOM ON FIRE. I NEVER
KNEW HEAT LIKE THAT IN MY LIFE. HAVING
SOMEONE NOTICE WHEN I SHROOK MY WORDS
AND ASKING ME EVERY TIME WHY THAT IS. REALIZING
THAT I WILL ALWAYS FEEL ABANDONED BY
OTHERS IF I CONTINUE TO ABANDON MYSELF.
UNSURE HOW TO STOP ABANDONING MYSELF.
DEFENSIVE IN THE PROCESS. CONTINUOUSLY HAVING
THE KNIFE TAKEN OUT OF MY HAND AND REPLACED
WITH A NAPKIN. ASKING FOR NOTHING IN RETURN
ENTERTAINING LIFE'S PURPOSE BUT NOT BEING FULLY
CONVINCED. MAYBE I WILL LIVE PAST 30. DOCTORS
ASKING ME IF I HAVE ASTHMA BUT I KNOW ITS JUST
THE GRIEF. TORN OPEN WITH NOTHING BUT AWARENESS
VOMITING RESILIENCY. NOT WANTING THAT LABEL
PLACED ON ME EVER AGAIN. ALLOWING ANOTHER
TO FEEL IT WITH ME FOR THE FIRST TIME. WILLING
SPEAKING MY SHAME. STILL NOT REALLY WANTING TO.
MOTHER GOD. RELEASING IT INTO THE FIRE INSTEAD
OF PUTTING THE FIRE TO MY SKIN. BUILDING THEM
IN CONTAINMENT. FORGETTING HOW TO CRY AND
THEN REMEMBERING. TIGHTENING AND RELEASING. I
LIANT TO COME BACK TO MYSELF AND FEEL
READY FOR THE FIRST TIME. GRATITUDE. SEEING
MY PAIN SERVE A PURPOSE. ACCEPTANCE. URGING
LET WELL SOON CARDS TO THE PSYCH WARD
SELF. LETTING HER GET A TATTOO. LETTING HER
SPEAK. LETTING MYSELF SPEAK. CLOSURE.
I WONT HURT YOU. I BELIEVE YOU AND IM SORRY.





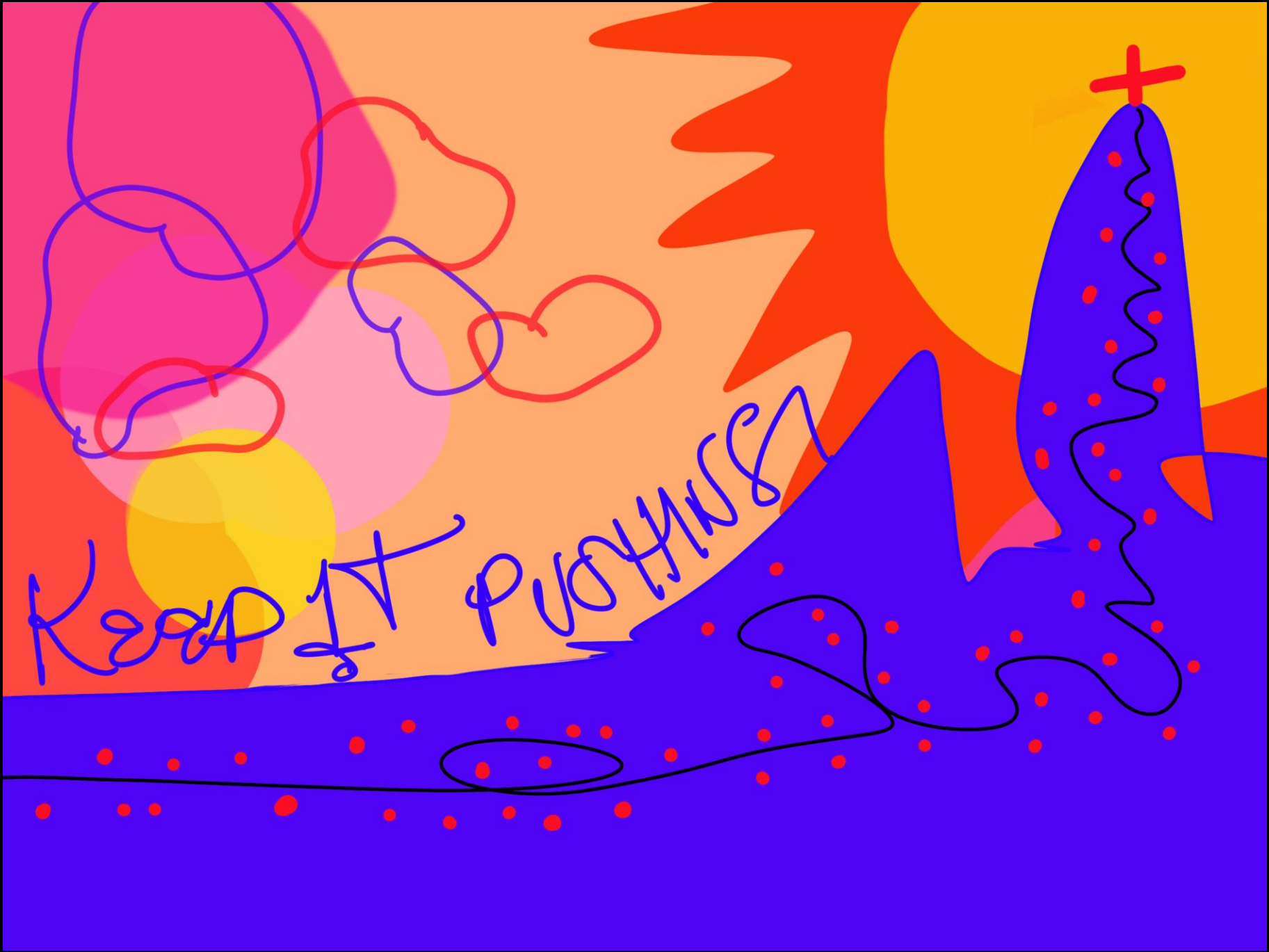
Finding purpose & passion

The fires did their work.
I am reborn through the
refining.
My purpose is clear.
My passion in-tact.
I can see the light.



**I will rise.
I will thrive.**





Keep it puttin's