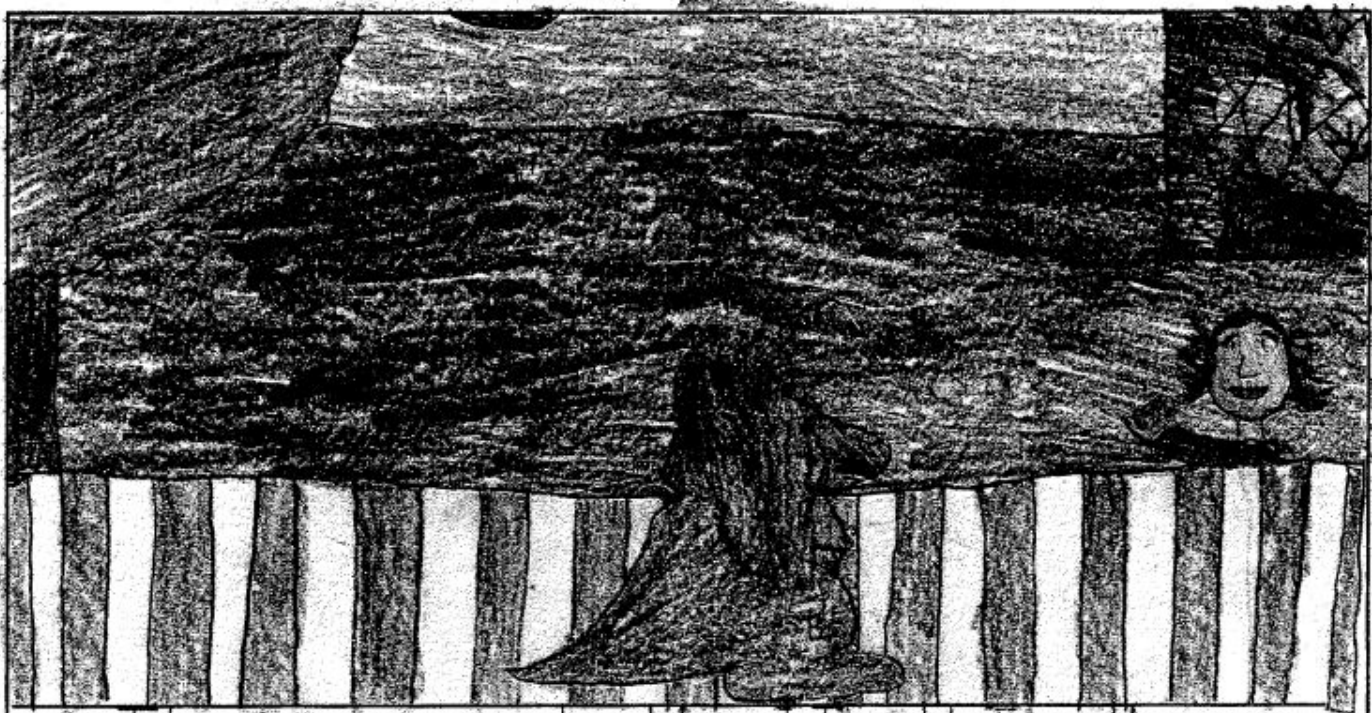


Baby Joey's Disaster



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The sparrows twittered, tweet! tweet!
Crowds of people wandered through the zoo
chatting and watching the animals. The sun
beet down warming a Mother kangaroo named
Kanga. Her baby named Joey was playing by the
fence making funny faces at the crowds. Suddenly
baby Joey saw a handful of popcorn
being chucked at him.

"Aaagh!" squealed baby Joey as he bounded off!
Boing! He leaped through the air landing in
his Mother Kanga's pouch!

"Ouch!" Cried Kanga. "Joey! You are way
too big for this pouch. Now get out!"
Baby Joey began to try and wiggle
his way out. Then Mother Kanga reached
into her pouch and jiggled baby Joey
but she could not get him out.

"Help! Help!" howled baby Joey. "My
mothers gone crazy!"
Boing! Boing! Boing! Father Roo bounced up.

"What's all the noise about? I mean noise about?" joked Father Roo.

"Baby Joey, he jumped into my p-p-pouch again, and he's S-S-stuck," groaned Kanga.

"Ah, that's easy to fix!" giggled Father Roo.

"It is?" asked Kanga raising her eyebrows.

"Sure it is," beamed Roo. "Just let me give you a hand." Roo grabbed Kanga by the waist, flipped her upside down, and began to shake her. Kanga's face grew red, her eyes popped, and she shrieked, "Help! Help! It's not working!"

All that commotion brought Lisa the zookeeper running. When she saw what was happening she quickly ordered, "Put Kanga down!"

"Thud!" Father Roo let go of Kanga sending her crashing on her head!

Kanga groaned as she saw stars.

"What happened?"

Lisa ran over to where Kanga was lying and patted her on the head. "Oh, you poor little baby, Kanga."

"I'm the baby. What about me?" squealed baby Joey. "And I want outta here!"

Lisa carefully reached into Kanga's pouch and gently pulled Joey out.

"When?" sighed Kanga. "Relief at last!"