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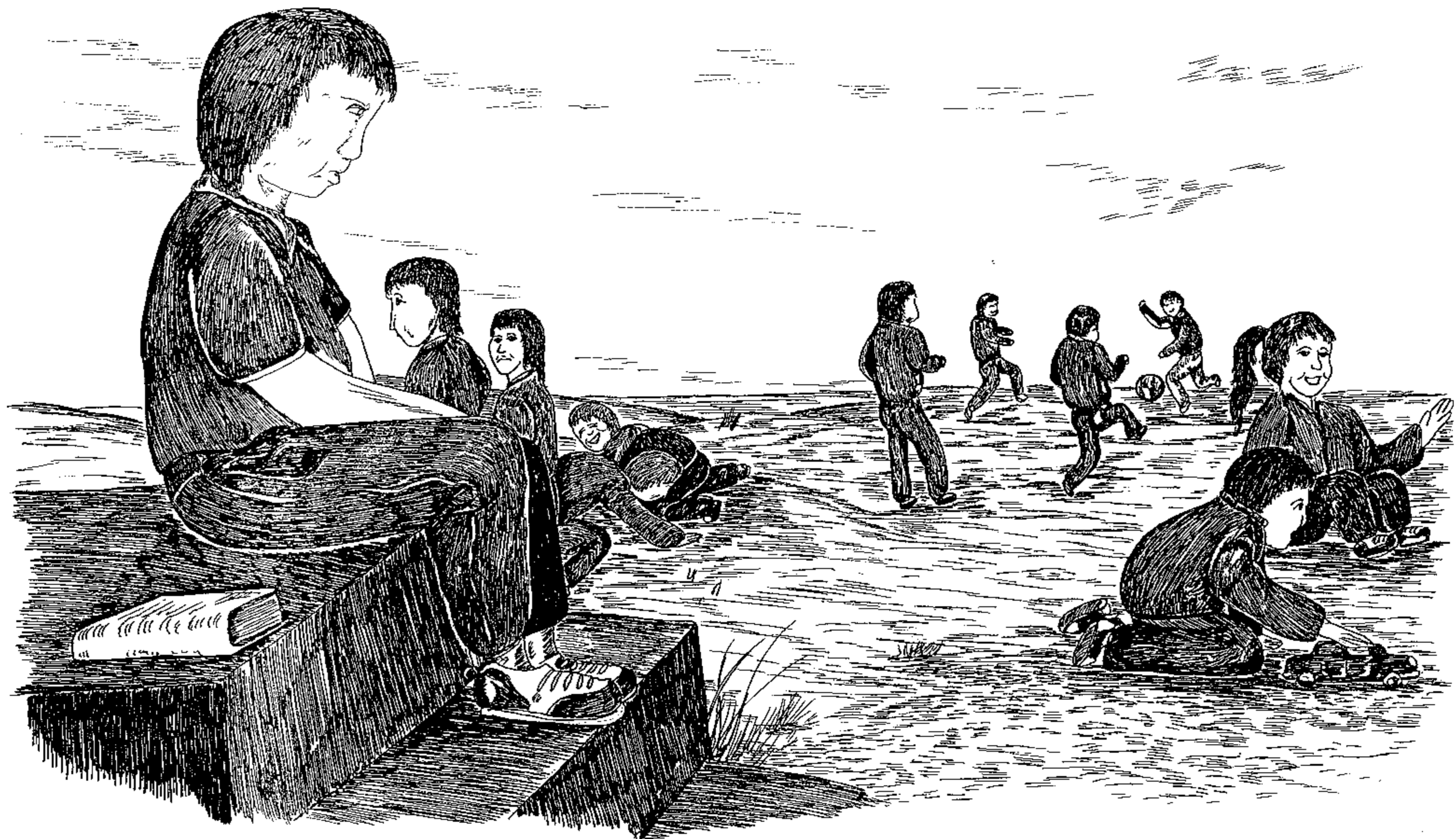
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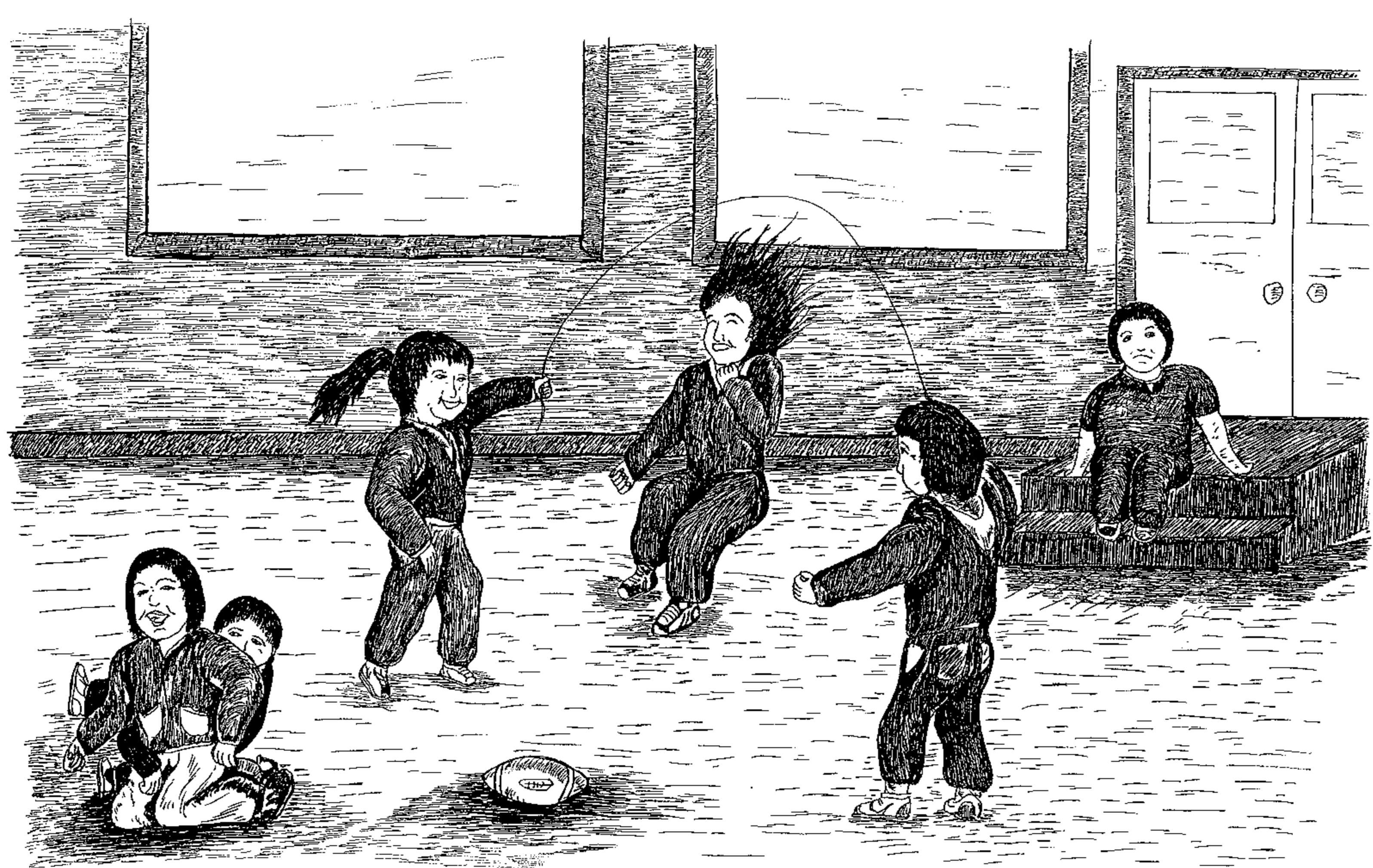
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Big Jim was sad. He just sat on the steps at school alone, while all the other children played together.



They had lots of fun, playing ball or skipping rope. Big Jim did not have any fun at all because nobody would play with him.



The other children teased him because he was so big. They laughed and pointed at him.



**This made Big Jim feel very unhappy.
His feelings were hurt, so he just sat on
the school steps while everybody else
played.**



But he did not sit too long. Mary, Derek, and Billy came running up to Big Jim. They were all excited.

**“Come and play with us,” they said.
“You are so big and we are so little.
Come and play with us. Hurry!”**



Big Jim was surprised. Did they really want to play with him because he was so big?



He decided to go and play with them.



And he was glad he did. He had a good time and so did his friends. Before noon hour was over, everyone was saying, "Big Jim is the greatest!"

