

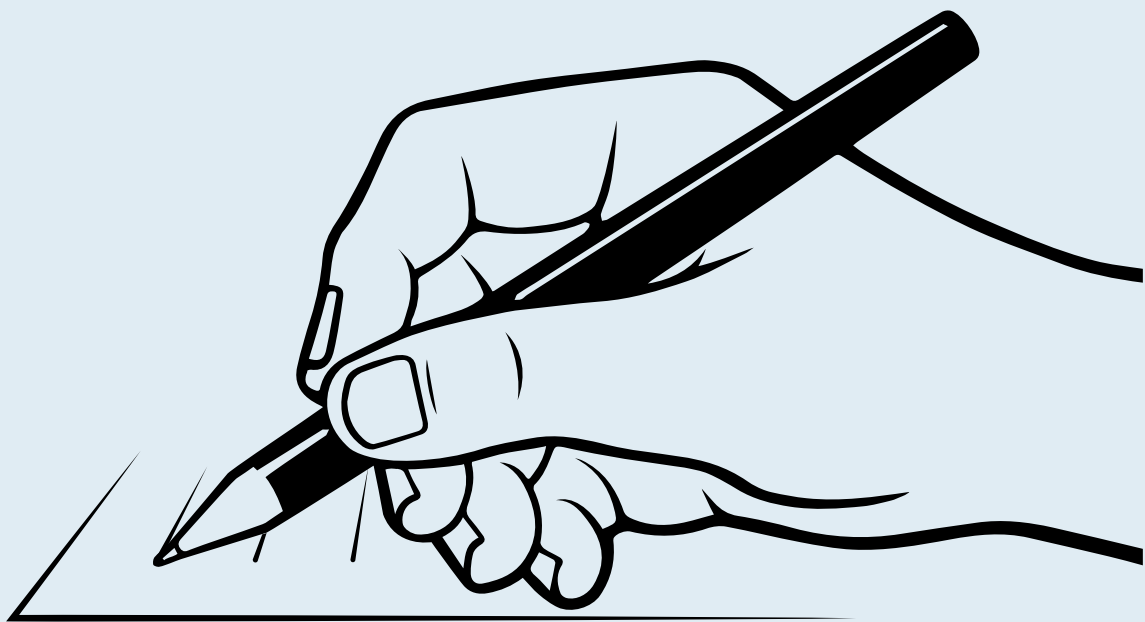
I peeked
around the
corner
and...



The water
was cold
against
my skin.



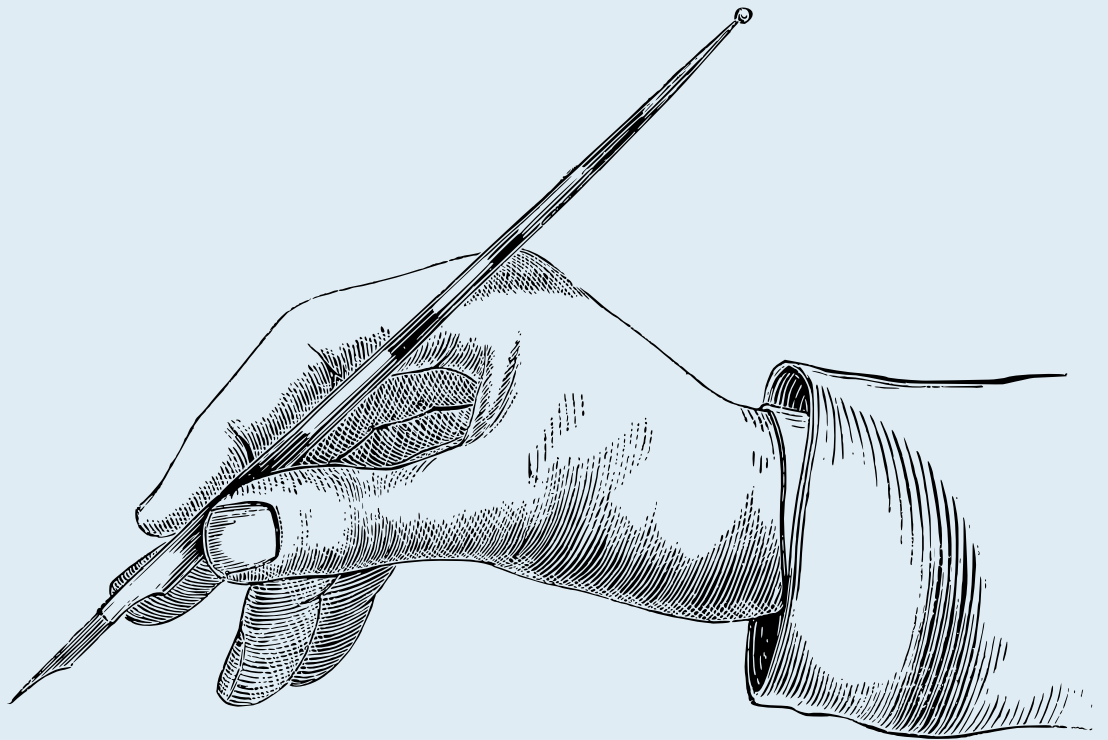
'Surprise!'
they
yelled.



It wasn't an
ordinary
Friday
night.

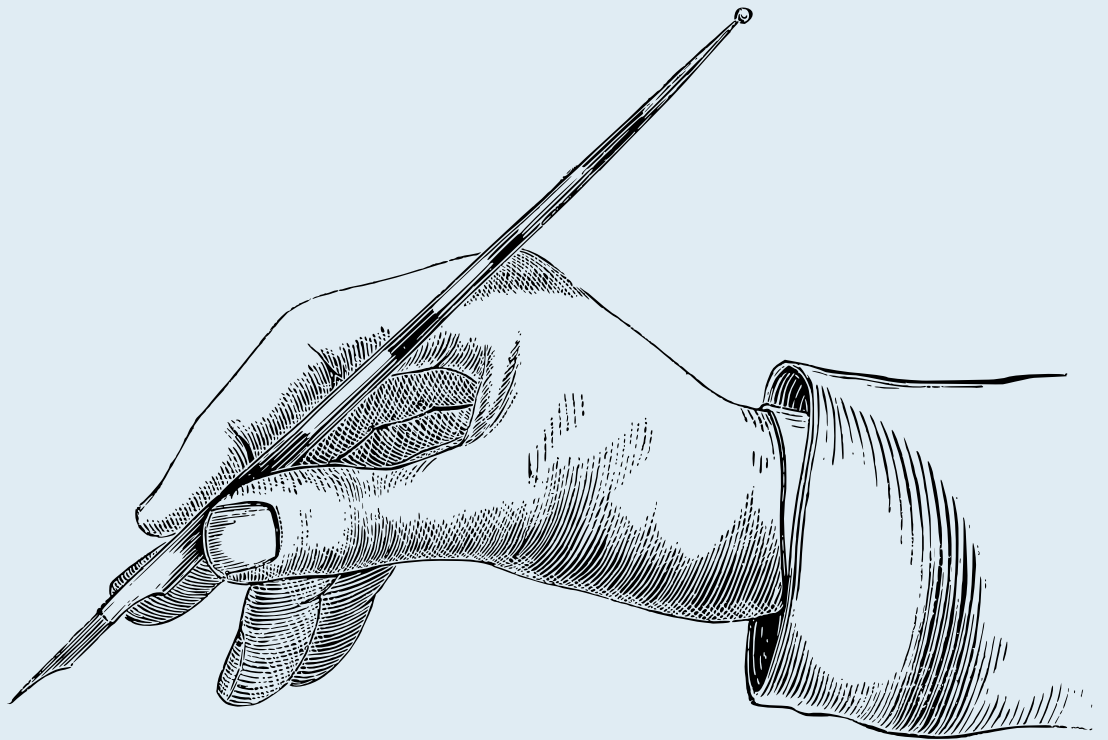


Thank
goodness
that was
over.



We had finally
arrived.

I couldn't wait
to get started.



Two beady
eyes stared
back at
me.



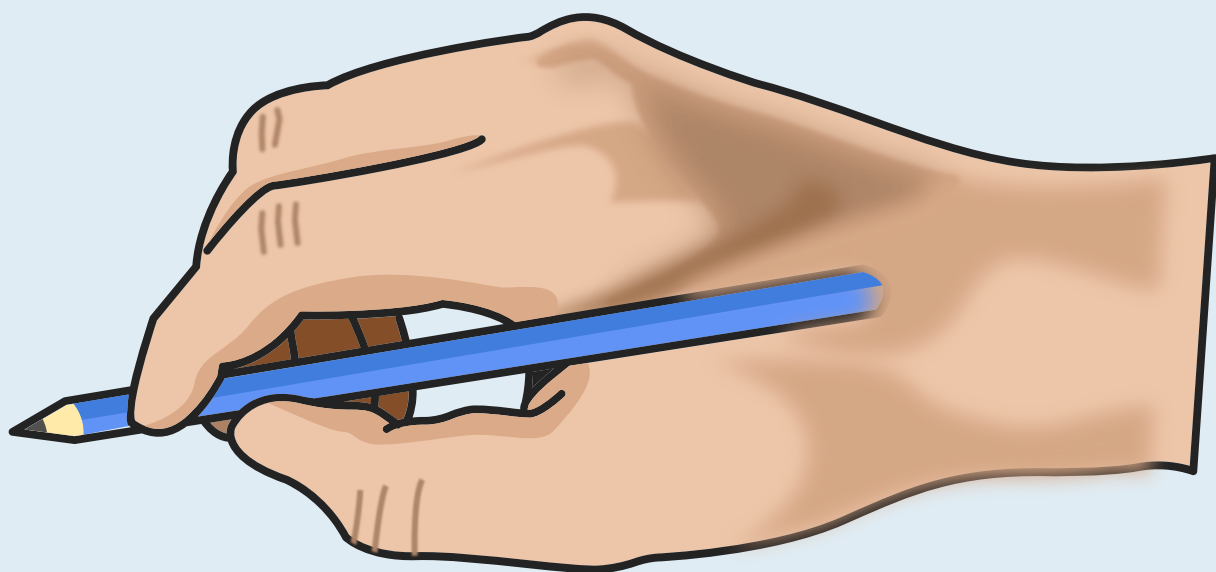
It had all
come to this
very
moment.



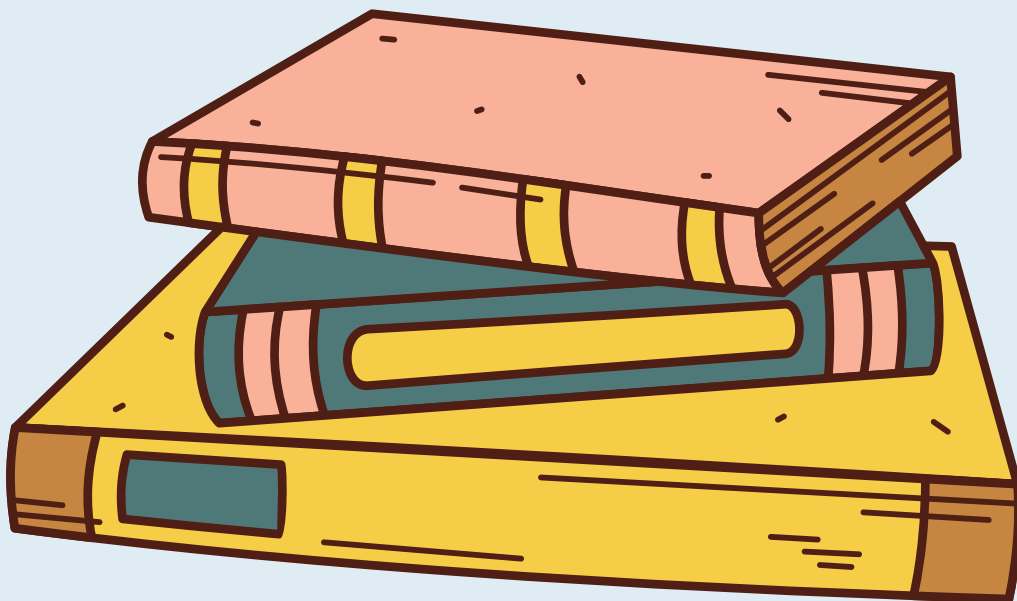
'Yes,
Captain! I
can show
you the
way.'



I felt the
ground
beneath me
move...



'Where
have you
been?'



And then
my dog
spoke back
to me....



I could see
ice forming
on the glass
window.



I looked up
to
the sky...



Confetti
filled
the air.



Light
reflected off
the ocean
and I
thought...

