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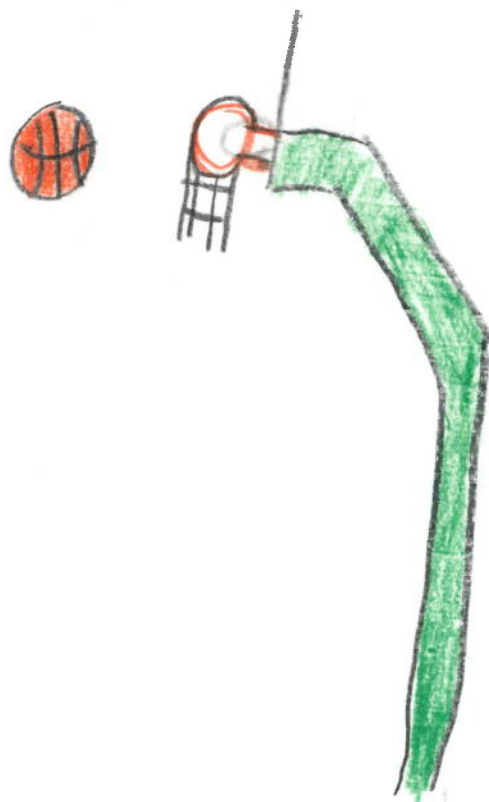
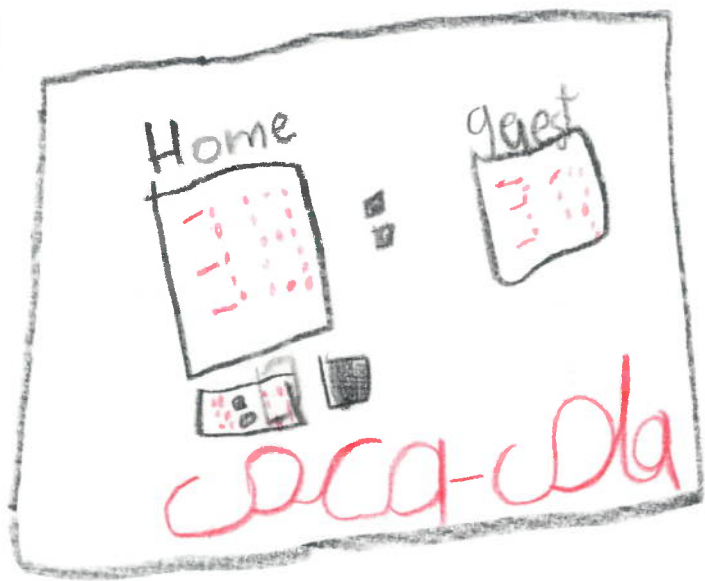


**by Drew Stewart**



Hey! My name is Nate. As you might remember, last year was a blast. This year we're going to do way better than we did last year.

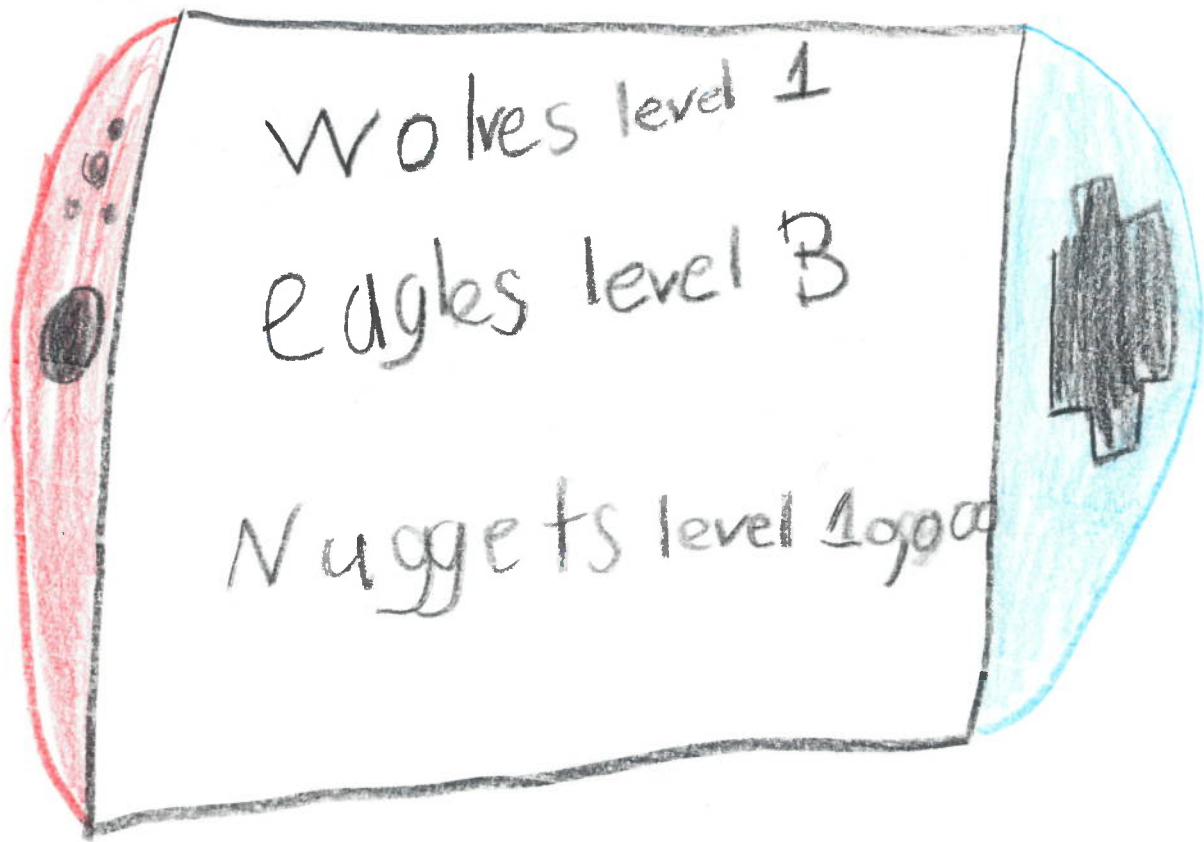
I play basketball on a team called The Jets. Let me introduce my team. There's Daniel, Elijah, James, Michael, and finally, me.



Last year, we went against The Nuggets. They had the best player in the league. After I shot that buzzer beater, I became the best player in the league. Everybody started cheering me on. I came home happy.



Now I have an even harder game coming up. It's a tournament! Yep, you heard me. A tournament! First we're up against The Wolves, then The Eagles, and finally The Nuggets, the best team in the league.

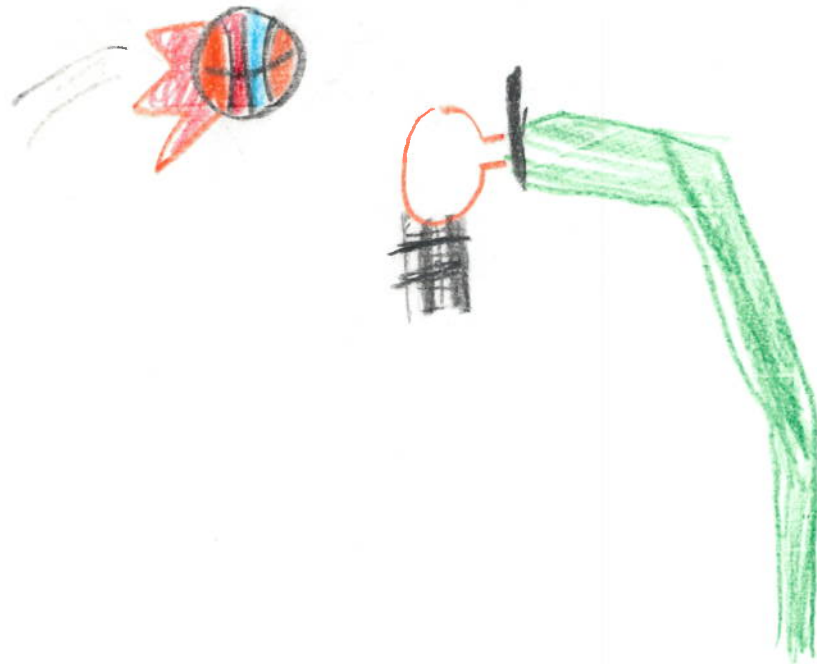


It's game night. I am super scared. The Wolves are easy. I know we'll have no problem with them. The Eagles might be challenging, and The Nuggets will be hard to beat.



In the first game, we get 48. The Wolves get 26. Next up, The Eagles. We get 57. They get 54.

I am so scared about The Nuggets. I am so pressured right now. I feel like I could blow up. We warm up. Then the game starts. BZZZZZ!



Now that I've learned how to dunk, I'm going to put it in the game. The Nuggets get the ball first and shoot a three pointer. SWISH!

This is intense. Now I'm the one that takes it up the court. I shoot a two. SWISH! The former best player on The Nuggets takes it up. I get a steal, take it up the court, and SLAM! The crowd goes crazy! I yell in happiness!



Now it's the last five seconds in the game. We're behind one point. The Nuggets have the ball. The former best player for The Nuggets takes it up.

I steal it. I take it up the court. SLAM! BZZZZZ!  
The crowd goes wild. We win the game!



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