

GWERN



By Dr Elin Walker Jones
A Book in the 'Living with Autism' Series



Illustrated by Don Braisby

Acknowledgments

Thanks to:

Mrs Sioned Jones

Welsh Language Board

Friends of Autism Cymru Celebrity Calendar 2005

Ysgol Gymraeg, Coed y Gof, Pentrebaen, Cardiff

Autism Cymru

National Office

6 Great Darkgate Street

Aberystwyth

Ceredigion

SY23 1DE

Tel: 01970 625256

Email: sue@autismcymru.org

www.autismcymru.org

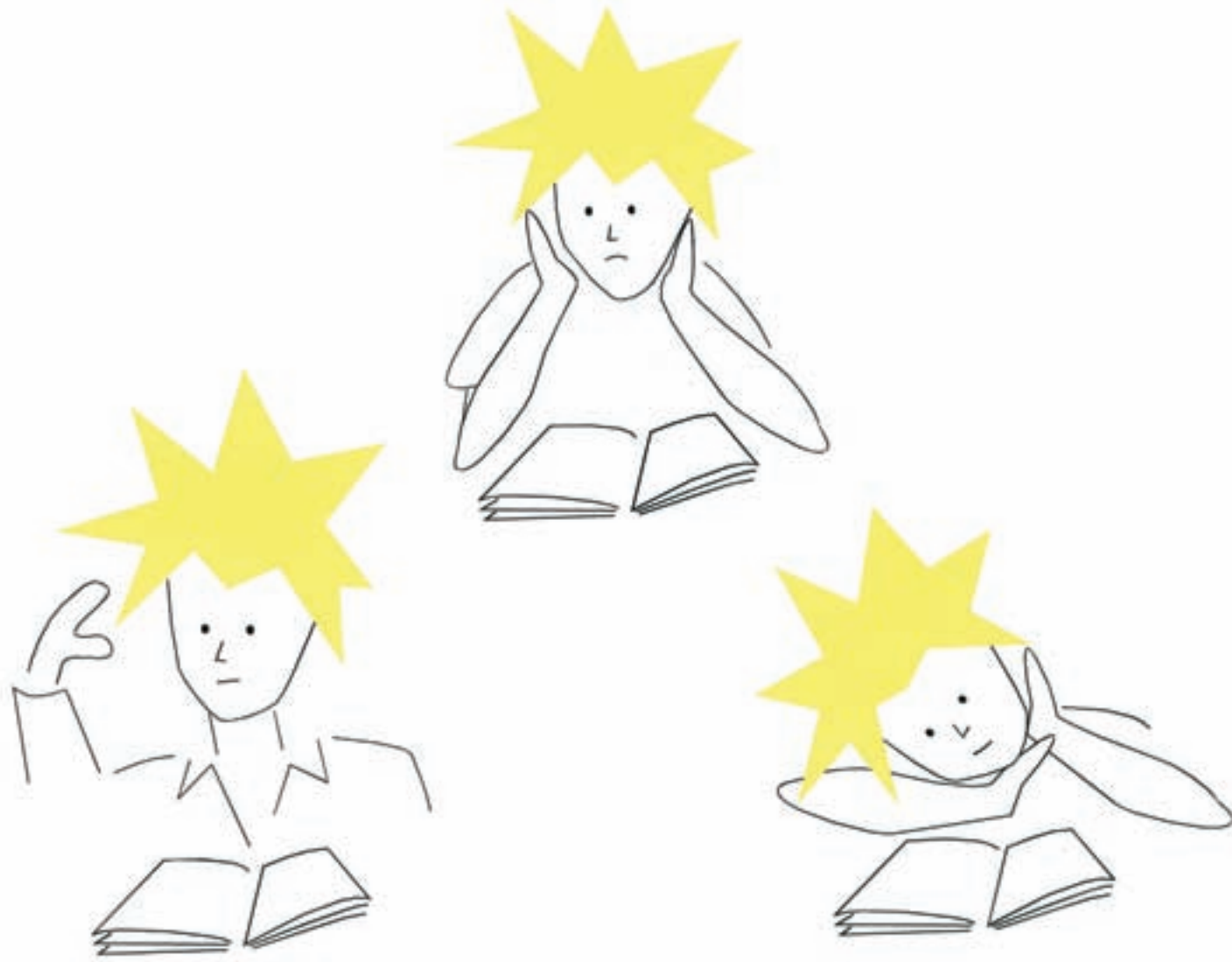
www.awares.org



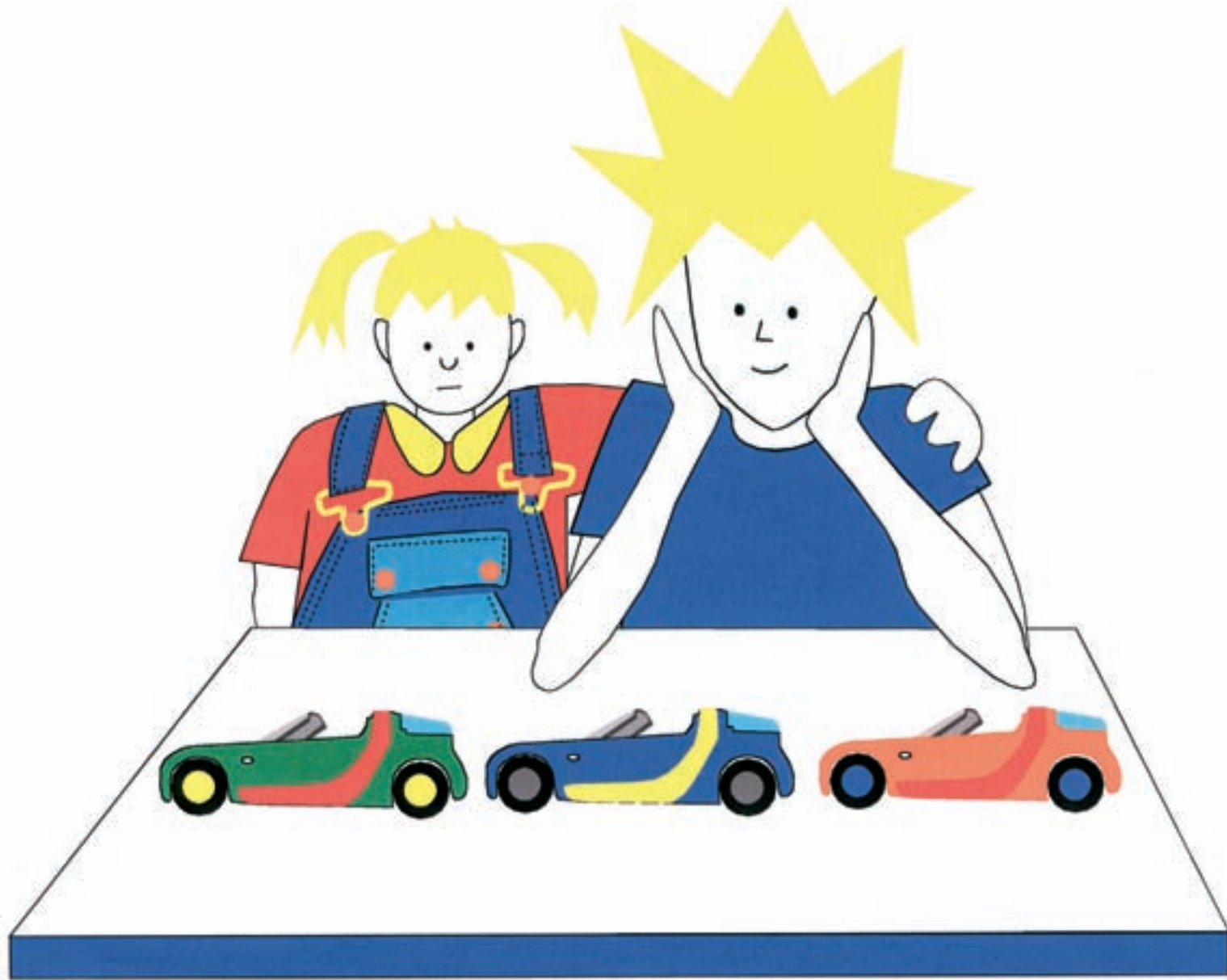
I'm Lisa



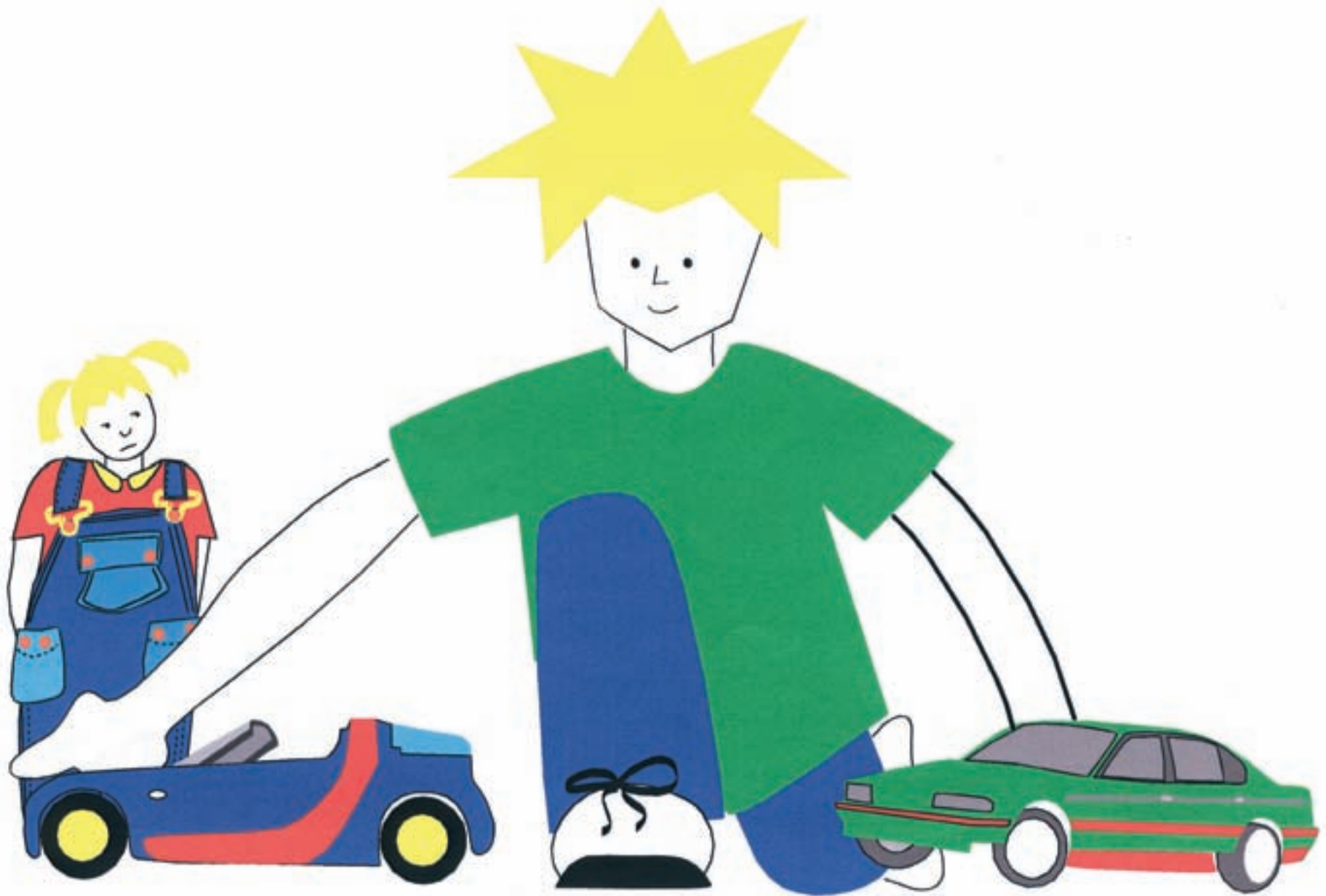
This is Gwern, my brother



He looks the same as other boys but he doesn't do things like them...



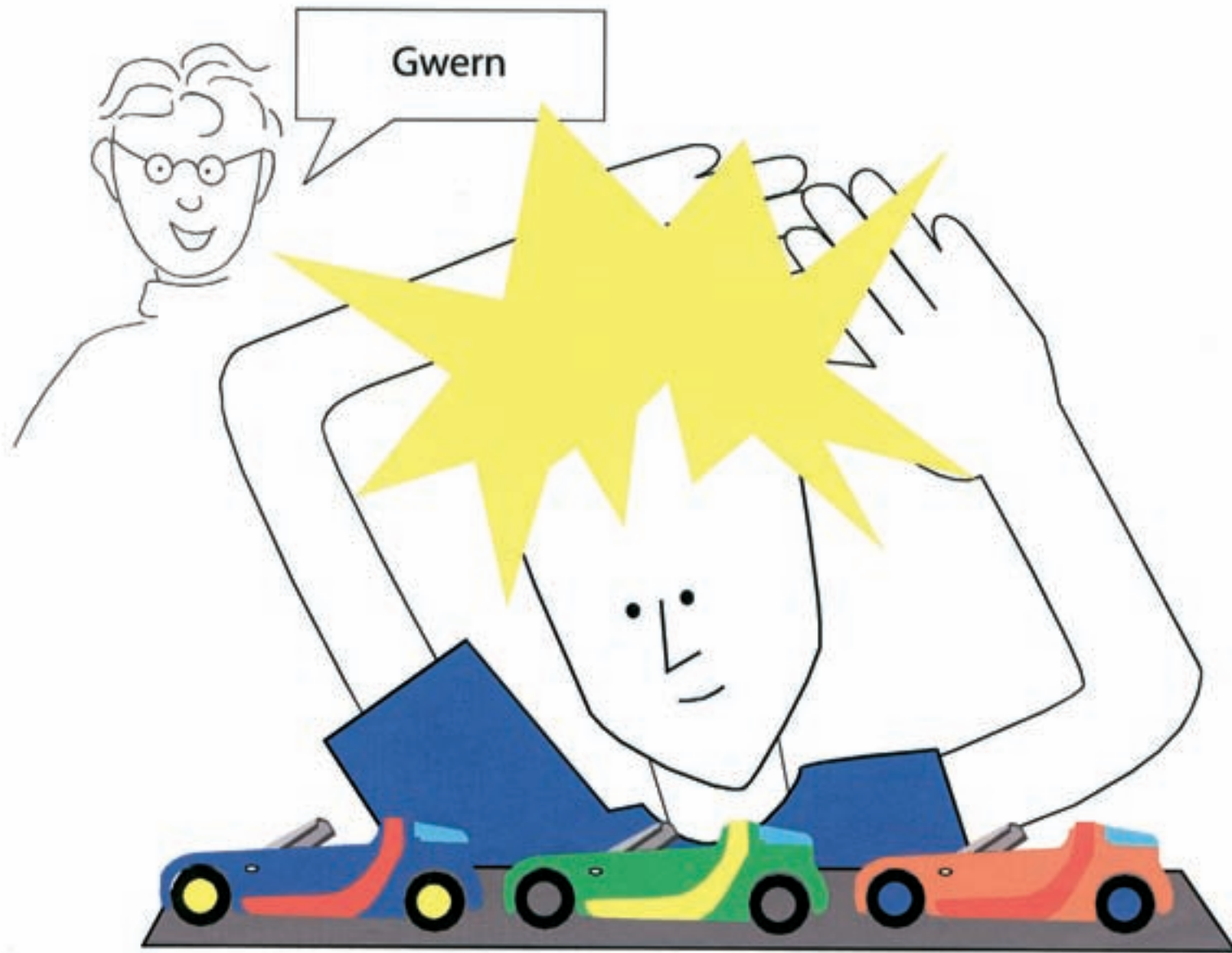
Sometimes when I talk to him



He doesn't take any notice of me

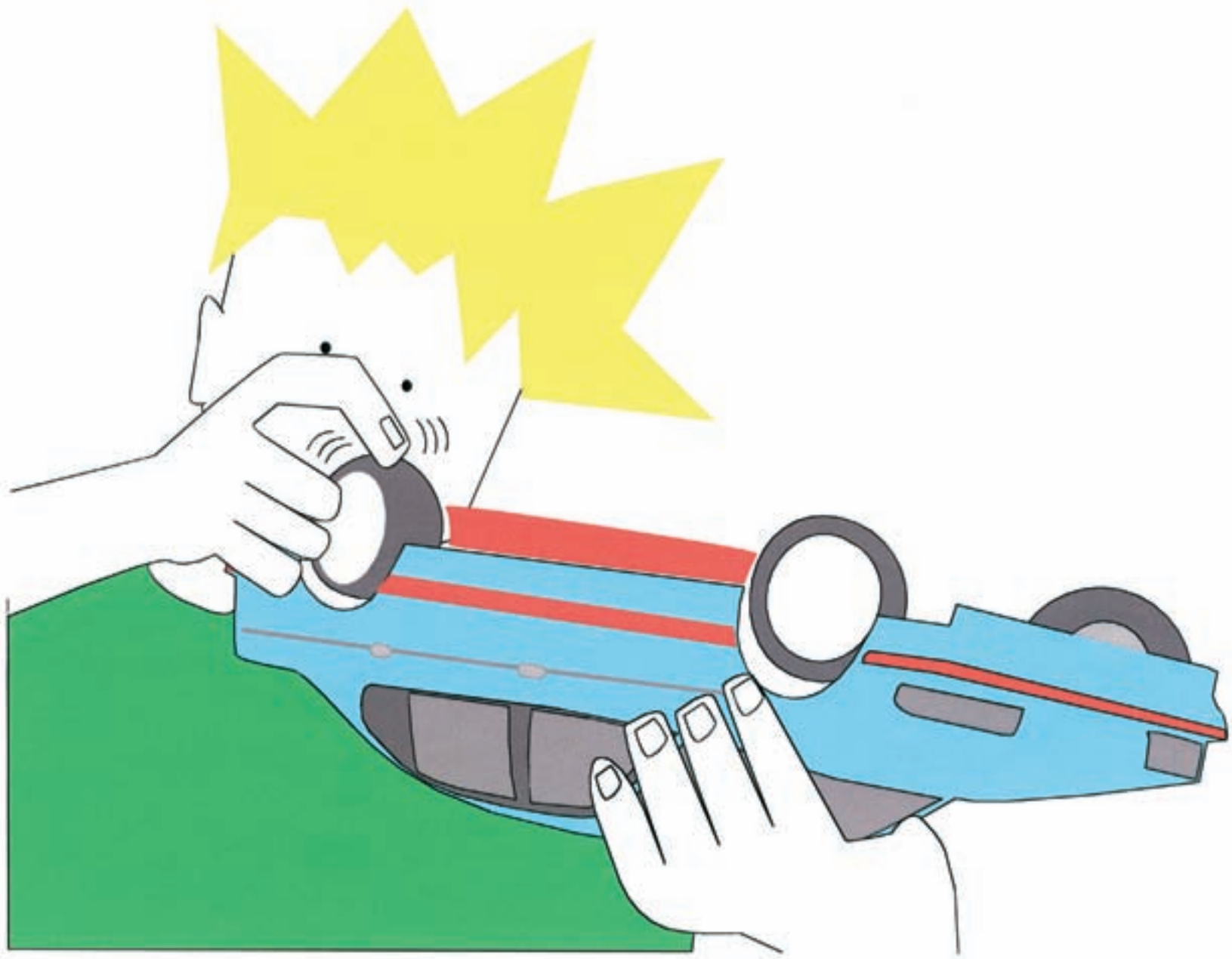


...he doesn't understand me

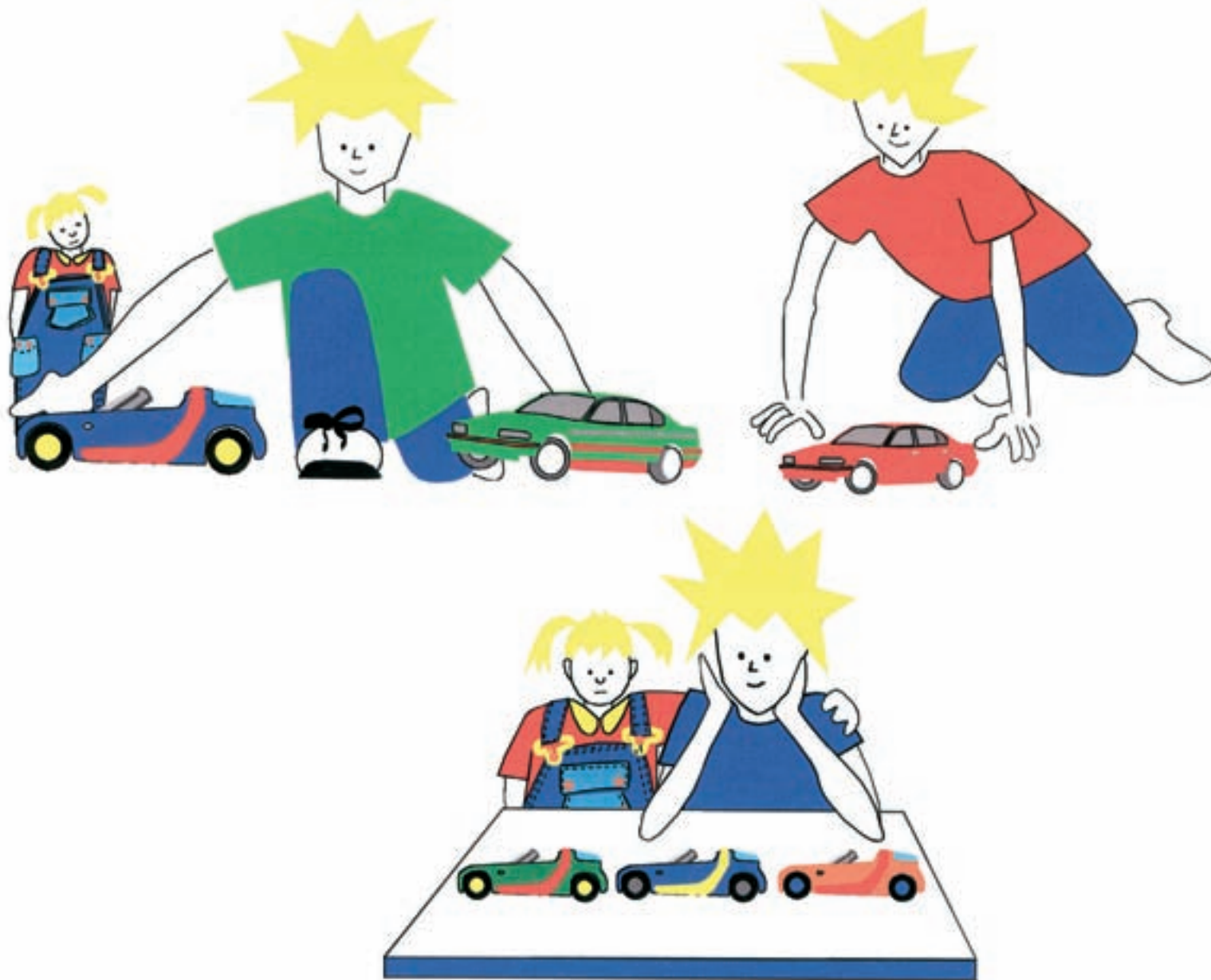


Sometimes when he's playing he doesn't see or hear anyone else





Gwern is very fond of little cars



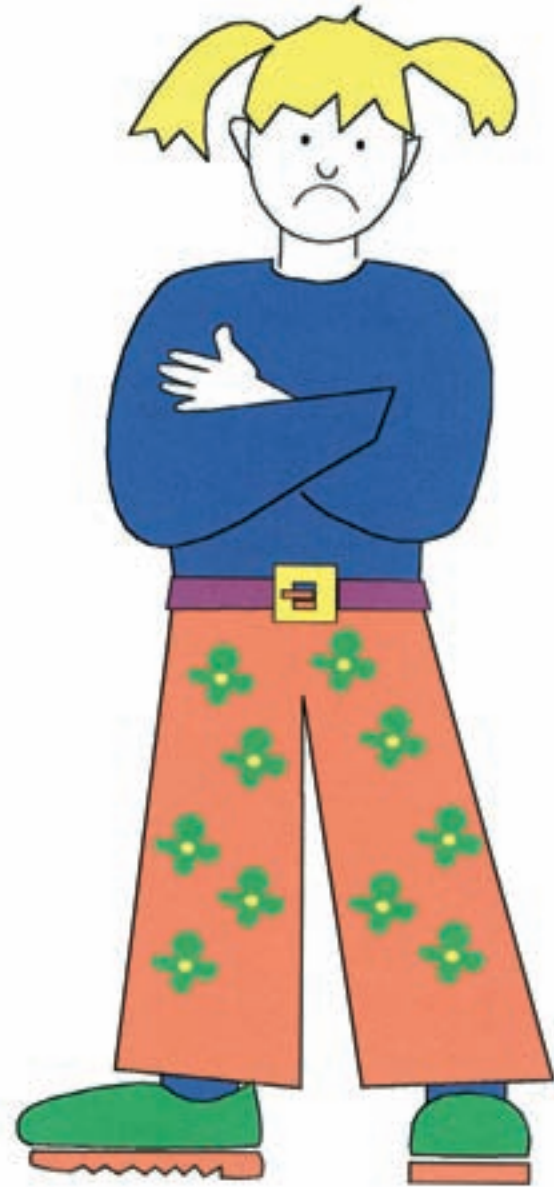
In fact he LOVES little cars!



When I'm colouring Gwern takes the crayons **WITHOUT ASKING!**



He doesn't realise that you shouldn't take other people's things **WITHOUT ASKING!!**



He doesn't realise that this
upsets me



He puts his hands over his ears in the shop



He's scared of the noise



Sometimes Gwern screams



People look at him



He can't talk like me and say
what he needs



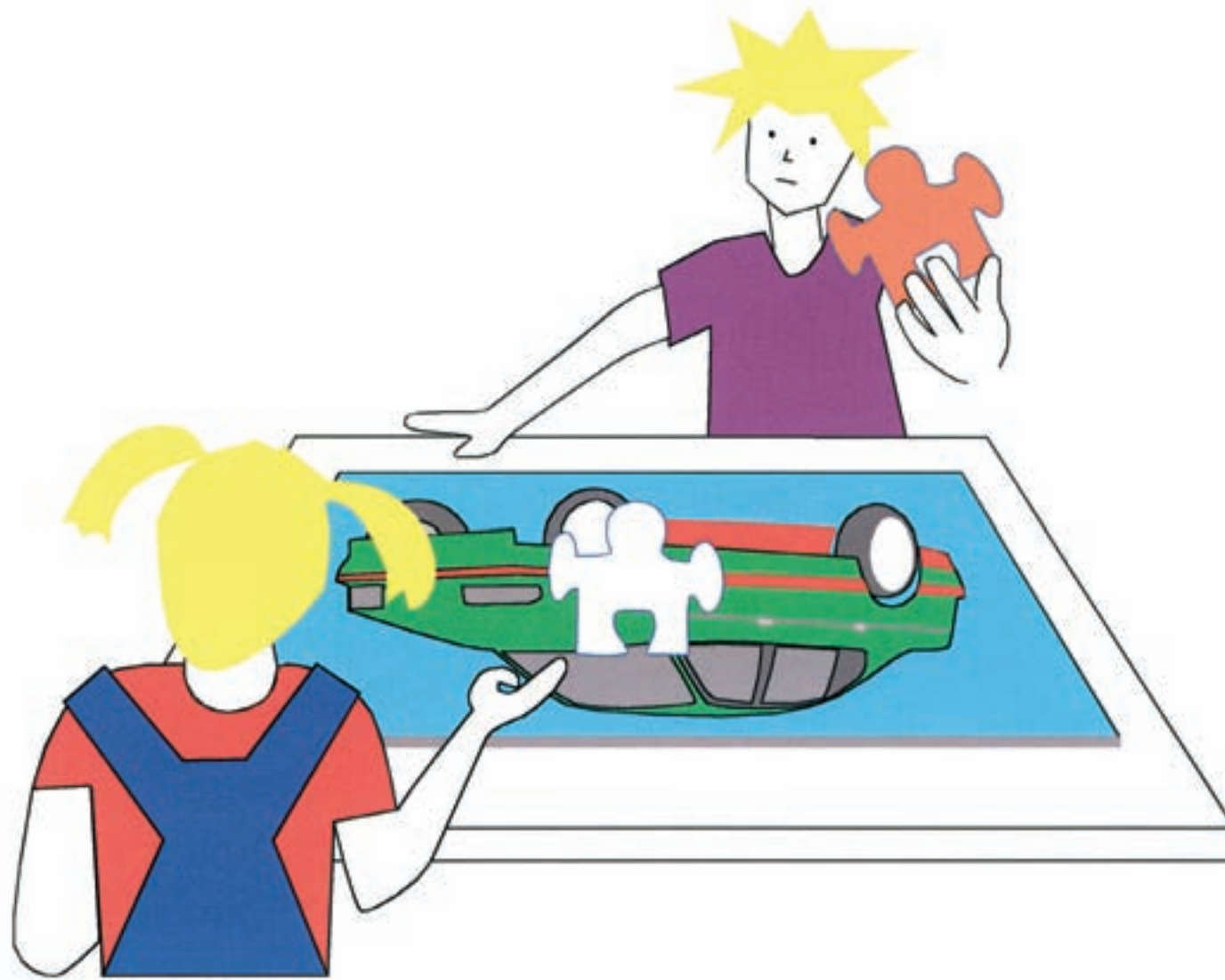
Mummy doesn't think it's funny when
he takes his clothes off...
But he's hot!



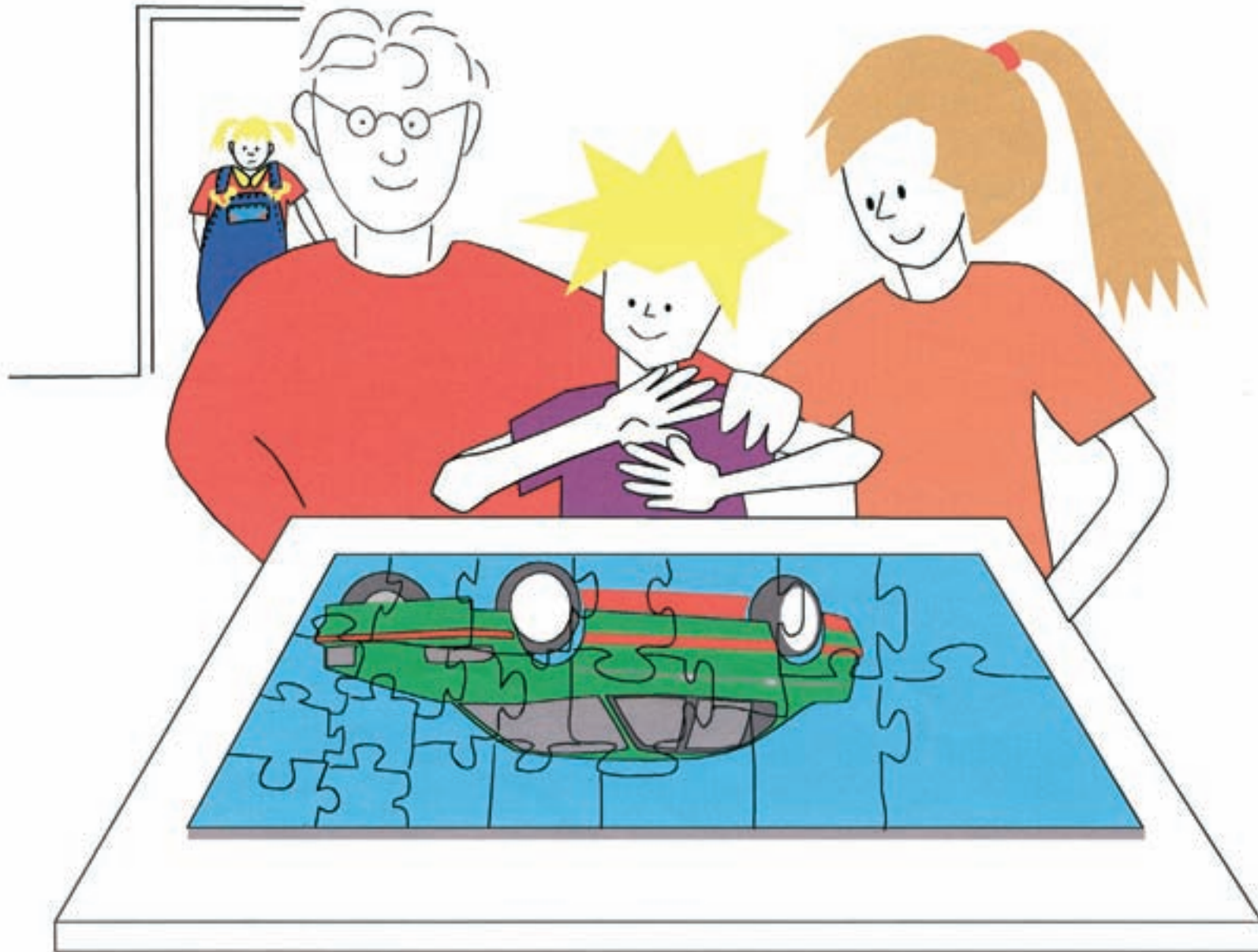
Sometimes Gwern wants to play
in the middle of the night



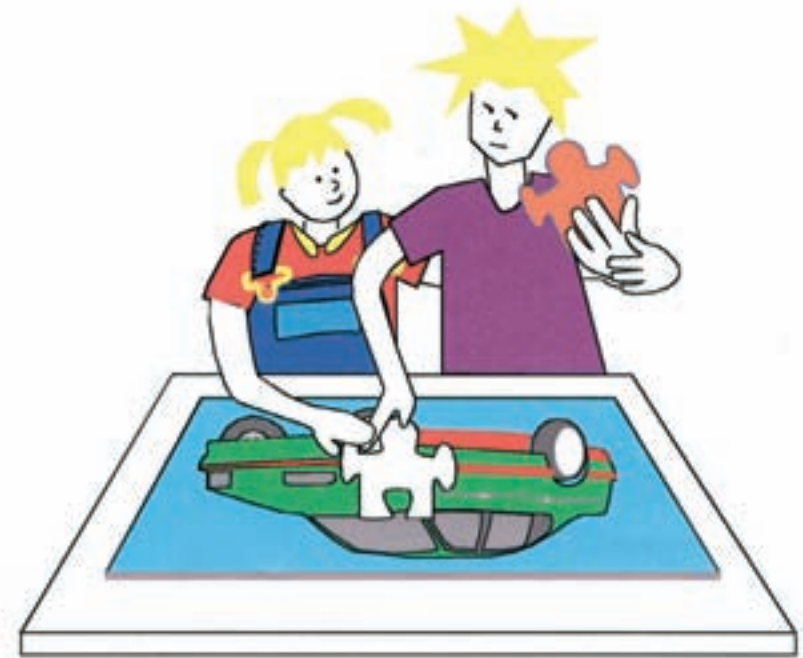
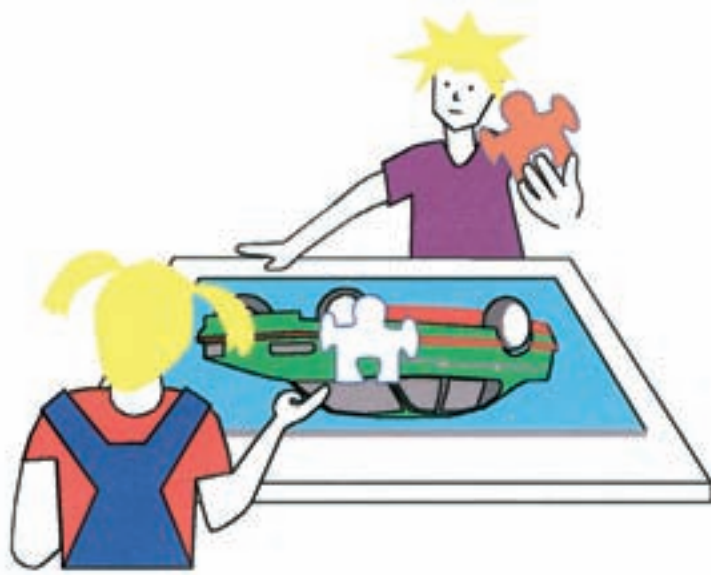
He's not tired
I'm tired so are Mummy and Daddy



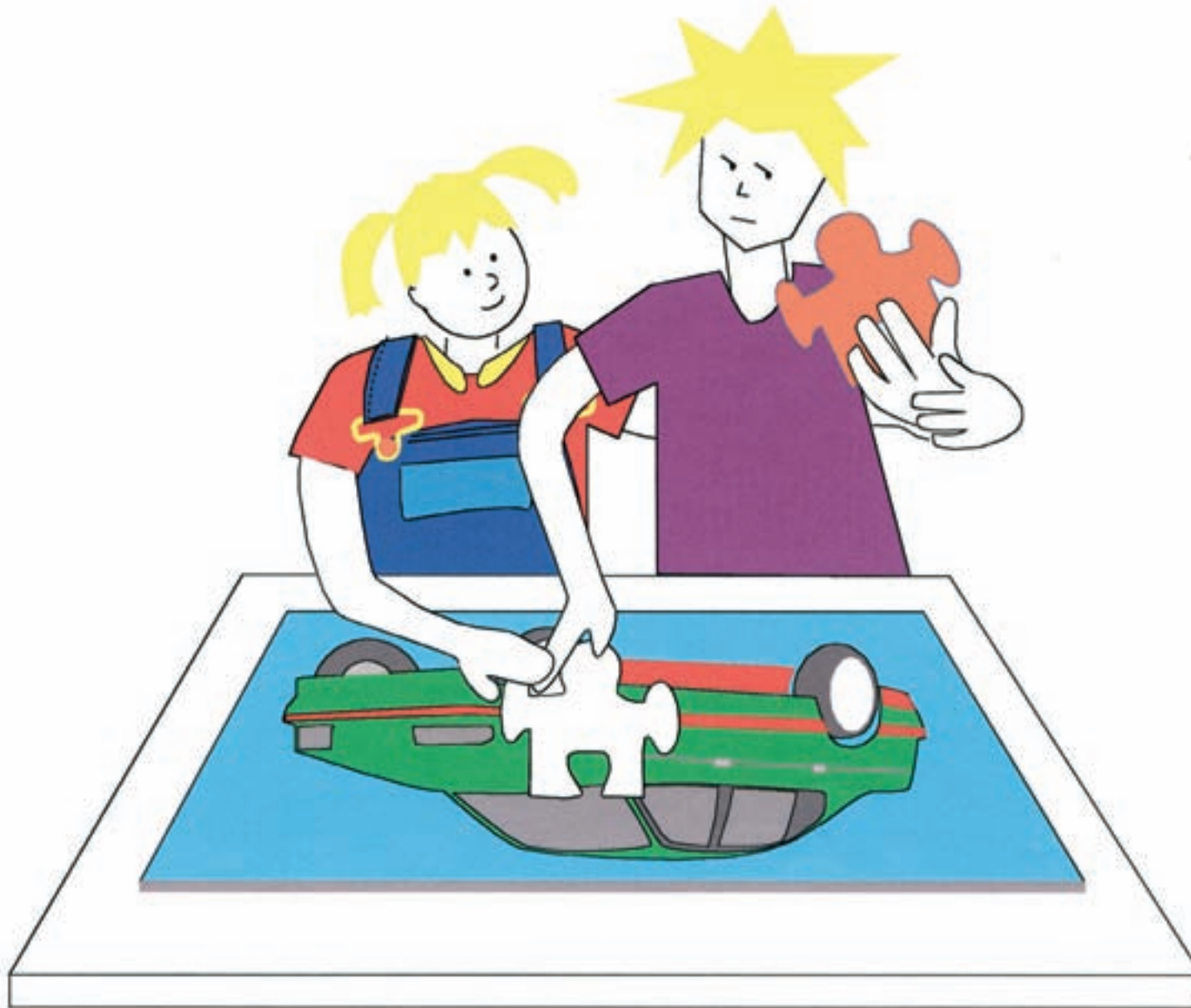
My brother needs help to do simple things I can do easily



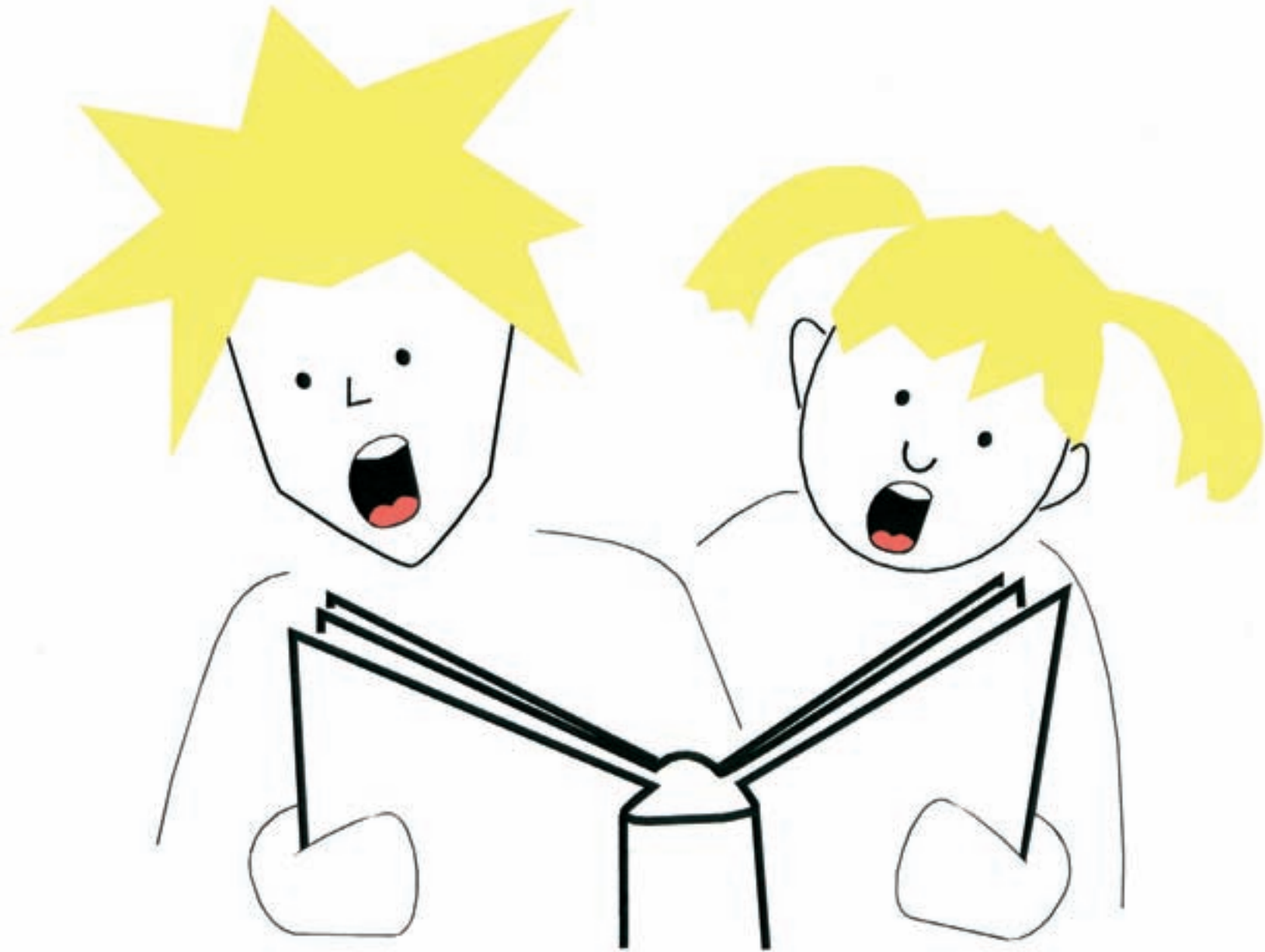
People make a lot of fuss



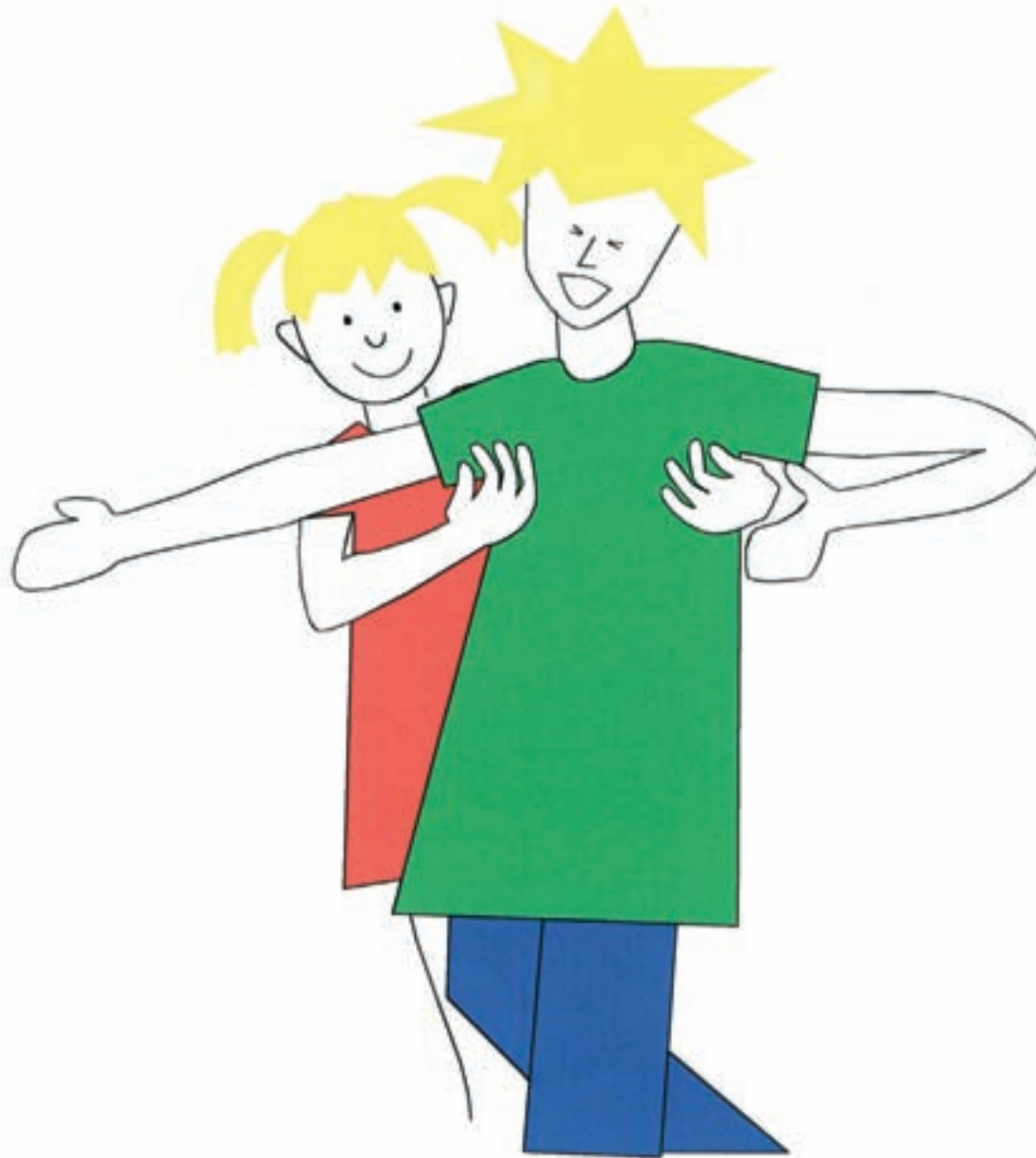
Things are more difficult for him



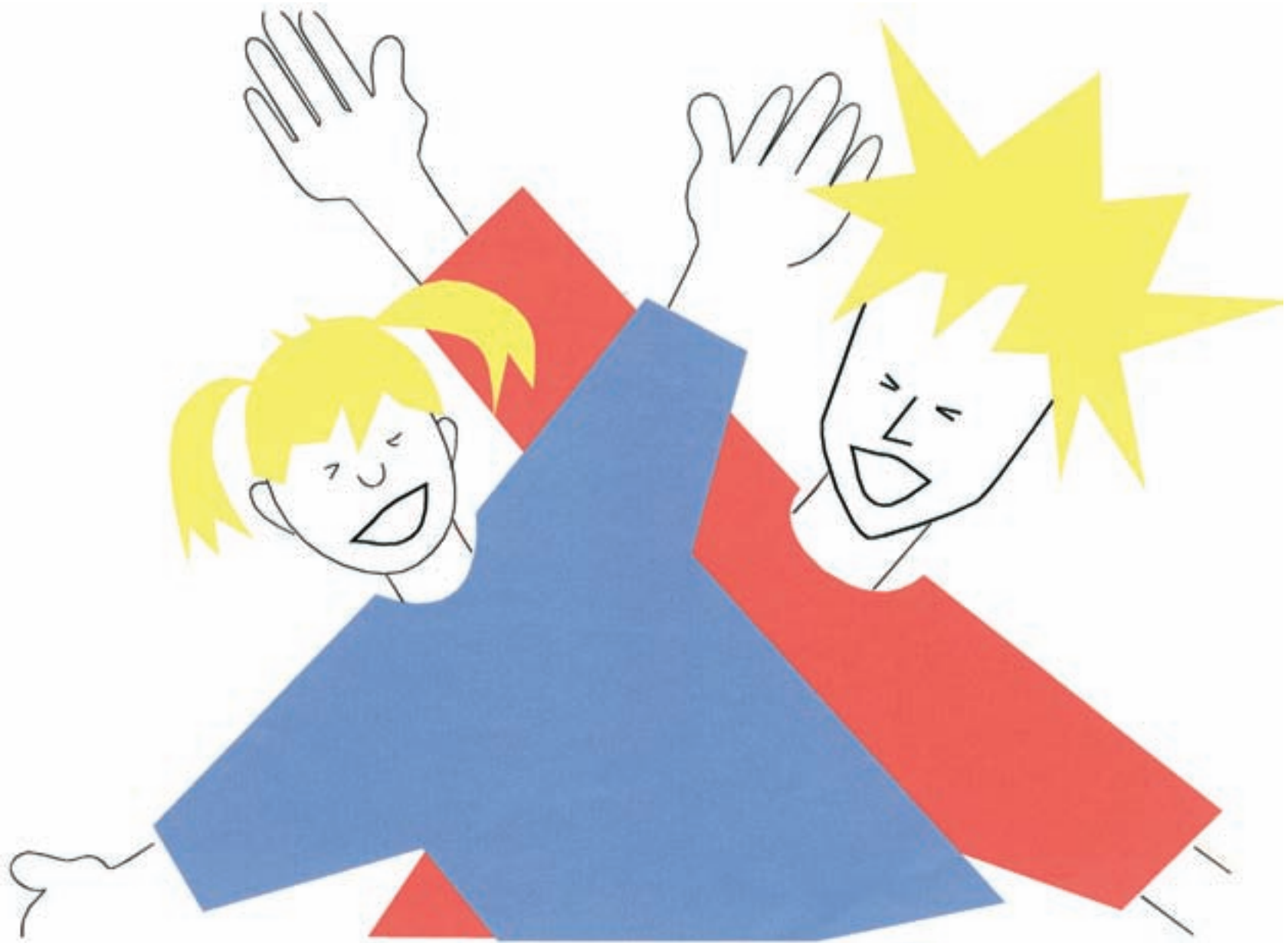
Sometimes I help Gwern



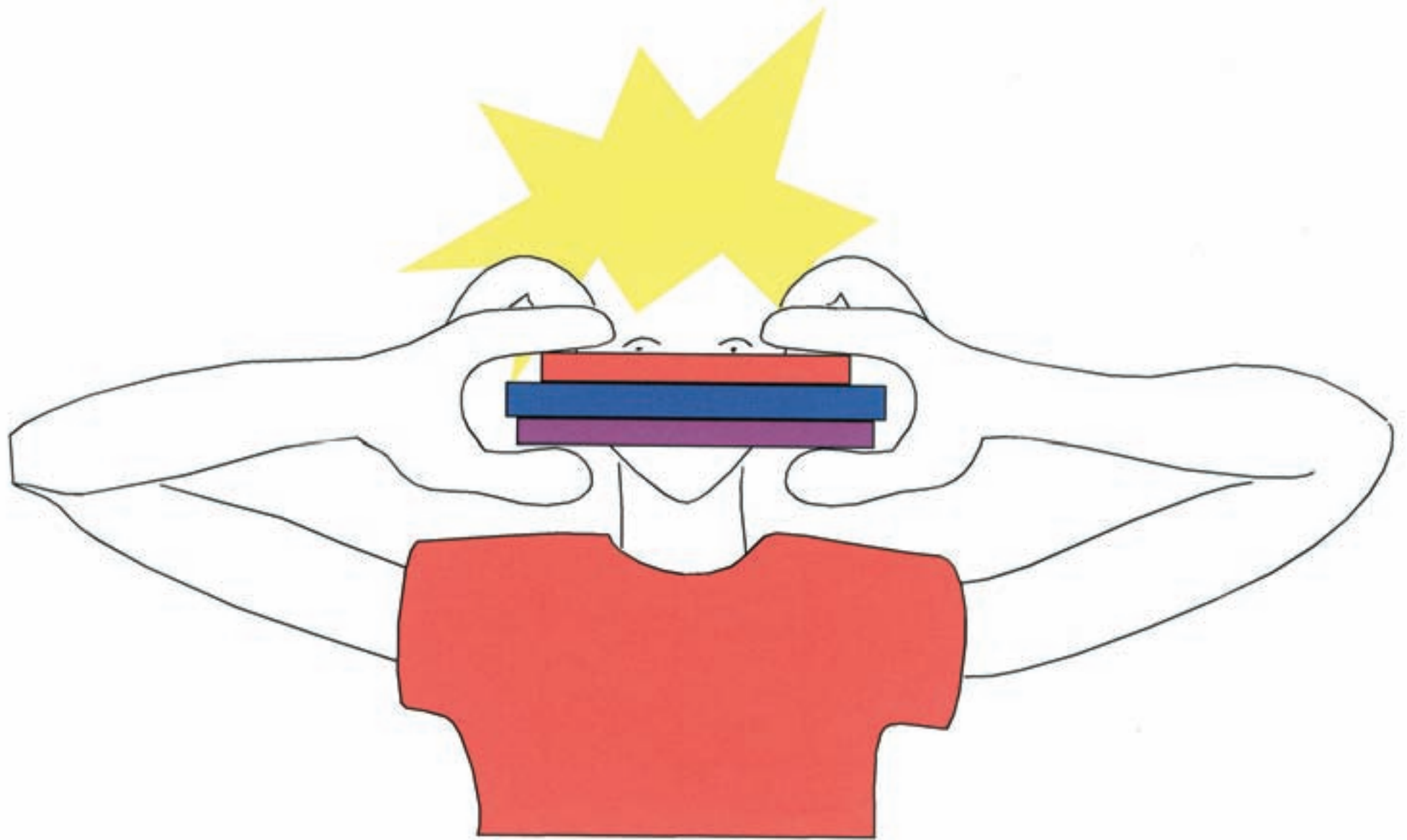
He likes singing



And tickling



I can make him laugh



Gwern is different
he has autism



But there's room for everybody
in this world



And I love him anyway

