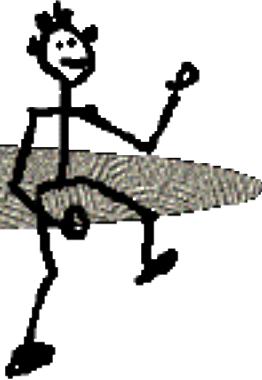


# KARATE JOE

Comics



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Joe was skinny and frail before he Took Karate. THE kids at School made fun of and Constantly Bullied Him.



Joe moped about School IN A State of Fear That at any Moment He Was about To become The object of Cruel Joke or Ridicule.



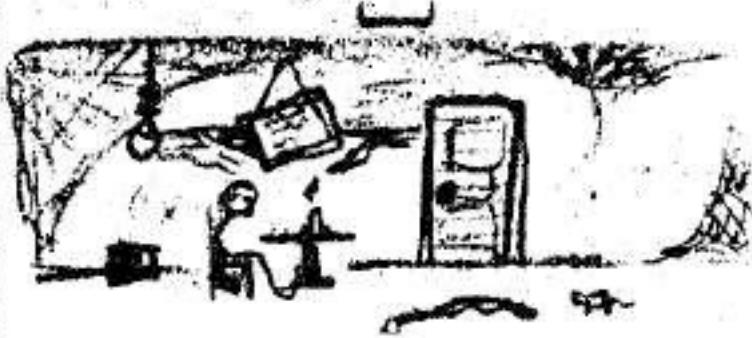
*About To be tripped.*

AT NIGHT When Joe went Home, he would Take The darkest Darkest Most foreboding and out of The way alleys He could find in order to avoid The Roving gangs of malicious school kids who would wait for



him to walk home so they would have some one to Spit on and Ridicule. Life was rough for Joe.

WHEN JOE GOT HOME AFTER SCHOOL HE WOULD GO TO HIS ROOM WHERE HE SPENT WATCHING SPIDERS SPIN WEBS AND CONTEMPLATE HIS REVENGE, SUICIDE, OR



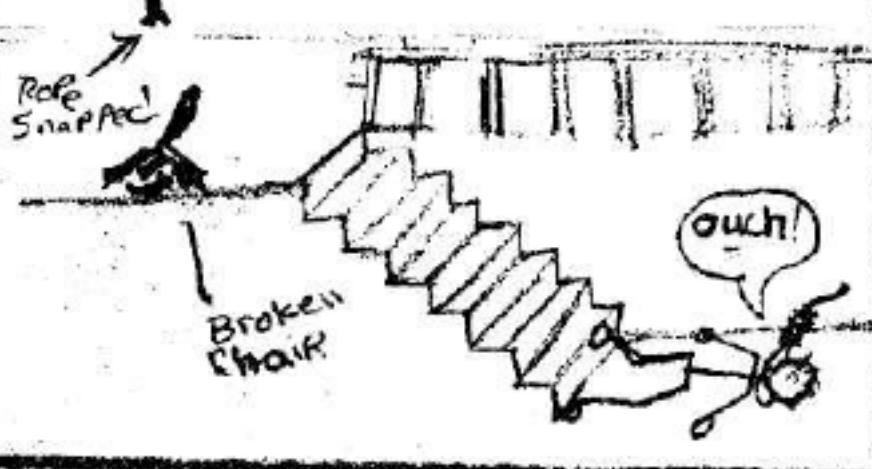
HOW TO GO TO AND FROM SCHOOL WITHOUT ANY BODY SPOTTING HIM.

BECAUSE OF ALL THE PROBLEMS HE HAD AT SCHOOL HIS GRADES FAILED HIS PARENTS TOOK AWAY HIS ALLOWANCE FOREVER AND JOE'S ONLY FRIEND

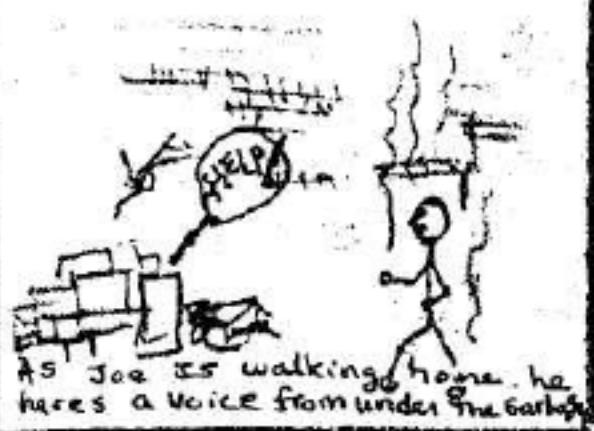


ERANIE GLITCH HAD TOLD JOE TO STICK HIS HEAD IN A TOILET.

JOE WAS AN ACCIDENT LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO HAPPEN (AS THE SAYING GOES) HE COULD NEVER DO ANYTHING RIGHT.



ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, THE KIDS AT SCHOOL GIVE HIM A GOING AWAY PRESENT; A DEAD SKUNK.



UNDER THE GARBAGE IS A BADLY WOUNDED OLD MAN. HE WAS HIT FROM BEHIND BY A GANG, BEATEN AND ROBBED.



JOE HELPS THE OLD MAN, BANDAGING HIS WOUNDS AND FEEDING HIM.

THE OLD MAN REWARDS JOE'S HOSPITALITY BY TEACHING JOE KARATE. ALL SUMMER JOE WORKS OUT AND PRACTICES UNTIL, BY THE TIME SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN JOE HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO A PURE FIGHTING MACHINE.

