

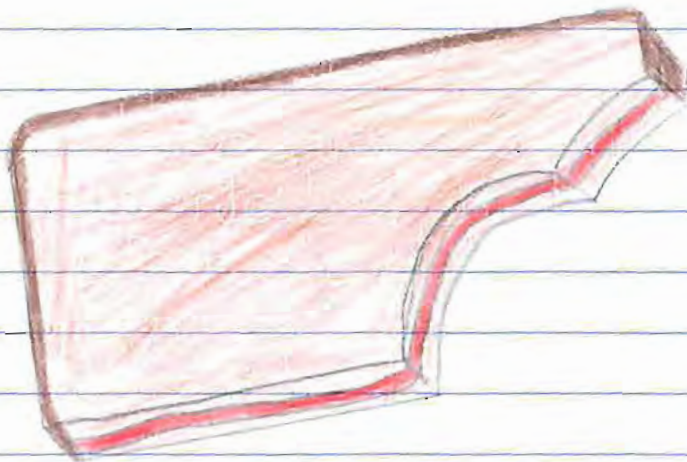
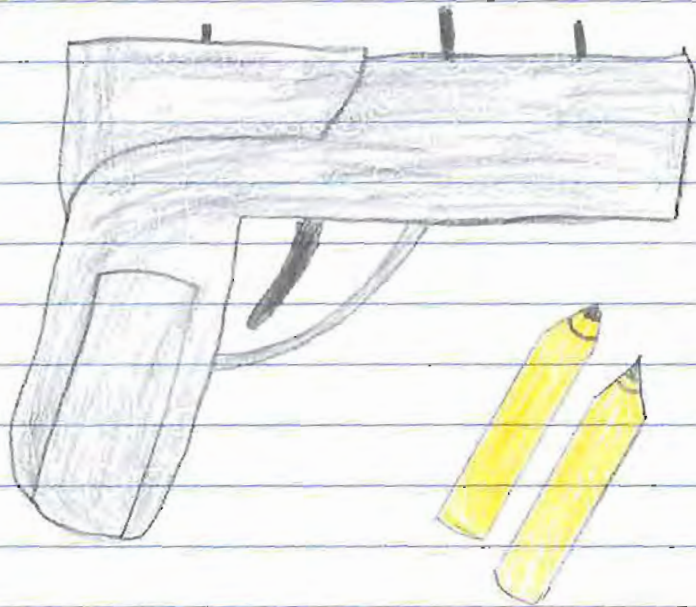
The Sniper 1923

There was a heavy fighting taking place in Dublin. A republican was sitting on a rooftop, hungrily eating a sandwich and drinking whiskey. Knowing it was dangerous, he decides to smoke a cigarette. Instantly a bullet hits the roof. An armored car arrives, and out steps an elderly woman into the darkness and points out the sniper's position to the soldier in the car. The sniper shoots both the woman and the man in the car. Immediately he is hit by the enemy sniper in the right arm.

The sniper applies a dressing, though in great pain, and prone in position for some time. He decides he has to escape from the roof before morning. He is no longer able to hold his rifle, hence, he tricks the enemy sniper into shooting his cap, which he places over the rifle. He lets the cap fall into the street, drops his rifle and lets his left hand hang over the edge of the ~~re~~ roof, giving the impression that he has been shot dead.

The enemy sniper then stands up clearly, only to be shot by the Republican sniper with a revolver. The dying man falls over the roof and

hits the ground. Weakened and ~~disgusted~~ disgusted, the protagonist moves down the street, curious to find out who he had killed. The sniper darts across the street. A machine gun tears up the ground around him with a hail of bullets, but he escapes. He throws himself down beside the dead body. The machine gun stops. The sniper turns over the body, only to realise, the dead man ~~was~~ is his brother.



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