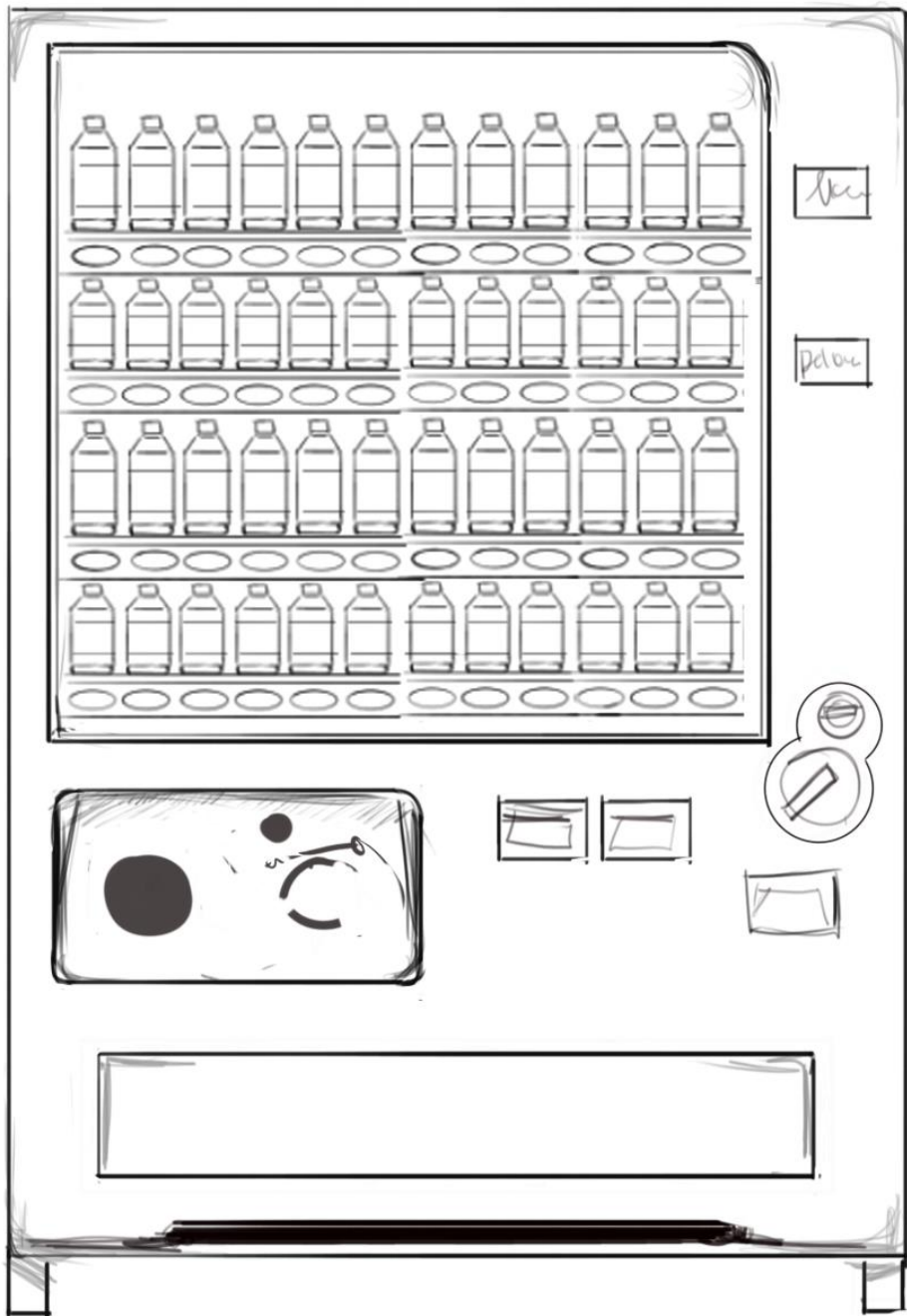


THE VENDING MACHINE



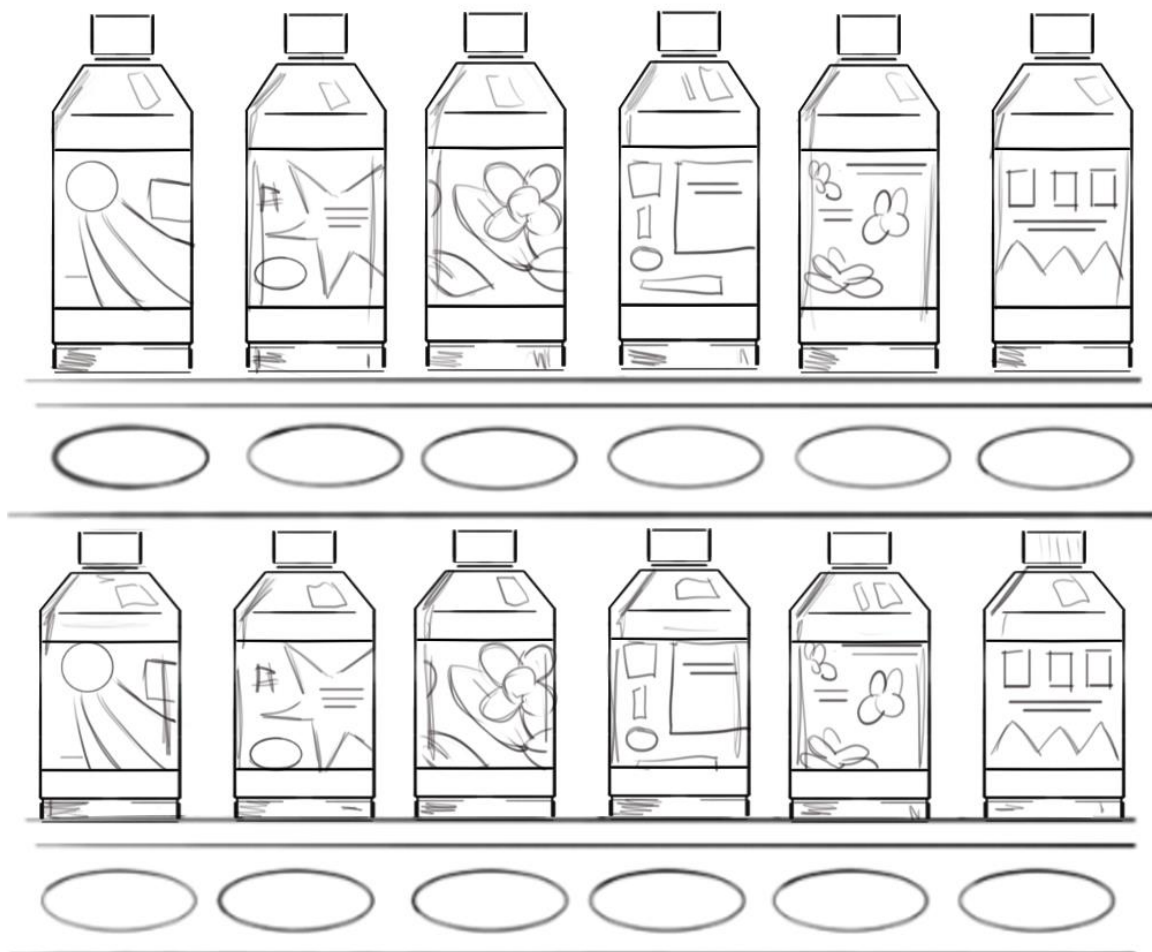
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LONELINESS



A BREAK UP. A FIGHT.
A DISAGREEMENT.
A NEVER HAD.

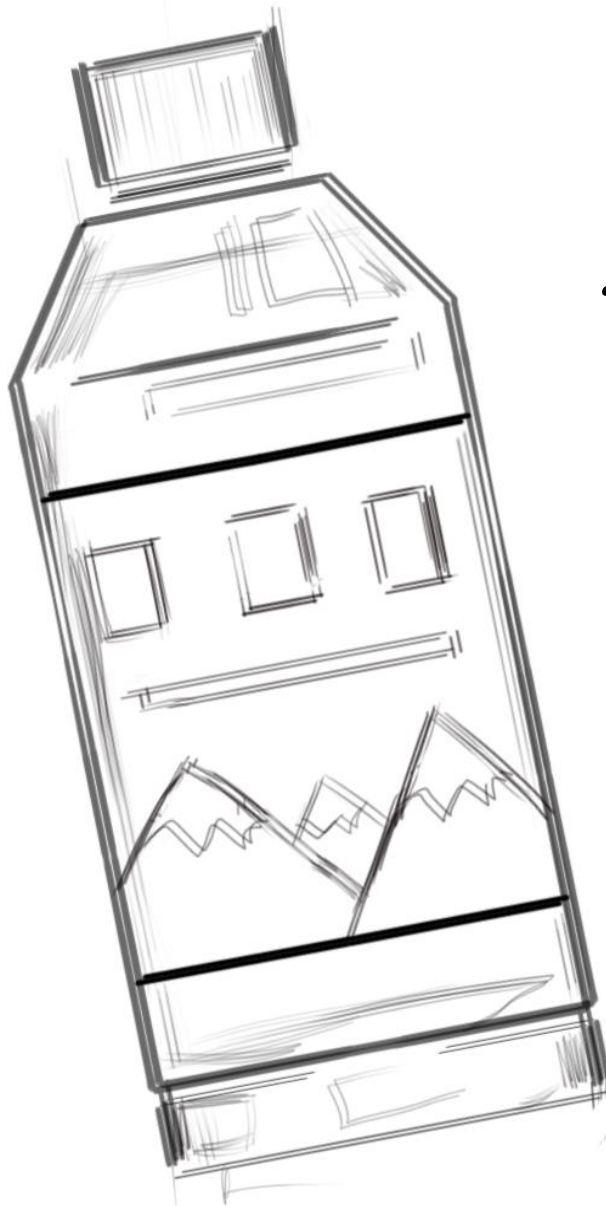
THERE ARE SO MANY
CHOICES IN A VENDING
MACHINE.



DO WE KNOW WHICH
WE WANT BEFORE WE
GET THERE?

FALLING

FATEFALLING?



FREEFALLING?

IS IT PREDESTINED?
DO I PICK?

SEARCHING



OR DO I
GET PICKED?

DID LONELINESS CHOOSE
FOR US?



WE ONLY HAVE BUT
ONE LIFE TO LIVE IN THIS
FORM.

OR DID WE CHOOSE
EACH OTHER?



AND WHILE OTHERS MAY LIKE THIS FORM,
ONLY ONE GETS TO HAVE ME.

