

FLUORIDE

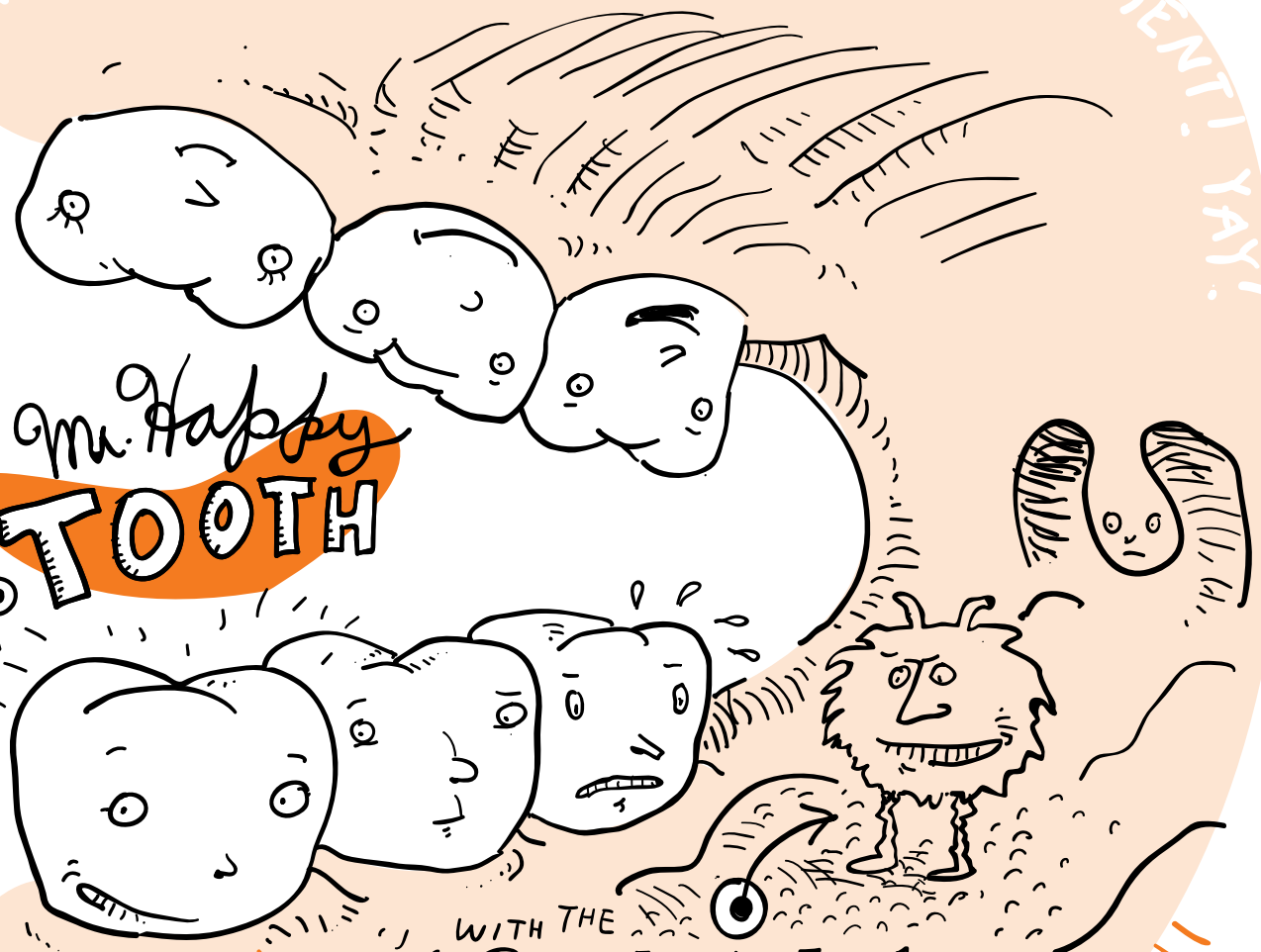
HELPS FIGHT SUGARBUGS!

NEW YORK STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT YAY!

Mr. Happy
TOOTH

MISTER HAPPY TOOTH LIVES INSIDE
YOUR MOUTH WITH THE
SUGARBUGS !!!

A STORY FOR YOU TO COLOR!!!



FIRST
HERE COMES THE
SERIOUS STUFF



Parents,

Did you know the New York State Department of Health offers a school-based fluoride rinse for children living in communities with no fluoride in their drinking water? The Self-Applied Fluoride and Education Rinsing Program (SAFER) is a preventive service that has been successfully implemented in many New York State schools for over 25 years. This program aids in protecting children's teeth from dental caries (tooth decay) and assists children in practicing positive health behaviors such as daily brushing and flossing.

Parental consent is required and each school district appoints a volunteer supervising dentist or school physician to oversee the SAFER program. The fluoride rinse is provided at no cost to schools or students that enroll.

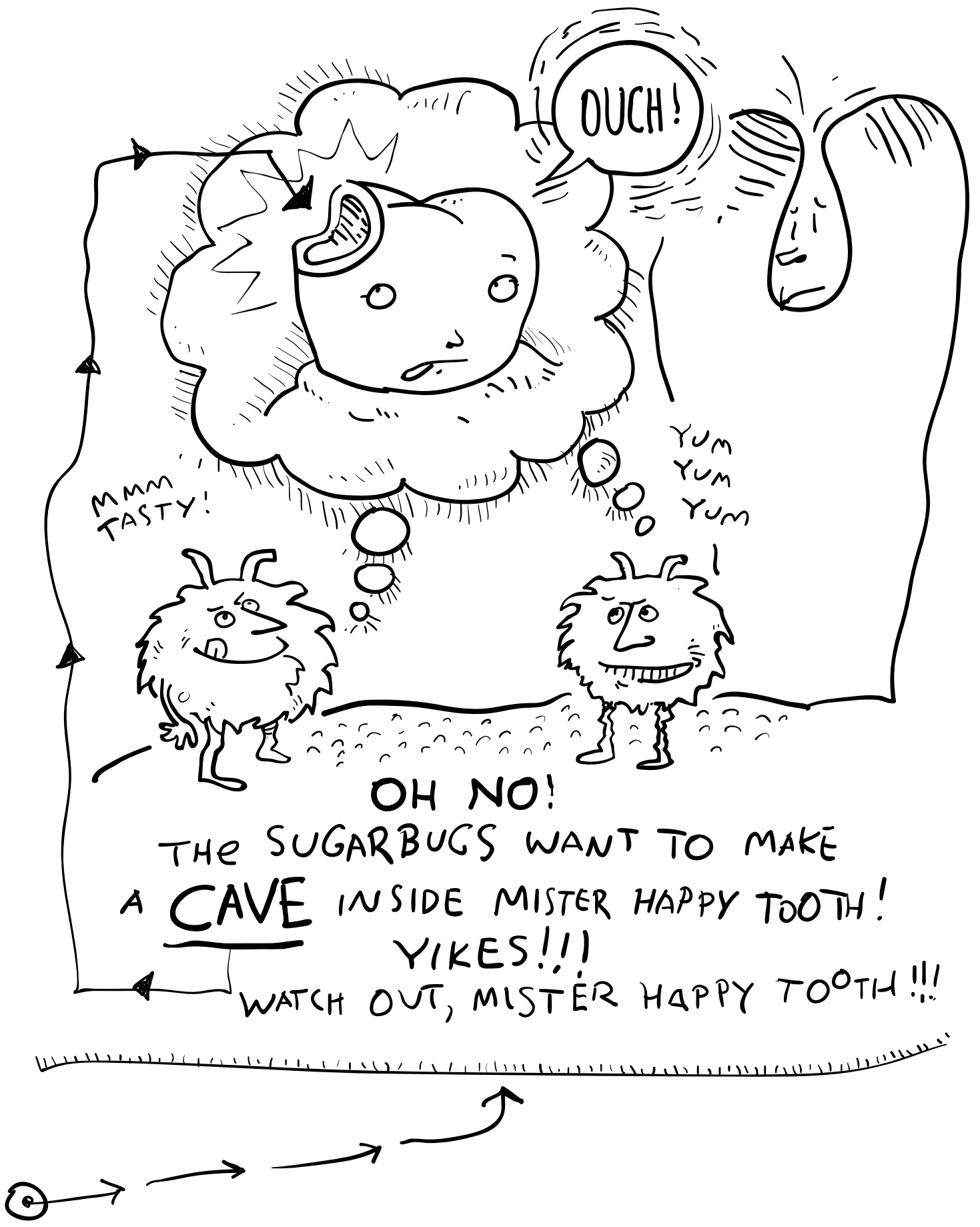
School-based Fluoride Rinse

The fluoride rinse is used on a weekly basis for children 6 years of age and older. The fluoride rinse comes packaged in individual cups and involves "swishing and spitting." In the classroom, children are asked to hold the rinse in their mouth for one minute, swish, and then spit the solution back into the original cup without swallowing.

Fluoride Toothpaste

Ensure your child brushes his or her teeth twice a day (after breakfast and before bed) with no more than a pea-sized amount (small smear) of fluoride toothpaste. Make sure your child is spitting out the toothpaste after brushing.

OKAY, NOW THE GOOD STUFF! →



OUCH!

MMM TASTY!

YUM
YUM
YUM

OH NO!

THE SUGARBUGS WANT TO MAKE
A CAVE INSIDE MISTER HAPPY TOOTH!

YIKES!!!

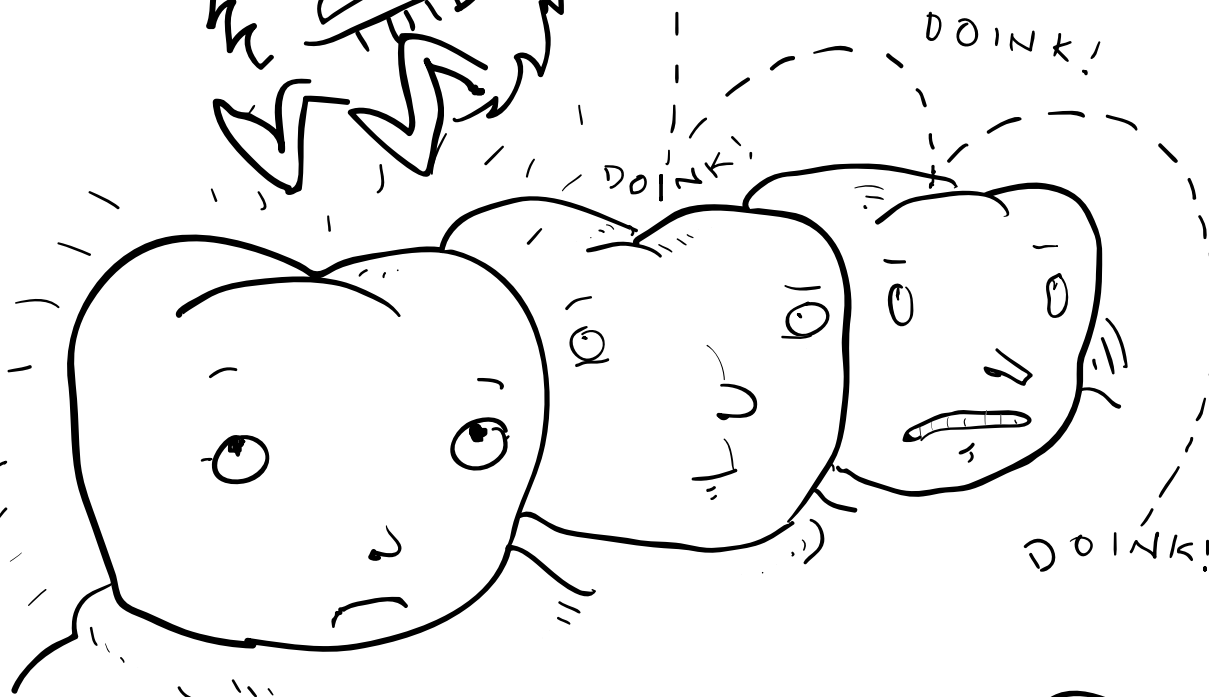
WATCH OUT, MISTER HAPPY TOOTH!!!

Mr. Happy Tooth

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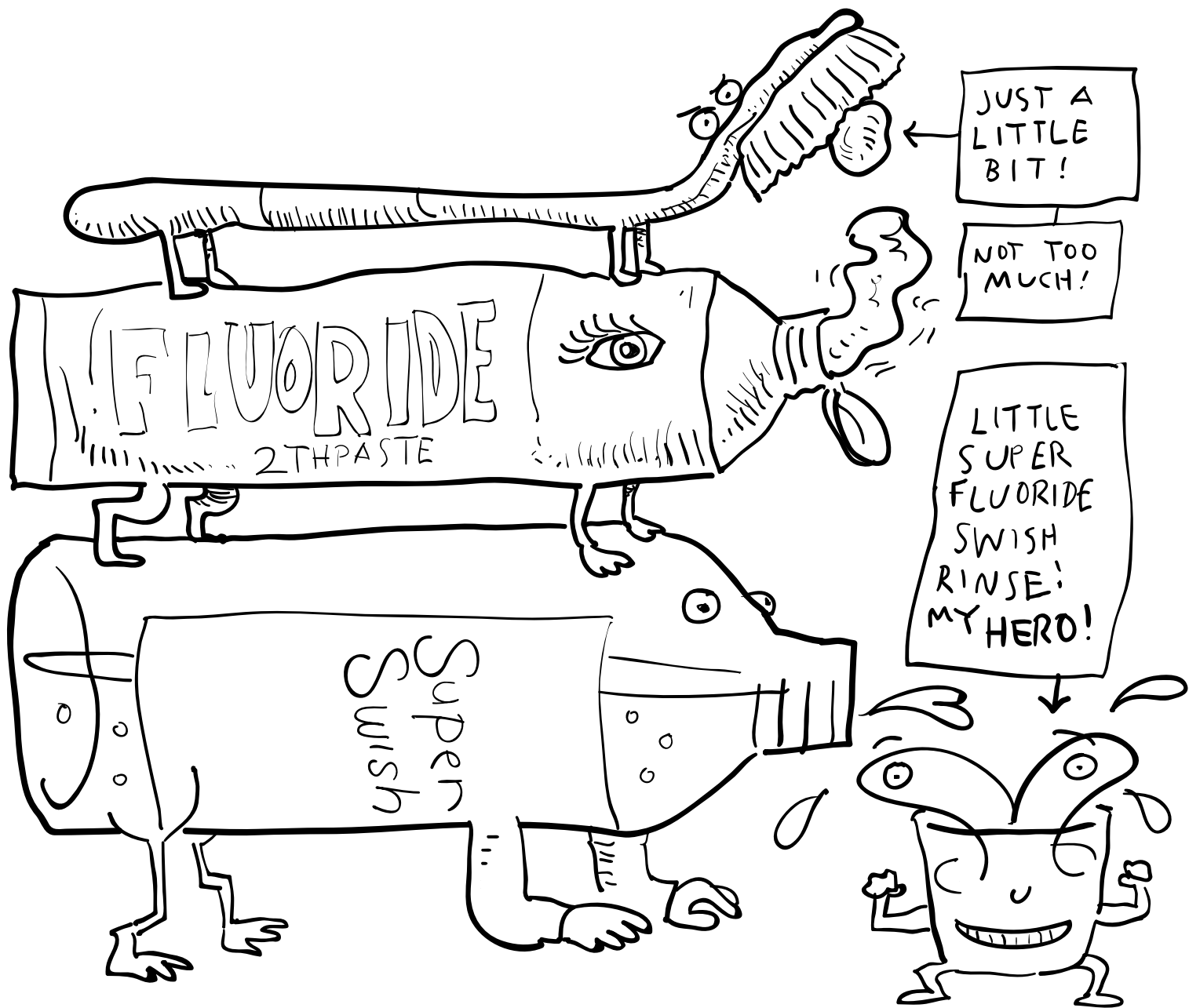
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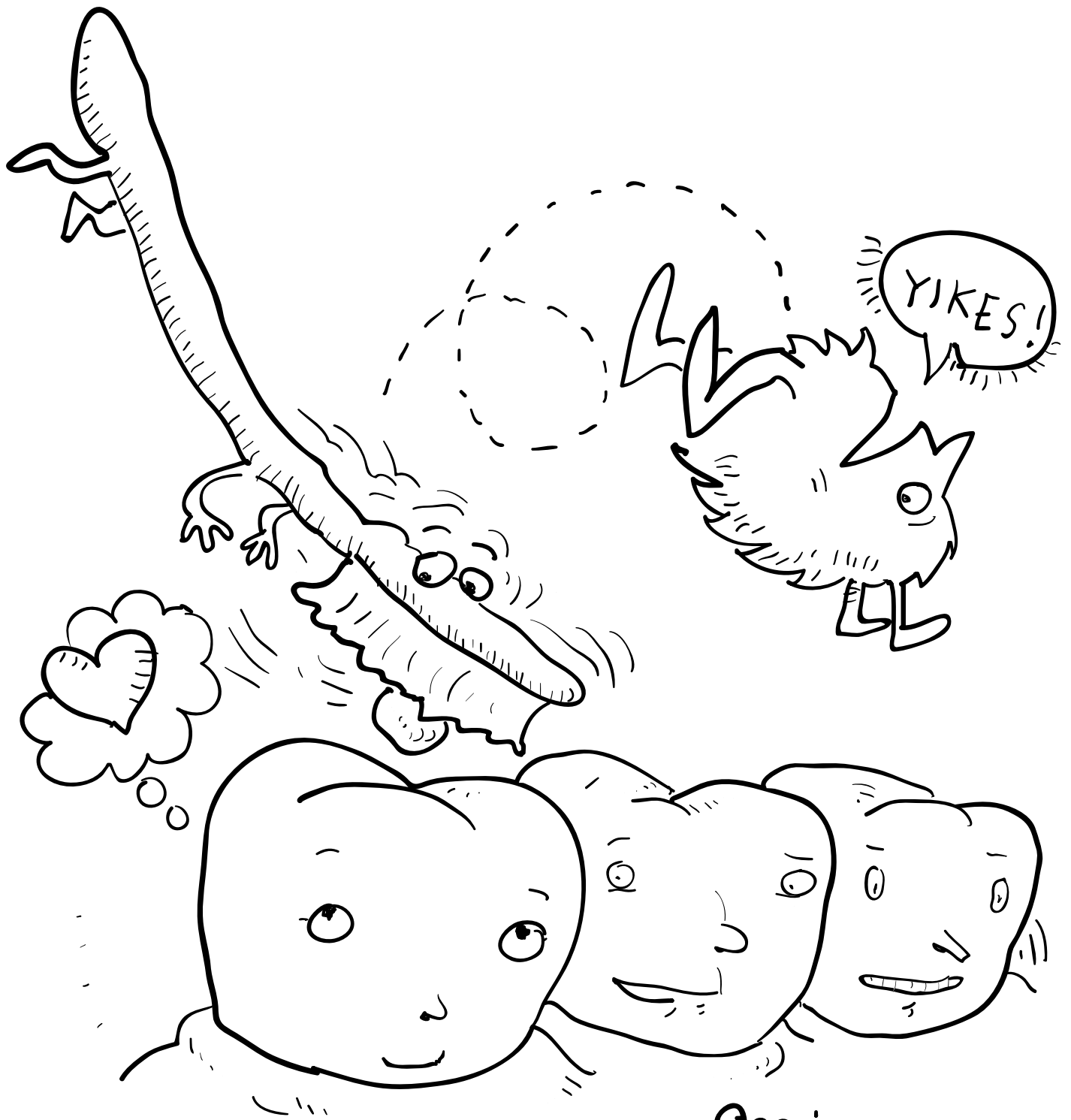
WHAT
WILL

PROTECT

HIM???



FORTUNATELY MISTER BRUSH AND
MISS fluoride toothpaste AND
LITTLE SUPER FLUORIDE SWISH RINSE
WILL COME INTO THE MOUTH TO
BEGIN RESCUE OPERATIONS !!! GOOD LUCK
TO THEM ALL !!!!



BRUSHING WITH LOVELY Miss
fluoride Toothpaste CLEANS
AWAY EVIL SUGARBUGS
FROM MR HAPPY TOOTH.

AND LITTLE SUPER FLUORIDE SWISH RINSE
SOAKS INTO MISTER HAPPY TOOTH
LIKE A **S P O N G E!**



