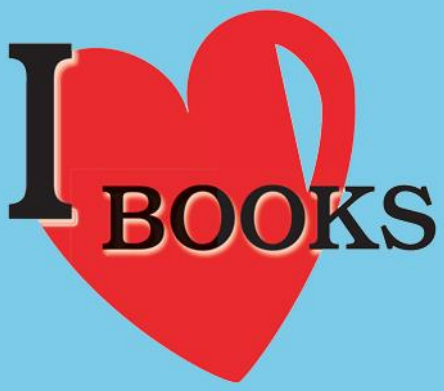


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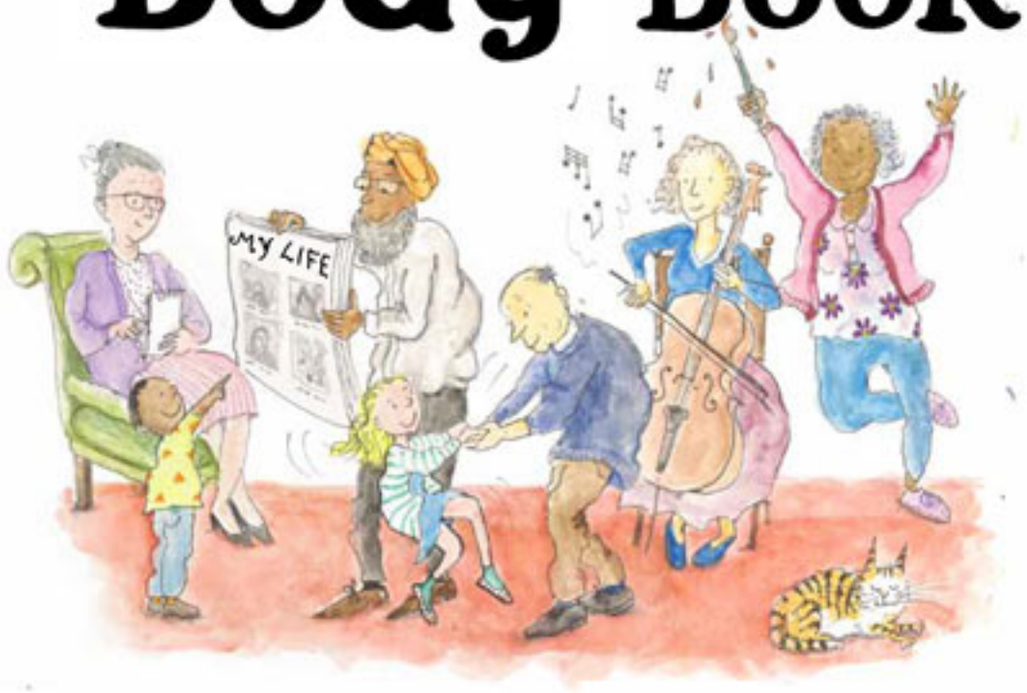
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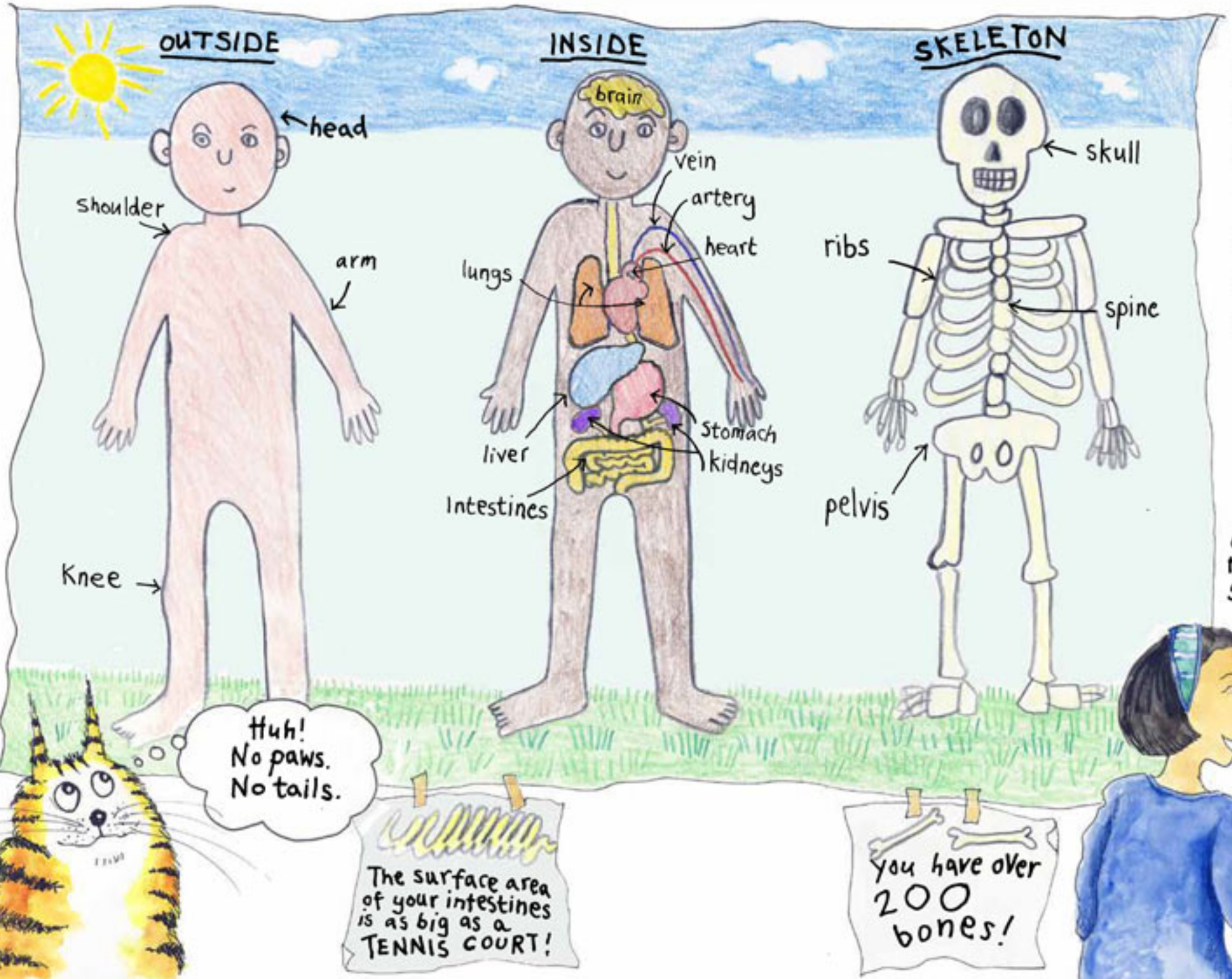




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EveryBODY Needs SoMe BODY



What is a body? Our bodies are such a large part of us we can't do anything without them.

They aren't the whole story though. You can't find our thoughts and dreams and wishes anywhere in our bodies.

A NEW LIFE

Have you seen a newborn baby lately? They are really small, even the biggest ones. But some are specially tiny, if they get born early. Or if there's more than one of them born together.

New babies have almost everything they will ever need in their bodies, except teeth. And some of them don't have much hair! But most of them know how to suck milk and how to cry to get attention.


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police officer


actor


school teacher


writer


dentist


ballet dancer

artist


astronaut

And after about six weeks, babies may even smile!


queen


scientist

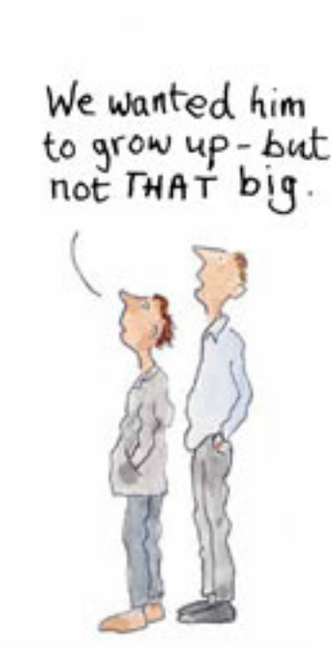

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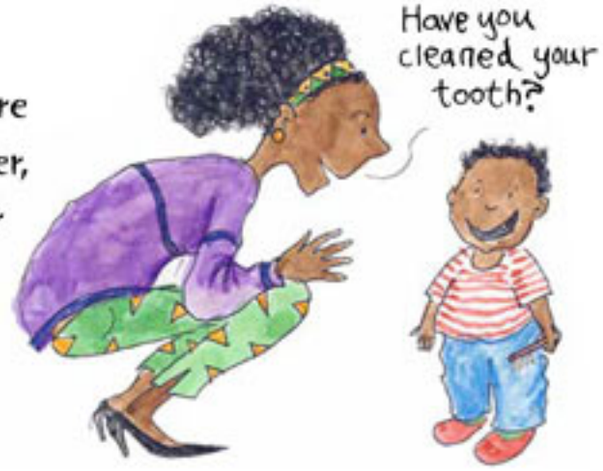
If we kept growing and changing the way that babies do in their first year of life, we'd all be giants!
Babies can go from needing everything done for them and not being able even to support their own heads, to being little people on the verge of walking and talking.







They grow teeth - and more hair. Their bones get longer, their muscles get stronger and they crawl and toddle about.



Babies start eating more food than just milk – and make a great mess doing it till they learn not to.





Then they stop needing nappies as their bodies tell them when to go to the toilet.

