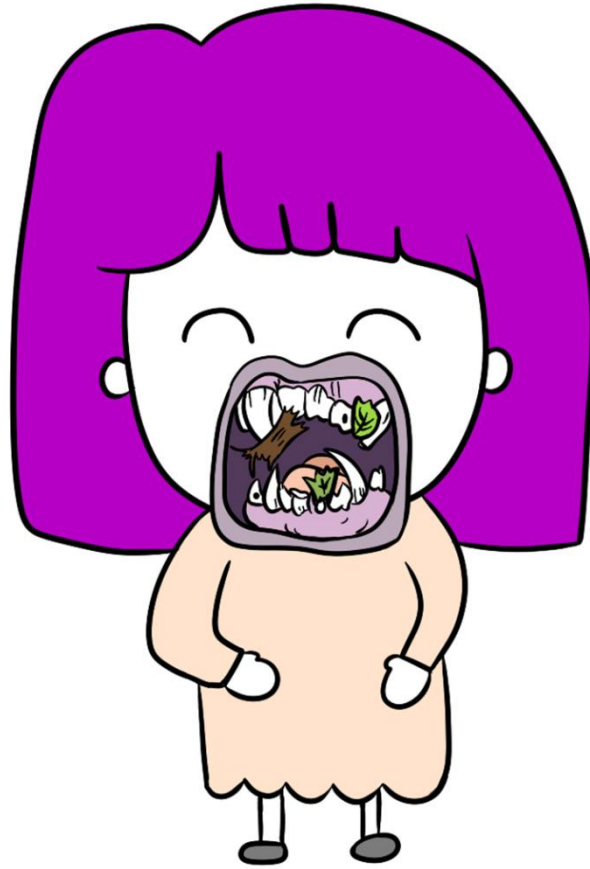


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The Ranterino started to weep  
Yesterday morning when he was awoken from his sleep.  
The Ranterina was knocking on his door.  
He heard his sister call,  
'Wake up Ranty it's me, the Ranterina.  
I need your help. Will you be my teeth cleaner?'



Will you be  
my teeth  
cleaner?

Every day she knocked his door

And asked him for his help.

'I'm still sleeping, sister, go away,'

He would always yelp.

But every morning she would knock his door

And ask for help once more.





As he was saying 'Blah, blah, blah,'

His sister pushed the door ajar.

'Please,' he heard his sister say.

'I really need your help today!'

The Ranterino looked and saw

The Ranterina standing by the door.

'What have you been eating?' he cried.

'Oh, nothing much, honestly,' she lied.

As she smiled sweetly, the Ranterino could see

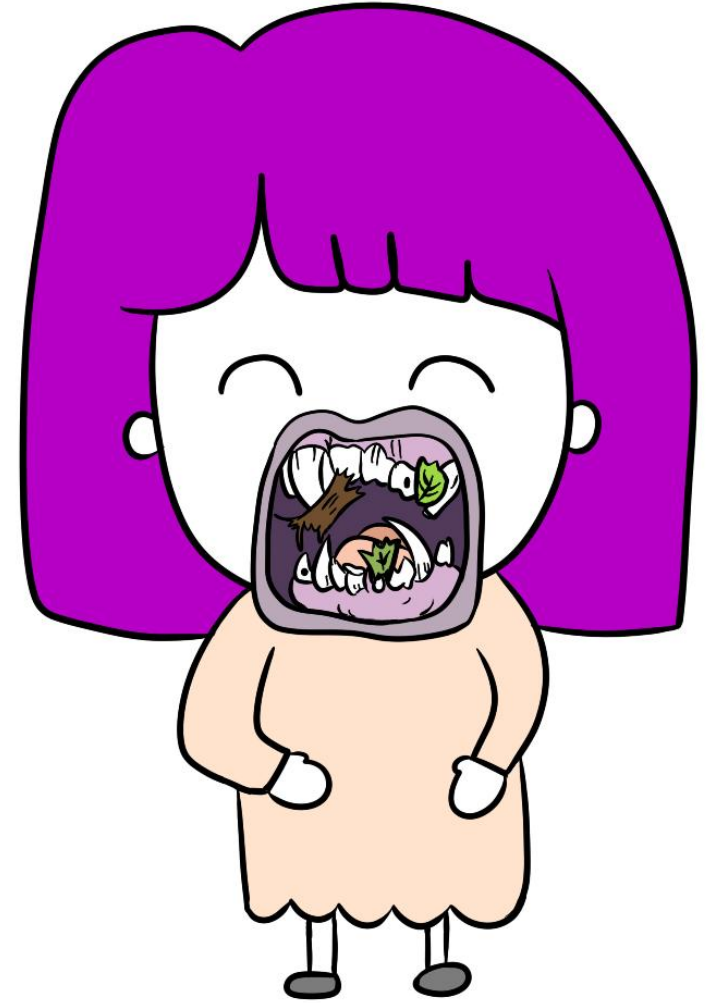
She had been eating at least one tree.

There were branches and leaves, big and small

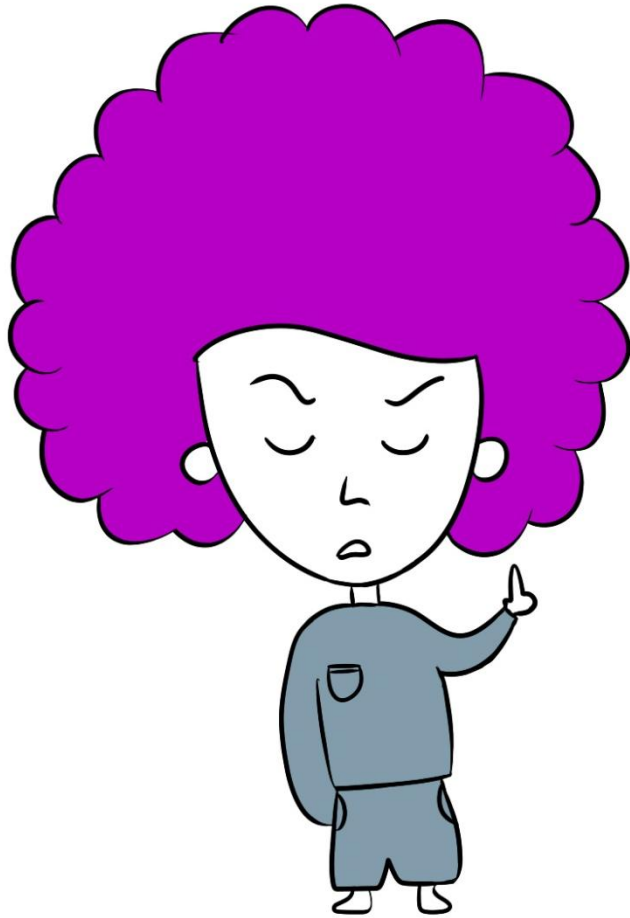
All between her teeth.

The Ranterino swung off the bed

And stood up on his feet.



But you cannot bite my head off,  
OK?



‘Ok, today I shall help you clean

Your big and scary teeth.

But you cannot bite my head off, OK?

Do you understand what I mean?!?’



*Thank you Ranty,  
you are so kind and good.*

‘Thank you Ranty, you are so kind and good,’

The Ranterina said.

‘You help your little sister

Just like a big brother should.

‘I have absolutely no doubt

You can help me clean the trees out of my mouth.’



The Ranterino shook his head  
As they walked to the bathroom door.  
They went into the bathroom  
And he picked his sister's toothbrush off the floor.  
The toothbrush was very big and long  
With 1000 metal bristles shiny and strong.



‘Now, remember,’ the Ranterino said,  
‘When I clean your teeth you’re not allowed  
To bite off my head!’

The Ranterina promised with a nod.

‘I promise not to bite off your head.’

‘Ok, now open your mouth wide.

Let’s take a look inside.’



I promise not to bite  
off your head.

The Ranterina opened her mouth very wide.

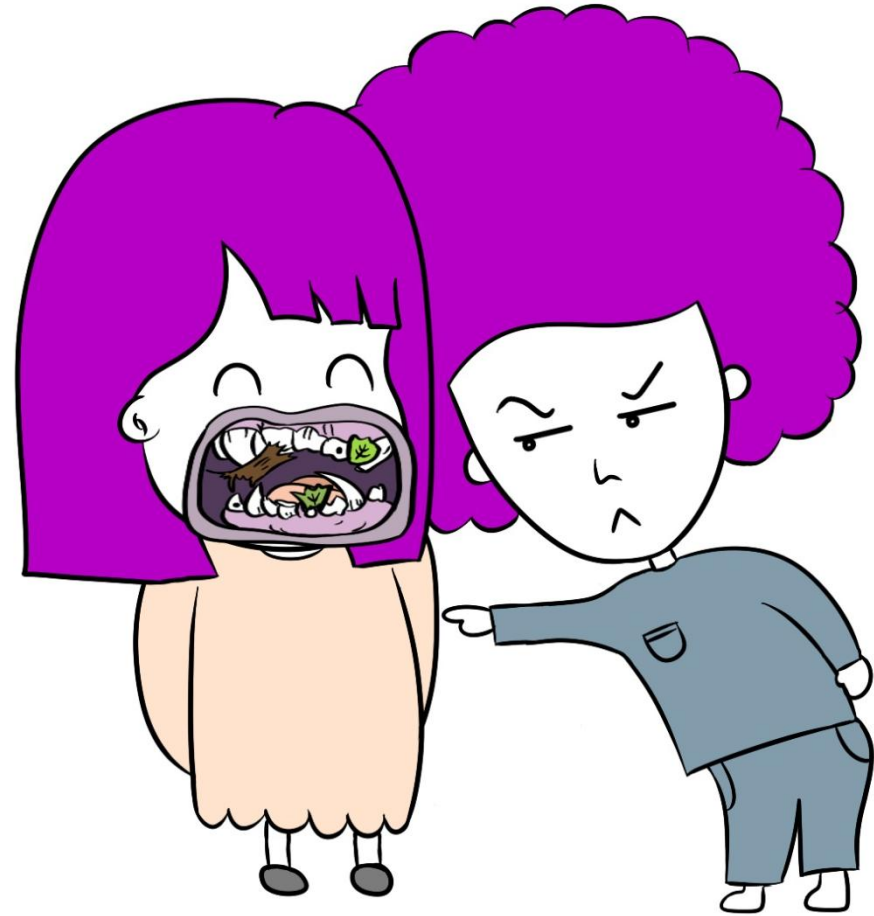
The Ranterino leaned his head in to look inside.

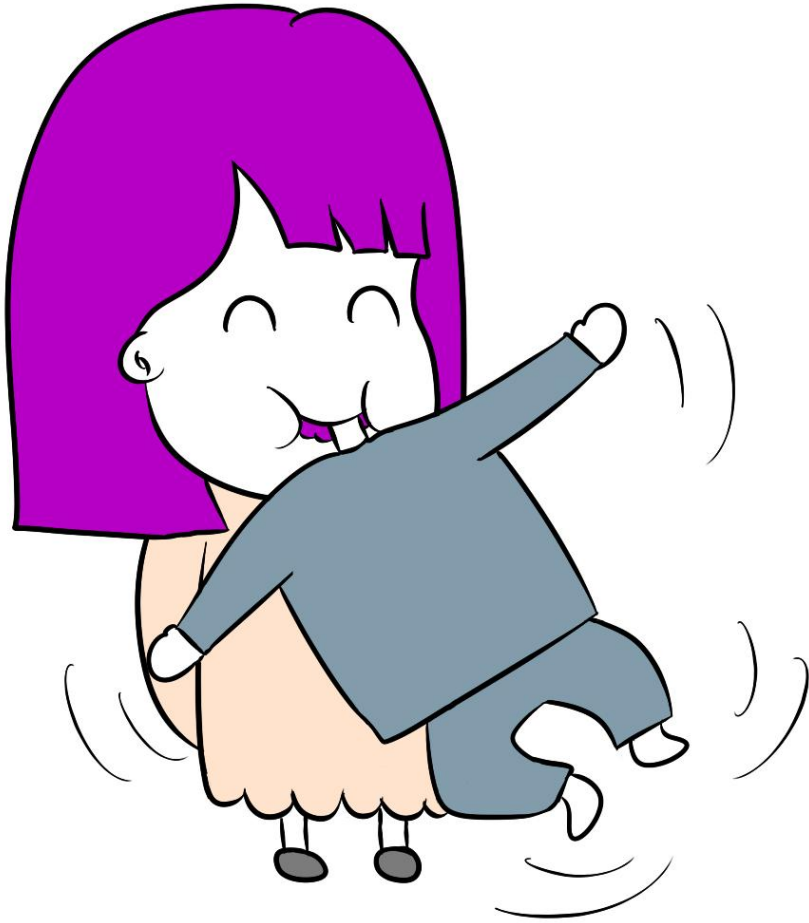
‘Sister! How many trees did you eat?!?’

He asked, staring at his sister’s teeth.

‘I can see four in your top row

And at least six trees beneath!’





The Ranterina answered, 'Yes, about ten, I suppose.'

But as she spoke, naturally, her mouth closed.

'Oh dear,' she said, when she realized what she had done.

The Ranterino's head was gone.

She quickly pulled his head right out

And he started to shout and shout.

'I told you not to bite off my head!

*I promise not to bite off your head.*

That's what you said!'

The Ranterina said sorry as she held her brother's head.

'I'm never going to help you again. I'm going back to bed.'

The Ranterina dropped the Ranterino's head back on his body

And once again said sorry.

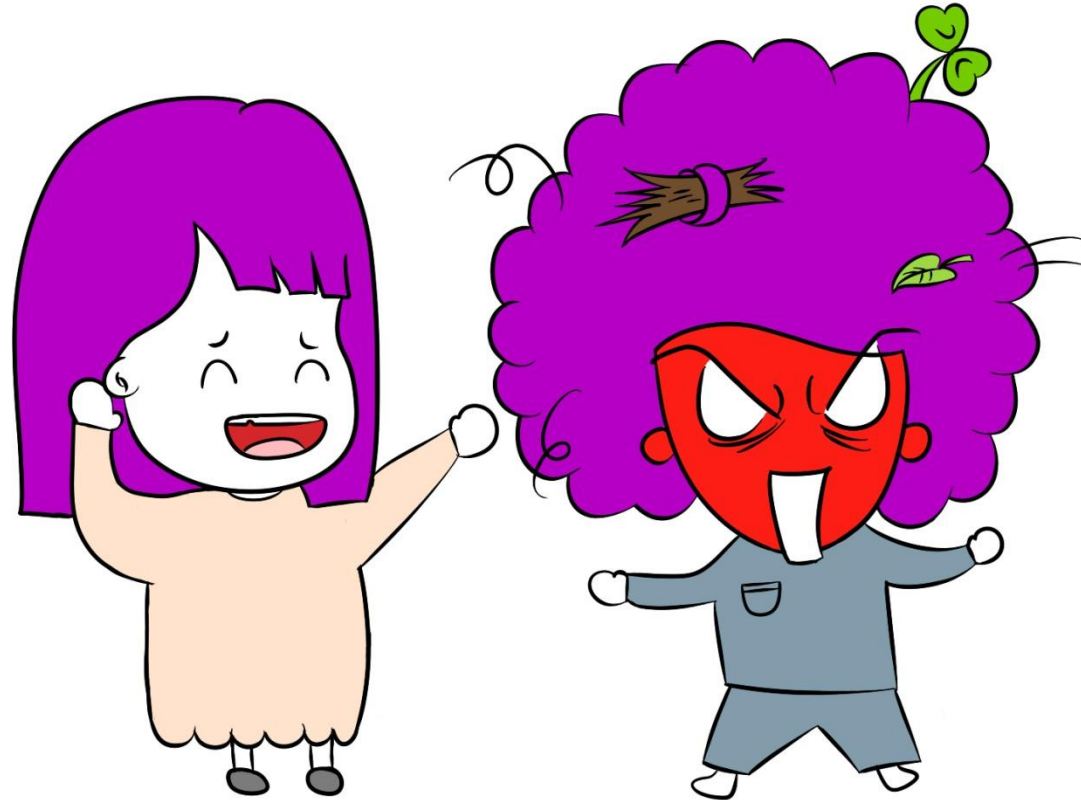
With his head back on his neck

He walked angrily out through the bathroom door.

'I'm not helping you clean your teeth anymore!!!!'



I'm not helping you  
clean your teeth anymore!!!!



The End

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