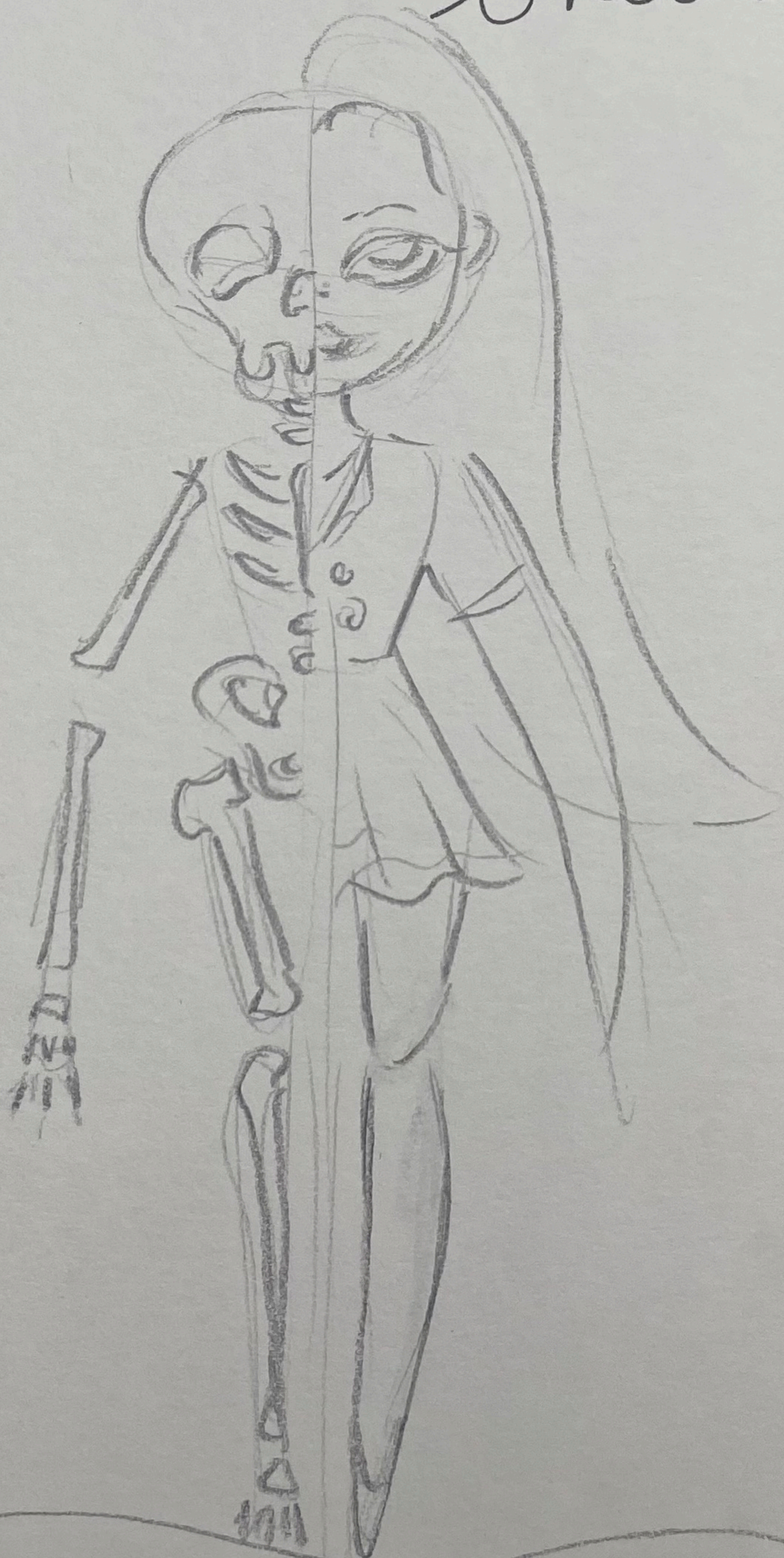


The
Anonymous
Skeleton

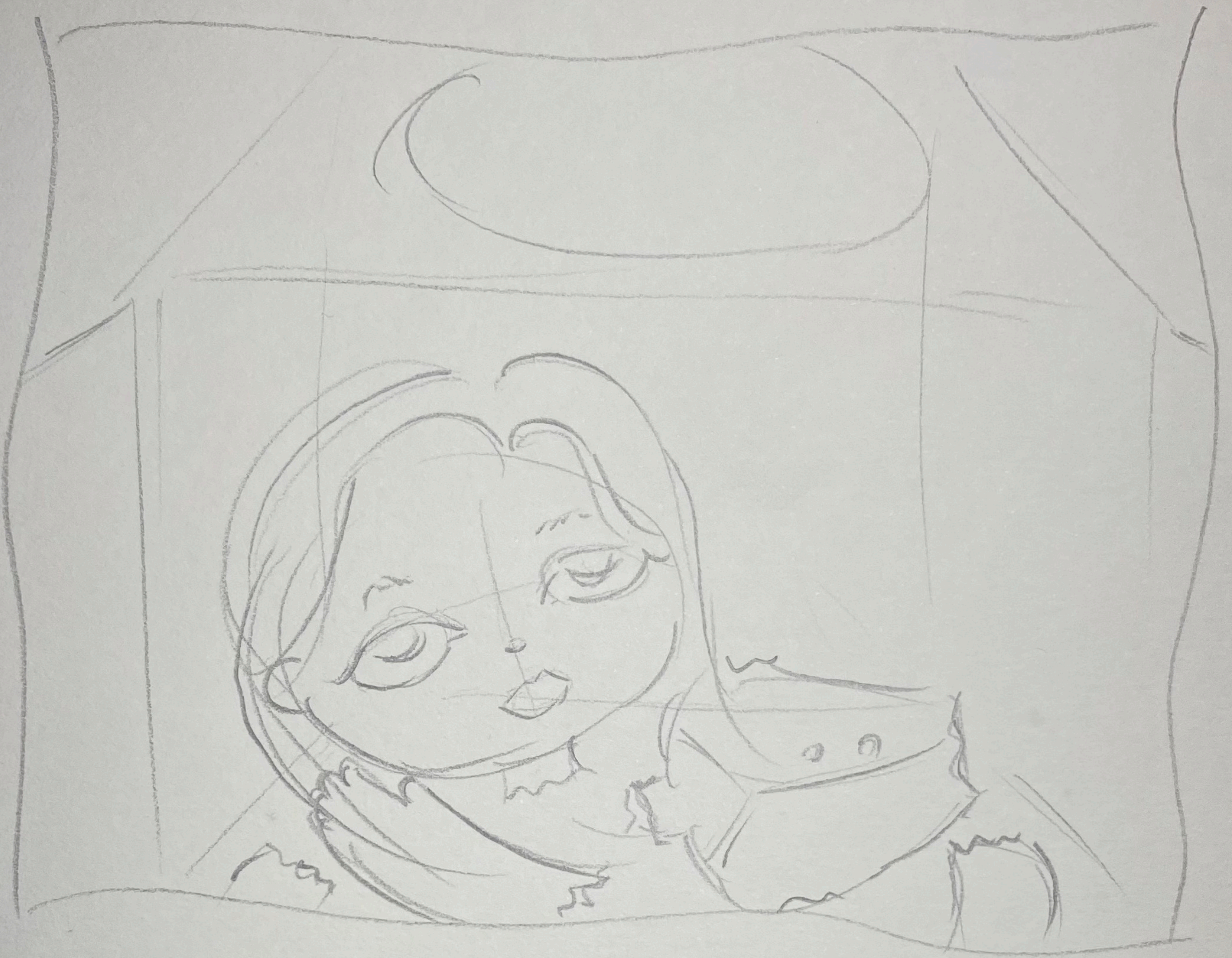




Chapter 1

The anonymous skeleton and I are hugging in a dark room. It is dusk. Dim yellow light passes through a tiny window.

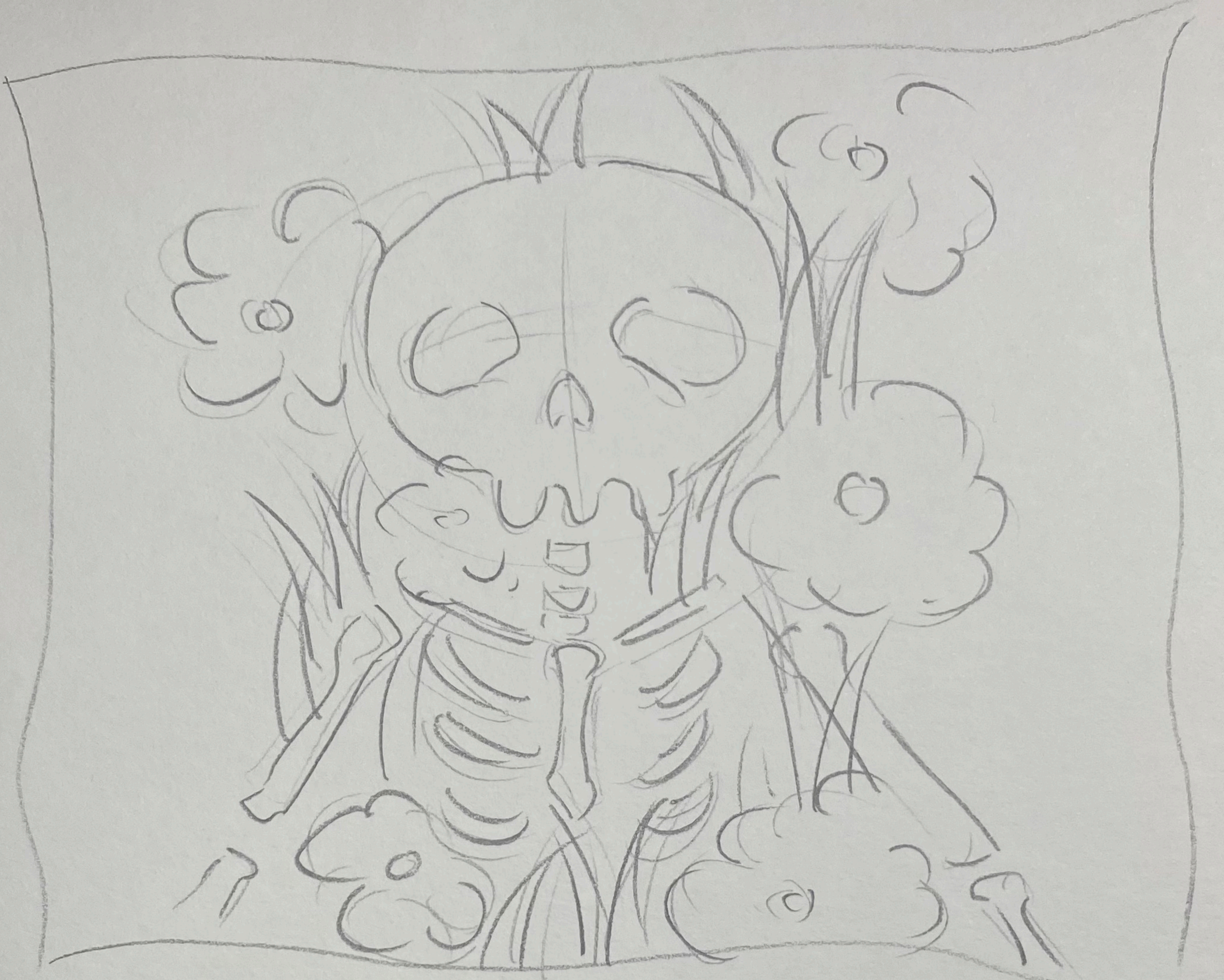
She is made of liquid metal that seems to be constantly dissociating.



Chapter 2

She is an old friend in my dreams. And she used to look like a human girl. We lived together.

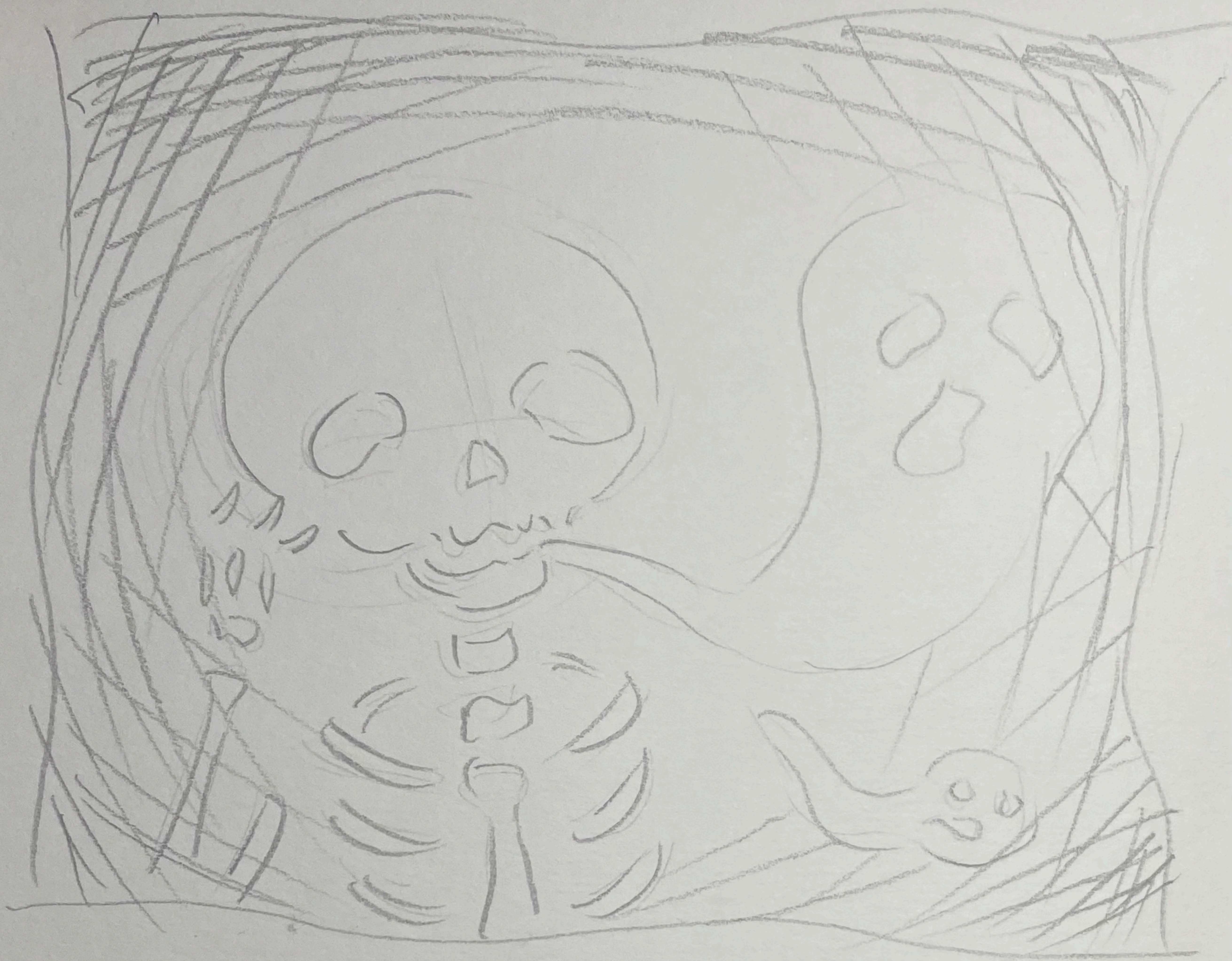
One day I saw flies in the bathroom. And I found her shredded corpse under the sink.



Chapter 3

Apparently I associate her
with skeletons.

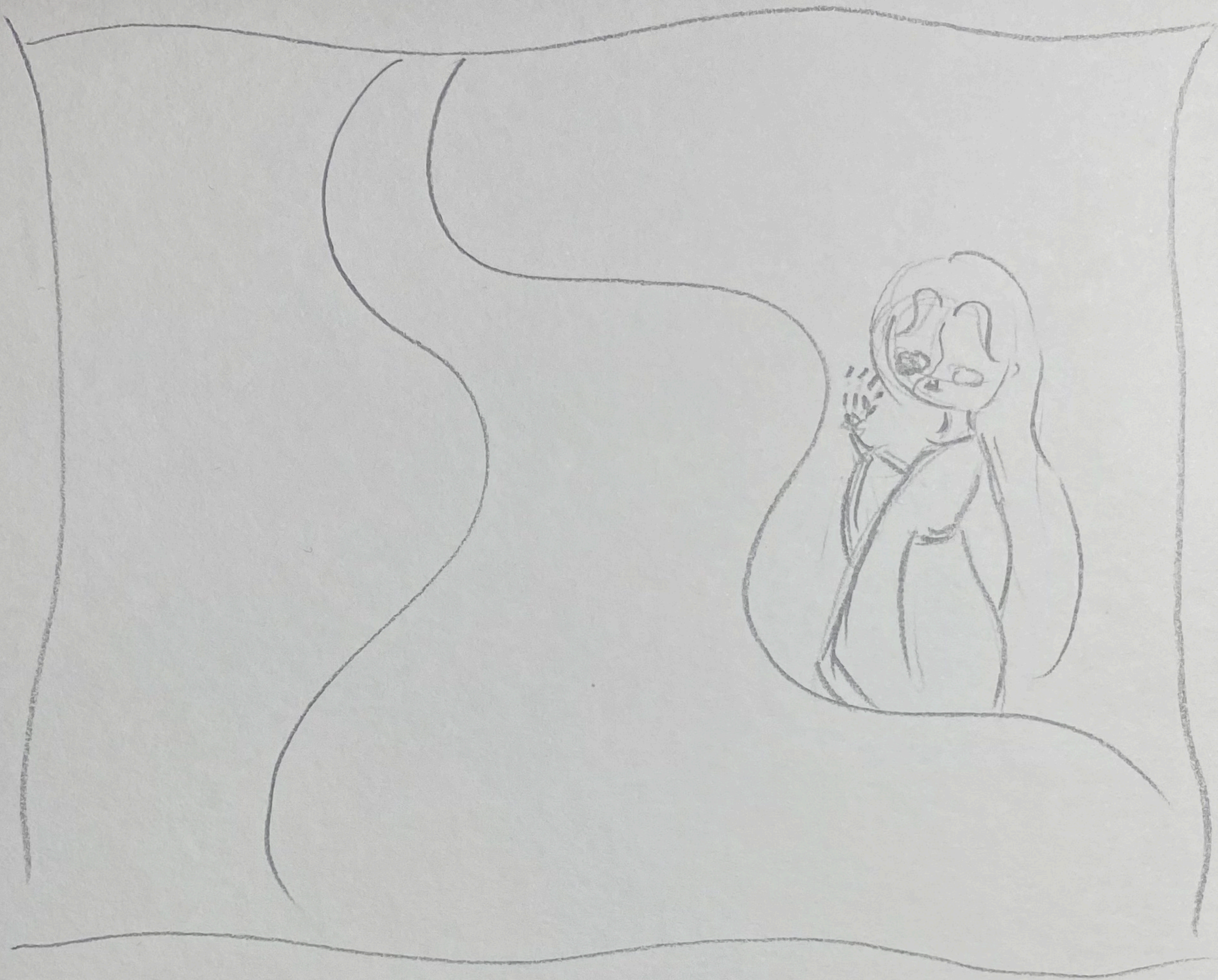
But in particular it would be
a skeleton in a flower field,
spending time with a human.



Chapter 4

"Do you think she's still the same person you know?"

"Do you believe her or me?"



Chapter 5

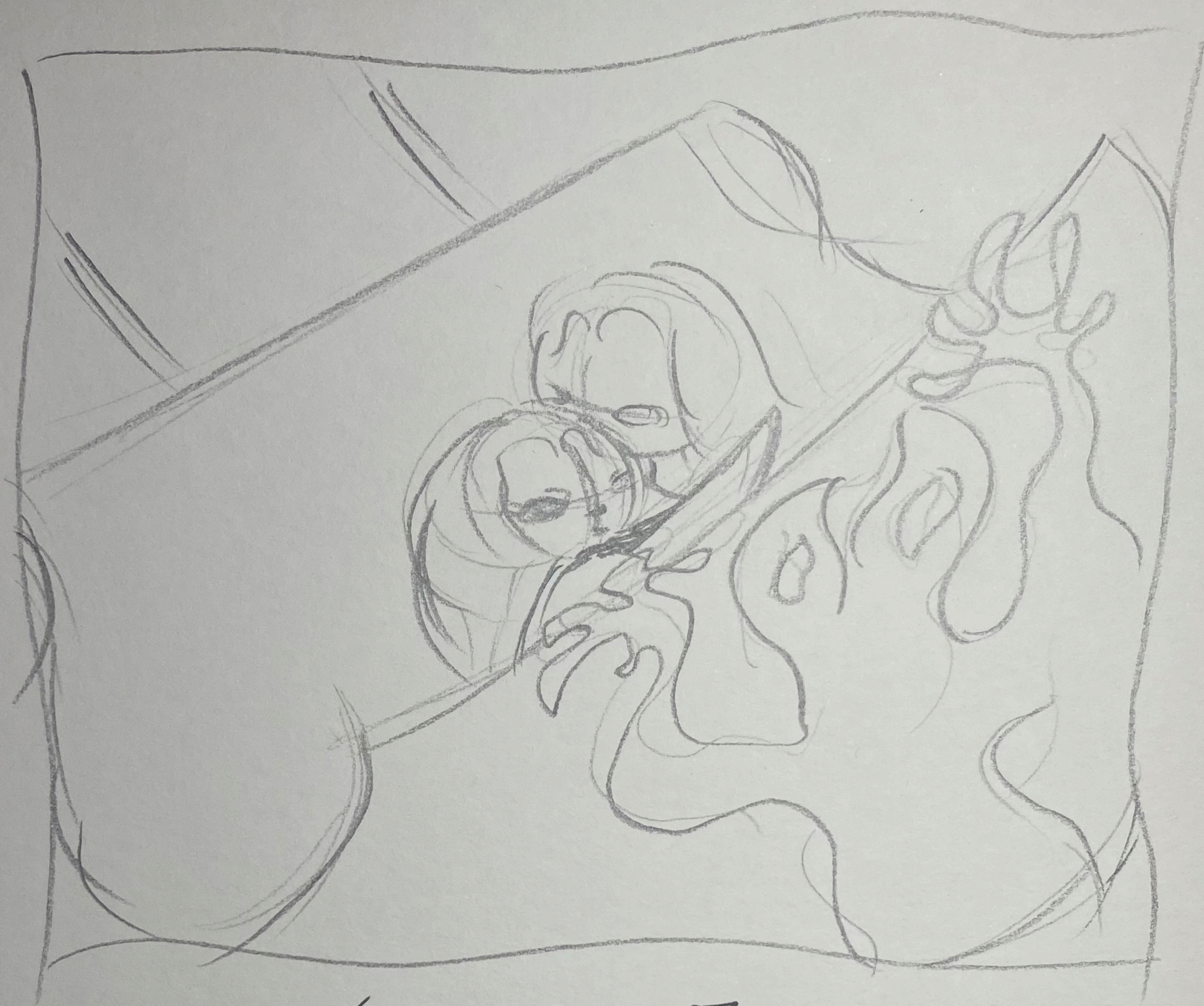
The skeleton waits for me by
a river when I'm not in my
dreams.

She's in a state of half skeleton
and half human.



Chapter 6

In a recent dream without her by my side, I was being squeezed into a wooden chest. All my bones were crushed and I screamed because of pain. I hoped she was there to protect me.



Chapter 7

The environment is contaminated with unknown creatures. We are on a carriage, escaping to a safe zone. She says: "I'll protect you."

Something clings onto our carriage. It calls me to turn around. She leans to protect me.



Chapter 8

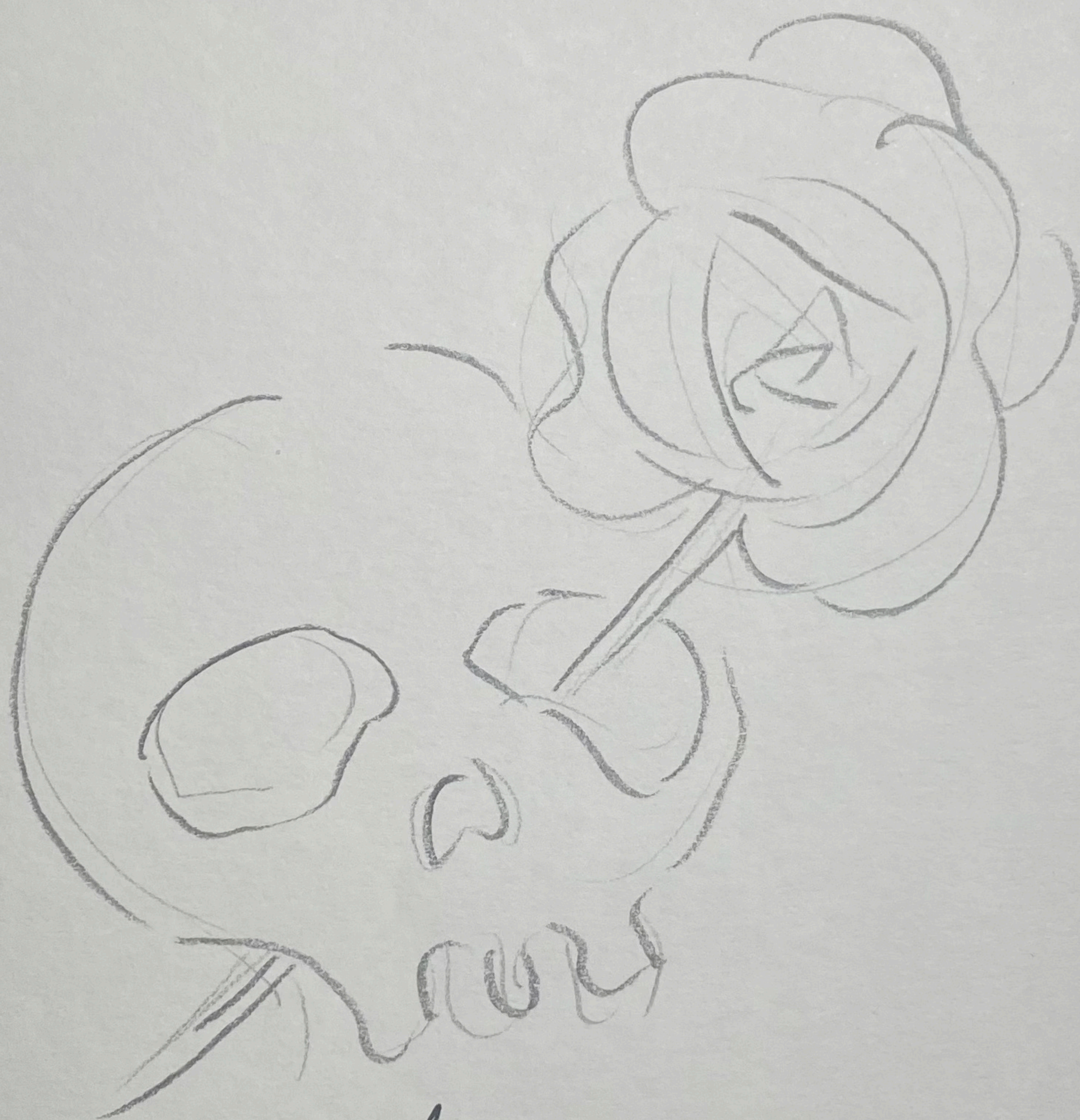
We just escaped from an amusement park where the attractions were designed to smash human bodies.

We are on a ship, waiting to leave the place. She seems to notice something and wants to warn me.

However, there's not enough
time.

She covers my eyes and my
ears.

Then I feel that my head
is chopped off.



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