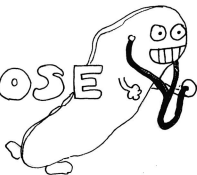
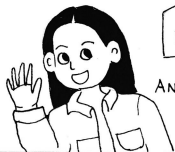
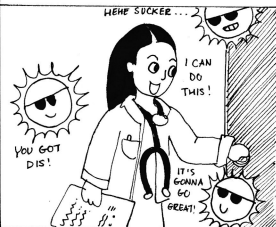


FINDING PURPOSE

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AS A MEDICAL STUDENT, I HAVE EXPERIENCED A VARIETY OF PATIENT REACTIONS TO MY ROLE AS A STUDENT...



... SOMETIMES NOT SO EXCITED



... SOMETIMES TOO EXCITED

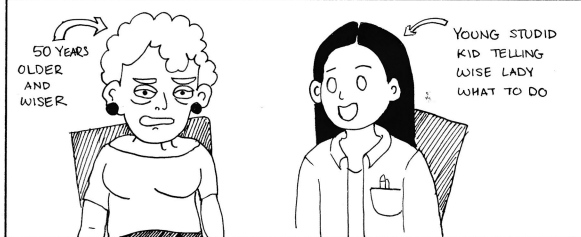


YES, I GOT A WIFE BUT NOTHING WRONG WITH A LITTLE GUMMIN' ON THE SIDE!

GROSS.



... SOMETIMES I'D FEEL LIKE A FRAUD



... AND SOMETIMES THEY KNEW I WAS
A FRAUD.

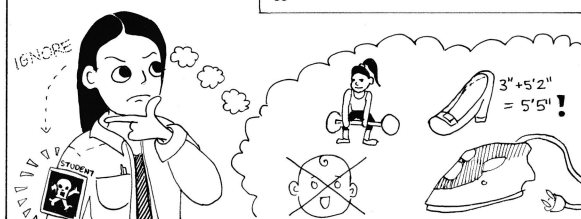


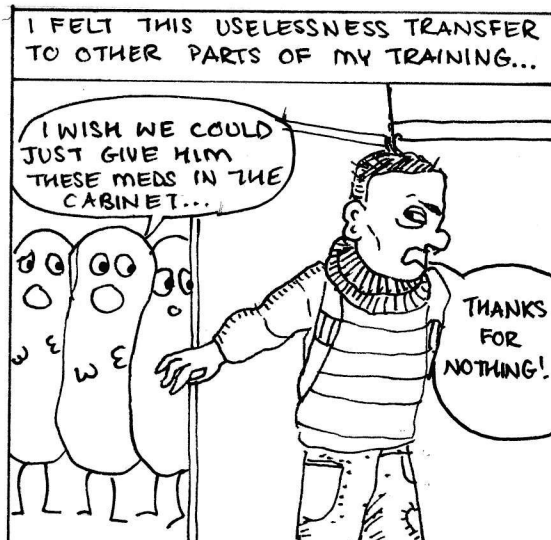
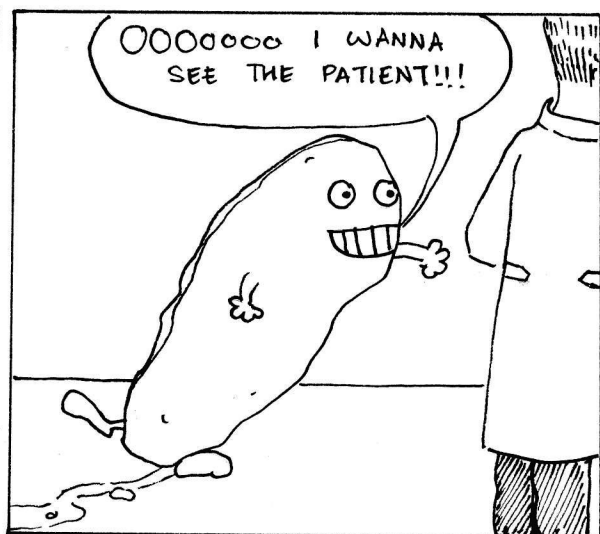
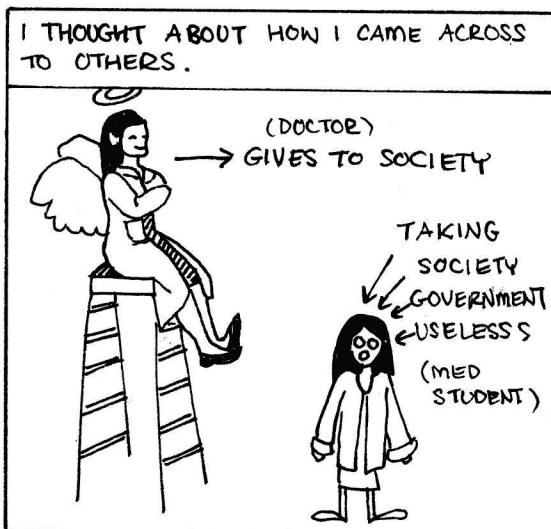
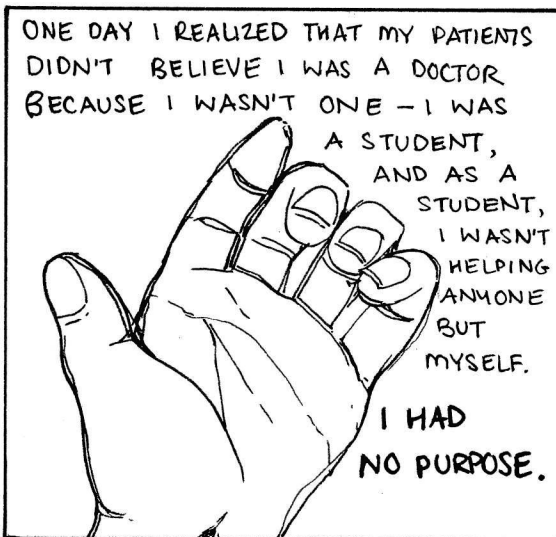
BUT I'D MARCH FORWARD, HOPING
THAT MY FACE EXPRESSED



THAT I KNOW THINGS
(but really, I didn't)

STILL, I'D WONDER IF THERE WAS SOMETHING MISSING. MAYBE
THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE I COULD
DO TO MAKE MYSELF CONVINCIBLE.





I WAS FEELING KIND OF DOWN ABOUT THIS UNTIL ONE DAY A PATIENT FROM A HOMELESS CLINIC I HAD BEEN VOLUNTEERING AT ASKED TO CHAT...

