

# BEST BUDS

A year in the life of a preteen girl



A Graphic Novel

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To My Readers:

These stories (embarrassing as they may seem) are all based on true events. I hope they help you laugh at your own misfortunes... and know you're not alone dealing with the awkward phase of life that is puberty!



Dear Diary... My name is Cadence but my friends call me Cadie. (Pronounced "Kay-Dee") I'm 11 years old & going into grade six. I have green eyes & medium length, dirty blonde hair. My favourite things are my friends, crafts, reading, biking & of course my 18" dolls!



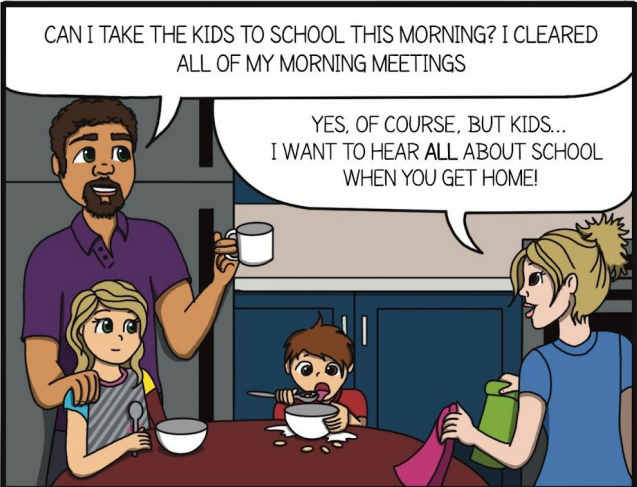
Dear Diary,

It's the first day of school tomorrow... Grade 6!! When we get there we head straight to our old classroom & that teacher tells us who our new teacher will be! I hope all of my friends are with me again this year. Last year was so much fun with all of us together.



CAN I TAKE THE KIDS TO SCHOOL THIS MORNING? I CLEARED ALL OF MY MORNING MEETINGS

YES, OF COURSE, BUT KIDS... I WANT TO HEAR ALL ABOUT SCHOOL WHEN YOU GET HOME!



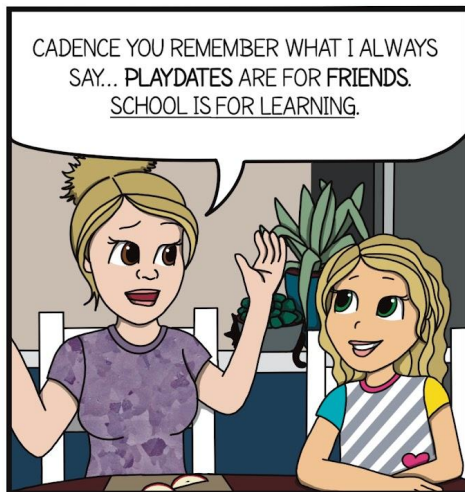
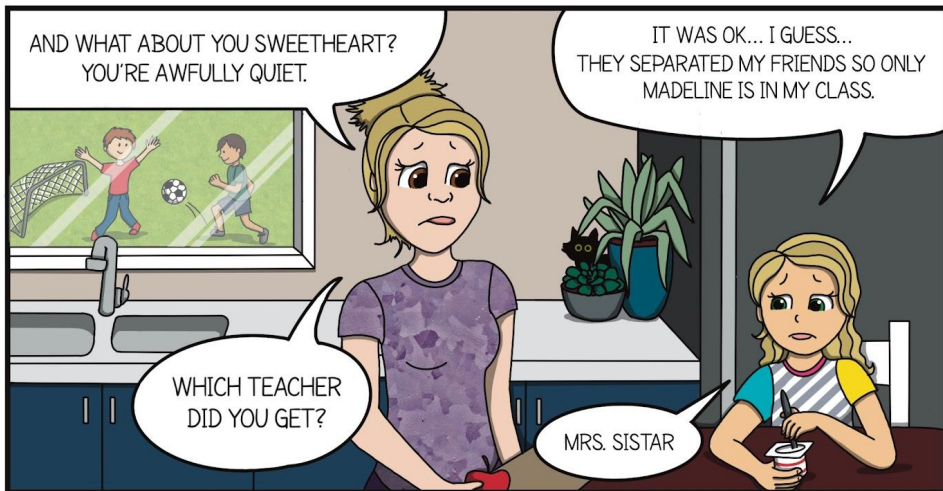
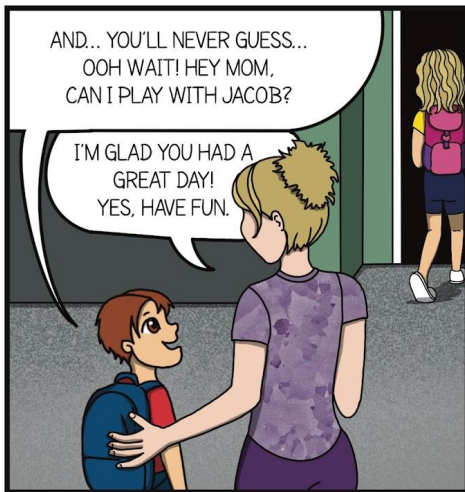
OK HUN I THINK THAT'S ENOUGH PHOTOS FOR ONE DAY... DON'T WANT TO BE LATE!



HAVE A GREAT DAY KIDS! LOVE YOU!

LOVE YOU TOO DAD!





Dear Diary.

Boy was my mom right. Grade 6 is going to be amazing. We have so many fun projects & adventures... We go on hikes, do science projects & lots of art! Mrs. Sistar is such a great teacher & makes learning fun!

A TYPICAL DAY AT SCHOOL...  
WE START THE DAY WITH MATH



MATH IS ONE OF MY FAVOURITE SUBJECTS & I'M GOOD AT IT TOO!



THEN WE HAVE READING. OUR CLASSROOM HAS A COZY NOOK WITH COMFY SEATS



RECESS IS A QUICK 15 MINUTES

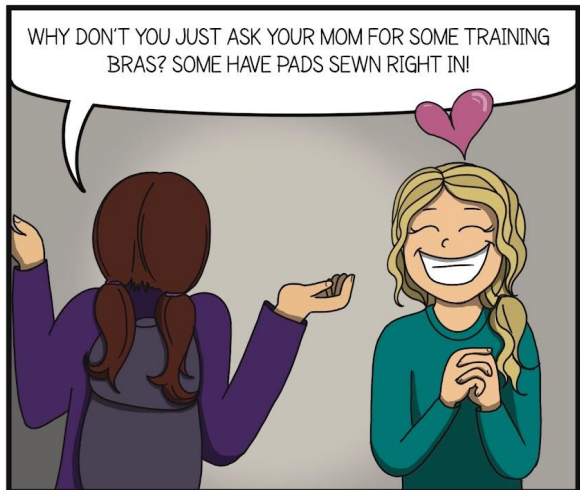
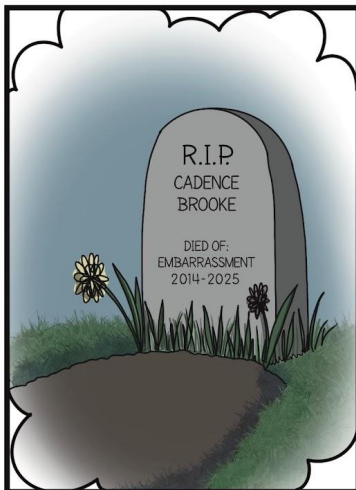
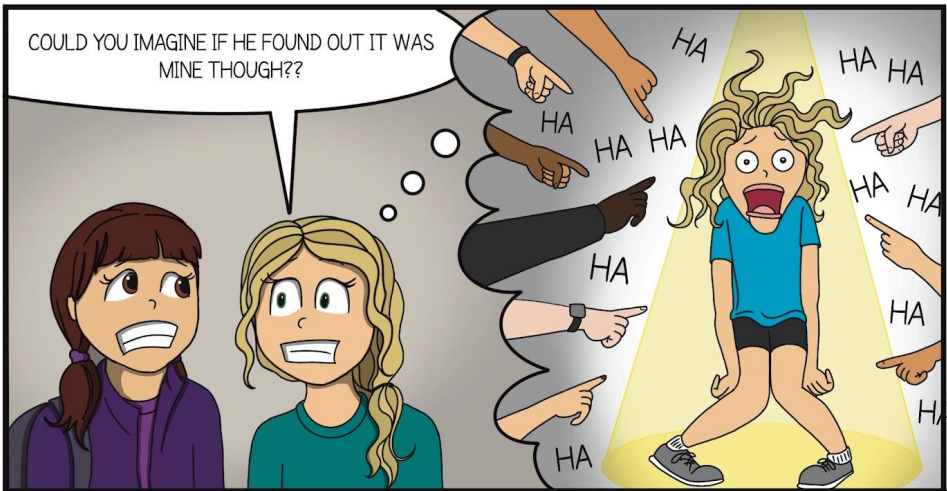


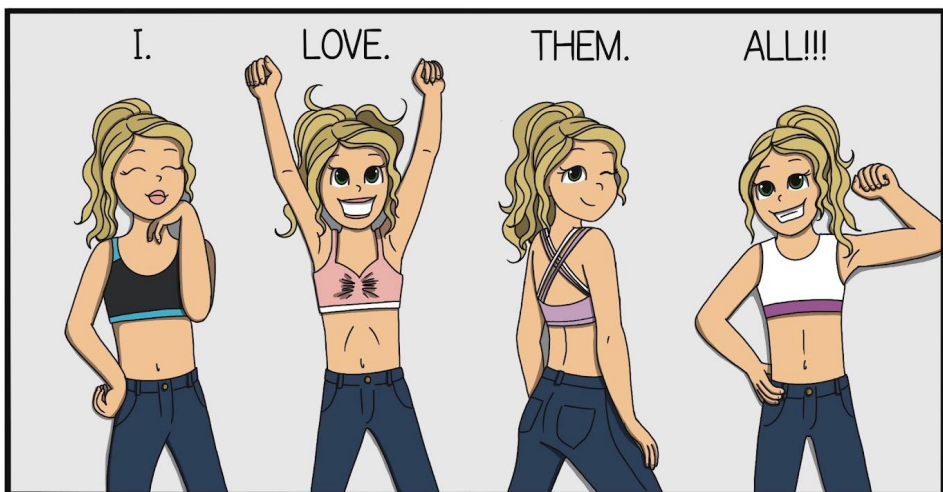
BACK INSIDE FOR SCIENCE!



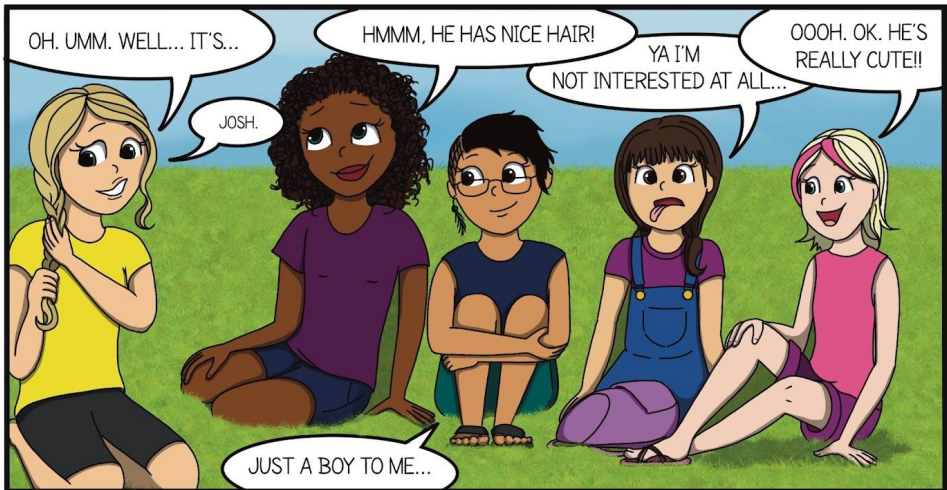








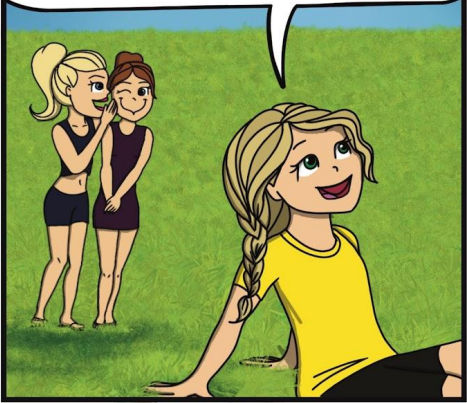




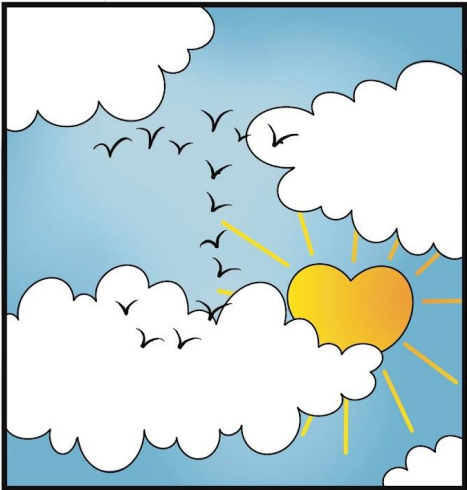
WELL REMEMBER THE OTHER DAY WHEN I FELL? HE WAS SO NICE & OUR HANDS TOUCHED AND...



NOT LIKE I WANT JOSH TO BE MY BOYFRIEND OR ANYTHING...



BUT I DEFINITELY LIKE JOSH BETTER THAN ANY OF THE OTHER BOYS AT OUR SCHOOL! HE'S SO NICE!



HEY JOOSSSHHH... COME OVER HERE!

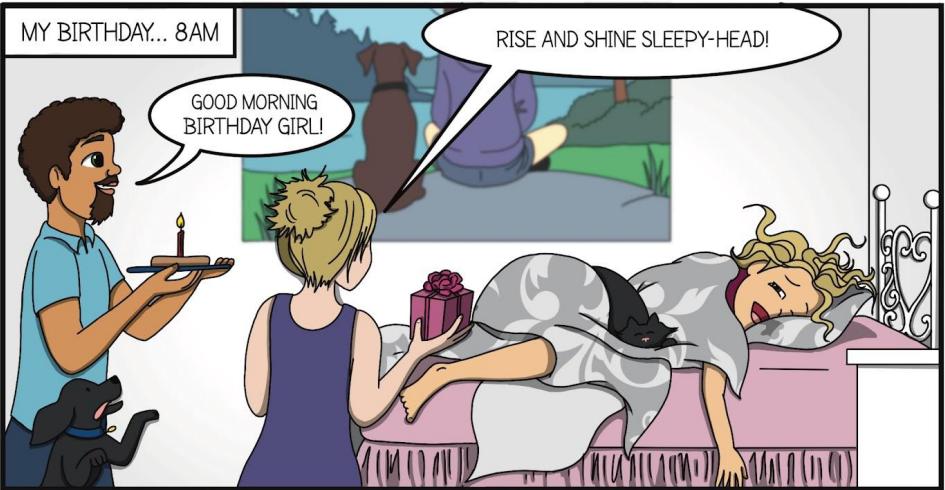
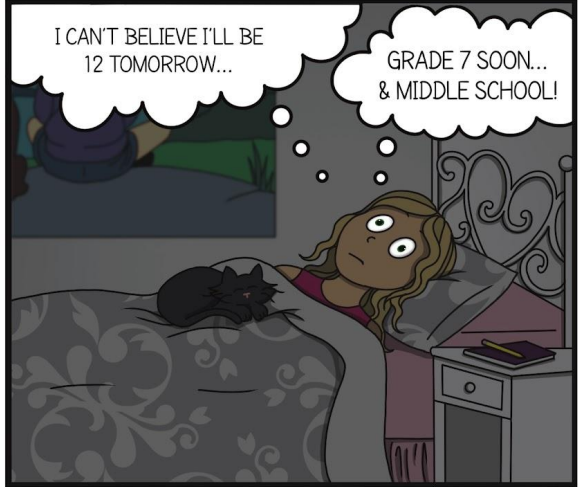
YA, WE HAVE A SECRET TO TELL YOU!

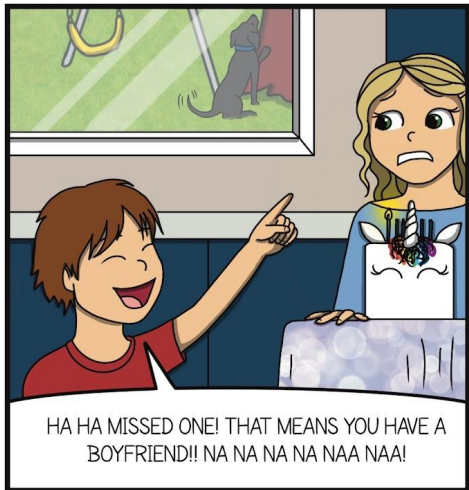


OH NO. THEY WOULDN'T! NO! THEY CAN'T!!



Dear Diary,  
It's my Birthday!  
Mom & Dad said I  
could do anything  
I wanted for my  
party... but all I  
wanted was a  
sleep-over with  
my Best Buds!



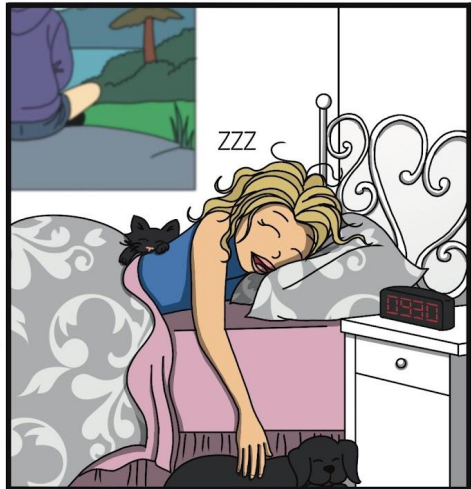




AND THEN IT WAS SUMMER!



ONE OF MY MOST FAVOURITE TIMES OF THE YEAR!



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Cadence can't wait to start the sixth grade. But everything feels...different. Her body is growing and changing so quickly, resulting in embarrassing moments that happen almost daily.

Why does nobody else struggle like she does?

Cadence turns to her friends for help. Surprise! All of them are going through the same things. Together, they support one another, sharing laughs and heartfelt conversations.



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