

Chef Anya
or
Ballerina Anya



There once was a girl named Anya, that's me.

I did ballet and loved it. But there was one thing I loved to do more than ballet. I loved to cook. My parents said I should do ballet so I might have a chance of bringing our average family fame. Once 5 years ago when I was 11 I tried reasoning with my parents by saying that maybe cooking could bring fame also. I said to mom, "Look at Rachael Ray. She cooks and she is as famous as ever!" Mom agreed with me at that. But she said, "Yes I see that honey, but ballet is more popular among girls." I gave up with mom and tried dad. And let's just say he did not bring any help either.

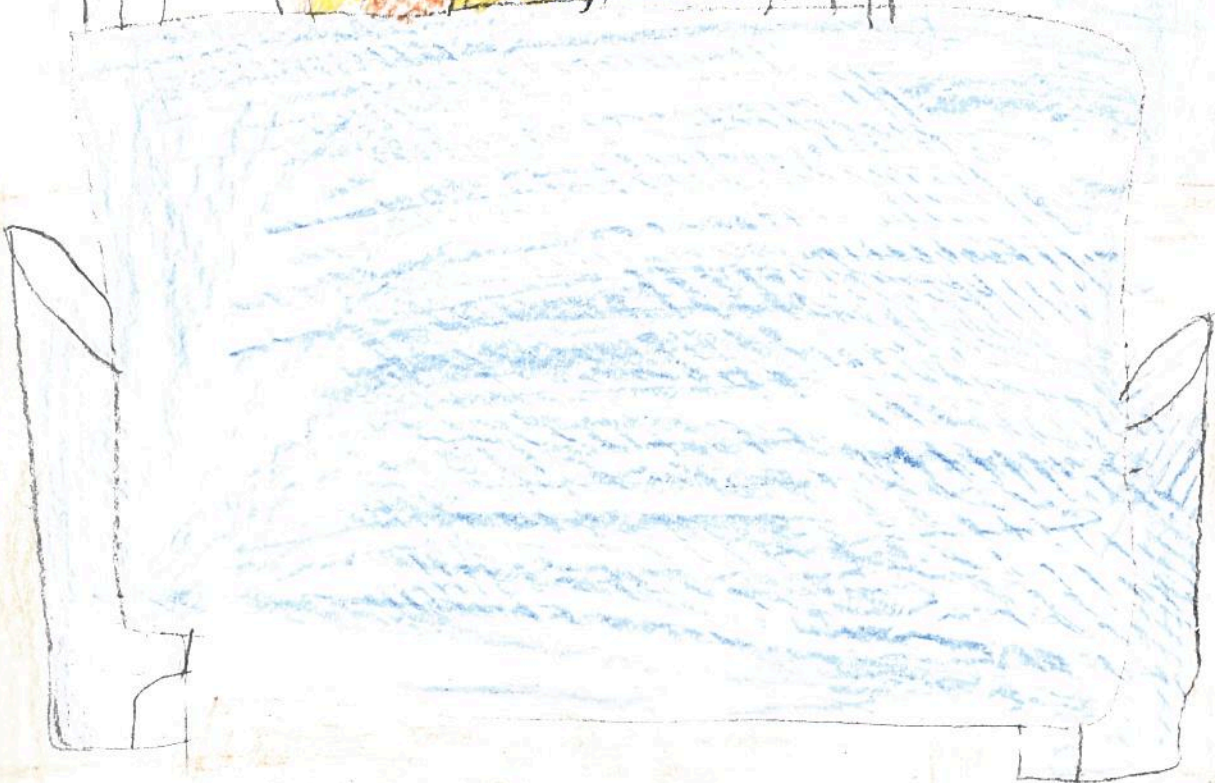
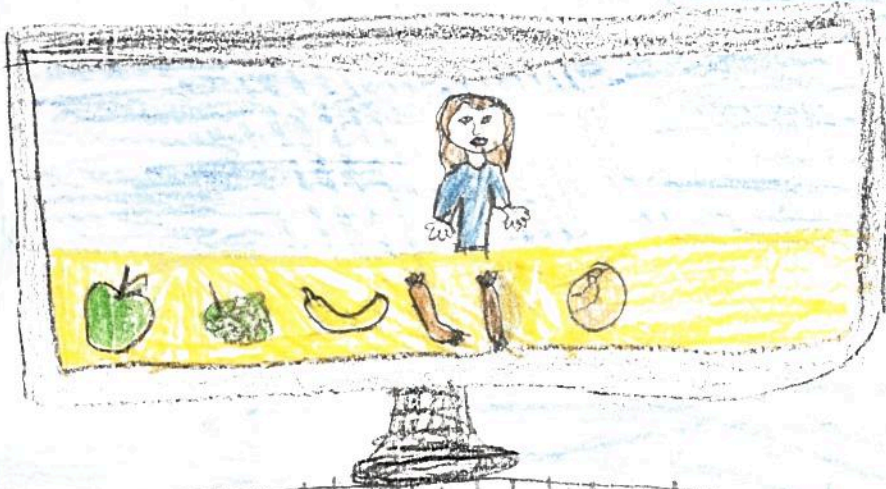
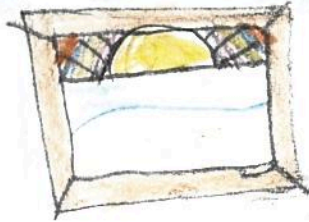
So now back to 2020, I'm still trying to convince my parents to let me cook. But it's

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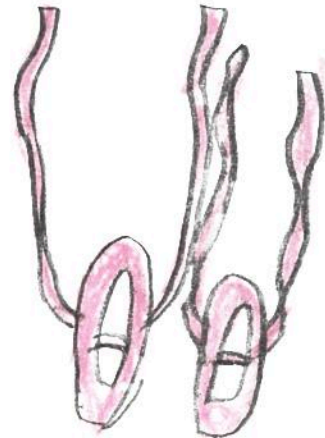
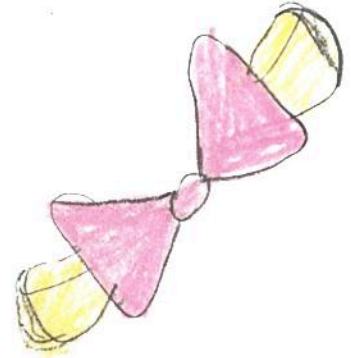
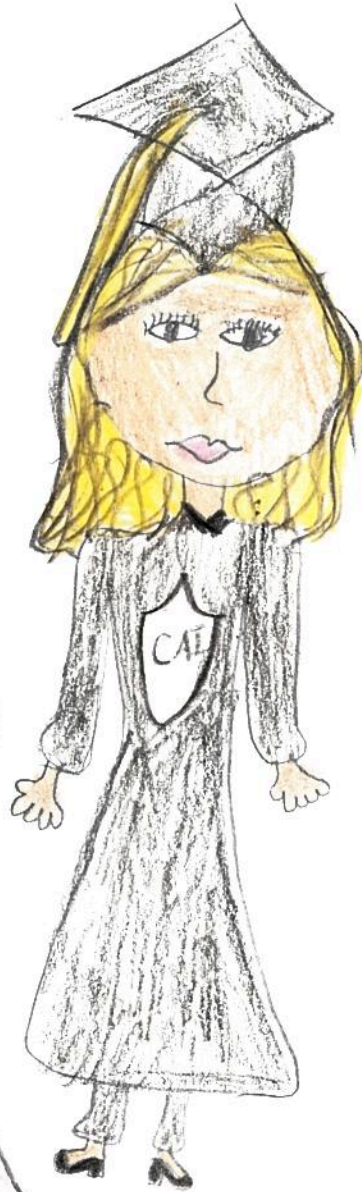
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hopeless. I just hope I can convince them by my 16th birthday in 21 days. October 25th is my birthday. And it would be an awesome birthday present. The closest I've ever gotten with my parents was they let me cook for my 9-year-old sister Maysie. And there were limits on what I could cook. Mom and dad were at Corinth a restaurant down the lane. I was the babysitter. Maysie went to bed at 9 so then I could watch my favorite cooking show Cooking For 1. The hostess is my age .I love it. Now I know how to make mac & cheese, chicken parm, and cheesy chili mac. They look delicious and of course I copied the recipes. I cannot wait to cook them once I am allowed to. For now though I am using toe shoes and tutus.





Today is my 16th birthday and I'm not sure if I can cook or not. Mom was up late. Dad was up late, Maysie was up at her usual time. And I was up earlier than usual. And I made my own breakfast! Mom was up soon after so was dad and Maysie. They had breakfast with me and at breakfast mom said to me, "Your dad and I have decided that you can go to culinary school."

After that my life was changed forever. I became the host of cooking show, Food Made With Love. And I was right when I told my parents that cooking could bring fame. I ended up creating Food for Hungry Children. That is a organization that fed 3 hearty meals a day to hungry children. I loved my new life. In my spare time I practiced ballet.