

Hello, fellowmakers.

I, being one of your younger readers, would like to submit my solution to the MakeShift puzzle from #20. You know... the one with the "urban archaeologist" who has fallen through the floor?

Fig 1.

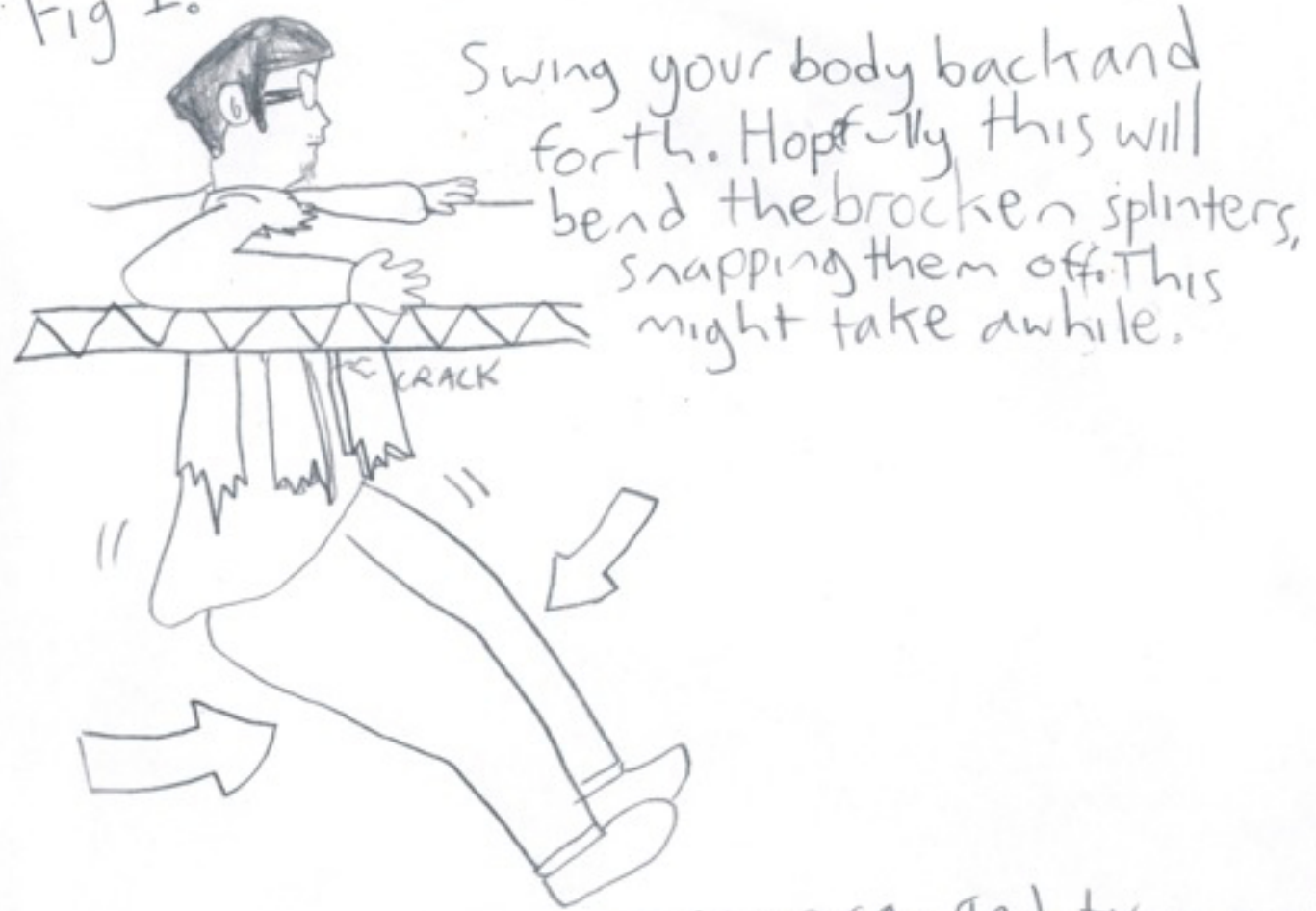


Fig 3. Grab your camera, and turn on the flash. If one of the rats comes close, snap a photo of them. The light and noise will scare them away.

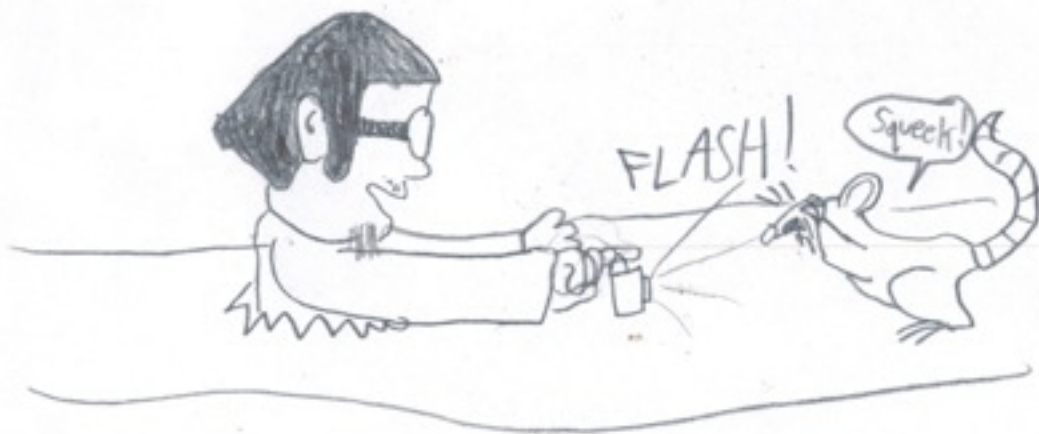


Fig 2.



Stab the surrounding floor with your flashlight. This will do two things: weaken the floor around you, and ruin your flashlight. So what? You can get a new one once you're free. Hopefully your thrashing will break the weak floor, making a bigger hole.

Fig 4. After awhile you should be able to pull yourself out. And while you're exiting, please walk right next to the wall. It will lower the chances of you falling again.

