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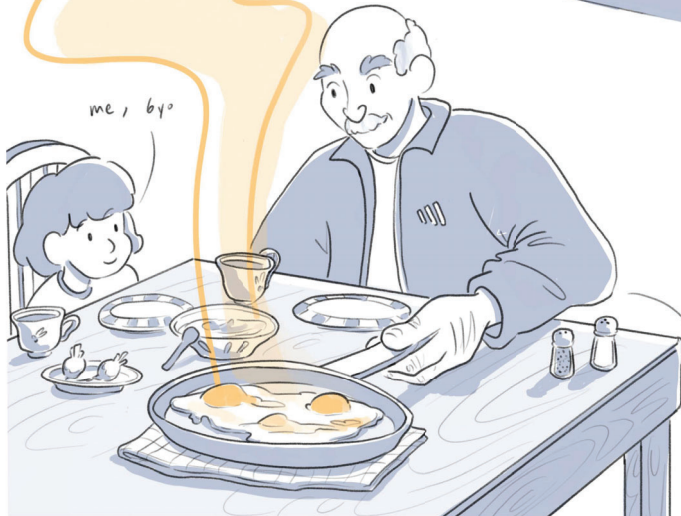
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WAKING UP IN THE EARLY MORNING
CAREFUL NOT TO WAKE ANYONE



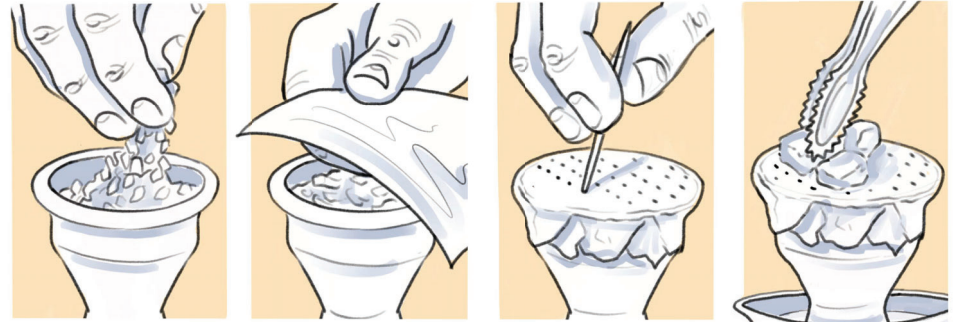
THE SMELL OF BROWNING BUTTER
INCHING ME FORWARD



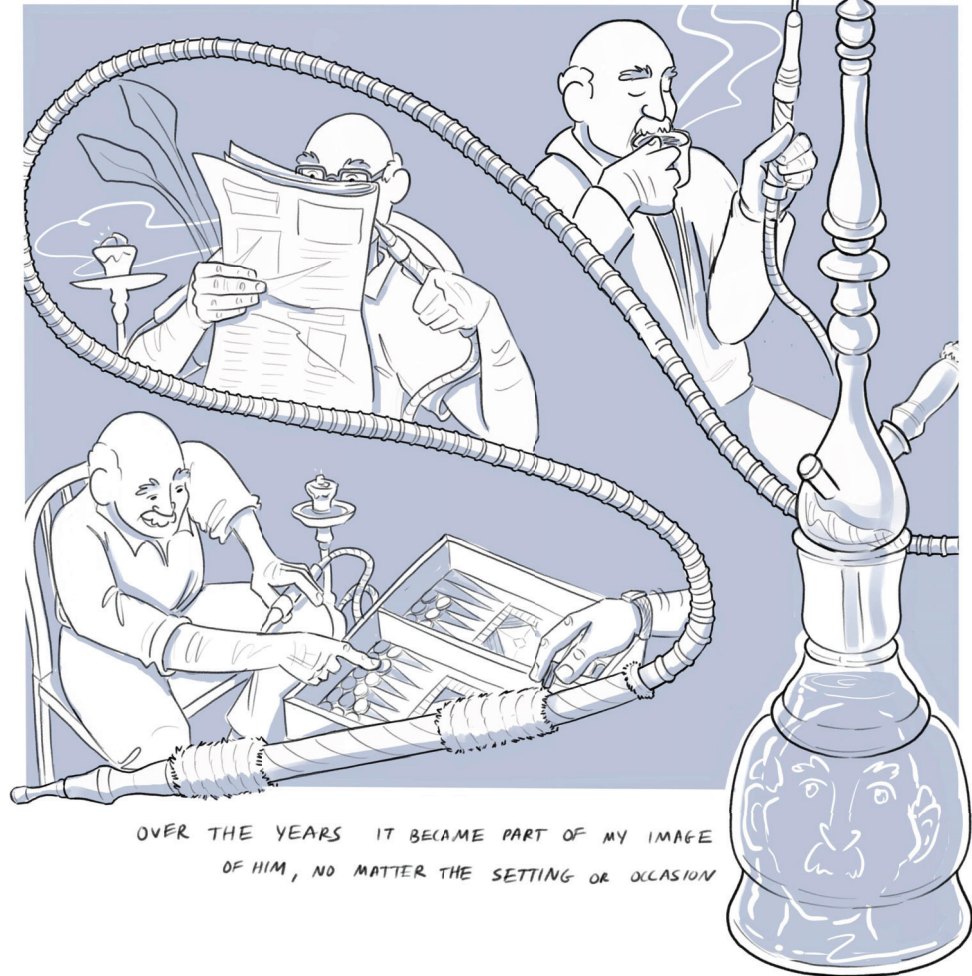
TO EGGS AND
TEA WITH JEDO

in Arabic Jedo
means grandpa

WHICH WAS ALWAYS FOLLOWED BY HIS
MORNING ARGILEH (HOOKAH)

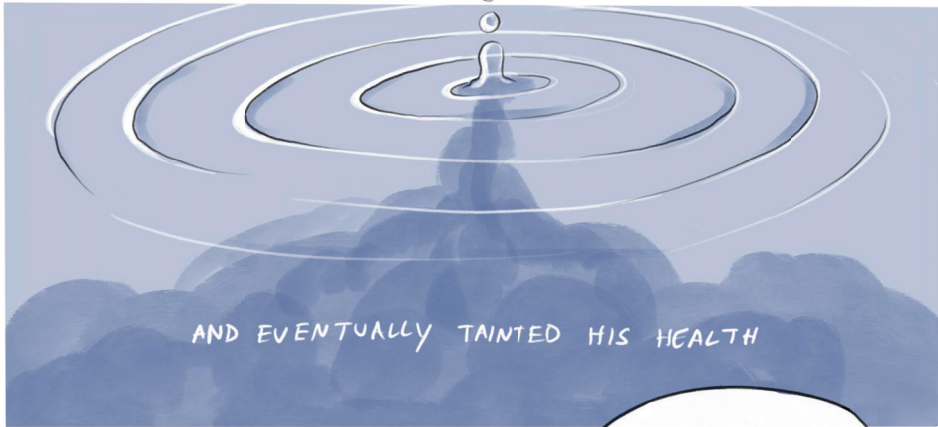


ONE OF MANY FOR THE DAY



OVER THE YEARS IT BECAME PART OF MY IMAGE
OF HIM, NO MATTER THE SETTING OR OCCASION

A PART OF HIM HE COULD NOT PART WITH



AND EVENTUALLY TAINTED HIS HEALTH

DIING!

THE DOCTORS FOUND BLACK SPOTS ON HIS LUNGS, THEY THINK IT'S CANCER...

HE DOESN'T KNOW...
WE'VE DECIDED NOT TO TELL HIM FOR NOW.
IT WILL ONLY MAKE HIM WORSE.

... OK



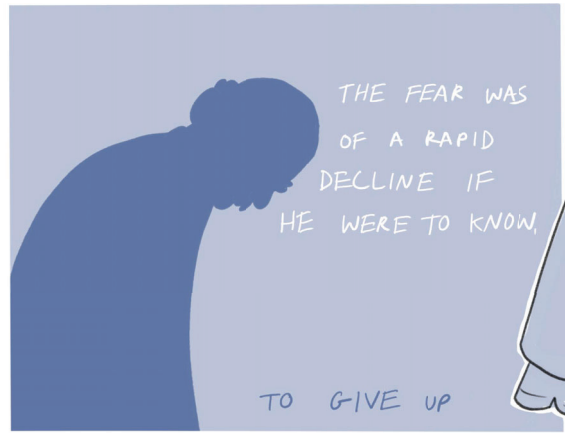
TRAVELLING TO SEE HIM
I HAD A FEELING IT MAY BE
FOR THE LAST TIME



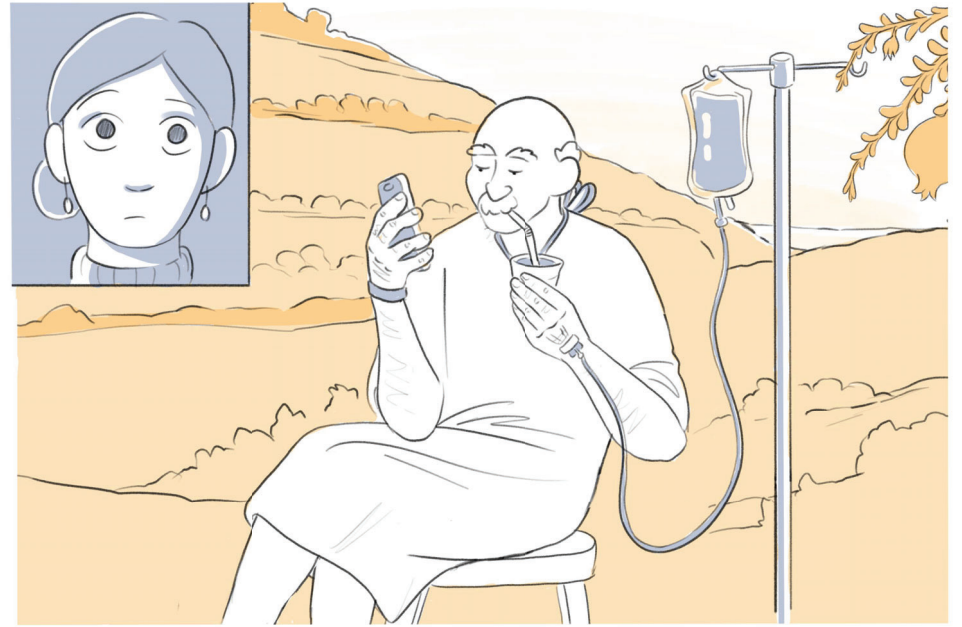
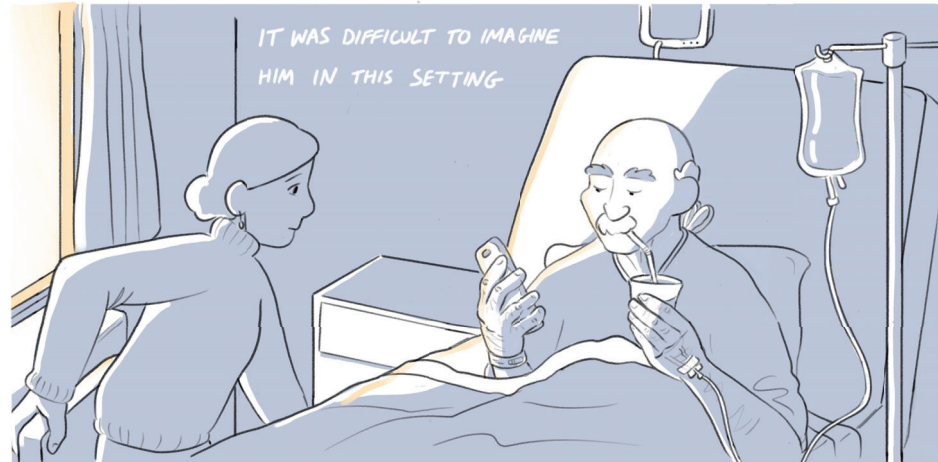
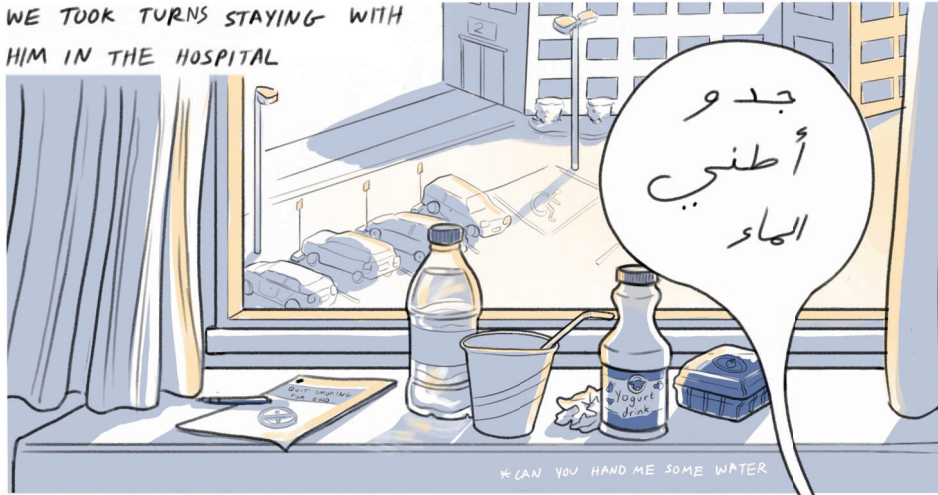
A COLLECTIVE DECISION WAS MADE
NOT TO TELL HIM

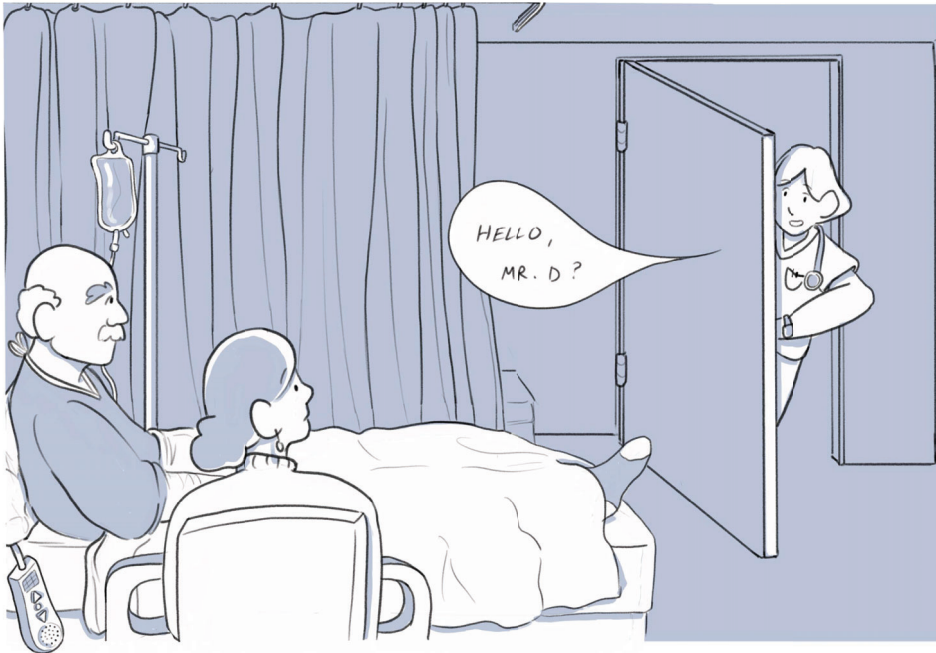


JEDO HAD A LOT OF
PRIDE IN HIS INDEPENDENCE
AND ENERGY



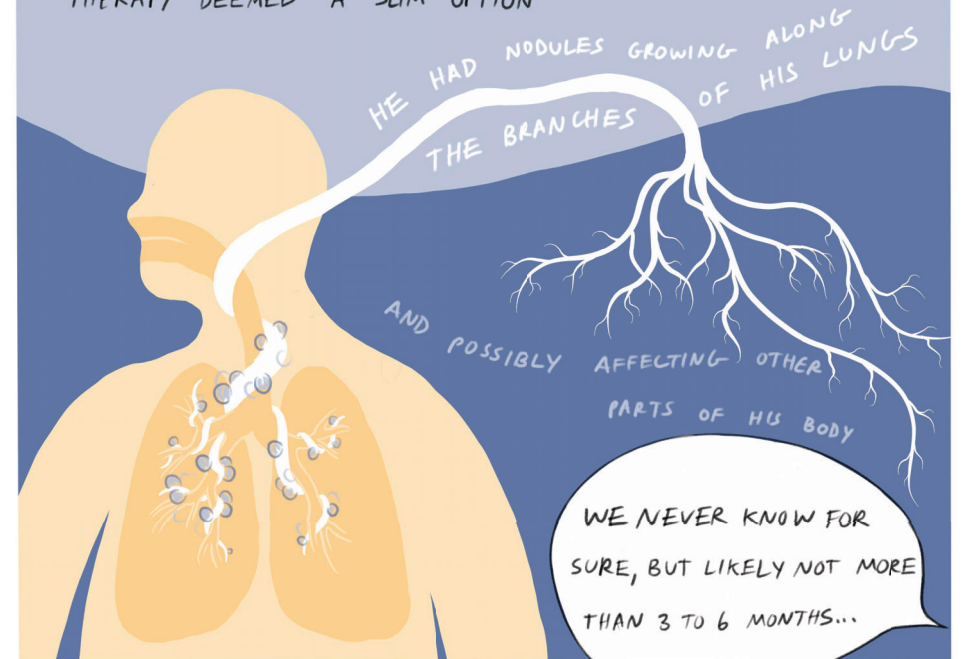
WE TOOK TURNS STAYING WITH HIM IN THE HOSPITAL

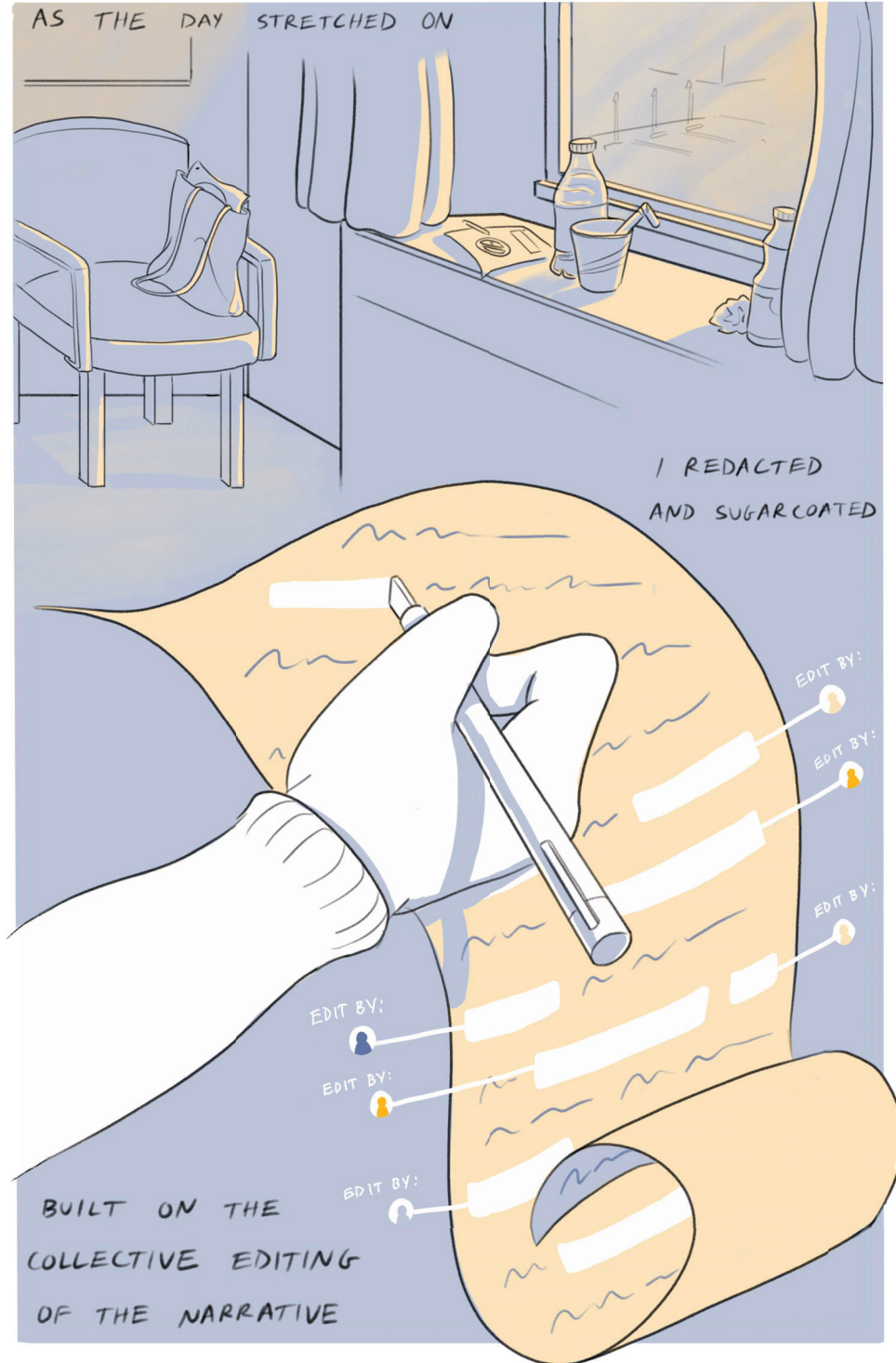




WE CAN GO OVER IT TOGETHER THEN...

JEDO WAS DIAGNOSED WITH STAGE IV LUNG CANCER, WITH THERAPY DEEMED A SLIM OPTION



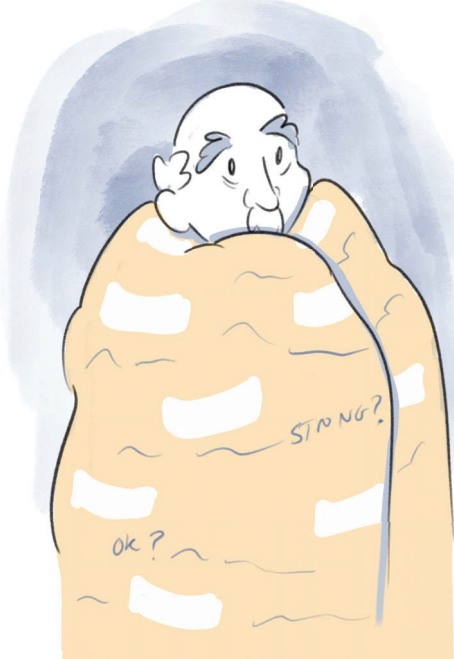


GIVING HIM A SANITIZED
VERSION OF THE TRUTH



DID THAT PROTECT HIM?

OR MAKE HIM FEEL
LOST AND TRAPPED?

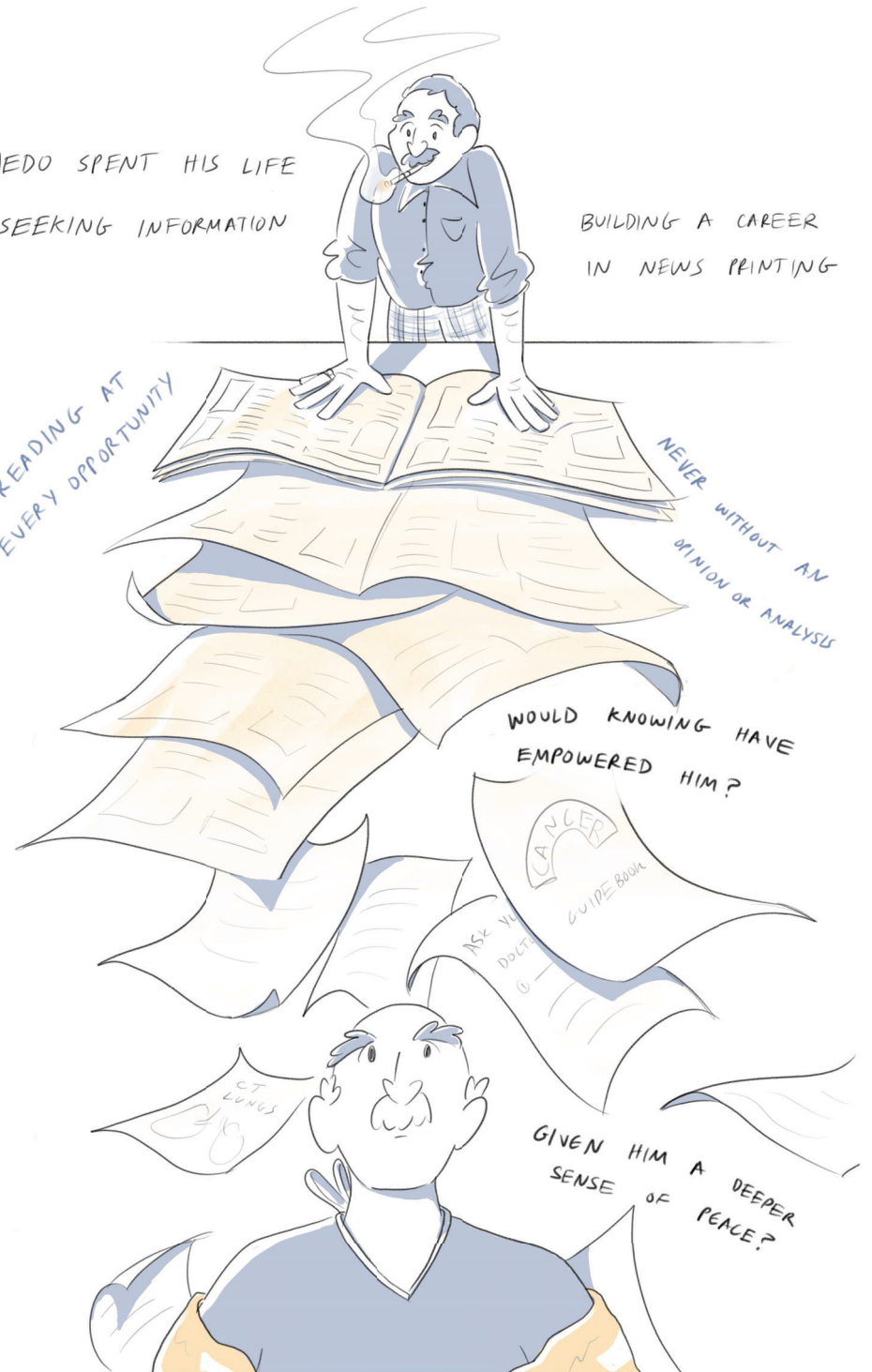


JEDO SPENT HIS LIFE
SEEKING INFORMATION

BUILDING A CAREER
IN NEWS PRINTING

READING AT
EVERY OPPORTUNITY

NEVER WITHOUT AN
OPINION OR ANALYSIS



WOULD KNOWING HAVE
EMPOWERED HIM?

GIVEN HIM A DEEPER
SENSE OF PEACE?

At the intersection of cultures and generational shifts, we face questions about the disclosure of difficult news to patients



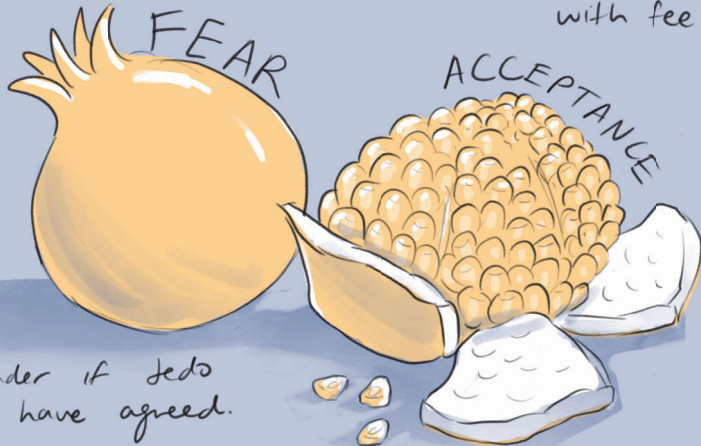
many cultures view the FAMILY as having the primary decision making responsibility

with attitudes shifting towards higher PATIENT autonomy

A study examining the attitudes towards CANCER DIAGNOSIS DISCLOSURE (CDD) in the Middle East found that

FAMILIES were more likely to associate CDD with

while PATIENTS with feelings of



I wonder if Jeds would have agreed.

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