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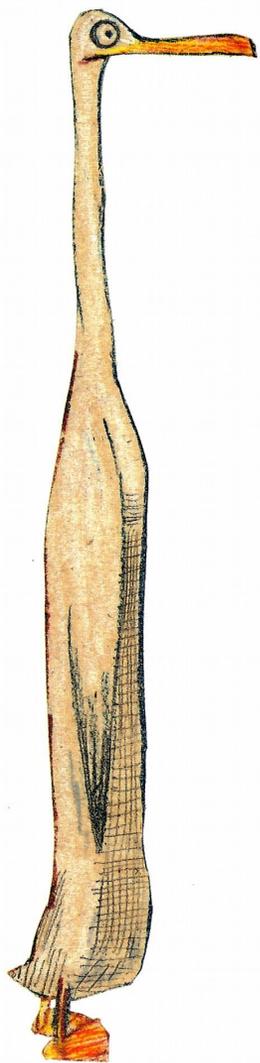
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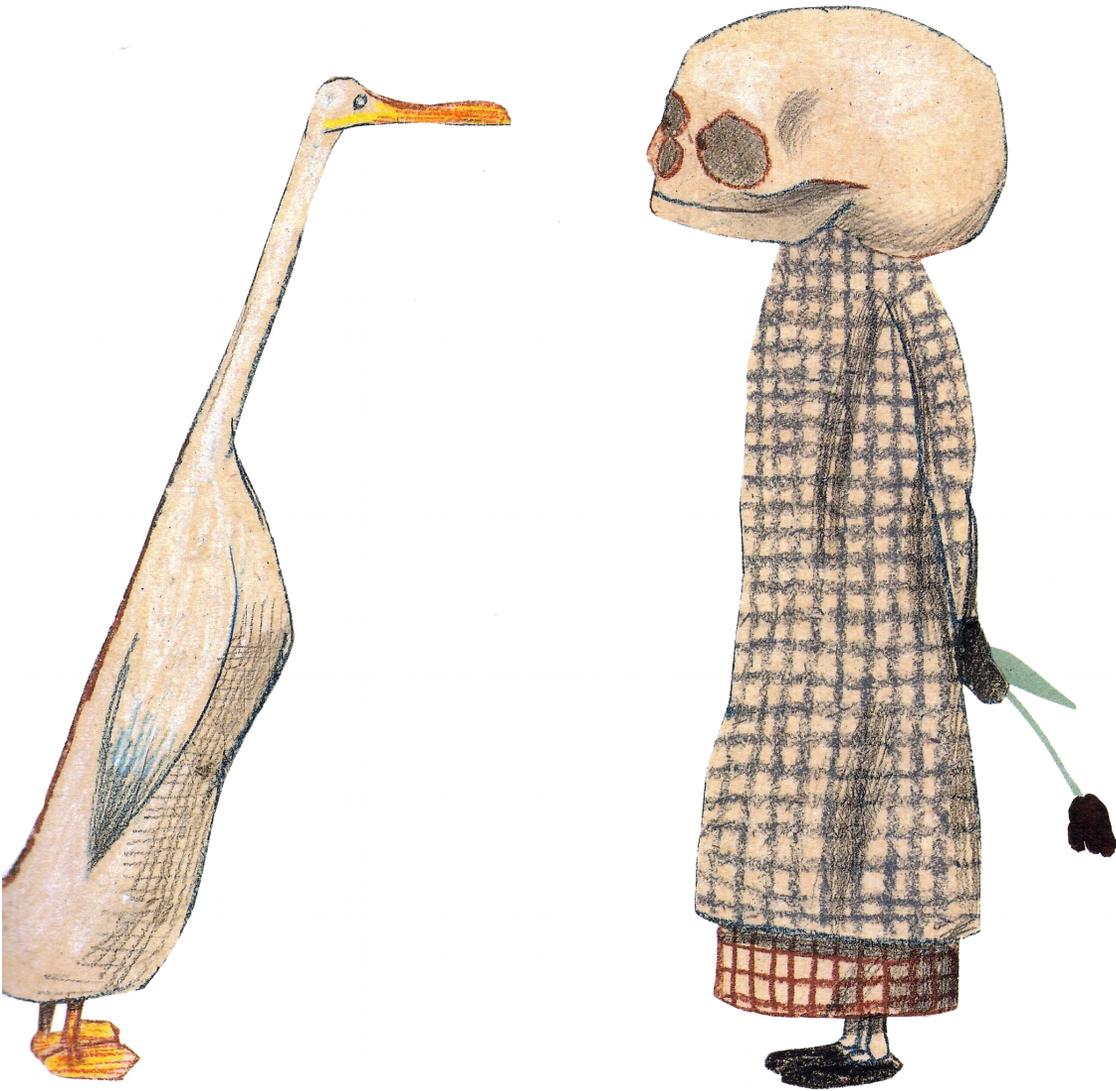
“ Finalmente ti sei accorta di me .

disse la Morte .

“ lo sono la Morte ” .



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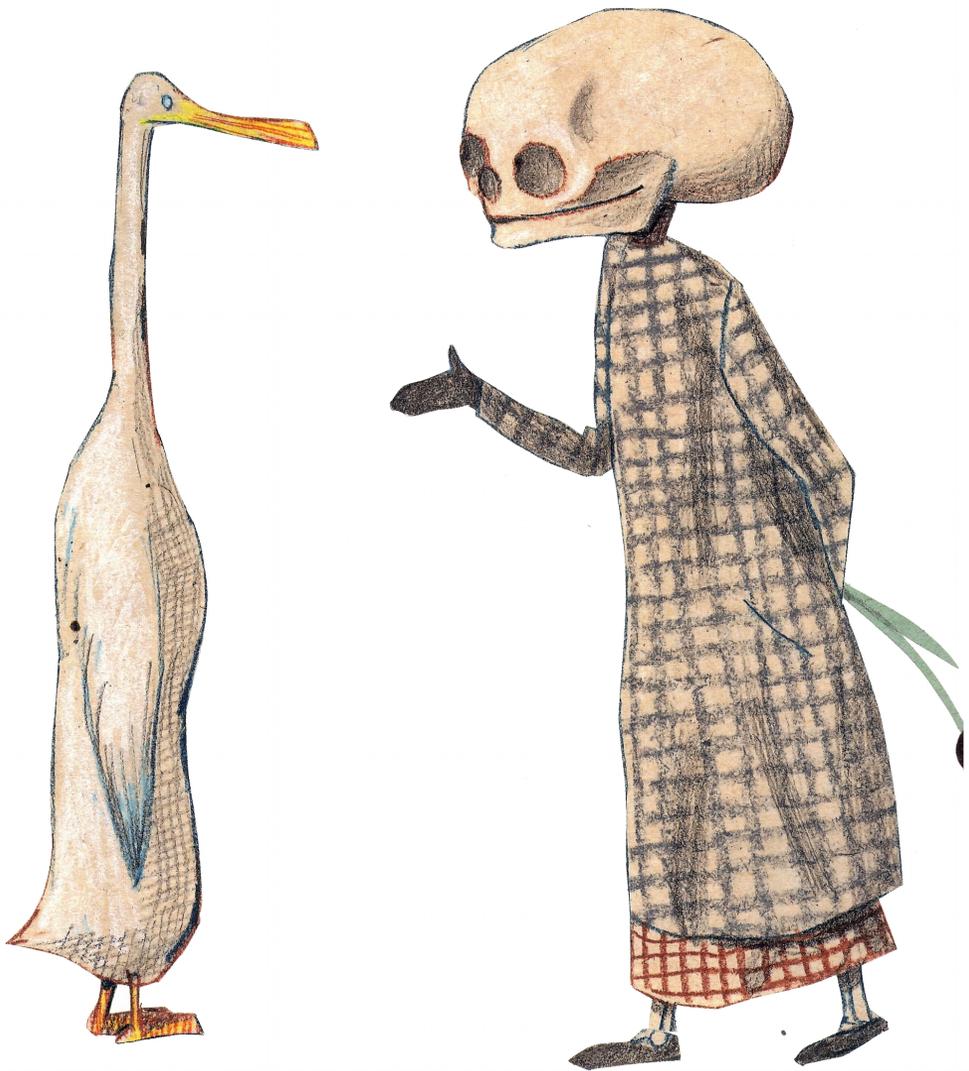
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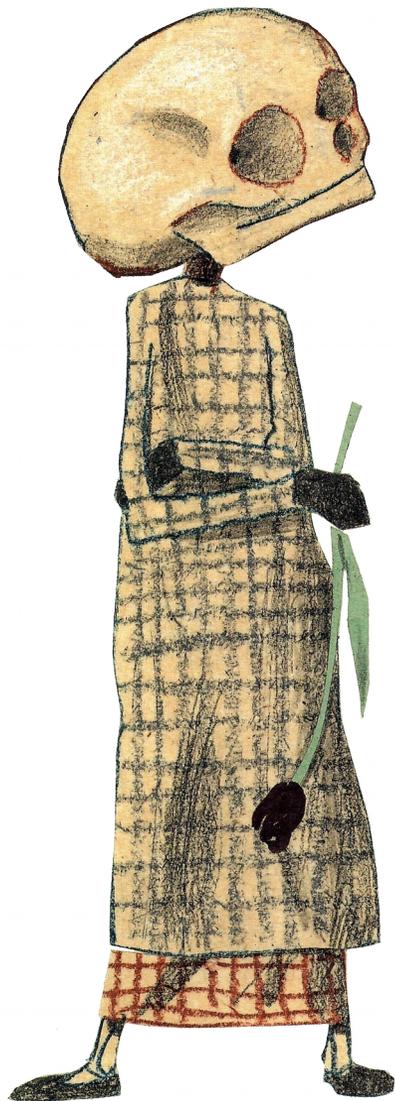
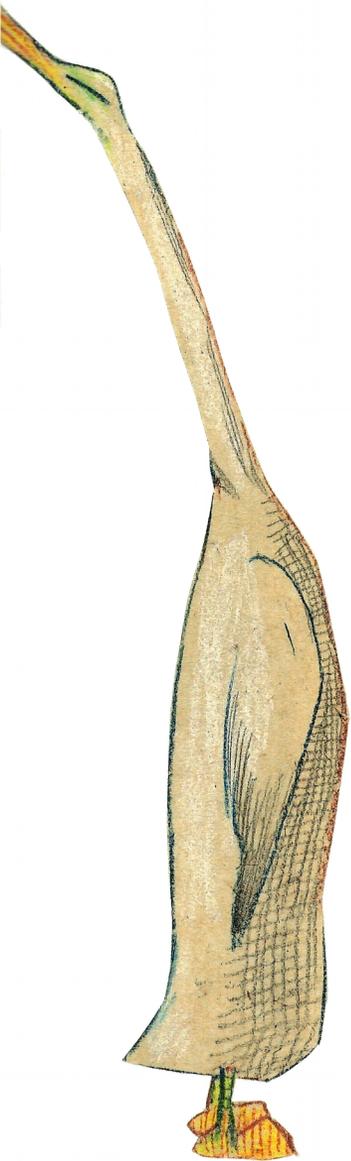
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“ Sì , se succede qualcosa .
 Una brutta influenza ,
 un incidente non lo possiamo sapere ”
 “ E all' incidente ci pensi tu ? ”



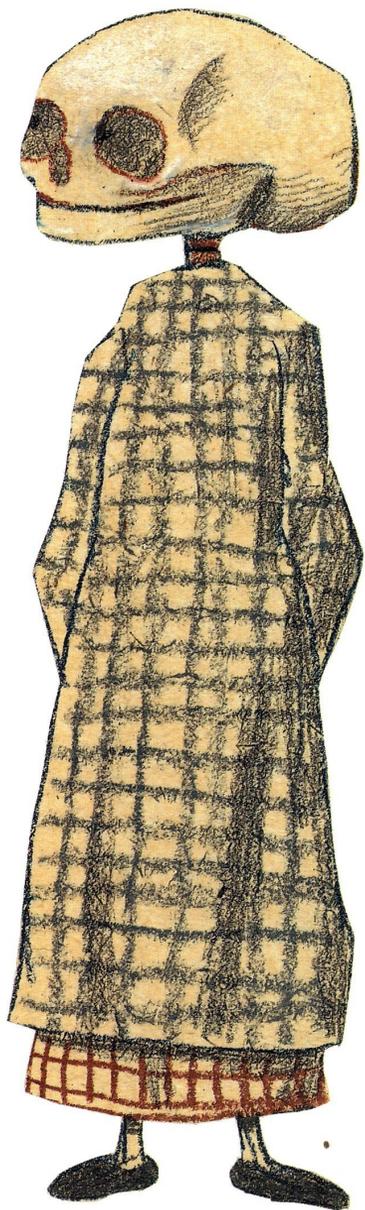
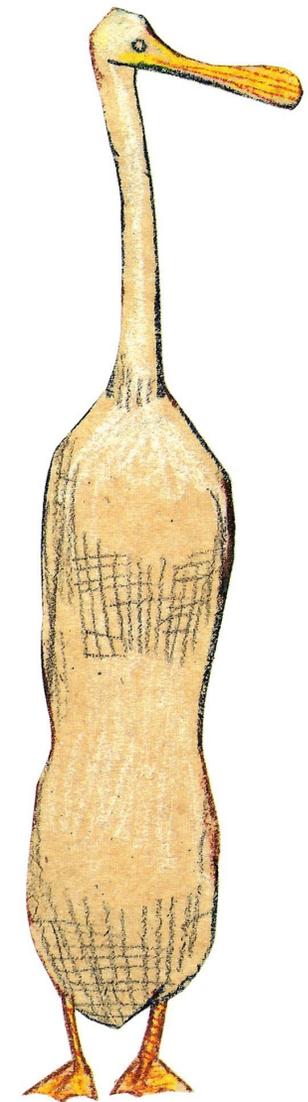
“ All' incidente ci pensa la vita .

Sono cose che capitano ” .

L' anatra

non voleva pensare a queste cose ++

e le venne la pelle d' oca .



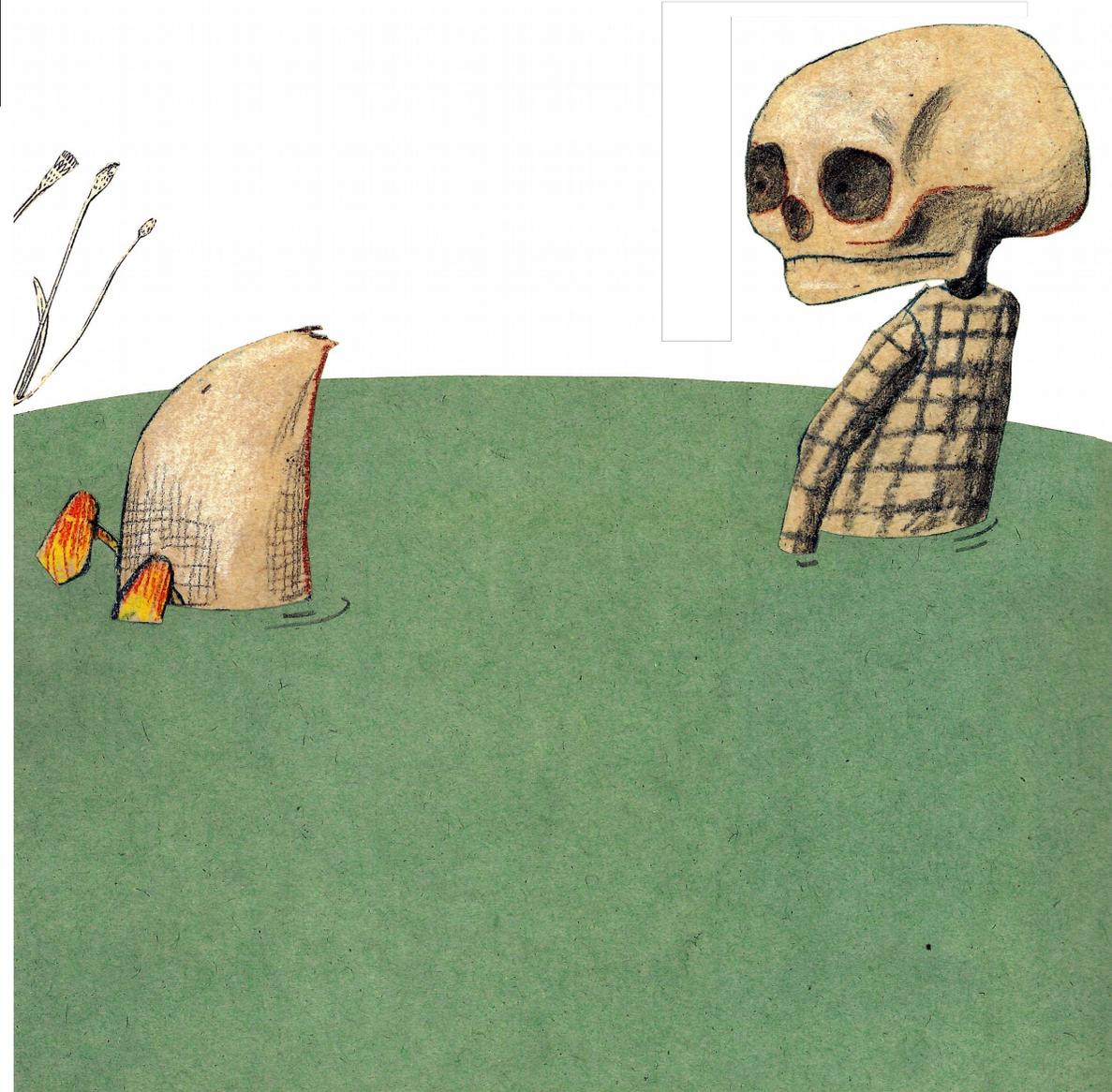
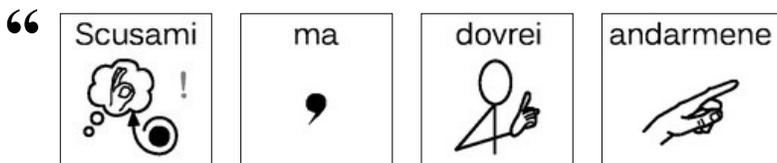
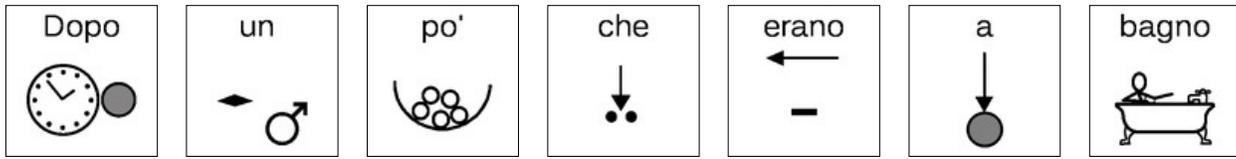
La ▶ ♀	Morte 	le ○ ♀	sorrise 	in 	modo 	amichevole
Era ← -	molto !	gentile 	...			
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“ Andiamo allo stagno ? ”

domandò l' anatra .

Era ciò che la Morte teme .





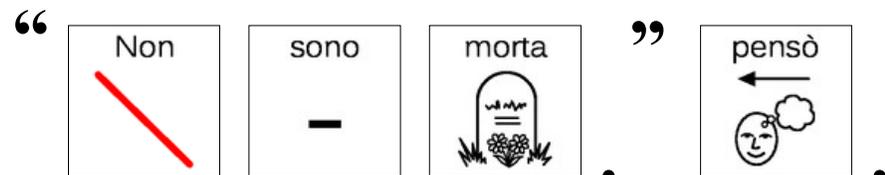
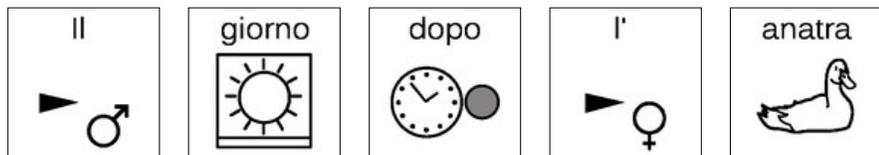


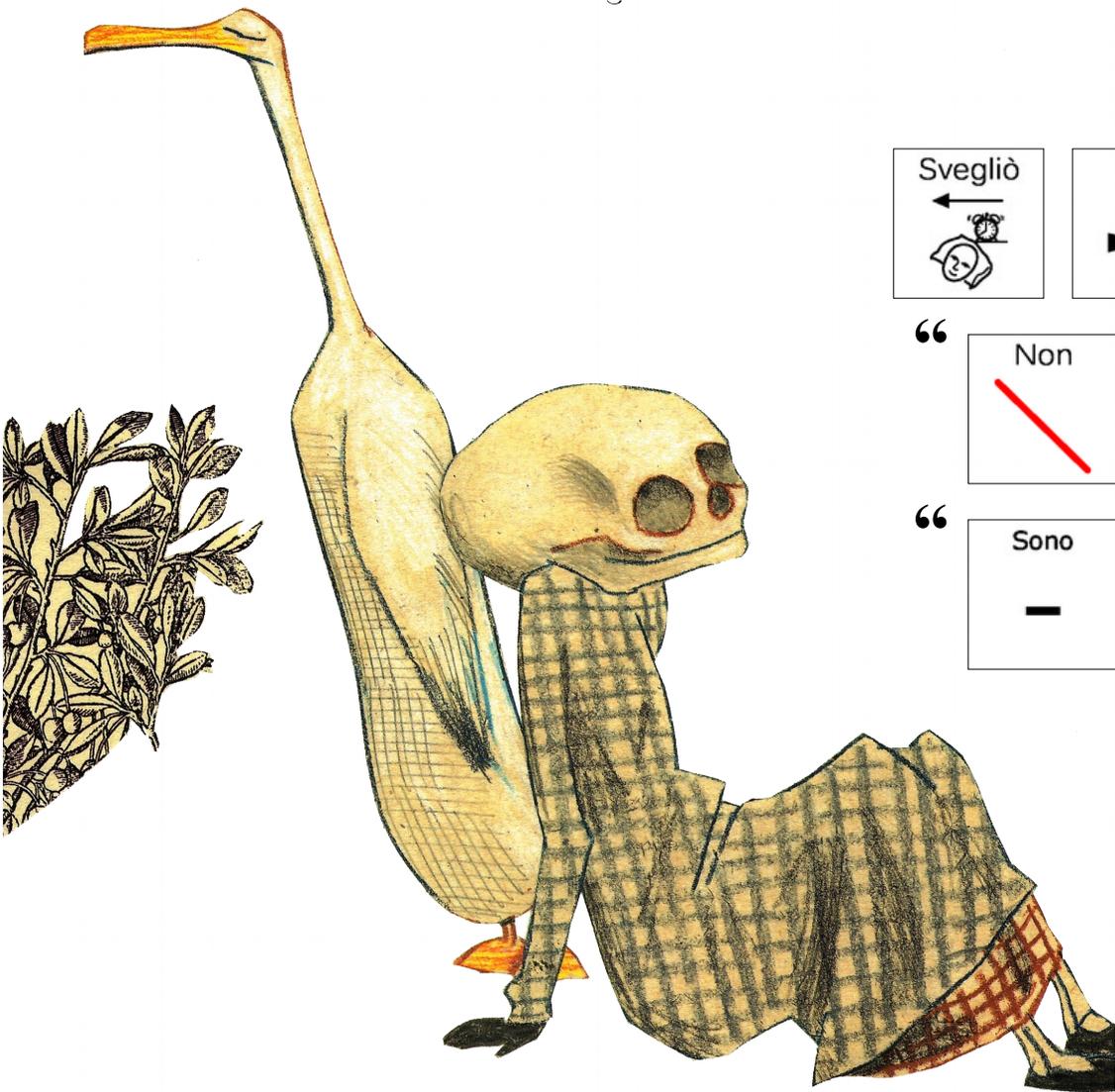
“ Hai freddo ? ” domandò l' anatra .

“ Ti scaldo io . ”

Nessuno aveva mai detto

una cosa così alla Morte .





Svegliò
la
Morte

“ Non sono morta ! urlò contenta l' anatra .
Sono contenta per te . disse la Morte .

“ Certe anatre dicono
 che diventiamo angeli,
 che stiamo seduti sulle nuvole,
 e guardiamo la terra dall'alto. ”

“ Possibile ” disse la Morte.

“ In ogni caso le ali le hai già. ”



“ Certe anatre dicono che se non fai la brava

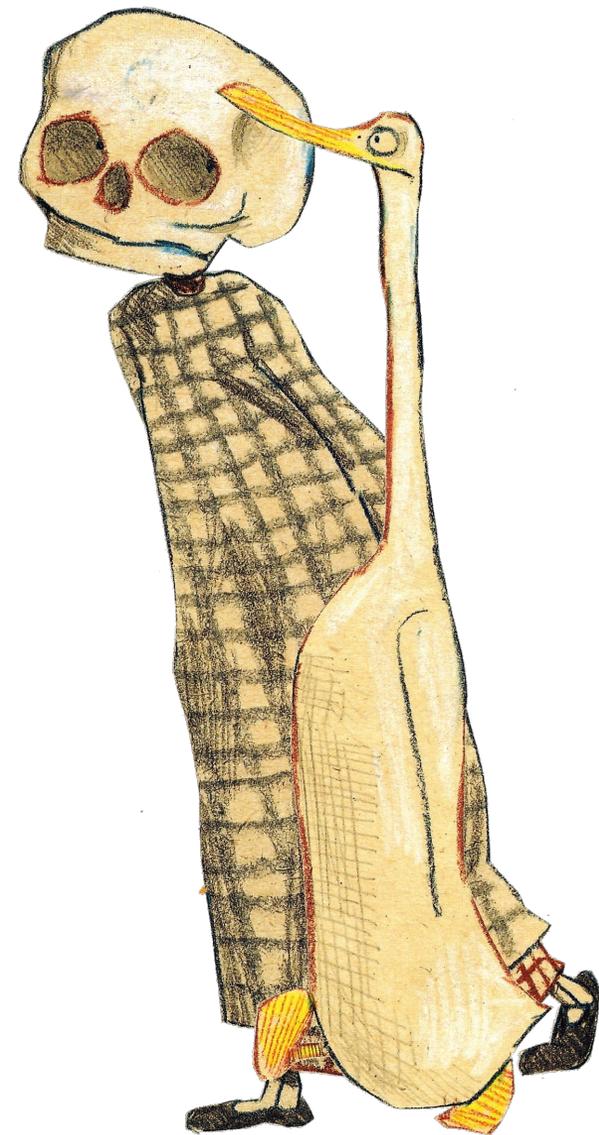
ti arrostitiscono all' inferno ”

“ E' sorprendente ciò che vi raccontate .

La verità è che nessuno sa ”

“ Nemmeno tu sai ? gridò l' anatra .

La Morte la guardò ma non disse niente .



“ Che cosa facciamo oggi ? ”

“ Oggi non torniamo allo stagno . disse l' anatra . ”

“ Facciamo qualcosa di veramente eccitante . ”

La Morte era sollevata

“ Saliamo su un albero ? ” domandò la Morte .







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“ E' consolante
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 quindi non dovrò rimpiangerlo quando ... ”

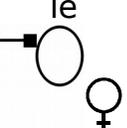
“ ... sarai morta ”

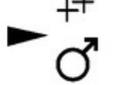
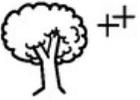
disse la Morte

Parlare della morte le riusciva facile

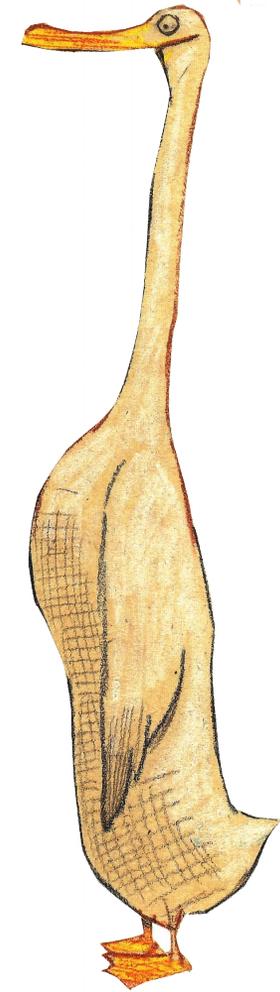
     

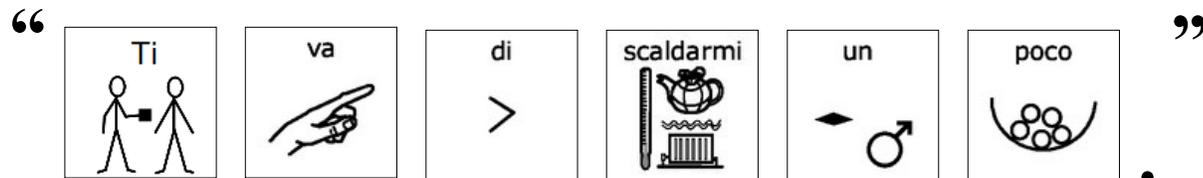
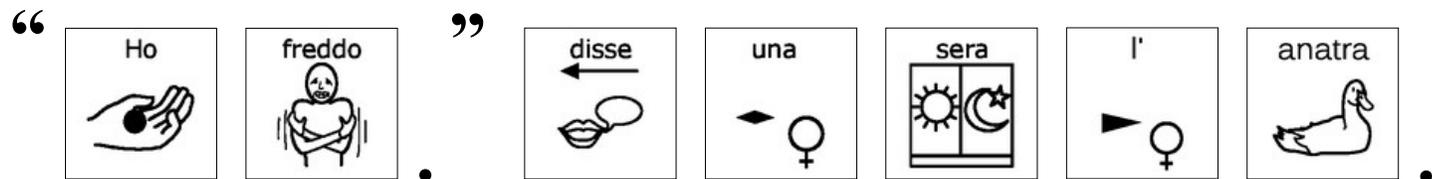
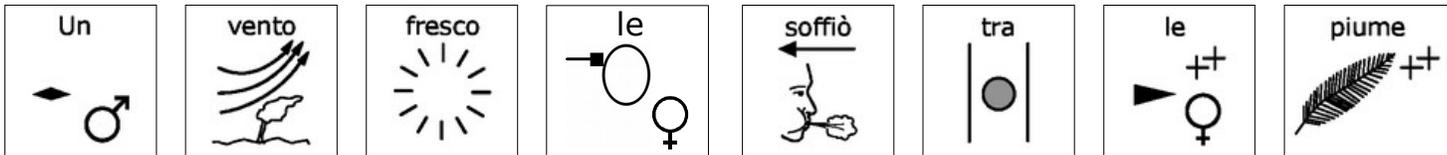
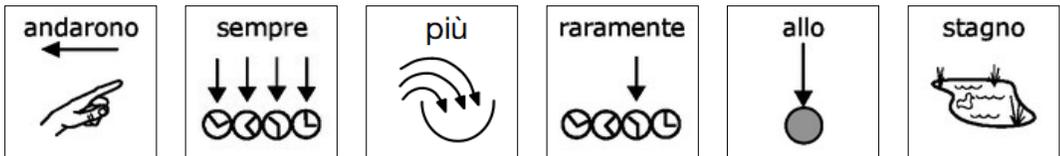
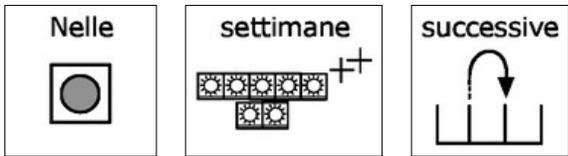
“ Scendiamo perchè sopra gli alberi faccio strani pensieri ”

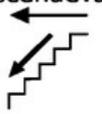
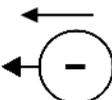
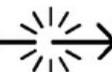
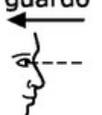
       

disse dopo un po' l' anatra

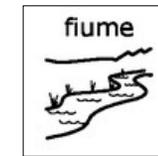
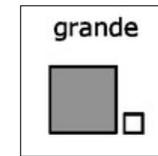
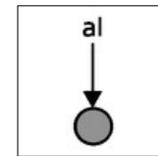
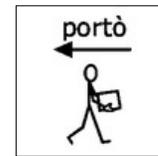
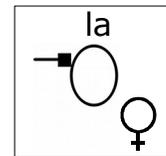
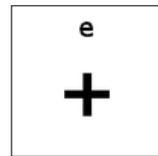
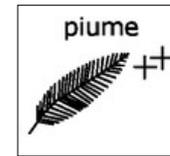
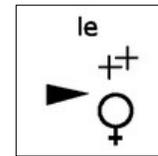
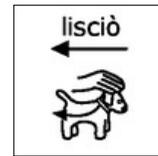
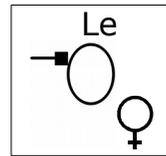
     





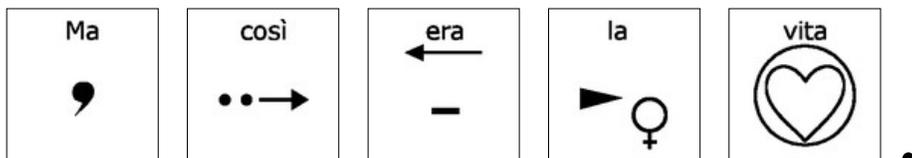
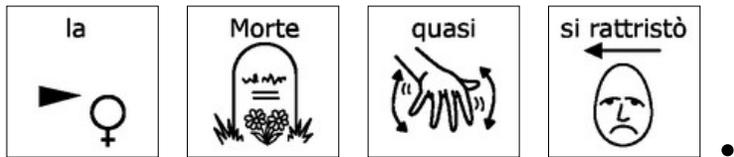
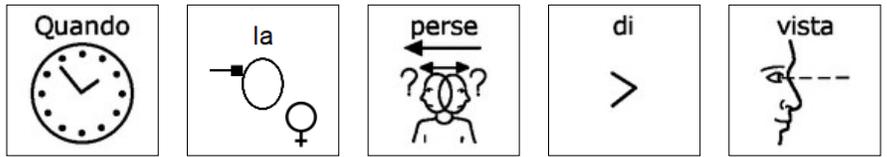
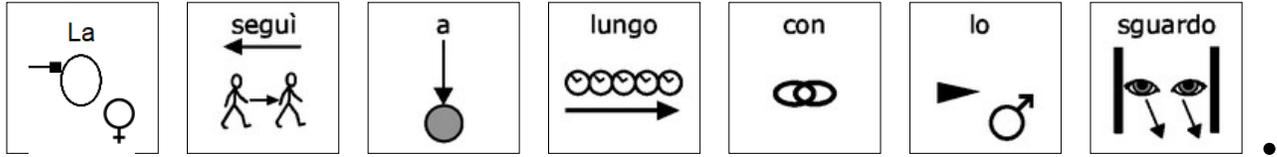
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