

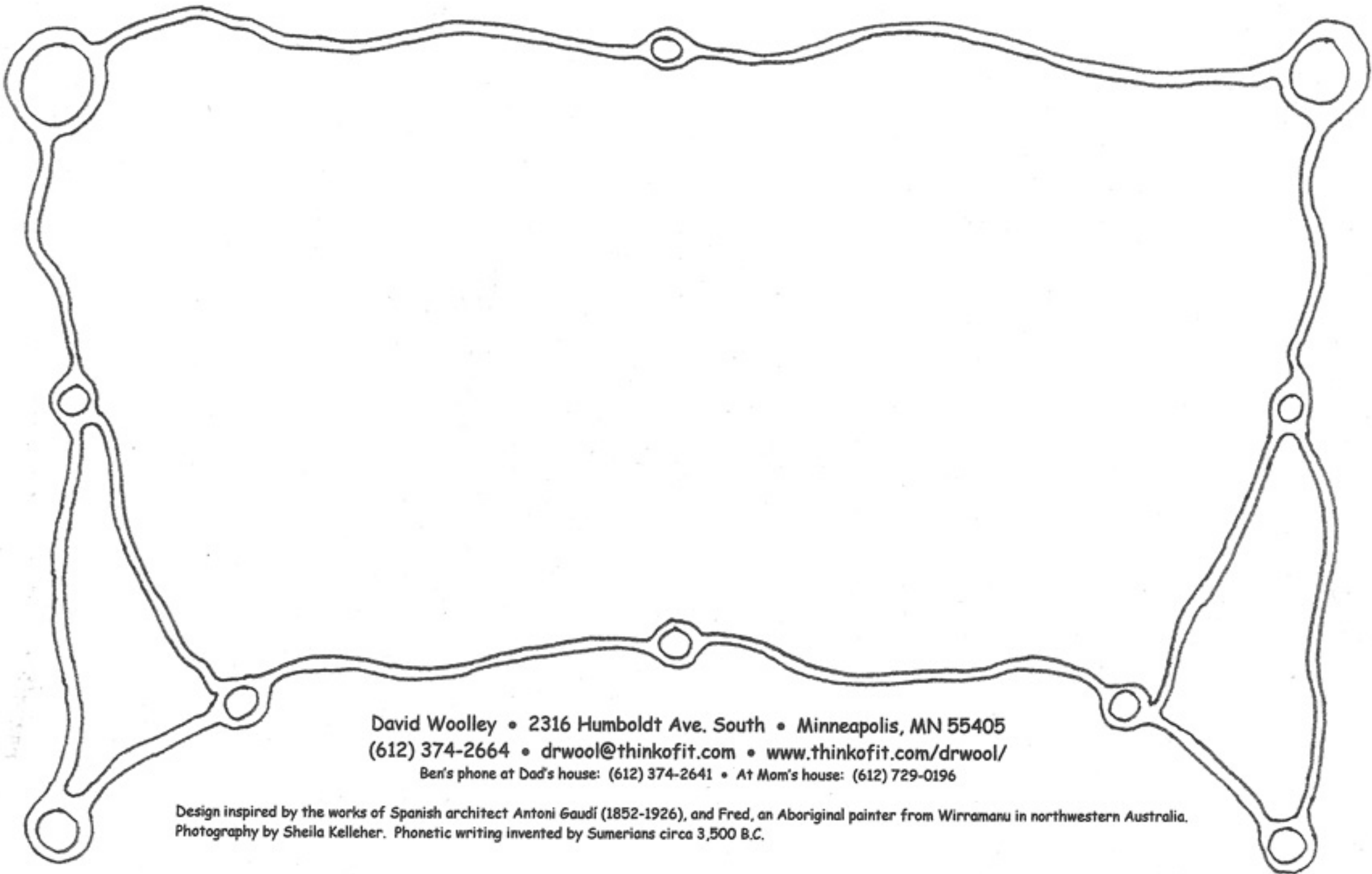
Bedtime, one evening in early December, 2000.

I pick up the book Ben and I have been reading together and open it to where we left off. But he is busy loudly flubbering his lips with his fingers. Bubububububububububub Pbbpbpbpbpbpb Budubububdubub, on and on. I am faintly amused. But getting a bit restless with it after a while, I ask, "Don't you want to read?"

Ben's reply: "Prububbabubbubbubub. These are sacred moments. Flububububudububububdub."

I laugh out loud. He's right, of course.





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