

Afterward, Everything Was Different: A Tale from the Pleistocene

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This almost wordless picture book imagines the origins of cave paintings in the Pleistocene. A group of early people battle treacherous conditions and face dangerous animals as they travel in search of food and shelter. A young girl becomes the focal point, eventually picking up a stick and drawing images on the cave wall to tell their stories. The grayscale illustrations are complex and detailed, and the lack of color is reflective of the severity of the characters' circumstances.

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