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The Story of Bodri

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In this heartrending true Holocaust story, a girl's happy childhood changes overnight when an enemy who inexplicably hates everyone who's like her takes over the town. She and her family are forced from their home; they have to leave her dog, Bodri, behind. When the girl is finally freed, a warm surprise awaits her, proving that innocent love outlasts baseless hatred. Watercolor splashes mimic skies and flowers in the book's sparse illustrations; blunt strokes outline the book's living beings.

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