**Here are your NOVEMBER challenge prompts:**

* **Your story must include a character who arrives somewhere LATE.**
* **Your story’s first sentence must contain only four words.**
* **Your story must include the words SKIP, KICK, BLUE and DISAPPEAR. (Longer variations, e.g. “kicking” or “skipped” are acceptable.)**
* **500 words**

The **blue** line **disappeared**.

Minyin looked at the pregnancy test and shook it. It had the effect of making the line disappear completely. Bugger. There was only one test left in the box. Should she take it again now or wait until tomorrow morning?

Walking into the kitchen, she made herself a peppermint tea. Even if the test was not behaving, her body was acting like she was pregnant. Nausea hitting her as the smell of Ed’s eggs and bacon met her head on.

‘No brekky? You **skipped** yesterday as well.’

Minyin shook her head silently as a wave of sickness washed over her.

Should she say something now or wait until the test was positive?

Ed looked at her as she sat there, pale, taking tiny sips of tea.

‘You ok? Looks like you should be back in bed.’

‘I’m late.’

He looked at the clock on the wall.

‘Nah, we’ve got 30 minutes before we have to leave.’

‘No, I mean I’M **LATE**.’

‘Oh.’ Ed’s face moved through a myriad of expressions: fear, confusion, finally settling on excitement.

‘Yeah? That’s great!’

‘Test hasn’t come back positive though.’

Ed put a hand on Minyin’s belly. ‘Sometimes it takes a few goes before it shows up, though, doesn’t it?’

She put her hand over his ‘You know you won’t feel it **kick** until about 3 months. At least that’s what my cousin said.’

‘Come on, let’s do another test now. You’ve drunk all that tea. It’s gotta go somewhere, yeh?’

Minyin came out of the bathroom holding the stick. She placed it on the table and she and Ed both watched.

‘How long does it take?’ Ed said, just as Minyin looked at him with a big smile.

The blue line appeared.