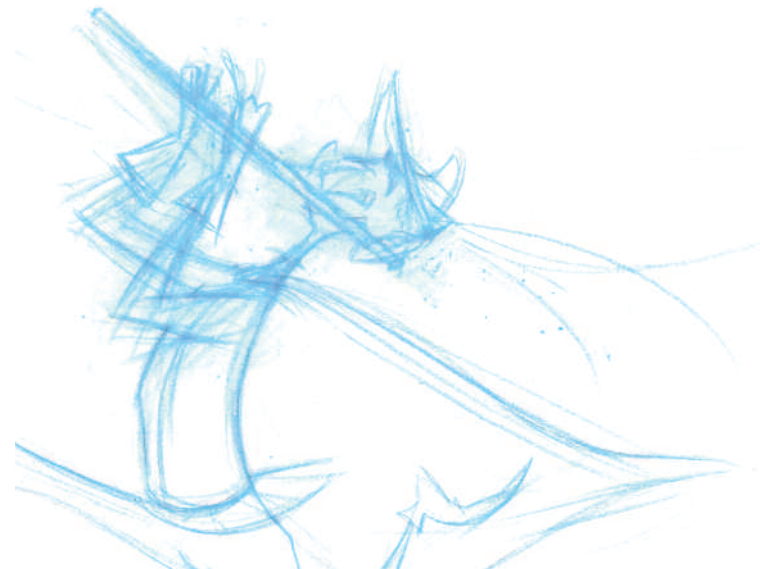


# THE WORLD ACCORDING TO W

“... IS AN IMMEDIATE THREAT TO AMERICANS ... HAS TIES TO AL QAIDA ... HAS WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ...,” 5/25/03  
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President George W. Bush persuaded many Americans of the need to go to war with Iraq by repeating that Iraq had ties to Al Qaida and weapons of mass destruction (WMDs). In May 2003, the Program on International Policy Attitudes found that 41 percent of Americans polled believed that the United States had found WMDs, or were unsure if they had; 31 percent believed that Iraq had used chemical or biological weapons during the war, or were unsure; 60 percent considered the weapons the main reason to invade Iraq. No weapons of mass destruction have been found as of February 2004.

## Many Americans believe WMDs found



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