

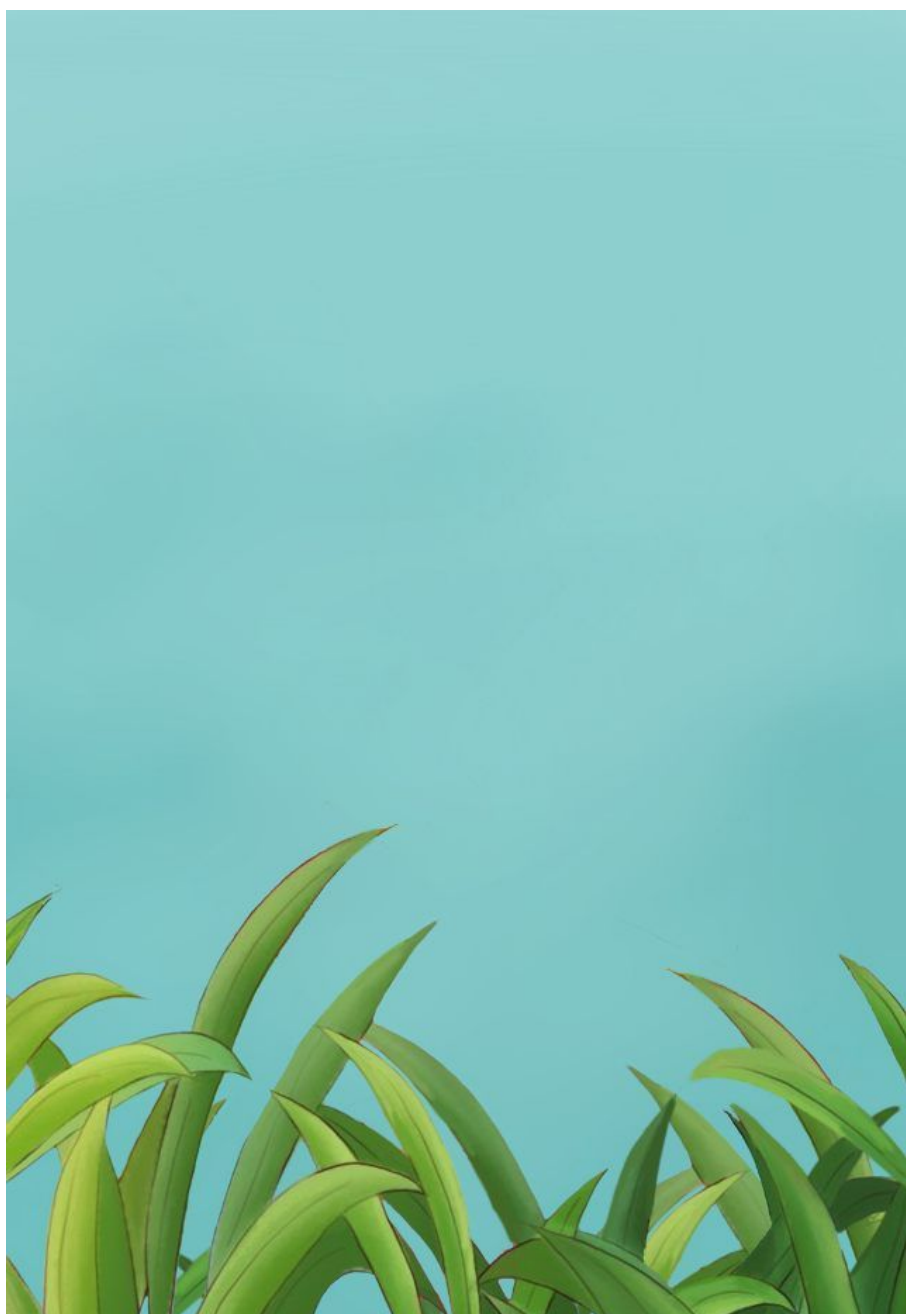


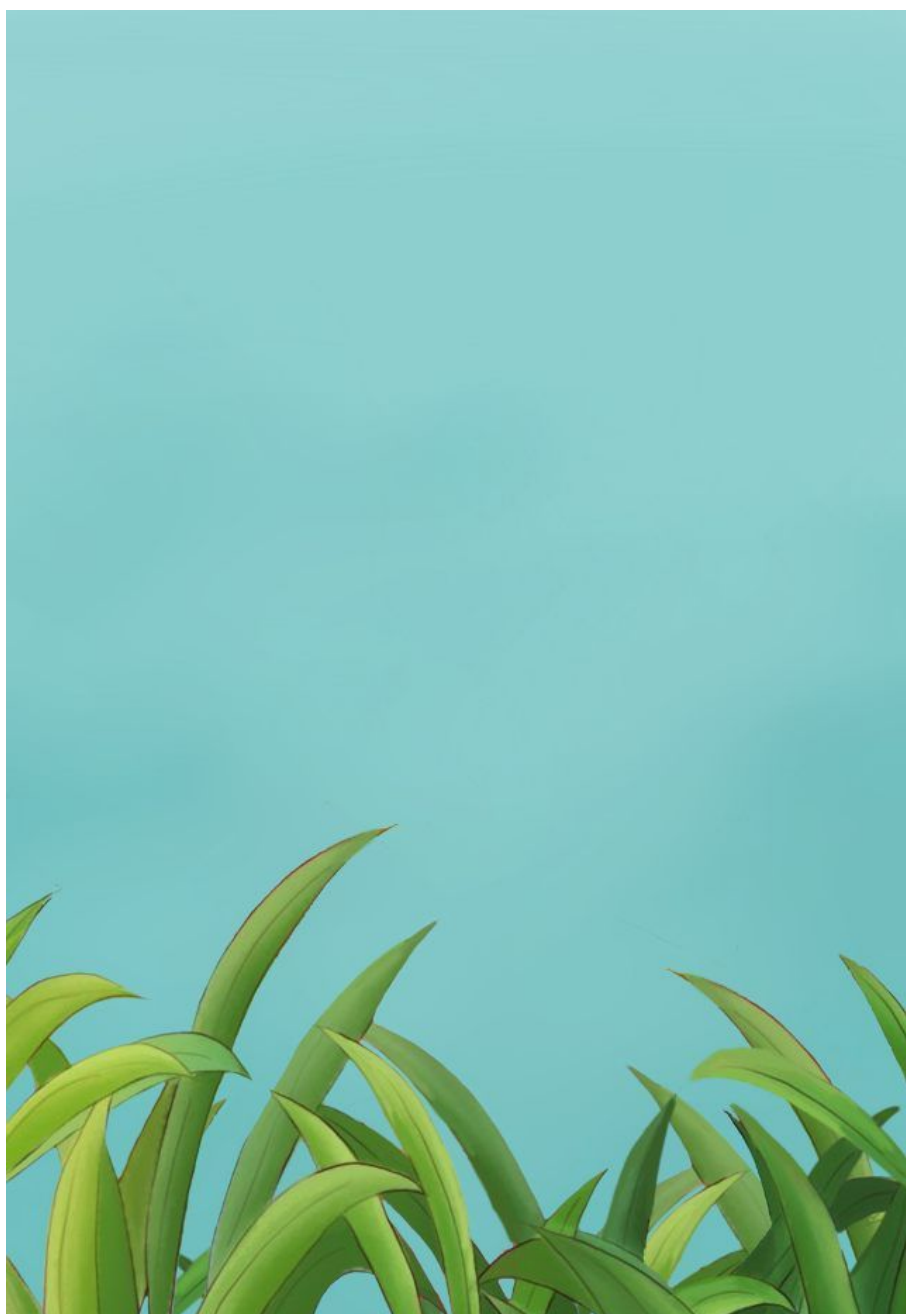
LOVE

GROWS

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Last night, down in the grass, Katy Caterpillar heaved a sigh, "Momma, I don't think I'm ready yet to be a butterfly."



"Are you scared, my little bug?" Momma asked her child. Katy nodded, and Momma

"I have many worries about life after my change, And some questions for you, Momma, That might sound a little strange."



"Ask me anything you want, my dear," Momma told her with a smile. "I'll love you

"You are green, and Dad is blue, but my best friend's family's pink. When I emerge, can we still play? What will my best friend t



Momma thought about how to answer Katy's question, "There are no rules for love, my dear, only kindness and affection."

"The Petunias, Pete, and Penelope are a purple petaled pair. They've been in love since they were buds, A thing that's truly rare.  
"Roberta Rose is crimson red, and Doll Daisy is bright white. Their love is just as wor



"If the Petunia's and the Daisy-Rose's children started playing, if they are kind to one another, That's all that matters, is what  
"Wildflowers in a field are never planted in straight lines. For if they were, we'd only see



Katy asked her Momma, "Does there have to be a dad? Like Roberta and Doll Daisy? Can t



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"Liam Owl and Henry Beak Were good friends, even the best; They grew up and fell in love and now have their own nest."  
"Liam's sister Laura fell in love with Henry's brother, Dan. They've been together for some time, and Laura's happy with a man."



"Henry's little sister, Lee met an owl named Denise. Denise and Lee are married now, and fly around in peace."  
"If an egg needs raising, a hatchling will not care. If the owls that raise it are both moms"

Katy told her Momma, "Sometimes I pretend to be a dad. What if I'm a boy inside? Is that so?"



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"Tommy Tabby wasn't born a boy; he was his Momma's baby girl. But he felt in his heart he was a man, And his Momma loved him so she cut his fur.  
"Callie Cat doesn't mind being called Ma'am or Miss. She's been a girl for all her life and there's nothing wrong with this "



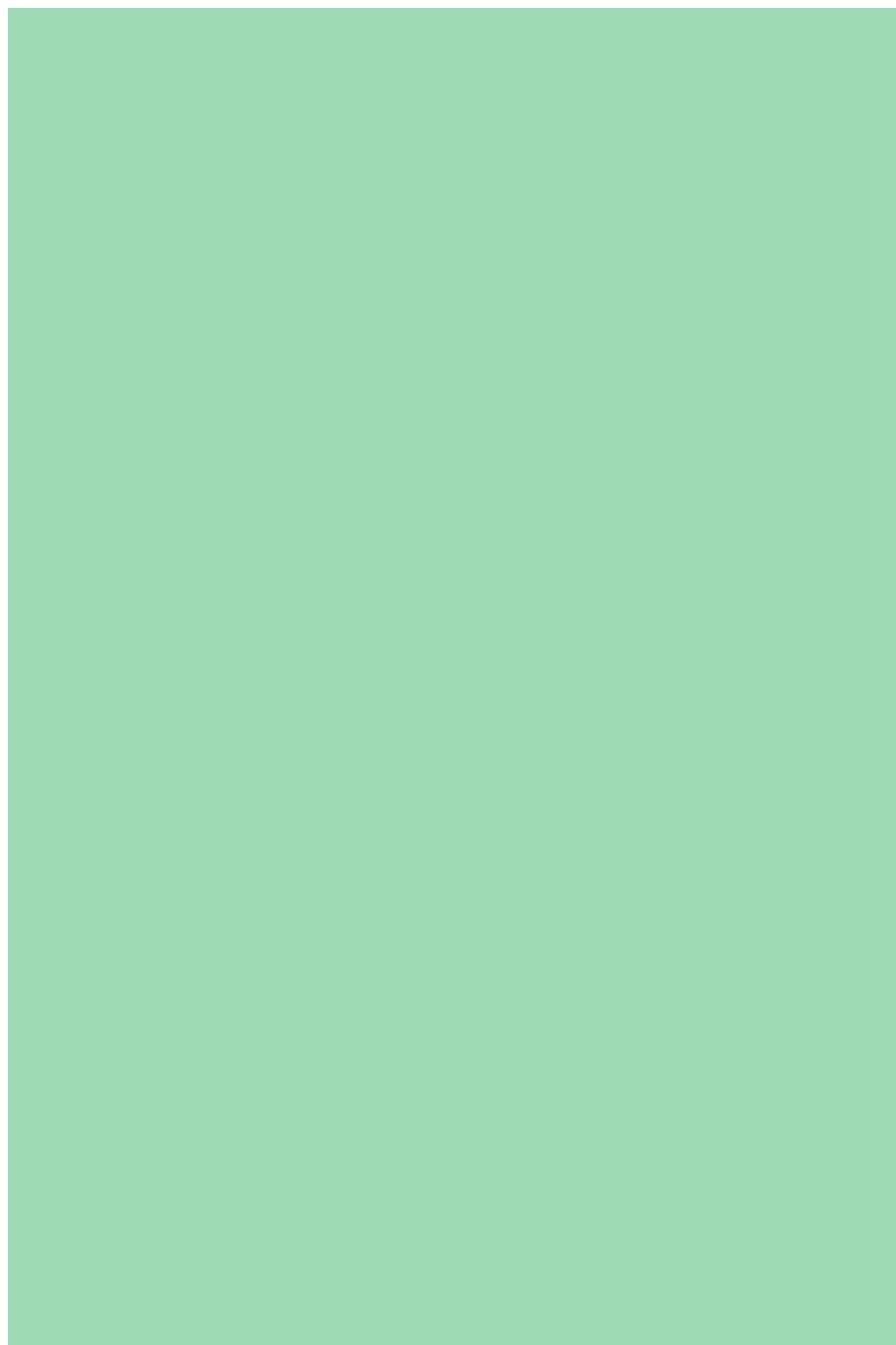
"Gee Ginger doesn't feel like a girl or boy. They just feel like Gee most times, and they just do what they enjoy."  
"cats will be just what they want; you can't tell them what to do. They find their true

Katy disappeared into her chrysalis as Momma finished talking. She thought about who she'd be when she started flying instead of walking.



This morning, down in the grass, Katy Caterpillar was no more. Her chrysalis fell away, she





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