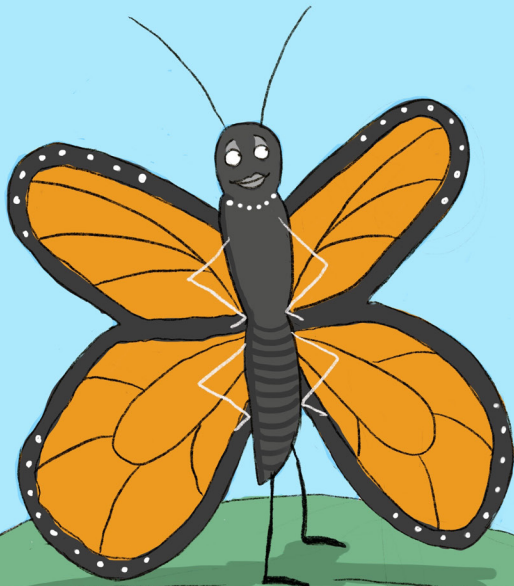


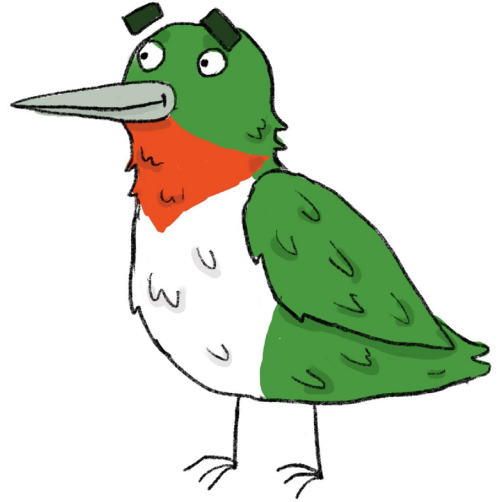
# **MARI & HUMFREY: AN EARLY READER GRAPHIC NOVEL PROPOSAL**



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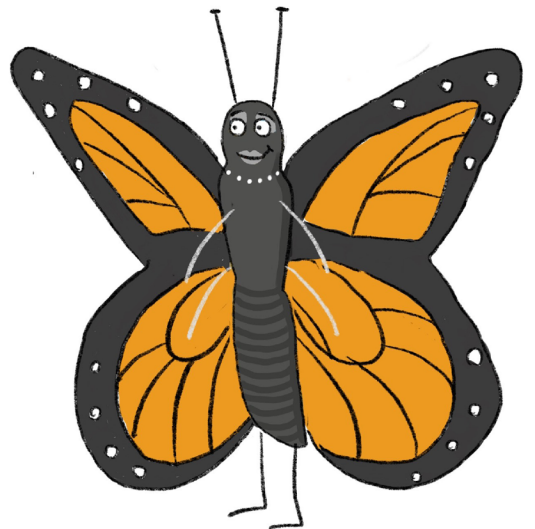
# HUMFREY

Humfrey is a ruby-throated hummingbird. He likes flying fast, trying new foods and playing with his best friend, Mari. Although he's not the smartest bird in the flock, he's loyal, funny and always willing to learn new things.



# MARI

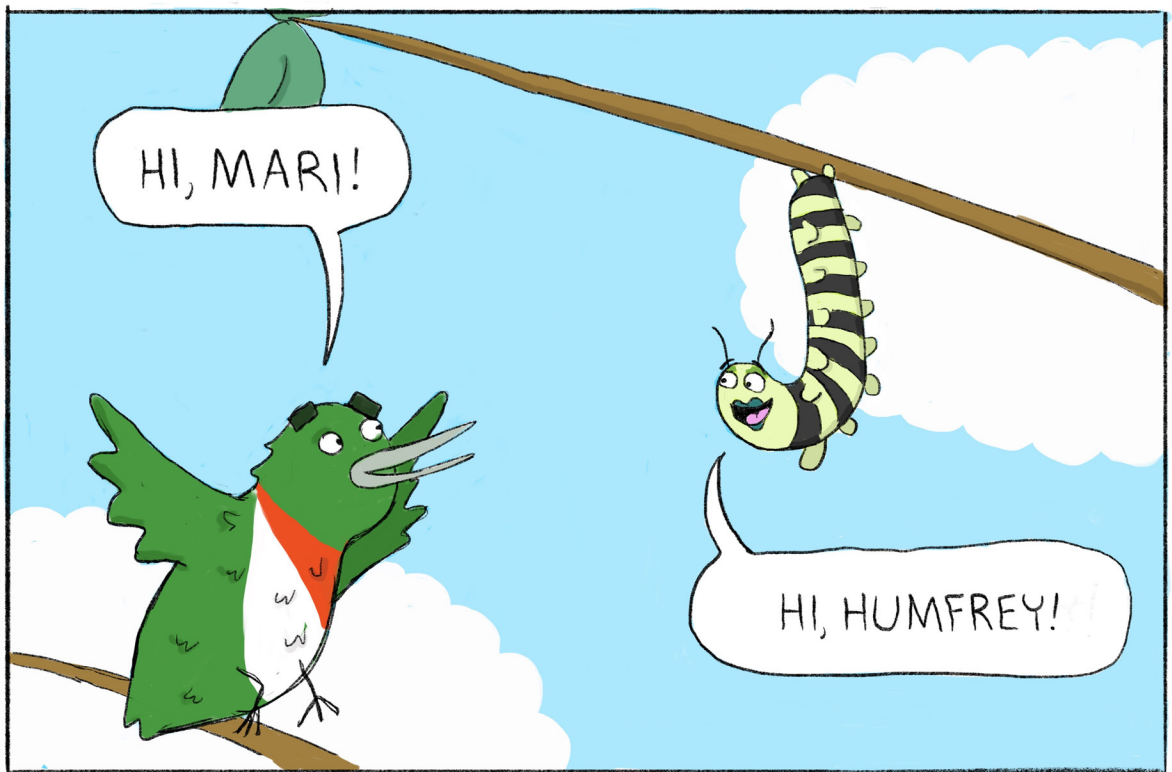
Mari is a monarch butterfly. She likes flowers, traveling and spending time with her best friend, Humfrey. She's very kind and patient.



# MARI & HUMFREY: MAKE A CHANGE

## SAMPLE PAGES



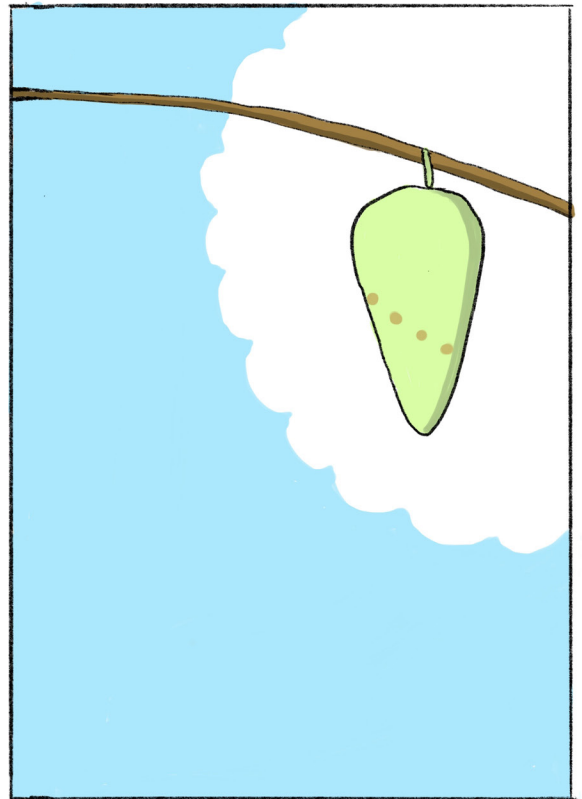
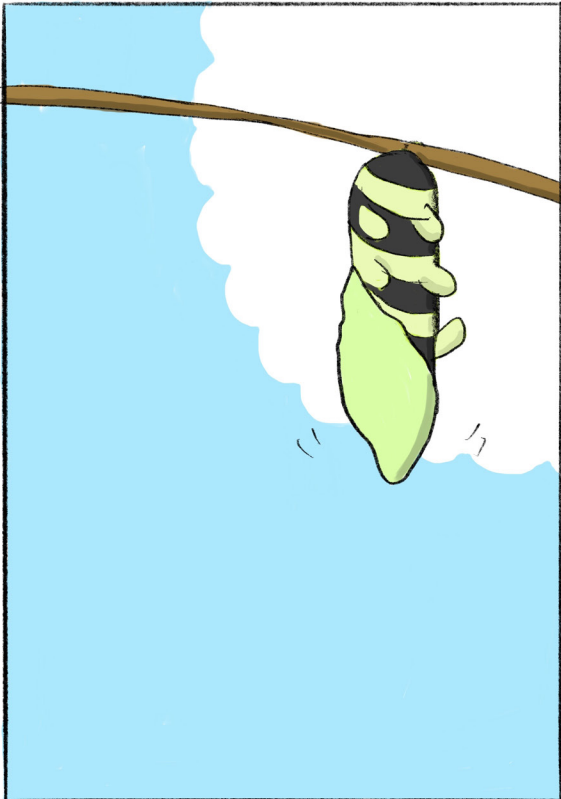
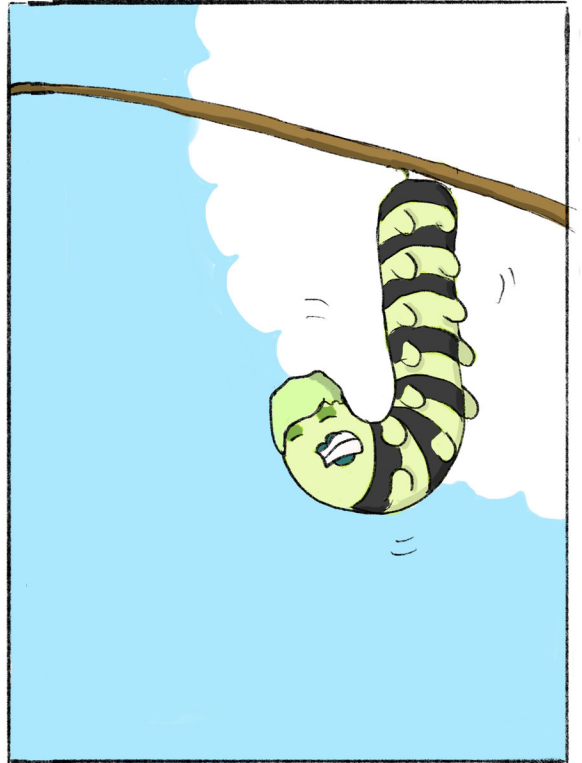
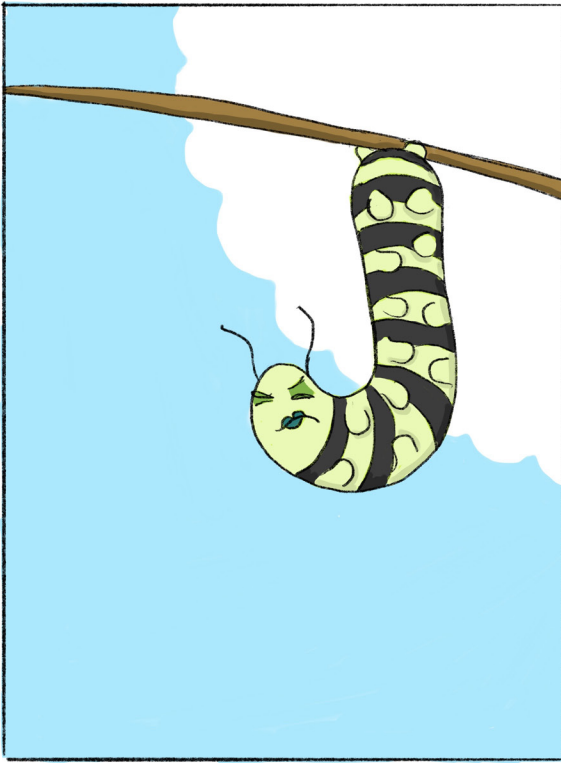




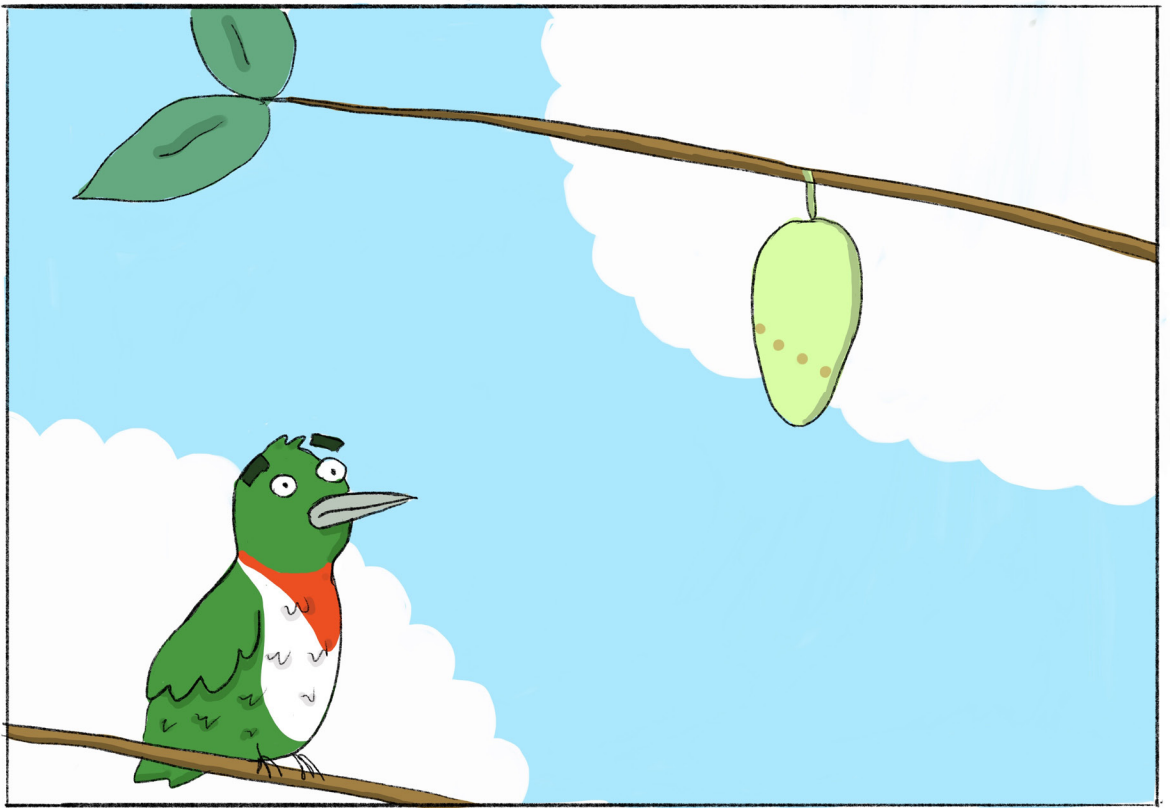












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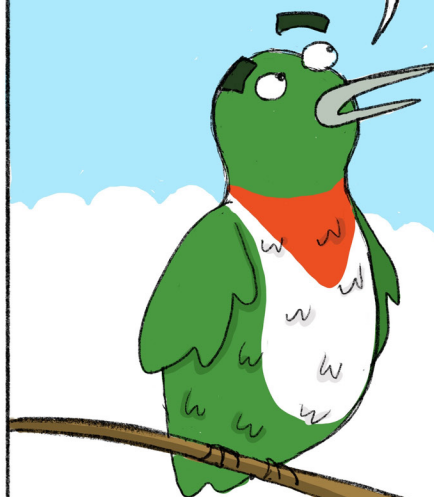
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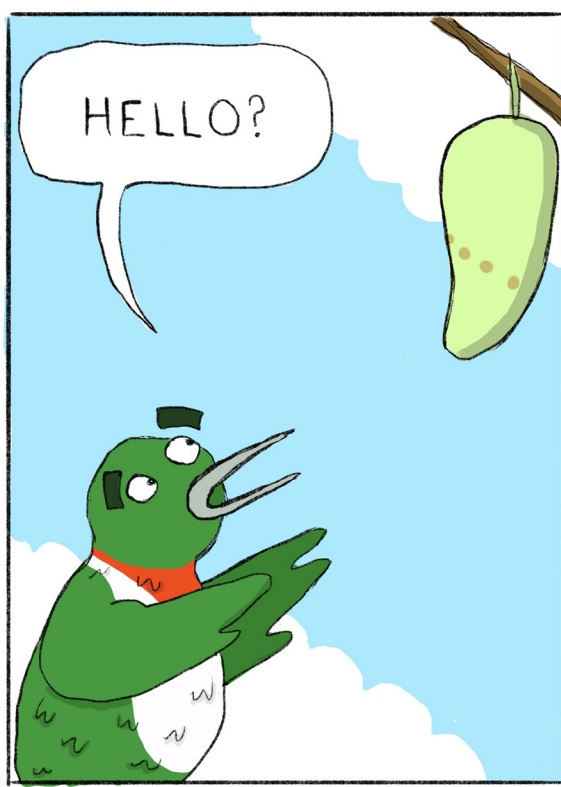
YOUR COSTUME  
IS SO...



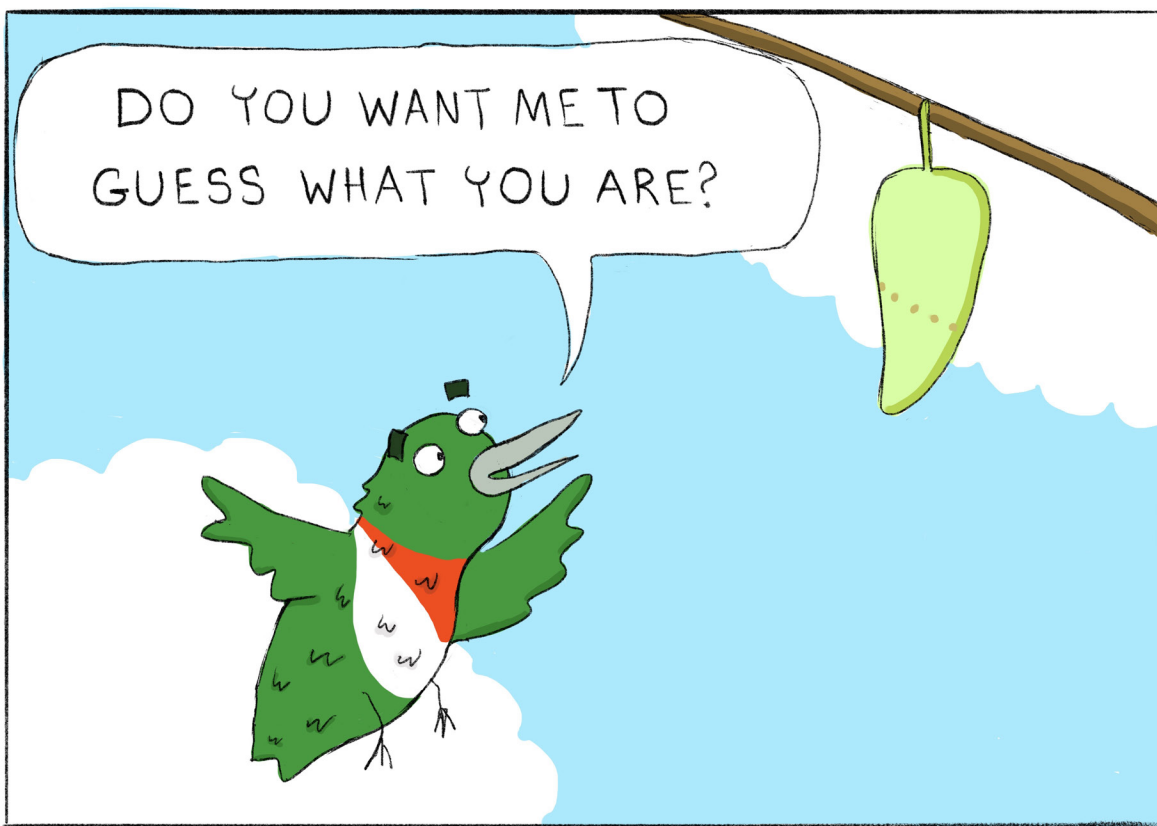
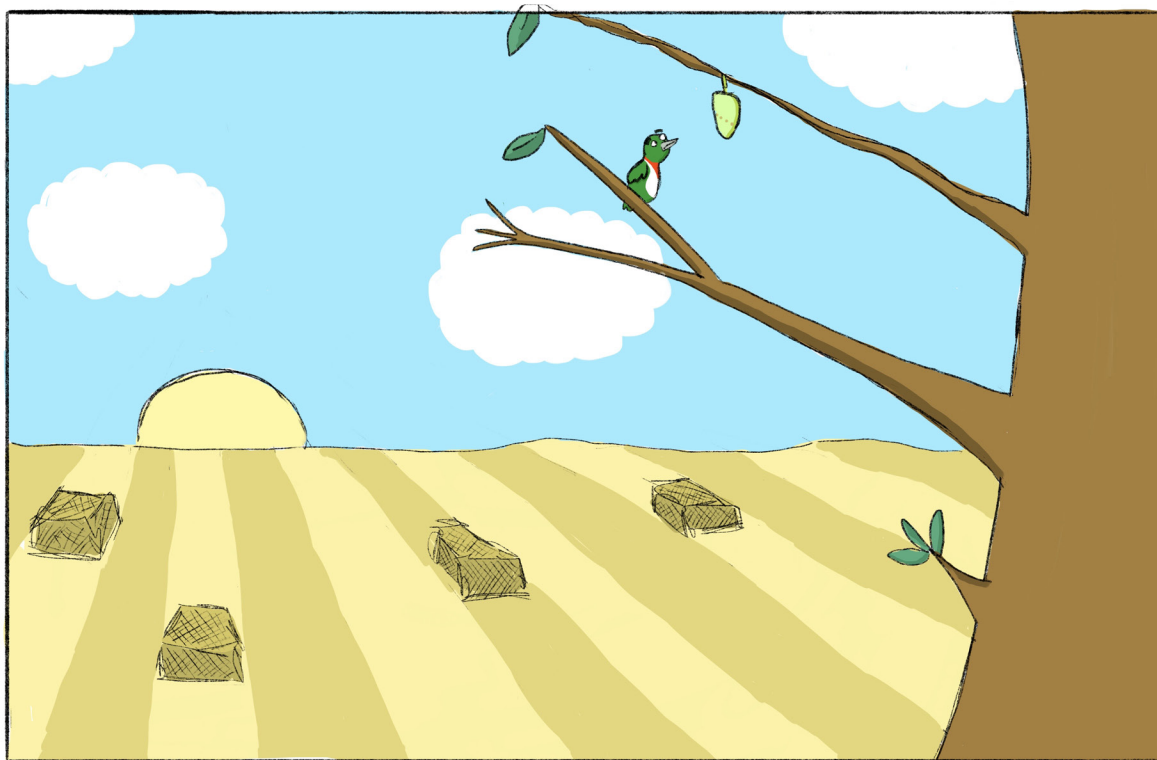
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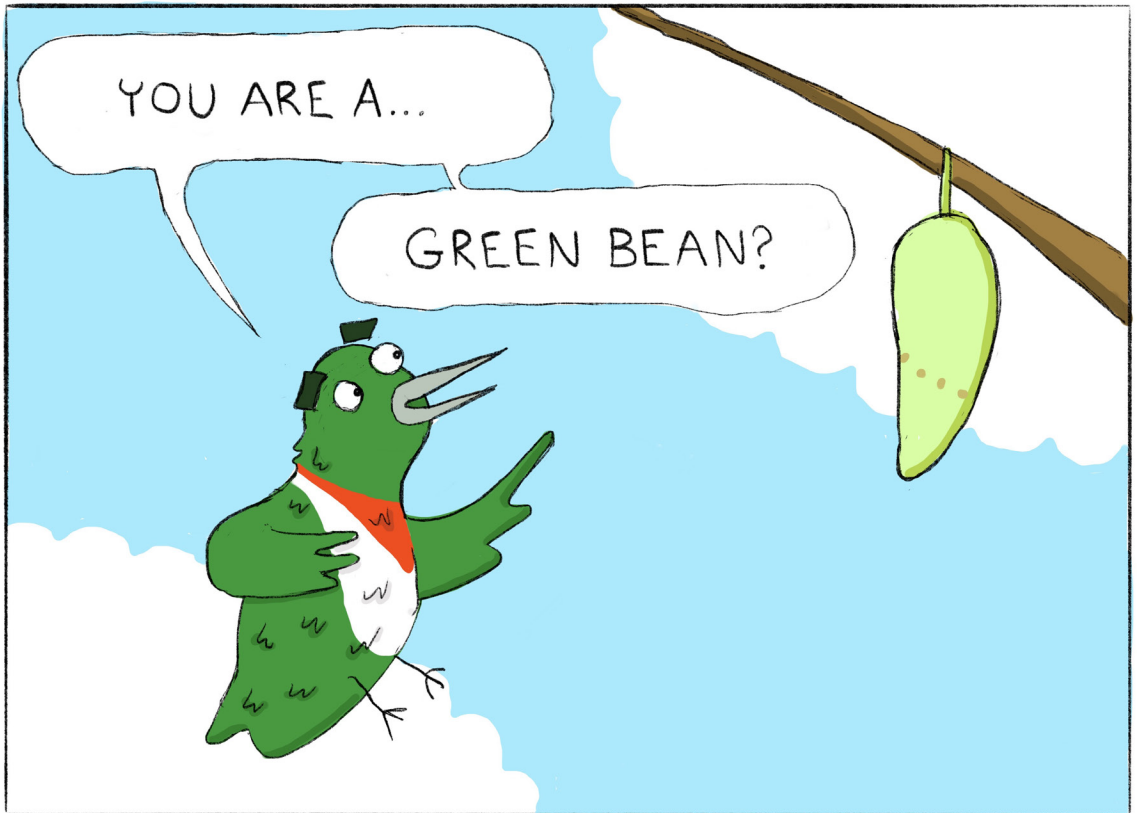






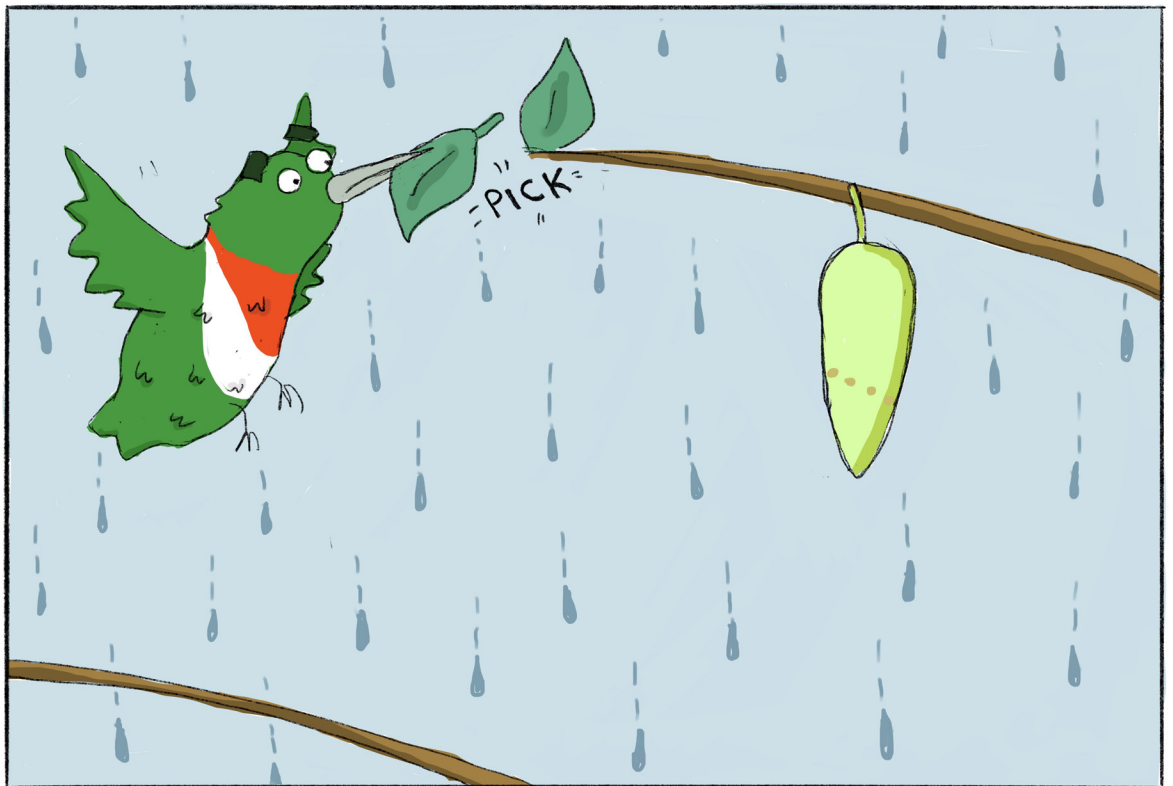














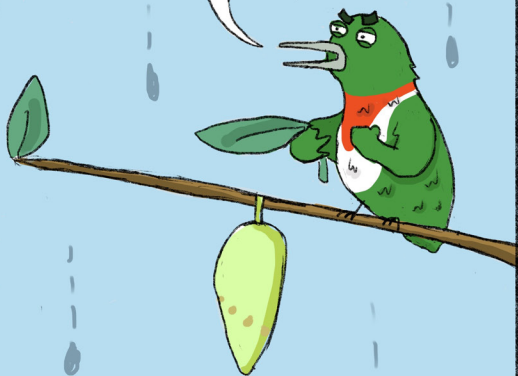
I WILL KEEP YOUR  
COSTUME DRY, MARI.

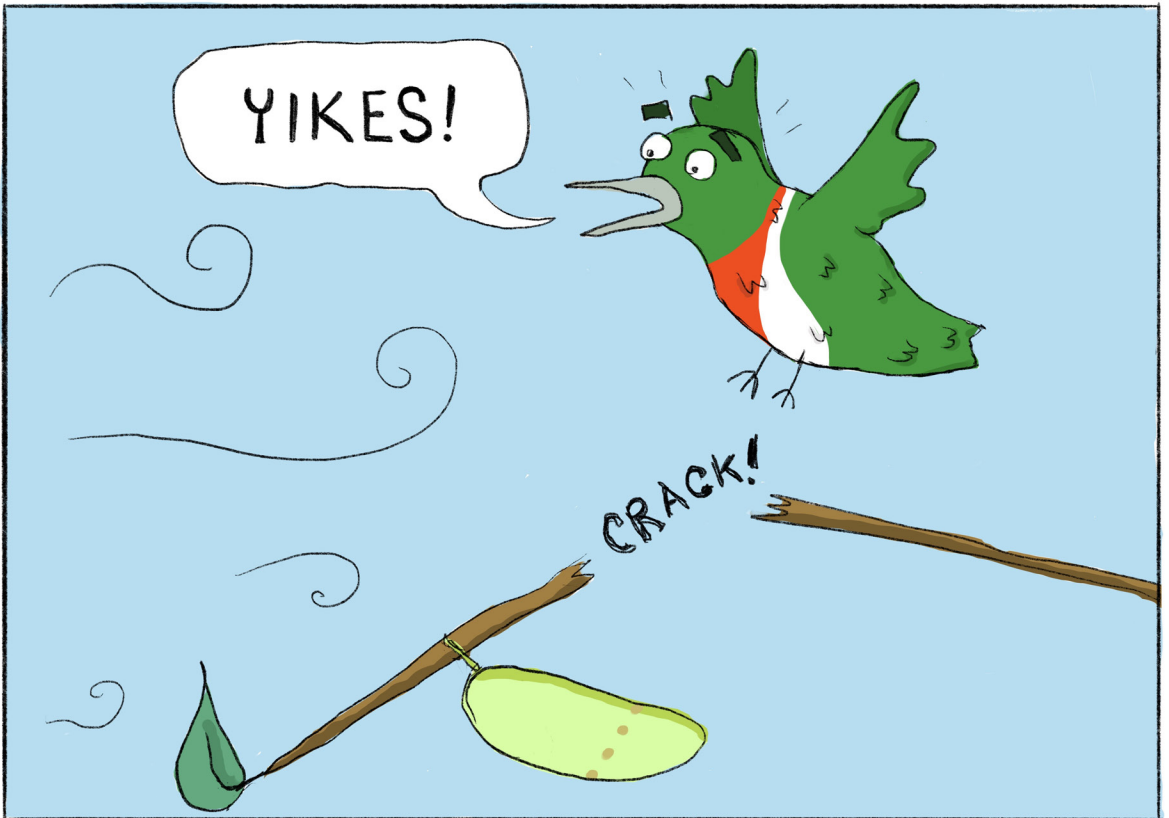


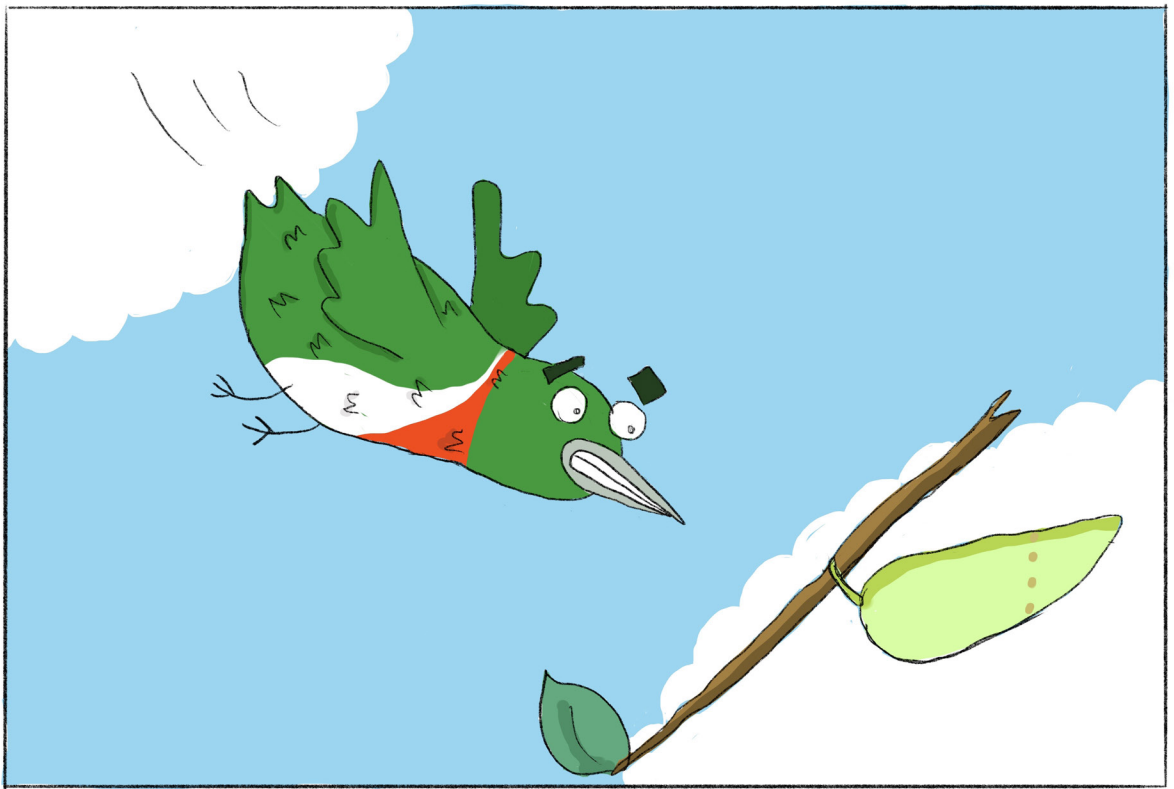
IT IS A  
STRANGE  
COSTUME.



BUT I WILL  
NOT LET IT  
GET WET.

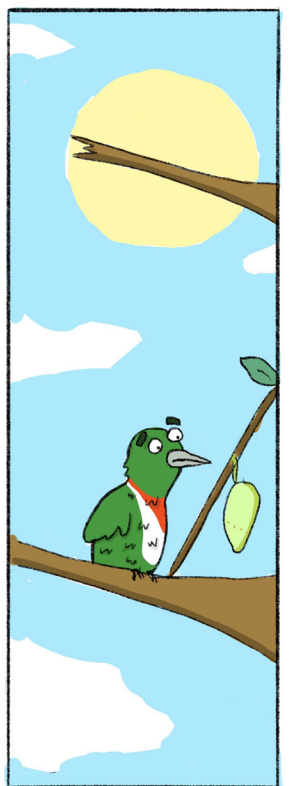
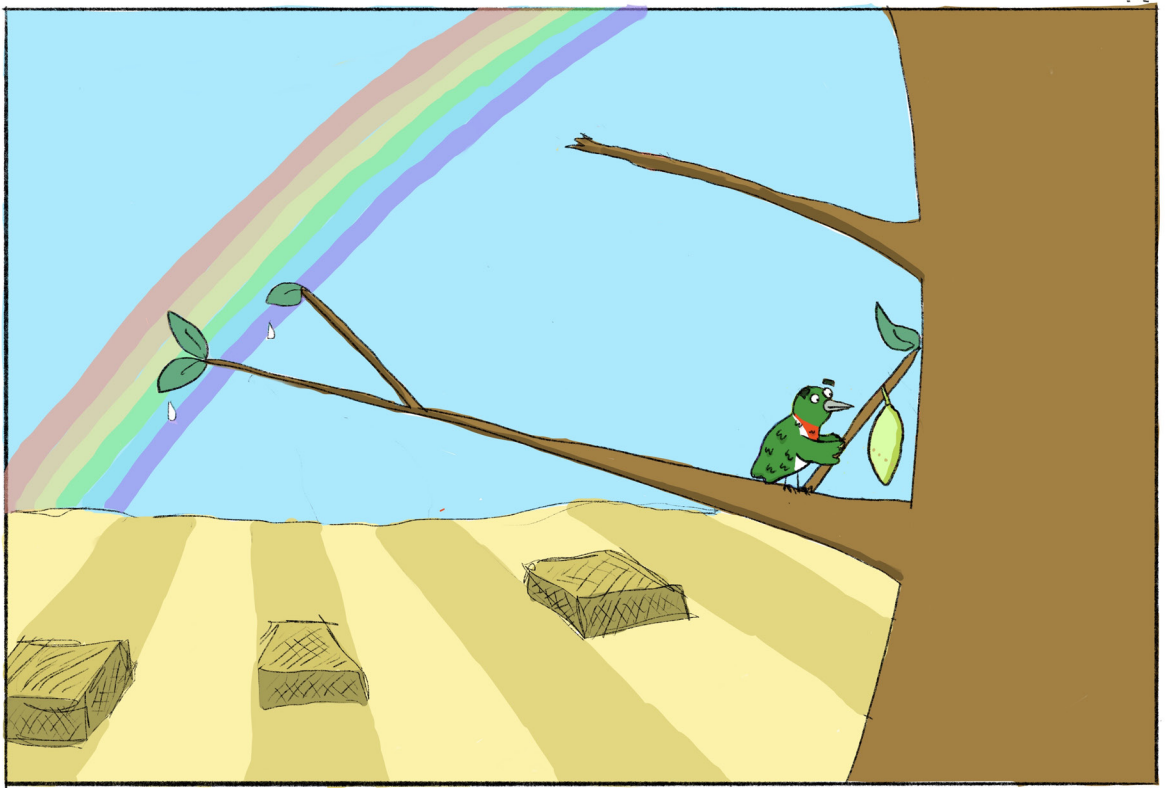






BE CAREFUL, MARI!













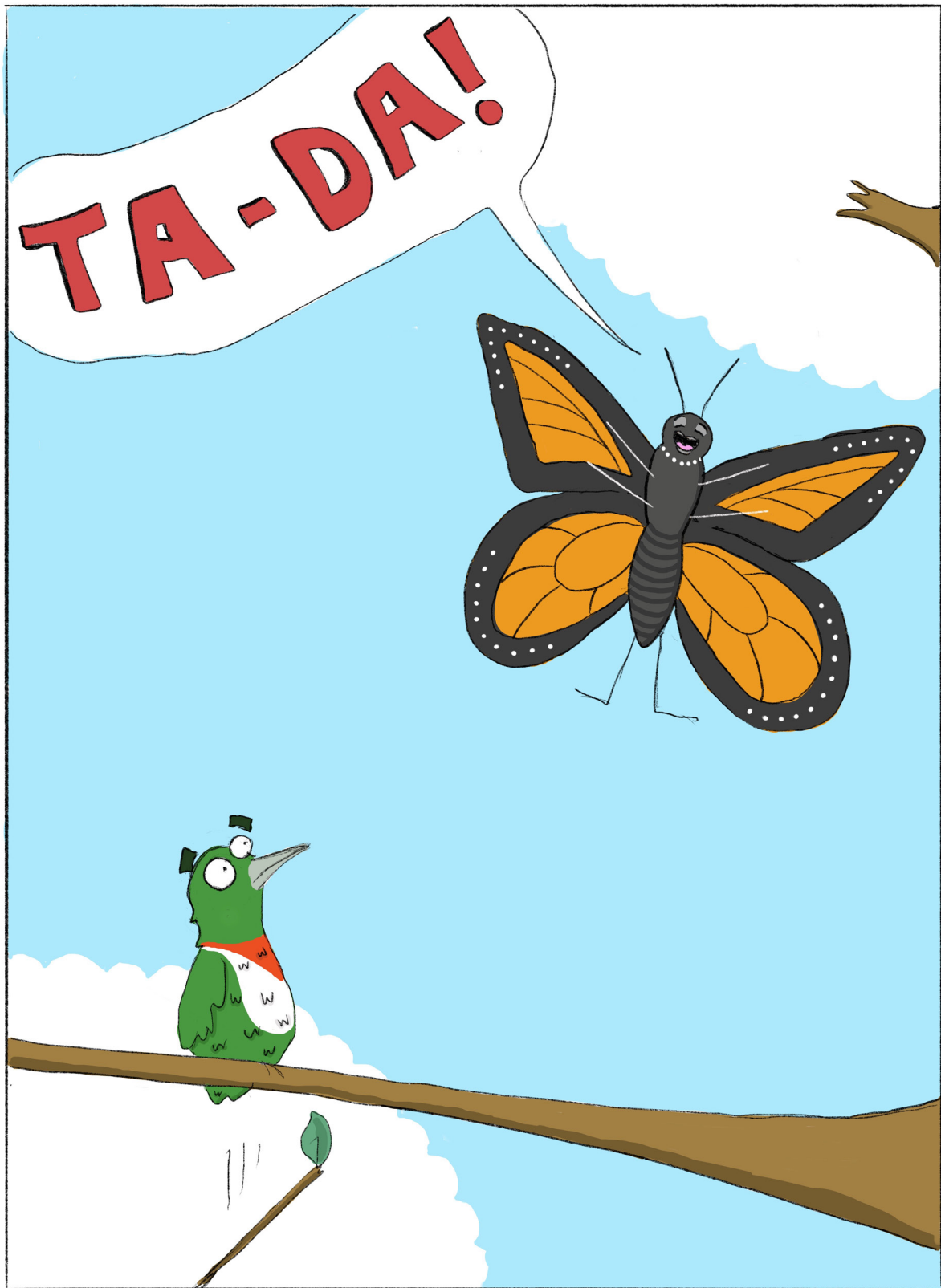
WE WON'T DO MUCH OF ANYTHING.

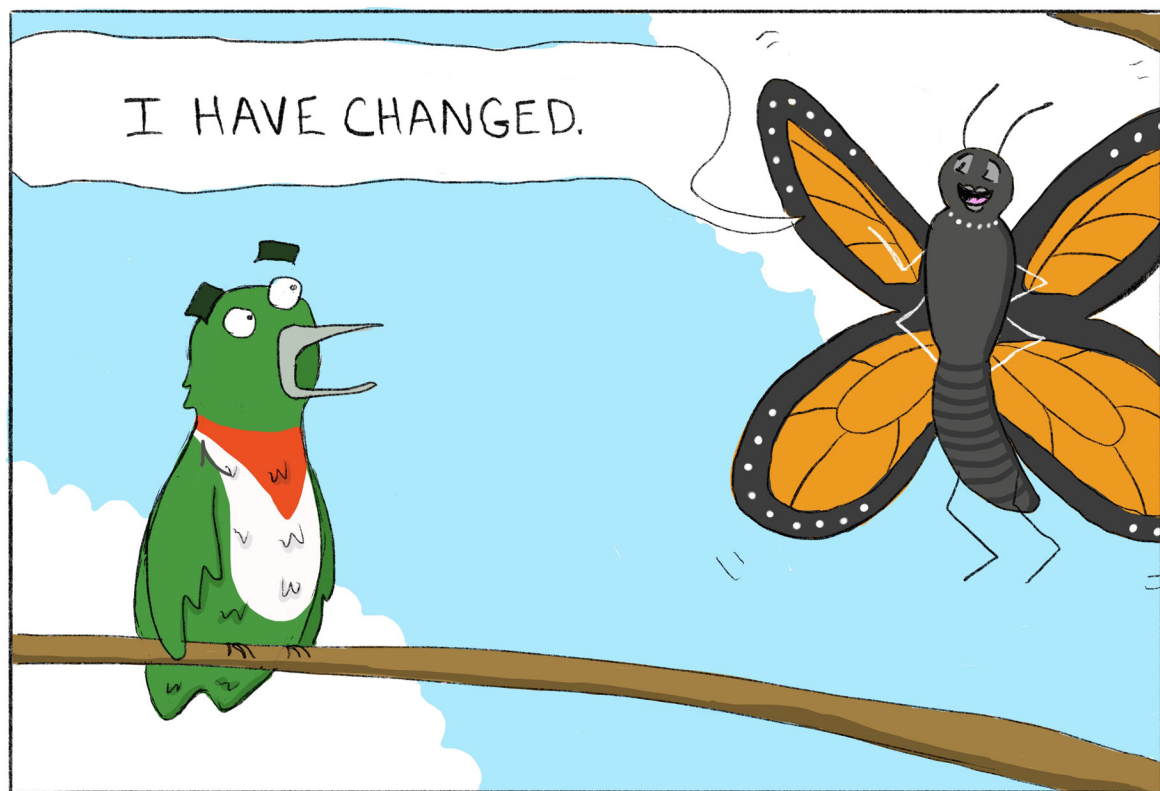
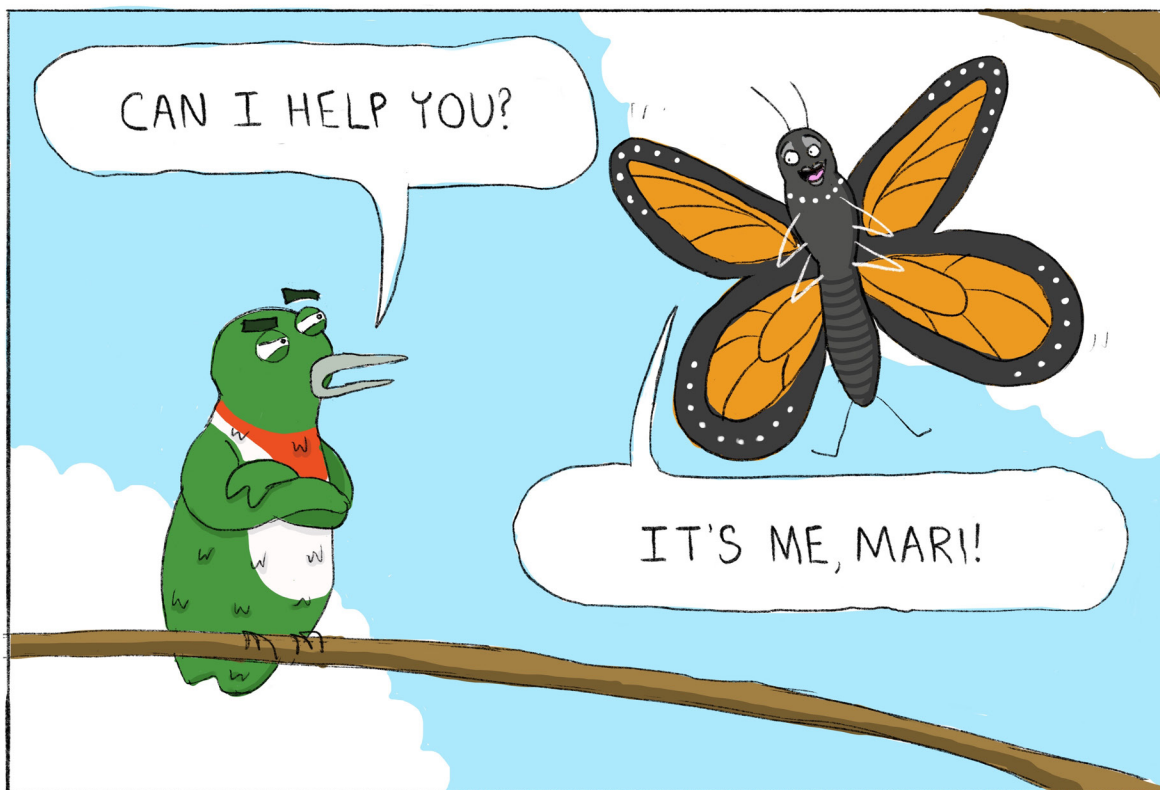


BUT THAT IS OK, BECAUSE  
YOU ARE STILL MY FRIEND.







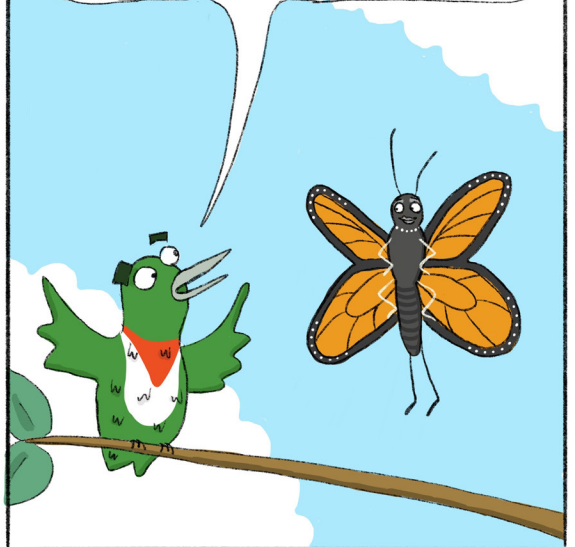




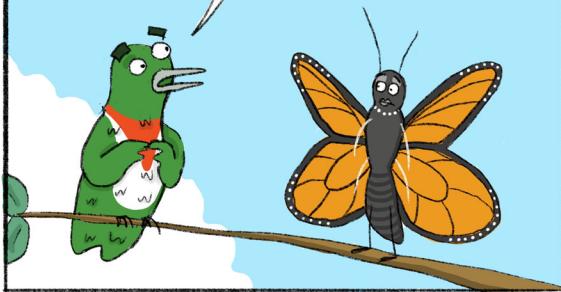
YOU HAVE  
CHANGED!



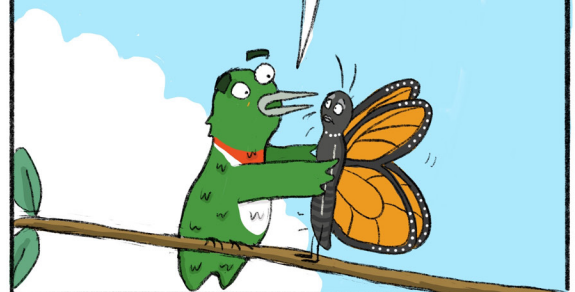
WHAT A  
GOOD CHANGE!



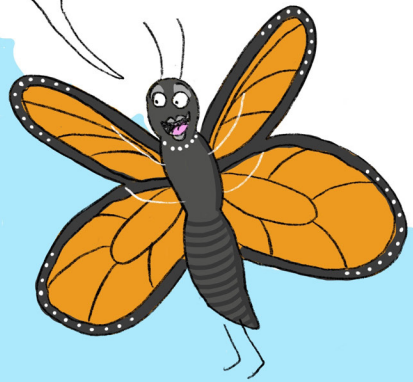
I WAS NOT  
SURE ABOUT  
YOUR CHANGE.



I WAS WORRIED  
YOU WOULD NOT  
BE THE SAME.



I'M STILL THE SAME ON THE INSIDE!

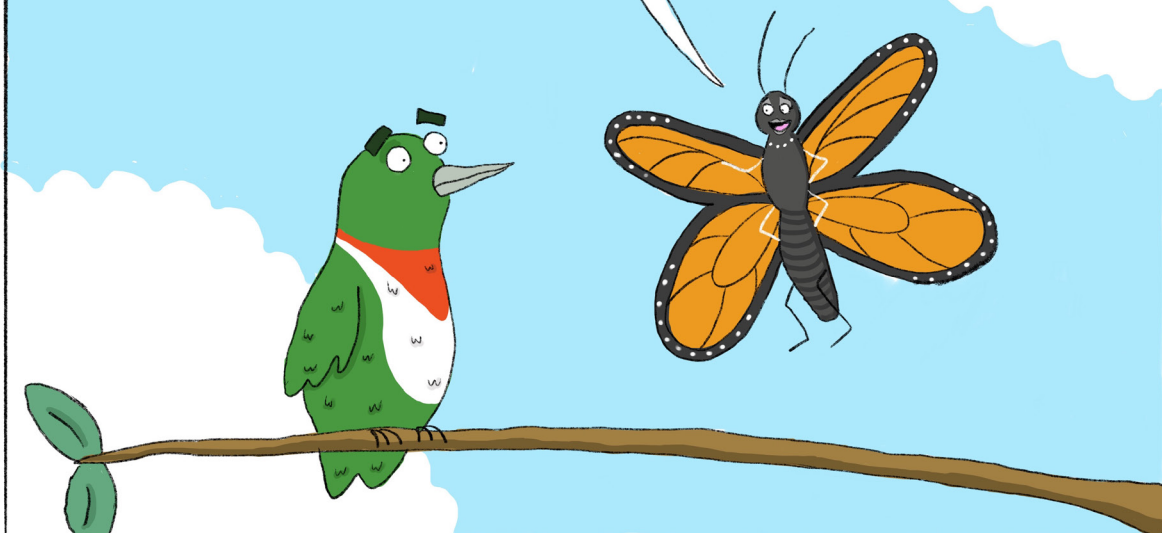


THAT IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT.

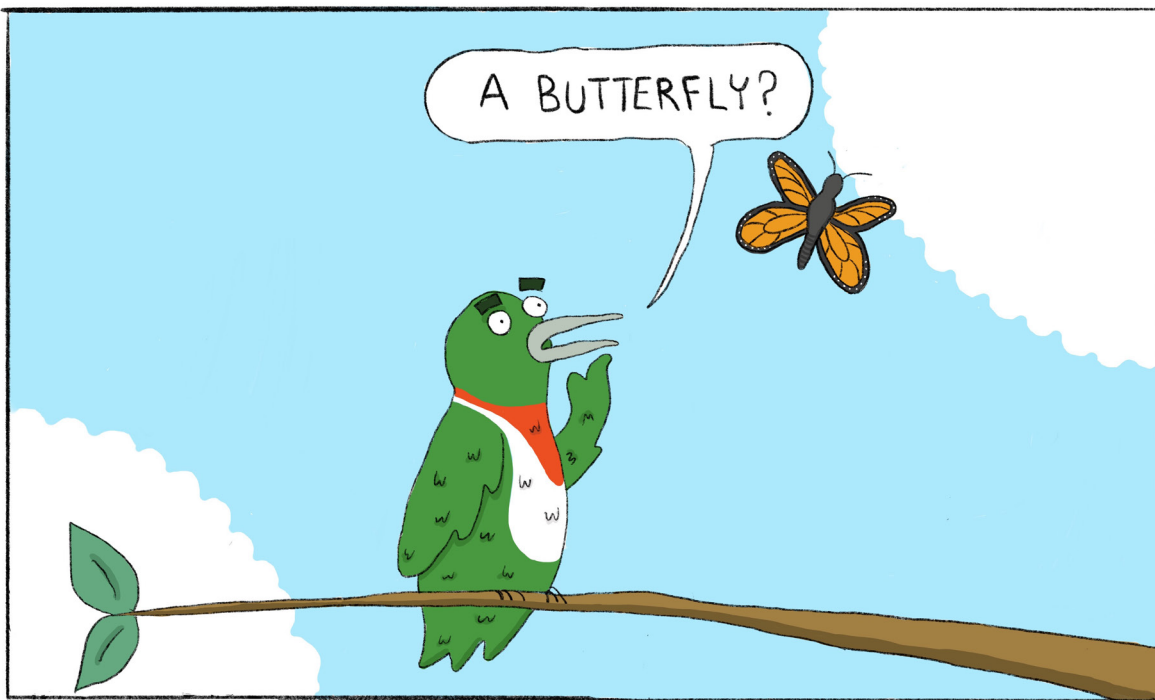




THANKS FOR STICKING BY ME WHILE I  
BECAME A MONARCH BUTTERFLY.



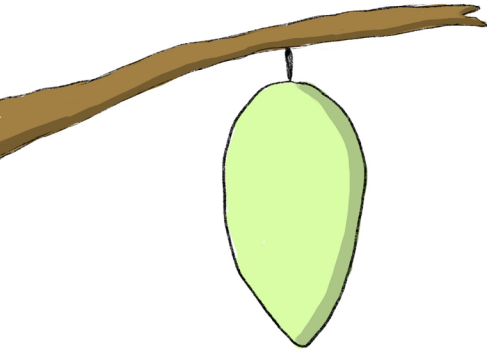
A BUTTERFLY?





I KNEW THAT!

# CHRYSALIS FACTS!



- A monarch can stay in its chrysalis from 9 to 14 days!
- When a caterpillar goes into a chrysalis, it turns into goo! The goo then re-forms as a butterfly.
- Before a caterpillar becomes a chrysalis, it hangs upside-down. Its body forms a shape that looks like the letter J.
- After a few days, you can see the butterfly through the chrysalis.
- A monarch chrysalis starts out green with little gold spots.

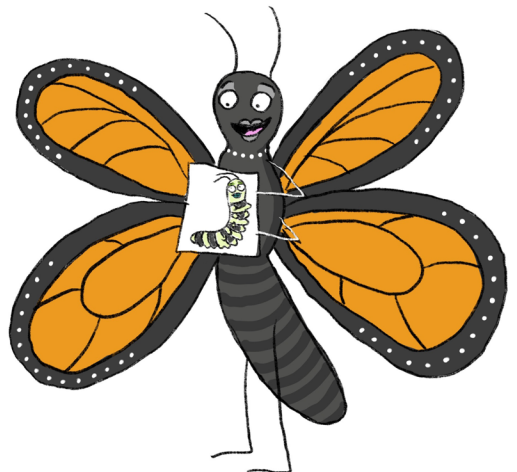


# WHAT CHANGES CAN YOU FIND?

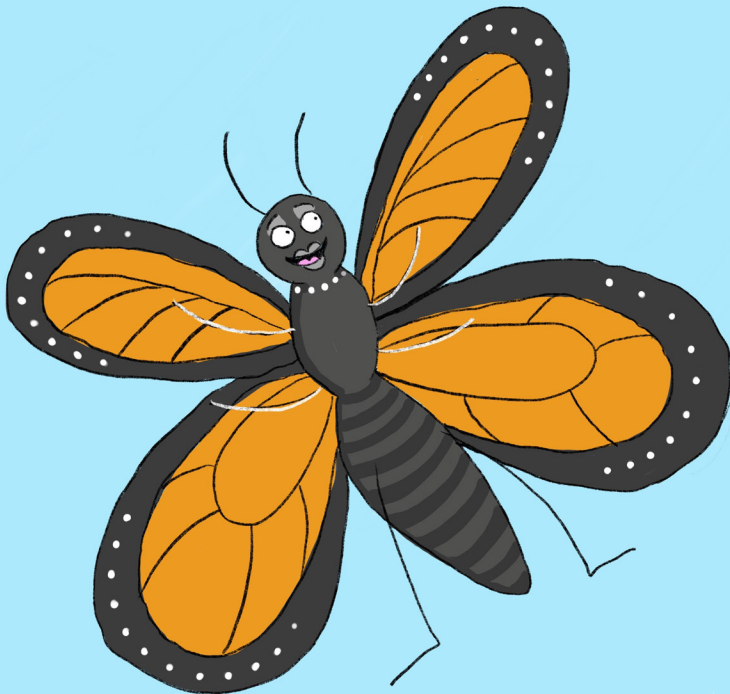
Can you find changes in nature? Get a paper and a drawing tool, go outside, and observe something. It can be anything! A flower, a shadow, maybe a bug! Draw it! Use as many details as you can in your drawing.

Next, set your paper aside, and then come back later. Draw the same thing again! What changed? Did the flower close? Did the shadow change? Did the bug leave?!

Put your pictures side by side and compare them to discover your own nature changes.



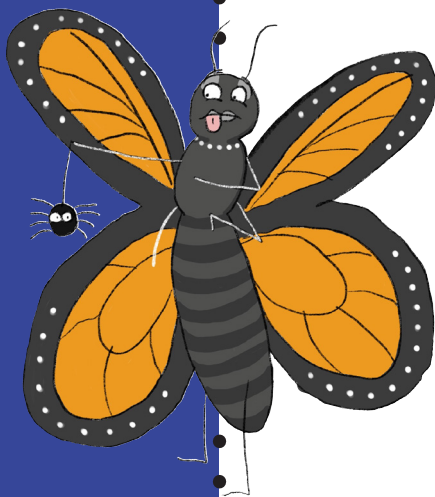
# BOOKS IN THIS SERIES





# MARI & HUMFREY: MAKE A CHANGE

**Humfrey the Hummingbird** and **Mari the Monarch Butterfly** are two friends who live in an ever-changing world. Children will relate to the learning experiences Mari and Humfrey encounter as they explore unfamiliar situations and take on new challenges.



## Stories include:

- **Mari's Change**

Mari is changing and Humfrey doesn't understand it. But like a good friend, he sticks by her – even if it means she might never be the same again.

- **The Picky Eater**

Humfrey eats all kinds of food, but Mari will only eat from flowers. Can Humfrey get Mari to like a new food?

- **Seasons**

The leaves are changing, the days are shorter, and Humfrey is very worried!



# MARI & HUMFREY: WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Join **Humfrey the Hummingbird** and **Mari the Monarch Butterfly** as they embark on their very first migration. Young readers will want to join them as they learn about the world and the new friends they can make in it.



## Stories include:

- **What should we pack?**

Mari and Humfrey are preparing for migration. But what do a bird and a butterfly need to bring?

- **Hello! Hola! Bonjour!**

Mari and Humfrey learn a few new phrases in different languages to prepare for their travels.

- **Who Are You?**

Mari and Humfrey learn how to make new friends with new creatures when they arrive at their destination.



# MARI & HUMFREY: TALK IT OUT

**Mari the Monarch Butterfly** and **Humfrey the Hummingbird** are best friends, but even best friends can have problems. Early readers will love seeing how buddies can overcome obstacles in order to better understand each other.

## Stories include:

- **Too Slow!**

Humfrey likes to fly fast, but Mari can only fly slow. Playing together is hard at two very different speeds!

- **Mari's New Friend**

Mari's made friends with a new hummingbird and Humfrey doesn't like it one bit!

- **Pollinator Pals**

Mari and Humfrey have an important job to do – they're pollinators! But will the job get done when they argue over the same flower?

