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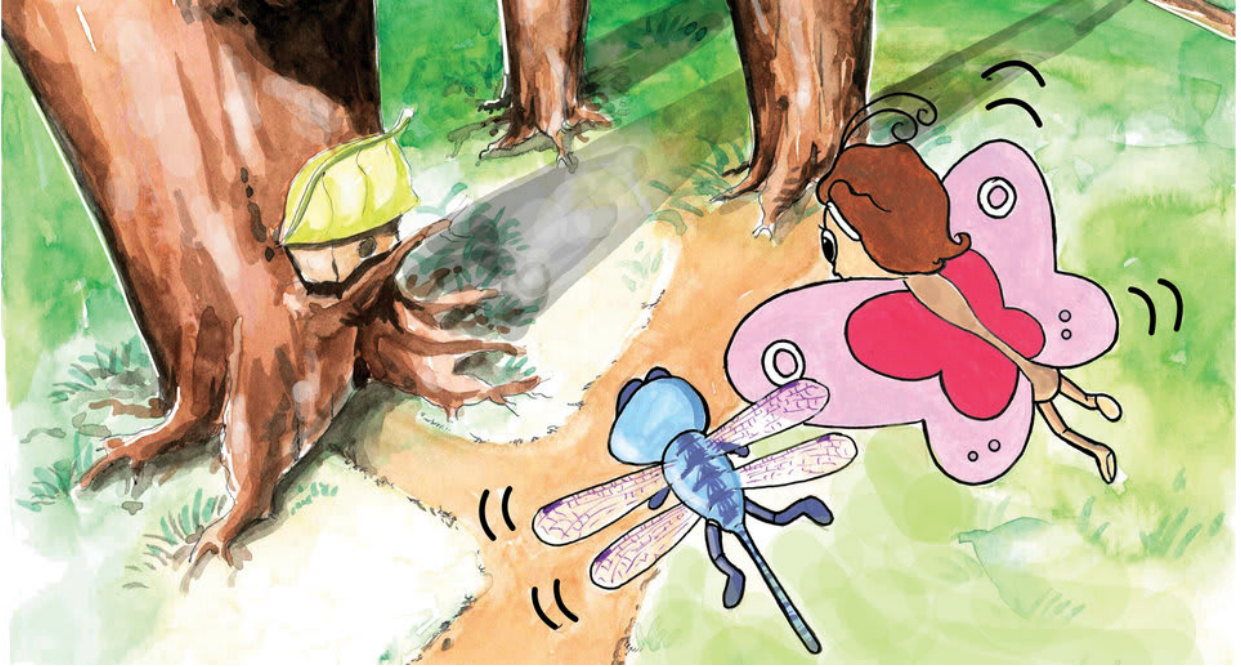
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Butterfly and Dragonfly sit on a piece of grass. Butterfly begins to sing a beautiful melody.



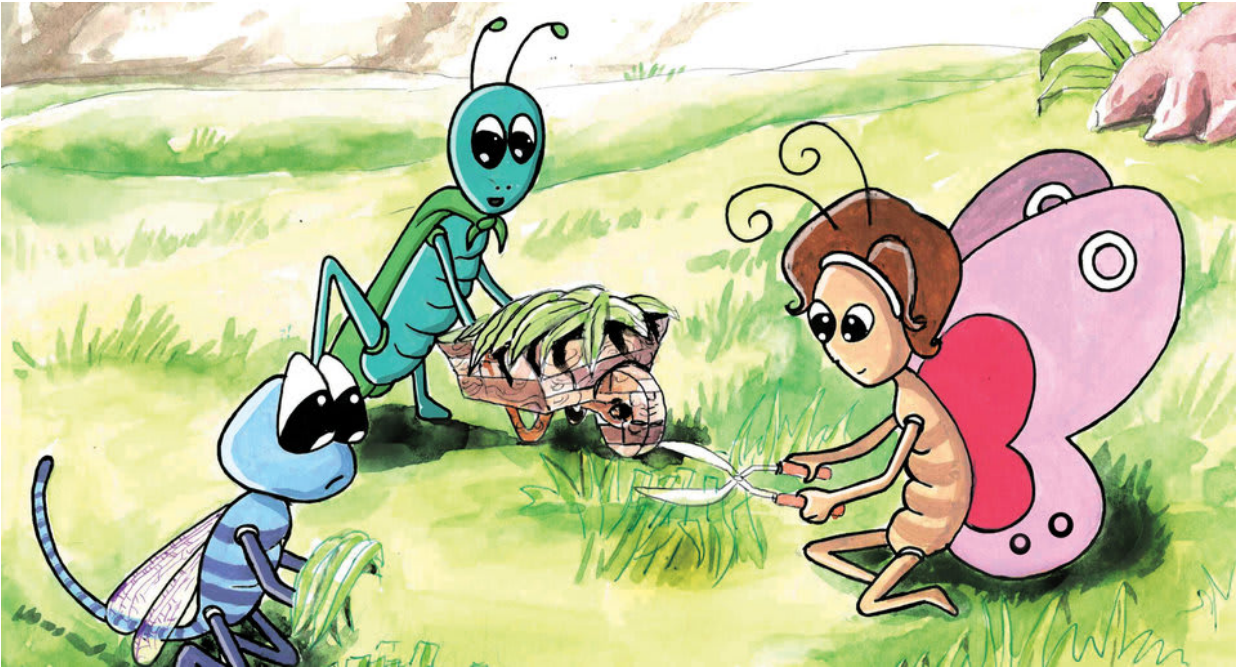
Dragonfly is sad because he wants to join, but he lost his violin.



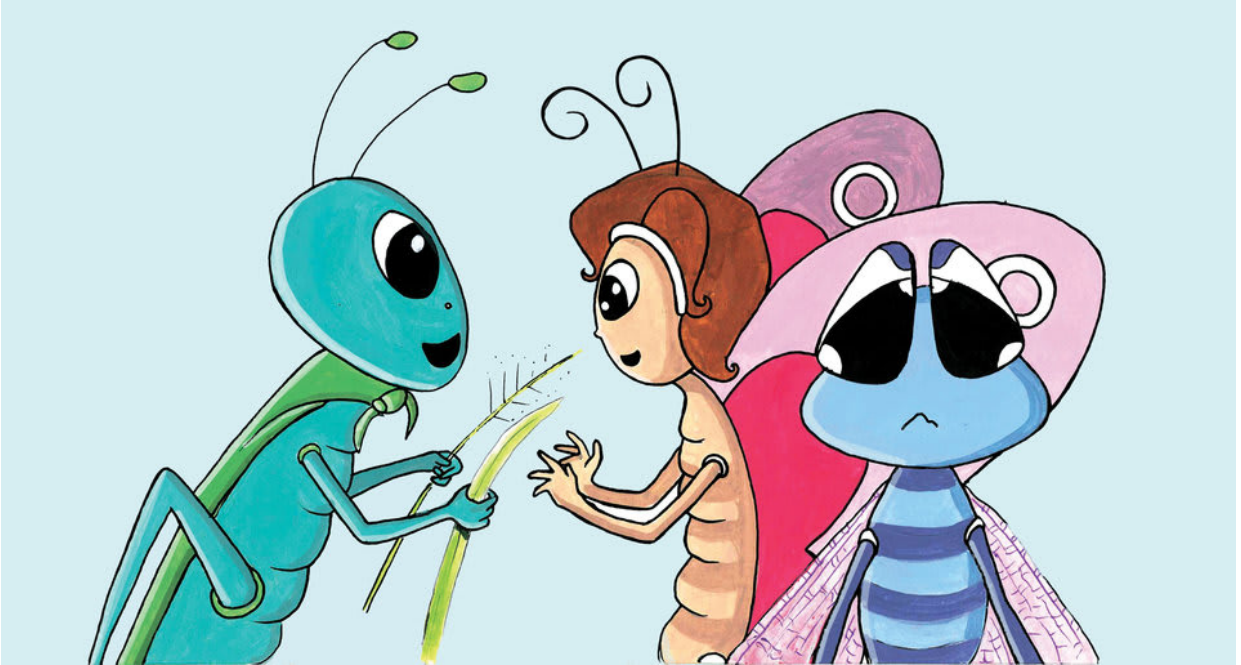
“I have an idea!” says Butterfly.



Butterfly and Dragonfly fly to Ladybird's house. Ladybird is shelling peanuts. Butterfly and Dragonfly offer to help. In return, he gifts them a beautiful peanut shell.



Next, they help Grasshopper mow her lawn.



In return, she gifts them a few straws of hay and some grass from her lawn.



Finally, they help the bees to find their honey.



"Thanks!" say the bees as they hand Butterfly a ball of wax.



Then, Butterfly begins to look for a cobweb. "What are doing now?" whines Dragonfly.



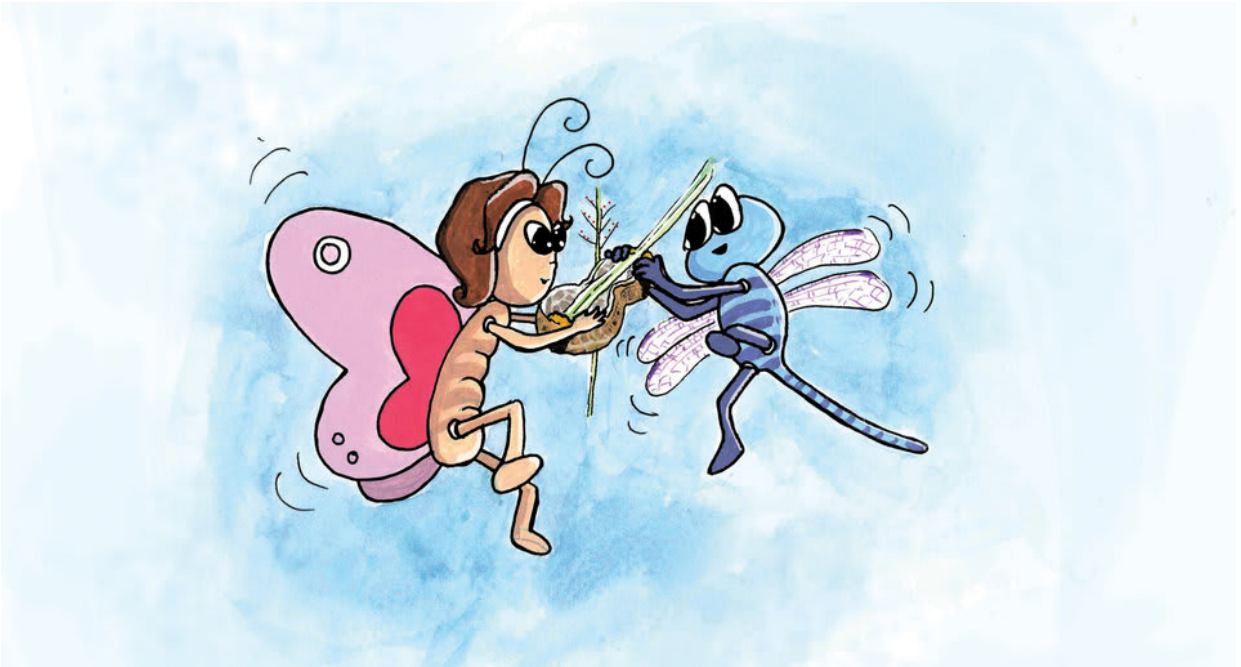
Dragonfly is tired of helping. He goes to sleep.



Suddenly, he wakes up to a beautiful sound!



What's this? Butterfly has made a violin using the gifts they received!



"Here," says Butterfly. "Now you can play with me while I sing."



Now, whenever Butterfly sings,
Dragonfly plays the violin.



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I Need a Violin (English) A dragonfly wants a violin but does not know how to make one. His friend the butterfly helps him get a violin. This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



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