**A Broken Wing**

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“Mom, come quick! Look what happened!”

Wendy looked up and saw Anne running to her. “What’s wrong, Anne?”

“Mom, come on! Quick!” Anne repeated as she grabbed her mother’s hand. Anne pulled Wend

y outside and pointed at the ground. “Look!”

Wendy looked down and saw a wobbling butterfly has fallen down on the ground. “One of its wings is broken,” Anne told her. “We need to help it.”

Wendy frowned when she saw the butterfly, but she knew her only choice was to help. “I’ll look on the internet to see what we can do,” Wendy said and began to walk inside. “Come on, Anne.”

Anne looked at Wendy and said, “No, I need to stay with the butterfly.”

Ten minutes later, Wendy went back outside with a big cardboard box. She picked up some small twigs and put them in the box. Then she gently picked up the butterfly and put it in the box.

“What are you doing, Mom?” Anne asked.

“I’m making a home for the butterfly,” Wendy told her. “We can’t fix the butterfly’s wing. The only thing we can do is give it a home. These twigs will give the butterfly something to climb on. We can’t put the twigs too high. If the twigs are too high and the butterfly falls, it can get hurt. After we bring it inside, I’ll make food for the butterfly.” Wendy picked up the box and began walking home.

“I want to help, Mom!”

“Of course, Anne. When we get inside, please help me get some sugar and a small pot. We’ll boil sugar water and use that for food.” Wendy was glad to see how caring and helpful her daughter was.

Anne ran ahead of her mother into the house. When Wendy got inside, a bag of sugar and a small pot were already on the counter waiting for her. “Good job, Anne,” Wendy said. She then got a tablespoon (15ml) and a half-cup measuring cup (125ml) and told Anne, “We’ll need one tablespoon of sugar and a half-cup of water. Can you get those for me?”

A smiling Anne measured the ingredients and poured them into the pot. Then Wendy put the pot on the stove and turned it on. She stirred the sugar water until it boiled and turned off the stove.

They let the sugar water cool. Next, Wendy dipped two cotton balls in the sugar water and put them on a plate. Wendy put the plate in the cardboard box and told Anne, “Most butterflies drink instead of eating. We’ll use this sugar water to feed the butterfly.”

Anne smiled at her mother. “Next time, I want to use the stove too,” she said.

**Comprehension Questions**

1. What happened to the butterfly Anne found?

2. What does Wendy put the butterfly in?

A. In a box

B. In her car

C. In the tree

D. In the bushes

3. Wendy picks up twigs.

A. True

B. False

4. What are the two ingredients Wendy and Anne use to make food for the butterfly?

A. Flowers and grass

B. Petals and pollen

C. Milk and cookies

D. Sugar and water

**Answer Key**

1. One of its wings was broken
2. A
3. A
4. D