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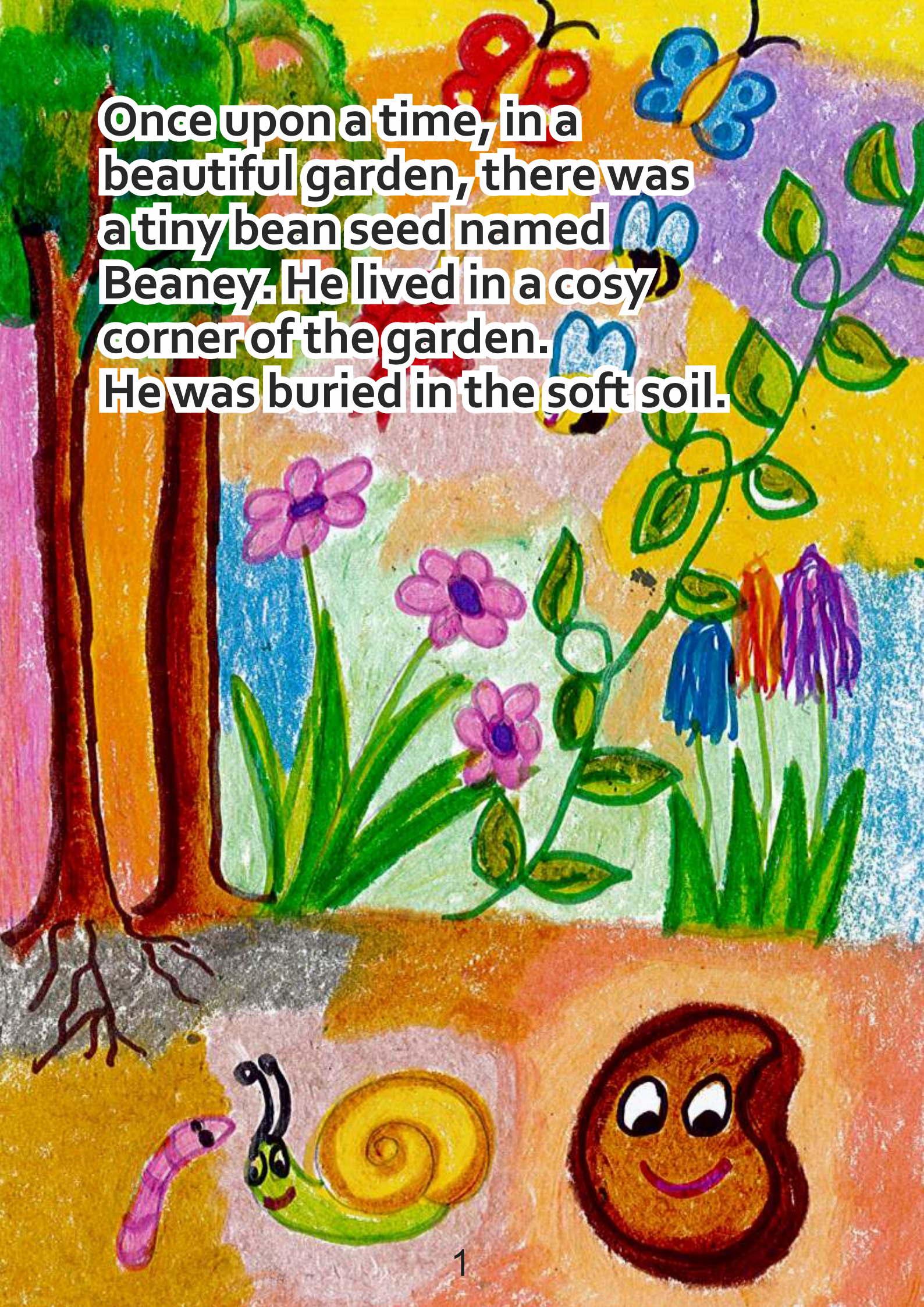
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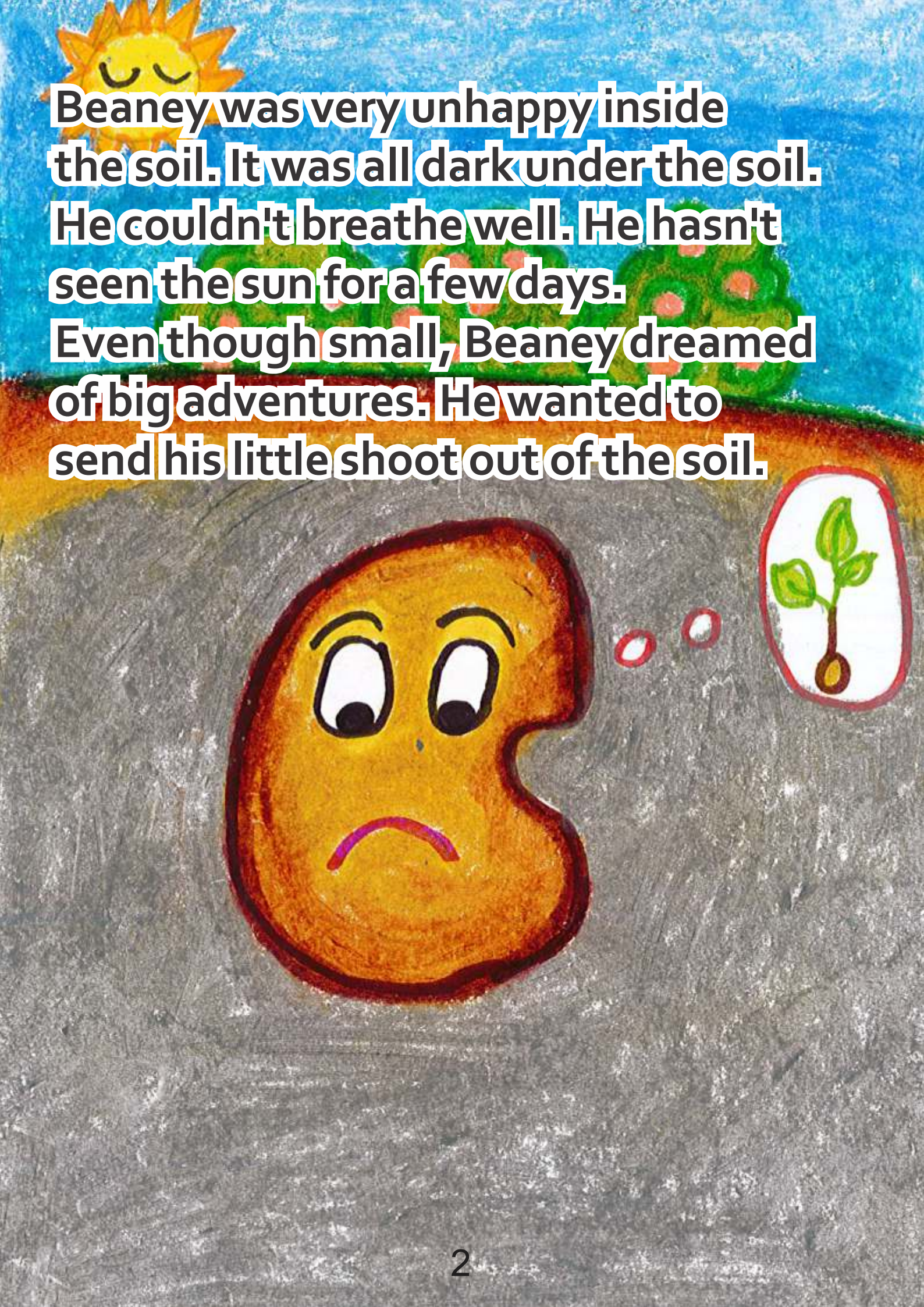
Preface

The primary goal of the current educational system is to mould a productive citizen and a caring family member who is equipped with knowledge and skills. The main responsibility of the school is to identify and recognize children's talents, as well as to sharpen their skills to meet the needs of the nation and the world. Our Alma Mater is constantly guiding and assisting children who are creative. This project has been an ongoing process at our school for many years, particularly in terms of writing books. Many skilled and enthusiastic young writers participated in this exercise for years, producing novice writers in the field of literature. We regard this as a great victory and a national need at this hour. To continue this effort, we have adopted digital technologies and an e-book project this year. I am confident that this unique event provided youngsters with valuable experience and challenge that will benefit them in the future. The Ministry of Education has hailed the project as an important step toward motivating young authors in schools. As principal of Mahamaya Girls' College, I am grateful to all of the students throughout the country who contributed to this endeavour. I commend and applaud all of the young authors of these books for their perseverance and devotion in this difficult task. I would like to thank our school management committee, employees, parents, my students, administrators, and teachers from other schools who encouraged students to take part in this worthwhile effort.

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Once upon a time, in a beautiful garden, there was a tiny bean seed named Beaney. He lived in a cosy corner of the garden. He was buried in the soft soil.

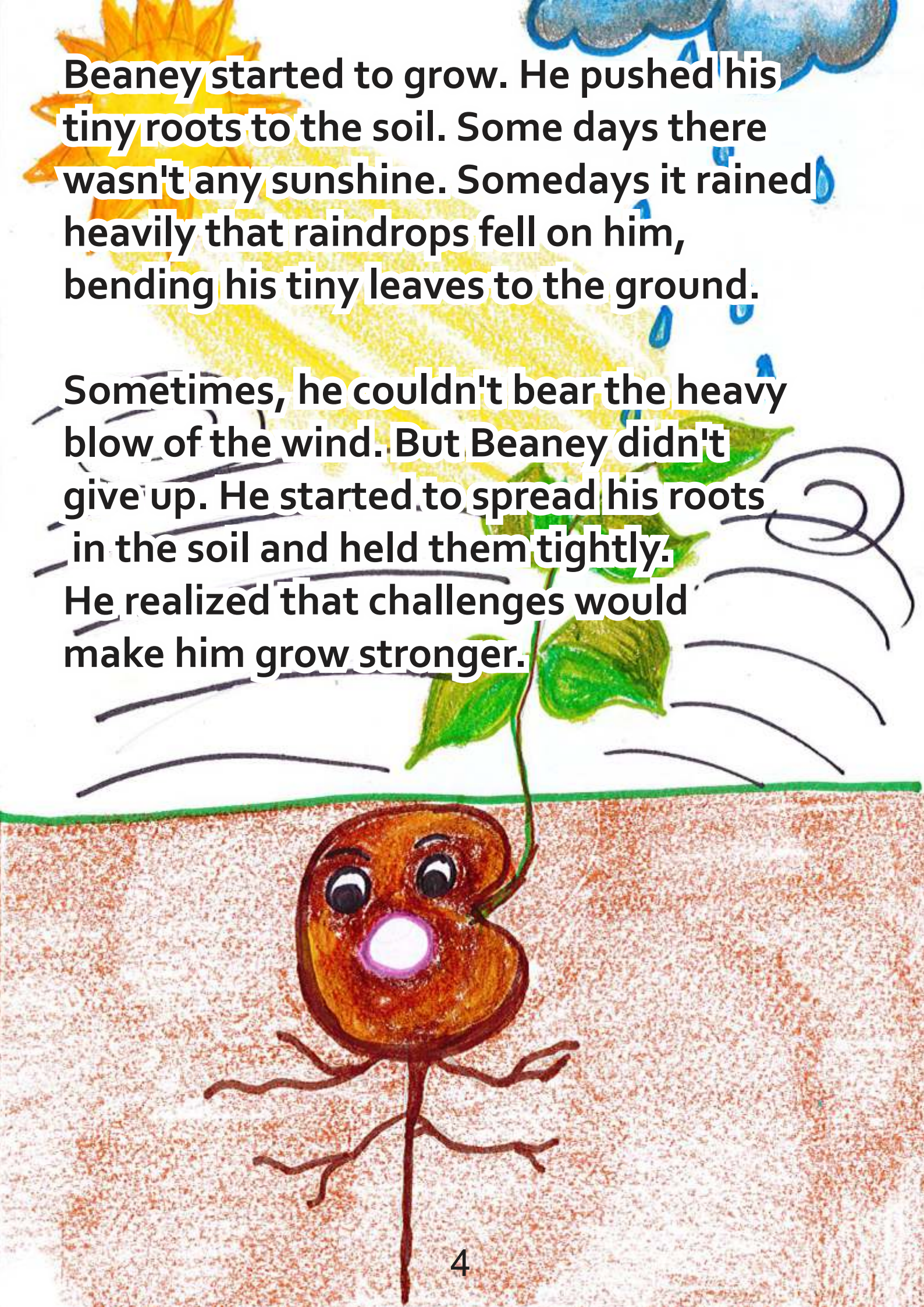




Beaney was very unhappy inside the soil. It was all dark under the soil. He couldn't breathe well. He hasn't seen the sun for a few days. Even though small, Beaney dreamed of big adventures. He wanted to send his little shoot out of the soil.

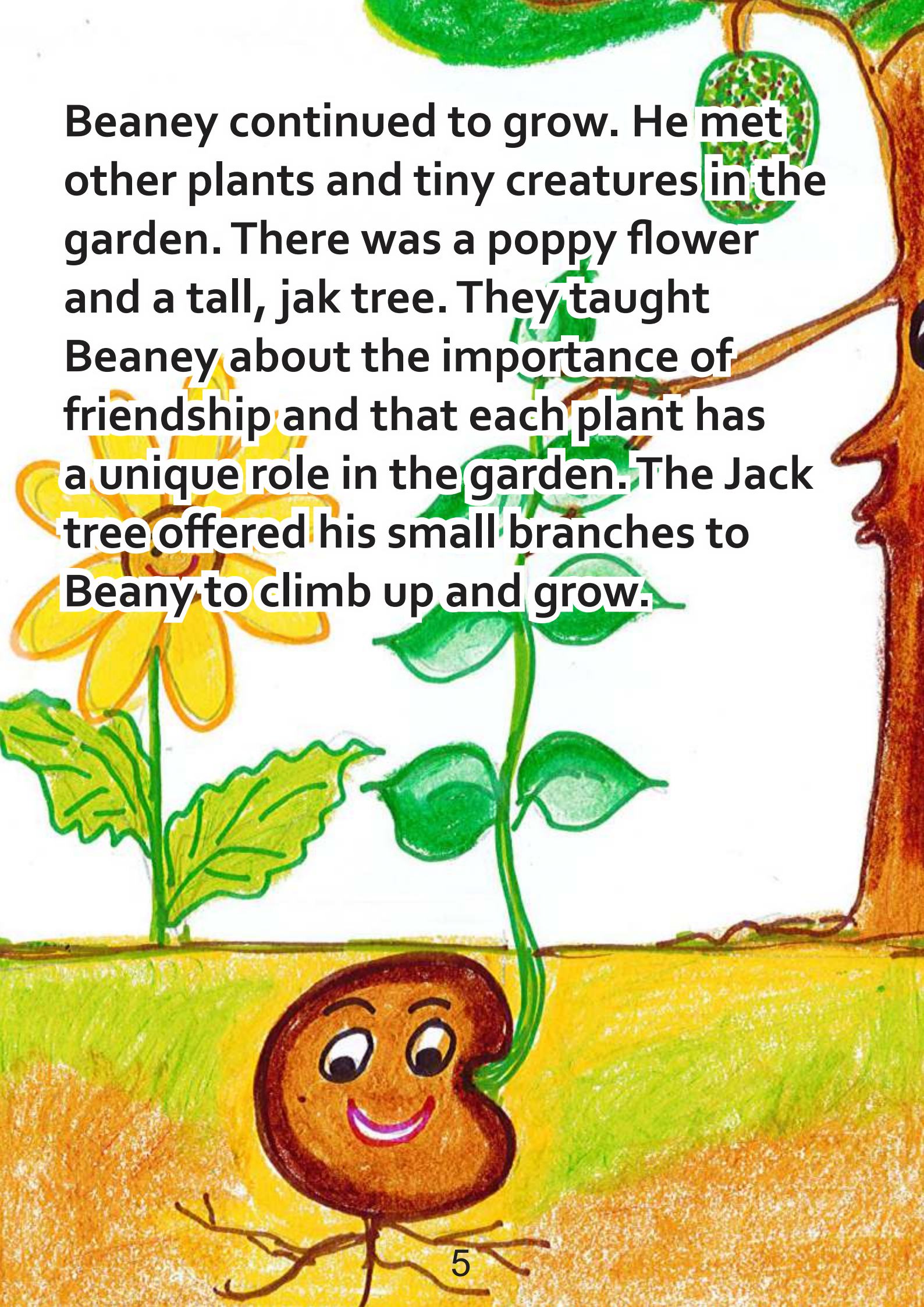
One sunny morning, Beaney was listening to the musical chirping of the birds. Beaney felt a gentle push from the soil. He knew that it was time to grow! Full of energy and excitement Beaney pushed his tiny green shoot out of the soil. He felt happy after feeling the warm sunlight. So, he bathed under the rays of the sun. Beaney enjoyed the cool breeze after so many days. He felt more comfortable out of the dark hole under the soil.



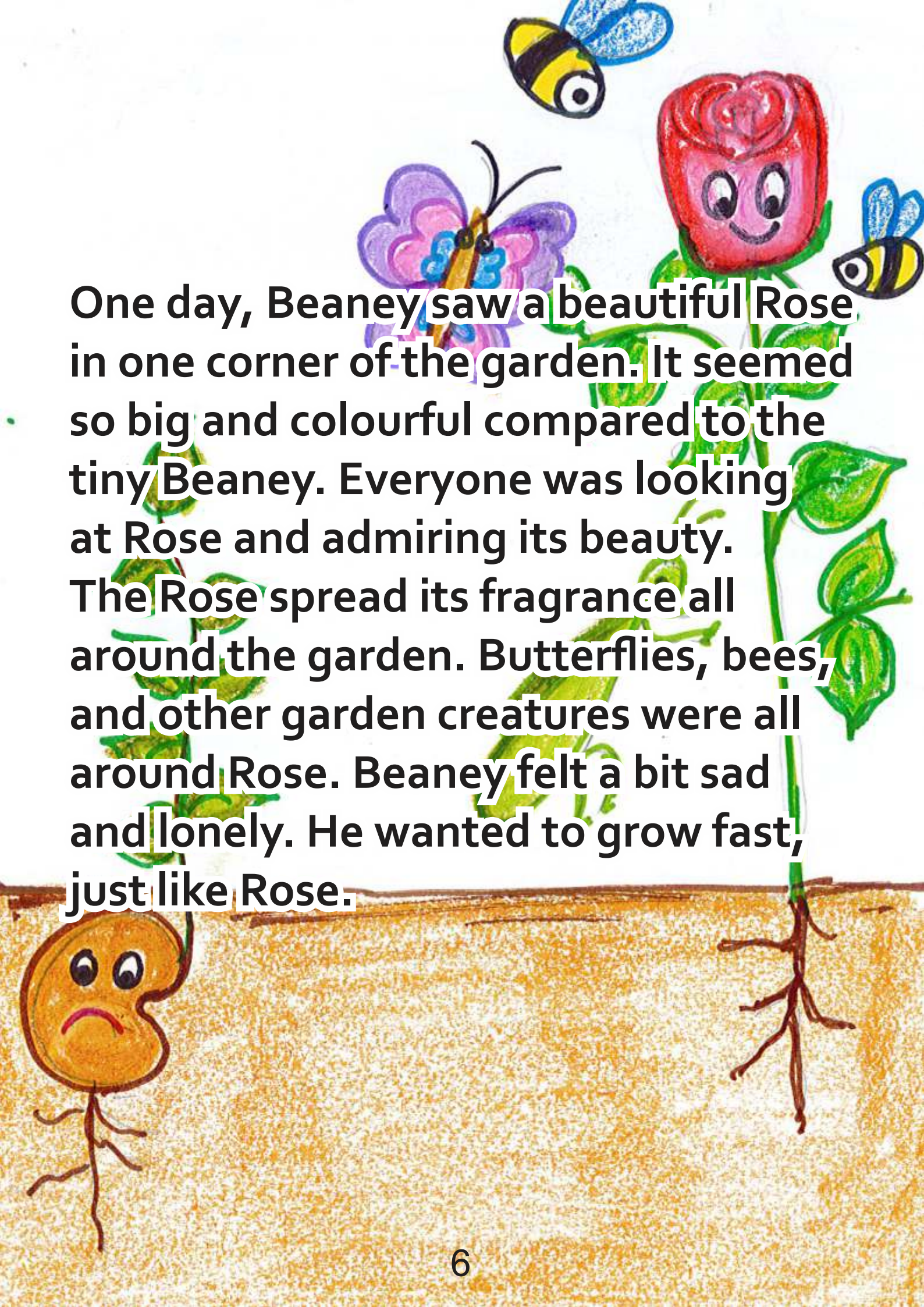


Beaney started to grow. He pushed his tiny roots to the soil. Some days there wasn't any sunshine. Some days it rained heavily that raindrops fell on him, bending his tiny leaves to the ground.

Sometimes, he couldn't bear the heavy blow of the wind. But Beaney didn't give up. He started to spread his roots in the soil and held them tightly. He realized that challenges would make him grow stronger.



Beaney continued to grow. He met other plants and tiny creatures in the garden. There was a poppy flower and a tall, jak tree. They taught Beaney about the importance of friendship and that each plant has a unique role in the garden. The Jack tree offered his small branches to Beany to climb up and grow.



One day, Beaney saw a beautiful Rose in one corner of the garden. It seemed so big and colourful compared to the tiny Beaney. Everyone was looking at Rose and admiring its beauty. The Rose spread its fragrance all around the garden. Butterflies, bees, and other garden creatures were all around Rose. Beaney felt a bit sad and lonely. He wanted to grow fast, just like Rose.

Beaney spoke to Poppy for advice.

Poppy explained,

“Beaney, every plant grows at its own pace. Soon, you will be just as beautiful”.

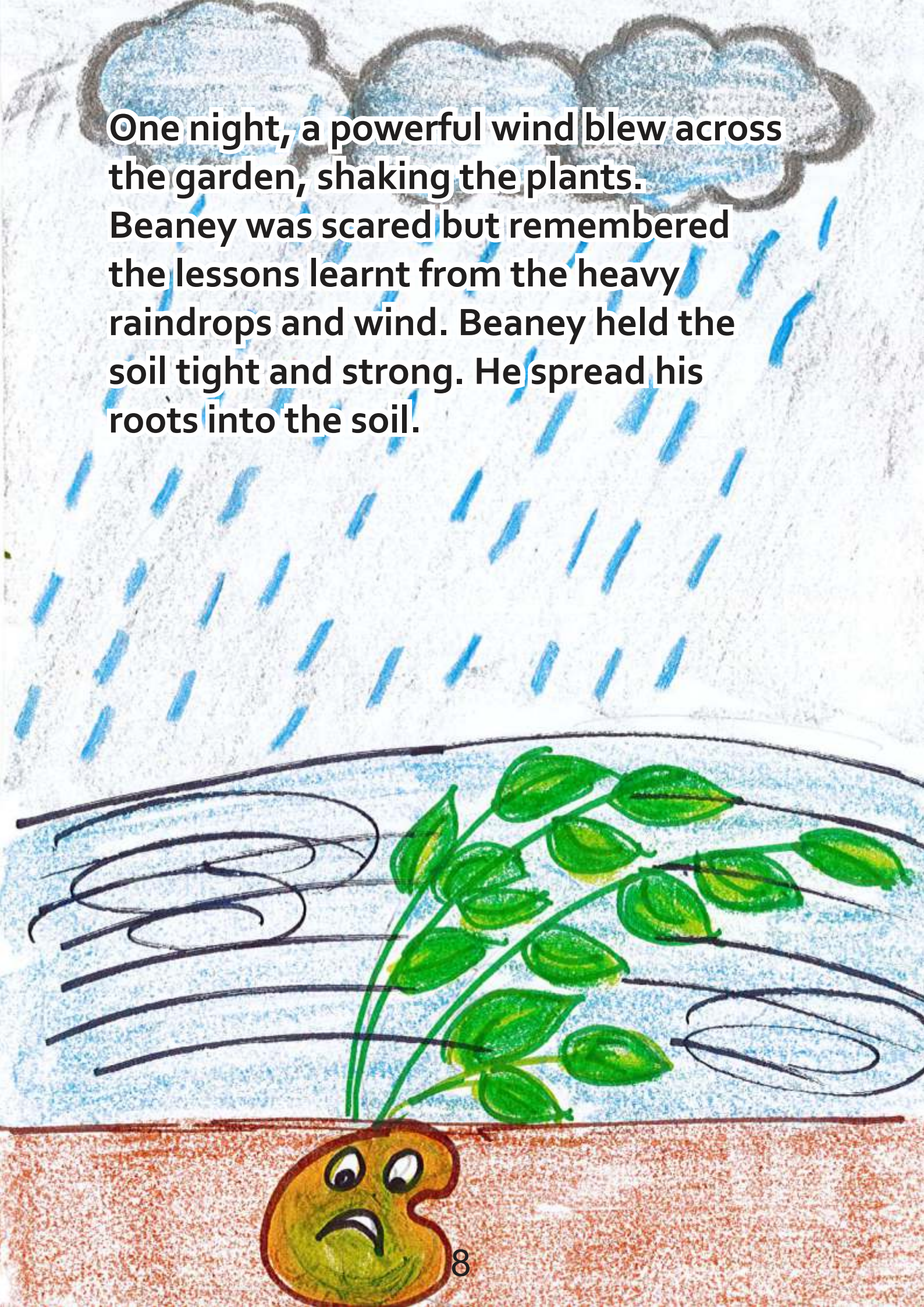
So, Beaney decided to wait and watch until the right time came.

Time went on. The sun shone brightly for days and days making Beaney feel thirstier. Some days Beaney was covered with falling leaves. Heavy rain covered the garden with water making Beaney almost drown. Beaney didn't give up. He decided to grow stronger every day.

In the garden, Beaney made friends with ladybugs, butterflies, ants and bees. They taught him about teamwork and how each tiny creature played a role in keeping the garden beautiful.

One night, a powerful wind blew across the garden, shaking the plants.

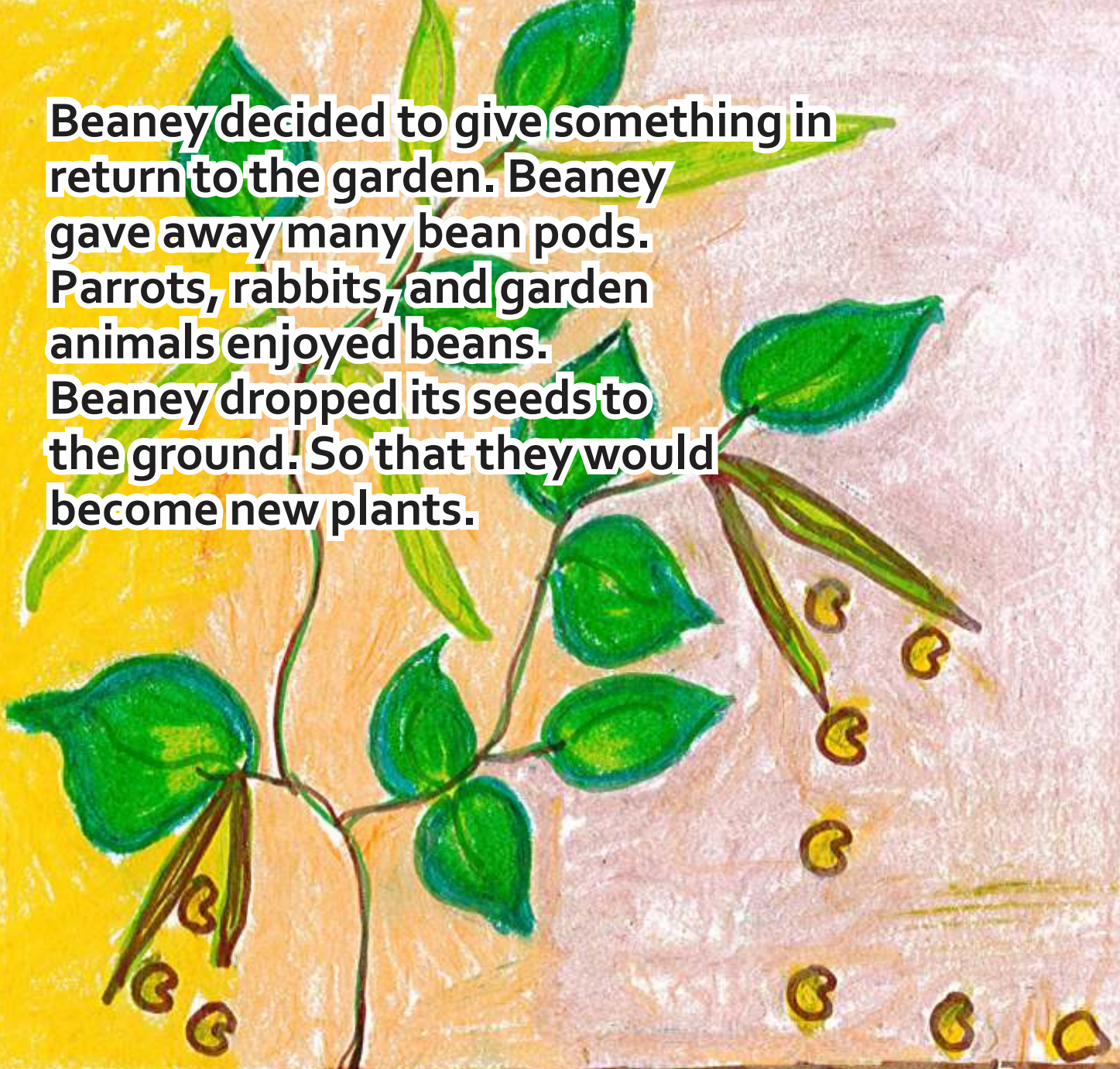
Beaney was scared but remembered the lessons learnt from the heavy raindrops and wind. Beaney held the soil tight and strong. He spread his roots into the soil.





Beany grew into a strong plant. It started blooming beautiful purple flowers. All the butterflies and bees in the garden were around him all day long. Then, tiny bean pods appeared. They too grew bigger day by day.

Beane decided to give something in return to the garden. Beane gave away many bean pods. Parrots, rabbits, and garden animals enjoyed beans. Beane dropped its seeds to the ground! So that they would become new plants.



The story of Beane's big adventure teaches us that no matter how small we start, with willpower we can grow into something beautiful.

Afterword

As modern technology permeates the social and economic arenas, students tend to distance themselves from the creative process, relying more and more on technological tools. To reduce this risk and help aspiring young writers produce their own books, I sought and presented a research proposal to the Ministry of Education in 2014. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to showcase their enthusiasm and knowledge. The students of Mahamaya Girls' College achieved a record for the most books written, paving the way for a new level of innovation.

The e-book project will enable the students to reach international readers and I am confident that they have gained new experiences and challenges that will enable them to face the future with resolve.

I wish all of the young writers the best of luck in their future endeavours.

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