

# YOU MAY BE SMALL, BUT YOU MATTER!

Sometimes it's hard to be little when everyone around you is big. Grown-ups are tall.



Bookshelves are hard to reach. Chairs are too low when you sit at the table, ...



...and doorknobs are difficult to turn.



Some days you wish you were big enough to reach things on the top shelf.

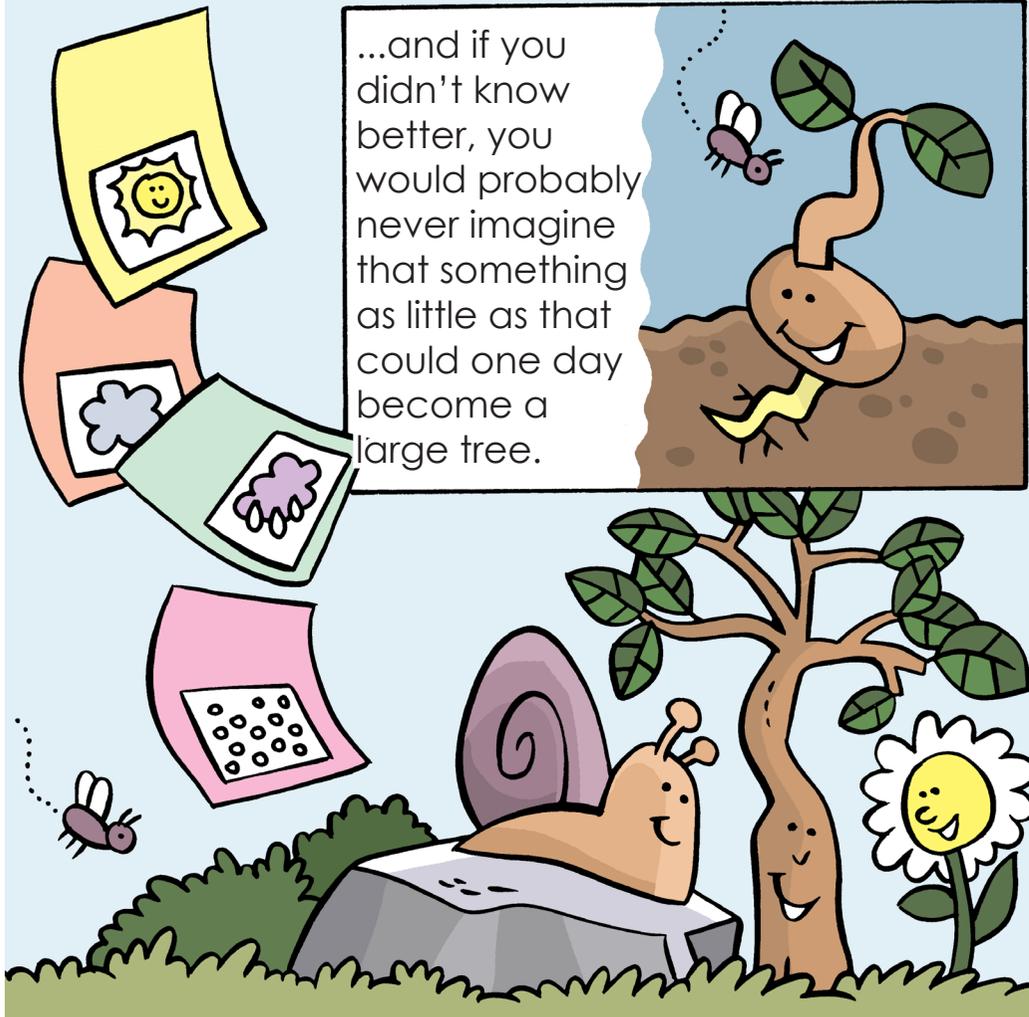
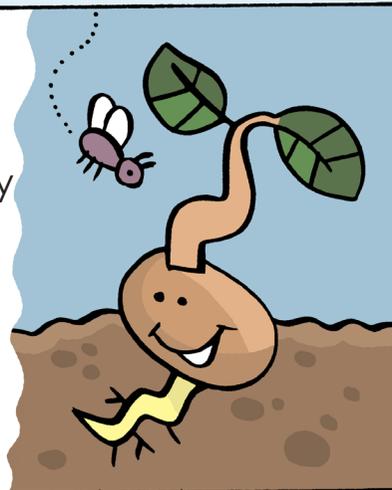


It's all right to be little. Many wonderful things in life start out small, but in time they grow to be something amazing.

An apple seed is small, ...



...and if you didn't know better, you would probably never imagine that something as little as that could one day become a large tree.



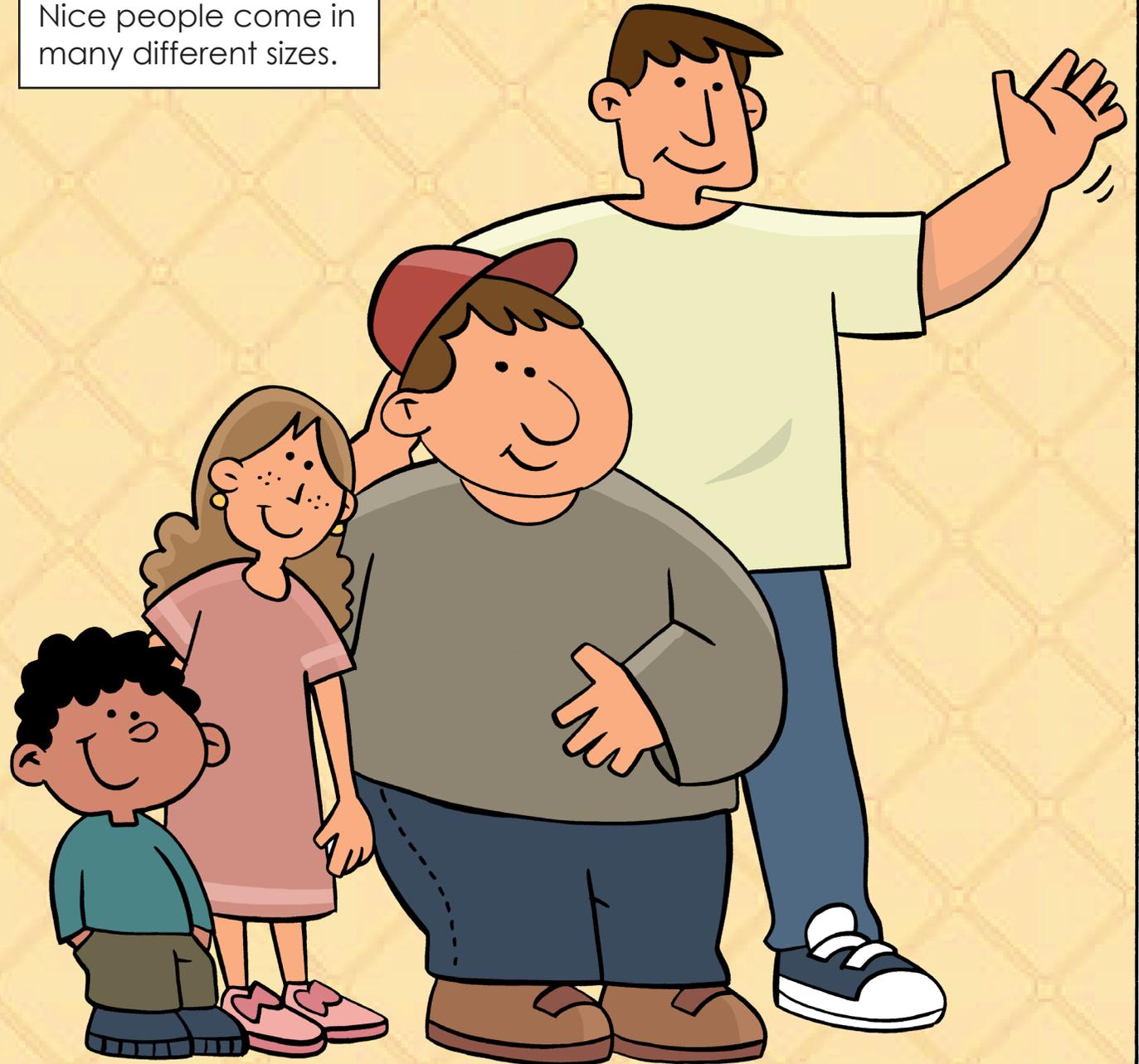
It may take many years before the seed is full grown, but eventually it not only grows to become a magnificent tree, but one that bears many apples—tasty apples that will bring delight to many people, birds, and insects.



Whether you are big or little is not important. What really counts is what kind of person you are.



Nice people come in many different sizes.



Once upon a time, God told the prophet Samuel to pick a king.



And that little boy, David, grew up and became an important, good, and powerful king of Israel.

Samuel thought the tall, handsome older brother would be the king.

"No!" God told Samuel. "I will make David, the little brother, king."



If you are little, it is all right with God. He loves you just the way you are.



### Bible Thought

The Lord doesn't see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.

(1 Samuel 16:7 NLT)