

Words
to Know

had

that

will

Retell a Story

Listen and sing.

The Ant and the Grasshopper

I **will** retell a story
About a smart ant
And a lazy grasshopper
That did not like to plan.

In the hot summer,
Ant looked for seeds.
When winter days came,
Ant **had** good food to eat.

Grasshopper did not work.
All summer he played.
But then he was hungry
On cold winter days.

Tune: "On Top of Old Smokey"

Song



More Key Words

height



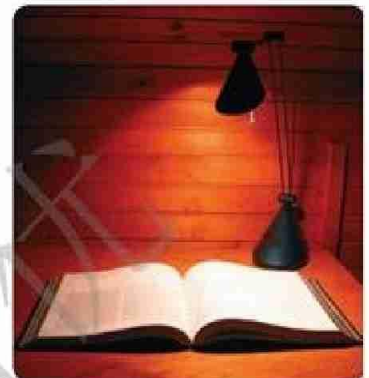
This basketball player's **height** is seven feet.

length



The **length** of the carrot is 7 inches.

light



The **light** is bright enough to read the book.

project



I am so proud of my science fair **project**.

ready



The runners are **ready** to race.

Talk Together

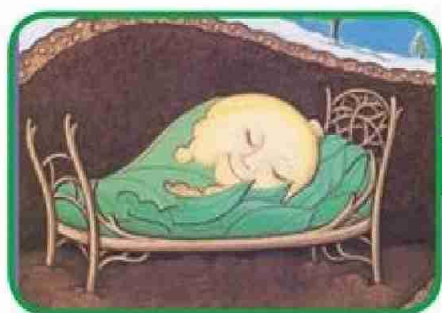
Ask a question using a **Key Word**.

What is the height of that tree?

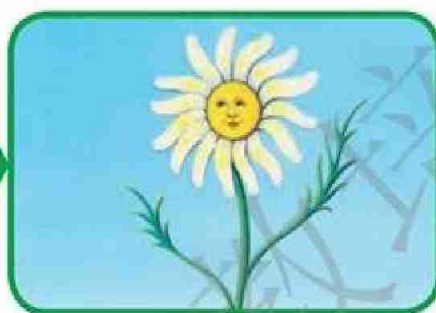
Read a Folk Tale

What happens in the folk tale?

A folk tale has a **plot**. A plot is what happens in a story.



A seed sleeps.



The seed becomes a flower.

Reading Strategy

Monitor your reading. What happens to the seed?

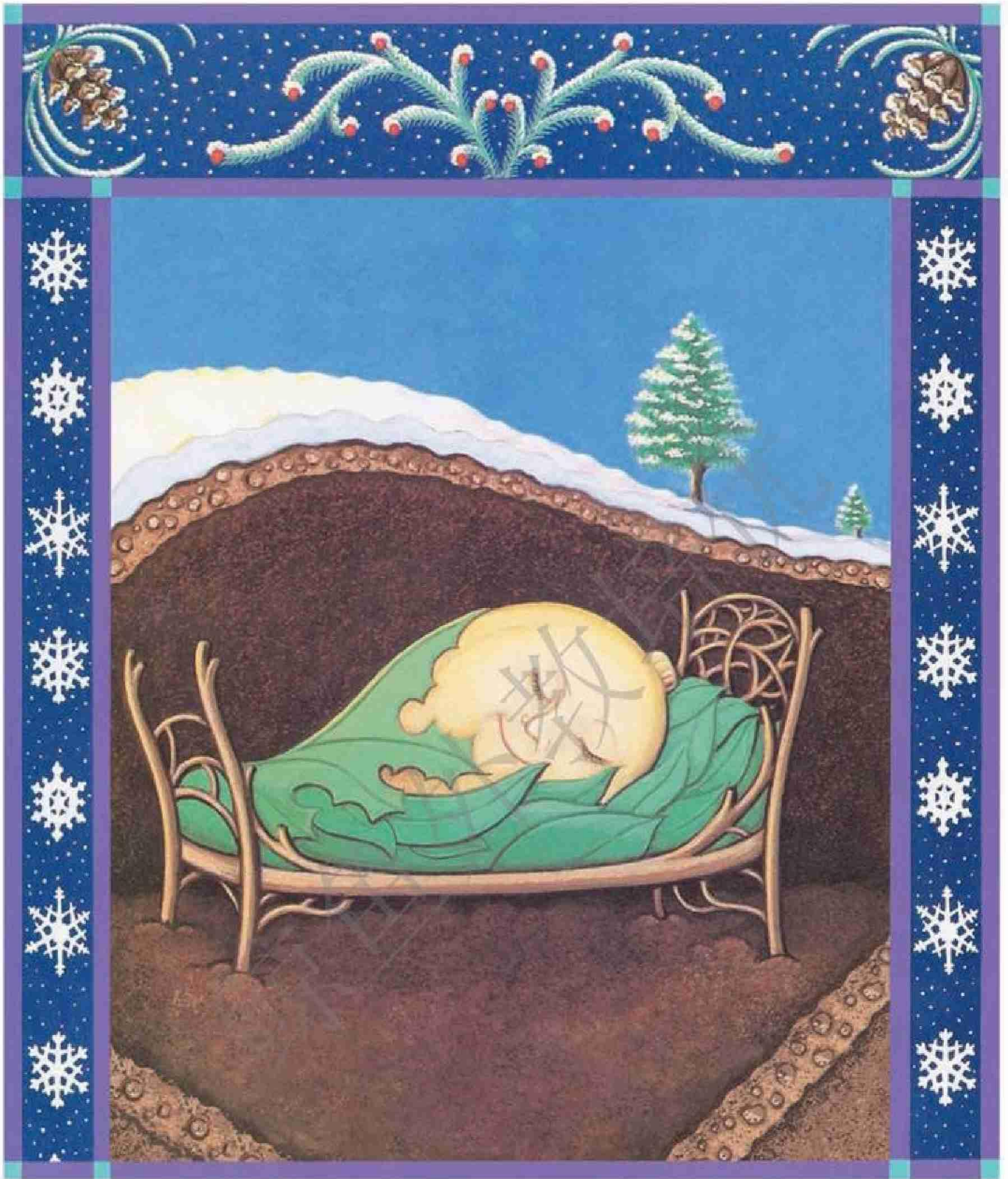


The Daisy

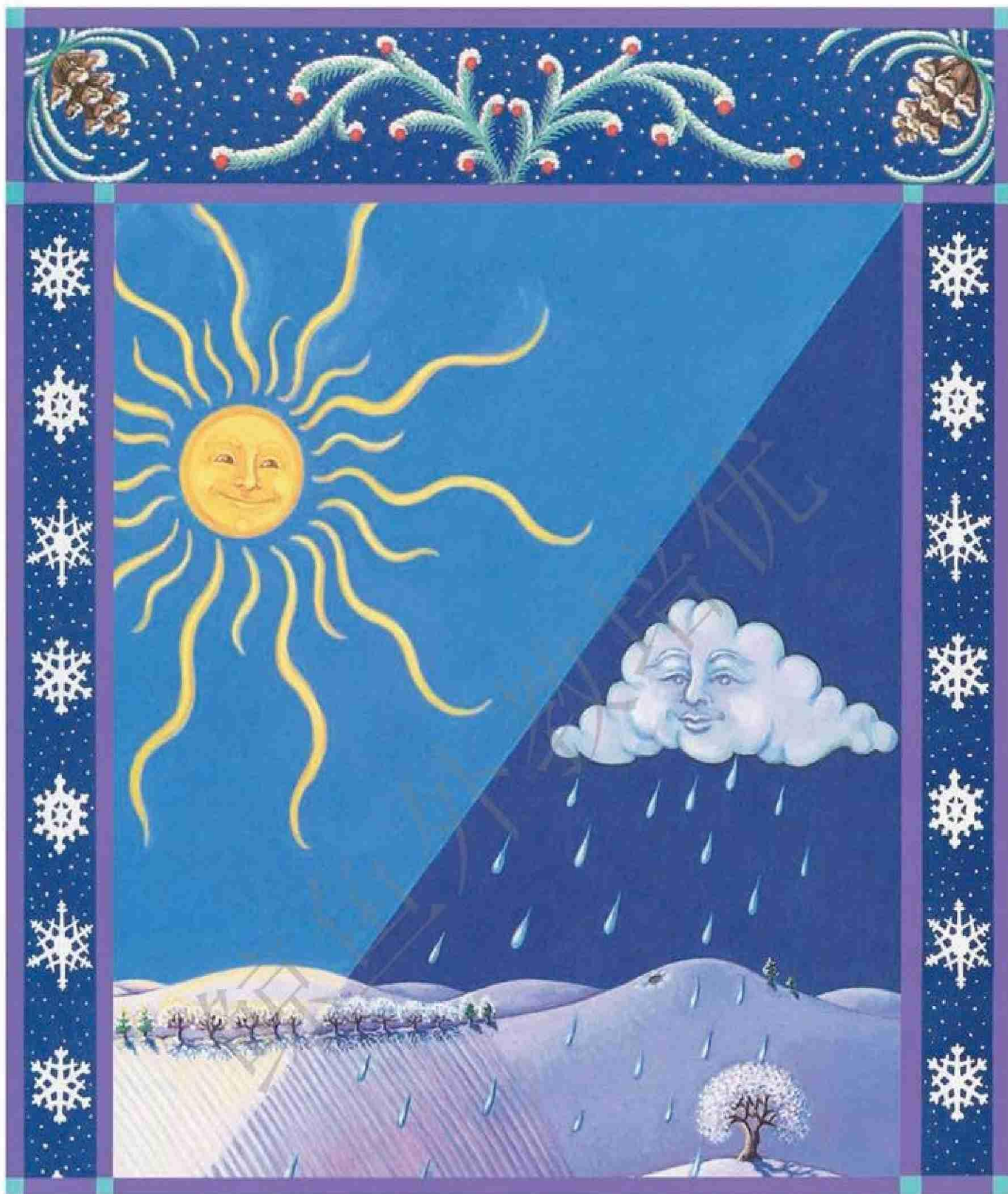
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A little **seed** sleeps under the earth.



The **sun** shines. The rain falls.



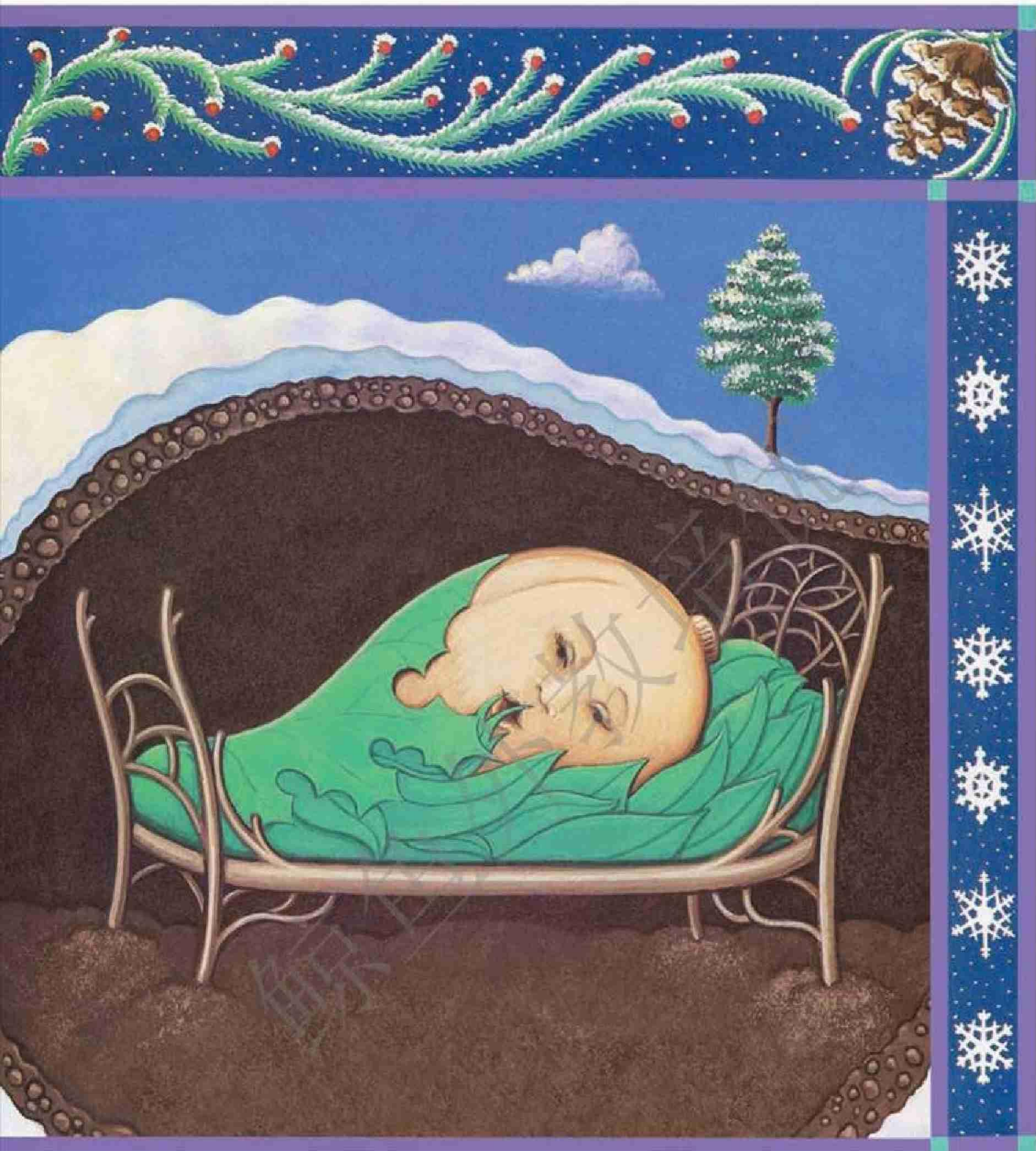
One morning, the **sun** rises.



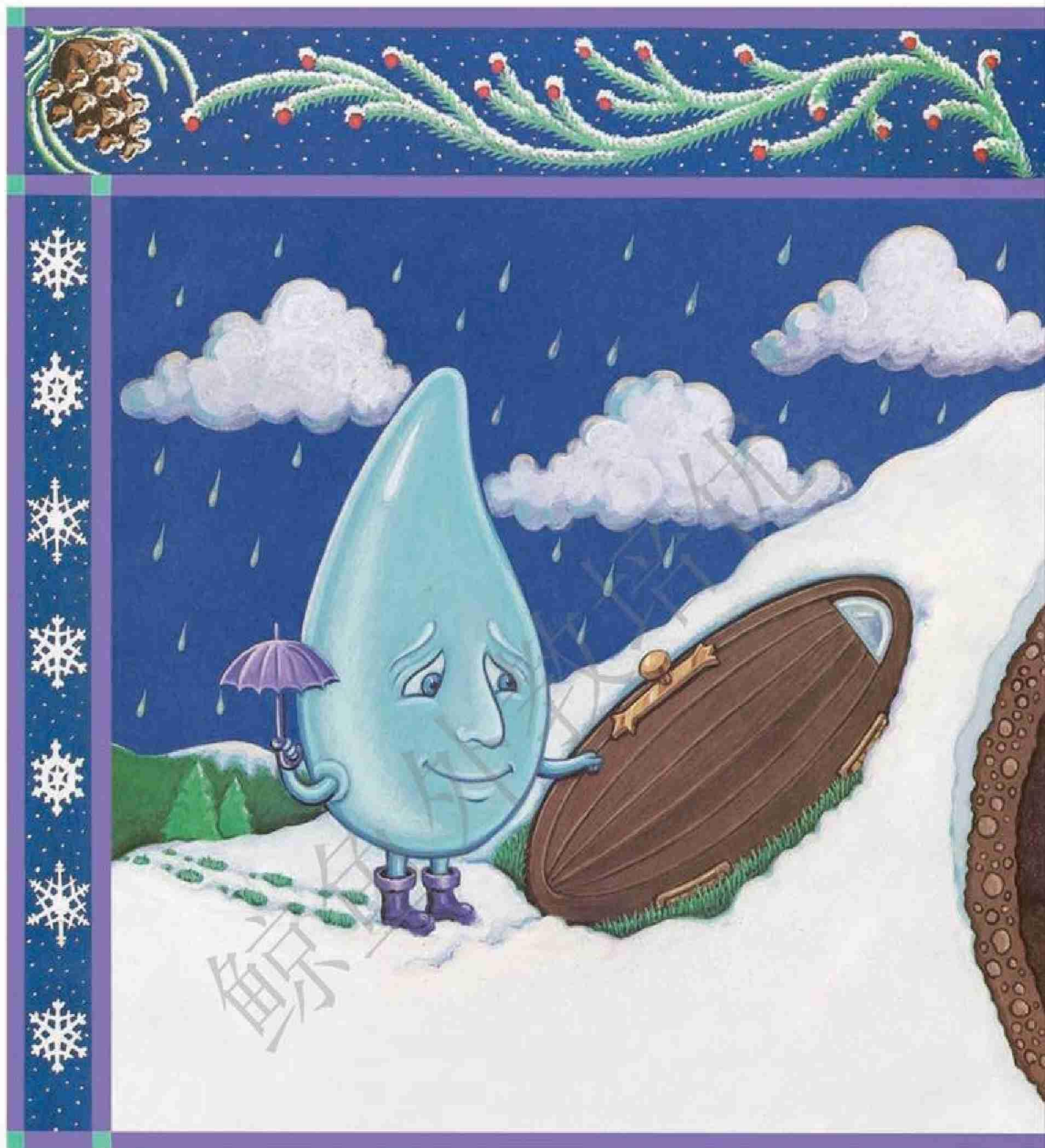
The **sun** knocks on the door.



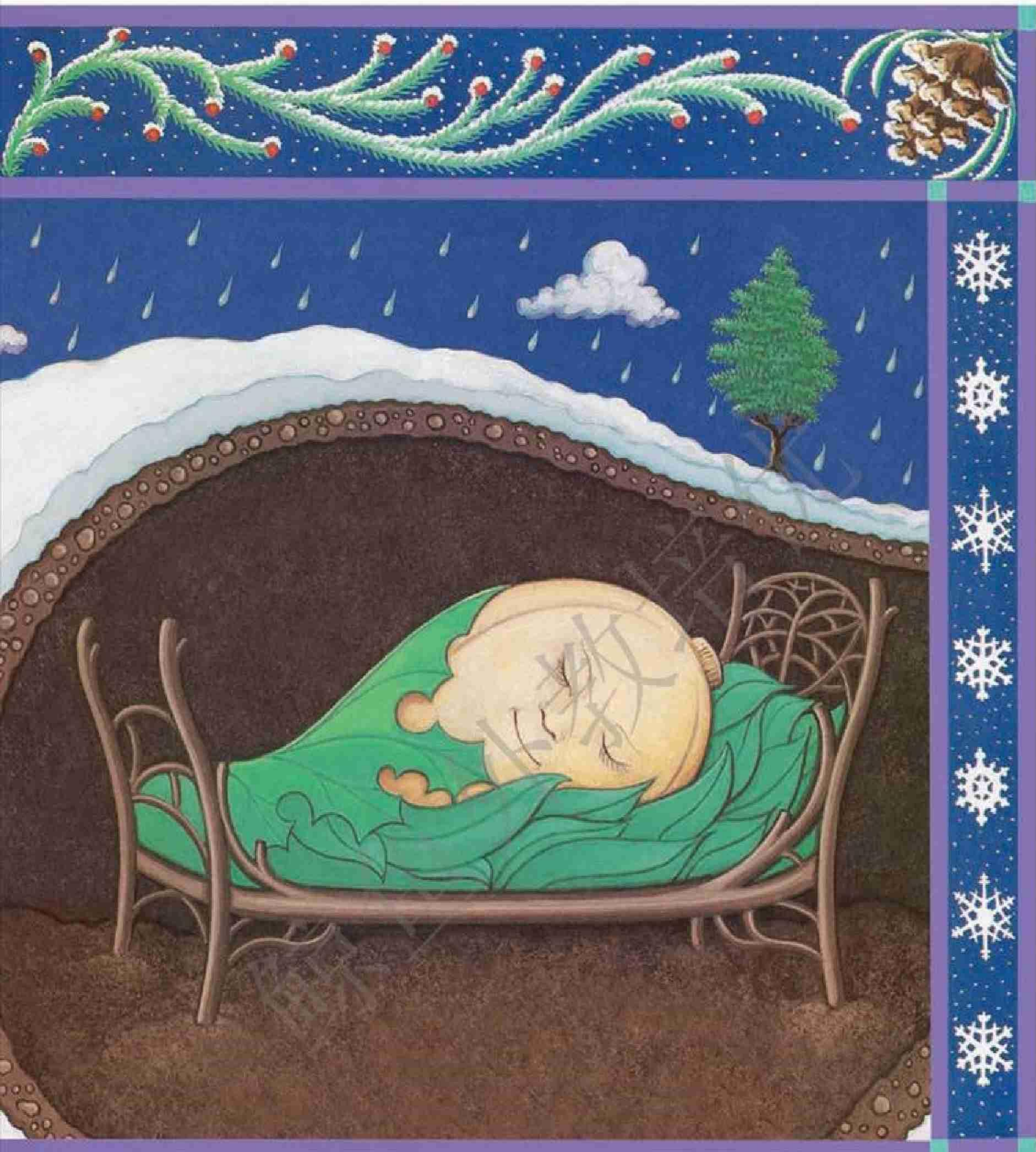
The **sun** asks the little **seed** to
come out and play.



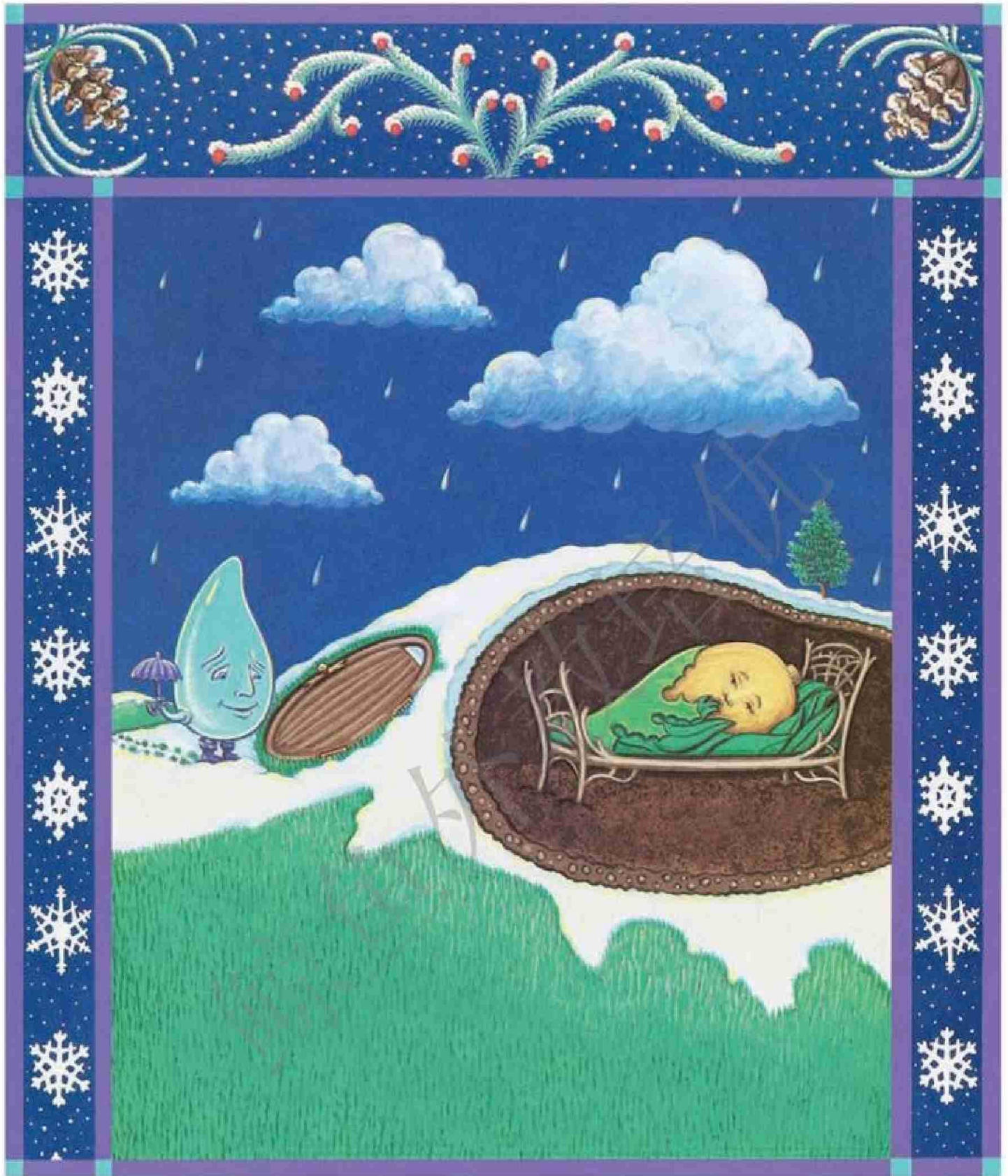
The little **seed** says she just wants to sleep.



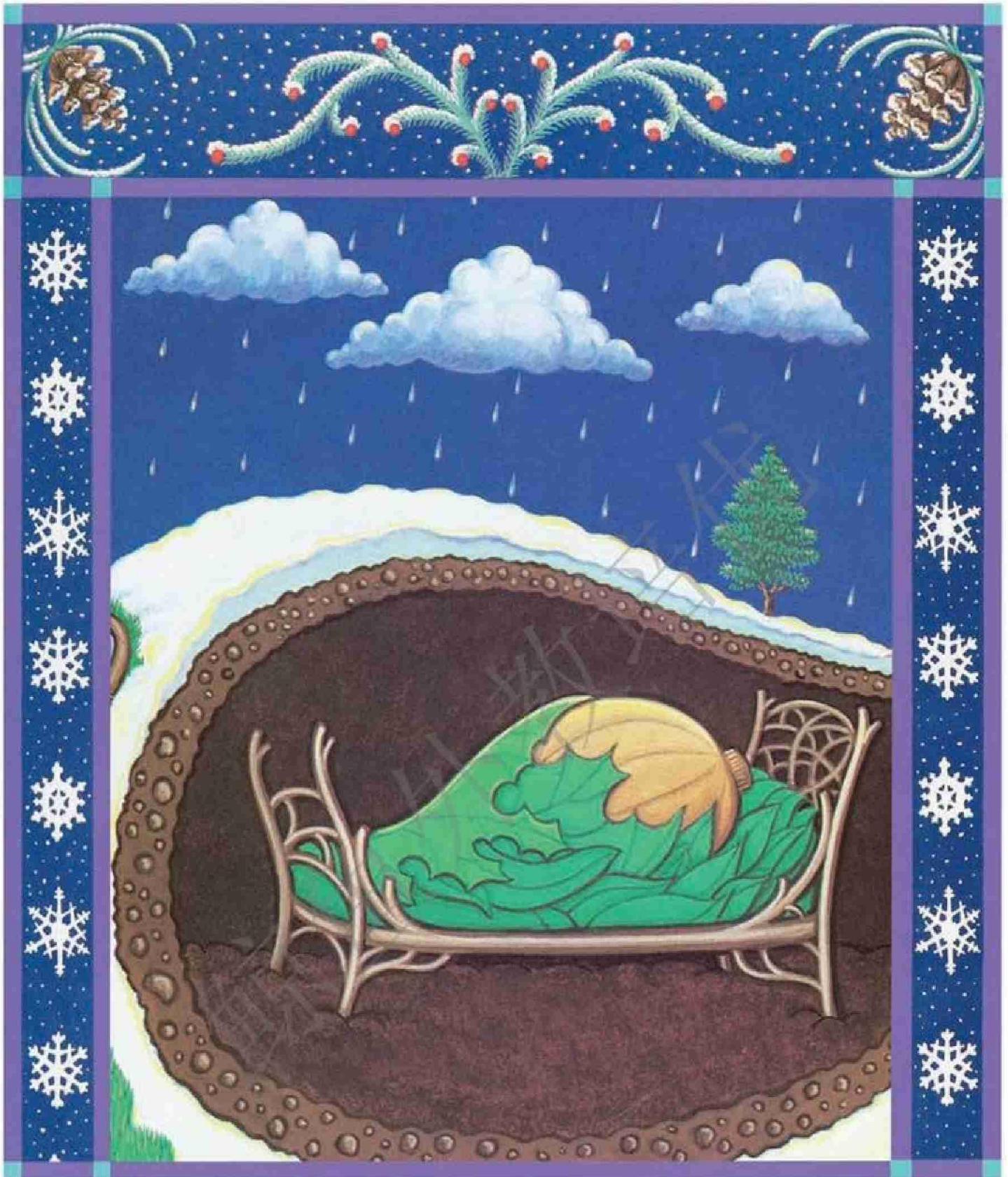
A raindrop knocks on the door.



The raindrop asks the little **seed** to come out and play.



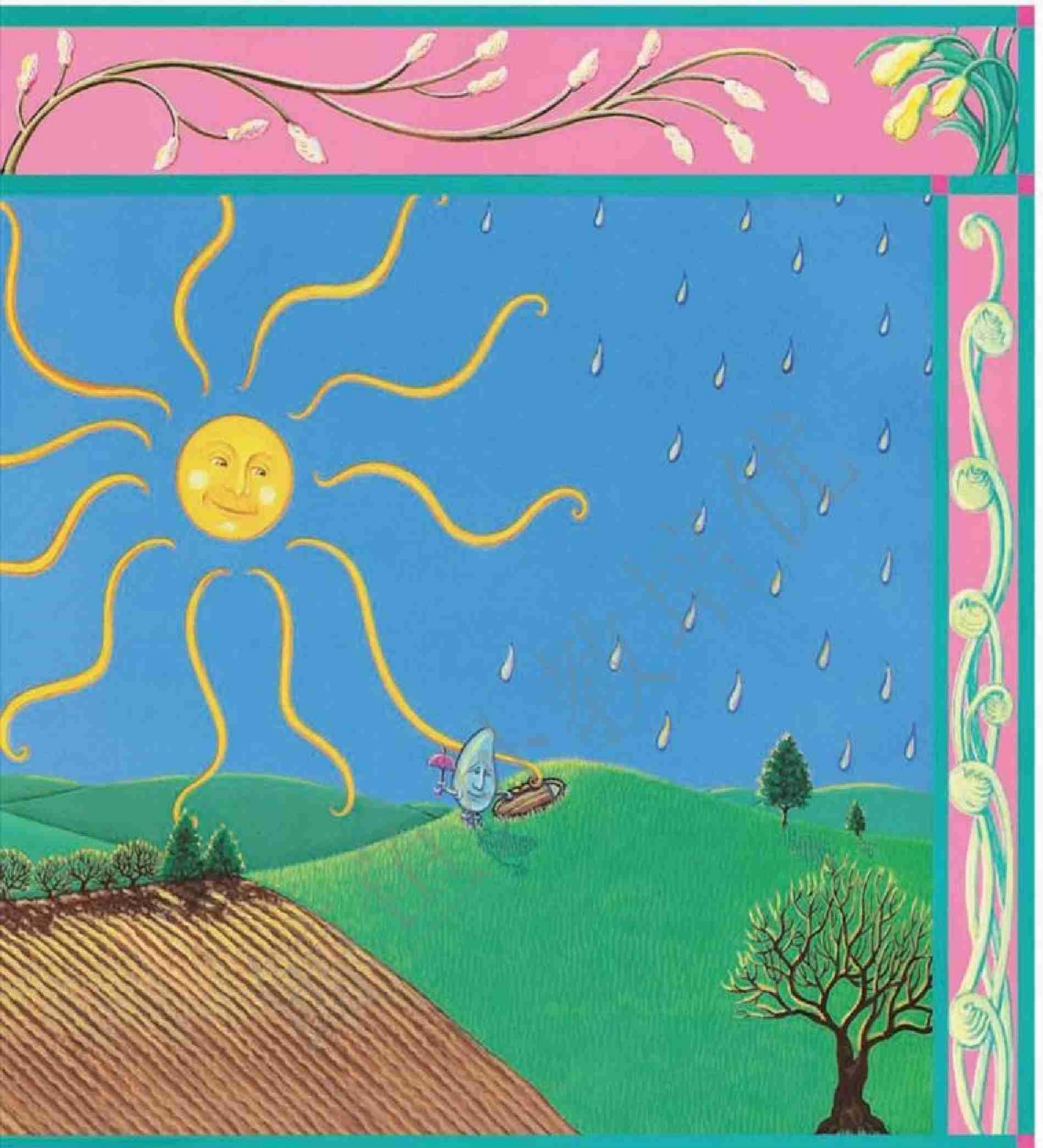
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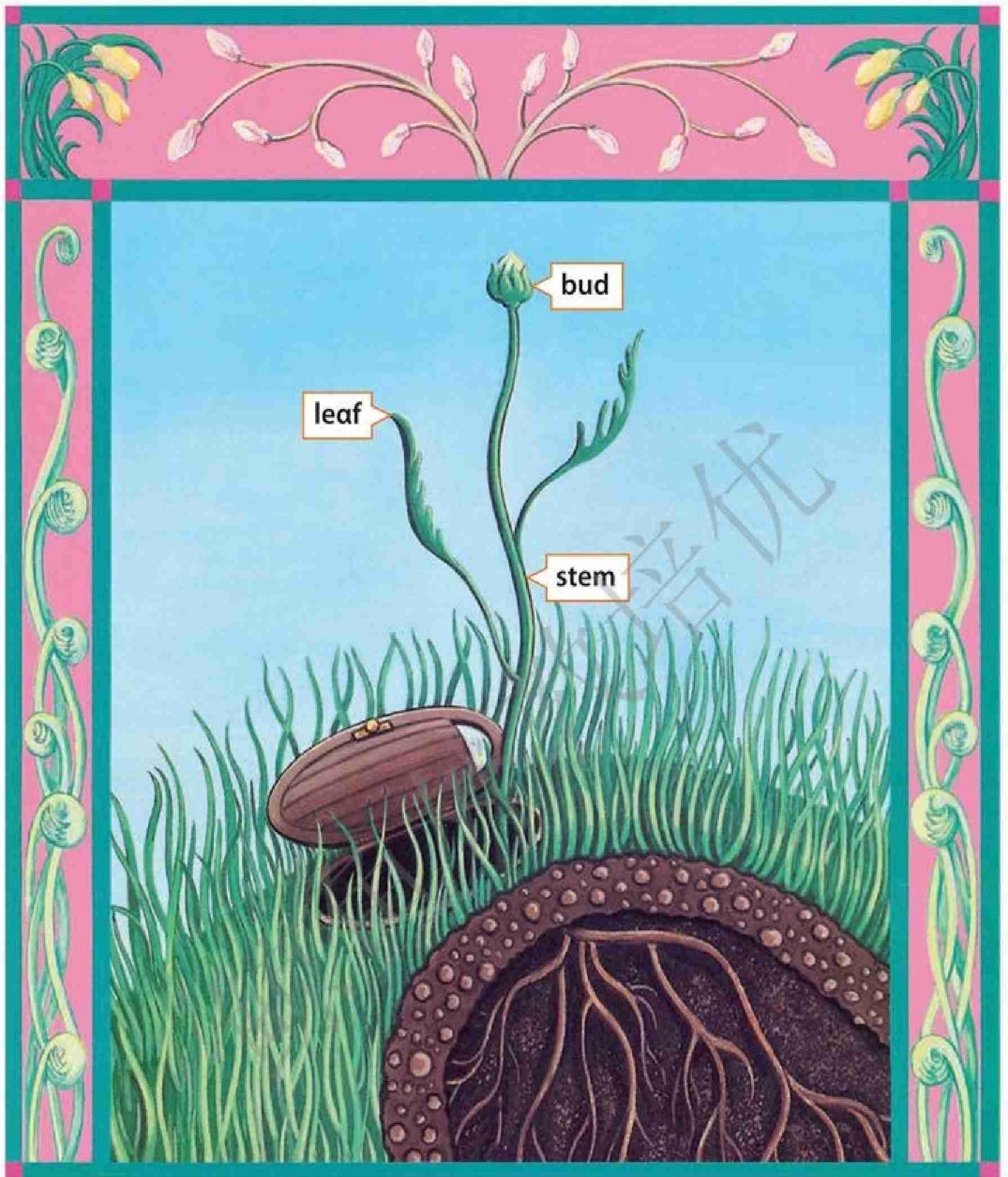
The little **seed** goes back to sleep.



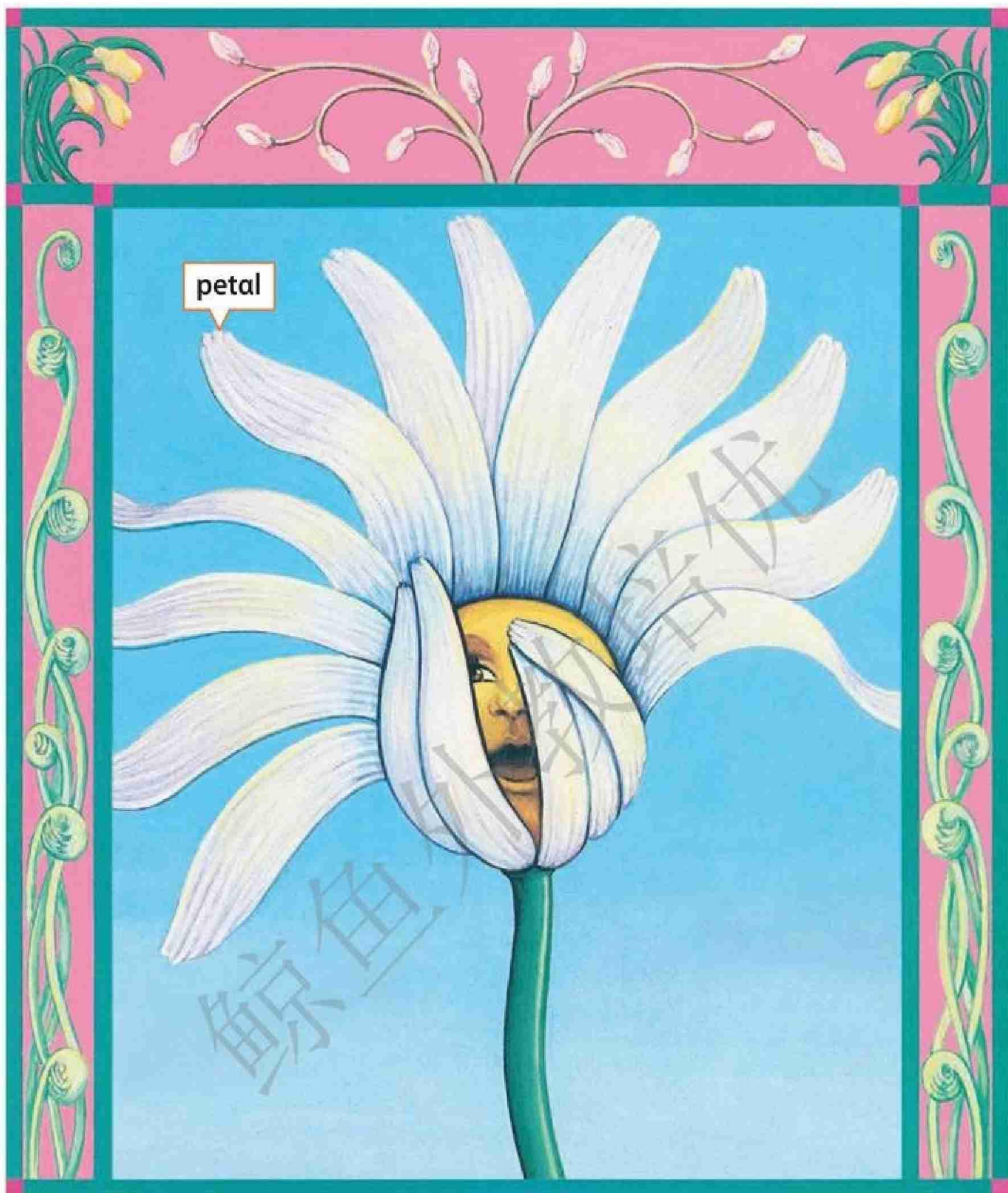
Time passes. The **sun** rises.
More rain falls.



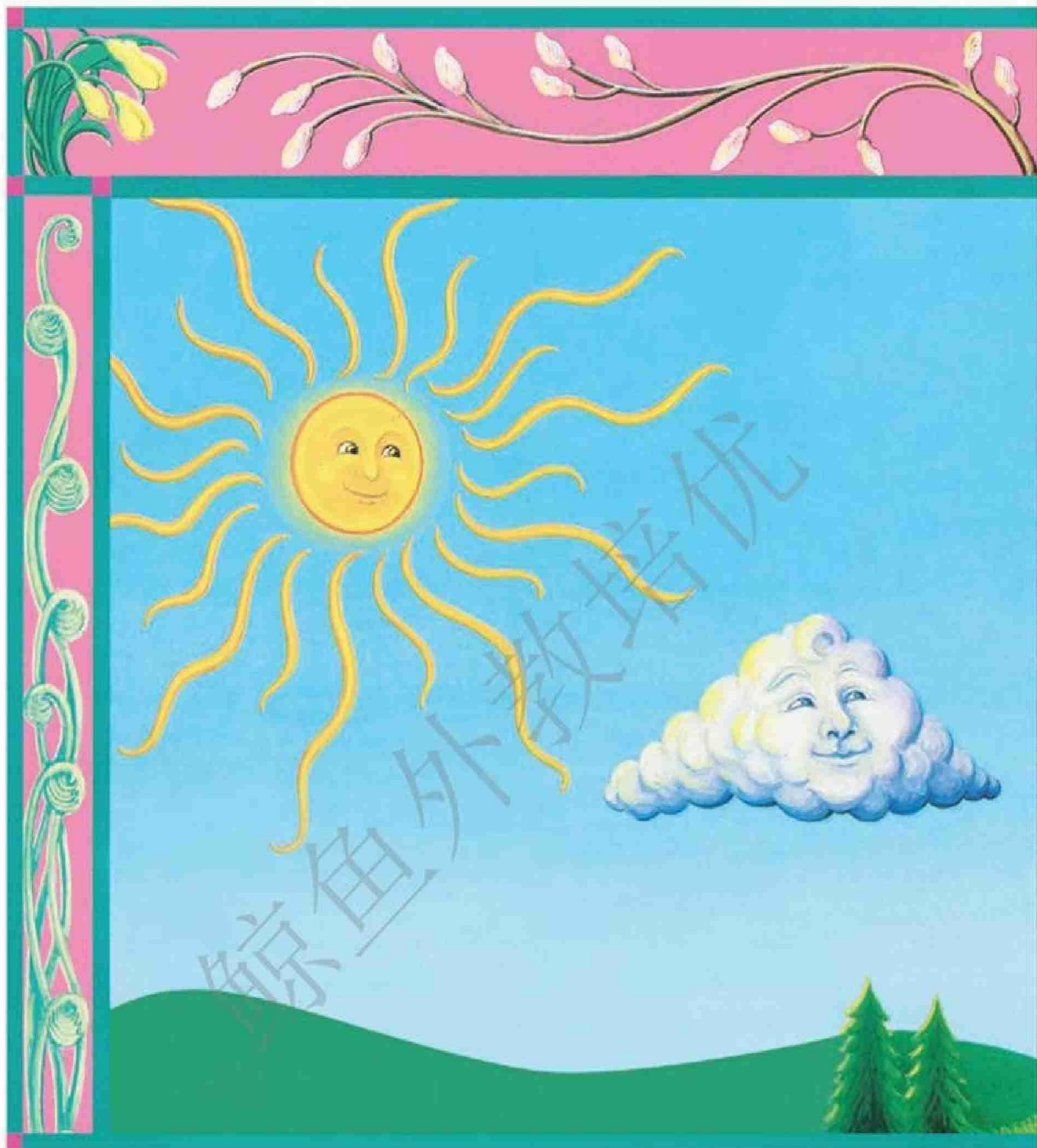
The **sun** and the rain knock on the
little **seed's** door.



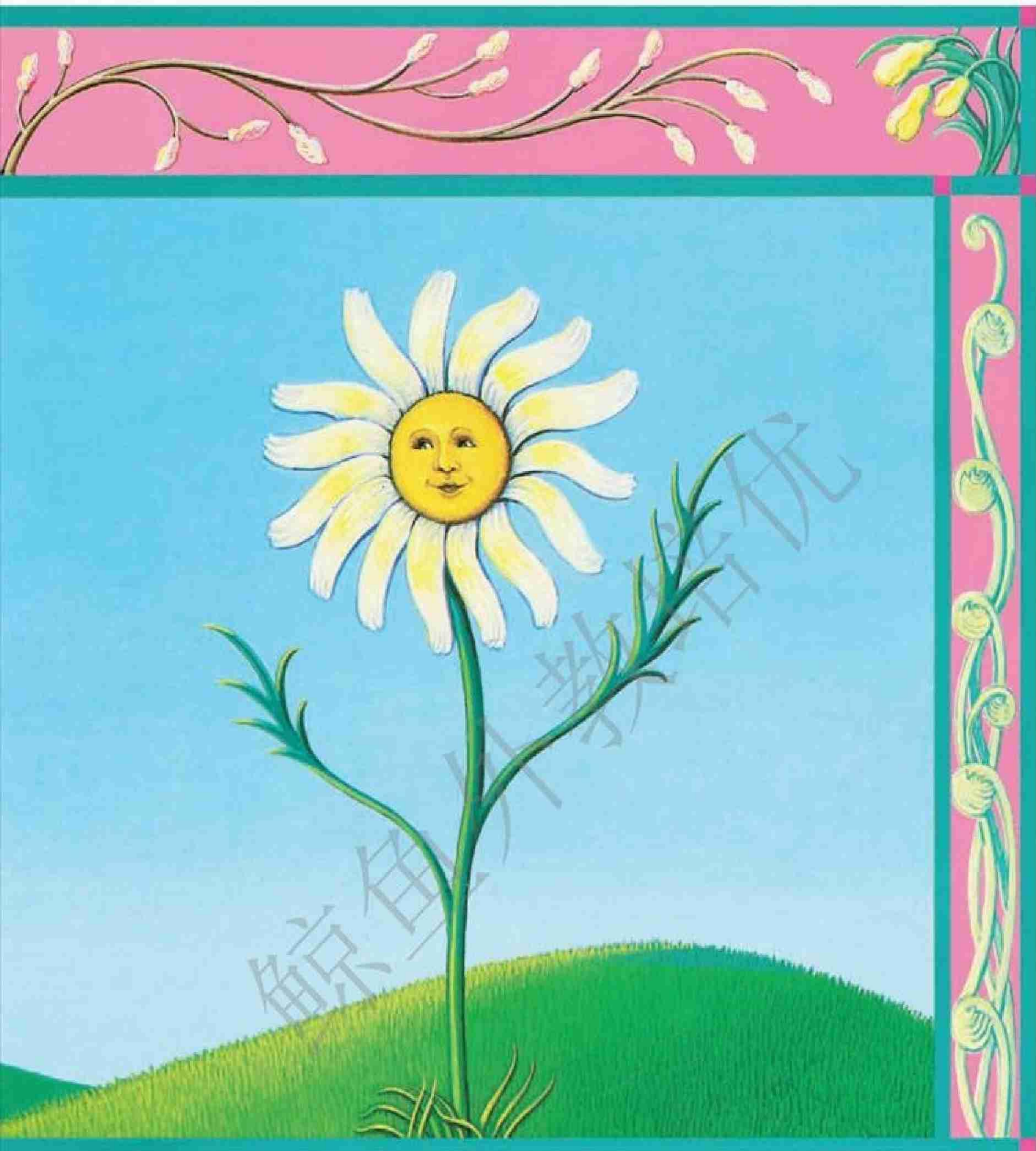
The door opens. A **leaf** grows. Then
a little **bud** grows.



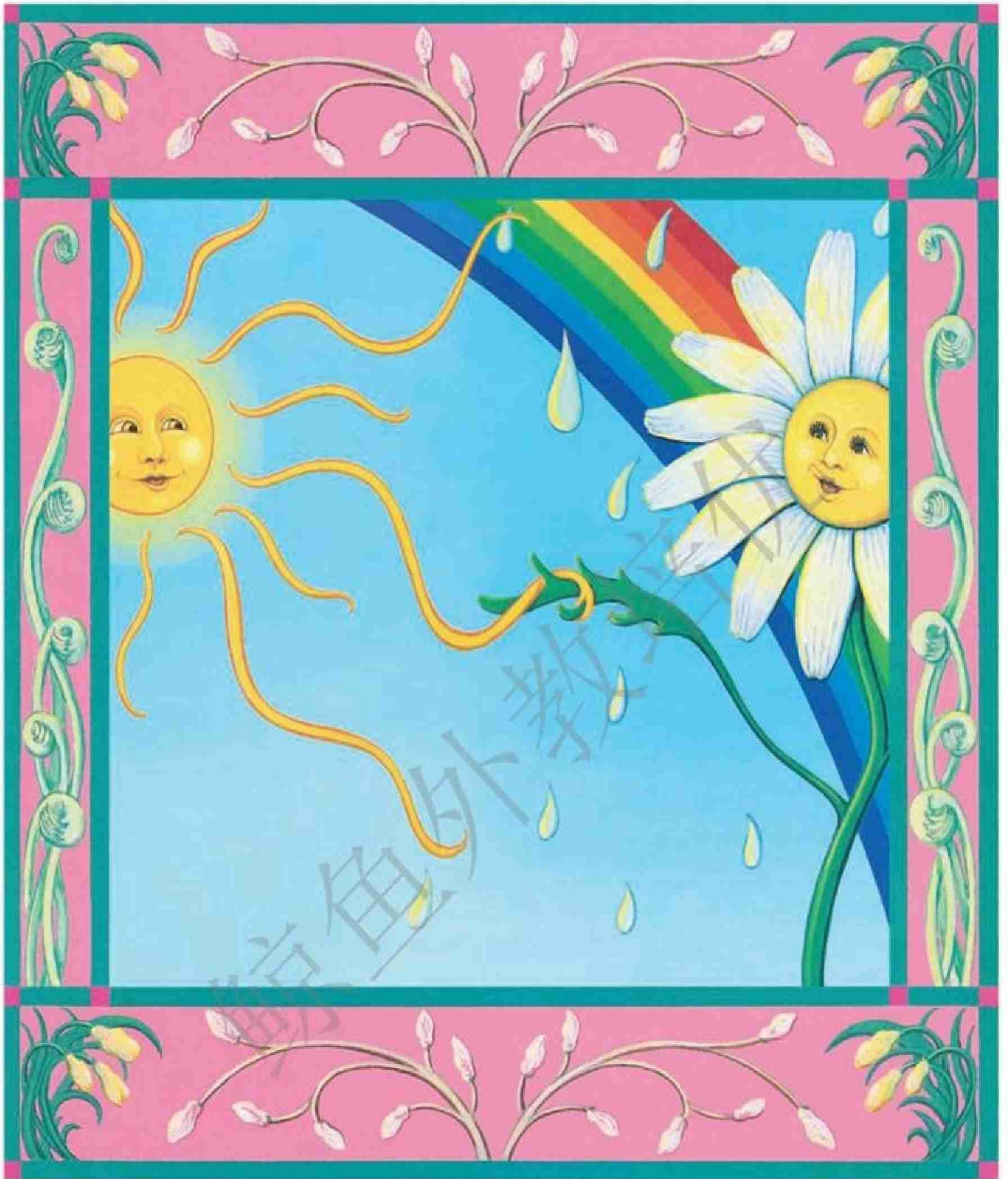
One **petal** opens. Then many more open!



The little daisy smiles.



The daisy says hello to her friends.
She is **ready** to play now.



The **sun**, the rain, and
the daisy play together. ❖

Meet the Author

Lada Josefa Kratky

Lada Josefa Kratky grew up in Uruguay. Today she lives in California.

Lada writes books in both English and Spanish. She has written many wonderful folk tales!



▲ Lada Josefa Kratky

Writing Tip

Find details that Lada Josefa Kratky uses to describe how a seed grows into a flower. How do the details help you understand what happens?

Talk About It



1. What does the little **seed** grow up to be?

The little seed grows up to be a ____.

2. Why do the **sun** and the raindrop knock at the little seed's door?

They want the little seed to ____.

3. How do the sun and the raindrop help the little seed?

They give her ____.

Write About It



What does a seed need in order to grow?

Write one sentence. Read it aloud.

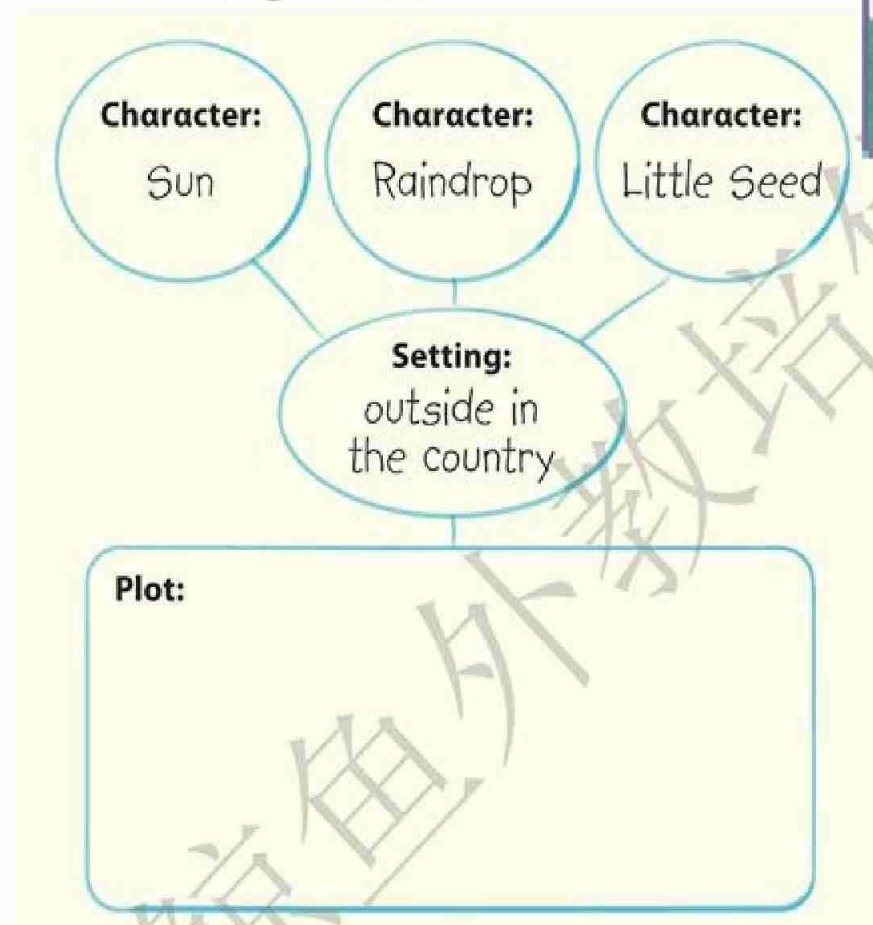
A seed needs the sun to grow.



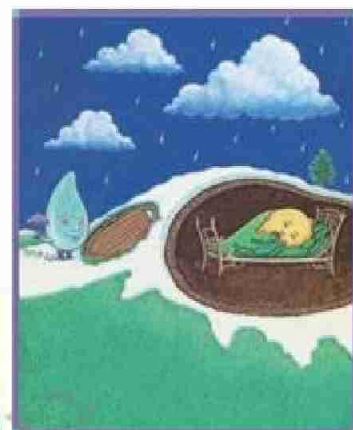
Identify Plot

Complete the chart for "The Daisy."

Character-Setting-Plot Chart



A diagram of a Character-Setting-Plot Chart. It features three circles at the top, each containing a character name: "Character: Sun", "Character: Raindrop", and "Character: Little Seed". These circles are connected by lines to a central circle below them labeled "Setting: outside in the country". Below the setting circle is a large rectangular box labeled "Plot:" which is currently empty.



Use your character-setting-plot chart to describe what happens to the little **seed**.



The little seed will not play with the sun because she only wants to sleep.