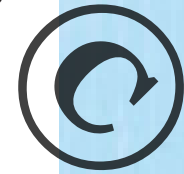




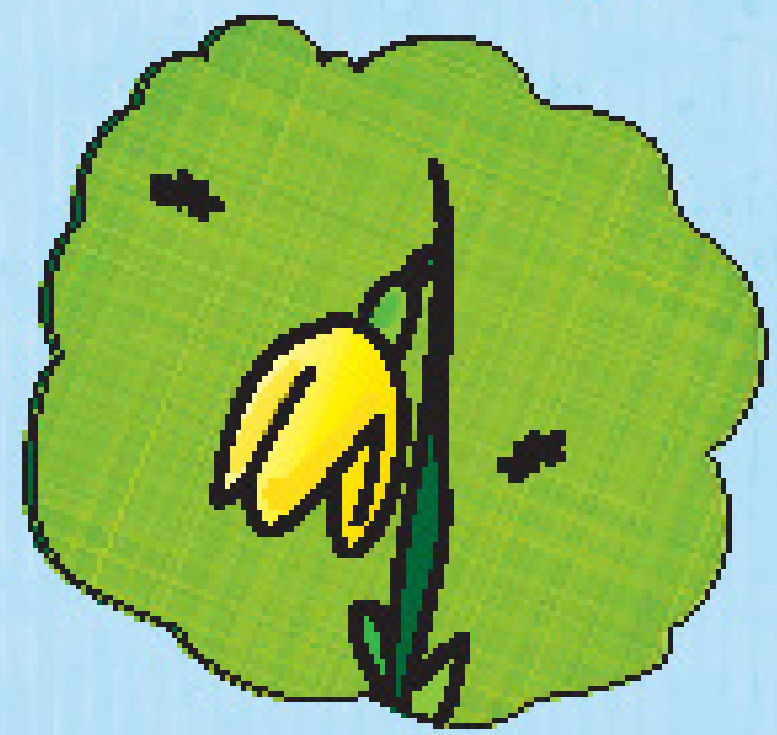
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Iris woke in her cool tunnel and gave a stretch, she was determined that today would be a new day. Today was the day that everyone would see her in a new way.

She had come up with a plan that would change her look for all to see; so she could make friends With Priscilla the Princess Bee.



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iris left at dawn and headed toward the grassy lawn. For her plan to work she needed a bright yellow flower; and in its pollen she would shower.



She would mask her dingy black with something better; then she could be friends with the bees-if they let her. With a new look covering her from head to toe, the fact she was a beetle, no one would know!



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Iris had it in her head that the bees wouldn't want a beetle for a friend, so she would become a bee instead! All she wanted was to belong; a Wanna-bee was that so wrong?



She came upon the perfect flower in the meadow and stood beneath it until she was covered with bright yellow. From what Iris could see, she looked beautiful, like a bee.

The final touch for her plan to succeed was to rub stripes in her middle with the leaf of a tree. Iris was quite a sight, she was sure she looked just right. She flew off in the direction of the hive; hoping her new make-up would survive.



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