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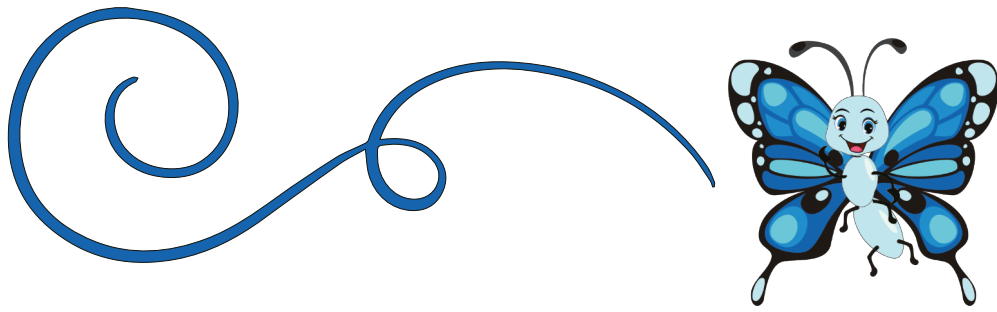
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It's a beautiful day.

Feodora and Gino have received bubbles from Gino's sister,
Maria.

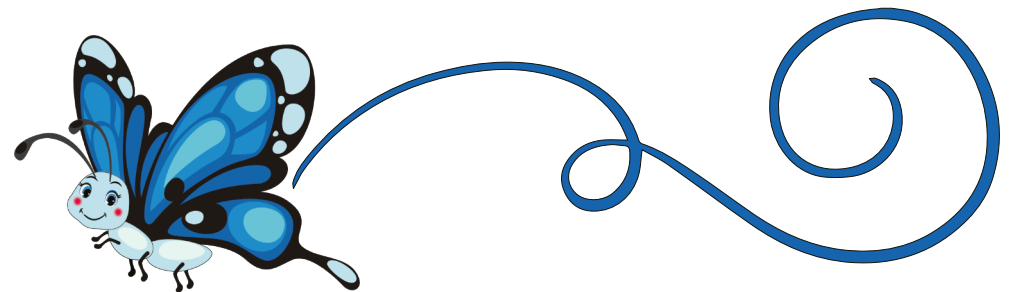
At the edge of the stream, they want to blow the biggest bubbles.

Feodora makes an especially big one.

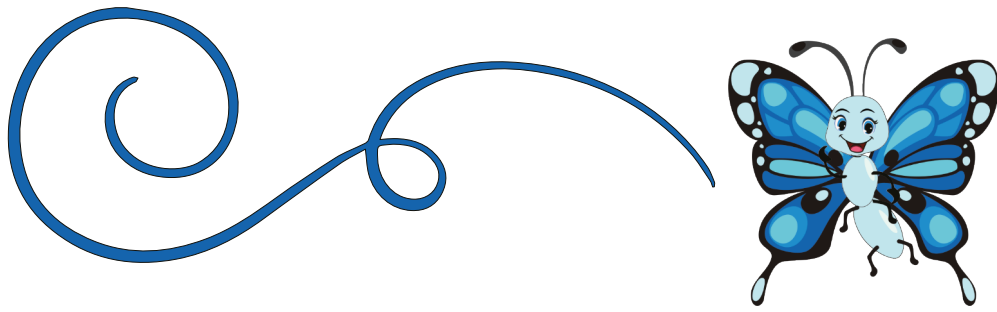
Oh, how it sparkles in the sun!

Both children are happy.

They blow and blow.







Gino blows many beautiful bubbles.

He calls, "Come on, Feodora! You have to catch them!"

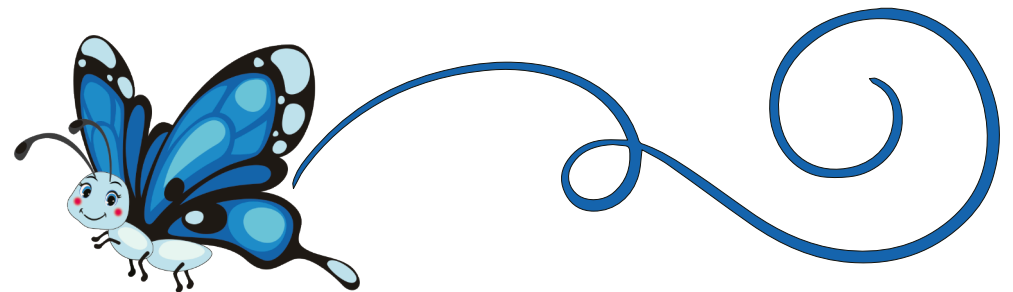
Excitedly, the dino-girl runs after the bubbles.

She stretches her head high into the air.

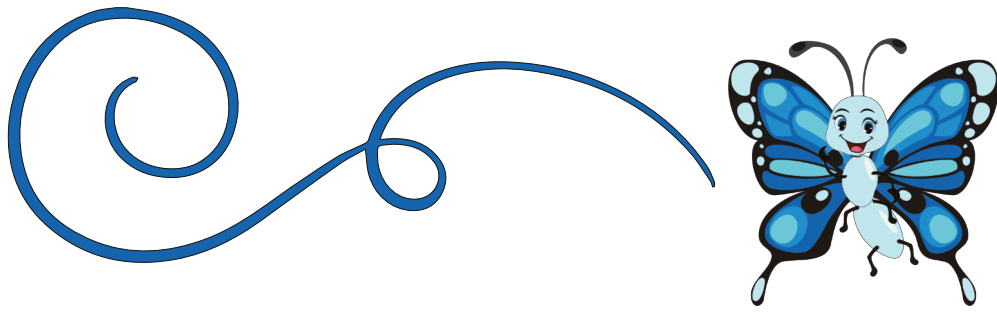
There, she catches one!

Feodora shouts, "Now it's flying into the tree! I can't reach it anymore!"

But what's that hanging from the branch, looking at her?







Feodora calls Gino.

She says, "Look, that's a cocoon! A butterfly is just about to hatch!"

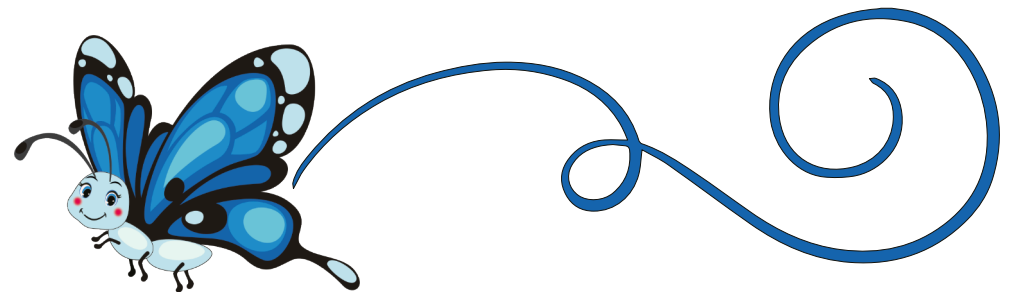
The children are amazed.

Gino says, "Look how hard it's trying!"

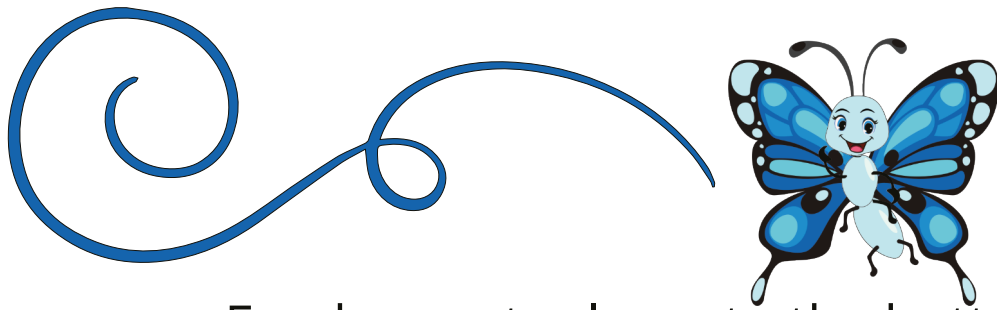
Feodora says, "There! It's almost done! I'm so excited to see what it looks like."

The butterfly wiggles a little more.

And finally, it's out of the cocoon.







Feodora gets closer to the butterfly.

She says, "Its wings are still stuck together. It needs to dry first.
Only then can it fly."

Gino is amazed.

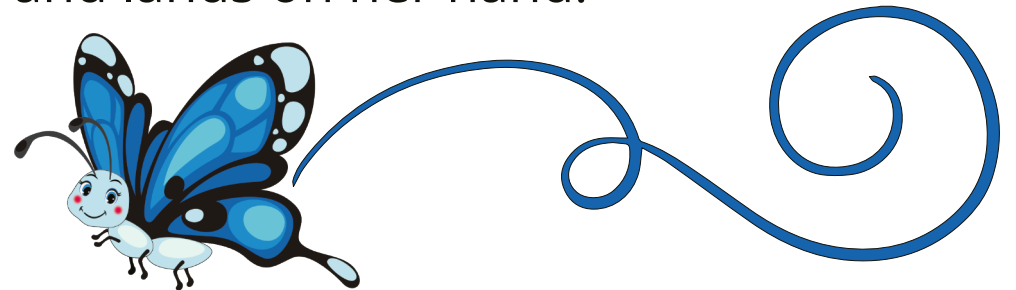
He wonders how much Feodora knows.

She loves little crawlers.

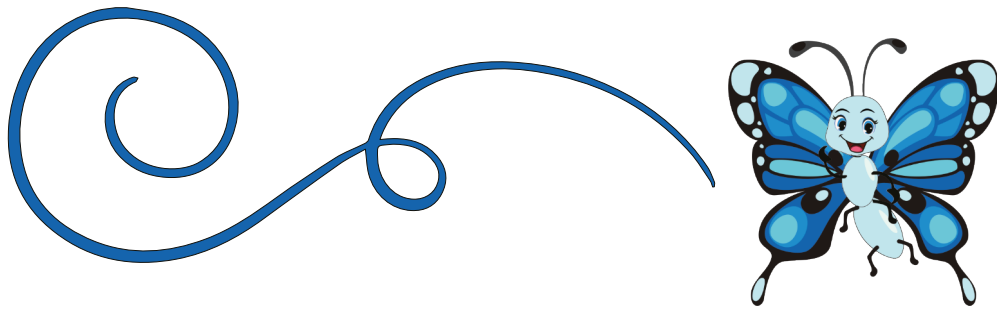
That's why she knows so much about them.

Feodora says to the butterfly, "Come onto my hand! I'll blow you
dry."

The butterfly seems to understand and lands on her hand.







Feodora blows and blows.

Suddenly, the butterfly spreads its wings in all their glory.

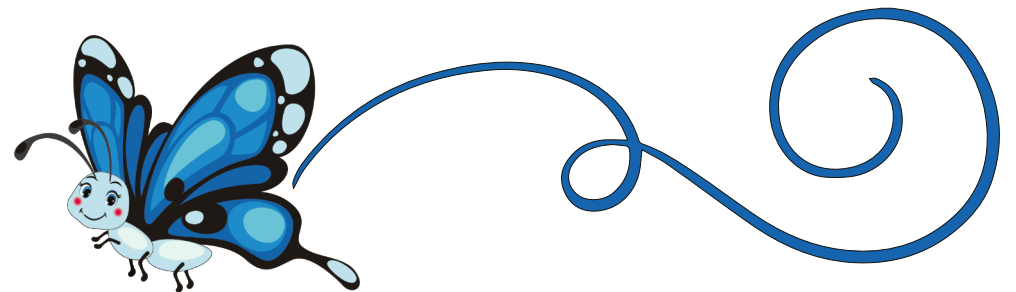
Both children are amazed.

They are speechless, she is so beautiful.

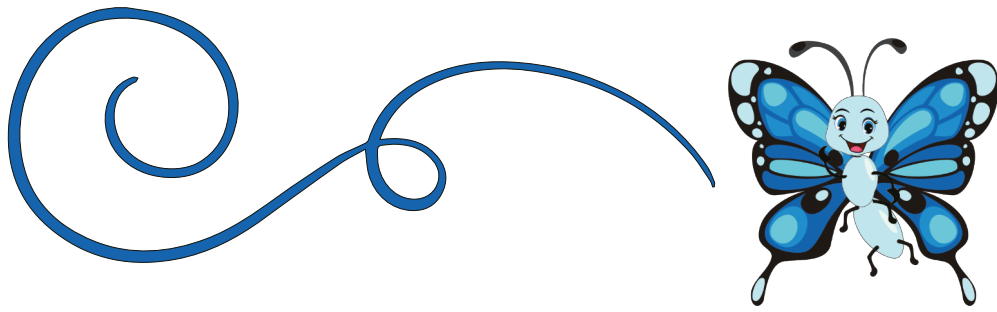
When Gino finds his voice again, he says in awe, "Bella! That's Italian and means 'Beauty'."

Feodora says, "You're right! She really is a beauty. So let's call her Bella!"

Both children are happy.







Feodora says, "You are really such a beautiful girl!"

Gino says, "Bella looks like a queen."

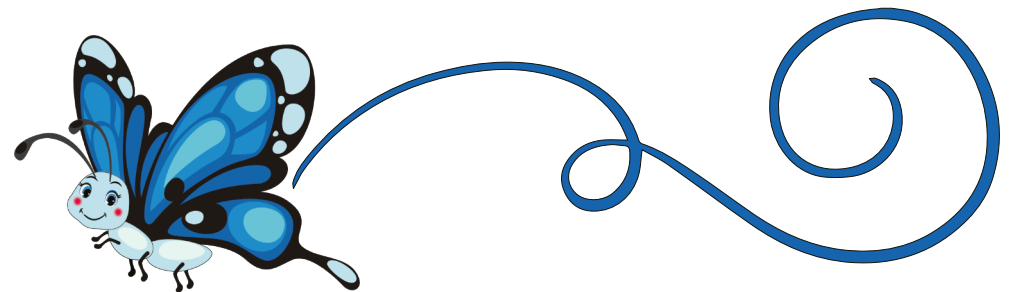
Feodora replies, "You're right! She is the queen of butterflies!"

The butterfly girl becomes shy.

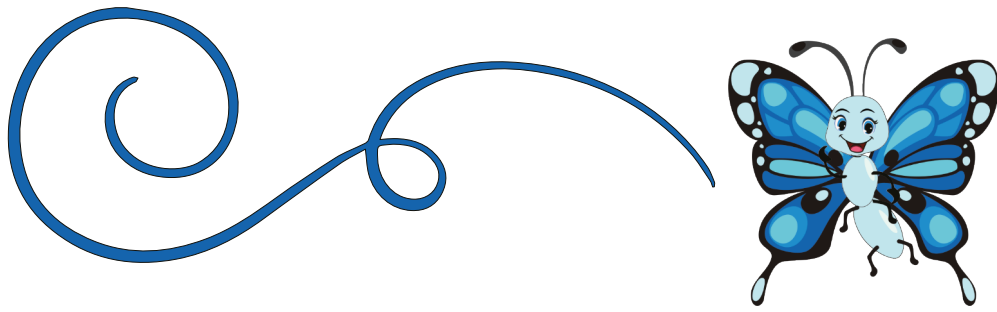
She gets bright red cheeks.

Gino says, "Put her on a rock by the water.

Then she can see for herself how beautiful she is!"







Feodora says, "Now see for yourself how beautiful you are!"

Bella can't stop admiring her reflection in the water.

She turns from side to side.

She marvels at herself from every angle.

Gino says, "I think she's looked at herself enough now!"

Feodora wants to put her back on her hand.

But Bella doesn't want to.

She prefers to keep looking at herself.

She's completely in love with her own reflection.

