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One morning, an egg dropped from the sky.

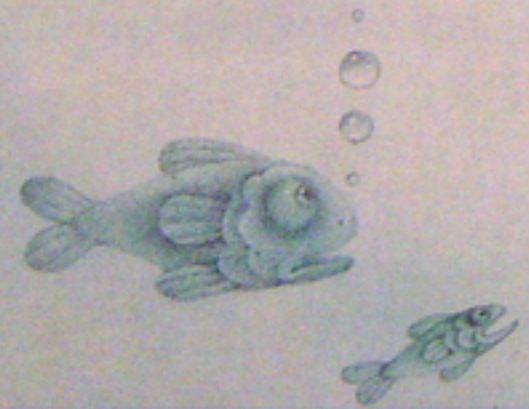
It fell down, down, into the deep, dark ocean and landed on the bottom. The water rocked it, and the quiet voices of the fish comforted it. Soon, a tiny crack appeared in the egg, which spread until the shell broke in two...

The baby creature looked at the watery world and called out for his mother and father. But the only reply was the welcoming murmur of the fish.

"Where is my family?" asked the creature. "And what am I?"

"We're not sure," the fish said. "Perhaps you're a fish – after all, you have scales and fins, like us."

The fish felt sorry for the baby creature, so they built him a house of shells and fed him meals of seaweed.

Soon the creature grew and grew until the fins on his back became tiny wings and the shell house was too small for him.

"I am not a fish," he said, looking at his wings. "I need to go and find my family who love me and my home where I belong."