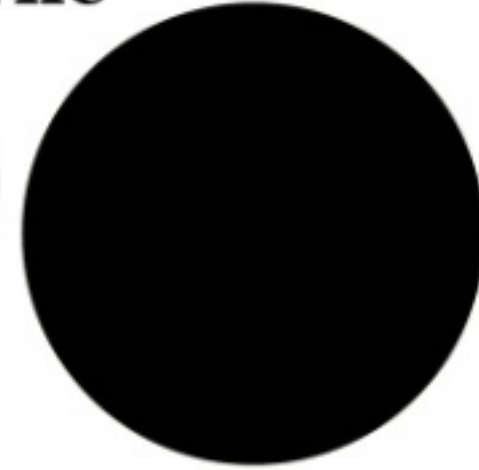


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There was a spot.




It was a small spot.



Its mummy was bigger.

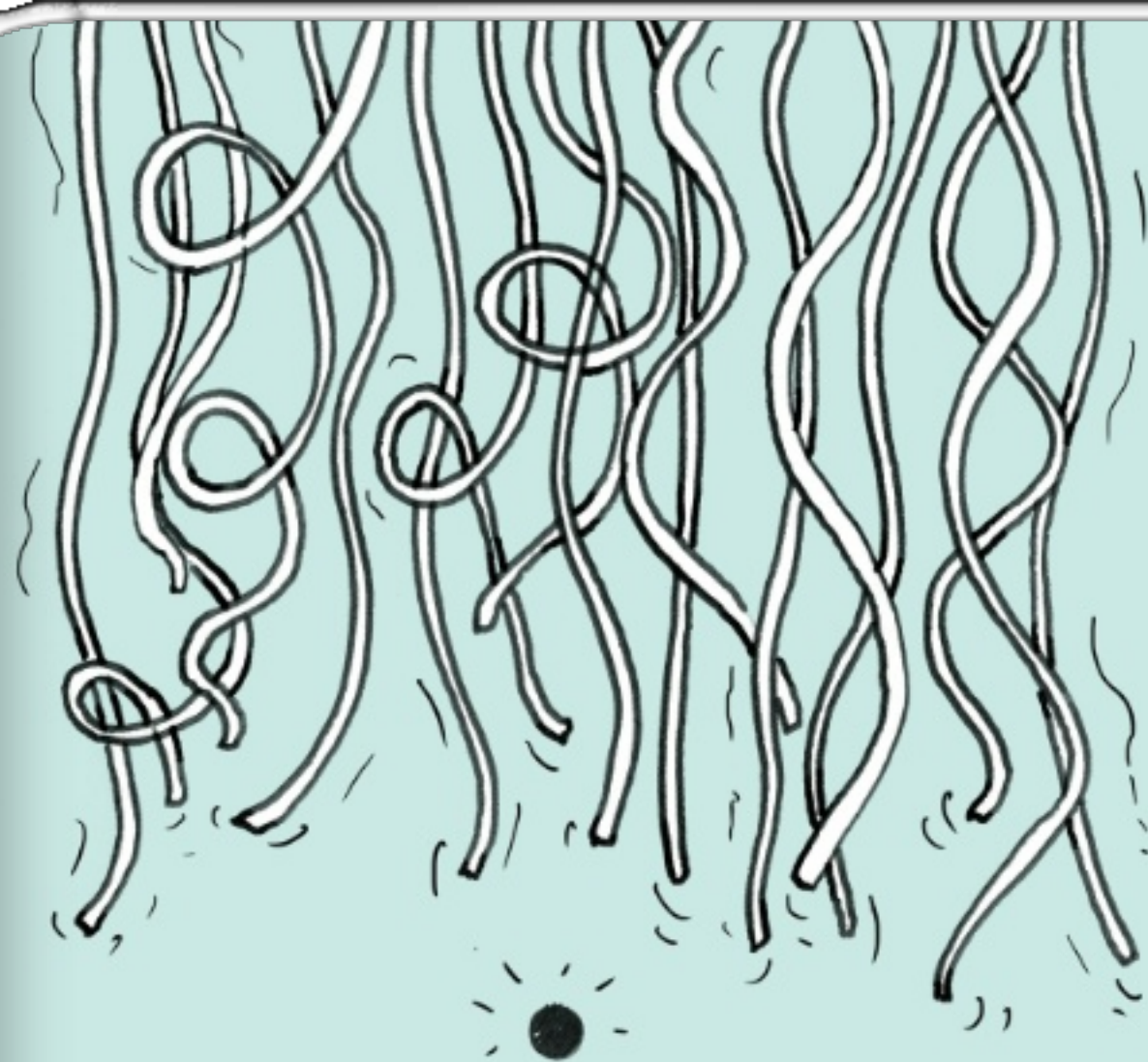




“You’re a very small spot,” said the spot’s mummy.

“You really should be growing and getting bigger. I’m going to give you more to eat..different things. Just stay here...”

And with that she went off.



“Aaagh!” shouted the spot, “Help! Mummy!”

“Calm down,” said his mummy, “It’s just spaghetti. You’ll like it.”


“I don’t think so.”

“Go on. Try it.”

The spot tried it.



“Yeuch!” said the spot.
And the spot spat.

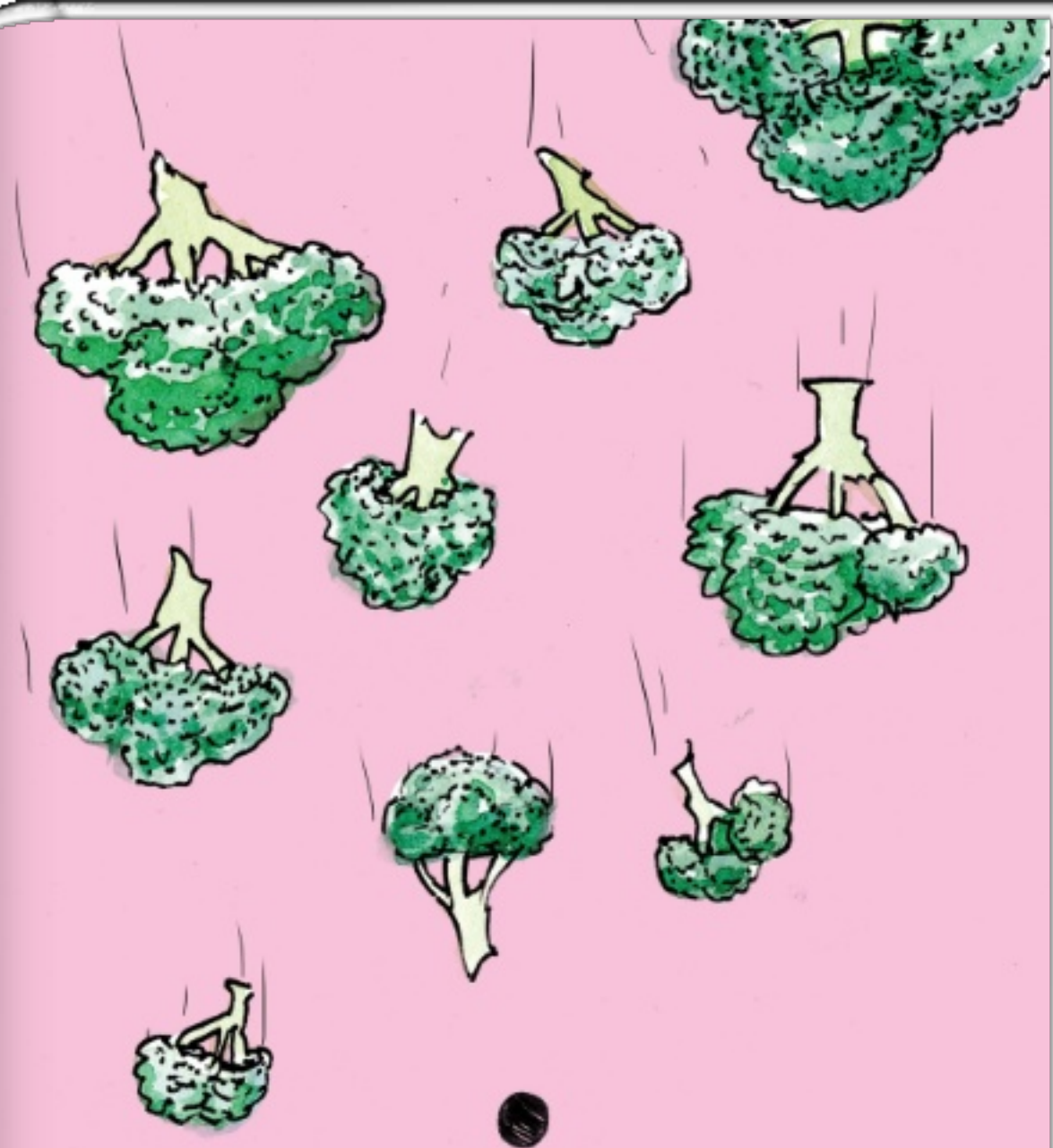


“Spot! Don’t do that!” said its mummy. “That’s very impolite. Now try this.”

“What’s this?” asked the spot.

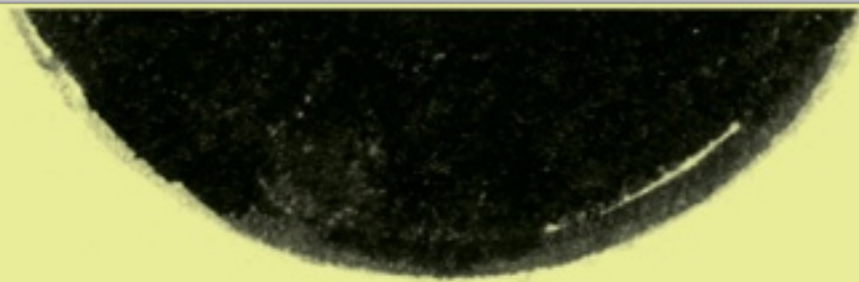
“Broccoli. It’s yummy. Try it, you’ll like it.”

The spot tried it.





“Yeuch!” said the spot.
And the spot spat.



“Son spot! Will you stop that!
Come on, you have to eat
something. Now try these...”

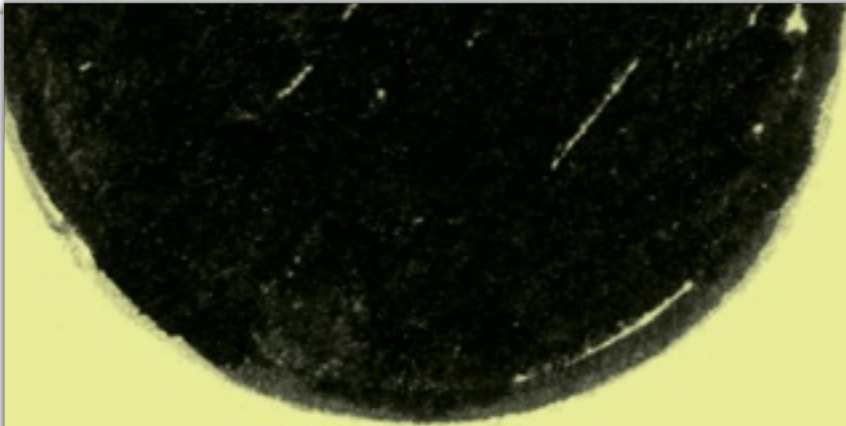


“Ouch!” said the spot. “Careful!”
“These are beans. Try them. You’ll
like them.”
The spot tried them.



“Yeuch!” said the spot.
And the spot spat.






“Listen,” said its mummy, “you have to eat something or you won’t grow. You don’t want to end up like Bob do you?”

“Who’s Bob?” said the spot.

“Bob’s your uncle. You remember...”

“Oh, yes. Uncle Bob. The black spot of the family.”

“Well, he has no one to blame but himself,” said the spot's mummy.



“He wouldn’t eat his food and he didn’t grow. What else could he be but a full stop? You don’t want to end up like Uncle Bob do you? A full stop?”

The spot shrugged.

“But you could be anything! A musical note for instance! How wonderful that would be! But you’ve got to grow bigger. Now,... eat these...”

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