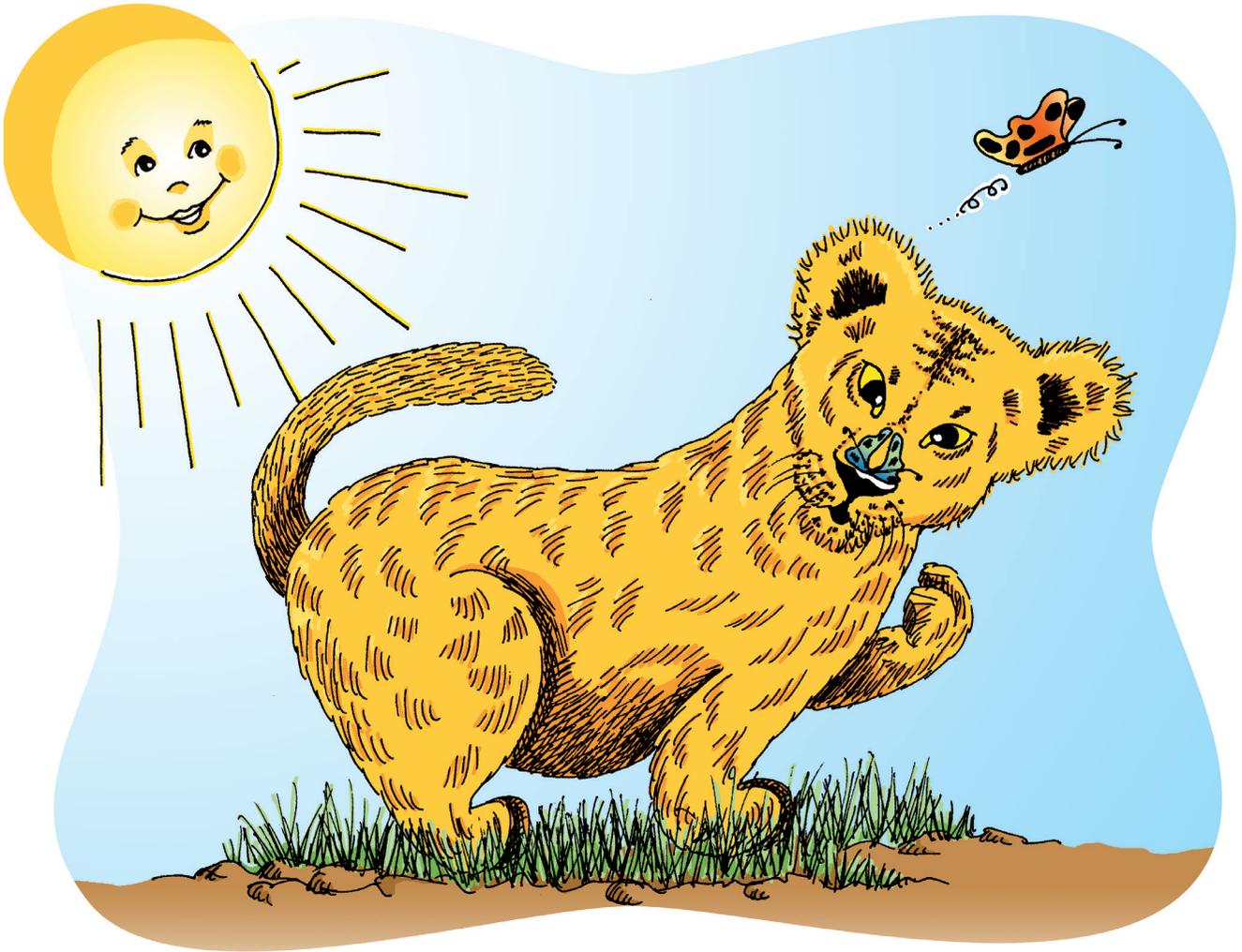


Tubb, the Cub



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Letter sound /b/

Green Words (Phonetic):

back	big	but	sobs
bad	bit	cubs	Tubb
bats	bugs	fun	Tubb's

Red Words (Sight):

be	me	play
have	ow	want

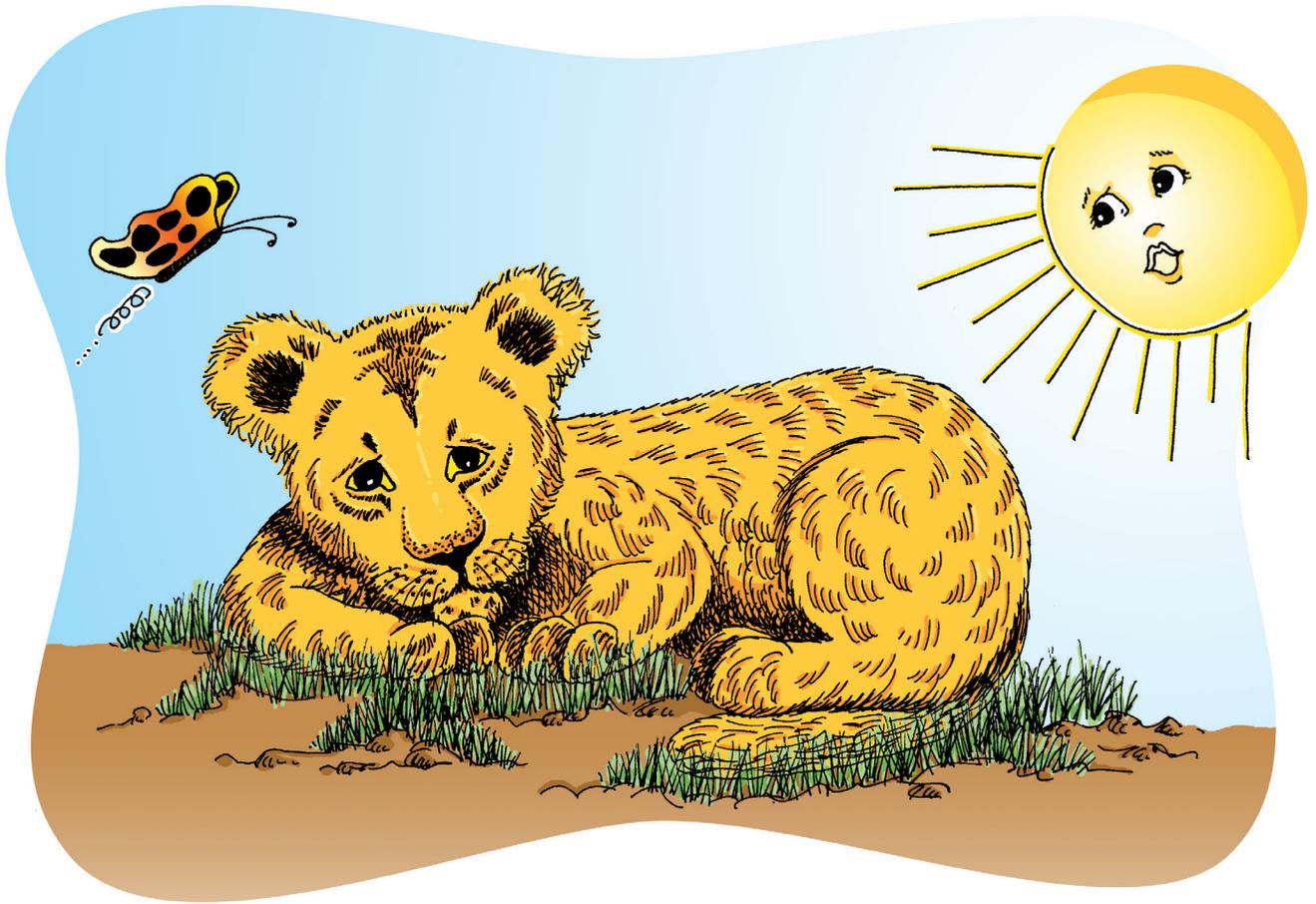
Practice reading these sentences.

A big, bad bug nips Tubb.

It nips a bat.

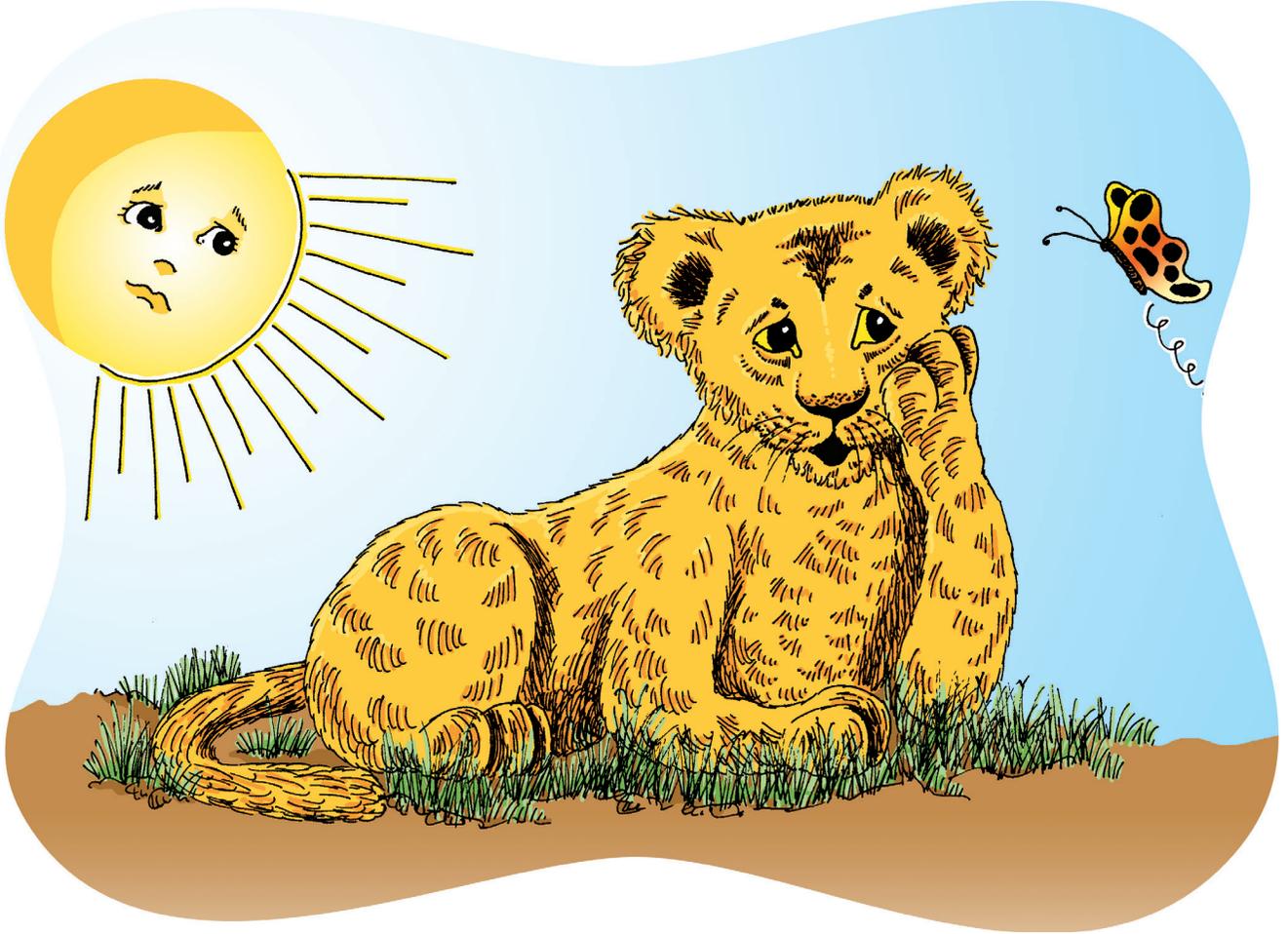
Tubb says, "I am big and bad."

One day Mr. Jefferson told Matt's class a story. It was a story about a lion cub who thought he was bigger and tougher than he really was.



Tubb is a  cub.
lion
Tubb is sad.

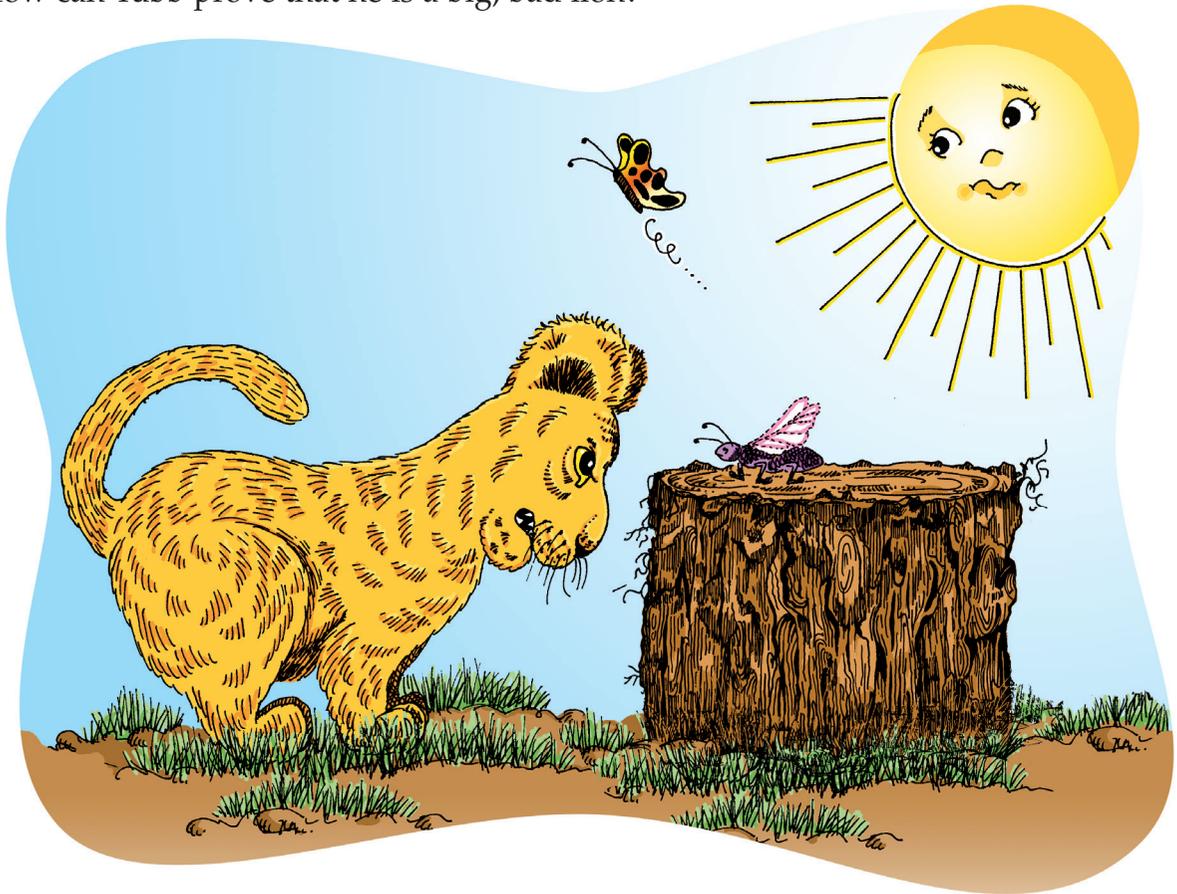
Why do you think Tubb is sad?



“I do not want to be a cub,”
Tubb sobs.

“I want to be a big, bad .”
lion

How can Tubb prove that he is a big, bad lion?



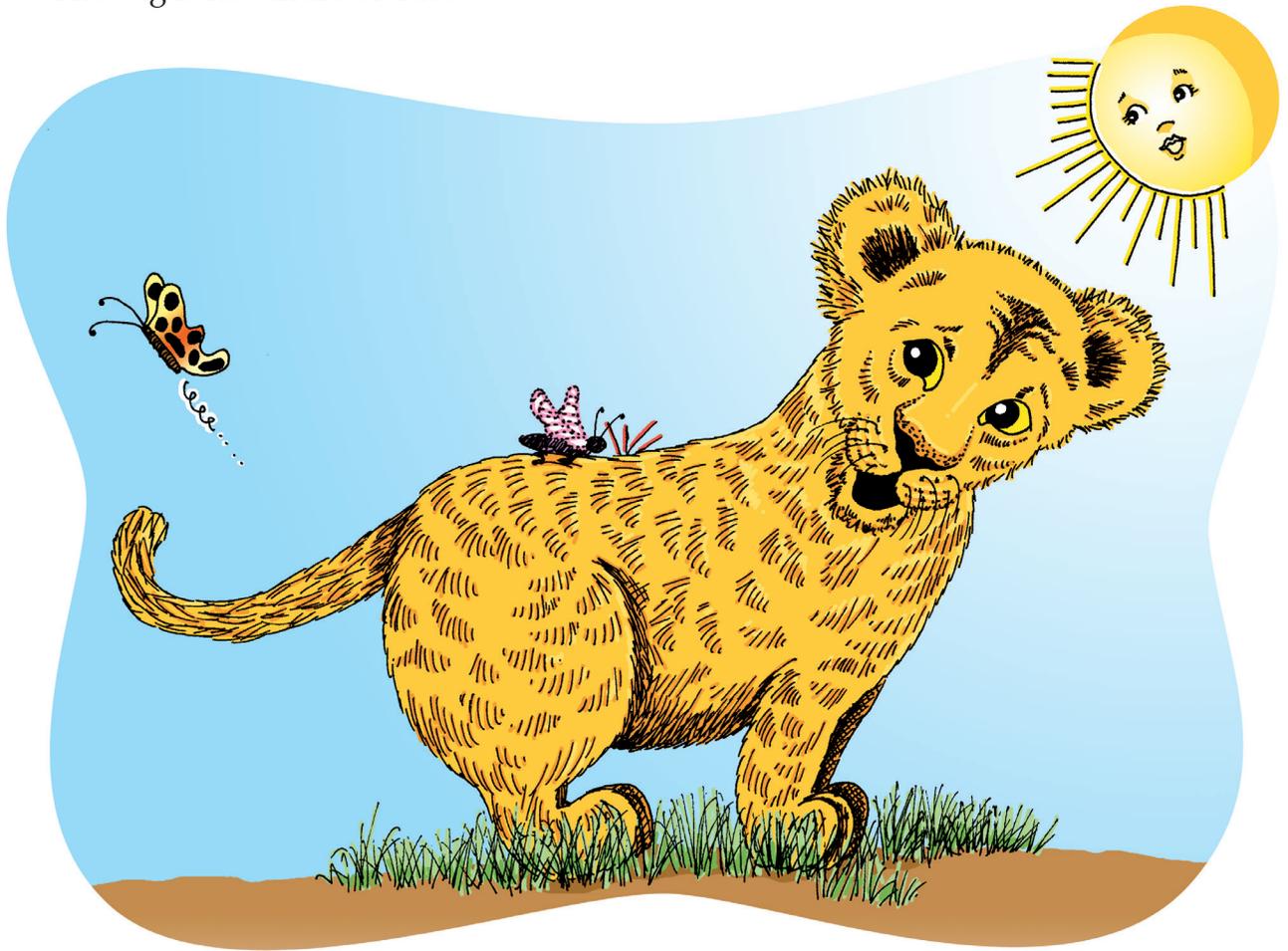
Tubb sees a bug.
Tubb says,
“I am big.
I am **BAD**.
I am a  .”
lion

Do you think the bug is afraid of Tubb?



The bug says,
“I am not big.
But I am **BAD.**”

The bug is not afraid of Tubb.



The bug nips Tubb on the back.
“Ow!” says Tubb.

The bug bites Tubb! That hurts! Next, Tubb sees a bat. A bat is like a mouse with wings.

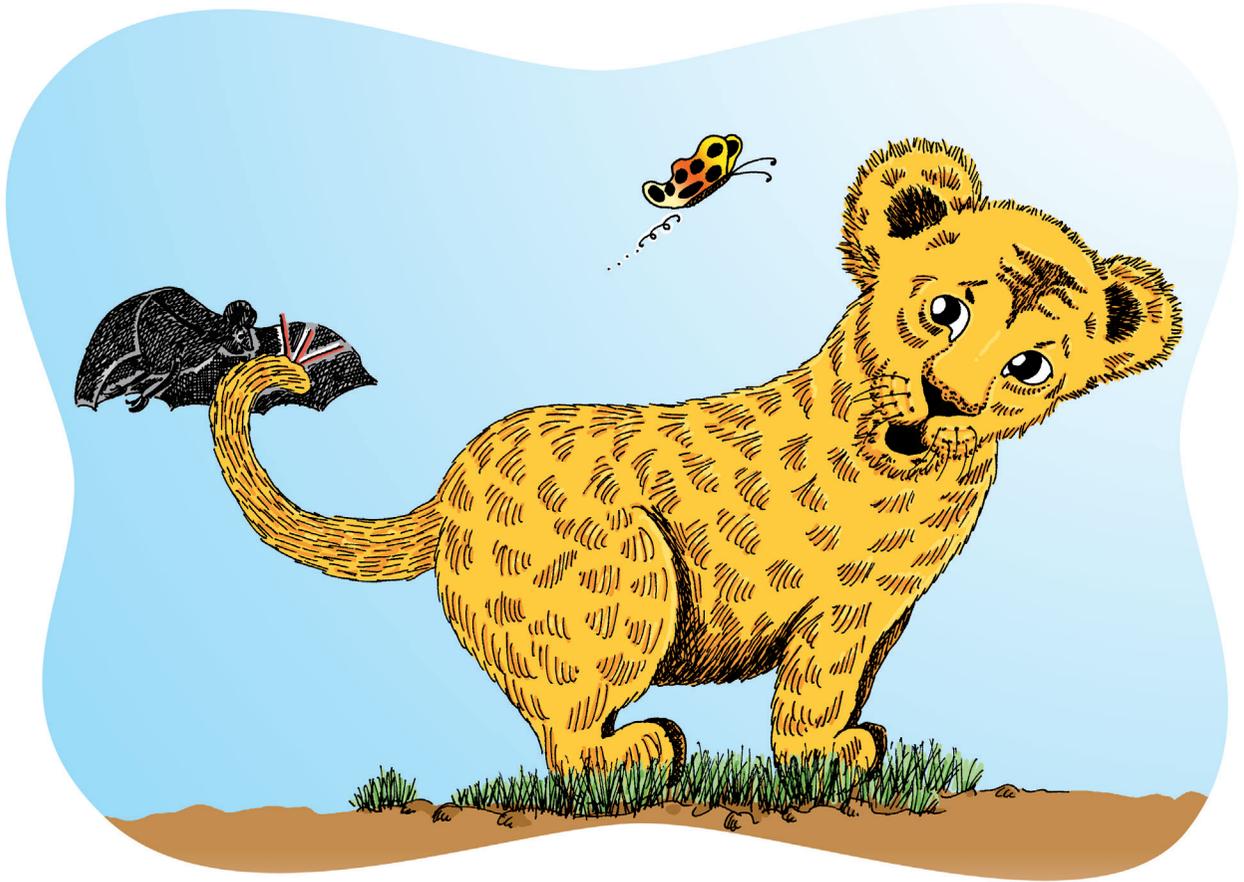


Tubb sees a bat.
Tubb says,
“I am big.
I am BAD.
I am a .”
lion

Do you think the bat is afraid of Tubb?

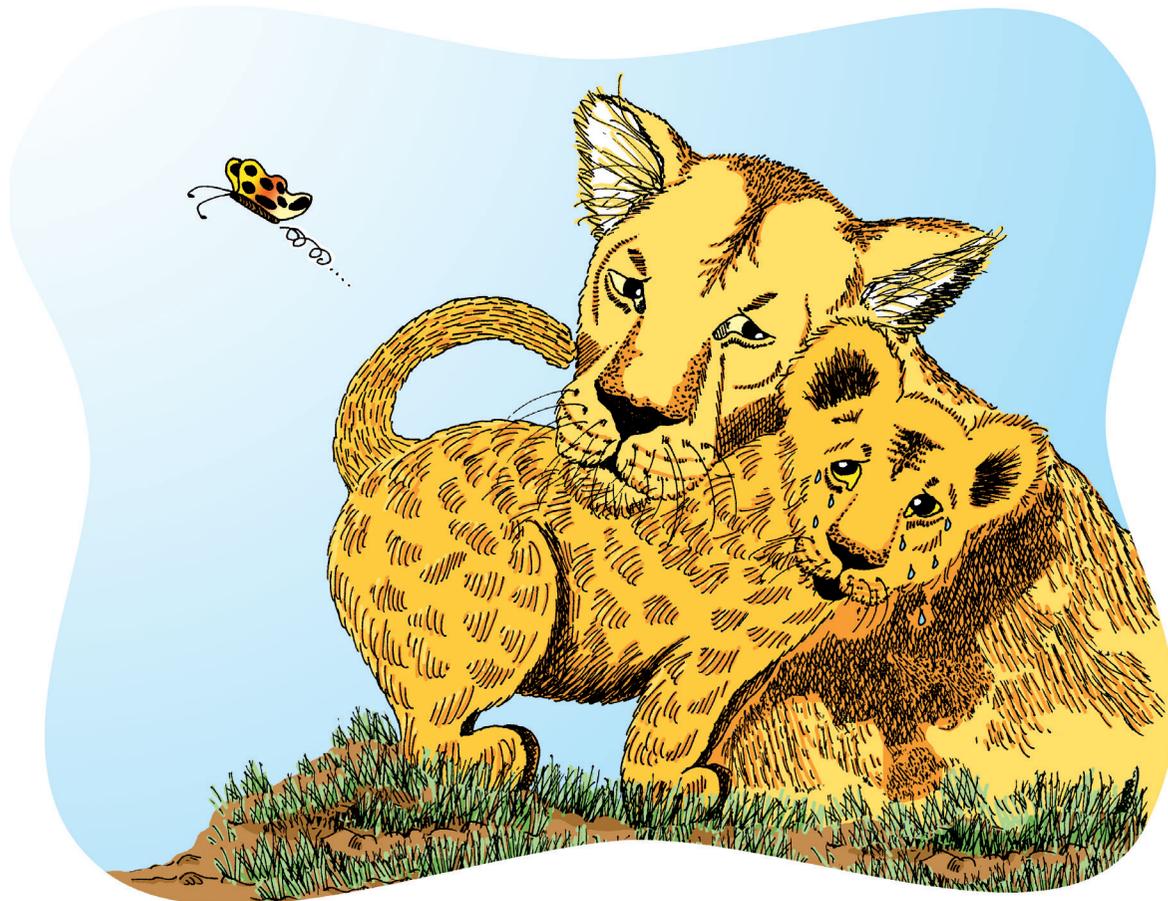


The bat says,
“I am not big.
But I am **BAD.**”



The bat nips Tubb on the  tail .
“Ow!” says Tubb.

Tubb is having a terrible day. No one is afraid of him, and everyone is biting him.



“Mom! Mom!” sobs Tubb.

“The bug bit me.

The bat bit me.

I do not like bugs and bats!”

Tubb's mom says:



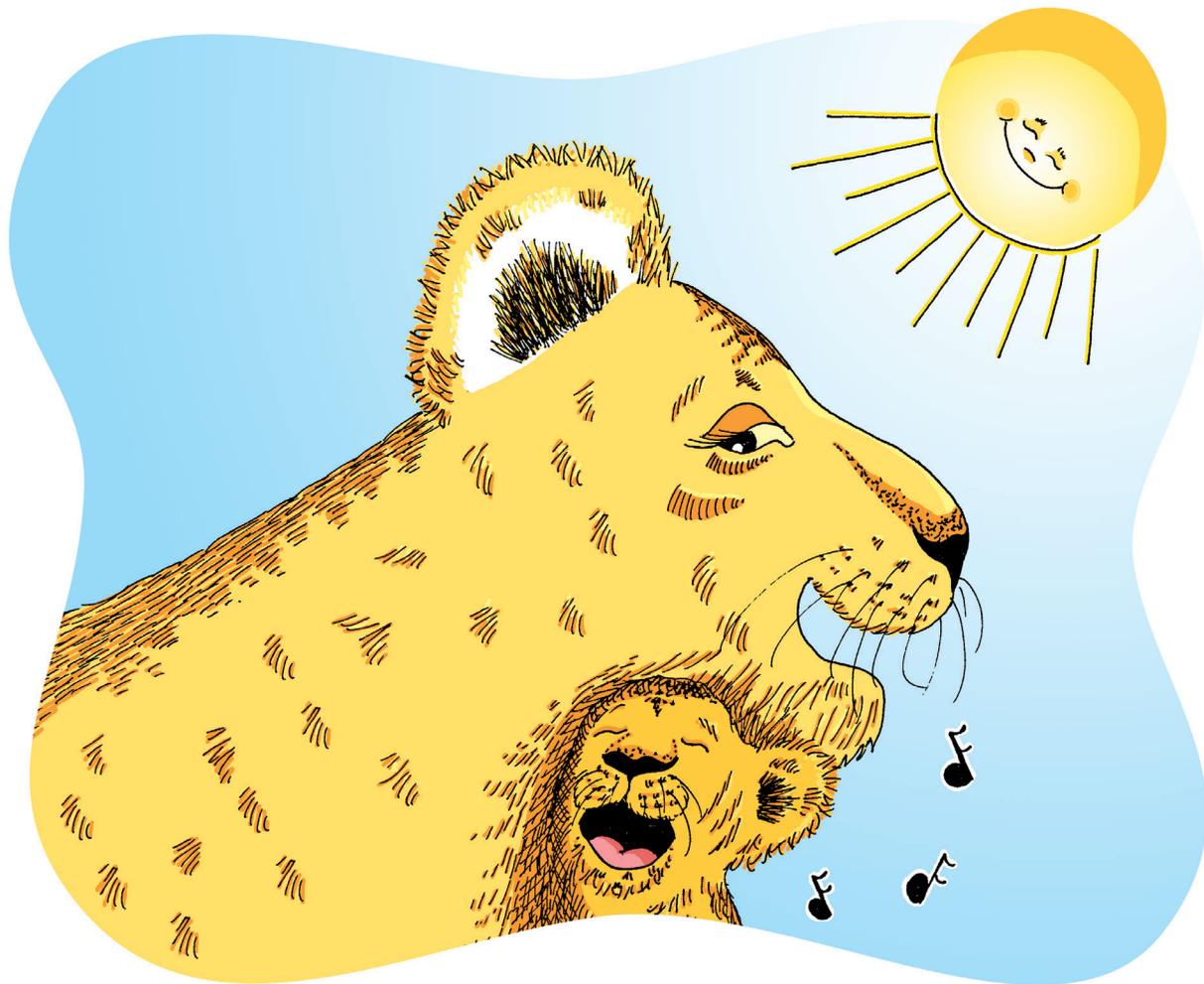
“You are not big.
You are not bad.
You are a cub.”

Tubb's mom sings him a song about what cubs can do.



“Cubs can play tag.
Cubs can run.
Cubs can dig.
Cubs have fun!

Tubb snuggles up to his mom with a yawn as she finishes her song.



And cubs can nap,
with Mom,
in the sun!”

1. Tubb did not like the _____.

2. Did a dog nip the bat?

yes

no

3. Was Tubb big and bad?

yes

no

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