

Christina Rossetti was a poet from the Victorian time. She wrote beautiful poems about love and the beauty of nature. Her famous poems include *Goblin Market* and *Remember*.

SUMMARY

The poem teaches us to be kind towards all small creatures. It reminds us not to harm insects like ladybirds, butterflies, worms and crickets, as they never harm us.

New Words

- **cheerily**: happily and in a joyful way
- **gnat**: tiny flying insect



gnat

- **beetle**: a small insect
- **creep**: to move slowly and quietly



beetle

Exercise

[Use **Cordova Smart Class Software** on the smart board in class to do these exercises.]

(According to NEP Guidelines)

UNDERSTANDING THE POEM

A. Read the poem again. Fill in the blanks to complete the given sentences.

You may use the Help Box.

1. The poem tells us not to hurt any insects.
2. The moth has dusty wings.
3. The cricket chirps cheerily in the poem.
4. The poet calls the worms as harmless.

Help Box

harmless
insects
dusty
chirps

B. Answer these questions.

1. Which insects are mentioned in the poem?
2. How does the cricket sound in the poem?
3. Which insect is light of leap?
4. Why do you think we should not hurt small creatures?

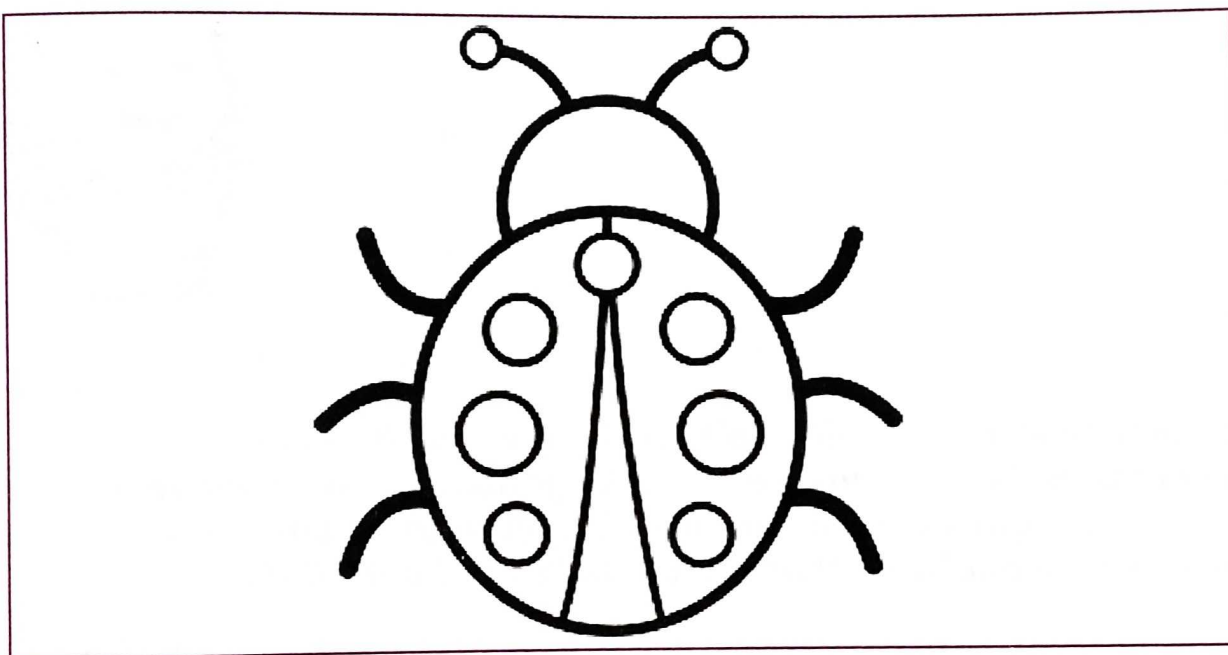
ENJOYING THE POEM

Read the given lines in Column A. Match them with their correct meanings in Column B.

Column A	Column B
hurt no living thing	tiny worms that moves slowly and quietly
cricket chirping cheerily	not harming any living creature
worms that creep	cricket making a happy sound

➤ GOING FURTHER

Colour the given picture.



Now, speak two sentences about it.

➤ POEM IN MY LIFE

All students to stand in a circle. Now, take the given pledge.

Kindness Pledge for Small Creatures

*I promise to be kind and true,
Protect small creatures, old and new.
I will not harm, I will not scare,
I'll show them love and gentle care!*