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The Caterpillar Sketch

Characters:

Annie, an outgoing, 'look on the bright side' caterpillar from Arkansas (modelled on Anna the prophetess in Luke 2)

Zach, a tired caterpillar from Dorset, who has resigned himself to the likelihood that his dull life will not change (modelled on Zechariah from Luke 1)

Table and two chairs centre stage.

Enter Annie, faces audience and introduces herself

A: Hi there, my name is Annie and I'm a caterpillar. I've come to have a cup of coffee here in the Kleepikrawly Café. *(Sits down and slurps from an imaginary cup of coffee)* Ahh ... I've been looking forward to this all day!

Enter Zach looking pretty bored and fed up

Z: *(To audience)* Hello, I'm Zach and I'm bored! Oh well at least it's tea time! *(Slumps down in his chair)*

A: Hi Zach, had a good day?

Z: No! Another day, same as any other day. Get up, eat cabbage, crawl around a bit, eat more cabbage, crawl around some more, eat cabbage ... Nothing exciting ever happens, especially to me!

A: Oh come on Zach, it can't be all that bad. Things will get better.

Z: Oh no they won't.

A: Yes they will. You gotta look beyond the cabbages and the crawling ... Look! *(they both look up and into the distance)* it's a beautiful day! *(Suddenly they both duck down and watch an imaginary butterfly swoop overhead.)*

Z: *(Recovering)* What was that?

A: *(Excitedly)* A butterfly ... isn't it beautiful, look at all the colours!

Z: Huh, noisy things ... *(To audience)* You won't get me up in one of those things! *(He gets up to leave)* Bye ...

A: ... Bye Zach ... *(ponderingly, to the audience while getting up to leave)* ...mmm, I'd love to fly like a butterfly ... and you know, I believe I will one day *(exit)*.