

My Garden's Secret Superpower

I walk into my small garden expecting to see blossomed flowers; instead, I see a big pile of fresh white snow. "It's the middle of April! It should be spring, not winter!" I say annoyed. My hands start shivering, and I hurry back inside my house.

The next day, my mom sends me out to shovel our garden. I step out (this time prepared for the weather). When I finally finish shovelling, I sit on a bench and look around the garden. I instantly notice a few green patches of grass between the white, icy snow. Then, I spot a small, cute ladybug, and I start wondering how they survive prolonged Alberta winters.

I carefully pick the ladybug up and say with all the hope I have in my heart, "don't worry, spring will be here soon, and you'll see so many beautiful flowers and plants around you." When I put the ladybug down, back on the grass, I realized something truly amazing; my garden has a superpower – the power of resilience.

Even in the snow, the plants and the bugs survived with hope that spring would come. Nature teaches us so many beautiful lessons. One is to stay strong and resilient because, deep inside the roots, there is always magic. We can use that as an example for us to always be resilient – no matter what.

Nature is resilient across seasons and times, and so should we. Like seasons, when life changes from good to bad, easy to hard, remember just like seasons always come around, good times will always come. We need to have hope, because when we have hope, we have belief, and when we have belief, we have magic.

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