

Nothing Ever Happens Here?

Finding Magic and Meaning in Our Small Town

A Very Quiet Place...

Have you ever looked around your street and thought it was a bit... *boring*?

In Sarah Hagger-Holt's story, Izzy feels exactly like that about her town. She thinks nothing exciting ever happens!

Example

Think of one thing you saw on your way to school today. Was it a bird? A funny-shaped cloud? A friendly neighbor?



Meet Izzy



Izzy lives in a town that feels very ordinary. She loves writing, but she's worried she has nothing interesting to write about.



Key point

Sometimes the best stories are hidden right under our noses, waiting for us to notice them.

The Big Secret

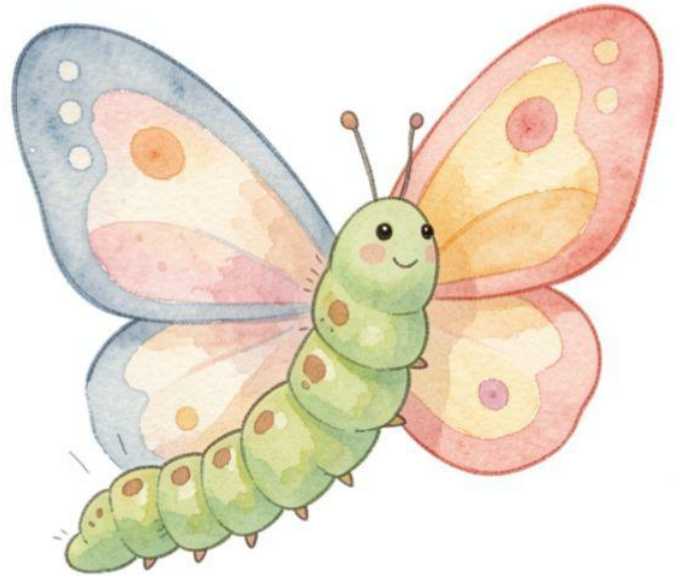
Izzy's world starts to change when she learns something big about her family. Her Dad shares that he is **transgender** and is going to live as a woman named Danielle.



What is 'Change'?

Change can feel scary at first. It's like starting a new year at school or moving house.

Izzy has to learn that even though things look different on the outside, the **love** in her family stays the same.



Standing Up for Others

In the story, some people in the town aren't very kind about the change. Izzy has to decide whether to stay quiet or stand up for her family.



Remember

Being an 'ally' means supporting people and speaking up when you see something unfair.



Ways to be Kind



Listening

Really hearing what someone is feeling.



Using Kind Words

Choosing words that make others feel safe.



Including Everyone

Making sure no one is left out of the fun.

The Power of Community

Izzy discovers that her 'boring' town is actually full of people with their own stories, struggles, and strengths.



Fun fact

The title 'Nothing Ever Happens Here' is ironic because *everything* is happening if you look closely enough!



What Makes a Hero?



Does a hero have to wear a cape, or can a hero be someone who is just brave enough to be themselves?

What Makes a Hero?



You might have said...

A hero stands up to a bully.

A hero tells the truth when it's hard.

A hero shows kindness to a stranger.

Being yourself is an act of bravery!



Our Diverse World


Every family is different. Some have two mums, some have one dad, some have grandparents as carers, and some have trans parents.

What matters most?

It isn't what the family *looks* like; it's how they **care** for one another.

A Story to Write

Like Izzy, you have a story to tell. Your life is unique!

 **Key point**
Look for the small, wonderful things happening around you today.

