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## About the Book

Etty loves make-believe. Her dad loves science. Etty believes in fairies. Her dad would need to see some proof that they exist. But they both love nature, conversation and each other.

A gorgeous rumination on belief and imagination featuring Henrietta (Etty) Darwin and her famous father, Charles. Etty went on to become a valued and keen editor of Charles's work and a thoughtful and intellectual being in her own right. This imagined conversation between Etty and Charles as they stroll around Charles's real-life "thinking track" explores their close relationship and shows that even science is nothing without an open mind and imagination.

## Keep the Conversation Going

Here are some ideas, activities and questions to consider after you've read the book:

- Go for a walk around your neighborhood and see how many animals you can spot. Can you find any evidence that there was recently a creature nearby (paw prints, bites out of leaves, holes in the ground, etc.)?
- What kind of evidence do you think fairies would leave behind if they lived near you?



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## Activity

### What you'll need:

- A Y-shaped stick or branch
- Scissors
- Colored pencils, crayons or paint

Create a design and color in the butterfly.

1. With the help of an adult, cut the butterfly out. Fold it in half (along the dotted line) and cut along the horizontal lines.
2. Take your Y-shaped stick, and gently shimmy the straight end through the slots until you reach the Y, which is now your butterfly's antenna.
3. Flutter, and enjoy!

