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Concept- Value Connection: Comparative adverbs are used to compare the degree or intensity of an action or state between two things.

It is important to compare the quantity, size and weight of things or people but it is not good or healthy if we keep comparing ourselves with others for our overall growth and development. Each and every one of us is born with unique qualities that help us shine. We need to identify that special quality, talent, or skill within and start improving by comparing ourself to our own selves day by day.

Type: Group Activity (Role play)

Characters:

Narrator

Caterpillar

Butterfly

Crow

Sparrow

Parrot

Bumble bee

Narrator: Once, a little larva came out of the egg. As soon as he stepped into the world, he felt hungry. He ate some leaves. But soon he felt hungry again. As he ate over and over again, he grew in size and became an ugly- looking, fat caterpillar. All the birds around started making fun of him.

Some children dressed as birds: Ohhoo! Look at that ugly creature. He eats all the time and does nothing.

Caterpillar: All are laughing at me! Am I so ugly? Should I stop eating? (sobs) But it's ok. (He wipes his tears) They do not know that I'm working hard to achieve my goal.

Day 2

Bumble bee: Did you see the caterpillar today? He has become fatter. I am always busy and look at him so lazy.

Crow: I saw him eating two apples all by himself. I always share whatever I eat.

Parrot: No wonder he is so fat and ugly.

Sparrow: Yesterday, I saw him eating the mulberry leaves. The bush was almost bare. He will never be as slim and cute as me!

(All the birds laugh)

Caterpillar: (smiling) I should not be bothered by their criticisms if I have to reach my goal.

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Narrator: In this way, the birds kept gossiping about the ugly and hungry caterpillar. But the caterpillar was neither upset nor angry. He only focused on eating and growing fat. One fine day he went into a deep sleep and spun a cocoon around himself.

Sparrow: Now look at that ugly caterpillar, he has become so fat that he cannot move around. He has gone to sleep.

Crow: He feels awkward and does not want us to see him sleeping. So, he has hidden himself inside that dirty cocoon.

Narrator: One fine day, when all the birds gathered together to tease the ugly caterpillar, the cocoon broke and out came the most beautiful and colourful butterfly.

Parrot: oh! Look at that caterpillar turning to a beautiful butterfly.

Crow: I have never seen such beautiful colours on the wings. I wish I had them too.

Bumble bee: I love the grace with which those colourful wings flutter while he flies around all day.

Caterpillar: My dear friends, I'm the same caterpillar you made fun of! This change was tough. I had to put all your comments and criticisms aside and focused on my goal, which was to become this beautiful butterfly. The transformation took me a long time, and I had to be patient.

Narrator: Change never comes easily. Success begins when we stop comparing ourselves to others. Our only focus should be to strive to be better than what we were yesterday and to assess ourselves. If the ugly caterpillar had stopped eating because the birds teased him, he could never have become the beautiful butterfly.

Take one day at a time to become better.

Points to reflect:

It is by comparing and competing with your own selves every day

- you can improve your skills, talents and goodness
- will make you better and confident
- helps you to become a better version of yourself