**The Aquarium**

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I'm Roy and I'm a tiny fish that lives in the aquarium. Everyday I watch the kids and tourists gaze in awe at the sharks and squid, but I don't get that much attention. I have heard a rumor that there is something called an ocean, it's like a huge aquarium without any glass surrounding it. I hope that I will go there someday. It sounds better than here in the aquarium.

When I was eating some food I could barely see an eel sneaking up on me. So I swam as fast as I could away. I was almost losing him when I came to a dead end. I saw a tiny little crack that I wished I could fit in. Then suddenly I shrunk and swam through the crack. I lost the eel, But where am I? I looked around and saw foam on the walls and there were tubes everywhere. I saw a little crack at the very base of the little cave and I darted through. When I was outside I suddenly grew back to my normal size, maybe even a little bigger. That night I laid awake thinking about how that could be possible. I was going to try to do it again. So I focused on being big. And, then “Pop” I grew double my size.

The next day I went to the top corner of the aquarium to meet my friend, Xeno. While I was waiting, I looked out a window and saw infinite blue and I’m guessing it’s all water. How I wish I could be out there right now and swim without hitting any glass or walls. Xeno swam up and I told him all about my experience with the eel. I showed him how I could change sizes. Then Xeno said, “Do you see the ocean out that window?”

“Yes, I do! It would be so nice to live there.” I said

“With your size-changing abilities, we could find a drain and you could swim through it and then you could open it up for me to escape too.” said Xeno.

I said, “Great idea, we shall leave tomorrow morning. Now, let’s go find that drain.”

So we went to find it. When we swam past the spot where I escaped the eel, I remembered that there was a drain in that weird cave. So I told Xeno where we would meet the next morning. That night I had a hard time sleeping. I am going to miss watching humans and the tasty snacks, but I won’t miss that mischievous eel.

In the morning, Xeno and I met at the little crack, And then I swam through the crack and found the drain, then I went back to get Xeno. This time when I touched him he shrunk too! Turns out I have the power to shrink other fish, too. We swam through and out into the system of tubes. We swam around until we found the drain we got sucked in and suddenly we were in a tube, we got sucked through and then popped out into a bigger pipe. We washed out onto a beach and landed in a tiny stream caused by the water coming out of the pipe.