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In a cozy house with a big garden, lived a girl with warm light-brown skin and shoulder-length wavy black hair. Her big round brown eyes sparkled with curiosity, and a gentle smile played on her lips. She wore a soft mustard-yellow sweater, blue denim overalls, and red rubber boots. In her pocket, she always carried a small green notebook and a short pencil.

Every morning, the girl sat by the window, watching the garden come alive. One day, a little robin with a bright orange-red breast and soft brown-grey wings landed on a branch. Its shiny black button eyes seemed to twinkle at her. The girl held her breath, not wanting to scare it away. She whispered, "Hello, little robin."

The robin opened its tiny pointed beak and sang a cheerful song. The girl smiled and pulled out her green notebook. She wrote down the date and drew a tiny picture of the robin. "I will watch you every day," she promised quietly. From then on, she kept her notebook close, ready to record everything about her new friend.

Spring arrived, and the garden burst with blossoms. The robin hopped on the grass, collecting dried grass and small twigs. The girl watched as it built a neat nest in the hedge. She wrote in her notebook: "Spring: robin builds a nest." She drew a little nest with three tiny eggs inside. The robin sang a happy tune as it worked.

One morning, the girl heard tiny chirps. Three baby robins popped their heads out of the nest. The mother robin brought worms to feed them. The girl sat very still, watching through her binoculars. She wrote: "Babies hatched! They are hungry." She felt happy to see the robin family grow. The garden was full of life.

Summer came with warm sunshine and buzzing bees. The robin sang even more brightly, and the girl recorded each new song in her notebook. She drew little music notes next to the words. "Your song is my favorite," she told the robin. The robin tilted its head as if it understood. The girl spent many afternoons watching and writing.

One hot day, the girl noticed the robin panting with its beak open. She quickly fetched a shallow dish of water and placed it in the shade. The robin hopped over and took a drink. It looked up at her and chirped softly. The girl wrote: "Robins need water in summer." She felt proud to help her little friend.

Autumn arrived, and the leaves turned red and gold. The robin hopped among the fallen leaves, searching for insects. The girl wrote: "Autumn: robin eats berries and bugs." She drew a picture of the robin with a bright red berry in its beak. The robin seemed to be storing up energy for the colder days ahead. The girl watched as the garden grew quieter.

The girl noticed other birds flying south for the winter, but the robin stayed. She wrote: "Robins stay in the garden all year." She wondered how the little bird would manage in the cold. She decided to keep watching and to help if she could. The robin sang a soft, sweet song as if to say, "Don't worry about me."

Winter brought snow and frost. The girl put on her warmest coat and red rubber boots. She saw the robin hopping on the snowy ground, leaving tiny footprints. She wrote: "Winter: robin hops on snow." She scattered some seeds and crumbs for the bird. The robin ate them eagerly, then sang a cheerful tune. The girl smiled, glad she could help.

One cold morning, the girl noticed the robin sitting very still on a branch, its feathers puffed up. She watched carefully and saw that the bird seemed tired. She wrote in her notebook: "Robin looks cold. Maybe I can build a shelter." She gathered some straw and a small wooden box. With her dad's help, she made a cozy roost.

The next day, the robin found the shelter and hopped inside. It looked warm and safe. The girl watched from the window and felt a warm glow in her heart. She wrote: "My shelter helped the robin!" She realized that watching carefully had shown her what the robin needed. Her notebook was full of drawings and notes.

Spring returned, and the robin sang its brightest song yet. The girl sat in the garden, her notebook open, and listened. She wrote: "Robins sing to welcome spring." She looked back at all her notes from the year. She had recorded the robin's songs, its nest building, its babies, and how it survived the winter. She felt she truly knew her little friend.

The girl shared her notebook with her class. She showed them the drawings and told them about the robin's year. Her friends were amazed. "You learned so much just by watching!" they said. The girl smiled. "Yes, and the more I watched, the more I cared about my little robin." She encouraged them to start their own nature notebooks.

From that day on, the girl continued to watch the robin and other garden birds. She kept adding to her notebook. She learned that patience and careful observation help us understand and appreciate the world around us. And every morning, the robin's cheerful song reminded her of the special friendship they shared.

The girl and the little robin remained friends through all the seasons. She learned that even a small bird has a big story to tell. Her notebook was full, but her curiosity was not. She knew there would always be more to observe and more to appreciate. And with her pencil in hand, she was ready for another year of watching.