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Book Review: LITTLE PEA

Little Pea was so tiny when he was born that he could sleep in a matchbox, wear his doll's shoes, and swim behind the rubber ducky in a bowl. Even though he never grows in size, he tries to do everything the big boys do. He wrestles bears (his teddy bears), climbs tall buildings (Lego stacks), jumps from lily pad to lily pad in the pond, and rides horses (grasshoppers). Everything in school is way too big for him, but he never gives up. Then he starts drawing pictures to cheer himself up, and voila--the world opens up for him. Years later Little Pea builds his own house under the tomato plant, gets his own little wind-up car to drive to his office in a shoebox, and spends his days drawing stamps that people use to send letters in the mail.

The illustrations are just right for little kids; they are easy to identify and talk about. It also has a good message about never giving up when things look hard or aren't going the way you wish.



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