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THE FISH WHO FOUND THE SEA BY ALAN WATTS

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Once upon a time, there was a fish who lived in the Great Sea. And because he was just an ordinary fish who had never known anything outside the Great Sea, he was not really aware that he was in it.



He swam up and down and around, without ever noticing that he was moving through the water.

For the water was transparent. Wherever he moved, it got out of the way of his nose, and yet gave him something against which he could push with his tail and so move himself along. Without it he could neither swim nor live, but, for all he knew, he might just as well have been moving in empty space.

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Then one day something peculiar happened to him. He began to think how curious it was that he could swim, for here he was moving up and down and around in the midst of nothing at all, and all by his own power.

This, he thought, was surely very clever of himself.