

Look at this woman. She is sad. She wants a child but she cannot have one.



One day, she visits a fairy. She asks the fairy for help. The fairy gives her a seed.



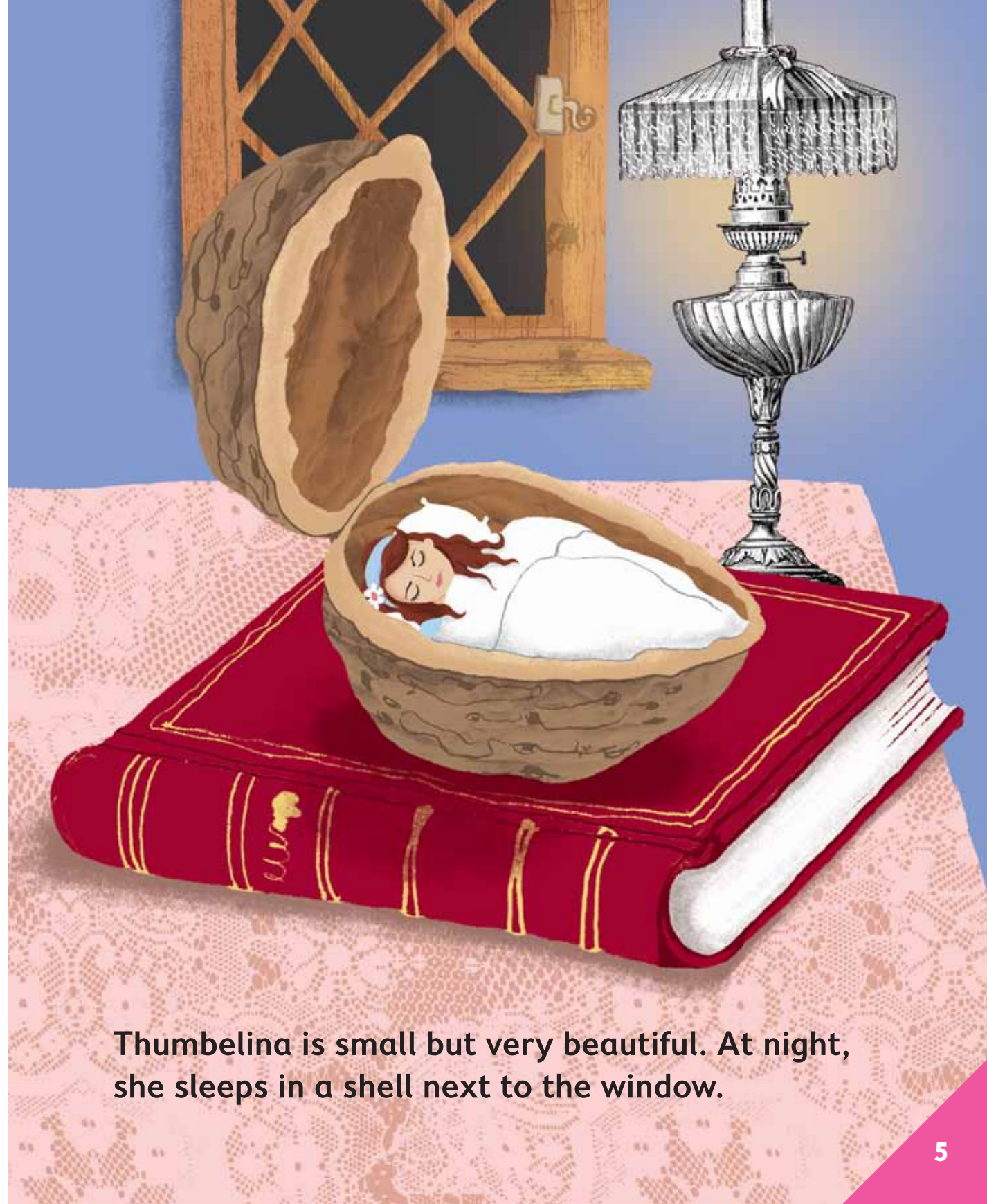
The woman is happy. She goes home and she plants the seed. It grows and grows and grows.

Suddenly, a beautiful flower grows.



It opens and there is a small girl.

My beautiful daughter!  
Your name's Thumbelina.



Thumbelina is small but very beautiful. At night, she sleeps in a shell next to the window.