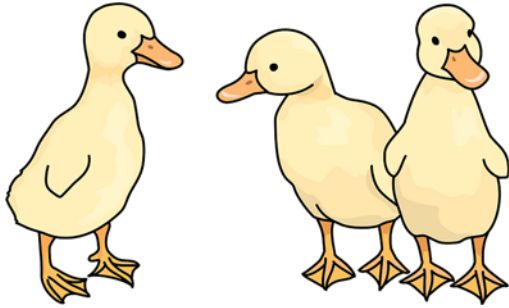


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Lesson Links

Directions: Read the short passage summary below. Think about the **main idea** of the story (the big lesson or message). Match the main idea to the **story details** that support it by writing the matching letter in the blanks.

A little duckling was teased and left out because he looked different from the other ducks. He wandered alone, feeling sad and unwanted. Over time, he grew and changed into a beautiful swan. The other birds admired him, and he finally felt accepted.

Story Details

- ____ 1. The duckling was teased because he looked different.
- ____ 2. The duckling grew into a swan and was admired by others.
- ____ 3. The duckling felt lonely and unwanted before he changed.

Main Idea Options

- A. The story tells us that all swans are better than ducks.
- B. The story is about how birds live in the forest.
- C. The story shows that with time and growth, those who feel different can find acceptance.

Reflection: In your own words, what lesson do you think *The Ugly Duckling* teaches about change and acceptance?
