

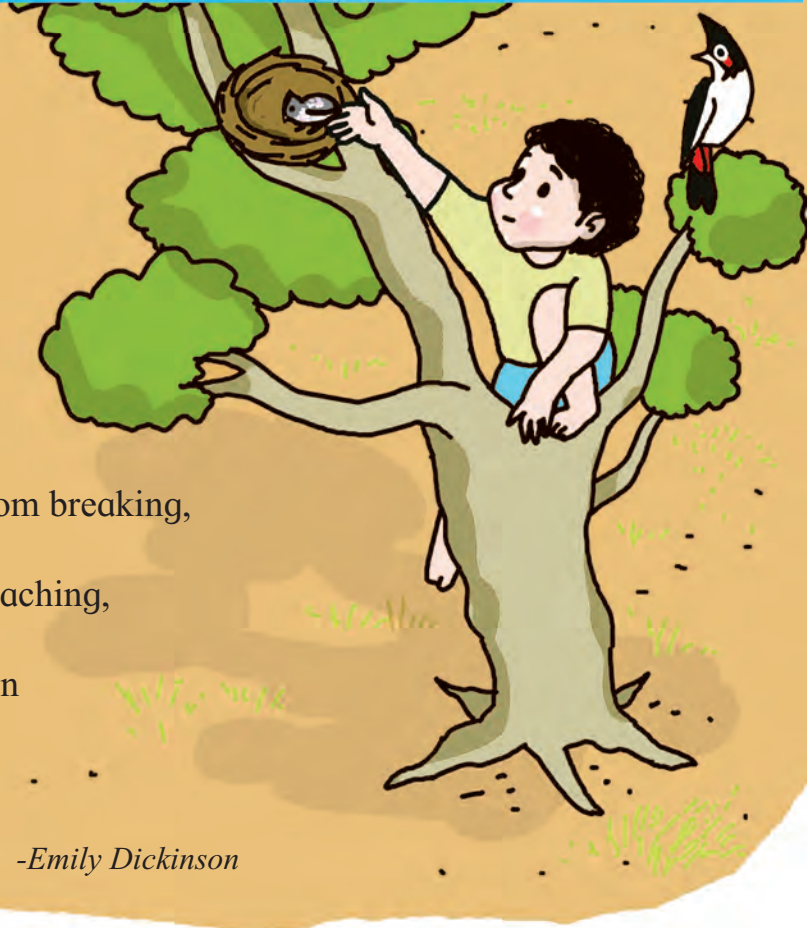
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If I can stop one heart from breaking ...



If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain ;
If I can ease one life the aching,
Or cool one pain,
Or help one fainting robin
Unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain.

-Emily Dickinson



- **I can ease one life the aching:** If I can reduce the sorrow in someone's life
- **cool one pain :** reduce the pain, give relief
- **unto :** to

POINTERS

1. What does the poet want to do ?
2. Does the poet expect anything in return? What is the poet's reward ?
3. List the phrases that indicate sorrow or pain.
4. Form groups of five and discuss : There are many things that seem small, minor or insignificant to some people but the same may be the cause of great pain, suffering for others. Can you list such things? What can you do to provide help on those occasions ?

