



## **CB's Sister**

From *Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead*

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Age Range: Young-Adult

Style: Dramatic, Contemporary

### Monologue:

“Metamorphosis. Transformation. Evolution. Change. Evolution. Change, Changing evolution. I am a teenage caterpillar. I know of these things. For soon, I’ll spin a cocoon. And from the silk-like craft that I will create, a magnificent creature will emerge. No. Not a butterfly. For butterflies are a dime a dozen. Destined to flit about for a day or so, then drop dead. Or have its wings ripped off by a demented child. Or have its body pinned to a piece of cheap foam core and matted underneath a cheap frame and hung in the bathroom of an elderly woman who reeks of Preparation-H and Vicks VapoRub. (Beat.) This will not be my fate. This CANNOT be my fate. I will become a platypus. It’s not impossible. It’s just never been done before. Its’ only a matter of time, you see. If I stay in my cocoon longer, I’ll change from a butterfly to a swallow and then from a swallow to a duck and then from a duck to a platypus. It’s all just a matter of time. And time I have. I will wait to become a platypus. I will be an extraordinary creature.”

### Play Synopsis:

When Snoopy dies, CB is plunged into such a depression that a literal raincloud starts to follow him around. Suddenly introspective and concerned with the afterlife, he is no longer satisfied with his high school status as a good-looking bully. Writing without hope to a childhood pen pal who has never written back, CB confesses his doubts and fears, and describes his daily interactions with his community: his angst-ridden performance artist sister, aggressive buddy Matt, mean girls Marcy and Tricia, and stoned philosopher Van. When he unexpectedly connects with Beethoven, a childhood friend who had become a target of his group’s homophobic bullying, CB thinks he’s found both a relationship and a means to rebel against his predictable, doormat persona... but he may have to lose everything to gain peace of mind.

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