SCENE 1

Samantha sat on the stairs and tied her shoes. She was going to the park with her dad!

“Sam!” her dad called. “Are you ready yet?”

“Almost!” Samantha called back. She finished tying her shoes and ran down the stairs and into the garage. She climbed into the car with her dad and they drove off to the park.

When they got to the park, Samantha hopped out of the car and waited as her dad climbed out.

“Well Sam, are you ready?” Samantha’s dad asked.

“Of course!” Samantha replied. They walked out of the parking lot and onto the trail.

They were walking through a patch of trees when Samantha saw something blue on the ground “Hey dad, what’s that?” Samantha asked her dad.

“I don’t know.” Her dad said. “Lets go see.” Samantha and her dad walked into the trees toward the blue thing. When they got close enough Samantha saw that it was a bird! Its feathers were a bit bent on one wing and it was lying on the ground.

“Oh dad, the poor bird!” Samantha said to her dad. “Can we help it?”

“I don’t know Sam.” Her dad said

“Can we bring it home?” Samantha asked her dad. “Moms a vet, maybe she can help.”

She and her dad argued until her dad finally agreed and said “ All right. We can try, but first we need to get a bird cage.”

SCENE 2

Samantha ran back to the trail and then ran toward the car with her dad close behind her. When she reached the parking lot she speed walked across to their car and yelled to her dad “Hurry up!” Her dad arrived and unlocked the car. Samantha hopped in, buckled her seatbelt and closed the door. Moments later her dad climbed in and drove out of the parking lot and toward home.

When they got home Samantha hopped out of the car and started looking for a birdcage while her dad climbed out of the car to look for gloves. Samantha climbed back into the car and waited for her dad. Her dad climbed back into the car with the gloves and they drove off to the park.

When they got to the park Samantha hopped out of the car and walked as fast as she could out of the parking lot then ran down the trail and into the patch of trees. She found the bird on the ground as it had been when they had left it.

SCENE 3

As Samantha waited for her dad in the patch of trees, she saw that the bird was breathing which ment that it was alive. She opened the birdcage and covered the bottom with grass to make it comfertsble. She closed the birdcage door just as her dad came running through the trees. Her dad pulled on the gloves and gently picked up the bird as Samantha opened the birdcage. He lay the bird on the grass and closed the door. Then they walked out of the trees together. When Samantha got to the trail she broke into a run but stopped to look back when she noticed that her dad wasn’t following.

“Come on!” Samantha shouted. “Why can’t you run!?”

“I don’t want to rock the cage to much!” Her dad replied. “I’m going as fast as I can!”

Samantha waited for her dad and then Samantha and her dad speed walked to the parking lot and climbed into the car. They drove home and set the bird cage on the table inside.

SCENE 4

When Samantha’s mom came home, she was surprised to see a birdcage on the table. Samantha and her dad explained why they had brought a bird home with them.

“Oh please mom, can’t you help it?” Samantha begged after she and her dad finished explaining everything that happened. She and her mom argued until her mom agreed.

“I’ll try my best.” Samantha’s mom said to her.

The next morning Samantha’s mom went to get food for the bird. When she got home the bird was awake. It opened and closed it’s beak, as if it were trying to say something. When they put the food in front of the bird, it gobbled it down very quickly as if it had been starved. They put a tray of water in front of the bird and the bird drank it up.

“It must be very hungry.” Samantha said.

“That’s good.” Her mom said. “When the bird has enough energy, that wing will get better.”

SCENE 5

One day when Samantha woke up, she saw that the bird was perched on a ring inside the cage that it would have had to fly to reach.

“How did the bird get up there?” Samantha asked her dad. Her dad just shrugged so she went to feed the bird. She opened the cage and put the food and water in the cage and then closed the cage. The bird flew down from the ring and started eating.

“Mom, mom come quick! The bird can fly now!” Samantha called to her mom.

“Well, it looks like it’s time to set it free then!” Her mom said back. Samantha’s mom put on a pair of gloves and lifted the bird out of the cage. She brought the bird to the window and held the bird outside

“Fly.” Samantha whispered. “Fly away