Greybear gets up early and flops Salmon out of his stream. Salmon flops back. Liking his paw does no good: he stil can't understand the birds.

They have wings because they fly. Why do they fly? They fly because Greybear doesn't understand. They fly because

it's there. Greybear stands in cold water, belly small with pain, looking up to where the birds mate. Salmon sprays his oceans of meals over the falls

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