Tell Me Why

Directions: To write your own pourquoi tale, begin by thinking of a question about something in nature. Your question can be from the list your class has created or one that you have thought up on your own.

Writing Tip: Many why stories begin by describing how something used to be and then showing how and why it changed. For instance, a story about why Elephant has a long trunk might begin when Elephant had a short trunk or no trunk at all.

Where does your story take place? _________________________________________
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Who are the characters in your story? _______________________________________
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Who is your main story character? _________________________________________
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How does your main character change? ______________________________________
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What makes this change happen? _________________________________________
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Now take these ideas and put them into a story.