





Jilly lives with Grandpa and Bleu in the village of Mirren. Here the houses are lined up in rows upon colorful rows.



In the wild place, Jilly never knows what she will find.
Sometimes she sees animals, and sometimes they remain out of sight.
But she always knows that they are there.

On a hot summer day, Jilly discovers wild raspberries.
She and Bleu zigzag around like excited bees. They know
that Grandpa will make cool berry ice cream for dessert.





In the garden, the villagers also prepare for the cold.
They move delicate plants safely indoors.
They harvest the last fruits and vegetables of the season.
As they work, they start to think about next year's garden.



But what's this! Through the hole,
they see Jilly and Grandpa,
surrounded by a maze of signs
winding around the wild place.









After that day, the new garden plans are put away. The villagers decide that a bigger garden might not be a better garden. Little by little, the wild place creeps in and the village garden tiptoes out. A new kind of garden emerges, for both people and wildlife—the wild garden of Mirren.