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## The Slug and the Snail

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Written by a member of the Mincéirí (or the Irish Traveller community), this is an #OwnVoices fable about two brothers, two perspectives, and two not-so-different ways to belong. Two brother slugs are content traveling the world—until a mocking crow makes the younger brother question their nomadic ways. He constructs a shell for a home and calls himself a snail, and the two brothers begin to drift apart; another meeting with the crow reminds them that they are still more alike than different.

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