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Warli Art

The Warli tribals live in the Sahyadri hills of Maharashtra. They are farmers who grow mainly rice. They worship Nature and the Tiger God.

During a wedding or a festival, they paint stick figures on the walls of their mud huts. First, they coat the wall with cow dung and later with a red paint called geru. They never use pencil or eraser. Sometimes, the Warli tribals paint insects larger than other animals!

The butterfly in this story is a part of a Warli wall painting. It flies away as soon as it's been painted. The Warli tribal girl chases the butterfly. Does she return to the painting?