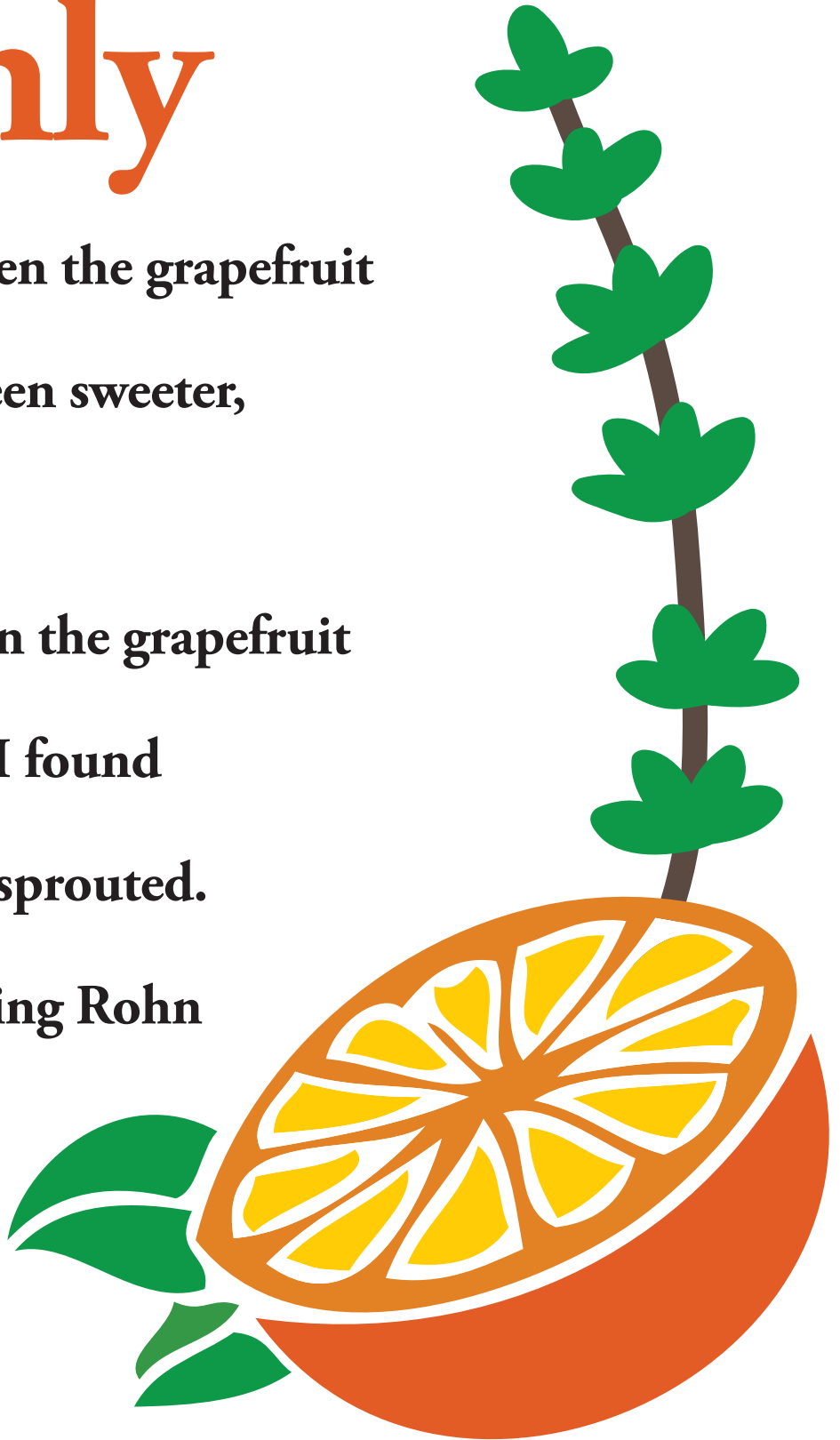


If Only

If only I had eaten the grapefruit
last week
it would have been sweeter,
juicier,
less pithy.

Yet, if I had eaten the grapefruit
last week
the plump seed I found
inside
would not have sprouted.

—Juliann Breting Rohn



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