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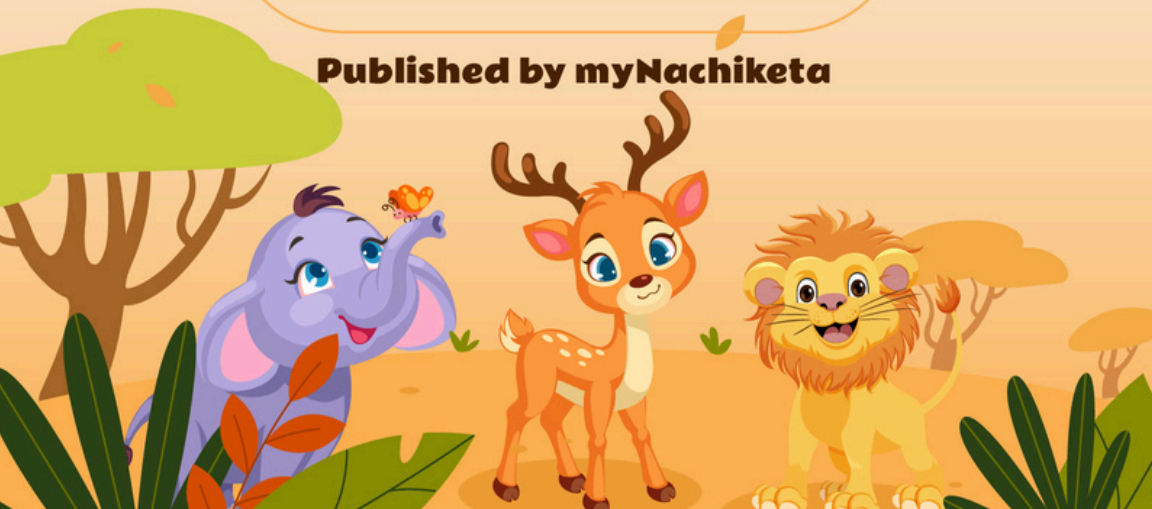
Dear Little Readers,

**Get ready to embark on a
magical journey with these
fun and heartwarming
tales!**

**Inside, you'll meet some of
the most wonderful animal
friends — birds, elephants,
and even a special musk
deer!**

**So, turn the page and let
the adventure begin!**

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A TALE

OF

TWO BIRDS



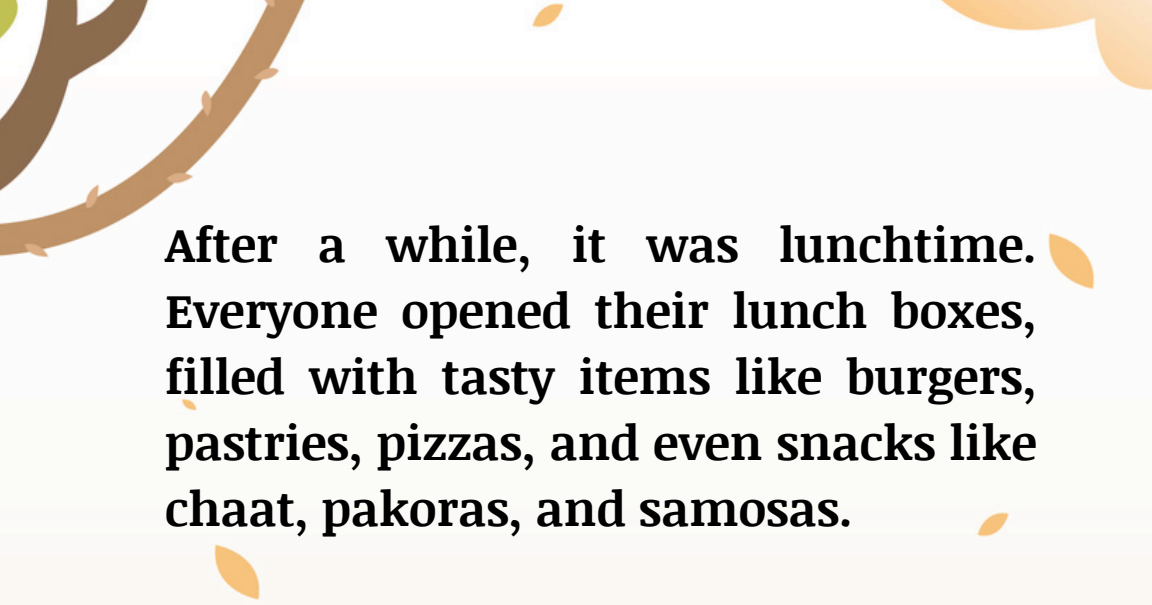


Today, Ravi was very happy.

He was going on a school picnic with all his friends. He had told his mother last night that he would take pasta for lunch.

However, his mother got busy with some important work and forgot about making pasta.

Ravi's mother gave him chapati and vegetable curry for lunch instead. The school bus reached the picnic spot, a beautiful valley with colourful flowers and lush green trees. The children played games, danced, sang songs, and had a lot of fun with their teachers.

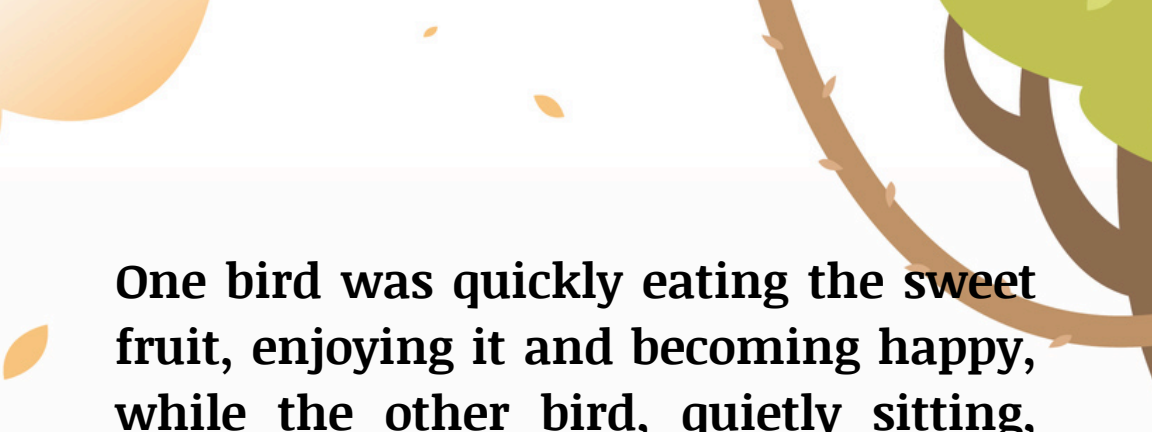


After a while, it was lunchtime. Everyone opened their lunch boxes, filled with tasty items like burgers, pastries, pizzas, and even snacks like chaat, pakoras, and samosas.

Ravi excitedly opened his lunch box.

"What! chapati and curry? But I told my mom to pack pasta. While everyone is enjoying these tasty dishes, I have to eat this boring chapati and curry," he thought, putting his lunch box back into his bag.

Ravi was sitting there, feeling sad when he noticed a guava tree. Two birds were sitting on it.

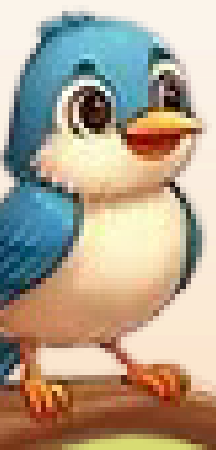


One bird was quickly eating the sweet fruit, enjoying it and becoming happy, while the other bird, quietly sitting, seemed happy.

Curious, Ravi went to the peaceful bird and asked, "Why aren't you eating the fruit?"

The bird replied, "I have no desire to eat the fruit. I am happy without eating any fruit. I always remain content."

"If you get a sour fruit, won't you be unhappy?" Ravi asked.



"Whether it's sweet or sour, it doesn't affect my happiness," replied the bird.



Listening to the bird, Ravi's opinion changed.

He calmly sat down, opened his lunch box, and ate the chapati and curry made by his mother.

He understood that regardless of what we have, we should find happiness in it.



THE SECRET

OF

THE MUSK DEER

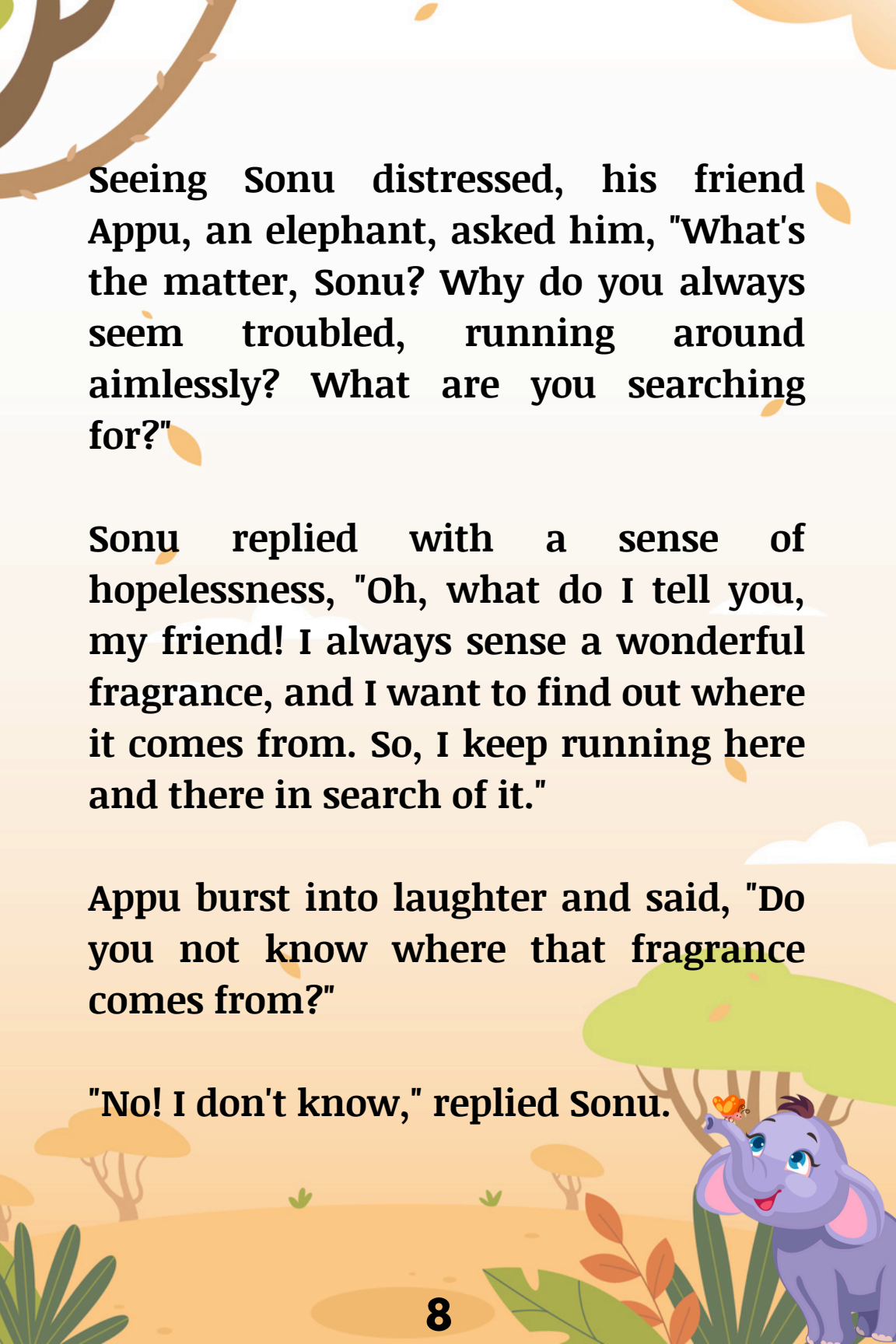


Once upon a time, in the forests of the Himalayas, there lived a deer named Sonu.

While all the other animals enjoyed eating, playing, and dancing in the lush greenery, Sonu was always restless, constantly running here and there.

Neither did he find joy in grazing on grass and eating green leaves, nor did he enjoy playing with friends. He was always searching for something, but he could never find it.





Seeing Sonu distressed, his friend Appu, an elephant, asked him, "What's the matter, Sonu? Why do you always seem troubled, running around aimlessly? What are you searching for?"

Sonu replied with a sense of hopelessness, "Oh, what do I tell you, my friend! I always sense a wonderful fragrance, and I want to find out where it comes from. So, I keep running here and there in search of it."

Appu burst into laughter and said, "Do you not know where that fragrance comes from?"

"No! I don't know," replied Sonu.

Appu said, "You are so innocent, Sonu, not realizing the beauty within yourself. That fragrance comes from your own body. There is musk in your navel, and the fragrance is the scent of that musk."

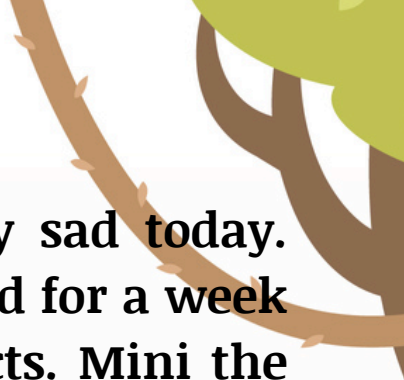
Sonu, now delighted, thanked Appu. He had found peace at last.

Dear children, just as Sonu the deer was searching for the source of the fragrance outside but discovered it within himself, similarly, we often search for God outside when he resides within us as consciousness.



JOY OF SHARING





Chiku the rabbit was very sad today. The carrots he had collected for a week had gone bad due to insects. Mini the mouse, his friend, came to meet him.

Chiku shared all his troubles with Mini. Mini took him outside the forest to a field where Chiku found plenty of carrots. Chiku was happy now, and seeing his joy, Mini was also very happy.

As Chiku was happily hopping with the carrots, he heard someone screaming in pain. The voice was coming from the mango tree nearby. Chiku asked the tree about the cause of its pain.



The tree said, “My branches are bending due to the weight of these fruits, and it's causing me a lot of pain.”

Chiku ran and brought Golu the elephant. Chiku and Golu made several mangoes fall using Golu's trunk. The tree felt relieved and thanked Golu. Chiku and Golu shared the mangoes equally.

Golu, carrying mangoes with his trunk, headed towards his home.



On the way, he saw some poor children who had been hungry for days and were begging for food.

Golu gave all his mangoes to those children. They happily enjoyed the mangoes, and Golu was pleased to see them happy and satisfied.

In the end, Chiku and Golu shared the remaining mangoes. Golu, the elephant, holding mangoes in his trunk, went towards his home, content and happy. He had never felt such happiness before.

Dear children, when we try to make others happy, our happiness also increases. Therefore, we should strive to keep everyone around us happy.



WHY UNAWARE

OF

IDENTITY



One day, a lioness left her little cub in the den and went out to hunt for food. It took her a little longer than expected to find the food.

The cub started getting worried about her mother and went outside the den to search for her.

In the darkness, the lioness cub lost her way and ended up near a flock of sheep in a pen. There were many sheep there.

The lioness cub started living with the sheep, behaving just like them. She neither roared like a lioness, nor ran swiftly, nor jumped high. Living among the sheep, she started to see herself as one of them.



One day, as she went grazing with the other sheep, the lioness's mother arrived. All the sheep ran away in fear, but the lioness cub remained standing there. She recognized her mother and ran towards her, embracing her neck.

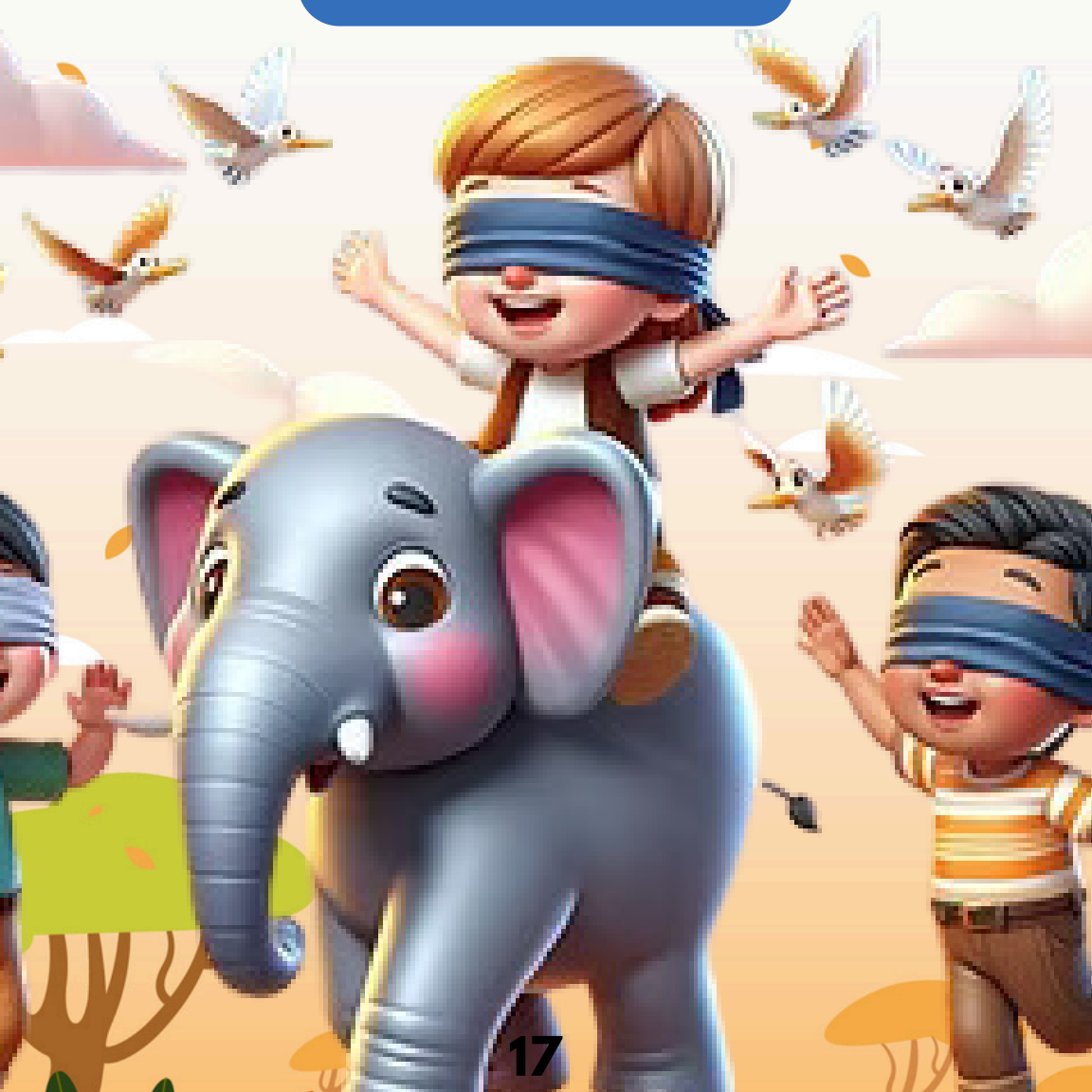
The lioness cub remembered that she was not a sheep but a lioness. The lioness and her cub roared together. The lioness cub realized her true strength.

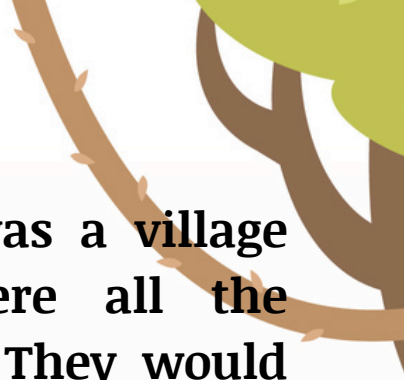
So, children, just as the lioness cub forgot about her strength, we also forget that within us lies the power of god, and we can accomplish anything.



ELEPHANT

PARABLE





A long time ago, there was a village named Andhakpur. Where all the people living were blind. They would recognize things by touching them and would do all their work like this. Once an amazing incident happened, an elephant came into the village from somewhere.

Everyone in the village touched the elephant and tried to find out what it was. A man touched the elephant's belly and said, "This is a big wall." Then another voice came, "No-no Gopal, this is a pillar." said Phoolkumari aunt who had caught hold of the elephant's leg.

“You are wrong aunt, it is a thin rope. This will be useful for children to jump.” Ramu uncle said, hanging on his tail.

“What are you talking about uncle, this is a thick pipe, we will water our fields through it.” Mohanlal farmer said.

“What has happened to all of you that you consider a big fan to be sometimes a wall, sometimes a pillar, and sometimes a pipe and a rope. Well, it is good that this big fan has come to our village, it will provide some relief from this terrible heat.” Said Raju who was holding the elephant's ear.



So children, we saw that there was only one elephant but someone thought it was a wall, someone a pillar, someone a pipe, and someone considered it a rope and a fan.

Just as everyone imagined the same elephant as different things, similarly we also see the same God in different forms.

How the arrival of a wonderful elephant created a stir in the village of blind people. Understand from this interesting story why God is one but has many forms.

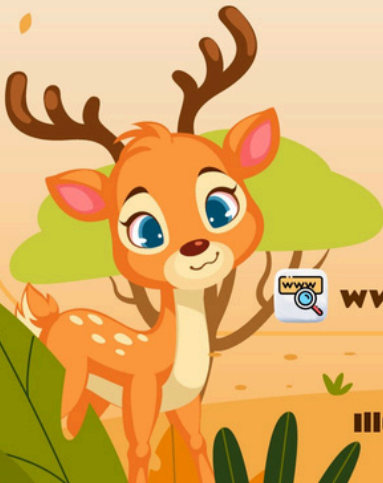




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Perfect for little ones aged 3-5 years, this collection of fun and heartwarming stories teaches important lessons about kindness, sharing, and discovering who we truly are.

Ideal for storytime, bedtime, and building friendships.



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