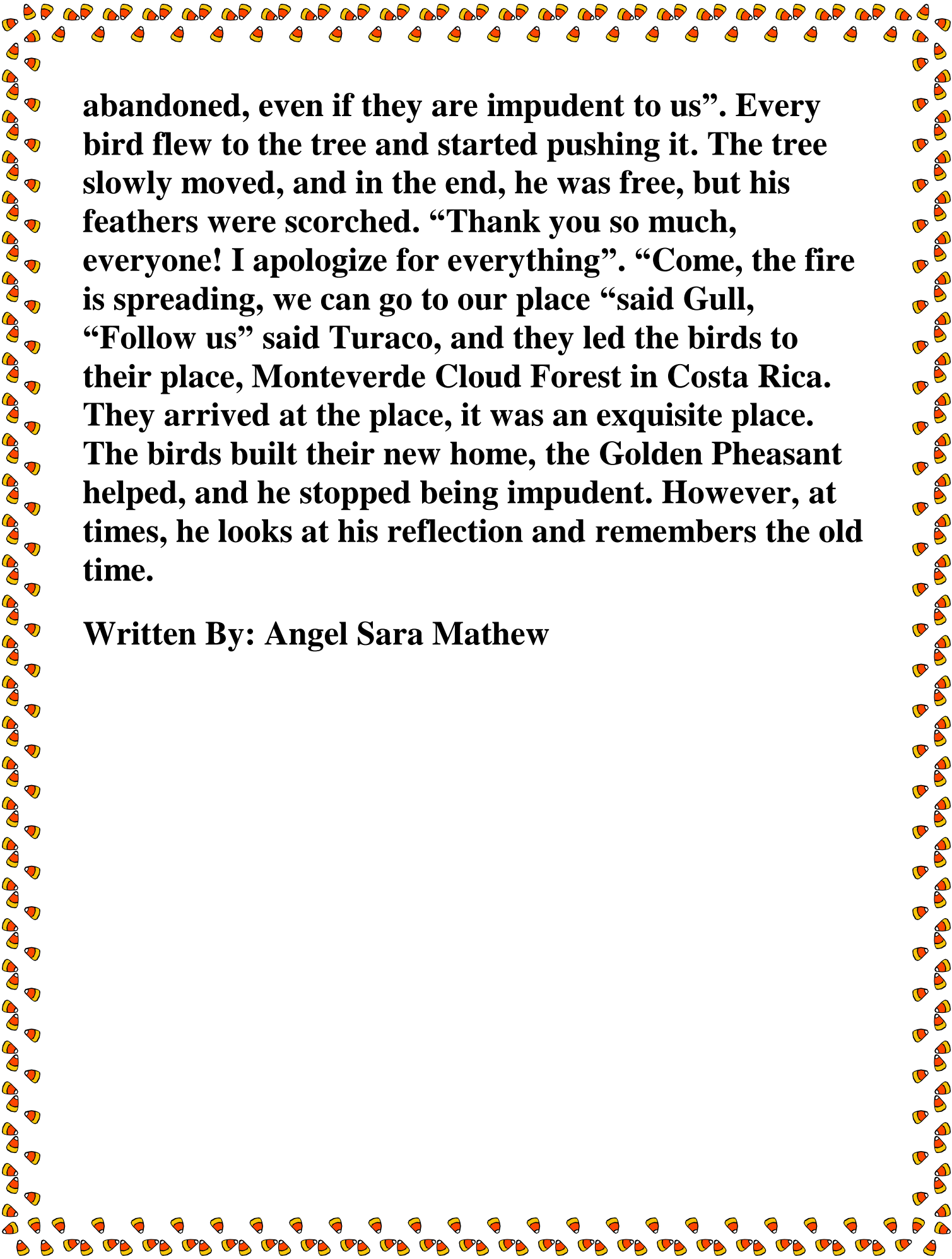


GOLDEN PHEASANT

Once upon a time, there lived a Golden Pheasant. He was very proud of his beauty; furthermore, an impudent bird. One day, two birds, a Turaco and a Gull, came from Monteverde Cloud Forest, Costa Rica, to see their friend Cuckoo, but lost their way in the forest. That time, they saw Golden Pheasant and asked, "Sir, can you tell us where is Cuckoo's house?", "How dare you speak rudely to the beauty king?" said the Golden Pheasant. Ignore him, "He's like that to everyone. Go straight, and you will see a banyan tree; on the top is Cuckoo's house," said the Owl. Thank you, sir said Turaco. They went to the Cuckoo's house "Are you there? I am coming", answered the Cuckoo, and the Cuckoo flew down and stood near the house. Welcome, come in, gull and turaco entered the house, gull said, "To the Cuckoo that the Golden Pheasant is so impudent", Cuckoo replied, "He has always been like that" then they carry on with their informal conversation. Suddenly, they heard squawks, "There is a fire!" They flew out and checked. There was a massive fire, and everyone was screaming and flying. They started flying when they heard "Help! Help, I am trapped under a tree". Cuckoo flew to the voice. It was the Golden Pheasant, trapped under a tree. Cuckoo called everyone to come help "Let us move the tree, nobody should be



abandoned, even if they are impudent to us”. Every bird flew to the tree and started pushing it. The tree slowly moved, and in the end, he was free, but his feathers were scorched. “Thank you so much, everyone! I apologize for everything”. “Come, the fire is spreading, we can go to our place “said Gull, “Follow us” said Turaco, and they led the birds to their place, Monteverde Cloud Forest in Costa Rica. They arrived at the place, it was an exquisite place. The birds built their new home, the Golden Pheasant helped, and he stopped being impudent. However, at times, he looks at his reflection and remembers the old time.

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