

Now, once upon a time there was a lion and his name was Share the Lion. And he was king of all the animals in the jungle.

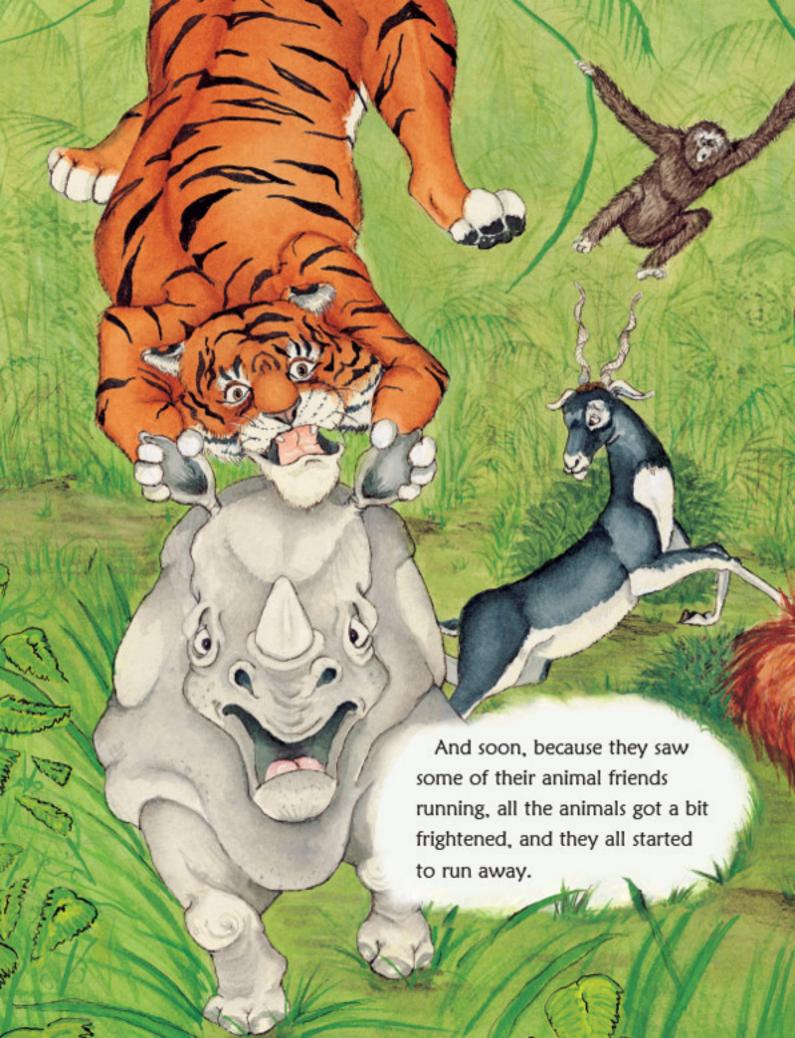
He had a lovely golden mane on his head, all furry — just like hair, only furry and golden. And he had a lovely golden coat. He used to go about and say "Grrrrrrrrrrr" because that's how lions talk.













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