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Lebo, Bonolo, and Rebone were friends.



One day, they went to the forest to fetch firewood.



On the way home, they came across a river.



They played and played until the forest turned dark.



It was so dark that they could not find their way back home.



Suddenly, they heard a loud howling from somewhere in the forest. Lebo screamed and ran. The others followed.



Then Bonolo shouted, “Hey, look! I see a cave. Let’s hide here.” “No,” said Lebo, “There might be wild animals inside.” All three girls kept running.



“Look over there,” pointed Rebone. “I can see lights. Maybe that’s where our home is.”



The three girls followed the lights, but soon realised that they had been chasing fireflies.



By now the girls were tired and hungry. They decided to rest under a tree.



“Come on,” said Lebo. “Let’s climb the tree. We’ll be safer there.”



All at once they heard voices and a dog barking.



People were calling out their names.



Their parents and people from the village had come looking for them.



“Here we are!” shouted the girls. The girls were happy to be reunited with their family. They promised never to lose track of time again.



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Lost in the Dark (English) Three friends go to fetch some firewood. On their way back they start playing and get lost. How will they get home? This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



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