

Origin Story

Early in Tarzan's career, he would leap directly from branch to branch in the jungle. He was very good at it, but sometimes he'd miss, with painful results. One such time, Tarzan was in a period of convalescence that overlapped with his birthday. He woke up to find a gift by his bed, a box tied up with a long vine. Actually the same vine served to tie up a second box some distance away. The gift was a two-fer! Tarzan greedily opened the boxes but found nothing inside either one. He was first sad, then angry (who would play such a trick on him?), and finally curious. There were two mysteries. Who made him the gift? Was it Jane? Cheetah? Someone else? And what was the nature of the gift? Tarzan examined the boxes and found two strands of hair on one of them. A clue! Looking at them more carefully, he came to the solution of the first mystery and then he realized the solution of the second: Two hairs – human. Two-fer gift – the vine.

