

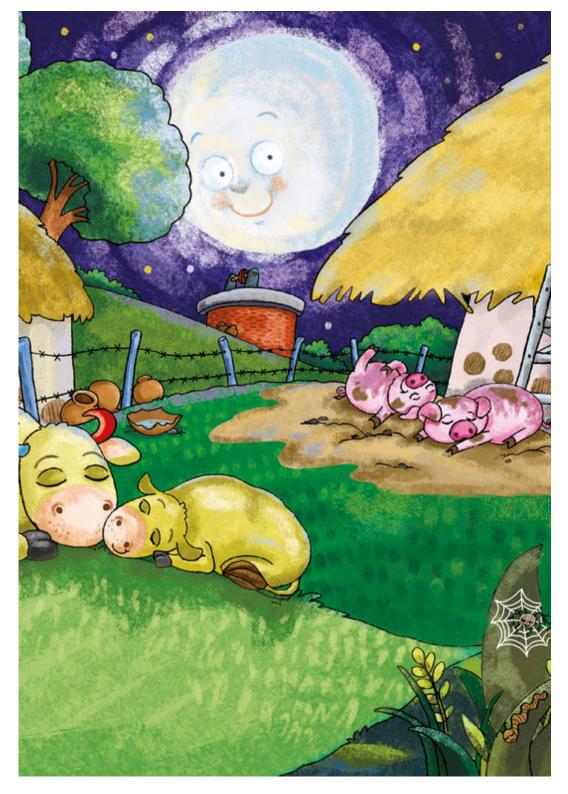


Mr Moon's New Friends

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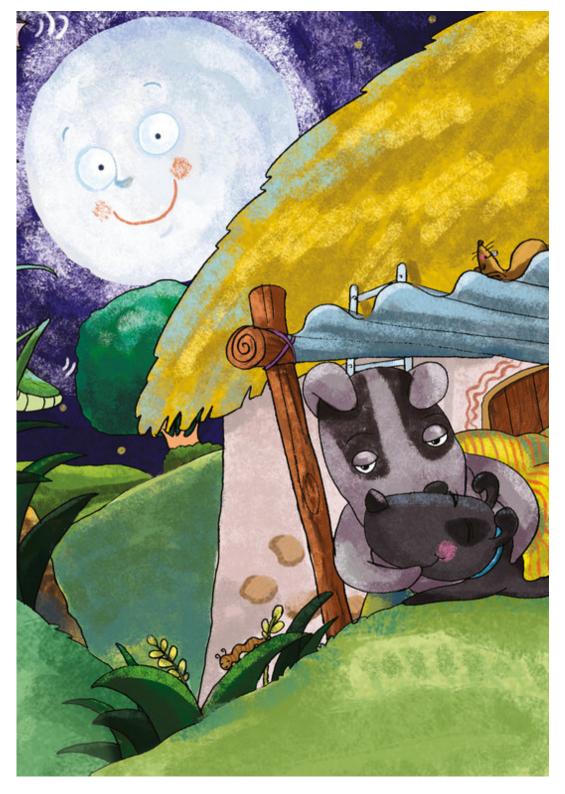
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The Moon shined bright, as it looked down. It was so lonely up there, he almost carried a frown. Everyone was fast asleep, he could hear them snore. He smiled, it was time for his night stroll.

He would peek through windows and glance through doors. He would pass through the barn and hear animals snore.



But today was different, some one was awake. Lola the bitch and her puppy Jake.

The naughty puppy, closed his eyes for a while and just as his mother slept, he smiled.

Jake saw the big shy orb hiding behind the tree. He smiled and asked the Moon, "Will you play with me?"

The moon nodded in delight, and shone very bright.

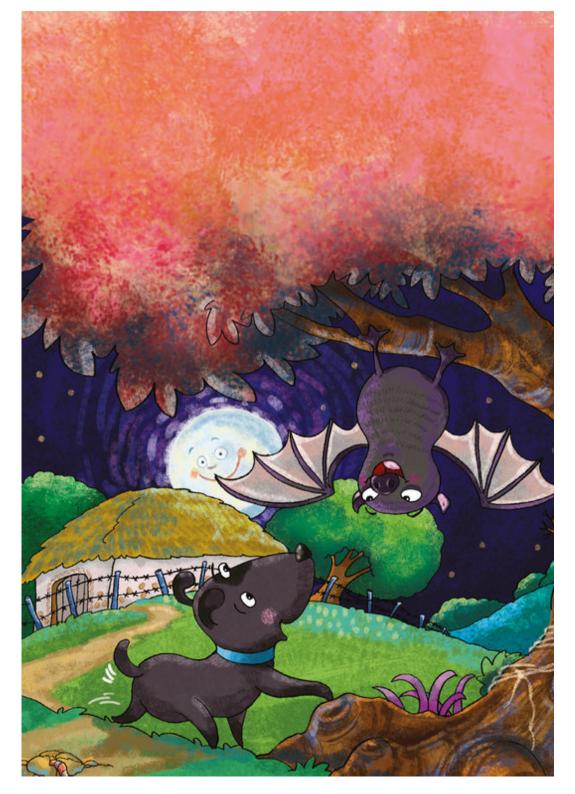


The little puppy asked, "How many friends do you have Mr. Moon, five, six or ten?"

The Moon frowned and said, "Alas, I have none. Everyone sleeps at night, when I come out. I can't even whisper, let alone shout."

Jake smiled and said, "Not everyone sleeps at night. Some doze off, when the day is bright."

"Come along," said Jake and started to run. The Moon followed him, looking for some more fun.



They came to a tree, with leaves red and brown. A funny sort of creature, hung upside down.

"Mr. Moon," said Jake, "Meet Mr. Bat. He stays up all night and loves to chat."



They tiptoed carefully, on the grass they tread, when Jake saw someone pointy ahead.

"Oh Look Mr Moon," cried Jake, "This is Mr. Cricket. You can listen to him sing, without buying a ticket!"



They moved ahead to a glowing hedge. Jake called out softly, "Mrs. Glow Worm, come out, please don't dread."

Mrs. Glow Worm sparkled a little more, as with a warm smile, she said, "Hello!"

The Moon smiled to see this tiny speck of light. He thought the worm was a pretty treat to the sight.



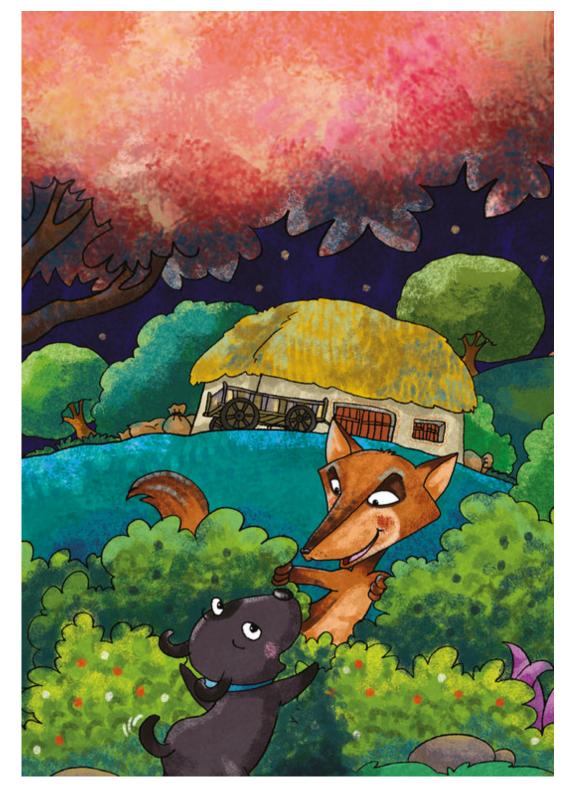
They moved ahead and took a long stroll, until they reached the big tree with a hole. An owl sat atop with big round eyes, Jake called out to him, "Mr. Owl, I have a surprise!"

"Meet Mr. Moon, he comes out every night. He is big and round and spreads a lot of light."

Mr. Owl hooted out aloud, almost scaring off the cloud.

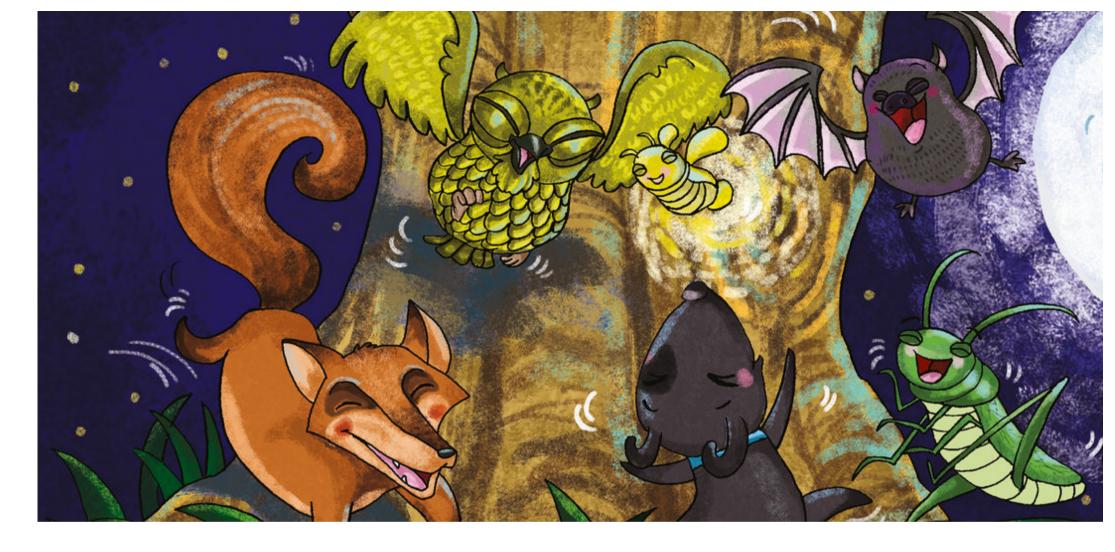
"Hello Mr. Owl," said the Moon, "How do you do?"

"I am good," hooted Mr. Owl, "And I hope you are too!"



As the Moon and Jake moved ahead from the Owl, they came across a furry Fox, on the prowl.

"Oh Mr. Fox, you scared me today. Meet Mr. Moon he has come out to play."



The Moon was happy, so many friends he had made.

They laughed and danced and all night they played.



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Mr Moon's New Friends (English)

Mr. Moon is a lonely guy up there in the sky. So one day he comes down and see what he found? The story is targeted to teach children about nocturnal animals in a simple way.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.



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