<u>Sam</u> and <u>Jo</u> went for a <u>hike</u>. They took a <u>path through</u> the woods. <u>Suddenly, Sam heard</u> a noise <u>coming</u> from the tree <u>above their heads</u>. <u>Jo climbed</u> up to see what the noise <u>was</u>, and found <u>two baby</u> squirrels. The <u>babies</u> <u>were alone</u>, but <u>their mother</u> must be <u>somewhere</u> near. The children <u>watched</u> and waited.

<u>Sure enough,</u> the <u>mother soon returned</u> with a <u>mouthful</u> of <u>nuts.</u>

The <u>noises</u> stopped as the <u>baby</u> squirrels <u>began</u> to eat.

<u>Sam</u> and <u>Jo smiled, knowing</u> the squirrels <u>were safe</u> with their mother.