ZooTalk Reading Series

# Kiri's Little Wonders

## Level 7

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Kindness

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Dreams

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Make Kindness

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Forever Friends!

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# 저자의 말

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아이들이 이 교재들로 더 재미있게 공부하기를 바랍니다.

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7레벨 Kiri (과거형을 사용하며, 깊은 사고력 관련 포함)

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# Unit 1: The Secret Cave



Kiri walked along a forest trail after breakfast. She noticed a narrow path between two large rocks. “I have never seen this before,” she whispered. The path looked quiet and mysterious. She wondered where it led. Curious, she decided to follow it. Tall trees shaded the ground. Small flowers grew beside the path. Kiri smiled and kept walking.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri find the hidden path?
2. What does mysterious mean in the story?
3. Would you follow the hidden path? Why or why not?

The path ended at the entrance of a small cave. Cool air drifted out of the dark opening. Kiri paused and listened carefully. She heard soft dripping water inside. “Should I go in?” she asked herself. She picked up a stick to help her walk. Taking a deep breath, she stepped inside. The cave was calm and quiet. Her footsteps echoed around the walls.



## Questions

1. What sound did Kiri hear inside the cave?
2. Why did Kiri pick up a stick?
3. How do you think Kiri felt before entering the cave?

Sunlight shone through a crack in the cave roof. Tiny crystals sparkled on the stone walls. “They look like little stars!” Kiri said happily. She carefully explored every corner. Then she discovered an old wooden box. It was covered with dust. Kiri slowly opened the lid. Inside, she found smooth, colourful stones. She smiled at her wonderful discovery.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri find inside the wooden box?
2. Why do you think the stones were special?
3. Which colourful stone would you choose?

Kiri decided to leave everything inside the cave. “Some treasures should stay where they belong,” she said. She walked back along the hidden path. Soon she reached the forest trail again. The adventure made her feel brave. She would always remember the secret cave. It had been full of surprises. Kiri happily returned home before sunset.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri decide to leave inside the cave?
2. Why did Kiri think the treasures should stay there?
3. What lesson did Kiri learn from her adventure?

# Unit 2:
# The Forgotten Key



Kiri visited her grandmother one sunny afternoon. They walked through the old garden together. Near a stone bench, Kiri noticed a rusty key. “Who could have lost this?” she wondered. The key looked old and heavy. Her grandmother smiled with surprise. “I have not seen that key for years,” she said. Together, they decided to discover what it opened.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri find the key?
2. What does rusty mean in the story?
3. What do you think the key might open?

Kiri and her grandmother searched around the They tried the key on a small wooden gate. It did not fit. Next, they found an old storage shed. The lock looked dusty and unused. Kiri carefully turned the key. It clicked with a loud sound. The old door slowly swung open. Both of them smiled with excitement.



## Questions

1. What did the key fit?
2. Why do you think the shed had not been opened for a long time?
3. How would you feel if you opened an old shed?

Inside the shed, they found old gardening tools and empty flowerpots. A wooden shelf held a dusty photo album. Kiri gently opened the first page. The pictures showed her grandmother as a young elephant. “These bring back wonderful memories,” her grandmother said. They laughed together while looking at each picture. Time passed very quickly. Kiri was happy they had opened the shed.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri find on the wooden shelf?
2. What does memories mean in the story?
3. What old item would you like to discover?

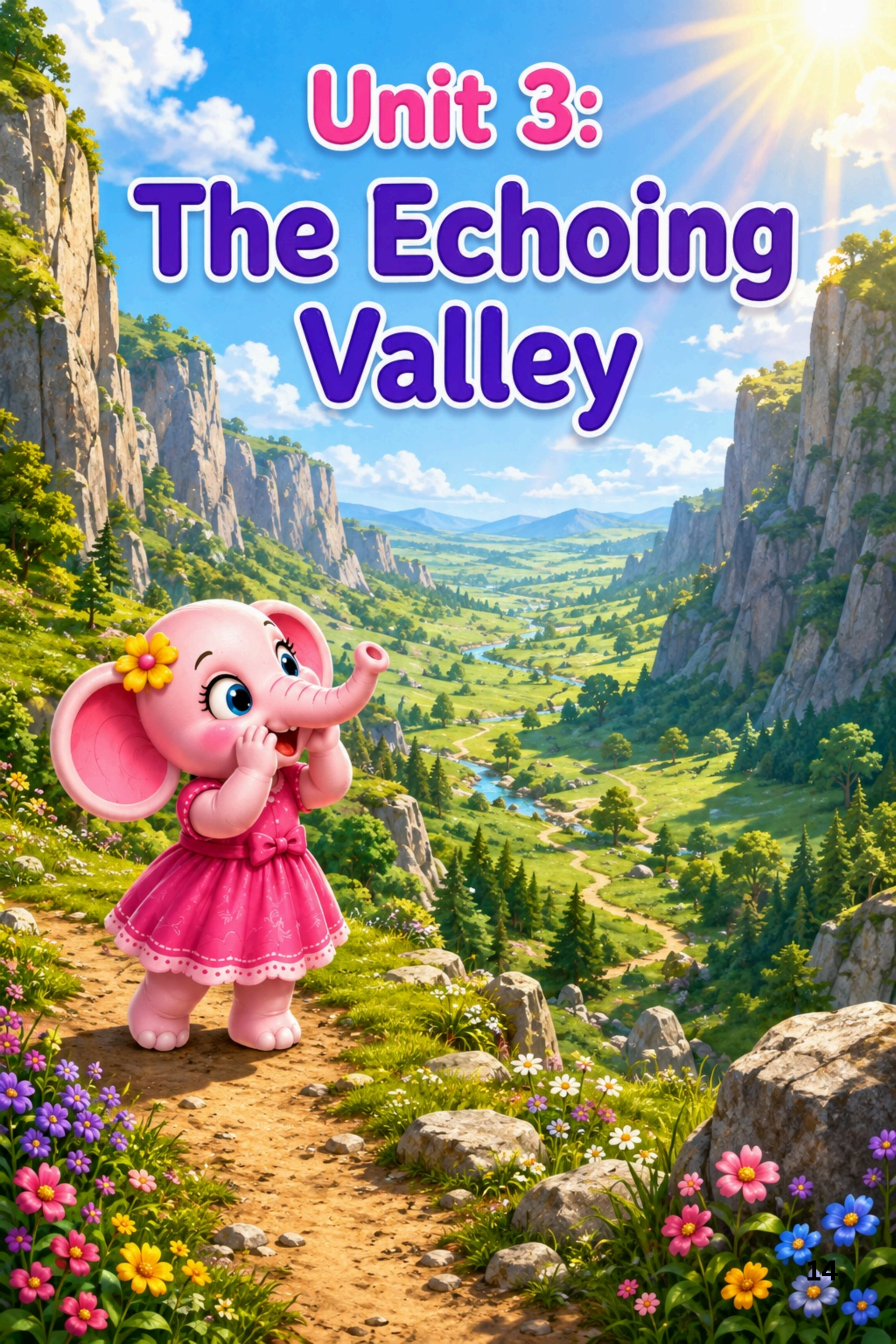
Kiri carefully placed everything back on the shelf. They locked the shed before leaving. Her grandmother thanked Kiri with a warm hug. “Sometimes small discoveries become special adventures,” she said. Kiri nodded with a smile. She slipped the old key into her grandmother’s pocket. They walked home through the peaceful garden. It had been a day they would both remember.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri put the key at the end?
2. Why was the forgotten key important?
3. What lesson did Kiri learn from her adventure?

# Unit 3:
# The Echoing Valley



Kiri followed a winding trail through the hills one morning. Soon she reached a wide valley surrounded by tall cliffs. Everything seemed peaceful and still. “What a beautiful place,” she said softly. A moment later, she heard her own words again. The sound bounced across the valley. Kiri looked around in surprise. She wondered where the strange voice came from.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri go?
2. What does echoing mean in the story?
3. Have you ever heard an echo? Where?

Kiri called, “Hello!” as loudly as she could. “Hello!” answered the valley a second later. She laughed with excitement. Then she clapped her hands. The valley repeated the sound again. Kiri tried singing a short song. Every note echoed back to her. She smiled and listened carefully. The valley felt full of surprises.




## Questions

1. What happened when Kiri shouted, “Hello”?
2. Why did the valley repeat Kiri’s sounds?
3. What sound would you make to hear an echo?

As Kiri explored, she noticed a frightened little rabbit behind a rock. The loud echoes had scared it. “Don’t worry,” Kiri said gently. She spoke in a quiet voice. The rabbit slowly stepped closer. Soon it stopped shaking. Together they listened to the soft sounds of the valley. The rabbit finally felt safe again.



## Questions

1. Who was hiding behind the rock?

2. Why was the rabbit frightened?

3. How would you help a frightened animal?

Before leaving, Kiri waved goodbye to the valley. She whispered, “Thank you for the adventure.” A soft echo answered her one last time. The rabbit hopped happily into the grass. Kiri walked home with a smile. She had discovered something wonderful about nature. Some places were quiet, yet full of amazing sounds. She hoped to visit the valley again.



## Questions

1. What answered Kiri before she left?
2. What did Kiri learn during her adventure?
3. Which place in nature would you like to explore next?

# Unit 4: The Wishing Well



Kiri explored an old forest she had never visited before. After walking for a while, she discovered a stone well hidden among the trees. Ivy climbed around its sides. “I wonder who built this well,” she said quietly. It looked very old but well cared for. Kiri carefully looked inside. She heard water far below. The quiet place made her feel curious.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri find the well?
2. What does ivy mean in the story?
3. What would you wish for if you found a wishing well?

As Kiri looked around, she noticed several shiny coins near the edge of the well. Some had fallen onto the ground. “They should not stay here,” she said. She carefully picked them up one by one. Then she dropped each coin safely into the well. The coins made gentle splashing sounds. Kiri smiled as she listened. The old well looked tidy again.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri find near the well?



2. Why did Kiri put the coins into the well?



3. Why do you think people threw coins into the well?



Just then, an elderly tortoise slowly walked along the forest path. “Thank you for looking after the well,” he said kindly. He explained that many visitors came to make wishes there. Kiri listened with interest. The tortoise shared stories about the well’s long history. Every story made the place seem even more magical. Kiri enjoyed hearing about the old traditions.



## Questions

1. Who spoke to Kiri?



2. What does traditions mean in the story?



3. What story would you like to hear about the wishing well?



Before leaving, Kiri closed her eyes and made a quiet wish. She did not tell anyone what it was. “Some wishes are special secrets,” she said with a smile. She thanked the tortoise for the stories. Then she followed the forest path home. The old well remained peaceful beneath the tall trees. Kiri hoped other visitors would care for it too.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri do before she left?
2. Why did Kiri keep her wish a secret?
3. If you could make one wish today, what would it be?

# Unit 5: The Hidden Waterfall



Kiri followed the sound of rushing water through a thick forest. The trees became taller as she walked. Ferns covered the ground beside the narrow path. “The water must be close,” she said excitedly. Suddenly, she spotted a waterfall behind a curtain of green vines. Sunlight shimmered on the falling water. The hidden place looked peaceful and beautiful. Kiri stood quietly and admired the view.



## Questions

1. What helped Kiri find the waterfall?
2. What does shimmered mean in the story?
3. What do you think Kiri liked most about the waterfall?

Kiri carefully walked closer to the water. Tiny drops splashed onto her face. A rainbow appeared in the mist. “Look how colourful it is!” she laughed. She noticed smooth rocks beside the pool. One rock was covered with soft green moss. Kiri stepped carefully to avoid slipping. She enjoyed listening to the gentle roar of the waterfall.



## Questions

1. What appeared in the mist?
2. Why did Kiri walk carefully on the rocks?
3. Have you ever seen a rainbow in nature?

As Kiri explored the area, she heard a quiet cry nearby. A young squirrel was trapped between two fallen branches. “Don’t be afraid,” Kiri said gently. She carefully lifted one branch with her strong trunk. The squirrel quickly climbed to safety. “Thank you for helping me,” it said happily. Kiri smiled as the squirrel scampered into a tree. The waterfall seemed even more joyful.



## Questions

1. Who needed Kiri’s help?
2. How did Kiri rescue the squirrel?
3. How would you help an animal in trouble?

Before leaving, Kiri looked at the waterfall one last time. She felt grateful for the day's adventure. She had discovered a beautiful place and helped a new friend. The sound of the rushing water stayed in her mind. Kiri followed the forest path home. She knew she would always remember the hidden waterfall. Some adventures became special memories forever.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri remember about the waterfall?
2. Why was the adventure special?
3. What beautiful place would you like to visit one day?

# Unit 6: The Snowy Morning



Kiri woke up early and looked out the window. During the night, snow had covered the ground. The trees wore bright white coats. “Everything looks so different!” she exclaimed. She quickly put on her warm scarf and boots. Cold air brushed against her face. Tiny snowflakes still drifted from the sky. Kiri happily stepped into the snowy world.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri see when she looked outside?
2. What does drifted mean in the story?
3. What do you enjoy doing on a snowy day?

Kiri walked carefully across the crunchy snow. She noticed a line of unusual footprints leading into the woods. The prints were much smaller than hers. “I wonder who made these,” she said. She followed them slowly. The trail twisted around bushes and trees. Soon she reached a quiet clearing. Something was hiding behind a snowy log.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri find in the snow?
2. Why did Kiri follow the footprints?
3. Who do you think made the footprints?

Behind the log, Kiri found a little fox shivering in the cold. Snow had covered its small shelter. “You must be freezing,” Kiri said kindly. She gently brushed the snow away with her trunk. Then she gathered dry branches nearby. Together they made a cosy place for the fox. The little animal wagged its tail happily. Kiri smiled with relief.



## Questions

1. Who was hiding behind the log?
2. How did Kiri help the little fox?
3. How could you help an animal during winter?

Before walking home, Kiri looked across the snowy forest. Everything sparkled in the morning sunlight. The little fox peeked out from its warm shelter. “Stay safe,” Kiri called with a wave. She followed her footprints back home. Her heart felt warm, even though the weather was cold. It had been a snowy morning she would never forget.



## Questions

1. What made the forest sparkle?
2. Why did Kiri feel warm inside?
3. What is your favourite thing about winter?

# Unit 7: The Desert Flower



Kiri travelled across a wide, sandy desert with her guide. The sun shone brightly overhead. Warm wind carried tiny grains of sand through the air. “The desert looks empty,” Kiri said. Her guide smiled and pointed ahead. “Look carefully,” he replied. Kiri searched the ground with curious eyes. Soon she noticed a bright flower growing alone.



## Questions

1. Where was Kiri travelling?
2. What does desert mean in the story?
3. Why do you think the flower surprised Kiri?

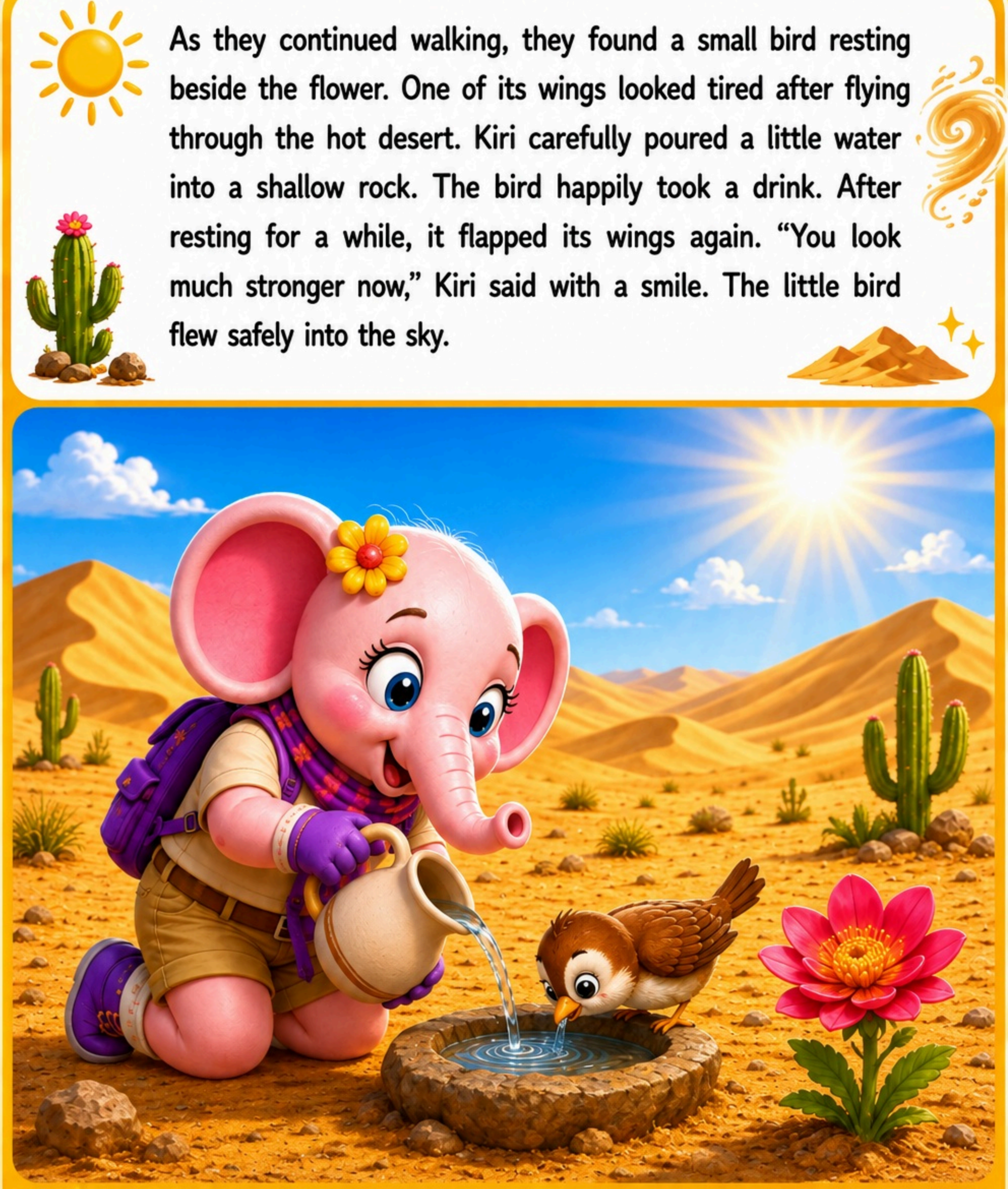
Kiri walked closer to admire the beautiful flower. Its colourful petals stood out against the golden sand. “How can it grow here?” she asked. Her guide explained that some plants needed very little water. Their long roots reached deep into the ground. Kiri listened carefully to every word. She was amazed by nature’s clever designs. The tiny flower looked strong and healthy.




## Questions

1. What did Kiri notice about the flower?
2. Why could the flower grow in the desert?
3. What other plants have you seen growing in unusual places?

As they continued walking, they found a small bird resting beside the flower. One of its wings looked tired after flying through the hot desert. Kiri carefully poured a little water into a shallow rock. The bird happily took a drink. After resting for a while, it flapped its wings again. “You look much stronger now,” Kiri said with a smile. The little bird flew safely into the sky.



## Questions

1. Who was resting beside the flower?
2. How did Kiri help the bird?
3. Why is water important in a desert?

Before leaving, Kiri looked at the flower one last time. It reminded her that strength could be found in unexpected places. The desert no longer seemed empty. It was full of life for those who looked carefully. Kiri thanked her guide for the wonderful journey. She walked away with new knowledge and happy memories. The little flower stayed in her heart for a long time.



## Questions

1. What did the flower remind Kiri about?
2. Why did the desert seem different at the end of the story?
3. What did you learn from Kiri's adventure?

# Unit 8:
# The Cave Painting



Kiri explored a quiet cave with her guide one afternoon. The cave was cool and dim inside. As they walked deeper, Kiri noticed colourful shapes on the rocky wall. “Someone painted these long ago,” her guide explained. Kiri looked closely at the pictures. They showed animals, trees, and people. She wondered who had created them. Every painting seemed to tell a story.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover inside the cave?
2. What does dim mean in the story?
3. What story do you think one of the paintings told?

Her guide explained that the paintings were made many years ago. Early artists used natural colours from rocks and plants. Kiri was amazed that the pictures were still visible. “They must be very important,” she said. Her guide nodded with a smile. Everyone needed to protect these special artworks. Kiri carefully admired every picture. She promised not to touch the walls.



## Questions

1. What did early artists use to make the paintings?
2. Why did Kiri decide not to touch the walls?
3. Why do you think old paintings should be protected?

As they explored further, Kiri noticed a small drawing that looked different. It showed a family sitting around a fire. “This might tell us about their daily life,” her guide said. Kiri imagined how they had lived long ago. She pictured them sharing stories and meals together. The cave suddenly felt full of history. Kiri wished she could learn even more.



## Questions

1. What did the small drawing show?
2. What does history mean in the story?
3. What would you ask the people in the painting if you could meet them?

Before leaving the cave, Kiri thanked her guide for the interesting visit. She had learned that pictures could teach people about the past. The old paintings had survived for many years because others had cared for them. Kiri smiled as she walked into the sunshine. She hoped future visitors would protect the cave too. Some treasures were stories painted on stone.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri learn from the cave paintings?
2. Why have the paintings lasted for so many years?
3. What would you paint on a cave wall to tell others about your life?

# Unit 9: The Whispering Bamboo



Kiri wandered into a peaceful bamboo forest one breezy afternoon. Tall green stalks swayed gently above her. As the wind blew through the leaves, a soft whispering sound filled the air. “Who is talking?” Kiri asked with surprise. She listened carefully but saw no one nearby. The forest seemed calm and mysterious. Kiri smiled and followed the gentle sound.



## Questions

1. Where did Kiri go?
2. What does whispering mean in the story?
3. What do you think made the whispering sound?

The whispering became louder as Kiri walked deeper into the forest. Suddenly, she met an old panda sitting beside the bamboo. He smiled kindly. “The bamboo sings whenever the wind blows,” he explained. Kiri listened again. She realised the leaves were brushing against one another. The sound was soft and peaceful. She had never heard anything like it before.



## Questions

1. Who did Kiri meet in the bamboo forest?
2. Why did the bamboo make a whispering sound?
3. What sounds do you enjoy hearing in nature?

The panda showed Kiri a young bamboo shoot growing near the path. It had bent over after a strong wind. “Can we help it?” Kiri asked. Together they gently tied the shoot to a sturdy bamboo stalk. Soon it stood a little straighter. “Now it has time to grow strong,” the panda said. Kiri felt proud that they had helped.



## Questions

1. What was wrong with the young bamboo shoot?
2. How did Kiri and the panda help it?
3. Why is it important to care for young plants?

Before leaving, Kiri thanked the panda for teaching her something new. The whispering bamboo no longer sounded mysterious. Instead, it reminded her that nature had many beautiful voices. She waved goodbye as the wind rustled through the leaves once more. The peaceful sounds followed her all the way home. Kiri knew she would always remember the whispering bamboo.



## Questions

1. What did the whispering bamboo remind Kiri of?
2. Why did the bamboo no longer seem mysterious?
3. What is your favourite sound in nature?

# Unit 10: The Strange Footprints



Kiri walked through the forest early one morning. The ground was still soft after the night's rain. Suddenly, she noticed a line of unusual footprints in the mud. They were smaller than her footprints but larger than a rabbit's. "I wonder who made these," Kiri whispered. She looked around, but the forest was quiet. Curious, she decided to follow the mysterious trail.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover on the forest path?
2. What does mysterious mean in the story?
3. Who do you think made the footprints?

The footprints wound between tall trees and thick bushes. Kiri followed them carefully without making too much noise. After a while, she found a patch of broken branches. The footprints continued beyond them. “Something passed through here,” she said thoughtfully. She listened for any sounds nearby. Then she heard gentle rustling behind a bush. Kiri waited quietly to see what would appear.



## Questions

1. Where did the footprints lead?
2. Why did Kiri stay quiet?
3. What do you think was hiding behind the bush?

A young porcupine slowly stepped out from behind the bush. Several leaves were caught on its sharp quills. “I was looking for my family,” it explained. Kiri smiled kindly. She helped remove the leaves one by one. Then they followed the footprints together. Soon they found the porcupine’s family waiting beneath a large tree. Everyone looked relieved to be together again.



## Questions

1. Who had made the footprints?

2. How did Kiri help the young porcupine?

3. How do you think the porcupine’s family felt when they were reunited?

The porcupine family thanked Kiri for her kindness. “I am glad I followed the footprints,” she said with a smile. As she walked home, she realised that every trail could lead to a new adventure. The forest seemed full of interesting surprises. Kiri looked back at the footprints one last time. Then she continued along the path with a happy heart.



## Questions

1. Why was Kiri glad she followed the footprints?
2. What lesson did Kiri learn from her adventure?
3. What clues have you discovered that led you to something interesting?

# Unit 11: The Crystal Pool



Kiri followed a narrow stream through the forest one warm afternoon. The water became clearer with every step. Soon she discovered a small pool surrounded by smooth rocks. The water sparkled like glass in the sunshine. “It looks like crystal,” Kiri whispered. She knelt beside the pool and looked into the water. Tiny fish swam beneath the surface. The peaceful place filled her with wonder.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover beside the stream?
2. What does crystal mean in the story?
3. What do you think made the pool sparkle?

As Kiri watched the fish, she noticed something floating on the water. It was a small leaf boat carrying an acorn. “How unusual!” she laughed. A gentle breeze pushed the tiny boat across the pool. Suddenly, it became stuck between two rocks. Kiri carefully reached into the water. She gently moved the boat back into the current. It floated away once again.



## Questions

1. What was floating on the pool?
2. Why did the little boat stop moving?
3. Have you ever made something that floated on water?

A family of squirrels hurried down to the water's edge. "Thank you!" one of them called. They explained that the little leaf boat was part of their game. The acorn was their prize. Kiri smiled as the boat drifted safely toward them. The young squirrels cheered with excitement. Everyone laughed together beside the sparkling pool. It became a happy afternoon for all.



## Questions

1. Who owned the little leaf boat?
2. Why were the squirrels happy?
3. What games do you enjoy playing outdoors?

Before leaving, Kiri looked into the clear water one last time. She could see the blue sky reflected on the surface. The crystal pool seemed even more beautiful than before. Kiri thanked the squirrels for sharing their game. Then she followed the stream back through the forest. She knew that even simple moments could become wonderful memories. The sparkling pool stayed in her thoughts all the way home.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri see reflected in the pool?
2. Why was the day special for Kiri?
3. What place in nature would you like to visit again?

# Unit 12:
# The Hollow Tree



Kiri wandered through the forest on a cool autumn morning. She stopped beside a giant old tree with a wide opening in its trunk. “I wonder what is inside,” she whispered. The tree looked ancient and strong. Leaves covered the ground around its roots. Kiri carefully peered into the hollow. It was darker than she expected. She decided to explore a little closer.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover in the forest?
2. What does hollow mean in the story?
3. What do you think might be inside the tree?

Inside the tree, Kiri found a cosy space that stayed dry and warm. Small birds had built nests high above her. A family of squirrels stored acorns in one corner. “Many animals live here together,” Kiri said with a smile. She watched quietly so she would not disturb them. Every animal seemed busy with its own work. The hollow tree was like a tiny neighbourhood.



## Questions

1. Which animals lived inside the tree?
2. Why did Kiri stay quiet?
3. Why do you think the hollow tree was a good home for animals?

As Kiri turned to leave, she noticed a young owl searching the ground. “I cannot find my favourite feather,” the owl said sadly. Kiri looked around the hollow tree. Soon she spotted the feather resting beneath a pile of dry leaves. She gently picked it up with her trunk. The little owl flapped its wings happily. “Thank you!” it called with a cheerful hoot.



## Questions

1. What was the young owl looking for?
2. How did Kiri help the owl?
3. How would you help someone who had lost something?

Before walking home, Kiri looked at the old tree one last time. She realised it was more than just a tree. It was a safe home for many forest animals. She smiled as she heard birds singing from inside the hollow. The forest was full of wonderful places to discover. Kiri continued her journey with a happy heart. She hoped the old tree would stand for many more years.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri learn about the hollow tree?
2. Why was the tree important to the animals?
3. What place in nature do you think should always be protected?

# Unit 13: The Secret Meadow



Kiri explored a quiet forest on a warm spring afternoon. As she walked between the trees, she discovered a hidden meadow covered with soft green grass. A gentle breeze moved through the open space. “What a wonderful surprise!” Kiri exclaimed. Tall trees surrounded the meadow on every side. The peaceful place felt like a secret waiting to be discovered. Kiri quietly stepped inside.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover in the forest?
2. What does meadow mean in the story?
3. Why do you think Kiri called it a secret meadow?

As Kiri explored, she noticed a narrow path winding across the meadow. She stayed on the path to protect the soft ground. Nearby, she found a small wooden sign hidden by tall grass. It read, “Please help protect our meadow.” Kiri smiled as she brushed the dirt from the sign. “Everyone should be able to enjoy this place,” she said. The meadow looked even more welcoming.




## Questions

1. Why did Kiri stay on the path?
2. What message was written on the sign?
3. Why do you think people should stay on the path?

Soon, Kiri met a family of hedgehogs collecting fallen leaves. They explained that they helped keep the meadow clean. Kiri gladly joined them. Together they picked up litter that visitors had left behind. Before long, the meadow looked neat again. “Thank you for helping us,” the hedgehogs said. Kiri felt proud of their teamwork. Everyone smiled at the clean meadow.



## Questions

1. Who did Kiri meet in the meadow?
2. How did Kiri help the hedgehogs?
3. How can you help keep a park or garden clean?

Before leaving, Kiri looked across the peaceful meadow one last time. The tall grass swayed gently in the breeze. Warm sunshine filled the open space. Kiri knew that every small act of kindness could protect nature. She waved goodbye to her new friends. Then she followed the forest path home. The secret meadow became one of her favourite places to remember.



## Questions

1. What made the meadow one of Kiri's favourite places?
2. What lesson did Kiri learn during her adventure?
3. What place in nature would you like to protect?

# Unit 14:
# The Mossy Tunnel



Kiri explored a rocky hillside on a cool afternoon. While looking between the large stones, she discovered a narrow tunnel covered with soft green moss. The entrance looked old and quiet. “I wonder where it leads,” she whispered. She looked inside carefully before taking a step forward. The air felt cool and fresh. Kiri slowly began her adventure through the tunnel.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri discover on the hillside?
2. What does mossy mean in the story?
3. Would you explore the tunnel? Why or why not?

The tunnel twisted gently beneath the hillside. Tiny drops of water trickled down the stone walls. Kiri noticed smooth pebbles shining on the ground. She walked slowly so she would not slip. Soon she reached a place where two tunnels crossed. “Which way should I go?” she wondered. She listened carefully before choosing the tunnel on the left. It became brighter as she walked.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri notice inside the tunnel?
2. Why did Kiri walk slowly?
3. How would you choose which tunnel to follow?

At the end of the tunnel, Kiri found a family of badgers clearing away fallen rocks. The rocks had blocked one of the small entrances. “Could you help us?” they asked. Kiri used her strong trunk to move the heavy stones. Before long, the entrance was open again. “Thank you for your kindness,” the badgers said happily. Kiri smiled as everyone celebrated together.



## Questions

1. Who did Kiri meet at the end of the tunnel?



2. How did Kiri help the badgers?



3. Why is teamwork important?



Before leaving, Kiri looked back at the mossy tunnel one last time. It no longer seemed mysterious. Instead, it reminded her that adventures often lead to new friendships. She waved goodbye to the badger family. Then she climbed back up the hillside. The fresh afternoon breeze welcomed her home. Kiri knew she would always remember the mossy tunnel.



## Questions

1. Why did the tunnel no longer seem mysterious?
2. What did Kiri gain from her adventure?
3. What new place would you like to explore one day?

# Unit 15:
# The First Sunrise



Kiri woke up long before dawn one quiet morning. She wanted to watch the first sunrise from the top of a nearby hill. The sky was still dark as she began climbing. Cool air brushed against her face. “I hope I arrive in time,” she whispered. The path was peaceful and silent. Kiri continued walking with excitement.



## Questions

1. Where was Kiri going?
2. What does dawn mean in the story?
3. Why did Kiri wake up so early?

When Kiri reached the top, she sat on a smooth rock. Slowly, the eastern sky began to change colour. Soft shades of pink, orange, and gold spread across the horizon. The world became brighter with every minute. “This is amazing,” Kiri said quietly. Everything around her seemed calm and still. She watched the sunlight reach the valley below.



## Questions

1. What colours appeared in the sky?
2. Why did the world become brighter?
3. How do you think Kiri felt as she watched the sunrise?

As Kiri enjoyed the view, she noticed an elderly tortoise climbing the hill. It moved slowly but never stopped. “I wanted to see the sunrise too,” the tortoise said with a smile. Kiri waited patiently beside him. Together they watched the last part of the sunrise. The tortoise thanked Kiri for waiting. They shared the peaceful moment in silence.



## Questions

1. Who joined Kiri on the hill?
2. Why did Kiri wait for the tortoise?
3. Why is patience sometimes important?

When it was time to leave, Kiri took one last look at the glowing sky. She realised that some beautiful moments were worth waiting for. The tortoise smiled and waved goodbye. Kiri carefully walked down the hill. She felt calm, thankful, and full of hope. The first sunrise had become a memory she would treasure forever.



## Questions

1. What did Kiri learn from watching the sunrise?
2. Why did the sunrise become a special memory?
3. What beautiful moment would you like to experience one day?


The End