Mia and the Whispering Woods

A storybook for

Mia





Mia sat on her fluffy yellow rug, staring at the edge of the Whispering Woods. She wondered if the animals there ever wanted to play before bedtime. A rustle, a whisper, a little green glow. Mia grabbed her wooden lantern and stepped into the cool breeze.



Deep in the woods, she found a tiny blue badger trapped in a tangle of prickly blackberry bushes. "Oh bother, my paws are stuck!" he grumbled, wiggling his striped nose. Mia set her lantern down on the soft moss. "Don't worry, I have very careful fingers," she smiled.



Mia gently pulled the thorny vines away, one by one, until the badger popped out like a cork. "Thank you! I am Barnaby," he cheered, shaking the leaves from his fur. A rustle, a whisper, a little green glow. Fireflies drifted down to dance around his freed paws.



Barnaby trotted ahead, leading Mia to a hidden glade where sleepy squirrels were sipping acorn tea. "Would you like a cup?" a squirrel yawned, passing her a tiny, warm shell. Mia blew on the sweet, honey-scented tea and took a tiny sip. It tasted like quiet dreams and sunshine.



The stars began to blink above the tall, dark trees. A rustle, a whisper, a little green glow. Mia waved goodbye to her new friends and padded softly back to her own warm bed. Helping others always makes the heart feel snug and ready for sleep.

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Let's talk about the story

1. What did Mia hold in her hand when she walked into the Whispering Woods?

2. How did Barnaby the badger feel when he was stuck in the bushes?

3. Why did Mia use her fingers carefully instead of pulling the vines hard?

4. What did the acorn tea taste like when Mia took a sip?

5. How do you feel when you help a friend who is in trouble?

The End

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