

The Rabbit and the Lantern



Pip the rabbit found a little lantern beside the forest path. Its candle was still glowing. Someone must be looking for it, she thought.

She carried it toward the village. Soon she met a beetle who could not see the bridge in the dusk. Pip held the lantern high, and they crossed together. Farther on, a family of mice needed help finding their gate. Pip walked beside them until they were home.

At the last cottage, Nia the mole opened her door. "My lantern!" she cried. "I thought I had lost it."

Pip handed it back. The forest behind her looked dark now, but Nia smiled and stepped outside.

"Come," she said. "A light can guide two friends just as well as one." Together they followed the bright little circle all the way to Pip's burrow.



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