

# Rainforest Boy

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A long time ago, in a land far away, stood a village of people and lots of them were hunters! Hunting for tigers, snakes, monkeys and whatever crosses their path. According to the tribe, the hunter who got the biggest animal would be the king of the village. But one day when the king sent children out to hunt, that was about to change...

As a young boy set off to hunt, as instructed by king of the village, he was overwhelmed by the tall trees towering over him. Whilst also feeling tempted and ambitious to capture a creature to make his town proud. He felt like he couldn't do it, since all he caught so far was a frog mixed with a daddy long legs spider. Not looking above his head, a cheeky monkey hanging from the trees snatched the frog off him and ran like the wind. He chased after him but the monkey was on a tall branch that he couldn't reach. Suddenly, the monkey disappeared, like it had powers.

When the monkey disappeared, you could almost hear the silence. A dark feeling crept up on the boy. And when the boy looked behind him..., he saw an enormous chameleon staring straight into his eyes. The creature was painted like nature, it burped out the monkey and the frog! Giving straight to the boy. He was amazed, he couldn't believe his eyes. The creature picked up the frog and turned into the same colour as it. The boy removed the frog from its mouth, then the chameleon came running by his side, like it was protecting him.

The boy put the frog in his pocket and stayed for a while, figuring out what the creature wanted. The chameleon picked him up and ran at the speed of a race car. The boy was shocked at how fast he was going. A moment later, the creature snatched a bird off the tree for him. The boy put the bird on his head to see if it suits him, it was not big enough compared to the king's one.

The pair raced through the forest, like a lightning bolt, collecting animals. They got all sorts of creatures like bears, tigers, crocodiles, elephants, anything you can name! But they did ignore one animal... It was a very amusing bird that was dancing, blocking their way. It was singing so out of pitch that they had to avoid it, being careful not to get stuck dancing.

They climbed trees as high as mountains. At one point they leapt out of the trees, but then diving back into the green sea. The boy felt so free from everything in his life. Until the key to his freedom got trapped...

The trap set off an alarm that called to the hunters in the village. The boy had to think fast because if he didn't, he knew that something bad would happen to the chameleon. So he cut the rope that would drop the chameleon to the ground. For a second the young boy hesitated, he was thinking about being king of the village with the chameleon's head sitting on his. He shook that thought out of his head, he loved the creature too much to let him go. His heart skipped a beat, what should he do?

When the hunters arrived they stood in shock, examining the big bag of animals that was collected from all over the jungle, that the boy had left.

Today the boy and chameleon are still running through the forest, together.