



DISCOVER A WORLD OF ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES





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They marked a line from where they would jump, and cleared the path so no one would bump.

All lined up: first the wolf, next the dog, then the kitten and finally the frog.





"Let's play long jump" said Wolfie one day.

"I'm going to win, but let's play anyway."

The others didn't believe Wolfie would win,
but they liked his idea and were keen to join in.

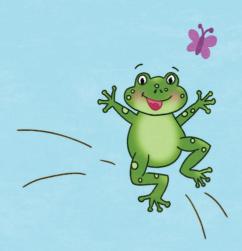
It was during playtime in the garden, outside. That's when they liked to be noisy and wild. But first, there were some things to prepare, for this very important, exciting affair.













Moonsie the Bunny kept score from the side. He took on his role with great passion and pride. When he finally called: "Ready? Steady? Jump!" They all leaped forward and landed with a thump.



Frog jumped the longest - she won first place, and puppy came last with a smile on his face.
Who cares about winning? It doesn't mean a thing!
When friends play together, then everyone wins.







They built a tower, made sure it was steady.

Then stood close by willing, eager and ready.

One by one they climbed right to the top,
when they suddenly heard a voice calling: "Stop!"





"Wouldn't it be great if we jump from up high?" asked Kitten, and the others wanted to try.

They set off preparing their next sporting project, and collected chairs, boxes and some other objects.



"There are certain things that we mustn't do. They are quite risky and dangerous, too.

But if there's something we want very bad, and being unable to do it makes us sad, we can picture it in our mind instead, and enjoy the experience just in our head."



That was teacher Bear, she was rather loud.
Then she said: "no more climbing is allowed!
It is very dangerous, please think this through.
If you're not careful, this game could hurt you."

Once they put all the toys back in place, they walked back in, with a smiley face. Then teacher Bear sat them down on the mat and said, "let's all have an important chat."



"What other things would you like us to try? The mind is so vast; we can climb low or high."

"A house made of carrots!" Cried Moonsie the bunny.

"Orange windows and walls - it will be oh so funny!

A delicious house with room for everyone
to hop and to jump - both yummy and fun!"



She asked everyone to share a few of the wild things that they wanted to do: "You all want to jump from a tower today? Let's imagine together, I'll show you the way!" Let's all, in our minds, climb right to the top, stretch out our arms and just let ourselves drop."

Eyes closed, arms stretched, they stood for a minute. Even Kitten joined in - she had to be in it! In their minds, they jumped without worry or fear, then landed with excited laughter and cheer.



The others, eyes closed, agreed and thought "Yes! What a wonderful thing is a town with no mess."

It was puppy's turn next; he took no time at all: "I dream of a world where there's a bouncy ball. In every corner of the house and under every tree in every rainbow color, as far as the eye can see. We could all chase it around, throw it and play, from dawn to dusk (that means all day.)"



"I imagine that after I cut my hair," said kitten - it was her turn to share, "I could click my fingers and then, my hair would grow longer again! That way I could have a brand-new style, a whole new look every once in a while."





It was Frog's turn to share what she wanted to see: "Imagine this scene for a moment with me: An enormous robot marching all around, and gobbling up all the rubbish in town. In a few days our park and our street would be ever so pretty and neat.



"And what about you, dear teacher Bear?"
They all asked, "It's your turn to share!"

Bear agreed, "of course it is! all right!
I imagine that each and every night,
my cubs sleep soundly in their soft beds,
and happy dreams float around their heads."

It's so exciting, don't you agree?
Our imaginations can set us free!
And in our minds, we can, if we dare, without one worry or a care, do anything we like, anywhere.









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