

“Snake and Rabbit’s Fright”

On a spooky Halloween night, the moon hung low in the sky, casting eerie shadows across the forest. Ruby the rabbit hopped nervously, her big ears twitching. “I can’t believe we’re going to the haunted glen, Sam!” she said to her friend, Sammy the snake, who slithered beside her.

“Don’t worry, Ruby! It’s just for fun! I heard there’s a treasure hidden there!” Sammy reassured her, his scales glinting in the moonlight.

“Treasure? Really?” Ruby’s eyes widened with excitement.

“Yes! Let’s go find it!” Sammy urged, leading the way.

As they made their way through the dark forest, they soon came across their friend, Benny the badger, who was digging by the path. “Hey, Ruby! Hey, Sammy! Where are you off to?” he asked, looking up with a curious expression.

“We’re heading to the haunted glen to find treasure! Want to join us?” Ruby asked eagerly.

“Count me in! But what if there are ghosts?” Benny replied, his voice tinged with worry.

“Ghosts are just stories! We’ll be fine!” Sammy said confidently.

They continued on and soon found their friend, Clara the owl, perched on a branch. “What are you all up to?” she hooted, tilting her head.

“We’re going to the haunted glen for a treasure hunt! Want to come?” Ruby invited.

“Sounds intriguing! I’ll join you,” Clara said, swooping down to join the group.

As they approached the haunted glen, the wind howled through the trees, making eerie sounds. “It feels spooky here!” Ruby whispered, her heart racing.

“Just stay close! We can do this together!” Sammy said, reassuring his friends.

Suddenly, a chilling voice echoed, “Welcome, brave adventurers! To find the treasure, you must solve my riddle!”

Out of the shadows emerged a ghostly figure, shimmering in the moonlight. “What’s your riddle?” Sammy asked boldly.

“Here it is: I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with the wind. What am I?”

Ruby's ears perked up as she thought hard. "An echo!" she shouted.

"Correct!" the ghost declared, and a hidden path opened up, leading to a shimmering treasure chest.

As they approached the chest, Benny whispered, "What if there are real ghosts guarding it?"

"Just remember, we're in this together!" Clara reassured him.

Just then, a rustling came from the nearby bushes. "What's that?" Ruby gasped, her heart pounding.

"It's probably just the wind," Sammy said, though he felt a little anxious himself.

Out jumped Frankie the fox, grinning widely. "Boo! Did I scare you?" he laughed.

"Frankie! You scared us!" Ruby exclaimed, relieved and annoyed.

"To claim the treasure, you must solve one more riddle!" Frankie announced, his eyes sparkling with mischief.

"What's your riddle?" Sammy asked, intrigued.

"Here it is: The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?"

Ruby thought for a moment and then smiled. "Footsteps!"

"Correct!" Frankie cheered, and he pointed to the treasure chest, which swung open to reveal a trove of colorful candies and spooky decorations.

"Wow! Look at all this!" Benny shouted, his eyes shining with delight.

As they shared their goodies under the glowing moonlight, Ruby turned to her friends. "I'm so glad we faced our fears together! This was the best Halloween ever!"

Clara nodded, feeling proud. "And we learned that scary adventures are much more fun when you have friends by your side!"

As they laughed and enjoyed their treats, they realized that Halloween was not just about the fright, but also about friendship, courage, and unforgettable memories.

Lesson Learned: Facing fears is easier and more enjoyable with friends. Together, you can overcome anything and create wonderful memories.