

Run from the Volcano! Detta Devia Rifqah Mufidah





Luta loved to play all day. Here he'd jump, and there he'd sway. One day, Luta heard something strange. It was close enough, within range.



Luta felt a vibration quite mysterious. Because of that, he grew curious.



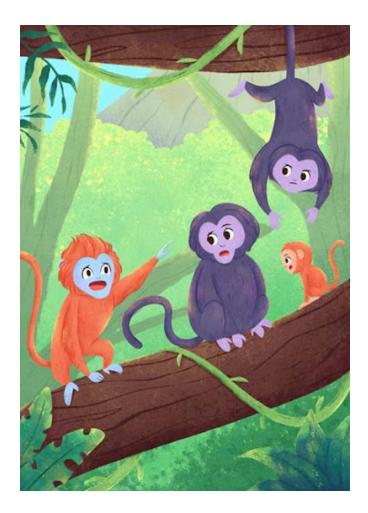
What could it be? Let's go and see!



Hot wind blew through the air. Could this be a sign of the volcano's flare? Luta's heart filled with worry. He looked to the sky for signs, in a hurry.



Eagle arrived with news to share. Smoke from the mountaintop was filling the air.



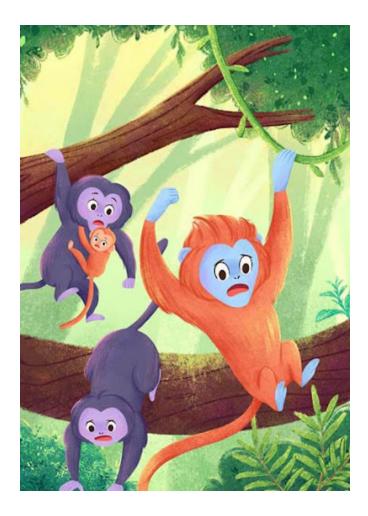
This news must be spread, that was the plan. But the other langur did not understand. They didn't believe in Luta's claim. Luta was frustrated. Being cautious was his only aim.



Hot winds blew relentlessly. Earth's vibrations, continuous and free. It was clear the volcano was ready to blow.



Ouch! Oh no!



Loud thundering noises were heard. As Luta shouted, the other langur stirred. We must quickly move away! The other langur followed with no delay.



Luta informed the other creatures who were near.

They all stopped playing, their eyes full of fear.



Run, make haste! No time to waste.



"Huh, what does he want?" This was no time to hunt!



The leopard appeared hungry and sly. Another problem for Luta to get by. Ouch! My, oh my!



Everyone quickly ran away. "Run, and don't stop," Luta would say.



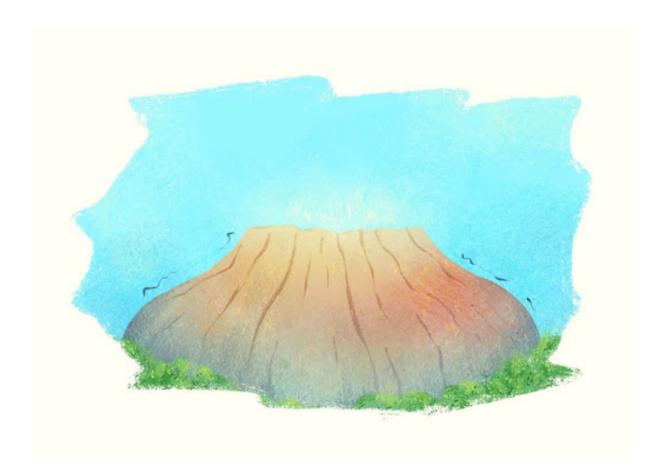
They arrived at the nearest village in sight. Why were the humans fleeing in fright? Were they also afraid of the leopard's bite?



Finally, the animals reached a distant place. They gazed at the mountain from a safe space.



Would Luta's hunch be proven right?



Would a mighty eruption really ignite?



Thick smoke rose up high.

With tiny eruptions from time to time.

- Puff!
- Bang!
- Blup!

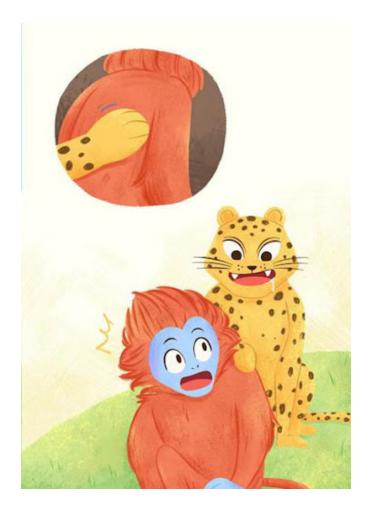


The animals waited for another sign or a sound.

But after a while, none were found.



It turned out there was nothing to dread! All the animals scolded Luta instead. But Luta only wanted to be alert! To be prepared, and ready to avert.



Finally, everyone was safe and sound. Could it be there were no more threats around?



Run! Don't stop, keep going with might. Always be cautious, day or night.



Let's Learn About: Signs of Volcanic Eruptions

When a volcano is about to erupt, there are signs that we can observe. One of them is the movement of animals away from the volcano. Before the eruption, pressure builds up inside the volcano. This pressure creates sounds and vibrations that can only be heard and felt by the animals near the volcano. That's why they immediately move away from the volcano. Besides that, there are other signs such as earthquakes, smoke emmiting from the volcano's summit, rising temperatures, and repeated rumbling sounds.

Humans need tools to capture those sounds and vibrations. One such tool is a seismograph, which is placed in volcanic monitoring stations. Thanks to this tool, officials can warn people living near the volcano to evacuate before an eruption occurs.



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