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DEDICATION

To my beloved grandchildren Deen, Alari & Kiyah who have filled our lives with joy and happiness.

This book is designated for children age four years to ten years old.

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Once upon a time, there were three siblings, the eldest brother, Cheeq the middle sister, Chaq and the youngest brother, Chiq-Chaq.

They lived in the beautiful countryside, surrounded by green hills and trees.

They walked to school everyday and Cheeq was in charge of taking care of his younger sister and brother.



Everyday their mother gives them the same advice:

One, "Go straight to school," two, "don't talk to strangers," and three, "stay together all the time."

The parents were very happy because things were going very well.



They walk an unpaved road to school.

On the left side of the road, there is a slim creek coming from the nearby mountains.

On the right of the road is a forest, that no one dares enter alone.



One morning, as they were going to school, Chiq-Chaq saw a jumpy rabbit playing at the edge of the forest.

It was a fluffy white rabbit that wiggled its mouth, scrunched his nose, and flapped its ears.



"It's a rabbit, it's a rabbit," Chiq-Chaq kept shouting with excitement.

He ran towards the rabbit.

The jumpy rabbit saw Chiq-Chaq running towards him, and quickly jumped into the forest that no one dares enter alone.



Chiq-Chaq ran into the forest before Cheeq and Chaq could stop him.

Chiq-Chaq continued running after the jumpy rabit.

Cheeq and Chaq had no choice, but to follow him.



The rabbit was nowhere to be found. They kept looking and went deeper and deeper into the forest.

The trees started getting taller and t<mark>hicker.</mark>

The sky was disappearing, the light became dimmer and dimmer, and the bushes became thicker and rougher.



The children started getting scared, they heard many different noises from creatures they never heard before.

Suddenly, Chaq's feet froze, followed by her two brother's.

Standing still and terrified, a Forest Man surprisingly appeared from nowhere.

Without thinking, they clustered together, holding each other's hands shakily but firmly.



The Forest Man looked like a savage caveman.

He finally smiled at them, the best he could and asked them, "Have you lost your way?"

Cheeq moved in front of his younger brother and sister, spreading his arms to protect them and said, "Yes sir".



"Kids, this is not the place for you to be", said the Forest Man.

"Let me show you the way out."

Although they were scared and remembered their mother's rules, they had to accept the Forest Man's directions.



Soon they started seeing the sky become brighter and brighter, and their doubt of the Forest Man started to vanish little by little.

In the end, he told them if they continued on this path, they would be out of the forest.



Cheeq, Chaq, and Chiq-Chaq ran as fast as they could without saying another word.

They shortly reached the unpaved road back under the blue sky and headed towards school.



They learned a valuable lesson:

"Never forget your parent's advice!"



When they grew up, they told this story to their children, so they would not make the same mistakes.



