

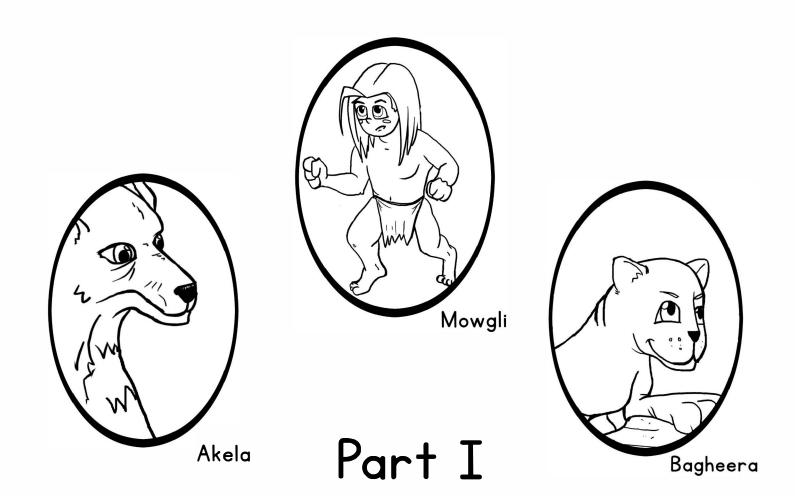
About Color and Read, Jungle Book

The Color and Read, Jungle Book is a reader, coloring book, and story book all in one! *Color and Read, Jungle Book* is much more than a coloring book! The whimsical, detailed pictures will definitely delight young artists.

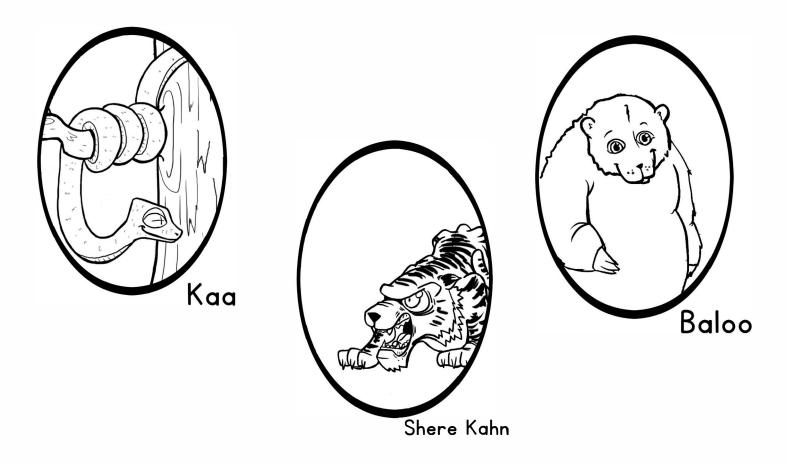
However, another benefit is the two tests that are provided—a larger, bold-font text for a young reader to read to himself or aloud to someone for reading practice and a smaller-font, more detailed text for adults to read to the child. This dual text may also be used with multiple levels of readers—more advanced readers may read this "adult" or smaller, more detailed text; younger readers can read the bold, larger text.

This coloring book/reader/story book is great for home and classrooms. Teachers can read the more advanced print aloud while students color in their books. Small reading groups can use the entire book—beginning readers reading the large text and advanced readers reading the small text.

Parents and teachers can also use it as a reward by having the student read the entire text (at their level) and then getting the book to color. Children will love this Color and Read book and my other one, *Color and Read Beauty and the Beast!*



Meet the Characters



Mowgli lived in the jungle. He had a wolf mom and a wolf dad. They raised him.

He had two friends. One was a bear and one was a panther. It was hard to live in the jungle. A mean tiger always hunted for Mowgli.



Mowgli was a young boy who was carried off into the jungle and was raised by wolves. Mother and Father Wolf adopted him. He loved his wolf family.

He quickly learned everything he needed to know about the jungle. He learned them from his two friends, Baloo the Bear and Bagheera the panther.

Mowgli had to be saved from being killed several times. Bagheera and Baloo rescued him. He also saved himself and his friends by using his intelligence. He used the Red Flower, which was fire. This scared off Shere Khan.



Gagheera was a panther.
A panther is a large cat. He lived in the jungle with Mowgli.

He did not kill humans. He was Mowgli's friend. He helped him stay safe.



 $oldsymbol{\gamma}$ Bagheera was a wise black panther. A panther is a large member of the cat family. He was sleek and beautiful.

He was one of the most feared animals in the jungle. However, he did not kill humans like the tiger did. He did not have much to do with the other animals in the jungle.

Bagheera was one of Mowgli's best friends. He loved Mowgli and looked after him. He was a good advisor and protector for Mowgli.



Baloo was a brown bear.
He helped Mowgli learn
about the jungle.

He was funny.

Mowgli and Baloo had fun. They sang and played. They loved being best friends.



Baloo was an old brown bear. He was in charge of teaching Mowgli the laws of the jungle. He was the animal with the most knowledge of the jungle.

He took his job seriously, and he carefully taught Mowgli. He did everything in his power to protect Mowgli from danger. He bravely defended Mowgli when the monkeys kidnapped the boy.

He and Mowgli went on many adventures together. They sang and played. They ate and laughed. They also watched out together for the dreaded tiger, Shere Khan.



__´ Mother Wolf took care of Mowgli. She loved him like he was her own cub.

She kept him safe. She tried to keep other animals from hurting him.



Mother Wolf raised Mowgli as if he were one of her own cubs. She was kind and nurturing. She kept Mowgli even though the mean wolves didn't want him in the jungle.

She was also extremely protective. She carefully guarded Mowgli and his "brothers" from the dangers of the jungle. She loved Mowgli dearly. She would have given her life to defend him.

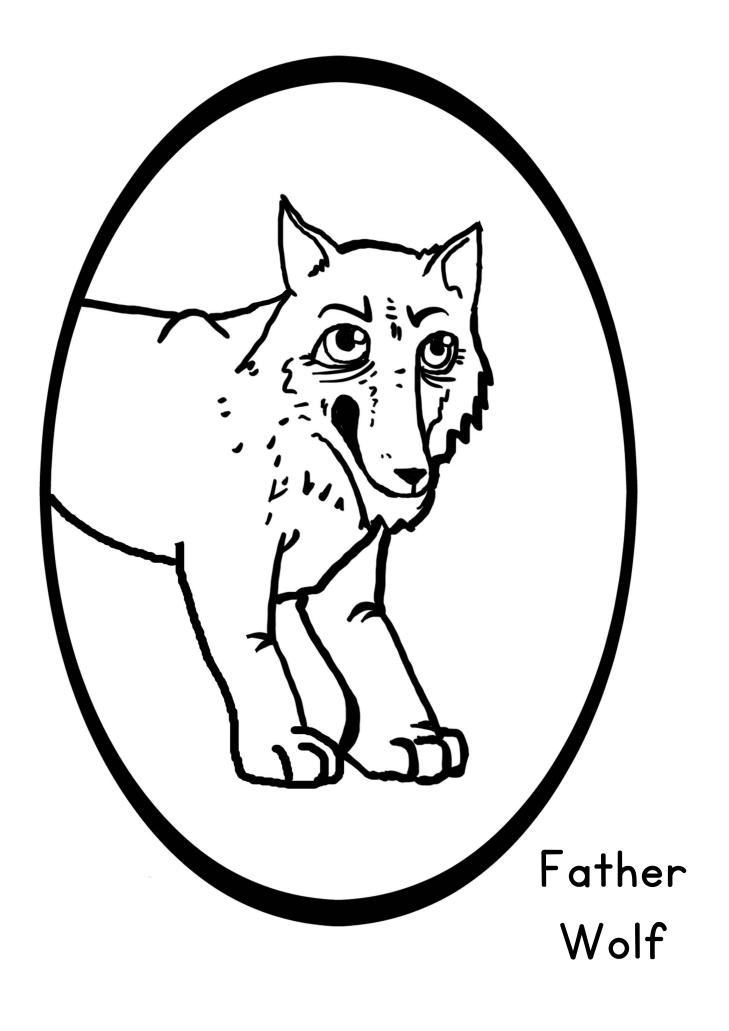


Father Wolf found Mowgli in the jungle. He helped Mother Wolf take care of the man-cub.

He tried to keep the man-cub safe. He fought the mean wolves to save Mowgli.

Father Wolf found Mowgli and brought him back to Mother Wolf. He agreed with Mother Wolf that they should keep the man cub and raise him. He told the wolf council that he and Mother Wolf were going to be Mowgli's parents.

He was a good father to all of his cubs. He protected them and taught them. He helped Mother Wolf with Mowgli. Eventually, he fought the mean wolves to save Mowgli's life.



__ There were some mean wolves in the jungle. These wolves wanted Mowgli out.

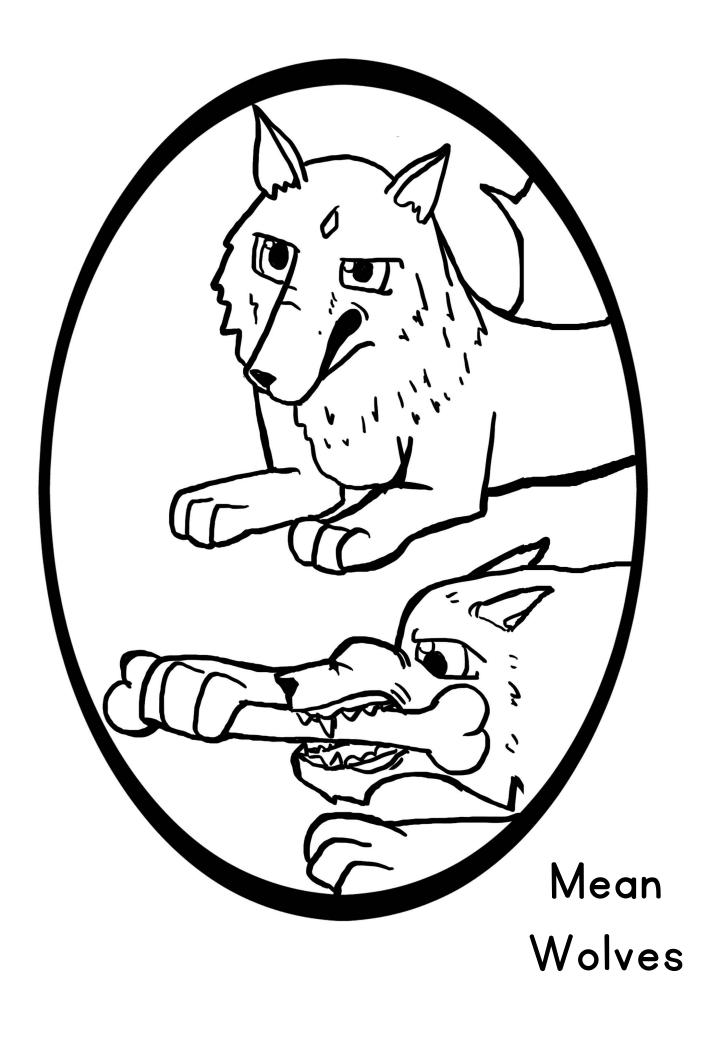
They made a plan with the tiger. The wolves and Shere Khan fought Father Wolf.



A part of the wolf pack hated Mowgli. These wolves disliked Father - Wolf for allowing the pack to accept Mowgli. They longed for him to be dead.

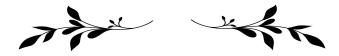
The mean wolves wanted to take command over the pack. They met with the evil tiger, Shere Khan. They decided to conquer Father Wolf.

They were willing to give Shere Khan power in order to do this. Shere Khan wanted Mowgli!



— The tiger was named Shere Khan. He was mean. He hurt humans and other animals.

He wanted to kill Mowgli. He helped the mean wolves attack Father Wolf.



Shere Khan was a tiger with one lame foot. He hated men and often attacked human villages. He was very feared in the jungle.

 Father and Mother Wolf stopped his first attempt to kill Mowgli. He hated Mowgli since the other animals had accepted the boy.

The tiger's main goal was to kill Mowgli. To get a chance to do this, he helped the mean wolves kill Father Wolf.



Kaa was a snake. He was a big snake called a python. He did tricks on the jungle animals.

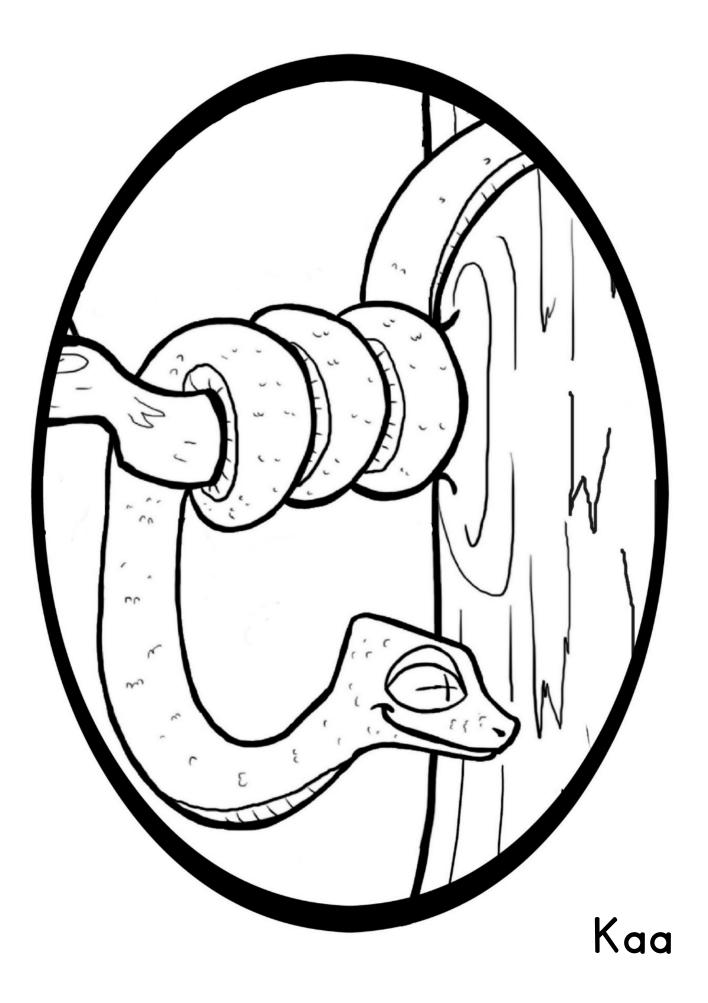
He hunted monkeys. He tried to catch Mowgli and his friends.



Kaa was a huge, ruthless python. A python is a large snake.

He terrorized the monkeys whom he often hunted. He helped free Mowgli from the monkeys.

However, he only rescued the boy because he knew the monkeys would make a wonderful meal. He also used hypnosis to try to turn Bagheera and Baloo into meals for him. He was a very clever snake.



The monkeys were bad animals. Nobody liked them. They broke all of the jungle rules. They swung Mowgli round and round.

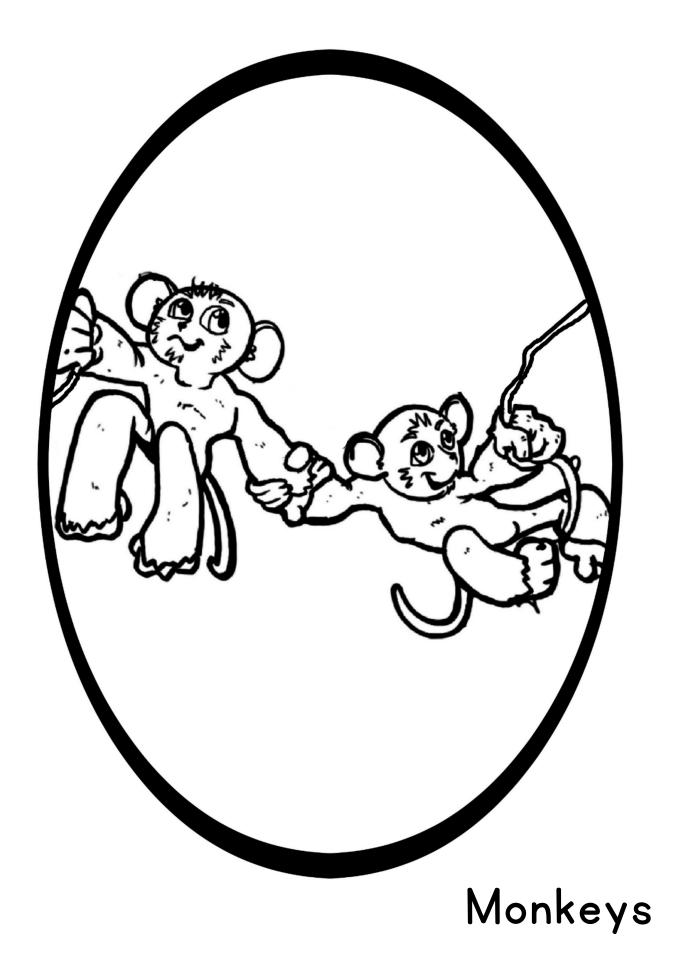
Kaa was a snake. He wanted to eat the monkeys.



The monkeys were hated by everyone in the jungle. They refused to obey any of the laws that the other animals followed. They threw sticks and mud at wounded animals.

They were, however, frightened of Kaa. Kaa was the python. He could catch the monkeys easily. He wanted to eat them.

The monkeys also kidnapped Mowgli because they thought he could be useful to them. They were swinging him from monkey to monkey! Mowgli's friends had to rescue him from the monkeys.



Brother Wolf was
 Mowgli's wolf brother. He
 was Mowgli's friend too.

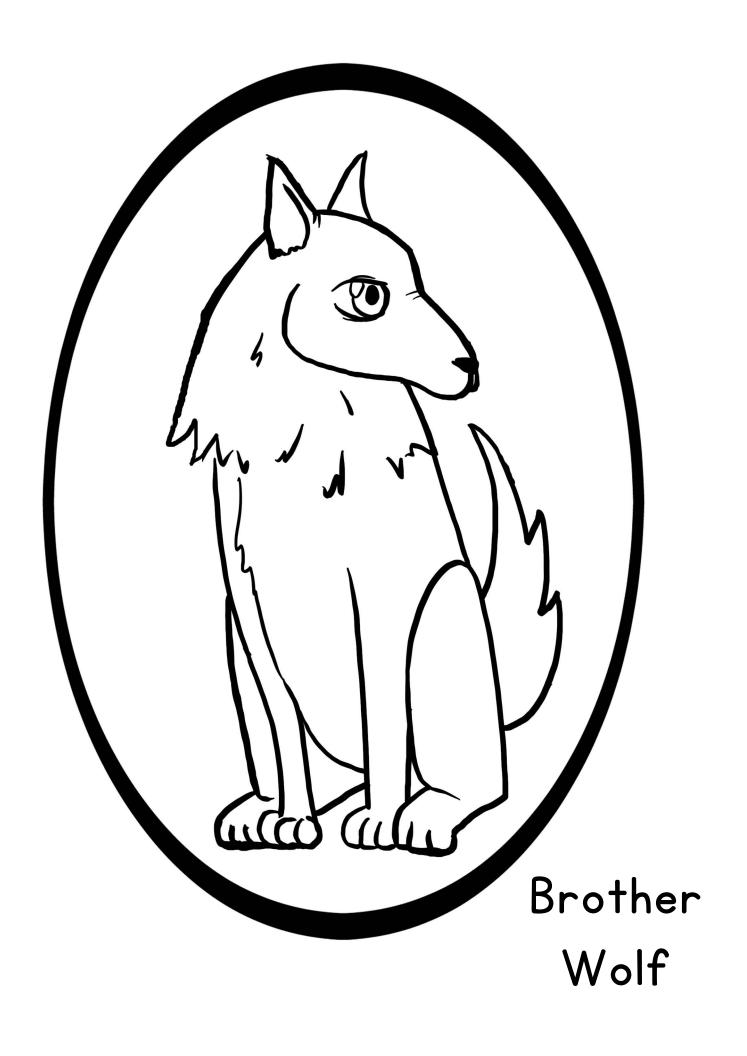
⁴ When Mowgli went back to the village to live, Brother Wolf came. They made a plan. They would beat the tiger!



Brother Wolf was one of Father and Mother Wolf's cubs. He was great friends with Mowgli. The two of them had been raised together.

After Mowgli left the jungle, he kept up his friendship with Brother Wolf. Brother Wolf came to visit him in the village late at night. They made secret plans to kill the tiger, Shere Khan.

Later, Mowgli met Brother Wolf in the jungle. Together, they killed Shere Khan.



Part II: The Story

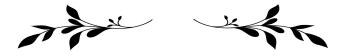


He found a baby boy. He took the child back to his cave.

Daddy Wolf heard something.

A mean tiger wanted to eat the boy. Mommy and Daddy Wolf would keep the boy safe.

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Father Wolf was out hunting for food. He heard a noise. He followed the noise until he found a basket with a baby human in it!

He brought the basket back to his cave. He showed the baby to Mother Wolf. She was happy to see the baby. She said they would take care of the baby until the wolf council meets.

The parents were afraid the wolf council would not let them keep the baby to raise him. The wolves did not usually like humans. They would wait and see.

Just then Shere Khan, the mean tiger came to their cave. He told them that later on, the wolves would get to him. They would not let the pair keep the baby. When that happened, he would eat the baby!





The mom and dad wolf named the boy Mowgli.

The boy had two best friends.

One friend was a panther named Bagheera. One friend was a bear named Baloo.



Mother and Father Wolf loved their man cub. They named him Mowgli. This name meant little frog.

Mowgli grew up and loved to play with his best friends, a panther named Bagheera and a bear named Baloo.

They played with other jungle animals who were also friendly.





The bear named Baloo loved to play with Mowgli.

Mowgli was safe when his friends were close by.



Baloo took special care of Mowgli. He played with him in the jungle. He carried him on his back. They were the best of friends.

Baloo and Bagheera protected Mowgli from the mean tiger, Shere Khan, and the mean wolves. They knew they couldn't protect him forever. But they did what they could until the council meeting.



All of the cubs had to come to the meeting.

The wolves and the tiger did not want to let Mowgli in the pack. His friends said they should let him in. So they did-for now.



The wolves met for the council meeting. Mother and Father Wolf were nervous. The wolves did not want to let their man-cub into the pack.

Baloo, the bear, spoke up. The wolves listened to him. But they still needed one more vote.

Bagheera, the panther, said that if they would let him in the pack, he would give the wolves the meat of a bull. So they said yes.

This made Shere Khan angry. He was planning to get Mowgli and he wanted to get him soon!





One day some monkeys got the boy!

They swung him around. He could not get away!



Mowgli loved to explore with Baloo. One day Mowgli was running through the jungle alone.

Suddenly, he felt himself being lifted off the ground! Some monkeys had grabbed him. He knew that he was supposed to avoid the monkeys, but now what could he do?

Thankfully, a bird saw what happened. He flew to tell Mowgli's friends. Baloo and Bagheera came to save him from the crazy monkeys!



Mowgli and his friends ran away from the monkeys. Soon they ran into a snake! The snake did a crazy dance. It made Mowgli's friends go to sleep. He shook his friends. They woke up, and they all ran away! Just as they were safely away from the monkeys, they ran into more

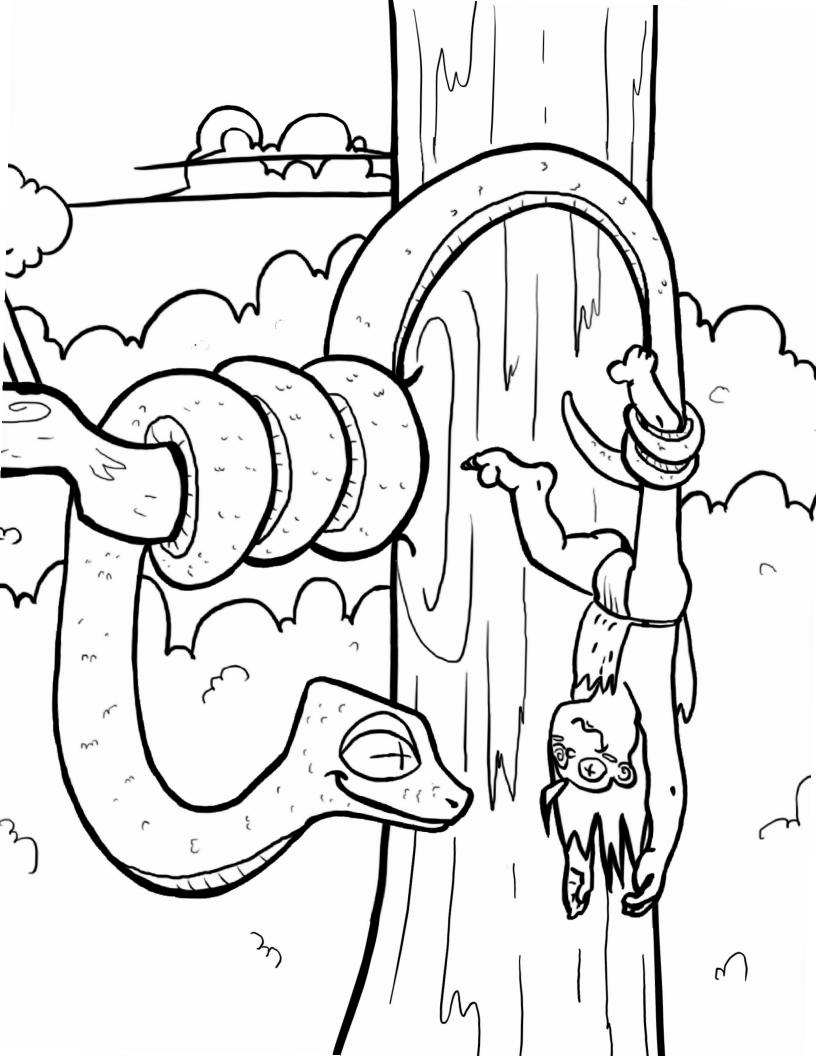
Kaa started to do his snake dance. His dance put Baloo and Bagheera

trouble. Kaa, a slithering, sneaky snake got their attention.

into a trance!

Mowgli started to get sleepy. He had to stop it! He jumped up and started shaking his friends.

They woke up and ran far away from Kaa!





Mowgli's mom and dad were getting old.

The mean wolves knew they could hurt them.

They had a meeting. The tiger told the wolves he would help them.



As Mowgli's parents got older, the evil wolves saw their chance to take them down and get Mowgli out of the pack. They had a meeting to plan what to do.

Shere Khan, the mean tiger, was at the meeting. He told the wolves that he would help them defeat Mowgli's parents as long as he got Mowgli in the end. They agreed to his plan.



The panther told Mowgli their bad plan.

Mowgli did not know how to save his parents.

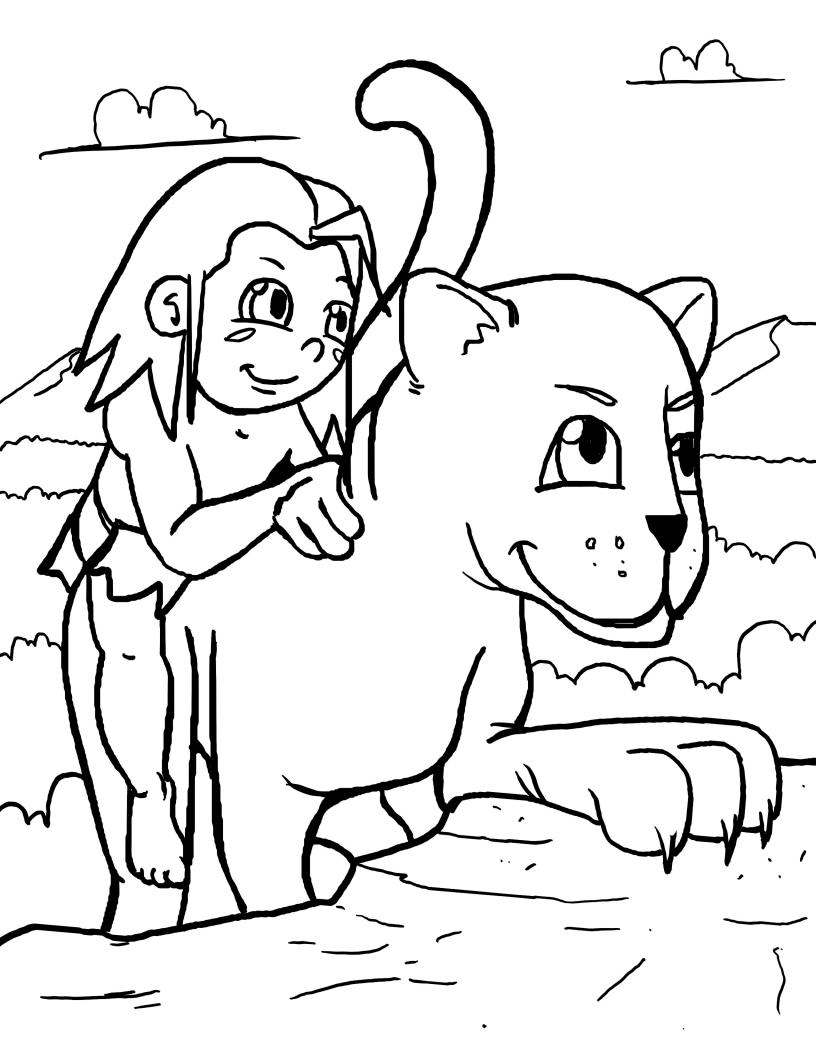
The panther told him to get fire! The tiger is afraid of fire.



Bagheera, the panther heard the meeting from a branch he was hiding on. He ran to tell Mowgli what the wolves had said--and what Shere Khan had said.

The panther told Mowgli that he could defeat Shere Khan. Mowgli did not see how he could do this.

Bagheera told Mowgli that tigers are afraid of fire. Mowgli could go into the village and get "the red flower." This is what the creatures of the village called the fire. This would help Mowgli stop Shere Khan!



The night of the meeting came. Mowgli ran to the humans' homes. He got the fire!



When the meeting time came, Mowgli ran bravely to the village. He crept up to the closest hut. He grabbed the torch from its holder. He ran as fast as he could back to the village to try to save Father Wolf from the enemy wolves and Shere Khan!





Mowgli ran to the tiger. He held the fire up!

It worked! The tiger ran away.



Shere Khan ran right at Mowgli! Mowgli held the torch up high, and Shere Khan backed away. It worked! The tiger was afraid of the fire!

However, when Mowgli turned to help Father Wolf, he was too late! The evil wolves had killed Akela! Mowgli ran as fast as he could with tears burning his cheeks.





Father Wolf was dead.

The bad wolves wanted to hurt him too!

Mowgli was sad. He knew he had to leave his friends.

He went to the village to live with humans.



Bagheera came to comfort Mowgli. Mowgli was so sad that he could not save Father Wolf. He was also sad because he knew that he must leave the jungle.

Bagheera and Mowgli said their goodbyes. Then Mowgli left the jungle and went back to the human village to live.



In the village, a woman helped him. He would live in her hut. He would be her child now.

The hut felt odd to him. He did not like it. He felt like he was in jail.

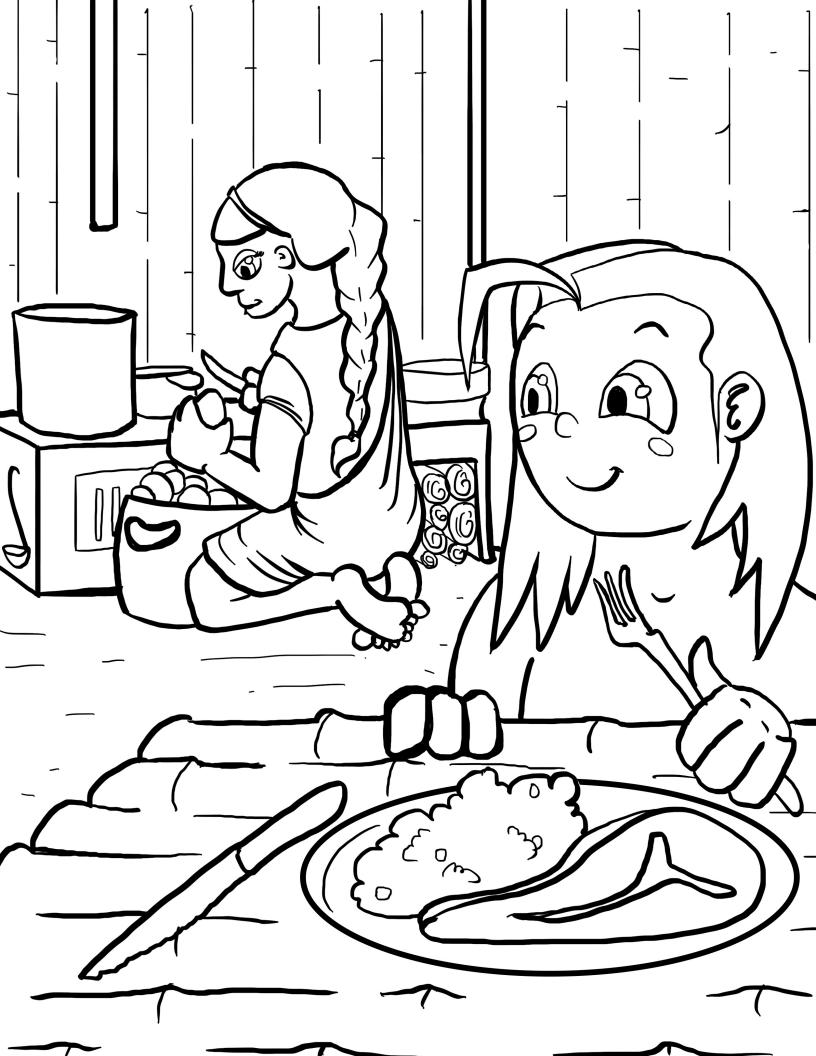


When Mowgli reached the human village, the people stared and pointed. Some whispered about this strange human.

A woman named Messua came forward. She thought that Mowgli might be her son that the tiger had stolen many years ago.

It was decided that Mowgli was not her son, but she said that she would take him to her hut and adopt him since he didn't have any family.

Mowgli went to her hut and ate. It looked like a prison to him, but he decided to stay and try to learn the human language and ways.



Brother Wolf came to see him in the hut. He told Mowgli that the tiger still wanted to kill the man cub.

The two of them would win! They would fight Shere Khan.



Mowgli was asleep in Messua's home. Suddenly, he was awakened by his wolf-brother.

Brother Wolf told Mowgli that Shere Khan was planning to come back to the jungle to find and kill Mowgli.

Mowgli told Brother Wolf that he would be ready. The two of them would meet again in the jungle, and they would defeat Shere Khan once and for all!



Mowgli had a job. He took care of the cows.

Mowgli and Brother Wolf made a plan. They met near the water. They planned to get Shere Khan while he was sleeping.



Mowgli was busy in the village. He was given the job of herding the cattle. He rode on a bull, and the cows followed close behind.

Brother Wolf sat on a rock where Mowgli could see him. This meant that Shere Khan was not looking for Mowgli yet.

One day Brother Wolf was not on the rock. Mowgli went and met him in the ravine where they had planned to meet.

Brother Wolf told Mowgli that Shere Khan had eaten his fill and was resting for now. This gave Mowgli an idea of how to beat Shere Khan.



Brother Wolf helped Mowgli. He took some cows to make a wall.

Mowgli took cows to run over the tiger. Brother Wolf howled. The tiger woke up. The cows did their job! They ran over Shere Khan!



Brother Wolf charged into Mowgli's herd and caused the beasts to move into two sections. One group blocked one of the entrances. The other group was led by Mowgli toward Shere Khan.

Brother Wolf let out a loud howl. The cattle began running crazily. They were bellowing and confused.

Shere Khan heard the noise and woke up. He got up from his sleep and saw the herd coming toward him. He tried to escape from the other entrance, but there were cows blocking that one.

 Before he knew it, the cows were trampling him beneath their hooves. Mowgli and Brother Wolf had won! They had defeated Shere Khan.



Mowgli had the tiger's skin. He had won!

Brother Wolf asked Mowgli to come back to the jungle. They could hunt with their good wolf brothers. Mowgli agreed. He loved the jungle. It was his home.



Mowgli worked hard for several hours to skin the beautiful hide of Shere Khan. Brother Wolf stood close by and watched.

When Mowgli finished, he got up and started walking towards the village. Brother Wolf told him that there were packs of wolves who were not against Mowgli. He asked Mowgli to come back to the jungle with him and his adopted brothers.

Mowgli agreed. He had been raised in the jungle. The jungle was his home. He would return there and hunt and live like the man cub he had been since he was a little child.



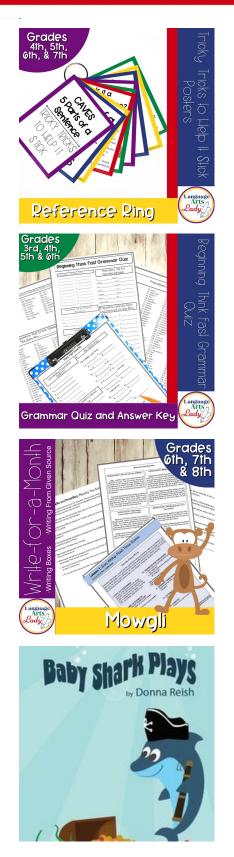


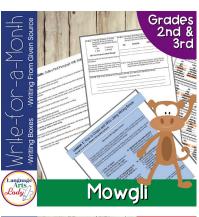
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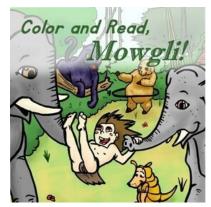
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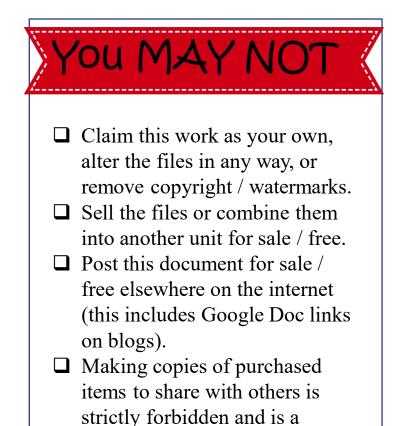


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