



The Prince and the Tiger
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The prince's guards have made him a ball out of *bayur* leaves.

They write the number of leaves on the ground beside the ball.

"I want a bigger bayur ball!" the prince yells.

"Look at this number! We need thousands... millions... we need a lot lot more!"

"But we have used all the young leaves, Your Highness. The older leaves are too fragile.

We cannot make them into a ball," one of the

guards says.

"Go search into the forest!" the prince orders them.

"But my prince, Inyiak the king of the jungle lives there," the other guard says.

"We are too scared to go."



"Fine, I will go look by myself. I am not afraid," the prince says, annoyed.

He walks into the forest. The guards follow behind, looking scared.

The prince looks everywhere for the perfect leaves.

Suddenly...



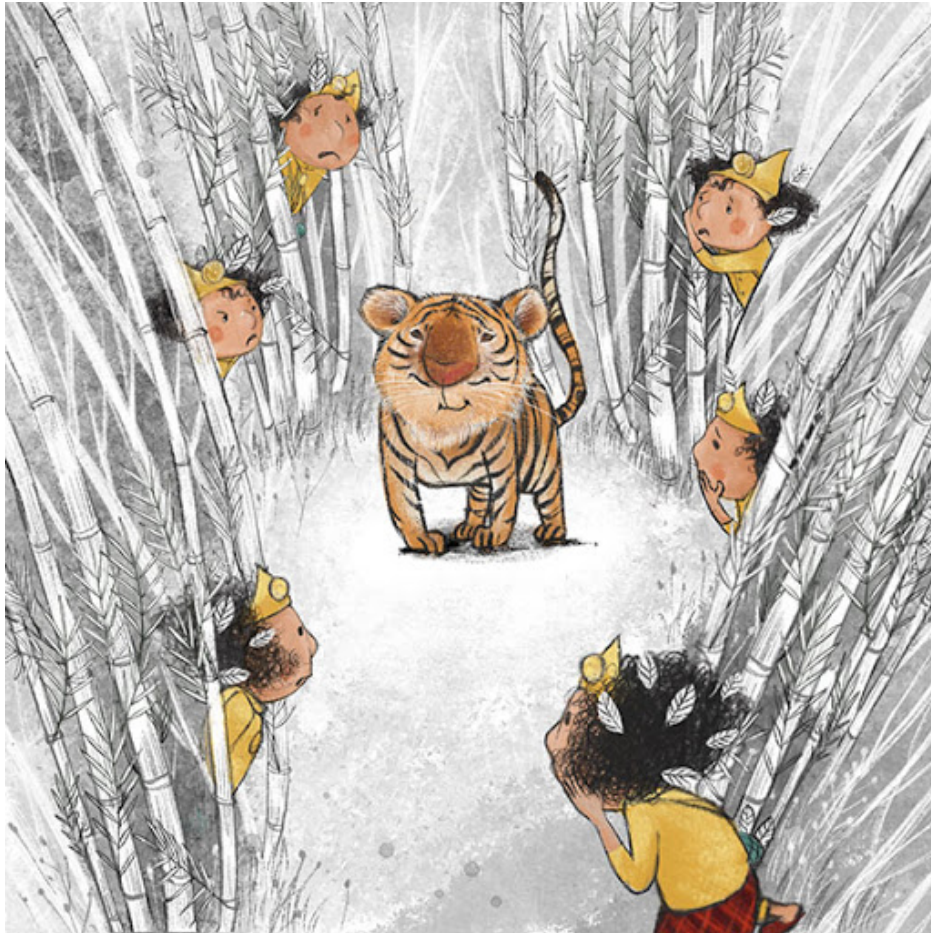
Roar!



Oh, no!

"There's Inyiak the king of the jungle!" all the guards shout.

They run away as fast as they can.



The prince is separated from his guards.
Without realizing it, the prince runs deeper
and deeper into the forest. Now he's all alone.
What should he do?
Wherever he runs, he bumps into the tiger!



Finally, he seems to have gotten away from the tiger. But which way is home?



Oh, no!
There's the tiger again!



But then the prince realizes something. The tiger is only blocking him from going in one direction. He isn't trying to pounce on him. Is the tiger trying to show the prince the way home?



Maybe he is trying to help.



The prince notices a trail of durian peels on the forest floor. Is this a clue for him?
The prince is still scared, but he follows the trail of fruit peels. Slowly, very slowly.



Every time the prince gets lost, the tiger gives him a new clue.



Finally, the prince reaches the village. He made it home!

"Roar!" the tiger yells from the forest.

The prince hesitates. That roar sounded painful.



The prince goes back into the forest.
The tiger is trapped!



The tiger has helped the prince.
Now it is the prince's turn to help the tiger.



The king has heard the tiger roaring, too. He brings his guards to the edge of the forest. "Don't hurt him, Dad!" the prince cries. "This tiger helped me."



The king is shocked, but he is grateful to the tiger. He proclaims, "Humans and tigers have to respect one another. This tiger saved my son. From now on, no one in our kingdom will hurt tigers and they will not hurt us."



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