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SAMPLE ONE

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After more than an hour, Lolo Dad makes a strategic decision; the pack has to move quickly up the hill. It seems that the cove is flooding, and the lions need to save themselves.

Leo is sad. He loves his home and hopes to return to it. He is so wet. He knows it will be hard to get out and run up the hill in this storm.

"We need to move fast, no time for whining. I know it's hard but you can do it," says Lolo Dad.

"Mom... can you help me?" Leo is having a hard time trying to stretch his legs. They are so heavy from the mud that is stuck on them.

"No, honey, you are a big cub and I can't carry you anymore. Sometimes, there are things that you need to do by yourself and for yourself," says Mom. "Just follow Dad and we're all going to make it just fine!"



Leo slowly picks himself up and shuffles out of the cove. The raindrops hit his head as he tries to lift his legs as high as he can. He doesn't want to sink in the mud which keeps getting deeper and deeper.

Dad helps Grandma and Grandpa by trying to push them gently up the hill, and trying to keep them from sliding down.

Leo follows behind, proud of his effort to save himself. Staying in the cove would have been very dangerous.

"Look at me," thinks Leo to himself. "I'm a big cub! I can take care of myself!"

Chapter 2 - Who Needs Help?

As Leo watches Lolo Dad helping Grandma, a thought crosses his mind. He turns back and looks at the cove. He sees the beetles' leaf all covered in mud.

He calls their names. "Benny! Brooke!" but he doesn't hear any answer. "Oh no!"

Leo charges back toward the cove. His only thought is to save his friends as he runs down the hill as fast as he can.

Leo makes it to the beetles just in time. He shakes the leaf, and the mud slides down, revealing both beetles. They hurry to take a deep breath. Phew! It takes them a second to be okay again. The beetles look at Leo with gratitude.

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"Here is one Mishnaya for you," says Hillel.

"If I am not for myself, who will be for me, but if I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?"

"Remember yesterday?" asks Moshe. "You saved yourself! You didn't sit and cry, and you didn't whine and complain. You took care of yourself."

"Sometimes you are the only one who can help yourself. You have to be strong and smart. You should believe in yourself! Once you succeed, then you can help others. Because like you said, that's what friends are for, right?"

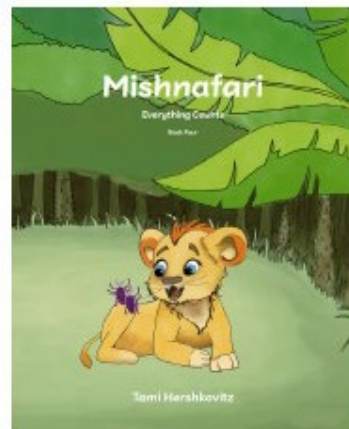
"Right!" says Leo. "I wouldn't have two of my friends if I hadn't helped them yesterday."



"I'm glad I followed your Mishnaya, Hillel, without even knowing that I did it."

After saying their goodbyes, Leo makes a list in his mind of all of the things he is going to try to do all by himself. He can't wait to get back and tell Benny all about Hillel.

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