The Adventure of Emma and Nehemiah
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Pre-reading questions:
• What would you do if you got lost?
• Have you ever asked for help from someone that you did not know?

One night, an elephant named Emma was walking through the forest. While she was walking, a leopard jumped in front of her!

“Dinner time!” the leopard said to Emma.

Emma screamed and ran away. She continued running, farther and farther away. Emma did not know where she was. When she crossed a small stream, she knew that she had never been in this part of the forest before. She was lost!
Emma became tired of walking and laid down to sleep. She was awakened by the sound of yelling. She looked up. A hornbill was falling out of the sky!

**Thump!** He fell on her. The hornbill sat up and looked confused.

“Where am I?” he said. “I was resting and I fell off my branch!”

Emma said, “Hi, I’m Emma!”

The hornbill said, “Hi, Emma! I’m Nehemiah.”

“Can you help me?” asked Emma.

“Sure! What do you need help with?”

“I need help to find my way home.”

“Okay, I can help you! Which way did you come from?”

Emma shrugged. “I don’t know.”

Nehemiah pointed. “Let’s go this way!”

The two began their journey.

They soon came upon a giant river.

“This river is very big and I am too scared to fly
“Climb on my back!” said Emma. “I am big and I can cross the river.”

They safely crossed the river with Nehemiah on Emma’s back.

“Hey, look! There is my family’s home! Thank you, Nehemiah!”

Nehemiah smiled. “Well, now I have to find my family!” he said, and they began their next adventure.

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