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## Why hippos have no hair

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فِي أَحَدِ الْأَيَّامِ، كَانَ أَرْنَبٌ يَمْشِي بِالْقُرْبِ مِنْ حَافَةِ التَّهْرِ.

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One day, Rabbit was walking by the riverside.

Hippo was there too, going for a stroll and  
eating some nice green grass.

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مَنْ يُحِبُّ يُعِذِّبُهُ فَإِنْ شَاءَ مُؤْمِنْ





لَمْ تَكُنَ الْفَرَشُ تَعْرِفُ بِوُجُودِ الْأَرْنَبِ فَدَاسَتْ بِطَرِيقِ الْخَطَاءِ عَلَى قَدَمِهِ. صَرَخَ الْأَرْنَبُ بِوَجْهِ فَرَسِ النَّهَرِ، "أَنْتِ يَا فَرَسَ النَّهَرِ! أَلَا تَرَيْنَ أَنِّي دُسْتَ عَلَى قَدَمِي؟"

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Hippo didn't see that Rabbit was there and she accidentally stepped on Rabbit's foot. Rabbit started screaming at Hippo, "You Hippo! Can't you see that you're stepping on my foot?"



فَرِحَ الْأَرْنَبُ أَنَّ شَعْرَ فَرَسِ النَّهَرِ قد احْتَرَقَ. وَحَتَّى يَوْمَنَا هَذَا، وَخُوفًا مِنَ النَّارِ، لَا تَبْتَعِدُ فَرَسَ النَّهَرِ عَنِ الْمَاءِ أَبَدًا.

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Rabbit was happy that Hippo's hair was burned. And to this day, for fear of fire, the hippo never goes far from the water.

Hippo apologised to Rabbit, "I'm so sorry. I  
wouldn't listen and he shouted at Hippo, "You  
didn't see you. Please forgive me!" But Rabbit  
did that on purpose! Someday, you'll see!  
You're going to pay!"

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לְבָנֶךָ, וְאַתָּה תְּבִדֵּל בְּלֹא  
לְמִלְחָמָה? אֲמִתָּה תְּבִדֵּל בְּלֹא  
לְמִלְחָמָה?"

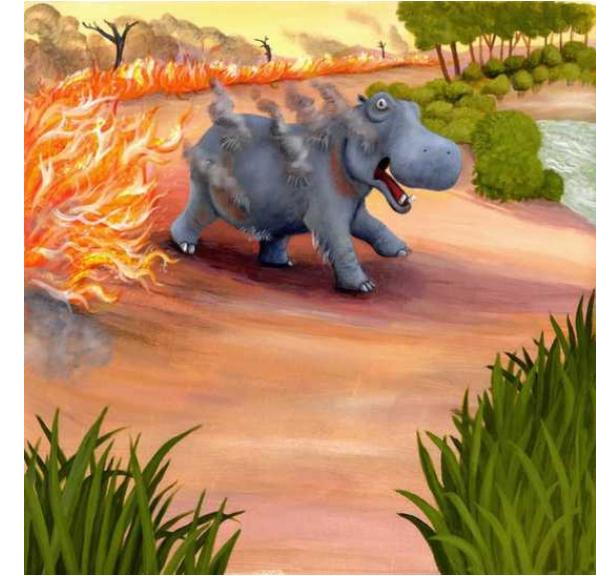


Hippo started to cry and ran for the water. All  
her hair was burned off by the fire. Hippo kept  
crying, "My hair has burned in the fire! My hair  
is all gone! My beautiful hair!"

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ذهب الأرنب ليبحث عن النار وقال، “إذهبِي وأحرقِي فرس النهر عندما تأتِ إلى الماء لتأكلَ الغُشْبَ لأنَّها دَاسَتْ عَلَيَّ”. أجابته النار، “سأفْعُلُ مَا طَلَبْتَ مِنِّي يا صَدِيقِي”.

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Rabbit went to find Fire and said, “Go, burn Hippo when she comes out of the water to eat grass. She stepped on me!” Fire answered, “No problem, Rabbit, my friend. I’ll do just what you ask.”

وَبَعْدَ ذَلِكَ بَيْنَمَا كَانَتْ فَرَسُ النَّهَرِ تَأْكُلُ الْغُشْبَ، إِنْدَلَقَتِ الْيَرَانُ وَبَدَأَتْ بِحَرْقِ شَغْرِ فَرَسِ النَّهَرِ.

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Later, Hippo was eating grass far from the river when, “Whoosh!” Fire burst into flame. The flames began to burn Hippo’s hair.