



LITTLE LUNA'S ADVENTURE

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Luna was an adorable, adventurous little lamb. She saw things differently than others, she always found solutions to problems and viewed everything as a way to grow. One breezy October morning, Luna and her family went out for a stroll. Luna was known for being a little distracted and scattered but she would not let that stop her. As she was walking with her family, a beautiful butterfly flew across and brushed against her nose. Luna was fascinated by its beauty and how unique it was. It fluttered past her, and Luna followed. She did not hesitate to go and kept walking. She kept following it through meadows, forests, and even through...Ice?! She was so drowsy she took a moment to rest. After a minute or so, she looked and saw that she was in a dry, arid desert. She started to panic and cried out looking for her family. She laid down for a nap hoping she would wake up and be home, but she knew there was no hope. She got up, wiped away her tears, and started walking. She shamed herself and exclaimed, "Why are you so stupid Luna. You always

get distracted." She heard a voice saying "You are not stupid. You must find a way, you got this." She looked around and saw a camel, "I'm Omar, I can help guide you." he said. She was not sure if she should take up his offer but knew there was no way she could do it without him. She reluctantly accepted and walked for miles with him. By the time the sun had set, she made it to a glacier. She recalled trotting mindlessly through it before, so she knew she was on the right path. RUMBLE RUMBLE! The ice cap she stood on broke away. She shook in terror. Slowly the ice drifted away. She assumed and hoped it was going in the right direction but if she ever made it to land it would take days! She sighed hopelessly and plopped straight onto her stomach to sleep. Hours later, she woke up and noticed she was close to land. "What?!" she questioned. She looked around and made out a figure in the water and started to freak out. The figure slowly reached the surface of the water. She trembled in fear and shut her eyes closed until she heard... "You're awake! Morning! Wait no- it's still night." Luna opened one eye and saw a walrus. "Who are you, and what do you want?!" Luna screamed. "Oh, I didn't mean to startle you, I'm Dakota. I presumed you needed to go to land so I've been helping to push this ice cap. At least I got my workout in!" Dakota said cheerfully. "Oh my gosh! Thank you so much. This means a lot to me; I was separated from my family." Luna said in relief. Dakota nodded and got back to work. Soon enough, Luna was back on land in a forest. The sky was lit by the morning sun and crisp air. She had a determined smirk on her face and guided herself through the forest. She hadn't realized, but she'd been walking for hours, it was now dusk. The forest was terrifying at night. There were rustling noises and one thing especially creeped Luna out, howling. She felt like she could hear footsteps approach from behind but brushed it off. She tried to stay calm, but she could hardly see anything. Luna's eyes started to fill with tears, and she wanted to give up. Luna stopped walking because she could sense something was nearby. She turned around to a pack of coyotes, she knew she wasn't making it out of there, so she just backed away and yelped for help. "Hello there little horse! Don't even think about leaving, were hungry." one said. "I'm a lamb." she said with a sassy tone. Annoyed he said, "Oh whatever! Back to what I was saying-" ROAARRRRR! A bear

appeared in the distance. The coyotes ran with fear. Luna didn't know if the bear wanted to help her or have a nice snack. "Come on! Hurry up before you freeze to death out here." the bear said in a calming tone. The bear let her stay in her den for the night so she could be safe. Luna slept well knowing she could see her family soon. She woke to the bright morning light shining in her eyes. She got back on the trail at once but not forgetting to thank the bear before she left. By the time it was noon, Luna was back in the meadows, she rolled in the flowers with relief. "I'm home!!" she yelled with joy. Luna just needed to find her way back to her cottage. That was a problem because she had no idea where to start. She saw an insect flying towards her. It was the same butterfly! She was uncertain about following it, but it was a risk she was willing to take. She followed it for half an hour and sure enough she was home. She jumped with happiness and exclaimed, "Mom, dad, I'm home!" Their cottage door swung open, "Oh Luna! We've been looking for you." Her parents cried. They all went inside and gave each other the biggest hug. Luna learned an especially important lesson but always looks back into that moment with appreciation to all the people who guided her.