

# How the Tiger Got Its Stripes

Once upon a time in a lush green forest, there lived a tiger named Tigo. Tigo was very special because he was the only tiger in the whole forest. But one thing made him sad: he had no stripes!

All the other animals, like the zebra and the snake, had beautiful patterns on their bodies, which helped them camouflage in the forest. Tigo wanted to blend in too, so he decided to ask his friends for help.

One day, Tigo asked the wise old elephant, "How can I get stripes like you all?" The elephant thought for a moment and said, "To get your stripes, you will need to go on a great adventure! You must go to the magical river at the other end of the forest."

Excited, Tigo set off on his journey. Along the way, he met a friendly monkey swinging from the trees. "Where are you going, Tigo?" asked the monkey. Tigo replied, "I'm going to find the magical river to get my stripes!"

The monkey wanted to join him, so they continued together. They had to cross high hills, jump over streams, and even tiptoe past sleeping bears! After a long day of adventures, they finally reached the magical river as the sun began to set.

At the river, they saw a shimmering light. The water sparkled like stars! Tigo approached the river and saw a tiny fish swimming. "Hello, little fish! How do I get my stripes?" Tigo asked.

The little fish smiled and swam closer. "You must jump into the river and wish for what you want!" said the fish. Tigo took a deep breath, swam to the middle of the river, and wished with all his heart for his beautiful stripes.

Suddenly, the water bubbled and splashed! Tigo felt a tickling sensation all over his body. When he came out of the river, he looked in a pool nearby and saw that he now had stunning black stripes dancing across his golden fur!

Tigo was so happy! He thanked the fish and his friend the monkey, who cheered for him. From that day on, Tigo the tiger loved his stripes, and he felt proud of who he was.

And that's how the tiger got its stripes. Whenever you see a tiger, remember Tigo's adventure and how it teaches us to always be brave and follow our dreams!